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Baylor students rally support for Haiti

By Bethany Moore STAFF WRITER

Students have overwhelmingly responded to the earthquake in Haiti by organizing four ways to help with the relief effort.

Different departments, organizations and classes have found ways that Baylor can do its part right from campus.

During the three Chapel services Wednesday, students were invited to donate to Haiti in paint cans that were stationed at each exit. After the services were over, the chaplains found that the students donated more than \$5,000.

Ryan Richardson, associate chaplain and director for worship, said it is rare for chapel to ask students for an offering.

In certain instances such as Hurricane Katrina and the 2004 tsunami that struck Indonesia, when money is the best thing students can give, they will do

"I've been moved by the students' response," Richardson said. "This is a big group of people all gathered in the name of Christ, and this has been a faith issue for them."

Baylor decided collectively that it would help with a relief organization that is already set



Haitians leave Port-au-Prince by boat Wednesday. With the city left in ruins after last week's deadly earthquake, many of the displaced people are leaving town and traveling to stay with relatives in outlying towns.

up in Haiti, and therefore will be sending the money to the Red Cross.

"There isn't a penny that won't go to Haiti," Richardson said. "There are no administrative costs on our end or within the Red Cross, so all \$5,000 will go to Haiti."

Richardson also said that he

hopes students will keep the donation paint cans out in the foyer so students can still have the opportunity to give.

Chapel is not the only opportunity for students.

Students in Dr. Steven Bradley's social entrepreneurship and economic development class are collecting donations to send over water filters, so Haitians will have clean water.

It is part of a company called Just Water, which plans to send enhanced filters to third-world countries all over the world to help with water purification.

Students and others have already raised enough money for Just Water to send more

than 5,000 filters to Haiti.

"We were working with Just Water long-term for the class when Haiti happened," said Bradley, an assistant professor of management. "Here we were talking about poverty, and that day in class the

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Award offers math whiz semester of Bear status

Dr. Edward Burger, recent winner of Cherry award, will teach at BU

By SARA TIRRITO STAFF WRITER

Dr. Edward Burger, Williams College professor of mathematics and Gaudino Scholar, has been chosen as the recipient of the 2010 Robert Foster Cherry

Award for Great Teaching.
"The Robert Foster Cherry Award for Great Teaching committee was very pleased with the strength of the applications for the 2010 award," Dr. Heidi Hornik-Parsons, professor of art history and chair of the Cherry Award Committee, stated in a press release. "All three finalists had successful visits and lectures on campus last fall. Dr. Burger demonstrated that he was not only a leading educator in his field, but that he has truly committed his life to the effective teaching of mathematics."

The Cherry Award, first presented in 1991, is now awarded every two years. Three finalists

give a series of lectures at Baylor and receive \$15,000. Their home departments receive an additional \$10,000 to help develop teaching skills. The winner comes to Baylor to teach for a semester, receives \$200,000, and an additional \$25,000 for his home department. Burger has

> "A bear is much more regal than a longhorn."

Dr. Edward Burger Mathematics professor

been teaching at Williams College since 1990 and will be coming to Baylor to teach in the fall.

Burger said the most attractive part of the award is the chance to be part of the Baylor

"Baylor is a phenomenal, wonderful university, so first and foremost was the opportunity to join the Baylor community for a semester and become a bear," Burger said. "I want to become a bear. As a graduate student I was a longhorn, and a bear is much more regal than a longhorn. And now I'm a purple cow-that's the mascot. And certainly a bear is more regal than a purple cow."

Burger added that his dream would be to meet the entire Baylor community.

"Hands down the thing I'm really excited about is getting to meet and getting to know as many students, faculty and staff from the Baylor community as possible. My fantasy would be to literally meet everybody,' Burger said. "It is not only joyful to meet such thoughtful, smart and interesting people, but it is

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Dr. Edward Burger, recipient of the Robert Foster Cherry Award for Great Teaching, lectures on Oct. 26 in the Baylor Sciences Building. Each of the three finalists spoke at Baylor during the fall semester before Burger was announced the 2010 winner.

Senate set to affirm site

Mammoths nearing final steps of park process

By Caty Hirst STAFF WRITER

The Waco Mammoth Site is finally nearing the end of a long journey to enter the National Park System as legislation passes through committee hearings in the U.S. Senate.

Jonathan Cook, marketing coordinator for the city of Waco, said admission into the National Park System would be beneficial to the site.

"It's beneficial on many levels," Cook said. "One of them is the public awareness it will get from the status of being a national monument. To be on that level would really be something

special." The National Park Service did a study on the Waco Mammoth Site and is examining different ways to assist the site. A possibility includes the site being partially or fully staffed by

the National Park Service. "Getting guidance on how to run national parks and to be included in promotions and activities like that would really be a benefit to Waco," Cook said.

As stated in Bill S. 625, currently in the U.S. Senate, the National Park Service would administer the site in cooperation with the city of Waco and Baylor. The bill stipulates that Baylor and Waco must be given opportunities to develop educational programs on the site and be allowed to continue to develop and support it.

Anita Benedict, collections manager for the Mayborn Museum, said Baylor has been involved with the Waco Mammoth Site since its discovery in

Staff members from Baylor's Strecker Museum helped initiate the excavation of the site and correctly identified the fossils as the Columbian mammoths. Baylor staff members continued to help excavate the site through the late 1990s.

The National Park Service recognizes Baylor's involvement with the site and wants Baylor to maintain its involvement with the site, according to Katherine Stevenson, acting deputy directory for the National Park Service.

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Director: Lanes in SUB 'well past their glory years'

By Laura Remson STAFF WRITER

The bowling alley in the Bill Daniel Student Center basement has been slowly deteriorating over the last 50 years, becoming a considerably outdated facility. To combat the problem, the health, human performance and recreation department have reduced the number of students participating in the course this semester.

