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Join coach Art Briles and the Baylor football team at 3:30 p.m. Saturday in Touchdown Alley (on Dutton Avenue) as they march to take on Sam Houston State

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Students can submit their research papers to "The Pulse," Baylor's undergraduate scholarly publication, for the special history edition this fall. Submit online at www.baylor.edu/pulse by Sept. 13



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Freshmen high five the sorority line at the Traditions Rally on Thursday. The Baylor Line will cheer on the Bears Saturday against the Bearkats.

Players aim for bowl game

BY MATT LARSEN
SPORTS WRITER

The stockings are hung, the presents wrapped, and even the cookies and milk are ready as Baylor football anxiously waits for its own version of Christmas morning to dawn at 6 p.m. Saturday at Floyd Casey Stadium, when the team plays host to Sam Houston State University.

"It's time. It is finally here," head coach Art Briles said in a press conference Monday. "We are as anxious and ready as everybody in this room and hopefully everybody outside. A lot of time, effort, energy, anxiety, hope and restlessness all gets to begin this Saturday at 6 p.m. at Floyd Casey

Stadium. It is an exciting time all across America, but especially right here at Baylor University because we certainly feel like we have a lot to prove and have the people that can do it."

With the pressure to reach a bowl game hanging around the Highers Athletics Complex like a nagging reporter for the past seven months, the Bears will look to keep their excitement and hopes for the season focused on game one.

"Baylor's and my big goal is to get to that bowl game," senior tackle Danny Watkins said. "I think [we are] trying to not look too far ahead at teams that we have to do well against. I think every week the focus is we have to

win this game; we have to make strides this game. This first game is the first building block. It's all kind of a snowball effect, the way I'm looking at it."

Entering his third season at Baylor, Briles knows that in order to build the snowball and keep it rolling his squad will need wins and not just solid outings. His first opportunity comes against a young Bearkat squad looking to improve from a 5-6 mark last year.

"Quite honestly, it's just about winning," Briles said when asked about building enthusiasm and momentum. "How else can you create excitement? You win football games. There is no excitement over playing well and not

winning. To me, that's what it's all about. We're not out trying to win points for style."

On Saturday, Briles and the Bears want to get the running game rolling against a Sam Houston State defense that returns six starters. That's where senior running back Jay Finley comes in.

Finley, like his backfield companion Robert Griffin, returns from an injury that cut short his 2009 season but will be expected to produce immediately.

"I think Jay is ready," Griffin said. "He is one of the best backs in the nation that nobody knows about when he is healthy. I have seen him from behind the line of

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'Good debt' exists for wise students

BY SARA TIRRITO
STAFF WRITER

Debt begins in college for many students because loan options and credit card applications abound. The problem is that many students are unaware of the responsibilities that come with either.

"Twenty-one years ago I got my first credit card and my second and my third, all within my first month of being on campus and I really looked at credit as a rite of passage," said Todd Mark, vice president of education for Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Greater Dallas. "I was given freedom to make financial decisions for the first time, which was exciting, but in my mind ... making the decisions was a success. Making the right decisions is what really counts, and I didn't differentiate."

However, the Credit Card Accountability, Responsibility and Disclosure Act, which went into effect in February, has some specific provisions for those under 21. Under these provisions, companies are no longer allowed to issue cards on college campuses, and applicants are required to either show that they have sufficient income to pay the bill each month or have a co-signer before they are issued a credit card.

"What the credit card act does is it's [moving the] responsibility specifically to parents," Mark said. "That's going to shift responsibility to mom and dad to educate, talk about the appropriate use of credit, how it works, the responsi-

bilities. Shifting that responsibility to the family is a good [thing], because this is stuff that's not being taught in high school. At the very least, this is going to have mom and dad think twice before they co-sign."

But for students, getting a credit card can be a wise step that will enable them to get financing for important purchases later, Mark said.

"One of the things I see regularly are college students whose mom and dad said don't use credit, it's bad," Mark said. "They've sabotaged their ability to get financing. While you've got easy access to it, open up one, and you may even open up two, but only do it if you're going to use it responsibly. If there's any doubt that you can, maybe cash should be king until you're at a point where you can use it responsibly."

Dr. Charles North, associate professor of economics in the Hankamer School of Business, said students probably need a credit card because they are required for certain transactions like purchasing airplane tickets or a room in a hotel, and also can help in building credit.

"You have to have credit cards to function in much of our society," North said. "Credit cards are something you pretty much have to have in order to establish a credit record and so forth, but you need to know how to use them and use them wisely and properly."

Budgeting is also important

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Boats are seen spraying water on an oil and gas platform that exploded Thursday in the Gulf of Mexico, off the coast of Louisiana. All 13 crew members were rescued.

Oil rig explodes 200 miles west of BP spill site; no leak this time

BY ALAN SAYRE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — An oil platform exploded and burned off the Louisiana coast Thursday, the second such disaster in the Gulf of Mexico in less than five months. This time, the Coast Guard said there was no leak, and no one was killed.

The Coast Guard initially reported that an oil sheen a mile long and 100 feet wide had begun to spread from the site of the blast, about 200 miles west of the source of BP's massive spill. But hours later, Coast Guard Cmdr. Cheri Ben-Iesau said crews were unable to find any spill.

The company that owns the

platform, Houston-based Mariner Energy, did not know what caused the fire. Mariner Energy's Patrick Cassidy said he considered the incident a fire, not an explosion.

"The platform is still intact and it was just a small portion of the platform that appears to be burned," he said.

Mariner officials said there were seven active production wells on the platform, and they were shut down shortly before the fire broke out.

Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal said the company told him the fire began in 100 barrels of light oil condensate.

The Coast Guard said Mariner Energy reported the oil sheen. In

a public statement, the company said an initial flyover did not show any oil.

Photos from the scene showed at least five ships floating near the platform. Three of them were shooting great plumes of water onto the machinery. Light smoke could be seen drifting across the deep blue waters of the gulf.

By late afternoon, the fire on the platform was out.

The platform is in about 340 feet of water and about 100 miles south of Louisiana's Vermilion Bay. Its location is considered shallow water, much less than the approximately 5,000 feet where BP's well spewed oil and gas for

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Will he show?

White is going. Perry says he isn't.
We say he owes the public this debate.



It seems like Rick Perry doesn't take the public part of his job as governor very seriously. Despite a contender fighting tooth and nail to take his job, Perry is refusing to attend a gubernatorial debate planned by five major newspapers in Texas. Perry and his Democratic opponent Bill White, have been invited to a public debate set for 7 p.m. on Oct. 19. On Aug. 27 White said he would attend.

