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Members of the class of 2009 participate in the festivities during Slime Night/UpRoar in 2005. The class of 2010 set a Baylor Line record by purchasing more than 2,000 gold jerseys to be worn at football games this fall. Slime Night/UpRoar begins at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Burleson Quadrangle.



File photo

Freshmen set Line record

Slime Night/UpRoar combination proves successful tradition

By Van Darden
Staff writer

Floyd Casey Stadium will look like the inside of Fort Knox Sunday as a record 2,000-plus freshmen don their gold Baylor Line jerseys to help kick off the 2006 football season.

Sunday's afternoon game will be the first opportunity for the class of 2010 to experience a Baylor home game as a student, a notion that's not been lost on Luke Baker.

Baker, a Littleton, Colo.,

senior, is a coordinator for this year's Baylor Line.

Baker is responsible for a variety of things, including making sure freshmen know which direction to run onto the field before the beginning of the games and ensuring proper game-day protocol.

To get this done, Baker enlisted the help of student government and has organized Baylor's second annual Slime Night/UpRoar.

"The original plan was to schedule UpRoar as close to the first game as possible," Baker said. "Last year it just so happened that UpRoar and Slime Night were on the same night, so we combined them."

The idea was so successful, Baker and his team decided to do it again this year.

Slime Night traditionally has been the night for freshman to receive their slime caps, a tradition dating back to the early 1900s, and to learn about other Baylor traditions.

UpRoar was created in the fall of 2005 as a campus wide pep rally before major football games.

The 2006 Slime Night/UpRoar will begin at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Burleson Quadrangle.

During this time, freshmen are invited to pick up their Baylor Line jerseys and slime caps and listen to the history of some of Baylor's oldest traditions.

UpRoar will begin around 7:15 p.m.

"We want to make this as big and exciting event for freshmen as possible," Baker said.

Student Body President Mark Laymon said he hopes that by combining the two events, students will get pumped up about Baylor football.

"We want to get that buzz going before the game," Laymon said. "From the beginning, we want students to know that UpRoar is a time to hang out and get excited for football."

Featured at this year's UpRoar will be Baylor football head Coach Guy Morriss and mem-

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Church size influences leadership

CEO pastors gain popularity as smaller congregations continue dominating religious landscape

By Claire St. Amant
Reporter

When thinking of a model pastor for a church, Billy Graham comes to mind more often than Bill Gates. Yet many churches today are looking for a CEO rather than a shepherd.

"Many churches today operate under CEO leadership, and we have found that what congregations really need is leadership like that of a shepherd," said Dr. Donald Schmeltekopf, director of the Center for Ministry Effectiveness and Education Leadership.

The topic of shepherd leadership was introduced by the center during an August workshop for small churches.

"A lot of larger churches think of their pastors as a CEO because they have a large staff and are expected to be a charismatic leader," Schmeltekopf said. "But this is modeled after the corporate world, and there are real problems with that. At the end of the workshop, people had different ideas about what leadership in a church should look like."

The event, he said, sparked a lively conversation that is continuing today about leadership in churches both large and small.

"It's not an issue of the 'right size' of the church. The key for the leaders is breaking the larger group down into smaller groups to lead people through relationships," Director of University Ministries Steve Graves said.

When looking at congregations like Highland Baptist Church and University Baptist Church, it may be hard to believe the majority of Baptist Churches in Texas are considered small.

"According to the Baptist General Convention of Texas, 75 percent of Baptist Churches in Texas have less than 100 members," the center's Assistant Director Julie Covington said.

The ministry effectiveness and education center, she said, has ministries that focus on both small and large congregations, as needs of congregations do differ based on size.

She added that one common theme shared by

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Baylor photography

China Spring senior quarterback Shawn Bell leads the Bears offensive in 2005's season-ending win against Oklahoma State University. Bell passed for nearly 2,000

yards last season and started nine of Baylor's 11 games. The Bears open the season against Texas Christian University at 4:30 p.m. Sunday at Floyd Casey Stadium.

Bears roar into 2006

Bowl berth weighs heavy on minds of senior-laden squad

By Daniel Youngblood
Sports editor

For the first time in a decade, the Baylor football team's dreams of making a bowl game have become an expectation. After 10 consecutive losing seasons, the Bears believe they're ready to shed the "cellar dweller" moniker for good and replace it with a new era of Baylor football.

"Anything's reachable," starting

quarterback Shawn Bell said. "We got a veteran staff and veteran ball players who've all been working hard."

"Hopefully, we're going to shock not only the Big 12, but the nation."

Bell isn't the only one with high hopes on this Baylor squad. Dominique Zeigler, a standout receiver for the Bears who caught 48 passes for 563 yards and five touchdowns last season, said he hinks this team has championship caliber.

"You can't really set expectations on this team," Zeigler said. "The sky's the limit."

"Everybody is planning to go to the Fiesta Bowl, so that's our big goal."

While fourth-year head Coach Guy Morriss is a little more realistic in his expectations, he's also had some trouble tempering his enthusiasm.

"Our ultimate goal is to be 12-0, but to be bowling in December or January is the goal we set to accomplish this year."

"We really don't want to backdoor it in there with six wins either we'd like to march in the front door with seven or eight wins."

And for the first time in a long

time, seven or eight wins may be attainable.

With five wins and a couple of close calls last season, the Bears gave their fans their most successful season since 1995.

Bell said the team's success on the field last season combined with the coaches' success on the recruiting trail this summer makes it a good time to be a Baylor fan.

"This is by far the most excited anybody's ever been for Baylor football since I've been here," he said. "You can see it on the field here, the way everybody's running

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CLs report conversations to directors

By Analiz González
Staff writer

The last conversation you had with your community leader may be filed away in your hall director's computer.

Twice a week, community leaders submit reports in which they write about conversations they have with members of their hall, often paraphrasing or directly quoting residents.

"Some hall directors make you write down everything you talk about, but neither of my hall directors did," said Ty McNeely,

an Ardmore, Okla., junior and former CL.

"I couldn't in good conscience sit down with my residents and (then) tell my bosses exactly what they said. But I believe there are some hall directors who would make you tell exactly what they said," he said.

Campus Living and Learning is looking out for the dorm residents, he said.

But, he added, "I agree that it might get a little bit excessive sometimes."

North Village Residential Community CL Becca Mayhew,

an Omaha, Neb., sophomore said CLs are required to submit biweekly reports to their hall directors that document conversations they've had with residents about topics such as academics, spirituality and relationships.

"I think (the reports) are good in the way they hold us accountable to be centered in our reasons for being a CL and it holds us accountable for our hall," Mayhew said.

"The bad side is that it can be taken the wrong way by residents. They might think that our

conversations were a way to get our homework done rather than authentically getting to know them. I understand the heart behind both sides."

Mayhew said she is sincerely interested in how her residents are doing when she talks to them, but she sometimes feels like she has to force conversations about certain things because she knows she will have to submit a report.

Frank Shushok, dean for student learning and engagement,

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Henry Chan/Lariat staff

First-year community leader Philip Snowden, a Houston sophomore, chats Wednesday with Jordan Lovelady, a Dallas freshman, in the lobby of Penland.

Trans-Texas Corridor not solution to traffic congestion

Apparently it doesn't matter how Texans feel about the Trans-Texas Corridor. The decision to build has been made by the powers that be.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) held dozens public meetings during the summer in areas that would be affected by the corridor. Most of the people who showed up at the meetings were against it.

Among the public's complaints was the corridor's multibillion-dollar price tag, the several decades it would take to construct and the government's use of eminent domain to acquire the necessary land for the project.

But that's not stopping

TxDOT from constructing an incognito corridor east of Austin and calling it state highway 130.

In June, Cintra-Zachry reached an agreement with the state to construct the southern tract of highway 130, a 90-mile road that will connect Georgetown to Seguin.

The highway reportedly was going to end south of Austin at the junction with State Highway 183 because of underfunding, but Cintra-Zachry put up the \$1.3 billion to complete the highway. In exchange for financing, constructing and maintaining the highway, Cintra-Zachry will collect a share of tolls for 50 years.

point of view



BY JOE DOOLEY

The Trans-Texas Corridor also would be a toll road. Its proposed path runs directly over highway 130. Furthermore, Cintra-Zachry is the same partnership that is developing the Trans-Texas Corridor.

Coincidence? I think not. The Trans-Texas Corridor would be part of a superhighway stretching from Mexico through the United States to Canada to

facilitate the mass transportation of goods between the three countries.

Truck traffic on Interstate 35 has increased dramatically since the North American Free Trade Agreement went into effect in the mid-1990s. Congestion, particularly around Austin, is forcing TxDOT officials to think of an alternative north-south route to ease the burden off I-35.

"We're planning for the next 20 to 50 years," says Gabby Garcia, spokeswoman for the Texas Turnpike Authority Division, which is responsible for planning the corridor. "I-35 is not going to be sufficient to handle the demands of the next generation."

