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Players steal papers; coach is ‘proud’

Former Baylor head coach Guy Morriss affirms theft by students

JOHN D. ELIZONDO  
REPORTER

Texas A&M University-Commerce head football coach Guy Morriss praised his players after the football team stole newspapers from campus newspaper

racks last week.

“I’m proud of my players for doing that,” Morriss told Texas A&M-Commerce police, as reported by The East Texan.

“This was the best team-building exercise we have ever done.”

The East Texan is the on-campus student newspaper for Texas A&M-Commerce.

Morriss was Baylor’s 24th head football coach and was relieved of his position in November of 2007 after coaching the Bears for five previous seasons.

The newspapers were stolen between the hours of 7 and

8 a.m., leading investigators to think that this was a planned crime that involved many people.

“I would say almost all of the football team would have to be involved to do this,” Lt. Jason Bone, crime information officer, told The East Texan.

The Feb. 25 edition of The East Texan published a front-page story about two of the football players who were arrested in a drug bust.

James Bright, editor of The East Texan, said disciplinary actions were going to be taken for the players but not the coaches.

“They stole \$1,516 worth of newspapers,” he said. “That is a state felony.”

A theft of more than \$1,500 is a state jail felony. The penalties for a state felony are 180 days to two years in state jail and a fine of no more than \$10,000.

Athletic Director Carlton Cooper was not sure if this was an organized heist that involved many of the football players.

“I don’t think they are smart enough to do this on their own,” Cooper told The East Texan.

Bone said he later received video of players Stephen DeGrate and Dakota Burch taking

newspapers from the university police department’s office. Many witnesses have also come out to say that they saw another player taking many papers from the Sam Rayburn Student Center.

In a similar story, more than 2,000 copies of the California State University-Northridge newspaper was stolen on the same day as the thefts at Texas A&M University-Commerce because of a controversial column asking the Greek community to stop partying and start helping out in the community.

Adam Goldstein, attorney advocate for the Student Press

Law Center, said that the stealing newspapers is an illegal act.

“I think the problem comes when they try to take so many that it interferes with the basic purpose for why a newspaper exists,” Goldstein told The East Texan.

“Publications can limit it to one. Certainly one is a rational number.”

Morriss said he did not understand how taking a free paper was considered theft, but inside the paper there is actually a statement explaining that the

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JED DEAN | PHOTO EDITOR

Splashing a Little Color

ISSA celebrates “Holi”, also known as “The Festival of Colors,” Wednesday by throwing pigmented powders on each other in Russell Field. The yearly festival is a celebration of the coming of Spring and the harvest season.

Date night auction benefits Haiti

By NEELY GUTHRIE  
REPORTER

The bidding starts at \$5 at The Honors Student Activities Council auction but certainly doesn’t stop there.

HSAC auctioned off 14 Night Out packages Tuesday night in order to raise money for Doctors Without Borders in Haiti. Students bid to win a night out with a honor’s college student and coupons to local restaurants or businesses.

A red carpet divided the room and a sundae bar at the back completed the evening for

the fourth annual Night Out Auction in Alexander Residence Hall. Auctioneers donned outfits from Army camouflage and kilts to suits and dresses.

“I like just seeing the students being silly and having fun with it,” HSAC faculty adviser Dr. Sarah Marcum said. “It’s not a serious date auction. They’re parading around just having a lot of fun raising money for a good cause.”

The Honors Students Advisory Council was established in 1959 and organizes social events, educational activities and more. In previous years

the HSAC has given proceeds to the LEAF. (Learning English Among Friends) Foundation at Baylor, which teaches English to the custodial staff here, free of charge. Last year the auction raised more than \$400 for LEAF.

HSAC president Houston senior Jessica Foster explained why they decided to sponsor a different organization this year.

“We really like donating to [LEAF], but I know as a college student, I feel really overwhelmed with, ‘How are we supposed to help Haiti? My measly \$5 isn’t going to make an impact,’” Foster said. “I think

people will feel better giving for a cause and knowing that a huge check is going to be written to this organization. ...People will feel a little more productive and helpful to the Haiti cause.”

HSAC raised \$570 from the auction on Tuesday to send to Haiti. The event helped the Waco community as well by promoting local businesses with gift cards.

Local businesses such as Health Camp, Buzzard Billy’s, Applebees and Pratically Pikas-so contributed gift certificates to

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Panel focuses on history of civil rights

By TORI LIGGETT  
REPORTER

Segregation may be a word associated with the past, but the issue of civil rights is a topic still dealt with today.

Student Activities is holding a civil rights dialogue at 7 p.m. today in the North Village Community Center.

Dr. Jewel Lockridge, GEAR UP Waco project director; Dr. James SoRelle, professor of history and undergraduate program director; Dr. Tony Talbert, associate professor of curriculum for the school of education; and Dr. Gaynor Yancey, professor of social work and associate dean for baccalaureate studies will speak on the civil rights

movement during the panel.

“The civil rights movement is a major success story for the country, although it is not over yet,” SoRelle said.

Talbert said that in terms of significance, it is important for students not to forget this portion in history. In the past, African-Americans, women and other groups got together and promoted social justice.

Baylor Student Activities offers a non-traditional spring break trip called the Civil Rights Tour. This is the second year the trip has been offered with a raising attendance, 17 students attended last year, 31 signed up this year.

“I think that the number one

reason that this trip is important because it is an authentic emersion experience in the path of civil rights,” Tolbert said.

