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BU keeps FACTS in check for federal funding



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President John Lilley and Jay Hein, White House director of Faith-Based Initiatives speak Thursday during the Faith and Community Technical Support Forum.

Baylor mediates government funding of domestic abuse victims

By Anita Pere
Staff writer

Baylor served as an intermediary between the government and small community organizations to ensure that tax dollars reach rural, even isolated Americans coping with domestic abuse.

The Hughes-Dillard Alumni Center housed the FACTS (Faith and Community Technical Support) Forum Thursday, which drew Jay Hein, the White House's director of Faith-Based Initiatives.

The FACTS program gave Baylor's Institute of Studies of Religion a \$2.97 million grant,

which the university distributed to 39 rural, faith-based community organizations nationwide.

The groups receiving funding work with rural victims of domestic abuse, usually women and children. The grant aims to educate women of their rights and resources, while giving them moral support and a safe haven.

FACTS received financing from the Federal Office on Violence Against Women under the umbrella of the U.S. Department of Justice. The initiative operated as a one-year test project, which wraps up October 31.

Hein, also the deputy assistant to the president, explained the difficulty in the government reaching country-dwellers directly.

"The power of an intermediary is that it enables the federal

government to work with small grass-roots organizations, that otherwise wouldn't be strong enough to compete for funding on their own," Hein said. "They're smaller. They don't have experience in competing for government grants, which can be very cumbersome and sophisticated, and so Baylor competed for the funds."

Small organizations had an easier time cooperating with Baylor than they would have with reporting to someone at the federal level, he said. This practice of using an intermediary is fairly new but catching on quickly.

"I think we're going to see this intermediary strategy grow throughout government because each agency has those types of problems in their portfolio," Hein said. He gave an example

of the Department of Labor dealing with homelessness. These issues could possibly be helped more adequately by a personal, caring organization, he said.

Baylor invited faith-based organizations reaching out to rural areas to apply to receive part of the grant. Baylor distributed \$2.3 million to several community groups. With the remaining funds, Baylor conducted research on domestic violence in rural areas to further educate the organizations. The money also sponsored technical support, regional training sessions and legal counsel for domestic abuse victims who could not afford legal advice.

According to Neil Websdale, principal project adviser to the FACTS program, 157 organiza-

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Safety concerns close BU Costa Rica program

By Shannon Daily
Reporter

Despite Baylor officials' desire to expand globally, one of Baylor's programs in Costa Rica is being shut down.

Over the past two summers, with hundreds of Baylor students studying abroad, there have been eight incidents reported in which a student was accosted. Six of those were from the language-focused Baylor in Costa Rica program.

Michael Morrison, director and Jo Murphy, chairman for the Center for International Education, said while two of the incidents took place late at night, the other four "occurred when students should have felt safe."

Because safety couldn't

be assured to the students or their families, the program was removed, Morrison said.

Dr. Manuel Ortuño, director of the Costa Rica program, said, "They do have this problem with young hoodlums, who may not even be Costa Rican."

While no Baylor students were injured, there were reports of students from other universities being physically harmed. One such student, a Marine who recently returned from Iraq, was shot once in each leg after refusing to give up his laptop, Morrison said. However, this is one of only two reports of physical violence from the program.

During a trip to Santa Anna, the area of Costa Rica in which the program is located, Morrison discussed the addition of security cameras and an increase in

the number of police in the area with the mayor's office, local administrators and police.

Morrison said it was his decision to close the program. "But it wasn't based upon disappointment with the program. It's a very popular program, a very good program."

Morrison also said the doors are not completely closed for the language-focused Baylor in Costa Rica in the future. He said he is willing to re-visit the issue, but until the safety issue is resolved, students won't be going back.

Sheridan, Wyo., senior Margaret Ferries said, "I never felt unsafe while I was there, but I didn't do stupid stuff. I didn't go out by myself." Ferries also

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Shoutfest 2007 brings Christian music, message

By Garrett Turner
Reporter

Shoutfest 2007 will come to Waco Sunday for a full day of music and fun. Sponsored by American Family Radio (88.9/89.9 FM), Shoutfest is a music festival where Christian bands bring their music and message to the masses.

"This is probably the biggest music festival event to hit Central Texas ever," said Jon Williams, operations manager for American Family Radio of Cen-

tral Texas.