Perry told Texas papers he refuses to attend the debate until White releases his tax returns for the years he served as assistant secretary of energy in the '90s.

Perry currently leads White in the polls. Many speculate Perry only has something to lose by debating. We think the only people who lose from not having a debate are the people charged with electing the Texas governor — Texans.

Perry's refusal is not only distasteful and tactless — it is also depriving voters of the ability to make a well-informed and intentional vote in November.

Politics may be a game of looking good in the public eye, but surely Perry doesn't think Texans take his well-produced advertisements and 30-second sound bites at face value. Texans are looking for real answers and for a governor that can stand his ground when discussing the issues facing the Lone Star State.

Perry wants White's tax returns. So do we. But we don't want to lose an opportunity to hear the two gubernatorial candidates speak because we aren't sure how much one of them made a decade ago. The fact that White still refuses to release those tax returns is a valid point for Perry to bring up in a public forum — like a debate.

Perry has no right to commandeer the debate as a part of his political campaign, which is exactly what he is doing by providing an ultimatum.

In fact, Perry's seemingly altruistic claim for more information about White works as an antithesis to his current campaign strategy — refusing to talk to any state newspaper's editorial board.

Newspapers are charged with the responsibility to inform the public. The candidates are not obligated to talk to editorial boards. However, the two are answerable to all Texans and a public debate provides an informative, clear and healthy atmosphere for communication between the people of Texas and the candidates.

Perry has yet to show any form of transparency in his campaign though he is asking for it from White. We are asking for transparency from both. The candidates should recognize the importance of this debate and the significance debates have in the eyes of the public.

According to the Austin American-Statesman, the last time there was not a Texas gubernatorial debate during an election year was two decades ago when Democrat Ann Richards beat Republican Clayton Williams.

A debate is meant to inform the people Perry works for and those for which White wants to work.

The five newspapers have downplayed the effect Perry's absence will have on the debate. The conclusion of the invitation to the two candidates read: The event is not contingent on both candidates' participation, however. If only one candidate shows up for the debate, we will discuss issues with him alone for the entire hour.

Whether Perry shows up is still unknown. But one thing is for sure — the public will be there.

Today, The Lariat joins nine other Texas universities in calling on Gov. Rick Perry to attend the Oct. 19 gubernatorial debate in Austin.

The student bodies of the institutions total 250,000 students. The following collegiate papers participated:

The Daily Texan (UT-Austin); Daily Campus (Southern Methodist University); The Pan American (UT-Pan American); The University Star (Texas State); Daily Skiff (Texas Christian University); The Collegian (UT- Brownsville); Accent (Austin Community College); Daily Toreador (Texas Tech); The Shorthorn (UT-Arlington)

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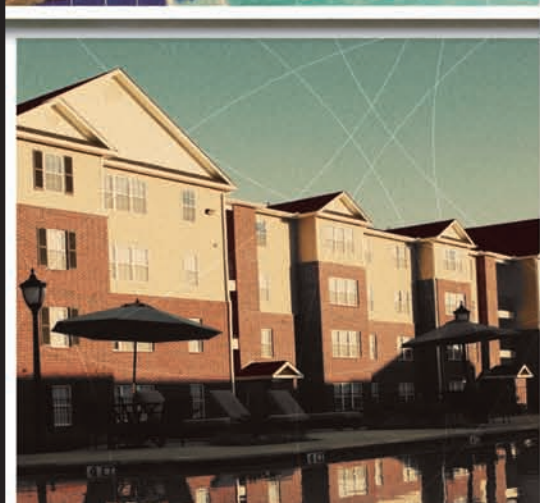
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Game on: Student paid to play video games

By Dorian Davis
REPORTER

He's probably not printed on the poster above your bed, but Dallas sophomore Chris Su has signed enough autographs to know that he has established a reputation among gamers nationwide.

Su, a communication specialist major, has been competing in video game competitions since 2005.

"I started gaming real young," Su said. Mentored by his cousin, Su developed his skills playing a variety of games as he grew older.

Though he invests most of his free time playing Halo 3, no game gets crossed off his list. "I play almost every one of them," Su said.

His status in the industry even allows him to play unreleased games, such as the awaited follow-up to Halo 3, Halo Reach.

Renowned as a professional gamer, Su considers himself more of an entrepreneur.

"My first time making money using video games was with Diablo 2," Su said.

Before becoming involved in organized competitions, Su found innovative ways to make money online by selling game character profiles he created that had excelled many levels in the game. Essentially, it would allow someone to skip a number of levels in a game for a fee.

"What you'll see a lot of people do now is say that they've invested a lot of time or work into the character," Su said.

True to his profession, Su is tentative to his mindset going into each game, equipping himself with a modified X-Box 2 controller, fine-tuned to his liking.

"A lot of people don't know this, but there's a piece of plastic inside that slows it

down," Su said. "You have to open up the controller and sand down the interior."

In his most recent endeavor, Su was cast to coach his team at the Major League Gaming competition in Raleigh, N.C.

With 276 teams competing for a prize of \$20,000, Su's team was only five rounds away from winning when their hopes ended in a closely fought match.

"It helps to have an extra set of eyes. Usually, there are four to five guys on a team, along with a coach," Su said.

Major League Gaming, backed by sponsors such as Dr Pepper, is regarded as the most popular gaming league in the United States. Recently, it awarded a \$250,000 contract to one player.

Su's interest in Major League Gaming came when he was playing online one night with someone who informed him of the organization.

"About two years ago, ESPN would release MLG's top plays, and I would watch them," Su said.

After attending a Major League Gaming event in Dallas as a spectator, Su decided to begin competing in tournaments where he found success. As a student, Su stresses the competitiveness of Major League Gaming and the disadvantages placed upon him.

"You definitely have to find that balance," Su said. "A lot of the younger players have become better because they have more time."

While it's not likely Major League Gaming will be hosting a competition in Waco, there is definitely no shortage of organized play.

Lansharx, a video gaming center located in Waco, has become the exclusive hot spot for local gamers to convene.

For a fee, players are allowed to choose from a variety of games and consoles and



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Professional video gamer, Chris Su, shows off his skills on August 31 in Castellaw Communications Center. Su juggles attending Baylor and being renowned in the video game world.

compete with one another. They also hold special events, including "lock-ins" where people are invited to play all night.

"Occasionally we'll host tournaments with cash prizes based upon the amount of entry fees," said Chris Brad, manager of Lansharx. "Just recently, we hosted a Super-Street Fighter tournament."