“It allows for the students and faculty to go on this trip to have a full sensory encounters with the civil rights tours. To see, hear, smell and immerse themselves in a collective communal experience just like what the civil rights participants experienced.”

The panel is open to any student interested in the civic treatment of different people groups.

“Personally I think [understanding the issue] is really important because I am an education major, and I want to work in lower-income areas,” said

Austin graduate student Melissa Merritt. “It is important for an educator and even people in general to understand events such as this that has shaped history today.”

After a short introduction from each professor the floor will be opened up for a questions and answer session.

“I think one of the things that interested me most [about civil rights] is while so much attention is given to the leaders, a very strong contingent of grass-root leaders and local people are largely unknown to the national media,” said SoRelle.

“It becomes a movement that the narratives is not about two

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Astronomy: A labor of love

Vatican astronomer relates asteroids with love, faith

By STEPHANIE LEE  
REPORTER

Dr. Guy Consolmagno, a meteorite curator at the Vatican Observatory, gave a lecture Tuesday titled “The Virtuous Astronomer: How the Work of Science is Shaped by the Virtues of Faith, Hope and Love.”

Consolmagno, a member of the Jesuit faith, is a world-famous astronomer who had an asteroid named after him by the National Astronomical Union.

In the lecture, Consolmagno, who specializes in asteroids and meteorites, explored the broad connection between faith and astronomy.

Dr. Gerald Cleaver, associate professor of physics, said the purpose of the lecture was simple.

“The purpose was to help students see the connection between faith and science and to realize that they are complementary,” Cleaver said. “Brother Guy does a great job as a speaker and scientist.”

Consolmagno said the concept of faith and astronomy’s

connection is broad and needs much explanation.

“When we study astronomy, we want pretty pictures, but there is something that’s so much more powerful,” Consolmagno said. “I see the world of Astronomy as a microcosm for us humans to work together and motivate ourselves.”

He believes that astronomy is based on three virtues: faith, hope and love.

However, for Consolmagno, the greatest of these is love.

“Science is done through love, and you have to love what you do in science to be successful,” Consolmagno said. “It’s a labor of love, essentially.”

Consolmagno also said that science and religion intersect within the human being.

“If those who don’t believe that God created science and the laws, theories and principles we study in our modern society, those humans don’t intersect,” Consolmagno said.

He believes truth is the primary foundation for studying scientific applications and faith.

“We have to have truth in order to broaden our understandings. Good scientists worship at the altar of truth,” Consolmagno

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Fishy business: Grant funds river research

Institute awards \$250,000 to four Baylor researchers

By SARA TIRRITO  
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The Texas Environmental Health Institute has awarded a \$250,000 grant to four Baylor researchers. The grant will enable the researchers to study the accumulation of chemicals in several species of fish, crabs and clams living in the San Jacinto River waste pits, and also in the river’s sediment.

The research team is composed of Dr. Spencer Williams, an assistant research scientist; Dr. Bryan Brooks, associate professor of environmental science; Dr. Erica Bruce, and Dr. Sascha Usenko, who are assistant professors of environmental science.

“Basically we’re contributing to this overall evaluation of the site, and our specific goals are to measure concentrations of dioxins and PCBs [polychlorinated

biphenyls] in fish, in vertebrates and sediment samples,” Bruce said. “Our goal is to measure the concentrations of these contaminants in these three environmental matrices, and we’re going to create some models that are going to look at and evaluate how these contaminants are moving through the food chain.”

Christine DeLoma, assistant press officer with the Department of State Health Services, said the research is important because it will provide important information on contaminants and their effects on humans.