A noble objective, undoubtedly, but here's the rub: According to TxDOT, 47 residences and 18 commercial businesses will be displaced to make way for the Cintra-Zachry portion of highway 130 alone. That's just a 38-mile stretch of highway. How many more homes and businesses would be displaced by the corridor's remaining 400 miles?

Garcia says the impact would not be as severe as some think. TxDOT is looking to incorporate existing roads and railroads to minimize the amount of right-of-way, or expropriated land, the corridor requires.

To the state's credit, it recognizes there is a transportation

problem in Texas. However, our resources would be more efficiently applied to upgrading Texas's existing infrastructure.

Instead of usurping thousands of acres from private owners and investing billions of dollars in a superhighway, why not expand I-35 and construct a loop around Austin? The government would not have to acquire as much land and not as many homes and businesses would have to relocate.

That said, highway 130 is a good start, but it should only be used as an alternative route around Austin, not as the future Trans-Texas Corridor.

Joe Dooley is a junior English major from Portland, Texas.

Editorial

Gas price complaints unnecessary

The general public likes to complain about two things in the dog days of August: how hot it is and the "high" price of gasoline.

There's no debating how hot and humid it is outside, but America needs a quick reality check about the price of gasoline and how high it really could be.

For instance, if you want to drive down to the corner gas station in London, you would end up shelling out nearly \$6 per gallon. And prices all over Europe and Asia nearly double America's because of heavy taxing by governments on oil.

However, European countries also are known for well developed public transportation system, such as London's Underground which serves 3 million customers every day and runs as many as 500 trains each day.

England, though, is a much more compact nation than America, making public transport easier to maintain and more efficient.

Other than subway systems in major cities like New York City, Los Angeles and Washington, D.C., cities in America rely on rarely used bus systems that have limited hours, stops and aren't even available in every town.

A popular mode of transportation in the Netherlands is the bicycle, and with good reason. A gallon of gas there will empty your pocketbook to the tune of almost \$6.50 a gallon.

It's not like that all over the world, however. In Saudi Arabia and Kuwait citizens can fill up their tanks for just under \$1 a gallon, and in Venezuela residents enjoy gas for \$.12 a gallon. Of course, these are among the top oil-producing nations in the world and



transportation and government taxation of the resource isn't a problem.

Compared to the United States, these countries produce at least four times the oil we do.

We have to accept that the most reliable mode of transportation is our own vehicles, and the convenience of personal vehicles more than outweighs the price of gas.

So, why do Americans enjoy complaining constantly about the cost of gas?

It's simple, really. We've been spoiled in the past by gas prices that didn't rise along with the inflation rates. In 2001 it wouldn't have been unheard of to buy a gallon of gas for a dollar. While the price of a gallon of

milk had tripled since 1970, the price of gasoline had risen only 33 percent, and as soon as the price began to level out in relation to inflation, we overreacted because of our ignorance.

No one is requiring American citizens to buy Hummer H2s and Ford Expeditions and Chevy Suburbans, and if you have the means to spend \$40,000 on a gas guzzler, then you can probably afford to shell out \$70 to fill up your tank.

Gasoline is still one of the cheapest liquids you can buy per gallon. A gallon of milk will get you for nearly \$4 now. A gallon of Tropicana Pure Premium orange juice would set you back \$5 and a gallon of Hershey's chocolate syrup can cost you about \$13.

Ever felt like you drank a gallon of Red Bull Energy Drink in a late-night study session? A gallon of Red Bull could cost you more than \$30. A gallon of many other commonly used liquids could also cost you much more than gasoline. While big oil continues to post record profits, we shouldn't get mad at them. We should get mad at ourselves for not realizing how fortunate we are to have an abundant and relatively inexpensive fuel to power our lives.

And if you're still livid about how much it costs you to drive home to see your family and friends on the weekend, you can always transfer to the University of Eindhoven in the Netherlands and buy a bike.

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Students should beware of unwanted Facebook attention

With so many opportunities to express yourself on the Internet, the question comes up: where is the line between researching and stalking?

With servers like MySpace and Facebook growing in popularity by the day, it's hard to say what's safe and what's not anymore.

With MySpace claiming to have 57 million members, and currently expanding into the United Kingdom, personal information is being exposed to anyone with a membership.

Facebook had 5.5 million views in one month alone this

past year, ranking it the seventh most trafficked site on the Internet.

With a new development allowing companies to view Facebook pages in the works, soon information posted on Facebook will be available to more people than ever before.

The dangerous part of this creation is that you are unknowingly being researched.

It really is an innocent thing; all you're doing is posting information about yourself so others can know more about you.

Adding pictures in albums can be a huge help because

point of view



BY ASHLEY STOCKER

you no longer have to print pictures out and send them to your friends if they want them.

But what about those people you don't know who are looking at your pictures or personal information?

Many teachers, as well as employers, have made it a regular practice to go online and look

up information through one of these resources so they are better informed about their new students or potential employees prior to meeting them.

This is a little-known fact to many college students, and it's hurting them in the job application process while they're completely unaware of it.

The most interesting thing I found while researching Facebook was a resource literally called the "Facebook Stalker." This downloadable device allows users to know exactly what is changed on a members profile when it is updated.

Through this device users can not only see the new page, but they are also allowed to see what old information was deleted or replaced.

This will be an even bigger help to employers who are looking for students who change their page the night before an interview in hopes of protecting their chances of landing the job.

Expressing yourself is part of what college is all about, and with that in mind I understand why it is Mark Zuckerberg developed the Facebook community.

However, after doing a lot

of research online, I discovered countless stories of students who had been personally attacked and scared from people simply messaging them on their pages.

I believe Facebook can be useful, whether it be for finding classmates or sharing pictures. However, I believe everyone should be careful in what and how much personal information they provide on the Web.

You never know who might be watching.

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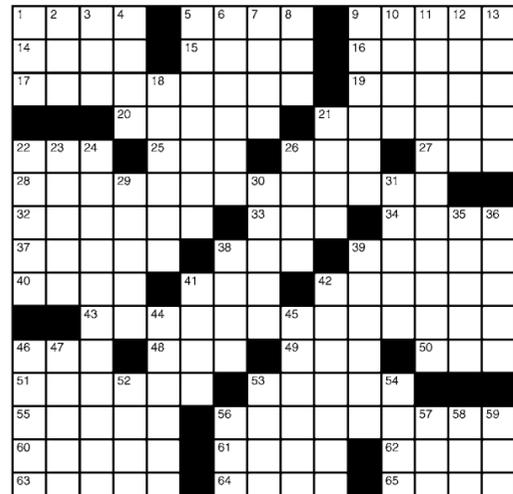
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By Alan P. Olschwang, Huntington Beach, CA 8/31/06

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\$1 million grant benefits churches

Amanda Bray
Assistant City Editor

In an effort to equip local church congregations, Christ Is Our Salvation, Inc. (CIOS) has given Baylor's Center for Family and Community Ministries and the School of Social Work a \$1.1 million grant.

Paul and Katy Piper fund CIOS. They also became interested in the School of Social Work's response to Hurricane Katrina victims, said Jon Singletary, assistant professor of social work.

Dr. Gaynor Yancey, associate professor of church and community, said the Pipers "felt a leading from God that congregations needed to have resources and training that would help them learn how to incorporate

church and community ministry into their congregations."

This community ministry program focuses on three distinct areas, Singletary said, the first of which is congregational internships where students learn about church social work practice and implement skills and knowledge in practice, he said.

A second aspect is the creation of the associate professor of church and community who leads student consultants, and together they offer workshops in congregations, Singletary said.

A third and final focus involves online resources and a print journal for church leaders communicating relevant research to community and family ministries in addition to ministry profiles, reviews and

other materials, he said.

"The focus of all of this is to train future leaders (our students) in congregational and community ministry and to help resource and strengthen congregations in their outreach to people in need," Yancey said.

Both undergraduate and graduate social work students will intern in congregations as well as interact with a team of consultants studying research and resources, Singletary said.

"Local churches that are serving as the sites for our internships have said how excited they are to have students and a consulting team work with them ... to determine the assets of their community as well as local needs, to foster cross-cultural relationships in their neighborhoods and to imple-

ment ministries that effectively meet needs," Singletary said.

Mallory Homeyer, first-year student at George W. Truett Theological Seminary from Kenedy, is one of six student consultants for the Congregational Community Ministry project consulting team.

"From what I know of (my) role thus far, (I'll) be assisting Dr. Gaynor Yancey and Dr. Jon Singletary in producing the information for the resource materials created for churches," Homeyer said.

Some of the resources will include Bible studies focusing on poverty and social issues. Also among the materials are pamphlets with instructions on how churches can begin programs to meet the needs of their community, Homeyer said.