Shoutfest will kick off at 1 p.m. and throughout the day, festival-goers will be able to enjoy an assortment of activities such as rock wall climbing, bungee jumping, concessions and live music. There will be 15 national artists and four local artists that will perform, Williams said.

The national bands include Pillar, Superchick and Seventh Day Slumber.

American Family Radio of Central Texas also has a main purpose, which is two-fold,

according to Williams.

"We want to bring in good Christian family entertainment and we want to evangelize," Williams said. "We want people who aren't saved to come to Shoutfest to see that Christianity isn't just a list of rules or boring sermons. Jesus is real, his love is real and hopefully people will come to Christ through this event."

Groves senior Leah Boone, a music and entertainment marketing major, is promoting

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David Poe/Lariat staff

Not in Kansas anymore

4-year-old Isaac Peña and 2-year-old Araceli Peña, two *Wizard of Oz*-themed trick-or-treaters, receive their treats from Huntsville freshman Ashley Harvey and Houston freshman Cat Anton.

Bears to face Kansas State Wildcats in final Big 12 North game

By Justin Baer
Sports writer

In its final Big 12 North match-up of the season, Baylor travels to Manhattan, Kan., this weekend to battle conference foe Kansas State University.

Still looking for their first taste of victory in the conference season, the Bears do not have a simple task ahead of them.

Sophomore quarterback Josh Freeman has begun transforming the Wildcats back to their prominent days of the late 90s. And with the Wildcats eager to avenge a 17-3 loss against the Bears last season at Floyd Casey

Stadium, a win in the "Little Apple" only becomes more of a daunting task.

With its three losses coming by a total of 18 points, Kansas State's 4-3 record is deceptive. Especially since two of those losses came against No. 9 Kansas and No. 23 Auburn.

"K-State has a very good football team and they've improved from what we saw last year," defensive coordinator Larry Hofer said. "Josh Freeman has really matured as a quarterback."

Last week against Oklahoma State University, the Wildcats lost a 41-39 shoot out on a Jason Ricks 26-yard field goal with two seconds remaining. However, the 6-foot-6 Freeman threw for a career-high 404 yards while tossing three touchdowns against the Cowboys.

The Bears will lean on their pass defense, which is ranked fifth in the Big 12 with 249 passing yards yielded per game, to stop a confident Freeman from continuing the trend he kept up last weekend. Meanwhile, Baylor's quarterback situation hasn't been quite as stable.

Head Coach Guy Morriss will call on Michael Machen,

who did not even make the trip to Kansas two weeks ago, to direct the offense this weekend. After an impressive three and a half quarters of play last weekend, Machen proved his worth enough to retain the starting job against Kansas State. In a 31-10 loss against the University of Texas, Machen threw for 231 yards and a touchdown.

Despite having three passes intercepted, Morriss was more impressed with the intangibles the veteran displayed throughout the duration of the game.

"His composure on the sideline and in the huddle has to do with his age and experience, and it helped some of the younger

receivers," Morriss said. "I don't know what he said when he gathered everyone up, but I haven't seen anyone do that since we've been here."

"He's our guy and we're going to ride him right now," Morriss said,

Coming off a game against an athletic Longhorn team, Machen has another hardship to face this weekend when he takes on a highly energized Wildcat pass defense. Led by Chris Carney and Justin McKinney, Kansas State leads the Big 12 with 11 interceptions in four conference games. Although its goal of making a bowl game is still a reality, Baylor must win three of its last

four games to even be considered for a bowl game.

The Bears know their chances are dwindling with each loss, and with major Big 12 opponents like the University of Oklahoma and Texas Tech University waiting in the wings, the reality of making of Baylor making its first bowl game since 1994 is slipping away.

"We talked about that on Sunday and I think they know that there is still the opportunity for them to reach their goal," Morriss said. "That's our main focus right now. We will take it a game at a time and we will go into these next four games and give it our best shot."

Maine school's contraceptive plan makes good sense

The question of whether to offer contraceptives to underage students has always been a controversial issue.

King Middle School in Portland, Maine, will become the first middle school in the state to make contraceptives available to its students, including birth control pills and patches.

I support the Portland School Committee's decision to approve the plan.

Students will need parental permission to access the school's health center, but treatment for minors is confidential under state law.

There have been 17 reported pregnancies in the last four

years at Portland's three middle schools. Lead nurse Amanda Rowe said five of the 134 students who visited the health center last school year reported having sexual intercourse.