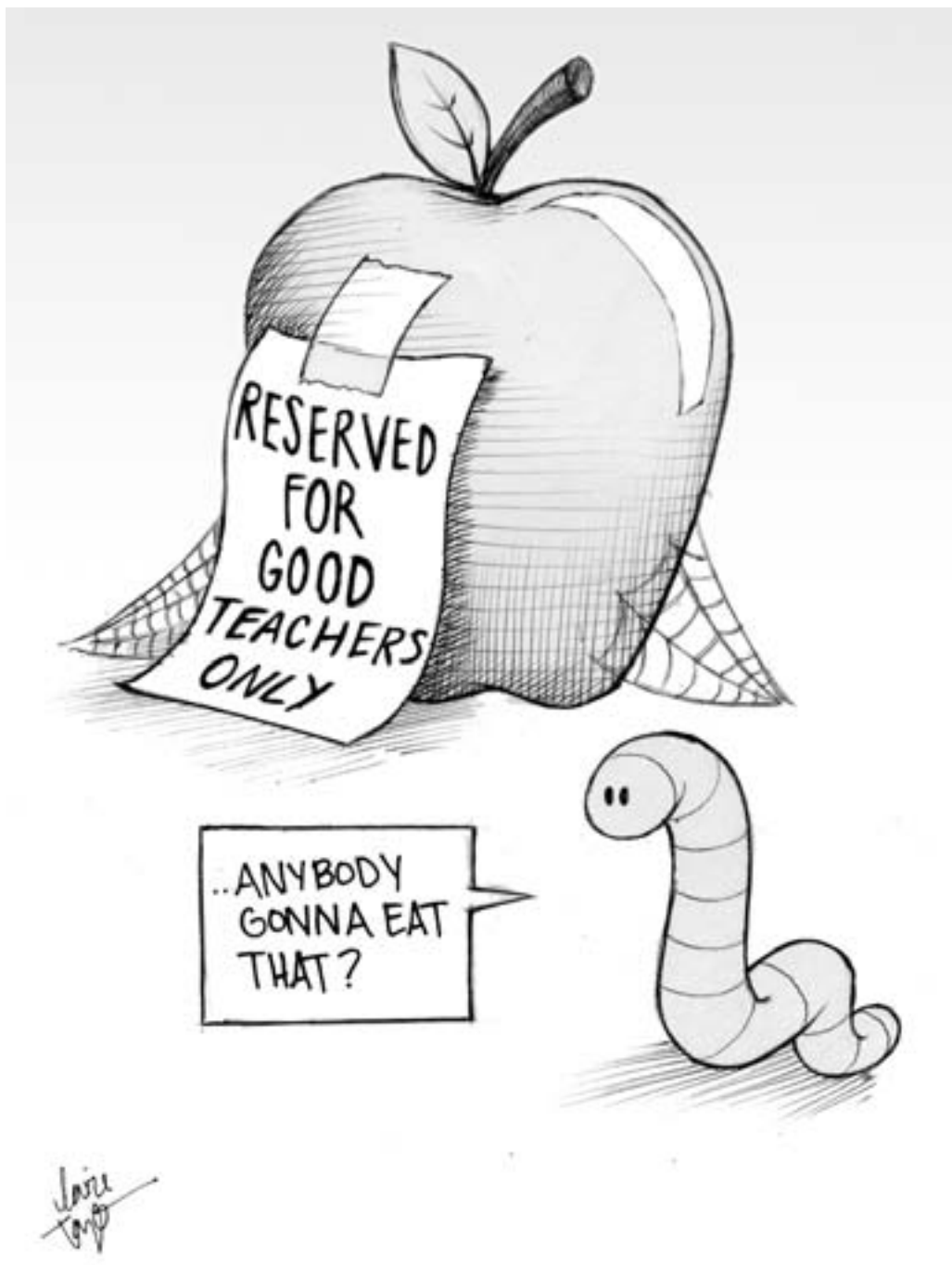
“By doing this research, we’ll gain a better understanding on how hazardous waste sites affect human health and how to effectively limit our exposure to these toxins,” DeLoma said.

Bruce said the relationship modeling that the researchers will be using will improve current methods of toxicity testing.

“These models are going to be an enhancement of traditional toxicity testing and efforts to evaluate toxicity,” Bruce said.

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# Teaching evaluations need revamping

Education has been a major part of our lives for nearly 15 years. We spend more than eight months of the year in school; we sit in classroom after classroom and, since grade school, have encountered numerous teaching styles.

We know the importance of a good teacher. Unfortunately, there is a major problem within America’s educational realm that may stifle future generations — bad teachers.

According to the New York Times, the U.S. Department of Education began “an intensive effort to root out [bad] teachers from the more than 55,000 who have tenure.”

Of that 55,000, only three have been fired for incompetence because of the extensive process that the city must take in order to fire a teacher on grounds of incompetence. The department accused 10 other teachers of incompetence that either resigned or retired and 50 others are waiting to settle their cases.

According to the New York Times, 418 teachers, upon discovering they could be charged for incompetence, left the education system.

While the laws, which were initially enacted to protect teachers from haphazard firing, vary within each state, most of them are far too strict.

The laws are too favorable to teachers. They are hurting those who are supposed to be the main benefactors of the educational system — the students.

According to the New York Times, New York City currently employs eight lawyers as part of the Teacher Performance Unit.

Additionally, the city utilizes eight retired principals and administrators as consultants when building cases against teachers they have found to be incompetent. Even with these expensive measures, a mere three teachers have been fired.

New York City and numerous cities around the nation need to alter the way they deals with the firing of incompetant teachers. The laws were made with too many hurdles for prosecutors to jump. The protective nature of the laws is actually hindering our students.

However, we are not asking for the shredding of teachers’ rights. America’s educational reform is off-balance.

Currently, the laws are too strict on prosecutors and allow unqualified teachers to remain in their positions.

Conversely, there have been instances of firing teachers that have gone too far.

On Feb. 23, the board of trustees of Central Falls High School, a poverty-stricken high school in Rhode Island, approved a “turnaround plan”

that called for the firing of all teachers, the principal and several staff members

of the school.

According to the New York Times, the plan was proposed and approved by the school’s superintendent and the state education commissioner.

The school had a 48 percent four-year graduation rate and test scores that were subpar. However, the school is in a high-poverty area and those ailments are normal hurdles for any school dealing with poverty.

Firing every teacher was a harsh step to improve the school. No research was done as to the true cause of the students’ poor performance. The decision of the board of trustees, though well intentioned, may actually affect the students’ success.

As previously referenced, most students can recall a teacher or counselor who was a positive influence that encouraged higher education. The students of Central Falls will lose their mentors after June.

Two polar situations are occurring in America’s journey toward educational reform: Laws are too protective and people are taking too drastic of measures, such as mass firing, to fix the problem.

America must seek a balance for reformation. It is true the current laws are allowing unqualified teachers to stay in the classroom, however we must not trample on the rights of teachers in order to keep our students’ education safe.

A middle ground that incorporates an all-encompassing evaluation process with a reasonable timetable is the ideal destination for education reform.

Tim Daly, president of the New Teacher Project, told the New York Times blog “Room for Debate” that the initial problem lies in the way teachers are evaluated.

“We found that most teachers are evaluated based on short and infrequent observations by administrators that put them into one of just two categories: ‘satisfactory’ or ‘unsatisfactory,’” Daly wrote.