BEAR BRIEFS

Blackboard Seminars
Blackboard Student Seminars will be held from noon to 4 p.m. today in Moody Memorial Library G32. Seminars will last 45 minutes and attendance is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Intramural Softball
Intramural Softball Registration takes place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. today at the Campus Recreation Offices in the McLane Student Life Center. The cost is \$45 per team.

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Intramural Golf League Registration takes place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. today at the Campus Recreation Offices in the McLane Student Life Center. Cost is to be announced.

Intramural Racquetball
Intramural Racquetball League Registration takes place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. today at the Campus Recreation Offices in the McLane Student Life Center. The cost is \$5 per person.

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General speaks on Iraq exit

By Elena Becatoros
Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The top U.S. general in Iraq said Wednesday he believes Iraqi forces can take over security with little coalition support within a year to 18 months.

"I don't have a date, but I can see over the next 12 to 18 months the Iraqi security forces progressing to a point where they can take on the security responsibilities for the country, with very little coalition support," Gen. George Casey said in Baghdad.

That takeover would not mean U.S. troops leaving immediately. It is part of a



Associated Press

Iraqi army soldiers patrol, during the prayer day vehicle ban Friday, in Baqouba, 35 miles northeast of Baghdad, Iraq.

U.S. military plan to hand over responsibilities, move into large bases and provide support while Iraqis take the lead. A U.S. drawdown would start after that occurred.

The coalition has been training and equipping Iraqi

forces. Casey said they are now 75 percent along the path of being able to operate independently.

Although the United States has made its strategy public, U.S. officials rarely mention dates or details.

Programming students put skills to the test on real-world problems

By Orie Achonwa
Reporter

When time is the enemy, Baylor students meet the challenge.

Stephenville sophomore Nick Soltau won the first round of the International Collegiate Programming competition this year, held Tuesday at Rogers Engineering and Computer Science Building.

Assistant Professor of Computer Science Dr. Greg Hamerly and Associate Professor Dr. David Sturgill organized and judged the programming contest, which challenged competitors to solve real-life problems using their programming skills.

Students were asked to write programs — to sort and track student records, to determine the optimal operating hours for a store, to cut printing costs and to handle secure communica-

tions. Points are earned for solving the most problems the fastest with the least amount of penalties.

"The difficulty is how to utilize a variety of competencies in Computer Science and get it right with the pressure of time against them," Hamerly said.

"The competition was fun but the time constraints intensified the level of difficulty. The hardest part was deciding whether you will be able to solve a problem before investing time to work on it" Soltau said.

This year's prizes included gift certificates from Altex Electronics, computer equipment and valuable programming books.

The local programming contest is an individual competition, but the regional and international contests are team competitions.

Winners from Baylor will travel to the regional competition in November where they'll compete against other teams to solve real life problems in a five-hour time limit.

Regional winners will then advance to the international competition.

The international contest is funded through IBM and put on by the Association of Computing Machinery (ACM) International. Baylor recently hosted the 30th annual ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest World Finals in San Antonio in April. Baylor organized the World Finals for the 83 teams of students that were narrowed down from the 5,606 teams selected from 1,737 universities in 84 countries around the world.

The competition is open to undergraduates and first-year graduates from all majors.

Baylor Interfraternity Council recruitment begins with attitude adjustment

By Laura Klingsporn
Reporter

The Interfraternity Council will begin its recruitment process this fall with a new attitude on recruitment and the education of its future members.

"We want to be more proactive in doing education and providing them (students) with resources and developing our members as they are here on campus," said Tam Dunn, associate director of student activities for greek life.

Recruitment will begin with tables at Fountain Mall. Other planned events include a barbe-

cue and Effectively Developing Greeks (EDG), a new-member education seminar focused on fraternity values and dispelling common myths about fraternity involvement. These activities will present students of all classifications with opportunities to spend time with members of the different fraternities and learn what each group is about.

The first major IFC recruitment event is the Kick-Off, which will take place Sept. 10 at the Baylor Sciences Building. The Kick-Off will include a presentation on fraternities, highlighting the positives of Greek involvement and addressing

some of the myths associated with fraternities.

"It was overwhelming because you are making a decision that of course affects the next four years, and possibly the rest of your life," said Richmond sophomore Matt Hunter, a member of Phi Gamma Delta. "I felt comfortable with the decision I made. I felt well advised."

The IFC especially encourages freshmen to attend the recruitment activities to better understand the groups around campus and what they offer.

Although freshmen will not be able to accept a bid until spring recruitment, they are

a big part of fall recruitment activities.

"I feel it's an obligation on IFC's part to educate freshmen in advance so that they have time to really make that decision, because it is a big decision," said IFC President Brady Phillips. "It is a big commitment."

Fraternity recruitment activities stress fraternity goals and values. They also outline the commitments needed to join a fraternity.

"There is obviously a financial commitment, a social commitment and it's absolutely crucial that we give them all the information that we possibly

can as early as we can so that they have the time to make an educated and thought out decision," Phillips said.

Student Activities stressed the educational values of campus fraternities. All of the fraternities place a high emphasis on scholarship as well as time management through GPA requirements and mandatory functions, Coordinator for Fraternities Kat Reed said.

"By being a part of a fraternity, men are being equipped with the resources to know the value of community service, scholarship, leadership and spiritual development," Reed said.

2007 IFC Recruitment

- ◆ **Recruitment Tables** 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Sept. 5 - 7, Fountain Mall
- ◆ **IFC BBQ** 5 – 9 p.m., Sept. 7, Fountain Mall
- ◆ **Recruitment Kick-Off** 2 – 4 p.m. Sept. 10, Baylor Sciences Building
- ◆ **Chapter Events** Sept. 11 – 20
- ◆ **EDG** 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. Sept. 28, Baylor Sciences Building: Room B110
- ◆ **Bid Day** 10 a.m. – noon Sept. 30, Hankamer School of Business

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Touching Down

Special teams keep kicking options open

By Will Parchman
Sports writer

Former Alabama head Coach and Hall of Fame inductee Paul "Bear" Bryant once said, "Special teams alone won't win you a game. But it can lose you one."

This season will be a crucial one for the Bears, and as Bryant preached, the special teams unit must do its job for the rest of the team to successfully fall into place.

Luckily for him, first-year special teams coach Chris Lancaster inherited a tested, veteran unit that won't require too much pushing to succeed.

"I'm pretty pleased for several reasons," said Lancaster, who worked as the Bears' offensive line coach for the previous three seasons before head Coach Guy Morriss assumed those duties earlier this year.

"We've got a senior kicker and punter back, and I think overall our team speed and the quality of athlete we've recruited has really got our team in great shape and condition. I'm tickled to death with this unit."

Starting senior kicker Ryan Havens said Lancaster has upped the energy of the special teams unit, and improvement is already in the air.

"He's a different kind of coach than we had last year," Havens said of Lancaster.

"He's a little more vocal in what he wants done, and he just expects it

done right. He's changed a few things in the special teams that will hopefully improve us along with the team."

The most notable piece of the Bears' special teams unit is senior punter Daniel Sepulveda, who has been a prominent face for the team since he emerged as the best punter in college football during his sophomore year in 2004.

Sepulveda won the Ray Guy Award for the nation's top punter that year, and a comparable year in 2005 had him back in the upper echelon of collegiate punters.

But Sepulveda ran into trouble in the spring. He tore his right ACL in April during a pick-up basketball game, and it threw his off-season workout routine into a tailspin.

Instead of working back with the team in training camp, he was forced into rehab. While he will return at some point this season, that date is still up in the air.

He recently said he thinks he'll be ready for the team's opener against TCU, but the ultimate decision belongs to the team doctors and the coaching staff.

If Sepulveda isn't ready by Sunday, Havens will be pushed even further into the blinding spotlight.

"I'm taking it like if (Sepulveda) can't do it, I'll be there to help," Havens said.

"I've been working on punts and taking some kicks as well, so I'll be ready to step in if they need

me."

While Havens was recruited and used primarily for his skills as a place kicker, he will have to perform double duty as a kicker and a punter until Sepulveda returns to full health.

Havens became the team's full-time starting kicker last year.

While he made more than he missed, he was inconsistent from range, converting just three of his seven kick opportunities from 40 yards or longer.

But Havens said that after having experienced a year in one of the most scrutinized positions in sports, he is infinitely more prepared this season.

"Last year was great for me just from the experience standpoint," Havens said.

"I feel like this year I'm not going in blindsided and not knowing what's going on. You can't imitate kicking in front of 80,000 fans in practice."

Lancaster agreed that Havens' progress has been encouraging.

"He's done a great job," Lancaster said. "He's having to do triple duty, so through camp his leg has been getting used to quite a bit."

The rest of Lancaster's special teams unit is poised for yet another top-25 season.