The Brunswick bowling lanes were brought to Baylor's campus in the early 1960s as a used system, said Matt Burchett, director of student activities.

While the SUB was completed in 1949, the lanes were retrofitted to fit the building during the early 1960s.

"[The lanes are] just well past their glory years as far as the system is concerned," Burchett said. "Typically the age of a system like this is anywhere between 40 or 50 years, and we have far exceeded that timeline at this point."

Kay Waldrop, a professor of bowling and aerobics, noted that the functionality of the facility has only been getting worse over the last few semesters. This was worsened when the facility's mechanics were let go last

Lutz explained that one of the problems with the facility are the pinsetters, the machines that lay the pins at the end of the

"They are probably 20 years past how long they should have lasted," said Dr. Rafer Lutz, chair of the HHPR department. "They are not easy to fix, and they are constantly breaking down."

In previous semesters, high numbers of student bowlers on limited lanes caused big headaches for the department.

"The problem is we had 18 students on three lanes," Waldrop said. "So that's four or five

people on each lane and you can't get enough bowling time in. Grades suffered because of

With that knowledge, the HHPR department made the decision to reduce both the number of students in each of the bowling courses as well as the total number of sections offered. Waldrop said the department hopes that stress on the lanes will be reduced with fewer students using them in class.

In the past, nearly 300 students participated in the program each semester. This semester, however, that number was reduced to fewer than 80

Waldrop has taught the popular human performance course for 11 years, but this is the first time that there have been a maximum of only nine students per

"It's not fair to have so few sections that so few people get the opportunity to do it," she

Lutz said that overall sat-

isfaction of the course had de-

"It's just not a good environment for our students," Lutz said. "They are just not getting the value that they should get."

Lutz has found a number of

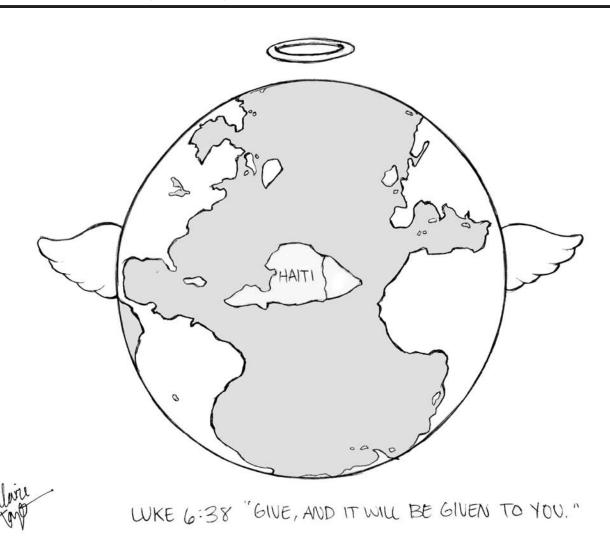
students unhappy with the enrollment situation.

"Well students like bowling. There's some disappointed students," Lutz said. "The HP non-major program is trying to service the entire university.

Lutz said while this situation is disappointing, it's important to look at it as a whole, not just at the bowling courses. He estimates the total number of seats in HP courses each semester to run between 2,800 and 2,900.

"In the grand scheme of things, if we are down 50 seats, it's a problem, but it's also out

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Worldwide groups, leaders unite to restore hope to Haiti

At 5:14 p.m. on Jan. 12, Haiti shook violently as a 7.0 magnitude earthquake hit the southern part of the Caribbean island. At this time, a suspected 65,000 people are presumed dead while an astonishing 3 million people have been affected by the disaster, according to the State Department.

People worldwide have admirably rallied together and begun working on ways to lift up the rubble-ridden country through the sending of food, water and medical supplies

'On food, we have already have mobilized and have en route 600,000 humanitarian daily rations," USAID Administrator Raj Shah said in a briefing Friday. "In addition, we are mobilizing — we have mobilized \$48 million worth

According to Shah, that will be enough food supplies to last several months and feed approximately 2 million people. Shah travelled to Haiti on Saturday with Secretary of State Hillary Clinton to support USAID relief projects.

"Secretary Clinton...has been spending a lot of her time on the phone with other foreign ministers, speaking about the critical need for the kind of coordination that we would actually like to have," State Department counselor Cheryl Mills said.

As the United States Agency for International Development, USAID is an independent federal agency guided by the Secretary of State. USAID has been in existence for 40 years and works with more than 3,500 American companies and more than 300 American private volunteer organizations. USAID is currently mobilizing 100,000 10-liter containers to make

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potable water easily accessible. Twenty-thousand of those containers were to arrive in Haiti

Despite the recent and literal destruction of buildings, the country of Haiti was already suffering. Haiti is the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere with 80 percent of the population living below the poverty line. Two-thirds of the more than 9 million Haitian people do not have formal jobs.

American political leaders are handling the aftermath of the devastating quake in Haiti with poise, grace and compassion.

Citing the \$1 billion American people gave to the tsunami-hit people of South Asia, former U.S. presidents George W. Bush and Bill Clinton said they believe in the American people's ability to give.

"We know the American people will respond again. Just as any of us would reach out to a neighbor in need here at home, we will do everything we can to give aid, care and comfort to our neighbors in the Caribbean, now and in the months and years to come," the two men said Saturday in a New York Times

According to a fact sheet released by the Department of State, the government of Haiti has buried 13,000 corpses in two days and the management of corpses in public is still a major concern. The sheet also cited that the total humanitarian donations to Haiti total more than \$130 million.

Through the use of Twitter, Facebook and

television, the American Red Cross advertised an effort to collect relief donations through a text messaging service.

"That portal has raised more than \$9 million to date for the Red Cross," Mills said. "We are hopeful that money will be put to great use on behalf of the Haitian people.