“As a result, more than 99 percent of teachers in some districts earn the highest possible rating.”

If we are to progress in education, we must combat teacher incompetency while acting justly. A revamped evaluation process would allow for improvement in the classroom, monitoring of teachers and a clear guideline for the termination of teachers.

America’s students need to be educated by those that are competent, stable and capable, and America’s evaluation process should be one that protects teachers’ and students’ rights.

# True beauty in experience of a child

I am a “beauty queen.” I find it ironic that I have earned this title, considering the fact that I do not think I am beautiful.

I have a job (yes, holding a title is a job) that requires me to travel around, speaking to children and even adults about achieving their dreams, setting goals and never giving up.

Truth be told, I don’t know what my own dreams are, my goals sometimes go unaccomplished and there are many, many days when giving up seems like the easiest thing to do.

I have a little pad with my picture and title printed on the bottom of it — “Miss Southeast Texas” — that I take with me to appearances. I sign my autograph along with a little nugget of inspiration like, “Never give up!” or “Dream big!”

I still find it weird that people actually want my autograph, because as I said before, I don’t think I am beautiful, and I sometimes am baffled as to why anyone would look up to me.

I am a 5’0” girl with skinny arms, a chip in my left tooth and mousy blonde hair. I have become quite skilled in using concealer to cover up the acne that occasionally visits my forehead and eye-drops that hide my blood-shot eyes are essential to my cosmetic bag these days.

Yet, when I put my crown on, I am somehow transformed into someone that little girls want to be and mothers want their sons to bring home.

Almost every weekend, I volunteer with Texas Children’s Hospital in Houston. I walk from door to door, visiting patients and signing my autograph.

However, one visit to Texas Children’s has left a heavy place in my heart.

The day before Valentine’s Day, the hospital threw a celebration.

There were all kinds of things for the kids to do. The radio station that is located inside of the hospital had a table playing music; the hospital’s mascot Katie the kangaroo was there kind of waddling around visiting with (and possibly frightening some of) the kids as they came by in the breezeway; there were V-Day cards and Build-a-Bear had a table giving away these cute animals, wearing TCH t-shirts. The patients, parents and employees seemed like they were having a lot of fun, but the fun wasn’t exactly what caught my attention that afternoon.

Point of View

BY ERIN NIPPER

I’m nobody. I’m not worth making the trip from your bed just to talk to...” It was about that time that she looked at me and said, “You’re really pretty.”

It took everything I had in that moment not to cry.

See, I am nobody. I’m not someone who boys turn their heads at while I walk down the street. Usually, I am wearing jeans and a ratty T-shirt. I am just a girl who was lucky enough to be given an opportunity to make a difference.

I told her that she was the beautiful one, and I signed my autograph.

I wish there was something I could have done to ease her pain. I wish there was some way that I could have put my crown on her head, and all of her suffering would stop.

There was nothing I could do, and there is nothing I can do except thank God that He gave me that crown so that I could at least give her a smile. Maybe I eased her suffering in my own way?

I don’t really know. What do you say to a little girl who is hurting so much?

I guess my point is this: What little efforts do we have to make to change someone’s life or brighten their days? How many times have we had bad days and wanted to give up?

The little girl who came to see me that afternoon did so in spite of the pain she was feeling.

It made me feel ashamed.

Someone once said to me, “You know everyone.” Well, I don’t know everyone, but I do know that everyone has a story, and everyone has the potential to make a difference.

I made that little girl’s day. She was my Valentine.

I think that we become great through service to others, and I am far, far from greatness; however, I prayed on my way to the hospital that God would use me. I told Him to speak through me, let me be His vehicle that afternoon. I know He did.

“And our hope for you is firm, because we know that just as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our comfort.”

(2 Corinthians 1:3-7)

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Helena Bonham Carter stars as the Red Queen in Tim Burton's "Alice in Wonderland." The Disney film opens Friday in theaters.

# Two queens talk preparation for ‘Wonderland’ roles

By Rick Bentley  
McClatchy Newspapers

LOS ANGELES – Anne Hathaway and Helena Bonham Carter aren’t obvious choices to play sisters. Hathaway’s a tall brunette who looks like she just came from a Vogue fashion shoot. Carter’s shorter, with a freestyle hairdo that looks like she just rolled out of bed.

But the actresses do play sisters – the White Queen and Red Queen – in the new Tim Burton movie “Alice in Wonderland.” Their approaches to the roles were as different as their looks.

Hathaway designed her character from the inside, making the White Queen a pacifist vegan who’s into rock music. Film legend Greta Garbo and the rock band Blondie were inspirations.

“The pacifist thing was in the script. My character has taken a vow of nonviolence. But it’s also in the script that when she talks about it, she hits a bug. It gave me the idea that she’s taken this vow against her will,” Hathaway says.

She decided that while the White Queen would appear to be an adorable, loving person, she would have a hidden murderous streak that comes out when she’s

around weaponry.

Garbo was Hathaway’s model for how the character effortlessly moved across the screen, and the music of Blondie inspired the bad-girl streak.

“I imagined her in mosh pits. She wouldn’t be hitting anyone, but bumping into people really hard,” Hathaway says with a smile.

Hathaway also brought a bit of her own past to the role. When she was in the fifth grade, a teacher made her memorize and recite “Jabberwocky,” the famous nonsense poem by Lewis Carroll, who also wrote “Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland.”