Joplin, Mo., junior Jonmichael Seibert is also an avid video game player but chooses not to participate in organized competition.

"Competitive gameplay gets too stressful," Seibert said. "Most of the people I play with are from Baylor or people I knew in high school."

While Su feels blessed to be playing professionally, he has a greater appreciation for the relationships he has made in the industry. Eventually, he hopes to use his networking to find a job in the video game industry.

"I'd really like to work with MLG's marketing department and see them go international," Su said. "I don't think gaming is going away. I speak fluent Mandarin, so I would like to help bring it to China."

With his goals in place, Su knows the hard work ahead of him, but feels the gratification it will bring will be worth it.

"I can't imagine living my life any other way," Su said. "Doing my job and having fun at the same time."

First Army chaplain killed in war since 1970

By Dan Elliott
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER — A chaplain killed in Afghanistan this week was the first Army clergyman killed in action since the Vietnam War, the military said Thursday.

Capt. Dale Goetz of the 4th Infantry Division at Fort Carson, Colo., was among five soldiers killed by an improvised bomb on Monday.

Before Goetz, the last Army chaplain to die in action was Phillip Nichols, who was killed by a con-

cealed enemy explosive in Vietnam in October of 1970, said Chaplain Carleton Birch, a spokesman for the Army chief of chaplains.

The Air Force said none of its chaplains were killed later than 1970. A spokesman for the Navy Chaplain Corps, which also provides clergy to the Marines, didn't immediately return a phone call.

Goetz, 43, listed his hometown as White, S.D. He once served there as pastor of First Baptist Church, the Argus-Leader in Sioux Falls, S.D., reported. Goetz, his wife and their three sons recently joined



Goetz

High Country Baptist Church in Colorado Springs, where Fort Carson is located, the newspaper reported.

A church spokeswoman referred questions to the Army on

Thursday, and Army officials declined to comment, citing the family's wishes.

Officials said Goetz had hitched a ride on a resupply convoy when he was killed.

The Army has more than 2,800 chaplains, including those in the Guard and Reserve. More than 400 are in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Birch said chaplains are considered noncombatants and don't carry weapons, but they are accompanied by a chaplain's assistant, a soldier who is armed.

A chaplain's assistant, Staff Sgt.

Christopher Stout of Worthville, Ky., was killed in Afghanistan in July, Birch said.

Chaplains don't go on combat patrols but do go onto battlefields to conduct services and counsel soldiers, Birch said.

"Many of those places where they travel are very dangerous," he said.

Army chaplains go through their own training, which includes combat survival skills, Birch said. They don't go through the same training that enlisted personnel or officers do.

Birch said commanders in Afghanistan would decide whether chaplains' procedures will be reviewed or revised after Goetz's death.

"Traveling in a war zone is very risky business Chaplains will continue to go where soldiers are on the battlefield to minister to their soldiers," Birch said.

Army Chaplain Tim Vacok was gravely injured by a roadside bomb in Iraq in 2006 and died in 2009 from a fall at a Minnesota nursing home, where he was being cared for because of his injuries.

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Research aims to help stressed soldiers cope

By Meghan Hendrickson
STAFF WRITER

A multidisciplinary team from Baylor and Fort Hood are working together to research how families and individual soldiers interact when dealing with the consequences of combat stress reactions.

"We are specifically looking to see what kind of interactions there are with families, soldiers and their spouses," Dr. Janet Crow, assistant professor of family and consumer sciences, said. "Something kind of different than what has been studied before is that we are looking back a generation or two and looking at parents of soldiers to see what is linked between the parents' experiences to the soldier's experience."

Crow brings a unique perspective to the research team as she is a military spouse and mother. Her husband is retired from active duty in the military. Her two sons are currently in active duty, and her daughter-in-law is an active duty officer currently deployed in Afghanistan.

When her husband retired, Crow went back to school to get her Ph.D. and started looking at different things that impact military families – a topic that has always held interest for her.

For Crow's dissertation, she considered different variables affecting soldiers and their families. Her research focused particularly on how soldiers cope with religion.

"The focus of our time at the



COURTESY PHOTO

Dr. Janet Crow's family took a special part in her daughter, 2nd Lt. Rebecca Crow's, commissioning ceremony in June. Son, Capt. Nathaniel Crow and daughter-in-law, Maj. Dana Crow pin on 2nd Lt. Crow's gold bars as she stands at attention.

moment is a series of focus groups in which we have engaged parents, soldiers and soldiers' spouses as a qualitative research approach to hear the voices of all of the people involved in military deployment," said Dr. James Ellor, professor of social work and principal investigator for the research. "We want to understand what the stresses are of the soldier; we specifically avoid the term PTSD. There is a sort of continuum of stress in which post-traumatic stress disorder is on the extreme end of – it is stress-

ful anytime you do anything out of the ordinary. Psychiatrist Thomas Holmes came up with a concept that both good things and bad things can be equally stressful. For example, you can be in the military and you can get promoted, which is a good thing. But that promotion might mean you go into battle sooner, which is a bad thing."

The research team is also exploring the differences in the communication of previous wars and today's war.

During the Korean War, a bat-

tle would take place and it would take a few days for media to find out about it and report back to the States. Because soldiers depended on mail, they would have to wait up to a month to give news of their condition to their family.

"During the month's time of the past, you could cope with your emotions and 'put them on the shelf,' reminding yourself that God will bring them through and just hope that a GI car doesn't come down the road," Ellor said.

In today's war there is constant

communication taking place thanks to technology such as cell phones and e-mail.

"Immediate communication is a positive, but it can also aggravate," Crow said. "The 24-hour news of today, having the war on the news all the time, being faced with it every day – this brings a lot of stresses to the home. For instance, we hear that five more soldiers were killed in Afghanistan. As a family, we start to watch and pay attention to what's happening."

There are a variety of different sources of stress relating to those involved in the military.

This team is trying to find ways to cope with and prevent those stresses by identifying specific causes of stress in the lives of the soldier, his or her spouse and his or her parents.

"The stress of the soldier has to do with the situation in front of you," Ellor said. "The stress of the family is not knowing – the feeling of being out of control. They feel that 'I am unable to control my own life because I am dealing with this.'"

One of the key things about this team is that it is interdisciplinary. It spans over many areas of research, including Baylor's School of Social Work, family and consumer sciences department, and psychology and neuroscience department, as well as the Center for Excellence at the Central Texas VA and the Darnall Army Medical

Center at Fort Hood.