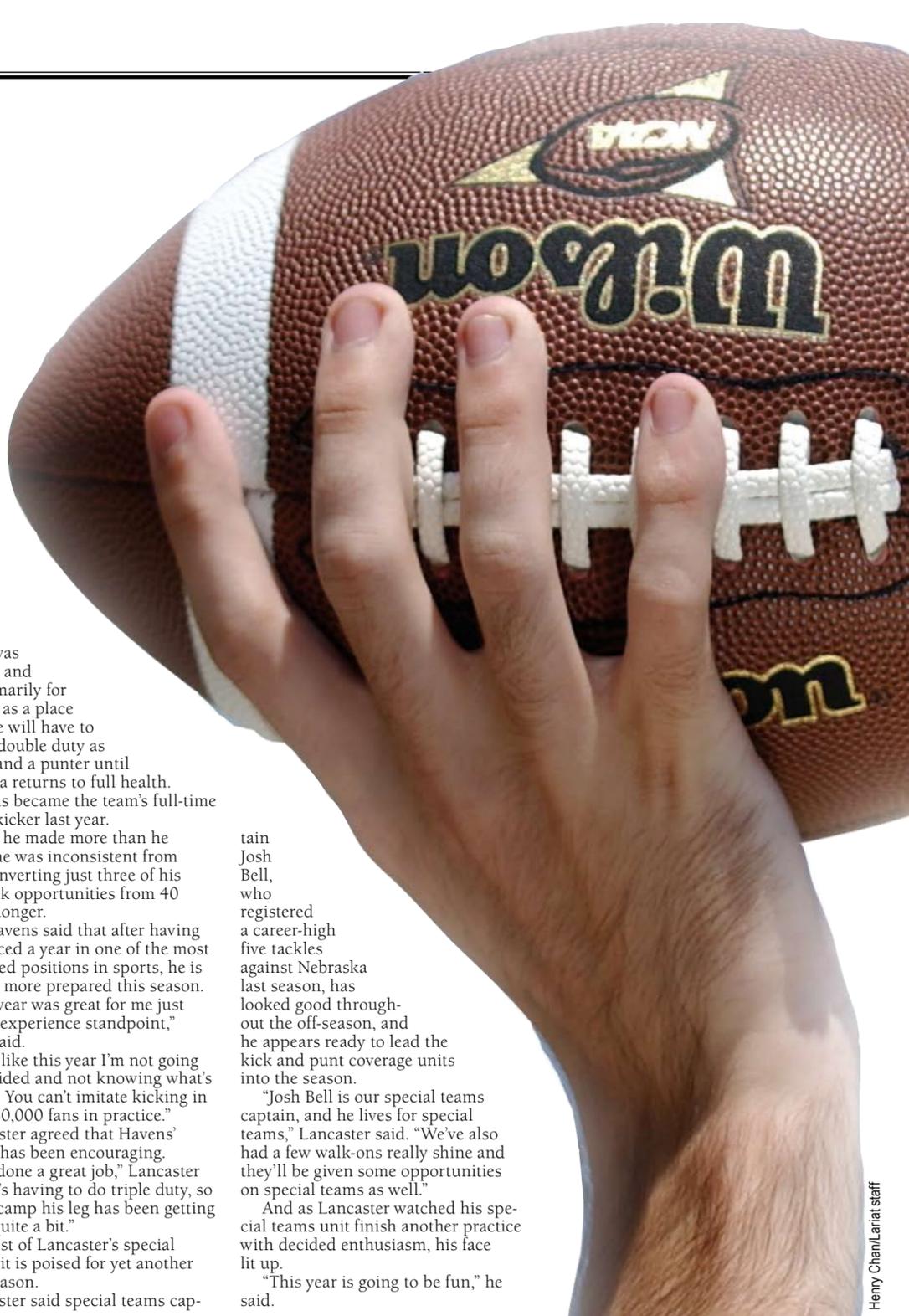
Lancaster said special teams cap-

tain Josh Bell, who registered a career-high five tackles against Nebraska last season, has looked good throughout the off-season, and he appears ready to lead the kick and punt coverage units into the season.

"Josh Bell is our special teams captain, and he lives for special teams," Lancaster said. "We've also had a few walk-ons really shine and they'll be given some opportunities on special teams as well."

And as Lancaster watched his special teams unit finish another practice with decided enthusiasm, his face lit up.

"This year is going to be fun," he said.



Henry Cham/Lariat staff



Texas Christian University

The Bears open the season with one of the longest-running rivalries in all of college football, as Baylor and the No. 22 Texas Christian University Horned Frogs tangle for the 104th time in front of a national audience on Fox Sports Net.

Baylor leads the all-time series 49-47-7 and has won six of its last seven games against TCU, but the teams last met in 1995. Since then, TCU has dominated the Western Athletic Conference, Conference USA and the Mountain West Conference while Baylor has struggled in the Big 12. But the Bears believe they're poised for a turnaround, and that it could begin with a win over a ranked TCU team.

After an 11-1 season last year that featured a victory over Iowa State in the Houston Bowl, head Coach Gary Patterson and his team are desperate for respect. Wins against Big 12 opponents Baylor and Texas Tech would go a long way toward validating them as a national power. However, Baylor has no intention of letting that happen. A win against the Frogs could be the start of a very special season.

Interesting facts:

The Baylor-TCU series is the most played series Baylor History, and the Bears have more wins against the Horned Frogs than against any other team. From 1925 to 1995, the Bears and Frogs met every year, and the season opener this season will mark the earliest in a season that the two teams have met.

TCU key players:

CBs – Nick Sanders and Rafael Priest – Baylor's strength on offense should be its receivers, particularly seniors Dominique Zeigler and Trent Shelton. They'll be matched up against two undersized freshmen. The winner in this match-up could determine the who wins the game.

Sunday, Sept. 3
Floyd Casey Stadium



Northwestern State

Northwestern State finished 2005 at 5-5 as members of division I-AA's Southland Conference. While no win in college football is assured, this will be the closest the Bears will get in 2006.

The Demons are stuck at quarterback, and inexperienced Ricky Joe Meeks will be the starter against the Bears.

Head Coach Scott Stoker has vested his full trust in Meeks' ability to lead the team, but with his inexperience and back-up quarterback Roch Charpentier's strong spring, his starting job may not be safe. The two have seven college games of experience between them, and the Demons haven't played a team from a major conference since losing to Tulane in 2003.

To further compound matters, they have just six seniors on their entire roster this year. Baylor is also 5-0 against I-AA opponents since 2001. Baylor head Coach Guy Morriss constantly preaches to his team that looking past opponents is not an option, but if Baylor has indeed arrived as a legitimate bowl contender, this one shouldn't be close.

Interesting facts:

Former Baylor quarterback Davon Vinson played with Northwestern State for three years, accumulating 3,873 passing yards and 25 touchdowns. Vinson completed his final year of eligibility in 2005 after transferring from Baylor in 2002 because he wanted more playing time at a lower level. His mix of speed, size and a strong arm allowed him to guide the Demons to 14 wins in his three years.

NSU key players:

WR – Derrick Doyle – Doyle promised Stoker that he would break NSU's career receiving record upon his recruitment, and he likely will. He is one of just six seniors on the team and should provide some competition for the Baylor secondary.

Saturday, Sept. 9
Floyd Casey Stadium



Washington State

Washington State has consistently surprised analysts by fielding a winning team almost every year despite its location in the middle of the eastern Washington badlands.

However, even with the nation's leading rusher Jerome Harrison last year, the Cougars failed to produce a winning season for just the second time in the last five years, going 4-7. After losing heavy producers in both the running and passing games this year, it is unknown how they will rebound. Despite the losses, though, the Cougars do return junior quarterback Alex Brink, whose 140.0 pass efficiency rating last year is second among all returning Pac 10 quarterbacks. Wide receiver Jason Hill also returns, and he is arguably one of the five best wide receivers in the college game right now. His 1,097 receiving yards last year were second in the Pac 10, and he turned down a legitimate shot as a first round pick in the 2006 NFL Draft to play out his senior season at Washington State.

Baylor has immediate strength at cornerback as star senior C.J. Wilson should be matched up on Hill for most of the game, but if the Bears struggle and Brink and Hill get going early, they will be tough to stop.

Interesting facts:

Washington State has only played a Big 12 team once in the past five years, a game it lost 20-12 to Colorado in 2004. Baylor will be visiting Washington State, but it will not be going to its campus in Pullman. Instead, Washington State elected its match-up against Baylor to be its designated game in Seattle for the season.

Washington State key players:

RB – DeMaundray Woolridge – Replacing a guy like Harrison won't be easy, but with a defense as porous as Washington State's may be, they'll need all the offense they can get.

Saturday, Sept. 16
Qwest Field, Seattle



Army

Baylor and Army do not have a long history together. Baylor played Army last season and defeated the Black Knights 20-10 in West Point, N.Y. in a game that was never that close. Now Army will have to travel to Waco.

Army has fallen on tough times in recent years, posting a 10-48 combined record since 2001, which includes a winless season in 2002.