She begged Burton to let her recite the work during the film’s final battle sequence.

He assured her it would never be in the movie but she just wanted to do it for her own “sense of completion.” The poem was recited but, as promised, didn’t make the final cut.

Carter’s approach to her character started on the outside because of the mounds of makeup and special effects needed to make the Red Queen a big-headed tyrant.

She spent two hours in the makeup chair every morning. That was no big deal to Carter,

who spent four hours a day getting made up for the remake of “Planet of the Apes,” another film directed by Burton, her domestic partner.

“He likes putting makeup on me. Likes to deform,” Carter says. “I love it. I always like looking as different as I can.”

She’s accomplished that with the Red Queen through a gigantic wig, garish makeup and – enhanced by a special camera – a head so big she looks like a living bobble-head doll.

The reaction of Carter’s 1-year-old daughter after seeing her in the Red Queen’s outlandish makeup was a surprise.

“My daughter just went ‘Mommy!’ That must be what I look like at home. My son just didn’t want to look at me,” Carter says.

The special effects-modified character is more in line with roles Carter is getting these days. The 43-year-old London native says as she’s grown older, she has had fewer opportunities to play sex symbols and more to play villains. She’s OK with that.

“Whatever is well written, and if there is someone behind the camera that knows what they are doing, then I’ll act in anything,” Carter says.

# Sing-ers still enjoyed show even if Pigskin was a ‘no’

JAMES BYERS  
REPORTER

The final night of All-University Sing is all about celebrating the winners.

On Saturday, Kappa Omega Tau took first place, with Phi Kappa Chi second and Sing Alliance third.

Alpha Tau Omega, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta and Kappa Kappa Gamma will also perform at Pigskin Revue in the fall.

But forgotten in the euphoria are the 10 other organizations that won’t be joining the winners.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE), which performed the act “Delivery Men,” is one of the organizations that didn’t make Pigskin.

Houston sophomore Dalton Dominy, a Sing chair for SAE, said that while his organization would have liked to compete in Pigskin, its primary goal was to simply entertain audience members.

“We didn’t want to look sloppy, but we wanted it to be funny,” he said.

Dominy said SAE’s act was a nice change of pace from the more serious acts, especially during Club Night on Thursday

when the audience is predominantly students.

“Anyone under the age of 55 can really appreciate our act,” he said. “All of these guys and girls came up to me and told me that they were on the ground, dying laughing at our act, so I think they really did enjoy it.”

Dominy said there is one benefit to missing Pigskin: SAE’s members will now have more free time in the fall.

“You could say we were hoping for Pigskin, but I wouldn’t say I was expecting to make it,” he said. “If we had made it, I’m not sure how many guys would have actually wanted to do it.”

Pi Beta Phi, which performed an act titled “Sugar Rush,” also did not advance.

Dallas senior Julia Brewer, one of Pi Phi’s Sing chairs, said she’s disappointed about missing Pigskin but is still proud of her organization’s performance.

“We wanted to make an act that really represented our chapter,” she said. “We would much rather do that, and not be in Pigskin, than do something that’s not us.”

While many organizations have performed at Sing for years, Pi Kappa Phi is still rela-

tively new. The group’s act, titled “S.O.S.,” was only its third performance ever.

Springfield, Mo., senior Steven Follis, head Sing chair of Pi Kappa Phi, said that many of the members had never performed at Sing before.

“I had an overwhelming amount of texts, phone calls, e-mails and Facebook messages congratulating us on our act,” Follis said. “The biggest thing people seemed to notice was the level of improvement from last year.”

Despite the improvement, the act was not chosen for Pigskin.

“We knew we were on the bubble,” Follis said. “We expected to be part of the conversation but weren’t sure exactly how it would go.”

Follis said he was surprised the judges chose only three male groups.

“We thought that our act was on par with a couple of acts that did make Pigskin,” he said. “It was disappointing not to have made that final eight, but we recognize that there are so many other great acts that have been doing this for decades. We have so much pride in taking Pi Kappa Phi to a new level.”

## Orange Rosemary Chicken

### Ingredients

- 1 1/2 cups orange juice
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh chives
- 3 tablespoons chopped fresh rosemary
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1 (2.5 pound) whole chicken, cut into 8 pieces

### Directions

In a medium bowl, mix the orange juice, olive oil, chives, rosemary, salt, and pepper. Place the chicken in the mixture. Cover and marinate in the refrigerator at least 4 hours.

Preheat the oven broiler.

Remove the chicken from the marinade, and shake off excess. Pour the marinade into a small saucepan and bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat to medium-low, and simmer for 10 minutes; set aside.

Arrange the chicken on a baking sheet. Broil 30 minutes in the preheated oven, 6 to 8 inches from heat. Turn and brush frequently with the remaining marinade mixture, until no longer pink and juices run clear.