Some parents were horrified at the mere suggestion of making contraceptives available to tweens and teenagers, claiming it violates parents' rights and puts students at the risk of cancer because of hormones in the pill.

Others clearly support it, stating that sometimes children won't feel comfortable speaking to their parents about sexual issues, and maybe at the health center, kids will feel more at ease.

point of view



BY CHRISTINE BOLANOS

They emphasized that making contraceptives available to middle schoolers doesn't encourage sex, but is aimed at the kids who do engage in sexual activity.

At some point in a child's life, the "birds and bees talk" will no longer do. Curiosity and temptation will creep in. And then what?

The ultimate decision wheth-

er to engage in premarital sexual relations lies with the child, not her parents.

If she decides to have sexual relations she is now at the risk of pregnancy or contracting a sexually transmitted disease. Hopefully though, she will be smart about it and use protection.

A friend of mine, whose name I won't mention for her privacy, actually went to the Baylor Health Center last year to be advised about what type of birth control would best suit her.

Instead she was told premarital sex is a sin and that she should really, really think about

her decision to use birth control, before going through with it. My friend is 21 and an adult under the law as a citizen of the United States. How dare anyone try to tell her what to do? It's her own right and choice.

I understand that there are some Christians at the university who would never approve of engaging in premarital sex. I would hope, though, that they are open-minded enough to understand that not everyone at Baylor holds the same views.

Needless to say, my friend didn't feel comfortable going to the Health Center anymore and instead is planning on going to a local Planned Parenthood

clinic.

What hope is there for all the sexually active tweens and teenagers in the U.S. if this is the way they are treated at their school clinics? Will they resort to unprotected sex? I doubt that not having contraceptives would stop most of them if they are in the moment.

Maybe we should get rid of all the Planned Parenthoods in the U.S. and see how much the underage pregnancy rate increases. Maybe then some people will start considering birth control as an option.

Christine Bolanos is a junior political science major from Round Rock.

Editorial Goin' beyond Steppin'

The Waco community is inundated with paint-brush-wielding Baylor students twice a year for a half-day of what sometimes seems like half-hearted community service.

Splashing a fresh coat of paint on a weathered house is a satisfying experience — for the painter. While we recognize that Steppin' Out does have aspects that are an actual benefit to the community, anyone who's participated knows the pitfalls. When the brush strokes fill in over cracked surfaces, it gives a sense of newness and quality. Unfortunately for the beneficiaries of Steppin' Out, paint doesn't solve everything.

Steppin' Out is Baylor's most publicized version of community service. Leave it to us to take something selfless like helping the poor and turn it into a photo shoot. In the midst of cleaning out food pantries and constructing wheel chair ramps, the last thing we should think to do is snap a picture. Documenting service is not bad in itself, but when photography overshadows charity, questions of motivation are raised. True community service shouldn't be pretty.

Of course, it was a little more to it: Service hours. Four, to be exact, can be awarded for an altruistic afternoon. It's genius, really. We can hang out with friends, meet service hour requirements, and get a new Facebook profile picture all in the same day.

But Steppin' Out isn't supposed to be about us. It's supposed to be about reaching out to the community. While this in itself is a noble cause, it's difficult to separate the intention from the



implementation. The stories about irresponsibility at Steppin' Out abound. Most commonly, the number of students at a site is often disproportionate to the service needed. When not posing for pictures, students end up sitting around, chatting it up and doing very little actual service.

If we are going to spend months organizing a campuswide event and soliciting volunteers, it's only logical we utilize our resources responsibly.

The aftermath of the afternoon

often echoes previous oversights. Paint brushes are washed out in Waco Creek or in the lawn in front of the Bill Daniel Student Center, which seems to negate the notion of community improvement in addition to tainting Waco's water supply.

Although Steppin' Out recipients are undoubtedly grateful for any help students offer, with a resource pool thousands of students strong, a mere four-hour service project is insufficient.

Perhaps it's time the event moves

beyond painting to address more pressing issues like high rates of homelessness and people living below the poverty line.

Organizations like Mission Waco, Caritas and the Community Development Center meet needs that go beyond paint products. While Steppin' Out may periodically partner with local nonprofit groups, more care should be taken to ensure the projects assigned are substantial.