"We have enjoyed being in the presence of some pretty wonderful people serving in the military," Dr. Dennis Myers, associate dean and professor of the School of Social Work, said. "Janet and I are excited to see that parenthood does not end when kids leave home. Lots of Baylor students have great communication with their parents. We're trying to see what is the nature and transformation of soldiers' relationship with their parents after deployment. How do parents support their son or daughter and be a successful parent when their child is in harm's way? We've fallen in love with the spouses of soldiers as we've seen them do just about everything they can as they support their loved ones. They are surviving and affected by this war in ways we don't recognize. It's incredible how pleased they are with a church that is concerned."

While it is important that soldiers be supported by their families while they are deployed, the team believes that it is equally important the families are supported by their own community.

"I am interested in putting together a coffee group of folks who are related to the military in some sense – whether they are active soldiers, spouses, children of military or parents," Crow said. "There are a lot of students at Baylor whose parents are in Germany or Alaska and they're here and have a connection with the military."

Economy reports better numbers on jobs, sales

By Christopher Rugaber
ASSOCIATED PRESS

The feeble economy exhibited a smidgen of strength Thursday, with mildly positive reports on jobs, store sales and housing.

Figures released on unemployment claims, store sales and home-buying contracts all trend in the right direction, tempering fears that the economy is on the brink of another downturn.

For now, companies aren't resorting to widespread layoffs. New applications for unemployment benefits declined for the second

straight week after rising in the previous three to above the half-million mark.

"This is something of a relief, because it suggests that the 504,000 claims number from two weeks ago was a fluke rather than an indication that the trend has suddenly surged higher," said Ian Shepherdson, chief U.S. economist at High Frequency Economics.

If claims don't rise from their current level, that "would be consistent with ... very sluggish growth rather than a double-dip recession," he added.

One positive sign for future

hiring: The Labor Department said productivity, or output per hour worked, fell in the spring by the largest amount in nearly four years while labor costs rose. The decline follows rapid increases in efficiency during the recession and indicates companies may not be able to squeeze more work out of their reduced work forces.

"Once businesses have seemingly gotten everything they can out of their workers, it is usually a harbinger of future job creation," said Brian Levitt, an economist at OppenheimerFunds.

Retailers, meanwhile, reported

surprisingly strong sales in August compared to a year ago. They were helped by aggressive discounting, even as unusually hot weather and job worries kept a lid on back-to-school buying.

In housing, perhaps the weakest area of the economy, a report from the National Association of Realtors offered some mild optimism. The number of people who signed contracts to buy homes rose in July, though the total remained well below levels last year.

In another report, factory orders rose slightly in July after two months of declines, but most of

the gains were a result of higher airplane orders.

The pace of economic growth has slowed considerably from earlier this year, as the impact of the government's stimulus package fades. Many economists are increasingly pessimistic that private companies will do enough hiring and spending to replace the impact of the stimulus.

Without more jobs, consumers will likely spend cautiously, making it harder for the economy to gain steam.

Consumer spending accounts for about 70 percent of economic

activity. The nation's gross domestic product, the broadest measure of economic output, grew at a 3.7 percent annual pace in the first quarter, but that slowed dramatically to 1.6 percent in the April-to-June period.

That's not fast enough growth to bring down unemployment.

Economists at Bank of America-Merrill Lynch on Wednesday marked down their estimates of future economic growth. They now expect the economy to grow at only a 1.8 percent pace next year, down sharply from an earlier estimate of 2.3 percent.

Classic literature to benefit inmates

By Carmen Galvan
STAFF WRITER

Students of Baylor's newest Engaged Living Group are going to prison, or at least their essays are.

The new ELG consists of 19 freshmen and three professors from the history, classics and technology departments.

Titled "Unlocking the Imprisoned Mind with a Digital Key," the new ELG is designed to expose the incarcerated to classic literature in an attempt to help lower the recidivism rate in Texas.

"It has been well documented that people who are in prison, when they are trained in any vocational way, or people who speak of education in prison, tend to think of it in a vocational way, to learn refrigeration or to learn how to lay bricks," Dr. Gabrielle Sutherland, history professor and co-director of the ELG, said.

"The recidivism rate doesn't change even 1 percent, and the recidivism rate across the country is at 66 percent. So when someone gets a liberal arts degree, a four-year degree, those rates go to 10 percent. Those are the kinds of statistics that you can't even calculate because it's such a huge leap, you can't measure how it changes lives."

Through their class and writing assignments, students will introduce prisoners to the liberal arts with a series of newsletters featuring reflective essays on classic literature such as Homer's "The Odyssey" and "The Epic of Gilgamesh."

After reading the literature and writing the essays, students will peer edit and choose the top five essays to be included in the newsletter. Students will design and mail out eight newsletters to various Texas state prisons over a four-semester period.

Dr. John Thorburn, chair and

associate professor of classics and co-director of the ELG, said the program is not just about promoting great books.

"We want to provoke thinking serious thoughts about these works and thinking about how these works can still live, can still inform our lives," Thorburn said. "And so we want the students to think about this and we want the prison inmates to think about this as well."

Dallas freshman Alan Hamill is already enjoying the new perspective the class offers.

"I've enjoyed the different ideas being presented. I read The Epic of Gilgamesh in freshman year of high school, but it's just interesting, and learning about and discussing literature like this, classics and stuff like that, it is an enjoyable experience," Hamill said. "I personally get to learn more about an interest of mine and also get to develop my writing skills."

Students will also gain firsthand experience during the length of the ELG by attending a county court session in the spring as well as an opportunity to train and volunteer at a Texas state prison during their final semester.

"[The trips are] so that they can get a feel for what it is like to be on the other side," Sutherland said. "The view from the other side- it's different. If you're talking to people, it's good to know where they live."

Thorburn and Sutherland are looking forward to the coming semesters with the ELG.

"I think it is one of those things that helps prevent those people from going back to prison," Thorburn said. "We need people to think about the consequences of their actions and what it means to be behind the walls. What it means to be out of the wild."

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Temple band lands recording contract

By Chris Day
REPORTER

Everyone Dies In Utah, an electronic hardcore band from Temple, signed with Tragic Hero Records.

Currently, the band is in Bethesda, Md., recording its first full-length album with producer Taylor Larson at his studio, Oceanic Recording. Larson has also worked with Sky Eats Airplane and Of Legends, a new heavy metal project from Luis Dubuc of The Secret Handshake. Tragic Hero Records is financing the entire production.

"A couple of our friends in Sky Eats Airplane recorded here," lead guitarist Taylor Bagley said. "They showed us all their stuff and we were really into it."

Bagley said Larson's approach to production is very hands-on in that he does not just record, mix and master, but he also spends

time getting the best music and performances out of his bands.