## Lemon-Blueberry Squares

### Ingredients

- 32 NILLA Wafers
- 1 (4 ounce) package PHILADELPHIA Cream Cheese, softened
- 1 1/2 cups cold milk
- 2 pkg. (4 serving size) JELL-O Lemon Flavor Instant Pudding & Pie Filling
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 (8 ounce) tub COOL WHIP® Whipped Topping, thawed, divided
- 1 cup blueberries

### Directions

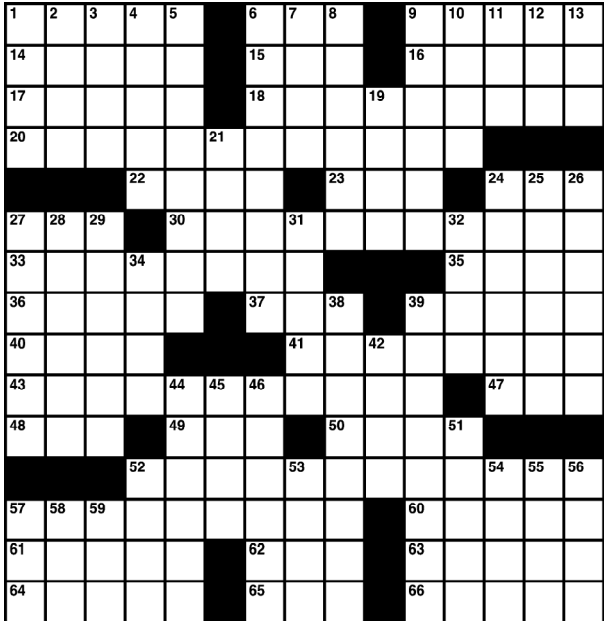
Line bottom and sides of 8-inch square dish with wafers. Beat cream cheese in large bowl with electric mixer until creamy. Gradually add milk, mixing well after each addition. Add dry pudding mixes and lemon juice; mix well. Gently stir in 2 cups of the whipped topping and the blueberries. Spoon evenly into prepared dish. Refrigerate 3 hours or until set. Cut into squares. Serve topped with the remaining whipped topping. Store in refrigerator.

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### Across

- 1 Ricochet
- 6 1040EZ issuer
- 9 Bump off
- 14 Single-handed
- 15 \_\_ de plume
- 16 Controversially, Jane Fonda visited it in 1972
- 17 Check, as a bill
- 18 \*Place to keep supplies
- 20 \*Target at the start of a point, in tennis
- 22 Nickelodeon explorer
- 23 Start of a basic piano lesson scale
- 24 Head, slangily
- 27 Asia's \_\_ Darya river
- 30 \*Patient record
- 33 Ore-Ida morsel
- 35 Golden \_\_
- 36 Exchange
- 37 Hide-hair connector
- 39 Old way to get a number

- 40 "I don't want to be remembered for my tennis accomplishments" speaker
- 41 At 41, Kipling was the youngest one ever in his field
- 43 \*Jump around on the sofa?
- 47 Society-page word
- 48 Kal \_\_: pet food
- 49 Actress Longoria
- 50 New Mexico art colony
- 52 \*Flying need
- 57 \*The answers to the starred clues (including this one) form a continuous one—its connections are created by the end of one answer and the start of the next
- 60 Order-restoring tool
- 61 São \_\_, Brazil
- 62 Homer's bartender
- 63 Twin Cities suburb

- 64 When some nightly news shows begin
- 65 Next yr.'s alums
- 66 Prepared

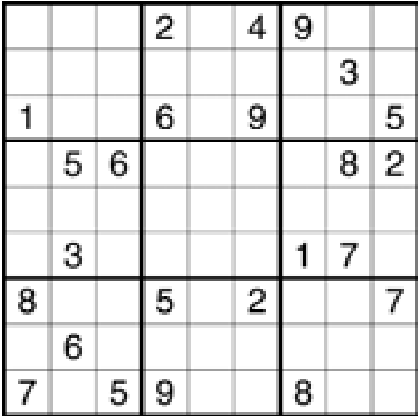
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- 1 Traffic causes?
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Baylor freshman third baseman Jake Miller makes a throw across the diamond in Wednesday night's 14-6 loss against Louisiana Tech University. The Bears have lost four consecutive games.

## La. Tech Bulldogs wallop Bears, 14-6

By JUSTIN BAER  
SPORTS EDITOR

When fielding a young team, it's inevitable there will be growing pains to endure. For head coach Steve Smith, he just hopes nights like Wednesday night's 14-6 loss to the Louisiana Tech Bulldogs doesn't become a recurring theme.

A five-run fourth inning by the Bulldogs was too much to overcome for the young Baylor squad, as it moved to a 4-5 record on the year. While the Bears clawed their way back within a one-run deficit in the fifth inning, the Bulldogs slugged their way past Baylor for the second consecutive year. Playing 13 underclassmen on Wednesday, Baylor stumbled to its fourth consecutive loss.

"They're seeing a lot of different things and a lot of things that they haven't seen on a consistent basis," Smith said about the young squad.

But as he later added, he believes that can be advantageous for the team.

"Most of our young guys are swinging the bat early in the count when they are getting good fastballs to hit," Smith said. "It's a little different game when they are trying to get you out."

The Bulldogs struck first blood in the top of the third inning when Clint Stubbs, who had reached on a leadoff triple, scored on a fielder's choice. Then in the fourth inning after allowing a pair of singles and a walk, Craig Fritsch surrendered a grand slam to Bulldog Joey Ford. Later with two outs, Max Muncy bootied a

ground ball allowing Clint Stubbs to cross the plate.

"We made a handful of pitches that weren't that very good," Smith said. "They just hit the ball good tonight."

Logan Vick worked a leadoff walk in the bottom of the fourth inning, and he was brought in on the next pitch by Muncy's third home run of the season.

Fritsch pitched an effective three-up, three-down fifth inning giving way to a hungry Baylor line-up. Brooks Pinckard stroked a double off the right-field wall to start the inning. Raynor Campbell immediately plated him with a home run that barely escaped over the left-field fence. Later with the bases loaded Jake Miller hit a deep fly ball to leftfield to score the Bears final run of the game.