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Congress can do better than militarizing border to obtain security

The July sun's heat penetrated her skin like burning needles. With her 1-year-old clinging to her arms, she was crossing a river that she knew had already taken many lives.

She said the "Coyote" told her to take her clothes off.

She refused. "I was afraid of getting raped," she said.

The trip from Honduras to America took three days.

She was hungry, thirsty and more than anything, scared for her life and for the life of her child.

But none of the obstacles she confronted crushed her hopes of reaching the American Dream.

She is one of many from many impoverished nations. And no matter how hard our nation attempts to implement

"tougher border security," nothing's going to prevent immigrants from crossing borders.

So we need a more reasonable approach to immigration reform.

On www.whitehouse.gov, one can learn that as of Aug. 10, Homeland Security had proposed implementing 18,300 border patrol agents, 370 miles of fencing, 300 miles of vehicle barriers and 105 camera and radar towers to increase border security.

Great strategy. What will it cost?

Could Texans use that much money better some other way?

Will it stop people from making a break for a better tomorrow?

Probably not.

point of view



BY BELINDA COLUNGA

Past reforms haven't stopped the increase of illegal immigration.

According to an article on the Altermedia News Web site, illegal immigration has increased by 23 percent in the past four years, and the "illegal" population has reached roughly 10 million in the U.S.

I understand people are breaking the law when crossing into our borders illegally,

but there's no need to call them criminals.

Most aren't crossing for the wrong reasons.

They are people risking their lives for the hope of a better life in this country.

They come out of necessity and because they hear about this being "the land of opportunity."

President Bush's Comprehensive Immigration Reform, as explained on the White House Web site, would be a dream come true.

Illegal immigrants may be a burden on taxpayers, but they can still contribute to the economy.

A temporary worker program would allow immigrants to work for a period of time and

later return to their families.

Deporting all 12 million "illegal" immigrants now here is irrational.

Some have been here for so long that they've formed families, own houses and have roots in society.

I don't see anything wrong with granting citizenship to productive, law-abiding residents.

We should also address this issue in a more respectful manner. Despite the criminalizing title "illegal" immigrants have been assigned, they're still human beings with feelings and dignity — just as most of our ancestors were.

Not all of us were here first, except those who descended from American Indian tribes.

Most of our ancestors came

here for the same reasons.

Truth, justice and the American way of life ... not just to secure our future, but also the future of generations to come.

The same future we now enjoy.

When we close our borders to those who deserve a chance for a better life, we close our hearts at the same time.

So let's open our hearts and minds and dream up something better than borders with fences, cameras and guns.

Let's give people like this Honduran refugee and her tiny daughter something better — hope — and a chance to make a contribution to the American way of life.

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Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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Iowa State @ Missouri	MU 36-21	MU 45-13	MU 31-6	MU 28-14
Southern Cal @ Oregon	USC 31-23	UO 24-17	UO 27-20	UO 38-35
Last week's record	6-0	5-1	6-0	5-1
Overall record	36-12	36-12	39-9	37-11

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-tions applied and 39 were selected.

Dr. Byron Johnson, codirector for the Institute of Studies of Religion, said FACTS focused on helping rural areas because of their traditional out-of-reach factor. Families in isolated areas may grapple with compromised police response, he said. Also, in cases of domestic abuse, people may have no nearby haven or even knowledge of resources that are available for victims.

"The hardest problems, like domestic violence or substance abuse, are held by individuals who don't fit in the traditionally service delivery very easily. They have barriers to seek good help from traditional service providers," Johnson said.

Hein said faith-based and community groups are able to assist people more efficiently, "in a deeper way."

"They're really good problem solvers on some of the toughest problems," Hein said.

Under the First Amendment, recipient organizations of tax dollars are not allowed to indoctrinate those who use their services or deny services to anyone under religious differences, Hein said. Also, the groups cannot purchase religious materials with money derived from taxes.

Hein's office trains these organizations in public service and non-discriminatory policies. However, "that's actually not the important question,

whether you're religious or not. The important question is 'Do you achieve results?' Hein said.

Achieving those results are Nancy Grimes, director of Iva's Place in Lenoir City, Tenn.; Marlena Taylor, director of The Family Peace Project in Henderson County; and Sandra Renfrow, director of the Southwest Arkansas Domestic Violence Center in DeQueen, Ark. The three women came to the meeting to represent their organizations, all of which received FACTS grants.