"You really have to break down the band's songs," Larson said. "A lot of the parts that a band brings in are going to bore the average listener, so we sit down and break the song up. We make it cohesive, basically rewrite the song and try to get the best performance out of my band."

Bagley said musical diversity was key for the album.

"We pull a lot from Enter Shikari because they write any style of music. We've got super-heavy songs, poppy songs, songs that sound like Saosin. Just a really wide range of sound."

Before getting signed, the band got its start playing shows in Temple and then expanded to include Waco and Dallas.

"I saw them at their very first show in Temple," said photographer Duncan Johnson. "They got

better every time I saw them. I did their first promo shoot for them."

The band eventually incorporated a sophisticated light show to enhance its live experience.

"They've always been pretty big on trying to look really good as far as lighting and stuff that syncs up with their techno bits, but they definitely started to get really into it about a year after they came out," Johnson said. "Then they got Mike Ziemer from Dallas to do their bookings for them. That's what got them to really blow up. He's the one who basically got them signed."

Bagley said success came quickly after joining forces with Ziemer.

"Then we toured with Sky Eats Airplane. When we got back from that, we started to get label attention."

Aside from their current label Tragic Hero Records, Standby Records and Rise Records also expressed interest in signing them.

"It was really fun to tour with Sky Eats Airplane," Bagley said. "It was kind of us getting our feet wet. We started in Maryland and ended in Texas. That tour was amazing because Sky Eats Airplane had a big impact on us musically. We really looked up to them from the get go."

Producer Taylor Larson was impressed with the band's rate of improvement.

"I feel like I've really pushed them further as musicians and it's been a lot of fun. They're all extremely talented," Larson said. "Everything is sounding awesome and I'm excited to see what they can come up with next time around after learning what they've learned this summer."

Although a release date for the album's debut has not been given, the band estimates that it will release this coming January.



COURTESY PHOTO
Everyone Dies in Utah has been together for two years, mainly performing in the Temple, Waco and Dallas areas. The band signed a recording contract with Tragic Hero Records and is working on a full-length album.

ThisWeekend

Today
6-9 p.m. - Croft Art Gallery is celebrating its first anniversary with featured artists. Work from 23 artists will be on display throughout September.

Saturday
8-11 p.m. - Mike Epps: Big Comedy Show will be at the Extraco Events Center (formerly known as the Heart O' Texas Fair Complex.) Tickets range from \$31 to \$41 according to seating. Visit www.ticketmaster.com or call 254-776-1660 for tickets.

Monday
10 a.m.-6 p.m. - The Sweet Sorghum Festival at Brazos de Dios (5 miles west of IH 35 on FM 933) features an annual sorghum harvest and syrup making. There will also be horse-drawn hayrides, lunchtime outdoor barbecue, craft demonstrations and live music at noon.

Throughout the weekend:
Westfest celebrates Czech culture with polka, kolaches, taroky, horse shoes, a tractor pull and a costume parade. Gates open today at 5:30 p.m. and tickets cost \$12 for adults and children over 12. Tickets for children between 6 and 12 are \$4, and children under age 6 get in free. On Saturday and Sunday gates open at 11 a.m. and tickets cost \$8 for adults and \$4 for seniors over 65, children 6 to 12 and those in the military. Tickets are valid for one day only. For more information, visit www.westfest.com

Vocal coach brings wisdom, love

By Liz Appling
REPORTER

Dr. Jeffrey Peterson is a man who has dressed in funny costumes and delivered messages via singing in order to make a living, but he is also a man who has spent years working next to world famous musicians.

With a rich musical background and a myriad of experience, the assistant professor of voice is using his craft to prepare young musicians for their futures.

Along with private vocal coaching, Peterson teaches Italian diction. Considered an important ingredient for opera vocalists, Italian diction is necessary for the Music in the Marche study abroad program Peterson directs.

The study abroad program is just one of the opportunities he provides for aspiring vocalists. He is able to pass down his knowledge from his experiences of working with world-famous musicians.

One of his experiences comes from studying under John Wustman, a man who spent many years playing the piano for the renowned

ly closely with them and they were pretty much a part of my everyday life for eight years."

Prior to Indiana, Peterson lived in Cincinnati completing his masters at a music conservatory.

He later freelanced in Cincinnati for several years after. He was the harpsichordist for the Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra while he also managed a singing telegram company.

He would show up at people's homes, work and schools to delivering a singing message dressed as Big Bird, Santa Claus or a gorilla.

"It was a lot of fun. It got me out from behind a desk all day," Peterson said.

His music career has developed over the years and definitely kept him in his element.

Peterson developed his career in Parkersburg, W. Va., a tiny town with a strong arts and cultural community.

"With the arts, if you are involved in any kind of performing arts, whether it's theatre or painting or music, I firmly believe it chooses you."

DANIEL CERNERO | PHOTO EDITOR

Assistant professor of voice Dr. Jeffrey Peterson enjoys his new academic setting.

Italian tenor Luciano Pavarotti. Peterson worked for Wustman when completing his doctorate at the University of Illinois.

Peterson felt he truly developed his niche for vocal coaching prior to his work in Illinois when he worked in the largest voice department in the world with the largest music school in the world at Indiana University.

"It's really where I cut my teeth as a vocal coach," Peterson said. "They had several world-famous singers on their faculty there and I was fortunate enough to work fair-

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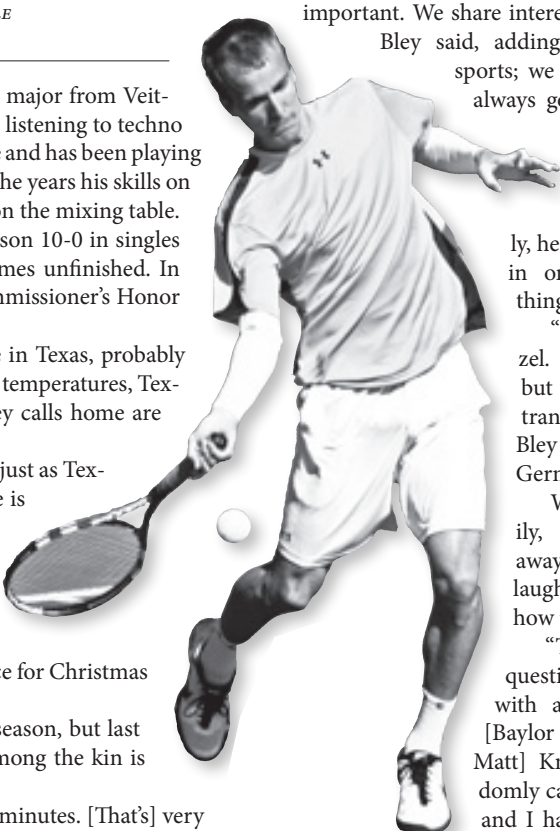
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Germany native Bley spins tennis shots, turntables