"I felt really good when we got it back to a one-run game," Smith said. "I didn't think what they had on the mound was going to be able to shut us down."

The Bulldogs began pulling away in the seventh inning. With one run already across the plate, Will Alvis ripped a double down the left-field line to end freshman reliever Josh Turley's night.

From there, Louisiana Tech continued to mercilessly mount runs on the scoreboard. Still the Bears aren't hanging their head over the loss.

"You have to know it's a long season," said Muncy, who has six hits in the past two games. "We have plenty of chances to win some games, get back in the groove and start having some fun."

By DANIEL CERNERO AND  
JEREMY JOSEPH  
REPORTERS

The Baylor men's track and field team sets its sights on the NCAA Indoor Championships, fresh off of taking home two Big 12 titles and a fourth place finish this weekend at the Big 12 Indoor Championships in Ames, Iowa.

The distance medley relay-freshman Gavyn Nero, senior Thaddeus Gordon, sophomore James Gilreath and senior Chris Gowell remained hot, putting up a Big 12 Championship meet record time of 9:41.88 to take the title. Led by senior captain Chris Gowell's strong time in the mile portion of the race, the Bears finished more than a full second in front of the rest of the competition.

"The key is you have to have an anchor; you got to have a good miler," head coach Todd Harbour said. "If you don't have that miler, you can have all of the other legs, but they're going to get beat at the end."

Next weekend, the relay team heads to Notre Dame to improve on its time and lock up a bid for the NCAA Indoor Championship. Earlier in the year, the squad set the school record, but Harbour thinks there is still room for improvement.

"They've got a much better race in them," Harbour said. "I think our school record will get pushed down way low after this weekend."

Following the success of the relay team the day before, Gilreath used the momentum to add another conference title by crossing first in the 800 meters, dropping his fastest time of his career at just the right time – the Big 12 finals.

He came into this event a heavy underdog, seeded 16th. After being the last to qualify in the preliminary heats the day before, Gilreath pulled away from the pack in the finals, crossing the finish line nearly a second in front of his closest competitor, teammate Nero.

Both times were good enough to provisionally qualify for the NCAA Indoor Championships.

"Going into the meet, looking at the field, I felt like I was the most talented," Gilreath said. "I felt like with all of the work I've put in, I could definitely win."

Gilreath's accomplishments came after facing a great deal of adversity over recent years. Aside from dealing with injuries for most his Baylor career, his father had battled cancer and Alzheimer's disease before passing this summer.

"He knew where his dad was



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Members of the Baylor men's distance medley relay team receive their gold medals during last weekend's Big 12 Indoor National Championship in Ames, Iowa.

at; he was at peace, and it almost freed him a little bit, because it seemed like he had been carrying a big burden," Harbour said of Gilreath following the loss of his father. "That (race) was an emotional one for me, James and everybody that watched it. To see him go out and take just charge of a race, what he had to do took incredible courage."

In the 4x400-meter relay, an event Baylor has won for the past 12 years at the Indoor Big 12 Championship, the Bears posted their fastest time of the year, but it wasn't enough as they were narrowly edged out by Texas A&M.

The relay squad – senior Michael Liggins, senior Trey Harts, freshman Zwede Hewitt and senior Marcus Boyd – finished with a time of 3:05.37, a mere 0.38 seconds behind the Aggies.

Ironically, this time was more than a second faster than the times that won them the Big 12 titles the previous two years.

"(Texas A&M) has an exceptional group of quartermilers," Harts said. "But each time we've run against them, their margin of victory has gotten a little smaller and a little smaller."

"We definitely have our sights on (facing them in Nationals). If we come away with the title, it really doesn't matter what happened at all of the meets before."

The NCAA Indoor Championships are scheduled to start March 12 in Fayetteville, Ark.

The Lady Bears women's track and field team left Ames, Iowa, this past weekend as the ninth best team in the conference based on their performance in the Big 12 Indoor Championship.

Thirteen Bears provisionally qualified for the finals Saturday.

In the only two field events Baylor qualified for, freshman Skylar White continued her record-breaking season by shattering her Baylor shot put record for the fourth time this season.

White threw for a distance of 51-6 to finish third in the event behind Karen Shump and Tia Brooks of the University of Oklahoma.

"I was kind of more relaxed than I was nervous, because I just thought of it as another track meet," White said. "I guess I thought I was going to get beat anyway, so I was like I'll just go out here and do what I got to do."

At the same time White was throwing, sophomore Jessica Ubanyionwu was busy recording the second-best performance of her career with a leap of 42-4 in the triple jump. She missed out on third place by one-quarter of an inch.

In the 400-meter, sophomore Diamond Richardson took fifth overall with a time of 54.22.

Richardson placed fifth again with junior Brittany Bruce, freshman Christina Holland and senior Tiana Hood in the 4x400-meter relay.

Junior All-American Tiffany Townsend battled a stacked field to place fifth in the 60 meters with a time of 7.40.

"Since I'm hurt I feel that I did great. I think I did pretty decent—decent is how I judged my performance," Townsend said. "I was disappointed in our team, but our team is young. We could have done a lot better, but we have another season to go. We're going to improve greatly."

In the 1,000 meters, sophomore Leigh Ann Ganzar finished sixth overall with a time 2:52.95. She entered the final race in the eighth spot.

Freshman Stephanie Morgan put together a solid all-around race to place fifth with a time of 2:10.24 in the 800 meters.