Renfrow gave a testimony of her organization's success with help from FACTS. She told a story of a woman who was kidnapped, beaten and raped by her friend. Allowed to use a public restroom in Arkansas, the victim saw a flier for the Southwest Arkansas Domestic Violence Center.

In the next town, the woman was able to escape her captor and tell a police officer she needed to go to the center.

Renfrow said the organization posted fliers in every public women's restroom in six counties in Arkansas via FACTS grant money. The women said they hope FACTS can turn into a long-term initiative.

Johnson said the Institute of Studies of Religion has submitted a proposal to receive funding renewal for FACTS. He said if approved, funds should be available by next spring.



Courtesy of Word Records

Building 429 is one of the featured bands at Shoutfest. The band's first worship record is titled *Iris to Iris*.

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Shoutfest for Word Records, since they have two bands, Building 429 and Group 1 Crew, performing.

"We don't have the opportunity to experience a concert on such a big stage like this," Boone said. "It's pretty exciting for Shoutfest to come to Waco."

The Dove Award-winning recording artist Building 429 is one of the featured bands this year at Shoutfest.

Building 429's lead singer, Jason Roy, said the choice to come to Shoutfest wasn't a hard one.

"This opportunity to go tour with Shoutfest this year was a no-brainer," Roy said. "It's an awesome opportunity to meet people and be inspired and do some inspiring."

Songs from Building 429's new album *Iris to Iris* will be featured in Sunday's performance. According to

Roy, this is the first worship record they've ever done. While writing the songs for *Iris to Iris*, Roy said it was important for people to be able to sing along so the album could aid in their worship.

"We're trying to live a life that serves people," Roy said. "We want to play music that will help people move along with their spiritual growth."

While sending the message of hope is of utmost importance to Roy, entertaining Shoutfest attendees is the most important.

"I want people to be entertained," Roy said. "I want people to see being a Christian isn't always such a disciplined thing."

Shoutfest will be held at Camp Hope in McGregor. Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the gate. For more information, visit www.shoutfest.com or go to Shoutfest's myspace page, www.myspace.com/shoutfest.

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spent a summer abroad with Baylor in Argentina and a semester abroad with the Baylor in Maastricht program.

Despite the closing of the language-focused Baylor in Costa Rica program, the education-based Costa Rica program will continue, as it has had no incidents reported.

The Center for International Education is actively looking for programs to replace Baylor in Costa Rica until the program is able to reopen, Morrison said.

It is also looking to expand the reach of Baylor's programs. "The 2012 goal is to have 30 percent of each class go abroad. Right now we're at 17 percent," Morrison said.

Ortuño agrees with the importance of studying abroad. "One of the most important things Americans can do is learn to deal with foreigners," Ortuño said. "I think if we had that know how, vis-à-vis the Muslim world, we wouldn't be in the fix we're in with Iraq."

Bin Laden criticism creates backlash

By Maggie Michael
The Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt — Al-Qaida sympathizers have unleashed a torrent of anger against Al-Jazeera television, accusing it of misrepresenting Osama bin Laden's latest audiotape by airing excerpts in which he criticizes mistakes by insurgents in Iraq.

Users of a leading Islamic militant Web forum posted thousands of insults against the pan-Arab station for focusing on excerpts in which bin Laden criticizes insurgents, including his followers.

Analysts said the reaction

highlighted militants' surprise at bin Laden's words, and their dismay at the deep divisions among al-Qaida and other Iraqi militants that he appeared to be trying to heal.

"It's not about Al-Jazeera, it's about their shock from bin Laden," said Diaa Rashwan, an Egyptian expert on Islamic militant groups. "For the first time, bin Laden, who used to be the spiritual leader who gives guidance, became a critic of al-Qaida and is confessing mistakes. This is unusual."

"God fight Al-Jazeera," railed one militant Web poster, calling the station a "collaborator with the Crusaders" for suggesting

the tape showed weakness in al-Qaida and featuring discussions of how the tape reflected weaknesses and divisions among insurgents in Iraq.

The recording aired Monday contained unusually strong criticism of insurgents in Iraq from bin Laden, who urges them to admit mistakes and unify. Bin Laden even acknowledges that he advises himself not to be "fanatical" in his stances.

"Some of you have been lax in one duty, which is to unite your ranks," bin Laden said. "Beware of division. Muslims are waiting for you to gather under a single banner to champion righteousness."

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