By KRISTA PIRTLE
REPORTER

Julian Bley, a junior business major from Veitshoechheim, Germany, has been listening to techno music since he was in third grade and has been playing tennis since he was seven. Over the years his skills on the court have surpassed those on the mixing table. Last year, he finished the season 10-0 in singles play for the Bears, with two games unfinished. In the fall he made the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll. Bley seems very comfortable in Texas, probably because except for the scorching temperatures, Texas and the area of Germany Bley calls home are very similar. "We have a real heavy accent just as Texans have. The attitude of people is the same too. We hug a lot," Bley said. The one thing that he misses the most about Germany is his family. He only gets to see them twice a year, once for Christmas and once in the summer. They try to visit during the season, but last year they could not make it. Among the kin is his twin brother, Fabian. "I'm the older one [by] eight minutes. [That's] very



important. We share interests. He's a DJ too," Bley said, adding, "He doesn't like sports; we aren't identical. It's always good to have someone to talk to." When he gets to go home and see his family, he also gets to indulge in one of his favorite things. "Food! I love schnitzel. There are others, but I don't know the translation for them," Bley said. "I just love German food." With food and family, what pulled him away from home? Bley laughed, remembering how the process began. "That's a really good question. It all started with a phone call from [Baylor tennis head coach Matt] Knoll. He just randomly called my cell phone, and I had no idea what he

was talking about. I had no idea who he was. I had no idea what Baylor was. We kept talking for about half a year. I thought [Baylor] was the best opportunity for me to play tennis and go to school." In 2004, Bley was the under-16 German champion Knoll saw potential in Bley. "Julian was a great junior, one of the top players his age in Germany. I also knew some people in his area that told me what a hard-working guy he was and how he'd be a good fit for our team. Certainly, skill is the number one thing I look for in the recruiting process. I think you've got to find guys that can manage the academic side, which Julian has done beautifully and you hope to find guys that fit the culture of the program, which Julian does beautifully," Knoll said. When he got to Baylor, he noticed how friendly the students and professors were and the nice facilities and classrooms. What stuck out most to him, however, was the enthusiasm Baylor had about the tennis program. Bley says he has loved life in Waco, even though he rarely has spare time. "If there's spare time, which rarely happens, I like to go and eat a burger," he said with a wide grin spreading across his face. Bley has grown as a leader within the program for younger players like Shreveport, La., freshman Robert Verzaal. "He's been an excellent mentor so far," Verzaal said.

"He's shown me the ropes pretty much inside and out. He's pretty solid; he's got all the shots. He can hit any shot that he wants to." When asked about Bley's djing skills, Verzaal could only grin. "That could be better," he said. Since being in the Baylor tennis program, Bley says that he's learned how to cope with the intensity of college tennis, both mentally and physically. Knoll agrees. "He's got to step forward. He's got to win more tennis matches, and to do that he's got to be more aggressive and more assertive with his tennis," Knoll said. On the defensive side of the ball, Knoll likes what he sees. "[Bley's] biggest quality is he's a tenacious competitor. He plays unbelievable defense," Knoll said. "It kind of wears on the opponent emotionally to know that they've got to finish every point and that he's going to fight for everything." Like any other athlete, Bley wants to win a NCAA championship and leave a mark in the Baylor tennis program, both as a tennis star and a DJ. "[Bley] also kind of dominates our locker room music system with that 'boom-boom-boom' as I call it. That's a big part of who Julian is. Unfortunately for me, he sometimes brings that to the locker room," Knoll said. "I think it's great. He has fun with it and it keeps him relaxed."

PHOTO BY DANIEL CERNERO | PHOTO EDITOR

Soccer's homestand includes UH, UTSA, team prepares for Big 12

By CHRIS DERRETT
SPORTS EDITOR

This weekend the team Baylor soccer returns home for two games, looking to bounce back from a 3-1 road loss to Arizona State and use what it learned from the its first defeat of the season. "We made some mental mistakes, and you can't do that against teams like that," coach Marci Jobson said. "It was a great lesson for our girls because they remembered how hard it is to win games like that, how much grueling energy it takes." The Bears (3-1-0) take on the University of Texas San Antonio on Friday and battle the University of Houston, the fifth-ever meeting between the schools, Sunday afternoon. Prior to stumbling in Tempe, Baylor overwhelmed Houston Baptist last Friday night, 6-0, en route to sophomore Lisa Sliwinski being named to TopDrawerSoccer.com's Women's College Team of the Week. UTSA enters Waco after beating HBU, 2-1, Sunday afternoon. UH has shared two common opponents with Baylor, beating HBU in a 7-0 exhibition contest and handling McNeese State, 6-0. Baylor has seen contributions from players of every classification and position. Aside from sophomore Hanna Gilmore's four goals and Sliwinski's three, eight other players have scored. Junior defender Staz Salinas became the eighth when her header off a corner kick found the net against Arizona State. To help prepare for the upcoming weekend and conference season, the women's team practiced against members of Baylor's men's club team. "We had a great week of practice, trained really hard against a lot of the boys. And they kicked our butt, and it was great. They worked with us on set pieces," Jobson said. The Bears hope to attack their upcoming foes



DANIEL CERNERO | PHOTO EDITOR

No. 3 Baylor forward Dana Larsen fires a shot at No. 1 Houston Baptist goalkeeper Lara Johnson. The Bears beat the Huskies, 6-0, and improved to 3-0. quickly as the Sun Devils did Sunday afternoon, scoring twice on Baylor in the first 15 minutes. "Last season, (that was) one of the things we always focused on improving. We would start a little slow, and once we got into the flow of things we would start playing well. It's definitely going to be a focal point of this season," Sliwinski said. Friday's game starts at 7 p.m. at Betty Lou Mays Soccer Field, and Baylor kicks off against Houston at 1 p.m. Sunday at the same complex.

Manning, Brady sharp in final games before regular season

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Eli Manning and Tom Brady were solid in their final tuneups for the regular season. And Rhett Bomar may have nailed down the job as the New York Giants' backup quarterback, throwing a 60-yard scoring pass to Duke Calhoun with 1:49 to play as the Giants rallied for a 20-17 victory over the New England Patriots on Thursday night. The winning score came just minutes after Darrell Jenkins put the Patriots ahead 17-12 by catching a short pass from Brian Hoyer and turning it into a 66-yard scoring play with one move and a burst of speed.