Having an ailing economy ourselves, the American people should view this tragedy as a wake-up call. Despite our horrid housing market and a stale Wall Street, there are other countries facing far worse. Regardless of our current economic situation, the Haitian people

They need selfless, unwavering aid. "The United States commitment to Haiti, is a long and deep one," Mills said. "And it is not only going to be in their hour of need, but is going to be for the long term.'

We may be facing turbulent times here but nothing that drastically and directly threatens the lives of those we love. Extending a helping hand to Haiti is the American way. Leaders across the nation have acted appropriately and efficiently in order to provide essential supplies to Haiti. All we can do now is pray for those working in the country, those affected by the earthquake and those in mourn-

Helping others is not a matter determined by politics or government — it is a human responsibility. Leaders have handled the situation in a kindhearted way, void of all bureaucracy. For that we are thankful. Keep giving and praying, Americans. That is what Haiti needs from us most.

Solution: Change in system, mindset

Point of View BY NICK DEAN

On a plane from Los Angeles to Houston, I judged another passenger.

I told myself that his man was fully capable of a

I have always thought I was above that. I believed, without a shadow of a doubt, that I could never be one of those people.

But on my flight home from visiting my mom in Hawaii, I became the exact type of person I told myself I would never understand — a profiler.

I don't know if everyone does it and only a few are outspoken or if only a minority of the population deals with it — but profiling never seemed innate to me. I always questioned how anyone was capable of thinking the worst of someone based purely on skin colors or prejudices.

As I sat one row in front of the person I judged, I thought to myself: "I wonder what people think about me on this plane. Do they think I am a possible terrorist? Do they want to know where I am going just to verify my non-terrorist status?"

That's when the answer to how someone could profile came to me. I discovered that judging someone is simple. We are all capable of profiling because we are a selfish species. We care about our needs and ourselves first. At the top of the needs

Prior to my awful profiling scenario, I thought that terrorism only affected me through bombings and threats. I had never recognized that terrorists affected my everyday life by simply existing.

Then I realized why I was so unnerved on my plane ride home. I had no trust in the security system everyone had to go through before boarding my plane. No trust produces zero confidence. I had no trust in the workers, I had no trust in the rules or regulations — all I had was fear.

A man boarded a plane in Amsterdam with explosive materials strapped to his clothes. It appears that he had every intention to blow up that plane upon its landing in Detroit. Luckily for those aboard, and for all of America, the man failed to physically harm anyone but himself on Christmas

Both the system and our mindsets have to

It would be foolish to live life waiting for horrific events to take place before enforcing specific security measures. Our mindsets must change. Security officials promote the reporting of any suspicious

Unfortunately, acts of terror now set the standards for what Americans view as suspicious activity. If a man was in the lavatory of an airplane for one hour before attempting to blow up a plane any person that spends a lengthy amount of time in the on-board restroom will seem suspicious.

If a terrorism act occurred on a greyhound bus - extra measures would be taken for security and more people would be on edge while taking their next vacation via bus.

We must not forget that security officials are, fact human The human race quickly be complacent. We are not known for being able to have unwavering attention. We have fallen prey to terrorist attacks because our inherent complacency destroys security measures.

Acts of terrorism should not be reminders to beef up security. We must strive to eradicate contentment in any security system.

A widespread, continuous effort to keep security running effectively and efficiently should be the goal of all organizations.

All threats should be taken seriously. If the Yemeni man's father called to report suspicious activity of his son — why was nothing done?

My life — our lives — are in the hands of those sworn to protect us. A simple investigation may have eclipsed the attempted bombing in Detroit before the man ever made it to the airport.

Terrorism is the reason I have yet to board a plane since 9/11 void of memories. I constantly think of the horror I sat and watched through my television on the night when terror struck America.

Our society has been scared and scarred. We must begin to place trust in our systems. We must begin to heal and grow.

But, before we begin to wholeheartedly trust, we must push for security measures and regulations that are consistently up to par.

Terrorism is an unfortunate, sorrowful and evil part of our lives, but we must not fall victim to the mind tricks these attacks have on us.

We cannot allow terrorists to brood racial or religious contempt in our melting pot of a country. America is ours to protect. From the green grass to the blue sky — it is ours.

We cannot place more trust in terrorists than in

When that happens, hope is lost.

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Rested, we embark on this journey

Rest is important and takes shape in several forms. Over the Christmas break, many students head home to spend time with their family and friends, take vacations, read, attend worship services, watch TV and movies, play and listen to music and overall simply experience "rest." They simply experience a slowing down of the spirit. Rest looks different for each of us, but satisfies a similar goal: a break in the grind, a respite from the day-today, sleep-deprived lifestyle many of us find ourselves playing an (overly) active part in.

My hope for you is that you experienced your satisfactory quota of this kind of rest. I hope you experienced the kind of rest that calms the aching soul and rejuvenates the worn-out muscles and tired eyes left over from finals season. As a college student, you most likely have the longest Christmas break you will ever have. Thus, I hope you took full advantage of it and I hope it treated you well.

Family time is good for many things: to both remind us of home and of the growth we have experienced since leaving. My family played about 100 games of Mexican Train Dominos and told stories of the middle daughter's adventures at Oklahoma University, my parents' experiences at their jobs, my observations here at Baylor and the youngest daughter's middle school follies. My family from Colorado came in town. I hadn't seen them in more than a year and their kids looked

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BY BRITTANY HARDY

a million times older.

My aunt laughed when I exclaimed, "They're so big!" She said it's much more noticeable when they're not your kids. That is the funny thing about growth, though. Maybe I do not see my own growth because I am so busy experiencing it or feeling down on the days when I seem to struggle with the same things over and over again. But I see growth in Amber as she returns from her cardinal semester at college and has, for the first time, participated in life beyond the nest. And I see it in my Colorado cousins as I have the privilege of watching them become children of God. So, maybe I do not see my growth day to day and maybe I get frustrated because I still struggle, but someday I'll look back on this time and recognize just how formative these years were.