Recently named head Coach Bobby Ross, formerly of the NFL's Detroit Lions, has attempted to resurrect the Knights' storied past, and he appears to be succeeding as Army put up four wins last year, which was a marked improvement.

Army just graduated quarterback Zac Dahman, who left the school as its all-time leading passer, but its return eight starters on both offense and defense. Ross already has his players thinking above their previously lowered expectations. Baylor lost half its defensive line to graduation last year, and the new players will be tested against Army's offensive line, which returns five senior starters. Of Army's 22 starters on offense and defense, one is an underclassman.

Interesting facts:

If history is any indication, Baylor should have little trouble with the Black Knights. The Bears are 6-0 all-time against service academies and have outscored Army 85-17 in their three meetings.

Army key players:

QB – David Pevoto – Replacing a school leader at quarterback is no easy task, and Pevoto must pick up the banner and carry it for the Knights if they are to keep it close against Baylor.

RB – Ricky Lay – For Army to be successful, they'll need someone to fill former star running back Carlton Jones' shoes. Lay needs to be that guy.

Saturday, Sept. 23
Floyd Casey Stadium



Kansas State

Kansas State is dealing with its first coaching change in 14 years this season as former head Coach Bill Snyder left the program and former Virginia offensive coordinator Ron Prince stepped in. Snyder did wonders in turning the Wildcats around, but they faded in their last several seasons.

One area of concern will be quarterback. Three of their starting quarterback candidates left the team in the offseason, leaving senior Dylan Meier, who spent all of last year sidelined with an injury, to fill the role.

The Wildcats have fielded some weak teams in the recent past, but with 17 returning starters on offense and defense, more is expected of the squad that went 5-6 a year ago. This is probably the 'Cats' best defense in three years, so the Bears' new high-octane passing attack will likely receive its first home test here.

Interesting facts:

The Bears have not had success against Kansas State since Big 12 play began, going 0-5 against the Wildcats and being outscored by an average of 45-10 per game. The last time the Wildcats had more than seven defensive starters return, they allowed 11.8 points per game.

KSU key players:

RB – Thomas Clayton – Clayton has the potential to be the Big 12's best back as he runs a 4.32 40 and benches 440 pounds. He rushed for 680 yards last year but the Wildcats' veteran offensive line could help Clayton double that number in 2006.

LB – Brandon Archer – Archer is the Wildcats' lone returnee at linebacker, and he led the team in tackles last year. He remains one of the Big 12's best linebackers as he possesses outstanding speed.

Saturday, Sept. 30
Floyd Casey Stadium



Colorado

Baylor's first Big 12 road game of 2006 will be a welcome trip down memory lane.

The last time Baylor faced the Buffaloes, they pulled off a mammoth 42-30 upset at home. Now that the Gary Barnett era in Boulder is through, however, the Bears will be facing a very different Colorado squad.

New head Coach Dan Hawkins, formerly of Boise State, has a lot of talent to work with, and the Buffaloes should pose a legitimate threat for the Bears. Like Army, the Bears are facing Colorado a season after they graduate their all-time leading passer, this time quarterback Joel Klatt.

The Bears should have more trouble scoring on Colorado than stopping it as they return eight defensive starters. Colorado is stocked at linebacker, and both Thaddeaus Washington and Jordon Dizon should present some serious match-up troubles for Baylor's questionable offensive line.

Interesting facts:

The Bears will be facing Colorado for its Homecoming game in Boulder. Colorado has covered the spread and defeated their opponents in four of their last five homecoming games.

CU key players:

RB – Hugh Charles – The Bears' strength last year was their pass defense as their rush defense was just 74th in all of college football. Charles, a senior, will test the limits of Morriss' 4-2-5 defensive scheme, and with an inexperienced quarterback, stopping him will be the key to stopping the Buffs.

WR – Dusty Sprague – Colorado's passing attack took a hit when Klatt, key tight end target Joel Klopfenstein and leading receiver Evan Judge left. Sprague is now the team's leading returnee in the receiving corps.

Saturday, Oct. 7
Folsom Field, Boulder, Colo.

Seasoned starters hope to spice up offense

By Daniel Youngblood
Sports editor

First year offensive coordinator Lee Hays was brought to Baylor for one reason and one reason only — to improve on an offense that's finished either 11th or 12th in the Big 12 in scoring in Guy Morriss' first three years as head coach.

Morriss made it clear during the offseason that his offense needed new direction. By bringing in a more wide-open offense, Hays, a disciple of Texas Tech head Coach Mike Leach, delivered. Hays and Morriss both knew learn-

ing the ins and outs of a new offense would take time, but they were fortunate to have eight seniors on offense, which has made the transition easier.

"At least those guys have been under the lights and been in some wars and that kind of thing," Morriss said. "They have to kind of show the younger guys the way. "We have good leadership, so I think we'll be all right offensively."

Morriss still understands that the offensive production may not improve overnight.

"I think we feel comfortable," Morriss said. "But there are still some things we can do better. We'll be saying that all year long because it's going to take that long to get all the little details plugged into memory."

One person who's had no problem picking up the new offense is fifth-year senior quarterback Shawn Bell, who last year completed 59.4 percent of his passes for 1,964 yards and 11 touchdowns. Hays said having such an astute, experienced quarterback has "made all the difference in the world."

"You can only go as fast as the quarterback can pick (the offense) up, and

now with everything in, it's not a question of Shawn picking it up. It's just the details with other positions," Hays said. "Typically, I don't put any tags or anything else into a base play until I feel like the quarterback has grasped the base play. Shawn knew it by the end of spring, so now it's just him making tight throws and giving him time."

With senior Paul Mosley and junior Brandon Whitaker returning to join Bell in the back field, and with a host of big, speedy receivers to throw the ball to, Bell should have plenty of weapons at his disposal. Morriss said he believes his receiving corps, which includes seniors Dominique Zeigler and Trent Shelton and freshmen phenoms David Gettis and Ernest Smith, is one of the best units in the conference. He said he likes the chances that Bell and his receivers give him to win.

"We feel good about Shawn and him directing our club," Morriss said. "We also have a good set of receivers, and most of those guys are proven."

The new offense will put less emphasis on the running backs than its last one did, but Mosley and Whitaker, who

combined for 1,388 total yards and 10 touchdowns last season, will be depended on to make the most of their opportunities this year.

The largest area of concern for the Bears' offense in 2006 is their offensive line. With Morriss taking over duties as offensive line coach, improvement is expected, but for Hays' offense to work, Bell must have time to throw.

"As much as we're going to throw the ball, the question remains of how we're going to protect the quarterback," Morriss said.

Bell foresees significant progress. "This is by far the most talented group we've had," Bell said. "All five of them are tremendously strong and tremendously athletic, which is something we haven't had in a while."

The other area that's caused some anxiety for Morriss and his staff are how the team will take care of the ball.

"Ball security worries me a little bit because turnovers are the first thing that will beat you," Morriss said.

Hays isn't quite as worried. "I'll have a better idea of where we're at offensively after the first game on

Starters' graduation leaves big shoes to fill on defense

By Will Parchman
Sports writer

With eight returning starters and a mammoth switch in their base scheme, the Baylor offense has been touted by many as the strongest and most crucial piece to the football team's success this season.

Defensive coordinator Bill Bradley and his defense may have something to say about that before the season is done.

The Baylor defensive unit that ranked 13th in the nation in pass efficiency defense last season lost seven starters this season, and the crater-sized holes left by the graduating seniors were as stark and noticeable as the Alico building on the Waco skyline.

Safeties Maurice Lane, Willie Andrews and Tyler Lindstrom, linebackers Jamaal Harper and Colin Allred and defensive linemen Montez Murphy and Michael Gary all depart after starting their senior seasons,

leaving behind what some might consider a weaker and more ineffective defense.

Senior starting cornerback and defensive leader C.J. Wilson sees things through a different lens.

"There's no fall-off," said Wilson, who was rated as the 12th best cornerback in the nation by *The Sporting News Magazine* in its 2006 season preview.

"I played with both groups and there is absolutely no fall-off. Brandon (Stiggers) can make just as many, if not more plays than Willie (Andrews) could, and Dwain Crawford has been playing like Ronnie Lott. So where's the fall-off? There isn't one."

Despite the Bears' scant four returning starters on defense, which is the second fewest in the Big 12 and fewest in the Big 12 South, their unique blend of youth, athleticism, and veteran experience has them on the verge of a surprisingly solid season in what was supposed to be a year spent restocking talent.

But with all of this talent lost to

graduation, who will step into the leadership vacuum on defense?

"Mo Linguist, CJ (Wilson), and Nick Moore, and the defensive line has some good depth as well," Bradley said of his defense, which will start four seniors on the defensive line against TCU.

"We've just got to practice hard this week."

Bradley said that while the team can certainly find appropriate replacements for the players lost, replicating their experience will be another story.