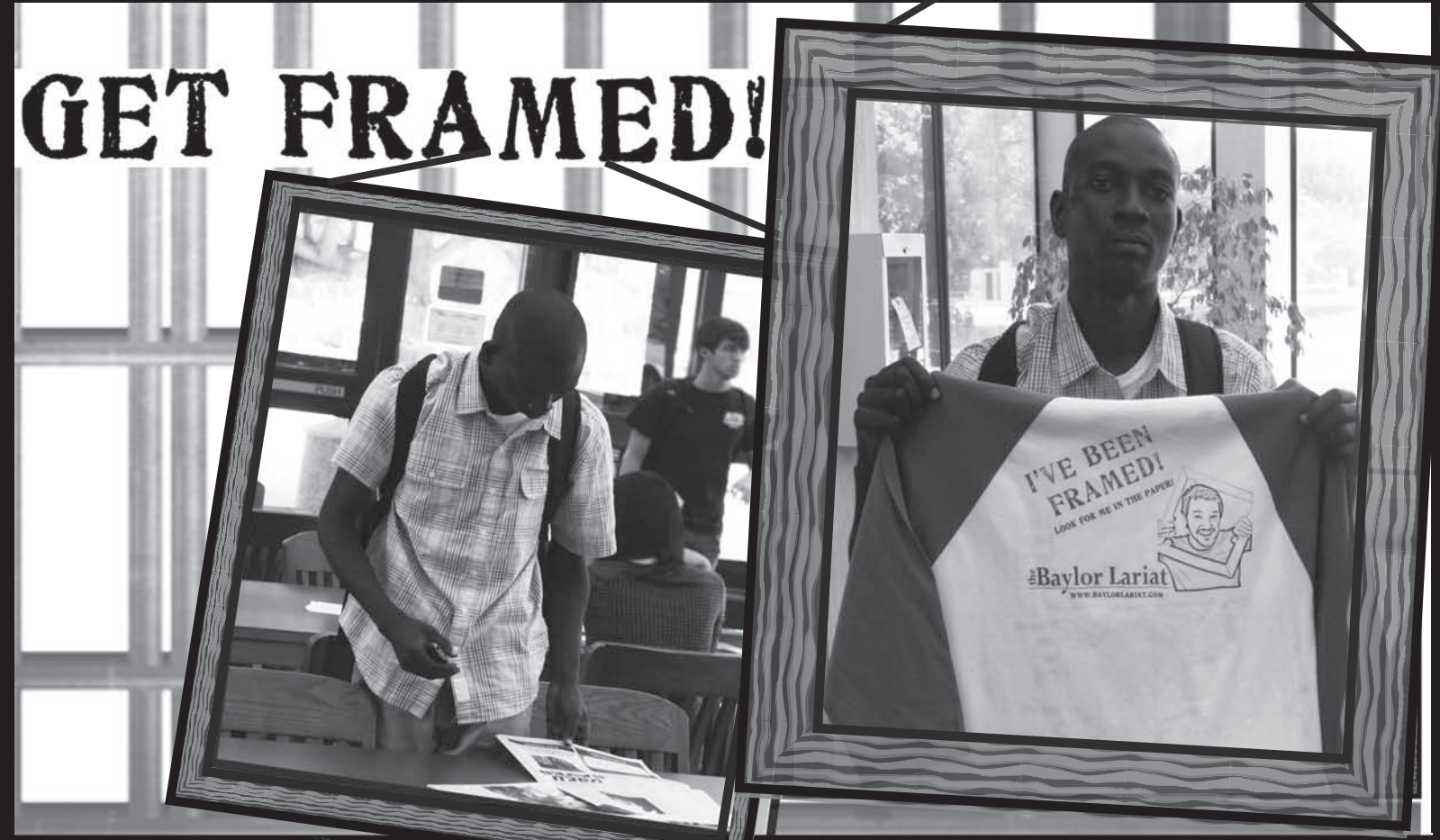
The good news for both teams was they came out of the preseason finale relatively healthy. New England (2-2) will host Terrell Owens, Chad Ochocinco and the Cincinnati Bengals on Sept. 12. The Giants (2-2) will open at home against Carolina in their new \$1.6 billion stadium. Both teams had to be happy with their starting offenses just 10 days before the season. Manning (7 of 9 for 91 yards) and Brady (4 of 8 for 51 yards) each threw a touchdown pass on his first series. Manning's touchdown capped a nine-play, 86-yard drive after the opening kickoff. A 55-yard return by Thomas Clayton on the ensuing kickoff set up an eight-play drive that Brady capped with a 5-yard touchdown toss to tight end

Rob Gronkowski. There have been questions about both defenses coming into the season and they struggled early. In fact, both looked overmatched on the opponent's first series. The Patriots, who gave up 36 points in a loss to St. Louis, saw the Giants manage five plays of at least 11 yards on the first of only two drives with Manning at the helm. New York's defense, which looked feeble in a loss to Baltimore and its no-huddle offense last week, was able to stop the Patriots' running game, But the Giants could not put much pressure on Brady, who even had tight end Alge Crumpler drop the ball on a potential big gain.

Francoeur gives Texas strength vs. left-handers

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Jeff Francoeur joined the Texas Rangers on Wednesday in time for a night game against the Kansas City Royals, although he was not in the starting lineup. The Rangers acquired Francoeur in a trade Tuesday night with the New York Mets. While the Rangers are in first place with an 8½-game lead over Oakland in the American League West, the Mets were in fourth place and 12 games out in the National League East. "I'm excited," Francoeur said. "It's a great opportunity for me. All in one day I picked up 20 games and came to a first-place club. I had some good times in New York. It was a great experience there. I had some good times and I had some bad times, too, but I liked my time there." Francoeur, a 2002 first-round pick of the Atlanta Braves, hit .237 with 11 home runs and 54 RBIs in 124 games this season with the Mets. "We got him here to face lefties," Rangers manager Ron Washington said. Washington said if Josh Hamilton and Nelson Cruz are healthy they would definitely be in the outfield every day. Hamilton, however, received a shot after the game Tuesday night for a sore right knee and was not in the lineup. He was restricted to designated hitter duties the previous two games. "Jeff will probably play right field and we'll move Cruz to left," Washington said. Francoeur has playoff experience with the Braves, while the Rangers have not been to the post-season since 1999. "A lot of these guys have never been to the playoffs," Francoeur said. "I can tell them how much fun it is. All the games are totally different than a regular season game. I can't wait to get back there." In addition to adding Francoeur to the active roster, on Wednesday the Rangers activated second baseman Ian Kinsler, who has been on the disabled list since July 28 with a strained left groin. They also reinstated infielder Cristian Guzman, who had been out with a right quadriceps strain, from the 15-day disabled list and recalled right-hander Pedro Strop, who was 1-2 with a 1.91 ERA and 13 saves with Triple-A Oklahoma. "I'm good enough to be on the field," Kinsler said. "I don't feel like I did when I was 16, but I'm good enough to be out there. I feel it a little bit in my legs and a little bit in my ankles. I don't really feel like I can be as explosive out there." Kinsler, a 2008 All-Star selection who hit .298 in 78 games this season, said he would not be at full strength until next season.