Growth is happening right now and we, each day, are becoming the adults we will be in the future. Rest plays a vital part in all this, because it restores us and prepares us for this time: the time for us to make the most of the opportunities we have been given.

A fatal car accident in my hometown was a tragic reminder that life is short and saying "I love you" holds significance. So I hope you did that too. I hope you surrounded yourself with people you love, respect, appreciate and

My family watches "It's A Wonderful Life" every Christmas break. It's an honored family tradition. This movie is another reminder that life is precious. It reminds us that our life means much more than we often realize. With 14,000 students at this university, it is insane for us to not take every opportunity to make life better for the people around us. So go try something new today and get to know the people in your classes.

As we return to our 4-plus-year home, I hope you return ready for this adventure. It is a passage of working and growing and learning and loving. Now that you're rested, take advantage of what is to come.

I'm glad you're back.

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Please Recycle This Issue

Smartpen merges doodling with serious note-taking

BY JOHN ELIZONDO REPORTER

There is a new and improved note-taking utensil that could benefit all Baylor students.

Livescribe has been selling the Smartpen since March 2008, but it just recently arrived one store in Waco: the Best Buy at 4627 S. Jack Kultgen Expressway.

"The Smartpen is the perfect study tool for the college student," Best Buy sales associate Ivan Olvera said. "We have sold 45 to 50 Smartpens since we began selling the pen last month."

The \$169 pen can record audio while a student writes notes on Smartpen paper and then plays the audio back from the exact moment something was written

"[A student] draws a picture of what the professor is talking about, and then when they go

back to the notes all they have to do is double tap the drawing, and whatever the professor was saying while the student was doing that, [the audio] will come out perfectly synchronized to the notes," Livescribe customer service representative Carolyn Diepsteraten said.

Diepsteraten said that the intention of the pen is to help the student take notes, and one professor believes the tool would be great for students.

"I am a large proponent of students trying anything they can to take good notes," economics professor Dr. Kent Gilbreath said. "Although I personally put my notes on Blackboard and video record my lectures for my

Gilbreath said that students whose professors do not give them lecture notes and recordings of the class at their disposal, the Smartpen would be beneficial

Both the audio and the notes that are written are stored within the pen, which can hold up to two gigabytes of memory-the equivalent to a maximum of 200 hours of audio.

The notes do not have to be stored only within the pen but can be transferred to a computer by using the provided Smartpen docking station.

Once the notes are transferred to the computer, they will be recreated on the computer screen exactly the same way the notes were written with the audio that accompanies the notes. Just recently, Livescribe intro-

duced its own applications store that can be bought and downloaded into the pen.

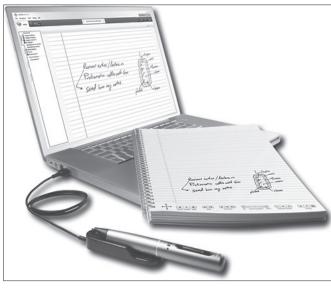
The applications vary in use, but the educational applications really stand out, Diepsteraten

"If you're in a Spanish class and you write your notes in English then we have an application where the pen will recognize the word you wrote and can give you the translation in Spanish," Diepsteraten said.

The applications can also be used for recreational purposes; from Blackjack to Hangman, a student could be easily entertained by the gadget and the many applications that make putting pen to paper a bit more interesting.

Diepsteraten said she has even seen a student play Led Zeppelin's "Stairway to Heaven" on the pen using the guitar application.

'[Students of] any major could use the pen and see definite improvement in grades and performance. If I had used it in college I would have graduated Magna Cum laude," Diepsteraten said.



The information written with the Smartpen can be uploaded onto a person's personal computer along with the audio recorded at the time of the writing.

New community of artists coming in Fall 2010

BY STEPHANIE LEE REPORTER

A new Living-Learning Center will soon become a welcoming home for fine arts students.

Campus Living and Learning and the fine arts department have developed a Living-Learning Center, which will launch

Steven Pounders, an associate professor of theater arts said the idea to begin this project was promising.

"I and a few of my colleagues in the theater arts department began meeting to discuss the potential for an LLC for theater students about two years ago," Pounders said.

For two years, Pounders has been the faculty-in-residence at the North Village Residential Community, where the Living-Learning Center will be housed.

For students, living in a learning environment provides endless possibilities and benefits.

China Spring sophomore Erica Wilson said she has enjoyed her experience while living in the Heritage Square LLC for engineering and computer science majors in North Village.

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the LLC. I enjoy the people I live with, and there are a lot of study groups available," Wilson said.

Sarah Mudd, the North Village director said she is excited about this new venture.

"We want our students to branch beyond their own fields of study to gain knowledge in other areas."

Steven Pounders Associate Professor of theater arts

Mudd said the LLC is currently home to three LLC's, and she is looking forward to adding one more. The fine arts LLC will include students from the music school, film and digital media department and theater arts.

"(Currently the) University House is a home for the Outdoor Adventure LLC, the Entrepreneurship LLC, a group of students in the engineering LLC, a number of fine athletes and those

who simply enjoy the community life of North Village," Pounders

Pounders said learning, experience and knowledge are the kevs to success.

"We want our students to branch beyond their own fields of study to gain knowledge in other areas," Pounders said.

As a whole, the LLC inspires high hopes for the future.

'The goal of the Fine Arts LLC is to build a community of artists, to engage students in meaningful exchanges and activities with faculty and guests from many disciplines outside of the classroom, and to have students interact with other fine arts programs on campus other than their own," Pounders said.

Pounders also said student engagement and academic development is essential.

"We want students to attend events outside their disciplines, not because their roommate is part of it or just because they have to," Pounders said. "The possibilities are endless."

Communication played an integral part in attracting students to live in the LLC.