"We've got good guys replacing them. It's just the lack of experience back there," Bradley said. "We've got maybe a little bit better athletes that lack experience. We call that on-the-job training."

Wilson is one of Bradley's most talented players, and he will lean on the Terrell senior to provide a spark when needed.

He emerged as one of the Big 12's best coverage cornerbacks last season by intercepting five passes, which tied him for tops in the conference, as well

as being named Baylor's top defensive skill player by the coaches and players. And for Wilson, no less than the best will suffice.

"(I expect us to be) no less than the best defense in the nation," Wilson said.

"We don't just want to be good or be great. We want to be the best. As I said before, (our goal is) a national championship. That's the only reason I'm out here in this heat. If not, I'd have been in there to turn my gear in."

The Bears will enter their fourth year in head Coach Guy Morriss' 4-2-5 defensive scheme, which places an emphasis on cornerbacks and safeties roving and making plays. Wilson said that as far as the secondary goes, things will operate much like they did last year.

"I can honestly say we won't play against anybody who will have a route we've never seen," Wilson said. "However, whoever, whatever they want to run, we've seen it before."

Experienced senior cornerbacks

Anthony Arline and Wilson will likely make a sizeable impact, but less experienced players like cornerback Alton Widemon and rover Brandon Stiggers will have to chip in for the defense to succeed.

Playing against the offense's new air raid passing attack has also helped the defense progress to a place where the players have become comfortable playing with one another.

The offense typically lines up with four or five receivers in practice, and that gives the young secondary some time to develop depth and consistency, as well as giving starting linebackers Nick Moore and Antonio Jones a good amount of practice against a wide-open offense.

"Our defense is in tremendous shape," Bradley said. "They're fast and athletic. The only thing we lack now is some experience."

New faces will abound on the defensive side of the ball for the Bears in 2006, but if the season goes as planned, the transition will be as seamless as the season is promising.



Texas



Kansas



Texas A&M



Texas Tech



Oklahoma State



Oklahoma

The Bears will follow up one road conference game with another when they travel south to Austin to take on the No. 3 University of Texas Longhorns. While Texas won't have the luxury of having Vince Young taking the snaps this year, it'll still be one of the most talented teams in the Big 12, especially on defense, where it'll return seven starters from its national championship team last season.

The Bears will be hard-pressed to score against Texas, but by game seven, their new offense should be in full swing, which should allow them to put a few points on the scoreboard.

The Horns offense should have a little bit tougher time scoring this season than last, since they'll be relying on redshirt freshman Colt McCoy to lead the team at quarterback, but with running back Jamaal Charles and receivers Billy Pittman and Limas Sweed returning, McCoy will have no shortage of weapons at his disposal.

If McCoy or backup Jevan Snead struggle this season like Rhett Bomar did at Oklahoma last year, Texas may not be the national contender pundits believe them to be.

Interesting facts:

The Longhorns, under head Coach Mack Brown, have been dominant the past five seasons, racking up a 56-8 record, four 11-win seasons and a national championship over that span. Brown is also the only coach in college football to lead his team to nine or more wins in each of the past 10 years.

Texas key players:

QB — Colt McCoy and Jevan Snead — When they play, Baylor will be attempting to end an eight-game losing streak against Texas. If they are going to do this, it will more than likely be because McCoy or Snead can't get the ball into the end zone consistently.

Saturday, Oct. 14
Darrell K. Royal — Texas Memorial Stadium, Austin

While head Coach Mark Mangino has made strides toward making Kansas a Big 12 North contender, his team still has a lot of work to do. The Jayhawks didn't win a single road game last year, and their offense struggled mightily to get into the end zone on a consistent basis. This, coupled with the fact that Kansas only returns three starters from its near-impenetrable 2005 defense, could spell disaster for the Fighting Manginos.

Kansas will need its offense to be more productive this season to spell its less experienced defense. The pressure of making that happen will fall on senior running back Jon Cornish, who will be back this season to anchor the Jayhawk offense. For the offensive unit to do what it needs to do this season, Cornish will have to help take some of the load off freshman quarterback Kerry Meier. He'll have to surpass the 790 yards and nine touchdowns he had last year if the team hopes to eclipse the seven wins it had last year. Kansas isn't the pushover it was before Mangino arrived, but this is definitely a game Baylor can win.

Interesting facts:

Kansas has lost its last two contests in Waco, including former Baylor head Coach Kevin Steele's lone Big 12 win. The Jayhawks are one of only two Big 12 teams, the other being Iowa State, that Baylor has defeated more than once since the conference began.

Kansas key players:

RB — Jon Cornish — If Kansas offense is to be a bigger threat than it has been the past couple of years, it will need Cornish to be a bigger part of it. He averaged 5.8 yards per carry last season, but he needs more carries. If the Bears can keep him from having a big day, their secondary should be able to shut down Meier and the Jayhawk passing attack.

Saturday, Oct. 21
Floyd Casey Stadium

Two years after upsetting the Aggies at home and one year after blowing a golden opportunity on the road to make it two in a row, the Bears are hungry to prove that they can play with anybody in the Big 12.

Baylor head Coach Guy Morriss has out-coached Aggie Coach Dennis Franchione in each of their past two meetings, but he only has a 1-1 record to show for it. The Bears are hoping this year's game will turn out more like the 2004 contest did. But Aggie quarterback Stephen McGee will have something to say about that.

In A&M's final two games of last season, McGee capitalized on the opportunity he was handed after then-starter Reggie McNeal went down with an ankle injury, leading the Aggies to 10 scoring opportunities in 19 drives. The Aggies also return both of their top running backs, senior Courtney Lewis and sophomore Javorskie Lane. But the success of the Aggies this season and the Bears' chances against them will likely hinge on a defense that was ranked last in the nation in pass defense last year.

Interesting facts:

The Bears have won just one of their last 20 contests against A&M, but most of those losses were at the hands of former Coach R.C. Slocum, who never had losing season at A&M. Franchione, on the other hand, has had two in his three years with the team, and his 16-19 overall record has landed him on the hot seat. Another loss to the Bears could seal his fate.

A&M key players:

QB — Stephen McGee — In his short time as A&M's quarterback last season, McGee proved he could run, but he completed just 45.3 percent of his passes. He'll need to do better than that in 2006, or the Aggie offense may be one-dimensional.

Saturday, Oct. 28
Floyd Casey Stadium

Beating Texas Tech in Lubbock will be a tall order, especially considering the Bears haven't toppled the Red Raiders since 1995, but there are signs to show that Baylor may be close to ending that streak.

While the margin of defeat in the past two years has been 25 and 28 points respectively, the Bears defense played better than the scores indicated. In both games, Baylor defensive coordinator Bill Bradley put together good schemes to stop Tech head Coach Mike Leach's offense, but lack of offensive productivity by the Bears left their defense on the field to wear down and ultimately deteriorate.

The Bears defense will have their work cut out for them this season as Tech returns its three leading receivers in one of the nation's best receiving corps. The Red Raiders will be starting a non-senior quarterback for the first time in five years in sophomore Graham Harrell, so their offensive attack may be slowed some.

With Baylor running Lee Hays' version of the Tech offense, this game should test the mettle of the two teams' defensive backs, but because Leach's offense has years under its belt while Hays' has months, Tech will be the clear favorite to win this game.

Interesting facts:

Since Leach has been at Tech, his quarterbacks have consistently led the Big 12 and nation in passing yards. With as many opportunities as Harrell will get to throw, he could continue that trend.

Tech key players:

QB — Graham Harrell — With Oklahoma's uncertainty at quarterback, and with Texas starting a freshman quarterback, this could be the year Tech finally challenges for a Big 12 title. Harrell has the pieces around him to make it happen, but he'll have to play well.

Saturday, Nov. 4
Jones AT&T Stadium, Lubbock

After a 2005 season that left them in the Big 12 cellar, the Oklahoma State Cowboys are hoping to regroup and regain the success they had under former Coach Les Miles. But with so many problems on both sides of the ball, it won't be easy. Head Coach Mike Gundy will do his best to put his first year as a head coach behind him, and after bringing in an impressive recruiting class last year, he'll have the talent to do so. But the Cowboys' average margin of defeat in their seven conference losses was more than 23 points per game, and they were one of Baylor's two conference victories last season.

To keep the Bears from repeating in 2006 in their house, they will have to cut down on the astonishing 35 turnovers they had in 2005. If they don't, Baylor's ball-hawking secondary could make second-year quarterback Bobby Reid and the Cowboys pay. Oklahoma State's defense was equally as poor last season, giving up a Big 12 high 31.3 points per game. By week 11, the Bears offense should have worked out all the kinks, which could mean bad news for Oklahoma State.

Interesting facts:

Prior to last season, the Bears hadn't beaten the Cowboys since the inception of the Big 12. Nor had they ever finished outside of last place in the Big 12 South. Last year their victory over the Cowboys in their home finale caused the two teams to switch places in the standings.