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David Crowder performs his song "Rise Up," which will be used in a pregame video Saturday at Floyd Casey Stadium.

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Saturday at the first football game of the season. A minute-long version of the song is included in the video, along with footage of Crowder performing in the Bears locker room and Baylor football highlights.

The video was well received by Crowder, who received a sneak preview. "Oh my gosh. Again, it

made me want to play football, and I should not play football," Crowder said.

"It was really well done, and if you don't feel something turn in your chest when you see it, then you're just dead inside. That's what I've decided. I love it."

The "Rise Up" campaign really struck a chord with Crowder. "It

pulls something out of you as a human that there are things we can aspire to," he said. "Forward motion and potential that we haven't acquired yet, and it just requires some sacrifice and effort on our part to reach it."

Crowder said he will be rushing back to Waco from a show in South Dakota to attend the open-

ing game on Saturday, as well as showing his support at many other sporting events throughout the year.

The song will be available for free download at www.baylor.edu/riseup immediately after the game Saturday.

The song will also be released on Christian radio Monday.

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scrimmage. I have seen the holes he has fit through."

Briles also had praise for the veteran tailback, who he expects to provide more than just yardage.

"The thing I love about Jay is he runs mad with the football," Briles said. "He is a nice guy, but put a football in his hands and he gets real mean. I like that. He brings an element to the field that can inspire. That's what you look for in football players and really in everyday life, you look for a person who

can inspire you."

Briles looks to his backfield for leadership on offense and to senior linebacker Antonio Johnson on the defensive side of the ball.

Johnson leads a defense that may have some young faces, but is ready to test its speed against what it believes will be a ground-focused attack from the Bearkats.

"We think they are going to be a spread-option team," Briles said. "We do have some tape on them, but it's going to be one of those

things where we get to the game and feel it out."

Baylor remains a little unsure of what to expect, partly because Sam Houston State returns just two linemen and a tight end to their offense from 2009.

One thing is virtually certain with the Bearkats, though: They will be out to win the special teams game.

"Willie Fritz, their head coach, is really a special teams guy," Briles said.

"So we know we're going to get challenged in those areas."

Challenges, though, are why the Bears have been counting down until game day. Now that the time has come, they may be hard-pressed to keep a smile or two from cracking through their game day faces.

"It's like that new toy you got for Christmas," senior offensive lineman Danny Watkins said.

"You spent all that time building it and now it's time to go play with it."

EXPLOSION

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three months after the April rig explosion that killed 11 workers.

Responding to any oil spill in shallow water would be much easier than in deep water, where crews depend on remote-operated vehicles to access equipment on the sea floor.

A Homeland Security update obtained by The Associated Press said the platform was producing 58,800 gallons of oil and 900,000 cubic feet of gas per day. The platform can store 4,200 gallons of oil.

White House press secretary Robert Gibbs said the administration has "response assets ready

for deployment should we receive reports of pollution in the water."

All 13 of the platform's crew members were rescued from the water. They were found huddled together in life jackets.

The captain of the boat that rescued the platform crew said his vessel was 25 miles away when it received a distress call Thursday morning from the platform.

The Crystal Clear, a 110-foot boat, was in the Gulf doing routine maintenance work on oil rigs and platforms.

When Capt. Dan Shaw arrived at the scene of the blast, the work-

ers were holding hands in the water, where they had been for two hours. They were thirsty and tired.

"We gave them soda and water, anything they wanted to drink," Shaw said.

"They were just glad to be on board with us."

Shaw said the blast was so sudden that the crew did not have time to get into lifeboats. They did not mention what might have caused the blast.

"They just said there was an explosion, there was a fire," Shaw said.

"It happened very quick."

DEBT

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for those trying to build a good credit history, North said.

"If you know you can't afford something, don't buy it," North said. "Try not to do a lot of credit purchasing, and what credit purchasing you do you need to budget for."

Mark said he suggests that students begin with a general-purpose card that they can use once a month and pay off on time.

"Always pay on time, ideally pay on time and in full, and if you do that for two or three or four years while you're in school, your credit is going to glisten," Mark said. "The best way to destroy it is you charge on items you have no means to pay on; you skip payments. Your credit can be ruined in six months. You can ruin it in one day if you want to go out on a massive shopping spree as well."

Although both credit card debt and student loans show up on credit reports, student loans are seen as more of a positive investment, Mark said.

"It's debt, but it's very different from credit card debt, which is looked at as living beyond your means," Mark said. "Your commitment to your education-- that's an investment in your future, so don't dread your student loans as much as accept them as a reality of getting your education. Credit card debt is not an investment in any way, shape or form."

Still, Amine Qourzal, assistant director of counseling in the student financial aid office, said students should be careful with the size of their student loans.

"Even if they have eligibility to get a big loan, they don't need to be taking out more than what they need to have a working person's lifestyle," Qourzal said. "One of the things we educate our students on is definitely not taking out more loans than they need, so when they do graduate they can get on with their lives and pay it off as quickly as possible."

The financial aid office offers both private and federal loans, but recommends federal subsidized loans for students, Qourzal said.

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The federal subsidized loans are currently at a 4.5 percent fixed interest rate, compared to 6.8 percent for unsubsidized loans. Students also have options such as paying only the interest on unsubsidized loans while attending school and consolidating their loans after graduation.

"You always want to pursue the federal loans first because they are made especially for college students, and their interest rates are made relatively low," Qourzal said. "If they do pursue the unsubsidized, know that they can make those interest-only payments while they're in school."

Other tips include locking in a low interest rate instead of choosing a variable rate, never opting to extend the terms of the loan and making paying off debts a top priority, Qourzal said.

"Be intentional about knocking that loan out," Qourzal said. "With that first job you get, try to set aside some money to pay off those loans."

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