Four Lady Bears competed against each other in the 3,000-meters race. Senior All-American Erin Bedell ran her best time of the season and finished fourth with a time of 9:26.98.

While sophomores Cate Westenhover finished 11th and Kristen Hanselka finished 31st with times of 9:38.95 and 10:01.63, respectively. Freshman Katie Berry was 36th with a time of 10:06.90.

"It was disappointing, really. We had a lot of things that didn't go right," head coach Todd Harbour said. "We had a couple of key athletes who were injured and we couldn't get them back like we were hoping to."

The Lady Bears next compete at the Dr Pepper Invitational.

## Baylor wins, key freshman ejected

By CHRIS DERRETT  
SPORTS WRITER

A controversial sequence ending in Brittney Griner's ejection marred a 69-60 Baylor win over Texas Tech Wednesday night in Lubbock.

With the Lady Bears leading 55-39 and 9:01 remaining in the game, Griner was fouled by the Lady Raiders' Jordan Barncastle with a two-handed shove. The 6-foot-8 freshman retaliated by taking a swing at Barncastle. Griner, who had 21 points, received a flagrant foul and ejection, while Morgan Medlock incurred a technical foul for taunting Texas Tech players.

"When the game gets heated like it did, you have to keep a cool head. That's what coach Mulkey always tells us," Ashley Field said of the situation. "It was very emotional out there; both teams needed the win."

Spurred by the sudden surge of energy in the building, the Lady Raiders narrowed the margin to 60-55 favoring Baylor at the 2:39 mark. But Baylor then nailed eight of 12 free throws, including four from Field and four from Kelli Griffin, to put the game out of reach.

"I shouldn't sit here and feel bad after a victory," coach Kim Mulkey said. "But I do because I don't want to be a part of what I saw tonight."

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said. "Without truth, understanding and developing science would not be possible, and understanding our faith would be difficult, even though faith is difficult to understand."

China Spring sophomore, Erica Wilson said the lecture helped put everything into perspective. "I enjoyed the fact that it connected faith and science so well," Wilson said. "Science is reliant on faith."

For Consolmagno, faith and science are true observations. "[Astronomers and religious people] are no different than a scientist who observes and tries to make sense of what he observes. We all have faith we observe. It's just like science," Consolmagno said.

Round Rock junior, Robby Prybyla was moved by Consolmagno's words. "I like how science is not feared, but embraced by worshippers alike," Prybyla said.

Consolmagno mentioned Kepler, a famous astronomer and physicist who developed Kepler's three Laws of Planetary Motion.

"Kepler referred to the mathematical motions of the planets and stars as echoing of the music," Consolmagno said. "The Book of Genesis said that the morning stars were harmonious."

Consolmagno said that science and Astronomy should remind us that creation is a source of joy.

"The scientific work of astronomy demonstrates that the universe operates on divine laws. It's an expression of that joyous harmony that motivates everything we do," Consolmagno said.

These virtues are what astronomers like Consolmagno consider an essential part of their work. "Many Jesuits built the telescope. The Vatican supports the observatory because it supports the Jesuits and does not fear science. It embraces science and sees the path to the creator. The reasons why we are astronomers are as round as stars themselves. It's in season every year," Consolmagno said.

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"This type of modeling that we're doing is sort of a novel process for evaluation of toxicity."

Williams said that with this particular project, the researchers are focusing specifically on the contaminants in the San Jacinto River waste pits, and that the data gained through the research will also give an indication of how much needs to be done to clean up the area so that the amounts of contaminants in the fish won't harm humans.

"We're trying to understand how the chemicals go from sediment to the tissue of fish and crabs that might be consumed by local anglers," Williams said. "The way these chemicals accumulate can be very different from one site to the next, and we're trying to understand this site in particular."

However, Bruce said the model created from this research will

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accompany each auctioneer to be used on the night out. The winning bidder has up to two weeks to pay the money and decide when to go out with their date, and they pick up the coupon upon paying.

"It's a very innocent function," Foster said.

Foster also said the event is not meant to be romantic, but at least one date from a previous function turned into more than a

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Morriss did not agree with the newspaper's policy and said that he would be "the first one out of the door in handcuffs."

Cooper told The East Texan that he plans to meet with Morriss and resolve this issue soon.

"We will all get together and talk again, and I expect Coach will make an apology for the er-

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or three key leaders, but a large group of people who organized on behalf of other peoples civil rights."

Amanda Allen, service learning liaison, said the purpose of the discussion is to try to connect the civil rights movement to

help in analyzing other sites in the future.

"Once we have this model established, the utility in that is that we could apply this model to other contaminated sites to answer the question of movement of contaminants through the food chain," Bruce said.

Williams said graduate students from Brooks', Usenko's and Bruce's lab courses will also work with the research team throughout the entire process.

"There's a bunch of students involved in this, and that's why we're here," Williams said. "We want students to have firsthand experience with this — that's the goal of everybody's research projects, is for students to get out there and understand the day-to-day experience of being a scientist. They'll be involved in every aspect of the project."

friendship.

"We actually had a budding romance two years ago and they're still together. He bid on her at the auction and that's how they met," she said.

The Night Out auction offered ice cream sundaes, coffee, music and a night of possibilities. Sugarland freshman Alex Ambrocik enjoyed the refreshments and the entertainment.

ror in judgment that was made by our student-athletes," Cooper said.

"We have not found any evidence that our coach sent our players out to do that.

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