Pounders said they received high volumes of interested students during the recruitment

The most rewarding part of Mudd's job is seeing her students

"I have seen a lot of benefits from LLC involvement during my time here. Generally speaking, students who participate in an LLC are more connected to the community and faculty members," Mudd said. The new addition to the LLC

will bring bright and talented students into the working world, Pounders said. The LLC will house 80 stu-

dents, consisting of 40 men and

Forty current Baylor students have been accepted, and 40 more spaces are available to incoming

For more information, visit www.baylor.edu/fineartsllc.

BEAR BRIEFS

Acoustic Cafe Tonight

Acoustic Cafe will take place 8 tonight in the Bill Daniel Student Center or SUB Den. Come and enjoy original music and art composed by Baylor students

All-University Sing Tickets on sale

Sing Tickets are on sale today at 6 p.m. at the Bill Daniel Student Center or SUB Student Activites booth. Tickets will be available to students. Tickets will go on sale to the public

For questions about tickets, please call (254)710-3210.

Opening Reception for McClanahan Exhibition

6:30 to 8:30 tonight in the Martin Museum of Art located in Hopper-Schaefer Fine Arts Center.

Karate Practice Meeting

9 to 10:30 tonight in Marrs-McLean gym room 320. Principles and practice of self-defense will be taught and practiced.

Fee for schedule change begins today

Beginning today students who make changes to their schedules will be charged a fee of \$20.

File your FAFSA

The FAFSA is now available online for students to file for the 2010-2011 academic year. www.fafsa.ed.gov

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Stars act out with violent behavior

Entertainment Editor

In case someone hasn't noticed, celebrities seem to have gone a little crazy lately. From Amy Winehouse's violent domestic dispute to Charlie Sheen's violent Christmas confrontation with his wife Brooke Mueller to the missing-in-action Tiger Woods who was reportedly fleeing from his golf club-wielding wife, it seems like violence may be the celebrity trend in dealing with conflict.

The holidays are apparently as rough of a time for celebrities as it is for some of us "normal folk." Tiger's car accident -turned- beating with a golf club was on Thanksgiving weekend. Amy Winehouse and Charlie Sheen both got a bit violent around Christmas. Winehouse was arrested for a incident at a Christmas performance where she, under the influence of alcohol, pulled the manager of the venue's hair. She pleaded guilty on Wednesday for

Charlie Sheen has less than a spotless reputation throughout his past. The "Two and a Half Men" star has a past spotted with drug usage, inappropriate sexual relations, and claims of domestic violence from some of his former love interests. Now on his third wife, with whom he has twin sons, Sheen's rumored history of domestic violence rears its head once again. Charlie and Brooke's past few weeks sound more like a soap opera than real life.

First, Sheen was arrested on Christmas at the couple's house in Colorado on charges of domestic violence, including seconddegree assault and menacing against his wife. Mueller told police that Sheen put

a knife to her neck and threatened to kill her. After posting bail, Sheen was released from jail and a restraining order was enforced to keep the couple apart.

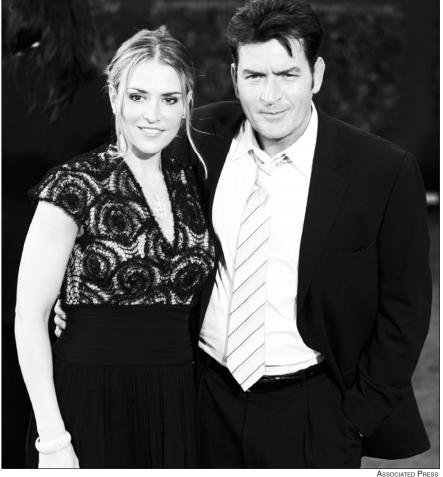
However, only a week after the incident, Sheen's attorney sought to have the restraining order modified to allow the couple to have contact. Mueller's attorney also claimed that the couple was willing to reconcile and needed the best shot to do

Now, Charlie is again at Brooke's side, ignoring the restraining order, because she entered the hospital with an infection resulting from oral surgery. So perhaps they will reconcile. They both claim that is the

The most strange and unexpected case of recent domestic violence was the Tiger Woods scandal, which turned into: How many women can claim that they have had an affair with Tiger Woods before 2009 is over? Honestly, I don't believe that all of the women were telling the truth. Regardless, something or someone set Tiger's wife, former Swedish supermodel Elin Nordegren, off. Reports swirl that Nordegren threatened Woods with a golf club and he was eventually involved in his infamous single car accident in November 2009. Although Woods' actions weren't violent, they did tear his family apart.

There have been many claims of Tiger sightings, but all have been hard to prove.

Thus, my question is: When is the violence going to stop? Celebrities are, in essence, public figures and should remember that their actions reflect not only on their character, but also their businesses. Woods has reportedly lost nearly all of his



In September, prior to his arrest on domestic violence charges, actor Charlie Sheen and his wife ,Brooke Mueller, arrive at the 61st Primetime Emmy Awards in Los Angeles.

AT&T. No matter how Woods plays golf or how big of a come-back he makes, his character is tainted and it is not a surprise that companies don't seem to want him as

Perhaps they could take a page from the Britney Spears come-back manual. She had her little wave of emotional and public upheaval, including her head-shaving-scandal and an attack she made on

photographers with an umbrella. Then, in 2009 Spears had a hugely successful tour and her come-back album, "Circus," blew up the charts.

There may be room for redemption for all of these high-profile figures who are so talented, yet they are allowing their personal lives to eclipse their talent, be it music, sports or acting. It is waste of talent.