Oklahoma State key players:

RB — Mike Hamilton — With Reid taking the snaps again this year, the Cowboys will need Hamilton, the sophomore running back, to take some pressure off of him and keep the offense moving. If he can't, it could be a long season for Oklahoma State.

Saturday, Oct. 11
Boone Pickens Stadium, Stillwater, Okla.

After taking Oklahoma to double overtime in Norman last season, the Bears know they can compete with the Sooners, but with an 0-15 all-time record against them, it's going to take a big effort this season to come out victorious.

Losing quarterback Rhett Bomar, who was dismissed from the team after violating NCAA rules, will force senior Paul Thompson back into Oklahoma's starting role. In his previous three seasons with the Sooners, he only has 428 passing yards and four touchdowns with three interceptions, making him a question mark at best.

Fortunately for Thompson, he will have All-American and Heisman Trophy candidate Adrian Peterson in the backfield with him. The Bears secondary should be able to stifle the Oklahoma passing attack, but their defensive front will have to contain Peterson, who has racked up 3,033 yards and 29 touchdowns in his two seasons with the Sooners, if they hope to pull off the upset.

By the time these teams meet, Baylor could be playing for a chance at a bowl game, which could give them some extra motivation going into their season finale.

Interesting facts:

Oklahoma is one of two Big 12 teams that Baylor has never defeated, the other being Kansas State. If the Bears can topple one or both of those teams this season, they could be bowling in December.

Oklahoma key players:

QB — Paul Thompson — As is the case with so many other Big 12 teams this year, Oklahoma will be starting a relatively inexperienced quarterback. Without Bomar, the Sooners may not be national title contenders, but if Thompson can just be serviceable, they'll match the eight wins they put up last season.

Saturday, Nov. 18
Floyd Casey Stadium

Jiu Jitsu likened to game of chess

By Leah Colucci
Reporter

Jiu Jitsu is a popular martial art form used in the Ultimate Fighting Championships and practiced all over the world — Baylor's campus is no exception.

"The Baylor Jiu Jitsu Club is comprised of a variety of students who share a common love of competition, good health and sportsmanship," said retired faculty sponsor Jimmy Williamson.

The first objective of jiu jitsu is to take down one's opponent. The goal is to cause the opponent to "tap out," signaling he or she concedes the match.

"About 90 to 95 percent of jiu jitsu takes place on the ground," said Daniel Stephens of Overland Park, Kan.

Stephens, a senior, has been practicing jiu jitsu for three years. He became interested in the sport after watching a UFC highlight clip.

Stephens says what appeals most to him is the concept of the smaller and weaker fighter being able to take down a larger opponent.

The Baylor Jiu Jitsu Club teaches students grappling and controlled fighting, Stephens said. Striking, he said, is not as a main component of jiu jitsu and is used mainly as a distraction.

"Jiu jitsu is not only a good physical activity, but a good mental one as well," Williamson said.

Williamson, who became the club's first sponsor in 2000, likens the sport to chess.

"It requires you to stay one step ahead of your opponent and anticipate his move," he said.

San Antonio junior Michael Mahone, a two-year member of the Baylor Jiu Jitsu Club, lauds the sport as being great for one's health.

"I wrestled all through high school, which sparked my interest in jiu jitsu," Mahone said.

The Baylor Jiu Jitsu Club practices Brazilian jiu jitsu, a form of the art founded after the Japanese brought jiu jitsu to Brazil in the early 1900s.

The students are taught by world-class martial arts competitor Phil Cardella, who has competed in the Pan American Championships.

Williamson said Baylor students are instructed by Cardella "as often as possible," but when he is unavailable to teach, the more skilled members of the club assist those with less experience.

"Some of the tournaments we have attended include the Winter Wars in Dallas and the Houston Smackdown in H-Town," Stephens said.

The Baylor Jiu Jitsu Club meets at 5 p. m. Mondays and Wednesdays and 3 p.m. Fridays in 320 Marrs McLean Science Building.

"Beginners are welcome," Williamson said. "Most everyone in the club joined as a beginner."



GAME SCHEDULE:

- 7 p.m. Sept. 1: Indiana (away)
- 1 p.m. Sept. 3: Purdue (away)
- 9 p.m. Sept. 8: Portland (away)
- 2 p.m. Sept. 10: Washington (away)
- 7 p.m. Sept. 15: Texas-San Antonio
- 1 p.m. Sept. 17: Samford
- 7 p.m. Sept. 22: Texas A&M
- 7 p.m. Sept. 24: Texas

Coach Van Linder talks to his players during halftime of Friday's game against Northwestern State University.

Melea Burke/Lariat staff

Coach sets players' eyes on NCAA victory

By Brittany McGuire
Sports Writer

George Van Linder has yet to lead the Baylor women's soccer team to the NCAA tournament.

In fact, the last time the Lady Bears advanced to the tournament in 1999, they were knocked out in the first round by a strong Southern Methodist University squad coached by Van Linder.

During his stint at SMU, Van Linder guided the Lady Mustangs to four straight Western Athletic Conference championships and three appearances at the NCAA tournament, advancing as far as the Sweet

Sixteen.

He said it was tough leaving a successful program, but he saw more opportunity in Big 12 action.

"I just thought Baylor was the perfect place to take the program to the highest level," Van Linder said. "I felt like it was a place where I could do some good things."

Despite losing seasons the past three years, Van Linder enters his fourth season with high hopes. He said the team's been through rebuilding years and they are finally ready to play at a top collegiate level.

"We've had some good players here in the past. We just didn't have enough of them to

put it all together," Van Linder said.

Recruiting has been a big factor for Baylor. As the smallest school in the Big 12, Van Linder said it's not always easy to attract the big-name players.

"We've got high school All-Americans and national pool players. We've been able to recruit those high-profile athletes," Van Linder said. "In the past that wasn't something done here."

Van Linder's players respond to his enthusiasm and knowledge of the game.

Livermore, Calif., junior Rose Zapata said he has the know-how and determination

to take the Lady Bears to the next level.

"He has a great perspective of the game. He knows where this program should be and how to get there," Zapata said. "He's going to keep pushing us to become the team we're meant to be."

The players said Van Linder's sense of humor and desire to have fun complement his knowledge of the game.

Mesquite junior Megan Sherrell knows how hard it is for a team to compete at a high level when the game's no longer fun.

"Soccer's really serious now. At other schools, it's all work and no play," Sherrell said. "I

know players that dread going to practice. We're always laughing at practice but still getting the work done."

The Lady Bears all agree that Van Linder's the coach who can lead them to the NCAA tournament.

"The Big 12's so hard. Our schedule's so challenging that you're going to have some off days," Van Linder said. "If we lose, it's okay as long as we learn from it."

Facing tough teams doesn't deter Coach Van Linder.

"You don't have to win the Big-12 to make the NCAA tournament," Van Linder said. "But we're moving in that direction."

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Talent enlivens musical classic

By Carlee Besier
Reporter

So much talent on such a small stage. Some of the city's most gifted actors will grace the stage at Friday's premiere of *The Sound of Music*.

"We have the most veteran talent of any show I've done," Musical Director Jeff Theiss said. Theiss is a veteran himself with five years and 10 musicals under his belt.

Office Manager Jennie Mitchell said there are 13 returning actors.

Also contributing to the talent pool is Parker Willson, director and president of the Waco Civic Theatre. Willson obtained a master's degree in musical theater from the University of Oklahoma and has spent 48 years in



Diana Bumgardner, from left, Karen Hogue and Carroll Bonner rehearse a scene from *The Sound of Music* Sunday evening. The play will open at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Waco Civic Theatre and play for three consecutive weekends. Tickets cost \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors.

Kelly Moore/
Lariat staff

the business. He has experience in all aspects of theater, from acting and directing to costume design and lighting. *The Sound of Music* is his fifth show to direct in Waco.

Casey and Chris Blaine, a married couple who met on the 50th anniversary European tour of *Oklahoma*, play the lead roles of Maria and Captain Von Trapp. Casey Blaine is an editor at Baylor Press.

"It's such an unassuming theater with all this talent," she said.

This production of *The Sound*

of *Music* turned into a family affair for the Blaines when their two daughters were cast as Brigitta and Marta Von Trapp.

The play is about Maria, who is training to be a nun, but is sent away from the abbey to serve as governess to the seven Von Trapp children.

"I've done a lot of shows but never this one. Maria is such a classic role," Casey Blaine said.

The Sound of Music was based on a book by Maria Von Trapp and was adapted to a film version starring Julie Andrews. The Broadway musical was the final

collaboration between Richard Rogers and Oscar Hammerstein

"We try to do shows the community is familiar with," Willson said. "We know that if we don't fill those seats, we don't have any more shows."

The Sound of Music will premiere at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Waco Civic Theatre. Additional performances will be Sept. 8-10 and 15-16. Tickets cost \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors.