Broccoli-stuffed Chicken

Ingredients 2 (6 ounce) skinless,

boneless chicken breast halves

1 teaspoon poultry seasoning

1/2 teaspoon white pepper

1/2 teaspoon curry powder

1/2 teaspoon garlic

powder 1/4 teaspoon salt

1 cup finely chopped fresh broccoli

1/2 cup shredded Ched-

dar cheese 1/2 cup chicken broth

Directions 1. Seal chicken in plastic

bag and flatten to 1/4-in. thickness. Combine poultry seasoning, pepper, curry powder, garlic powder and salt; sprinkle over chicken. Combine broccoli and cheese; place half in the

center of each chicken breast. Fold long sides over filling; fold ends up and secure with a toothpick. 2. Place, seam side down,

in an 8-in. square baking pan. Add broth. Cover pan loosely with foil. Bake at 350 degrees F for 30 minutes. Remove foil; baste the chicken with pan juices. Bake, uncovered, 10 minutes longer or until meat juices run clear. Remove toothpicks before serving. Thicken pan juices for gravy if desired.

By Donald Laugherty at ALLRECIPES.COM.

Texas band Sky Eats Airplane to perform Friday

By James Byers

Art Ambush will be the site

of a triumphant homecoming on Friday night. Sky Eats Airplane, a Fort

Worth-based metal five-piece, will perform for the first time in Texas since undergoing major lineup changes and adding two new vocalists.

"I have been saying every day, more than once, that I cannot wait to get to Texas," lead vocalist Bryan Zimmerman said. "It's our home state. Waco and Fort Worth will be incredible because of the love and support that we have from the fans there. They support local bands like crazy, and you can't ask for more."

Sky Eats Airplane will be joined at Art Ambush by A Bullet For Pretty Boy, Everyone Dies In Utah, No Such Thing and Hello Eternal. Doors will open at 6 p.m. and tickets are \$10 in advance on www.showtimetickets.com and \$12 at the door.

In July 2009, lead singer Jerry Roush left Sky Eats Airplane, and the band began to conduct tryouts in search of a new vocalist. The band announced in December that bassist Johno Erickson had also departed, but that two new vocalists had been added. Zimmerman was named lead vocalist, and Elliot Coleman was chosen to sing and play bass. After writing fresh material as a unit, the new Sky Eats Airplane played its first show on Jan. 15 in Maryland, forcing Zimmerman and Coleman to quickly adjust to

ready for this little tour," Zimmerman said. "I had some initial fears that people wouldn't accept us, but after these first few shows I feel incredibly confident. It honestly couldn't be going better." Houston junior Dono Tippett,

"We only had 18 days to get

who plans to attend Friday, isn't worried about the lineup change.

"I'm a big fan," Tippett said. "My favorite part of Sky Eats Airplane is the electronica feel that they have. They're really unique. They mix hardcore and electronica together."

Although Sky Eats Airplane has been writing new material, concertgoers won't be able to hear it Friday. Zimmerman said that the band is only performing songs from 2006's "Everything Perfect on the Wrong Day" and 2008's self-titled release. But fans won't need to wait long.

Zimmerman said the band hopes to finish recording by the end of February and to release an EP as soon as March. Zimmer-

man described the new material as "mature" and praised guitarist Zack Ordway.

"Zack is the most amazing guitar player I've ever seen," Zimmerman said. "He's an incredible writer, and it's a privilege to be in a band with him. Every time he writes new stuff, he matures, but he still has an edge. He's pushing more boundaries with the music. There's fusion in it. There's a lot of jazz, but it's still incredibly heavy."

The band hopes to record a third album this summer.

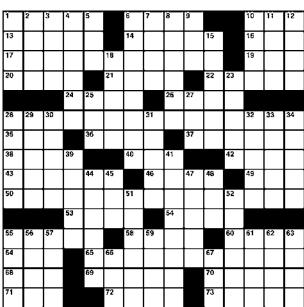
"It really depends on how our tour goes," Zimmerman said. "We're trying to give people the chance to see us as the new line-

Austin-based No Such Thing has also been in the recording studio lately. The band recently returned from a stint in Michigan where it was recording for an upcoming EP. Lead singer Ryan Hegefeld said that the band is excited to return to Texas and play with Sky Eats Airplane.

"This is definitely a privilege and an honor for us," Hegefeld said. "I remember when we were getting started a couple of years ago, and those guys were just then hitting it big. We actually went to go see them in concert. We're definitely excited just to

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Baylor guard LaceDarius Dunn (24) shoots over Kansas guard Tyshawn Taylor (10) during the second half of an NCAA college basketball game Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2010, in Lawrence, Kan. Dunn scored 27 points in the

Bears crumble at Kansas, 81-75

Sherron Collins scored 28 points, and the University of Kansas held off a feisty Baylor squad 81-75 Wednesday night at Allen Fieldhouse to extend its home winning streak to 54 games—the longest active streak

Collins shot 56 percent from the field, including 5-of-9 from beyond the 3-point line, to put a damper on Baylor's quest for an

"Sherron is the point guard, the leader, the general of our team - we look to him to make big shots, but he loves it," Kansas junior center Cole Aldrich said. "He enjoys being in that posi-

Last season during Baylor's historic journey through the Big 12 Tournament, LaceDarius Dunn orchestrated a monumental upset over then No. 11 Kansas with 24 points, including six 3-pointers. Dunn tried to be the hero once more Wednesday night, but with the Baylor front line finding itself in foul trouble, Dunn's task was insurmountable in the tumultu-

ous environment. Dunn finished with a teamhigh 27 points and nine rebounds, but the rest of the Bears destructed in the game's final minutes.

Baylor out-rebounded Kansas 34-29, but wasn't able to create second-chance opportunities off of missed shots in the closing

"I wish we could go back and

do the last three minutes again, because we didn't get those offensive boards late in the game," head coach Scott Drew said. "I credit KU for doing what they needed to do.

The Bears (14-3, 2-2) erased a 10-point deficit with 3:35 left in the game when Anthony Jones' dunk capped a 10-0 run, that he started, to tie the game at 65-65. Later after Marcus Morris converted both free throws, Dunn brought the Bears within one possession on a floater in the lane. But the clutch Collins retaliated with his fifth 3-pointer of the night to stifle Baylor's valiant comeback effort.

Dunn's number was dialed in the first half when both Ekpe Udoh and Josh Lomers succumbed to foul trouble. Drew resorted to inexperienced freshman Cory Jefferson, however the Killeen native with a raw skill set wasn't capable of outdueling the Kansas All-American Aldrich.

The Bears' offense became practically one-dimensional, but Dunn refused to let Baylor skip a beat. The Monroe, La., native stepped up and splashed three of his four, first-half 3-pointers while Udoh and Lomers were on the bench.

"I think that we did a good job handling the ball and dealing with the crowd," Dunn said. "Most of all, we slowed it down, because Kansas likes to run. So we tried our best to slow it down every once in a while and run our offense."

Even though they had 14 turnovers in the opening half, the Bears teetered throughout the first 20 minutes with the Jayhawks. Baylor took a three-point lead when Dunn buried a trey from the corner with 3:25 left in the half. The Bears then remained with a brief lead in the half's closing minutes, but Markieff Morris's put-back dunk as time expired tied the game at 30 going into intermission.

"It's really frustrating," Drew $said\ of\ Baylor's\ 20\ total\ turn overs.$ "The good thing is we know an area where we can improve. In our two losses, we've had turnovers and that's something we need to work on."

Baylor stayed afloat with Kansas until midway through the second half when Collins took over. Collins, who was an integral part of the Jayhawks' 2008 championship run, scored 21 of his 28 points in the second half to send the Bears to their eight consecutive Big 12 road loss.

As a consolatory prize, the Bears did stop a Kansas streak of 91 consecutive games of holding the opponent to less than 50 percent shooting by shooting 52.1 percent from the field.

Baylor returns home for a non-conference match against the University of Massachusetts 3 p.m. Saturday at the Ferrell Cen-

The Baer Necessities: Romo's mental toughness insufficient for NFL QB



Tony Romo mishandles the snap as kicker Martin Gramatica prepares to kick the game-winning field goal against the Seattle Seahawks in the NFC Wildcard playoff game on Jan. 6, 2007. Romo is 1-2 in playoff

Replacing the aged Drew Bledsoe in 2006, Tony Romo appeared to be destined as the next legendary Cowboys quarterback.

Romo had the energy to jump-start a desolate Cowboys franchise, the work ethic to gain his teammates' support and the smile and charisma to woo the ladies.

The undrafted, feelgood story won five of his first six starts, including knocking off the then-unbeaten Indianapolis Colts. The former Eastern Illinois University standout finished the season with 2,903 yards, to go along with 19 touchdowns and a passer rating of 95.1. Garnering a Pro Bowl selection, Romo had Dallas fans convinced Jerry Jones had discovered a diamond in the

More importantly, Romo guided the Cowboys to their first playoff appearance in three years, as the team stormed to Seattle in hopes of upending the NFC West champion Seahawks.

Down 21-20 in the waning minutes of the fourth quarter, Romo engineered the Cowboys to what should have been a game-winning drive. Placed at the 2-yard line, the Cowboys sent

Martin Gramatica out to capture Dallas' first playoff victory since 1996. On the attempt, Romo

botched the hold, and with that, the Cowboys' season came to a disparaging conclusion. Unfortunately Cowboys fans, the series of events displayed on

Jan. 6, 2007, were only a

glimpse of the career of Tony Romo. After witnessing the 34-3 walloping the Cowboys received by the Minnesota Vikings, it's unequivocal that Romo is not the solution at quarterback for the

Justin Baer

Sports editor

Dallas Cowboys. Granted, Romo spent most of his Sunday afternoon fleeing from defensive linemen, but the sixth-year quarterback still made amateur mistakes on a paramount level.

Romo's three fumbles (two lost) and one interception put a damper to the Cowboys' morale, and while Brett Favre toyed with Dallas's defense, Romo didn't put the Cowboys in position to make it a competitive game.

While Romo has the tangibles to make a decent NFL starter, he will never lead the Cowboys to the Super Bowl for the same reason Miami Dolphins' kicker Ray Finkle collapsed in the Jim Carrey movie "Ace Ventura." Romo's mental toughness is inadequate for what is required by an NFL quarterback to lead an NFL team to the most cherished game in all of sports.

Romo has posted impressive regular season wins throughout his career, but after seeing his brief stints in playoff action, I get the impression Romo will never don a Super Bowl ring (at least because of his action.)

Critics denounced Peyton Manning for his early career playoff failures, but Manning was also a part of a Colts team that had an abominable defense for the early portion of his tenure.

So while I applaud Romo for not being a sheer humiliation under center like the other quarterbacks that attempted to fill the shoes of Troy Aikman, No. 9 isn't the franchise quarterback many hyped him to be.

Like what the quarterback did to country music star Carrie Underwood, it's time for Jones to dump Romo. Hopefully for the Cowboys, Jones won't downgrade like Romo did.

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students felt that we should do something so we decided to donate to them."

Bradley said it's not the biggest thing they can do, but living in Waco, it's one way the students

Journalism students have also begun to pool their resources for relief by giving the shirt off their backs. Katy senior Alex Abdallah is heading up the program called "The Shirt Off Your Back," which asks students to donate their used T-shirts to help those in Haiti.

"We've seen an amazing response from the students," Ab-

"We're thinking about setting up drop boxes in other locations on campus so that other students, besides journalism, can get in-

Carol Perry, lecturer of journalism and a faculty aide to Abdallah's efforts, said this is a way students can help since they can't be there physically.

"After three to four weeks the Haitians are going to need support for everyday life, but we can't do that either," Perry said.

"But we can help them in that stage by giving the shirt off our back."T-shirt donations will be taken for the next three weeks to a month and are currently accepted in room 255 of the Castellaw Communications Center.

Student government is working to help one of Waco's own organizations, which works closely in missions with Haiti: Mission

For the next week, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Bill Daniel Student Center, an information booth is accepting donations that will go to Mission Waco.

Since the booth has been set up, student body president Jordan Hannah said they have collected more than \$1,000.