Call the box office at 776-1591.

Shaved ice eatery delivers tasty treat

By Donelle Sauer
Contributor

Snow cone stands are like gas stations in Waco — they pop up on every corner.

RESTAURANTREVIEW

Island Delight is Waco's newest addition, taking over the nearest corner to Baylor with its sherbet orange building at 12th Street and LaSalle Avenue.

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Prices range from \$1 to \$6, with items from smoothies to basic snow cones.

Another dessert full of flavor is the fruit delight, which is your basic sundae in a cup. Although this cup of delight might cost a few dollars more than expected, the owner will make it to a tasty perfection.

Besides the ice cream addition, the service makes the stand exceptional.

When I ordered, the server

carried on great conversation as if I had been a regular for years and was willing to adjust any combination of flavors to make what my stomach desired.

The patio is a great size for large groups, easily able to entertain 20 people without feeling crowded.

Although the patio is spacious, seating is lacking. Bar stools surround the perimeter, but for an extended visit, there are no tables to enjoy conversation around.

The numerous ceiling fans and Hawaiian decorations make up for the lack of music. The blue Astroturf and the cool breeze from the fans give a beach-like feeling. But don't count on a tropical outdoor view: A run-down store across the street and ongoing traffic will ruin your tropical daydream.

The stand is open 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. seven days a week, but these hours are tentative and subject to change.

If you are looking to beat the heat without spending the price of Katie's Custard or Marble Slab Creamery, then Island Delight is a great choice. And if you want to save more money and calories, try riding your bike and take a friend.

Grade: B+

Artist's coastal travels inspire immense art



By Cat Smith
Reporter

Karl Umlauf speaks with great pride about the giant looming over him.

His massive painting depicts waves crashing violently against a rocky shoreline and towers over him at a size of 13 feet high by 7 feet wide.

Aptly named "At the Breakers," the painting was recently commissioned by Midwestern State University to adorn an arched nave in the atrium of the new Dillard College of Business Administration.

Besides the size of the painting, it has another unusual feature: The top of the canvas is round.

"The painting is supposed to represent a view into another type of space because the arched top gives the appearance of a window," Umlauf said.

Umlauf has been the artist-in-residence at Baylor for the past 18 years. Cohn Drennan,

director of the Wichita Falls Museum of Art at Midwestern State, said Umlauf was chosen because of his long relationship with the university.

"Mr. Umlauf has been a good friend to the university," Drennan said. "This is something new for him and pushes the envelope with great beauty and fluidity. We're very excited about it."

"It looks like it might really get me wet," said Arlington senior Kenitha Ellison after seeing the painting for the first time. "I thought it was amazing and very realistic. The colors and the way it's painted really look like a stormy coast."

The painting took about two months to complete. Umlauf used large industrial brushes typically used by janitors to paint the size of the waves he needed.

Umlauf said he really wanted to show the force of nature and the complex state of affairs in the way that the water challenges the rocks it hits.

Umlauf said he was inspired by his travels along the coasts of Spain, Scotland and Texas for the piece.

"I didn't use any pictures," he said. "My emotions and experiences allowed the work to be instinctual."

Terry Roller, a colleague of Umlauf's and professor of graphic design, weighed in on the massive piece of work.

"This is a continuation of the direction he has been working, but shows a more mature side," Roller said.

Umlauf said he was given total freedom by Midwestern State to paint what he wanted. So he returned to what he knew best.

His early career focused on waterscapes, but he eventually moved into sculpture and metalwork.

"In the last five years, I have started to move back in this direction," he said. "This painting is a sort of return to the beginning of my career."



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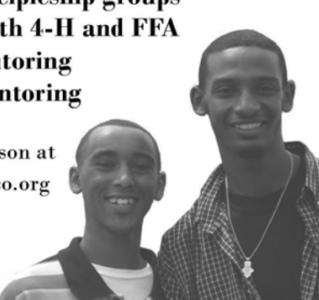
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Austin senior running back Paul Mosley rumbles through the defense during practice Thursday afternoon. Mosley will share running back duties with Edmond, Okla., sophomore Brandon Whitaker.

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around and having fun, and you can see all kinds of excitement on campus.”
 For the Bears to have the kind of season they're hoping to have, however, they'll have to overcome several obstacles.
 With the loss of seven starters on defense, a new scheme to learn on offense and confusion regarding who will start where on special teams, the Bears have some important questions to answer.
 Morriss said he's not worried, and that the only way these questions will be answered is by playing games.
 "I think we're ready to play," he said. "Our kids are getting tired of coming out here and practicing."
 "They're tired of seeing each other, hitting each other and listening to us fuss at them. They

just need to go play a game.”
 The Bears will get a chance to do just that Sunday, but with the No. 22 Texas Christian University Horned Frogs penciled in for week one and a trip to Seattle for a meeting with the Washington State Cougars scheduled for week three, the Bears will be tested early.
 C.J. Wilson, a preseason All-American and Big 12 selection at cornerback for the Bears, doesn't mind being an underdog and isn't scared by competition.
 He said he thinks this year could be the start of something



Wilson

special for the entire Baylor athletic program.
 "We're not concerned with anything in the press," Wilson said. "We've gotten to this point and we're going to take it to the next level."
 "We've got some new traditions we're starting here, and you're going to see a little of anything and everything at the games this year."
 The Bears are hoping that "anything and everything" will include consistently achieving a minimum of six wins and shot to play in a bowl game every year.
 Bell said he's confident that they can and that when they do, they'll have no shortage of fan support.
 "I've been telling my teammates all along that if we win, Waco would support us, and we'd have a huge fan base," Bell said. "I think they're already starting to come around."

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many congregations is the need for spiritual leadership.
 The center ministers to the greater Waco area and Central Texas to support and strengthen the work of ministers and educators in primarily Baptist institutions.
 Recently, Covington said, the issue of church leadership has occupied much of the attention at the center.
 Due to the interest in looking at church leadership in a new way, the center decided to repeat the event four times this year, she said.
 The center has decided to take the leadership workshops on the road, Covington said, and it will meet today in Salado to develop a list of names and contacts.
 While these workshops are focused on small churches, there is a similar plan to reach out to large churches as well, she added.
 "In large churches the focus of our conferences will also be spiritual leadership," Schmeltzekopf said. "Not being a general or a CEO, but spiritual leadership."
 Schmeltzekopf said the CEO mega churches implement what he likes to call the "Wal-Mart model."
 "They do everything. They have schools, nurseries and coffee shops. We have a refreshing, alternative perspective."

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said there's nothing "secret" going on (at CL&L).
 He said the idea behind the required reports is to encourage CLs to have "conversations of substance" with residents. Hall directors may receive information about what went on in conversations, but the information stops there, he added.
 "It is not something we run up an administrative flagpole,"

Shushok said. "Someone probably thinks there's some kind of lack of good spiritedness of some kind of protocol, and it's being translated as 'Big Brother is watching their students.' And someone has taken a very well-intentioned idea and has taken it and articulated it in not a positive way."
 Although the residents are not alerted that conversations with their CL may be reported to the hall director, Campus Living and Learning Director Terri

Garrett said they're not "going after confidentiality issues" and invasion of privacy "is not the intent at all."
 Instead, the idea is to keep CLs responsible.
 "If a hall director has 12 CLs, it is a way to make sure they are spending time talking to residents about important issues," Garrett said. "For some CLs, we need to put some structure into place because it wasn't their natural inclination to inquire about some things."

She added that documented information submitted by CLs would go no further than the hall director.
 Garrett said she has never heard of a breach of confidence in the system and that a lot of other universities have shown interest in what Baylor is doing.
 Nevertheless, some students are not happy with the idea of having conversations passed on to hall directors.
 "I don't really like that idea

because something that I say, I may not want the hall director knowing," said Waco freshman Mona Kasik. "If they openly asked, 'Is it OK if someone else knows what we are talking about?' it would make me feel more comfortable."
 Dallas freshman Alison Dunn said she thinks it's good that CLs record that they've had conversations, "but they shouldn't reveal the content unless it's something harmful that needs to be dealt with."

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members of the 2006 Baylor team, in addition to members of Baylor's cheer squads and dance teams.
 Daniel Voight, a Phoenix junior and vice president of the junior class, said student government put the junior class in charge of making UpRoar run smoothly.
 "We've been writing skits and working up ways to get a game day atmosphere going," Voight said. "We want all students, and especially freshmen, to know how to come to the game prepared to be a good fan."

Voight said UpRoar will feature a humorous fashion show portraying proper and improper ways to dress for a football game.
 Autographed Baylor football merchandise also will be given away.
 Baker said because of the success of last year's UpRoar, and the football team's involvement this year, he expects a record turnout for Friday's events.
 Baker said he intends for UpRoar to be a permanent addition to student life, with activities planned for the evenings preceding games against Texas A&M University and the University of Texas.

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