"We hope that by partnering with a local group, we can help them, not only now with Haiti, but in their long-term efforts there," Hannah said.

"With their water wells and by supporting a child, we can build a continuous relationship with Mission Waco and their goals."

Hannah also said students who are interested in helping should talk with Student Activi-

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a wonderful learning opportunity for me. What I hope is that the Baylor community will teach me all sorts of lessons that are valu-

As someone who was not always interested in math, Burger believes his childhood struggles with math helped him sympathize with students' difficulties.

"When I was in elementary school, I wasn't strong at all in math," Burger said. "I always keep in mind my struggle with trying to learn mathematics and try to be sensitive to that struggle so that I can better work with wonderful students."

Burger said he tries to teach math in a way that allows students to incorporate it into other facets of their lives.

"What I try to do is to do a couple things. Number one is to try to as clearly and as effectively as possible share the complex and abstract world of mathematics with my students," Burger said. "The second thing is to try to offer that journey in the most intriguing and enticing and joy-

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of 2,900 seats," Lutz said. "It's a percentage; it's not as drastic as it seems on the surface."

By adding extra sections of different human performance courses, including tennis, Lutz believes that the department has been able to find seats for the many students that absolutely need a credit.

Waldrop is still turning down hopeful students trying to get into the course.

"It's not fair to have so few sections that so few people get the opportunity to do it," Waldrop said. "I know I've turned down at least 20 students that have e-mailed me [to be in the course]."

New Mexico senior Abby Worland was one of the fortunate few to grab a spot in bowling this semester. While she feels bad for students who couldn't get into the course, her experience so far has been a happy one.

"It's so nice," Worland said.

"From the time the site was

discovered until the present, the university and the city have managed the site responsibly," Ste-

venson said in a statement to the Senate subcommittee on National Parks. "The SRS (Special Resource Study) examined a range of proposed options for the NPS (National Park Service) involvement at the site. We believe that

NPS joining in partnership with the city of Waco, Baylor University and others would offer the

most effective and cost-efficient management of this unique re-

The Mayborn Museum at

Baylor is responsible for the longterm preservation of the fossil material at the Waco Mammoth Site, which includes monitoring

temperature, humidity, pests and light inside the dig shelter. The Mayborn Museum also houses a collection of mammoth fossils removed from the Waco

"We are extremely pleased that

Congressman Chet Edwards and

Senator John Cornyn have spon-

sored the bills to officially give the site the designation of national monument," Benedict wrote in

an e-mail to the Lariat. "We look

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ful way possible, so they see these ideas as human ideas. The last thing I try to do is to offer life lessons, methods of thinking that actually transcend the math and can infuse my students' thinking about everything."

Dr. Lance Littlejohn, chair of the mathematics department, said he is certain that all students, whether math majors or not, could benefit from taking one of Burger's classes. Burger will be teaching a section of Ideas in Math and a section of Number

"Ed Burger is a teaching phenomenon, as Baylor students and faculty all observed last October when he participated in the Cherry Award Competition," Littlejohn said. "As chair of the department, I want to maximize Ed in the classroom and have him engage both math majors and non-math majors alike. I can guarantee that Ed Burger will have a positive and profound effect on any Baylor student who signs up for one of his classes."

Associate mathematics pro-

fessor Dr. Ronald Stanke said that Burger will be a good addition to the mathematics department.

"Having earned a reputation both as an excellent mathematician and an outstanding classroom teacher, Professor Burger will certainly make many positive contributions to the teaching of mathematics here at Baylor," Stanke said. "It's safe to say that Professor Burger will be bringing another dimension to mathematics teaching and I'm very happy that our Baylor students have the opportunity to learn mathematics from such a talented teacher."

Burger said his Ideas in Math course would not be about solving equations, graphing or solving for 'x.'

"It's about really intriguing, amazing, wonderful ideas of mathematics, including things like randomness, inquisitiveness, infinity.If you can understand infinity, what can't you do?" he said. "We'll be looking for the aesthetics, we'll be looking for beauty and we'll be looking for wonder.'

"You get to know each other pretty well and there's no wait time in between bowling. It's so efficient; you can go, do your bowling and

In addition to reduced use for the bowling classes, recreational use of the lanes has also been reduced. This semester, recreational bowlers have only three hours a day during the week to bowl. The lanes are now closed Saturday and Sunday as well.

Worland hopes that the university will update the lanes and hire a new mechanic to keep both the facility and the course open for future students.

"It's a problem," Waldrop said. "It's a huge problem. And the HP department is not happy with it, but we're not in control of this facility. They are trying to preserve it, because nobody's come forward with the money to

At the moment, the department knows of no plans to fix the

Brian Nicholson, assistant vice president for facilities and construction confirmed this, noting that there are no current plans for any immediate, large-scale renovations or upgrades to the

"The step number one would be for us to come up with a plan and a price," Nicholson said, pointing out that this process would involve experts in bowling and construction, as well as university officials. "As of right now, that hasn't been done."

Nicholson said that money for this project could come from a gift or from university funds, but this would greatly depend on how much money the project will cost. As to whether this project is a university priority, Nicholson said that it would need to be considered along with other university construction as a whole.



Mammoth fossils recently opened to the public at the Waco Mammoth Site Frida in Waco. After some 30 years since the original discovery, the site is now open to the public five days a week.

Stephen Whitesell, associate director of park planning, facilities and lands for the National Park Service, supports the site becoming a national monument.

"The resource possesses exceptional interpretive value and superlative opportunities for visitor enjoyment and scientific study," Whitesell said in a statement to the House subcommittee on national parks, forests and public lands.

The Waco Mammoth Site houses the nation's first and only recorded nursery herd of Pleistocene mammoths. Since the discovery of the site, 22 mammoths have been uncovered, as well as a camel and a tooth from a saber tooth tiger. The Waco Mammoth Site is

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