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The Saint Louis Brass Quintet, one of America's longest-standing brass quintets, will perform at 6 p.m. today in Meadows Recital Hall in the Glennis McCrary Music Building; the event is free

### Jazz Ensemble

The Baylor Jazz Ensemble will perform at 7:30 p.m. today in Jones Concert Hall of the Glennis McCrary Music Building; the event is free

### Pigskin tickets

Tickets for Baylor's Pigskin Revue are still on sale with prices ranging from \$12 to \$20. Pigskin, one of Baylor's Homecoming traditions, begins at 7 p.m. Oct. 21 in Waco Hall and features the top acts from last spring's All-University Sing

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# Four views of God

Book examines what Americans believe, and why

By MEGHAN HENDRICKSON  
STAFF WRITER

"America's Four Gods: What We Say about God – and What That Says about Us," co-authored by two Baylor sociology professors, has received widespread national publicity for its exploration of Americans' views of a God as a God of authority, benevolence, distance or criticism.

The book is an exploration of what people believe about God, as far as what America thinks God's personality is like and what Americans believe he cares about, said Dr. Christopher Bader, associate professor of sociology and co-author of the book.

Bader and Dr. Paul Froese, associate professor of sociology, began writing the book because they noticed that a lot of the discussions in the national press about religion seemed to focus on the religious debates between evangelicals and atheists.

"That's really not where the debates are in this country," Bader said. "Ninety-five percent of Americans believe in God. The disagreement is what people believe about God. Evangelicals are unified, but disagree about what God is like, as do Catholics."

This book is intended for a general audience. It is based on very detailed statistical analyses, but Bader said that information is hidden in the back of the book for those who want to read further into the statistics.

"It's a fascinating account of a very popular topic," Dr. Kevin Dougherty, assistant professor of

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DANIEL CERNERO | PHOTO EDITOR

No. 10 quarterback Robert Griffin stretches into the end zone for a touchdown against Texas Tech on Saturday at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas. Griffin had a career-high 384 yards through the air, but the Bears fell to the Red Raiders 45-38.

# Bears' comeback bid spoiled

## Griffin throws for 384 yards in nail-biting loss

By CHRIS DERRETT  
SPORTS EDITOR

Baylor lost to Texas Tech 45-38 in Saturday's Cotton Bowl contest, which resembled a video game with 1,142 combined yards of total offense. Robert Griffin set a new career mark with 384 passing yards, but the Bears' late comeback fell short.

"We came to win; it didn't happen. It doesn't mean we are going to lose any of our hope, faith, drive or determination," head

coach Art Briles said.

Wide receiver Josh Gordon, who was arrested on Oct. 3 on charges of misdemeanor marijuana possession, entered the game in the second quarter. His first catch of the day was a 34-yard touchdown on a sideline route he has used throughout the season to gain five total touchdowns. He finished with five receptions for 96 yards.

When asked to talk about Gordon's contribution Saturday and whether Gordon was purposely benched for the first quarter, Briles said, "The thing I like about him is that he has a lot of passion for the game. He plays with his heart and his soul, and I really respect people that approach the

game from that standpoint. [He is] a 19-year-old young man that is learning how to play the game. We are really proud of him being a part of our football team."

On Monday, Baylor athletics told The Lariat in an e-mail, "The athletics department follows [Baylor] University's judicial affairs policies with regard to felonies and misdemeanors. In addition, our coaches could elect to impose punishment above and beyond any University action."

Tight end Willie Jefferson, who was also arrested with Gordon, dressed but did not play Saturday. He has participated in every other Baylor game this season.

Safety Prince Kent intercepted Texas Tech quarterback Taylor

Potts late in the third quarter at the Red Raiders' 40-yard line. The Bears took eight plays to score and narrow the deficit to 45-38, 49 seconds into the fourth quarter.

Texas Tech's lead grew to 45-28 after Baron Batch caught a seven-yard touchdown pass from Potts in the third quarter. The drive, 12 plays and 84 yards in 3:05, was one of many the Red Raiders sustained as Baylor struggled to slow Potts' offense.

The Red Raiders finished with 35 first downs and 635 yards of total offense, the first time Baylor has allowed 600 or more yards in a game since Texas Tech totaled

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# Artist, community shake a stick at sculpting

By SARA TIRRITO  
STAFF WRITER

Parallel to the Brazos River, where it runs through Cameron Park, willow branches are being woven into a sculpture by students, Wacoans and one internationally known artist.

Patrick Dougherty, who currently has sculptures across the nation as well as in Italy and France, was brought to Waco by the Cultural Arts of Waco on a \$25,000 matching grant from the National Endowment for the Arts that pays for materials and other costs.

But the locations of his sculptures aren't what make them great.

"I think if I confined my career to a major city, I wouldn't have done half the great works that I have been able to produce," Dougherty said. "It's having a good site, some interesting material to work with, some great people to help you, and all of that produces a good work."

Dougherty's sculptures are made using scaffolding and sticks planted in the ground to create a basic structure that is then covered with more sticks.

Finding help to build the sculptures isn't a problem either, because people are so familiar with sticks, Dougherty said. Willow saplings from the Waco Wetlands are being used to construct

the Cameron Park sculpture.

"We all know everything there is to know about sticks, so it just kind of extends that memory of being a hunt[er] and gatherer as a child and maybe even in our distant past we were all tied into sticks and dirt and primitive construction," Dougherty said, "so I'm always confident that I can get the kind of help that I need because I feel people know about this material."

In Waco, the sculpture has become a community effort, Doreen Ravenscroft, president of Cultural Arts of Waco, said.

"I think people marvel about

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MAKENZIE MASON | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Baylor students weave sticks on Patrick Dougherty's sculpture in Cameron Park Monday.

# Library unveils exhibits on Presidents Johnson, Kennedy

By SAMREEN HOODA  
REPORTER

The Poage Legislative Library will hold an open house exhibition featuring its exhibits on former Presidents Lyndon B. Johnson and John F. Kennedy, along with other Texas archives.

The open house exhibition will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Oct. 21 at the library. The open house will also offer refreshments, including Texas barbecue, Tex-Mex and Czech food.

Both exhibits are currently on display and can be viewed by students.

The Lyndon B. Johnson collection displays timelines of the Texan

politician's campaign, original pictures of his speeches, newspaper clippings and one original dress worn at his presidential rallies, donated by the wearer of the dress. Johnson became the 36th president on Nov. 23, 1963, after Kennedy's assassination. Johnson was re-elected in 1964.

The Kennedy collection includes original papers of his speeches, newspaper clippings and never-before printed pictures taken on the day of the assassination.

Texas Rep. Poage's collection started the library, when he began donating papers while he was still in office. Since then, the library has worked on collecting political papers, books and artifacts to in-

crease its collection of Texas and U.S. political history.

"Congressman Poage started sending his political papers to Poage in 1971," Ben Rogers, director of Poage library, said. "And when he retired in 1978 his friends got together, collected his papers and bought the library space. This became the foundation for the library in 1979."

Poage worked out of what is now the Poage Legislative Library.

"This was Congressman Poage's suite," Rogers said. "When he died in 1987, it was parceled out to other programs until it became an exhibit room. The old suite now

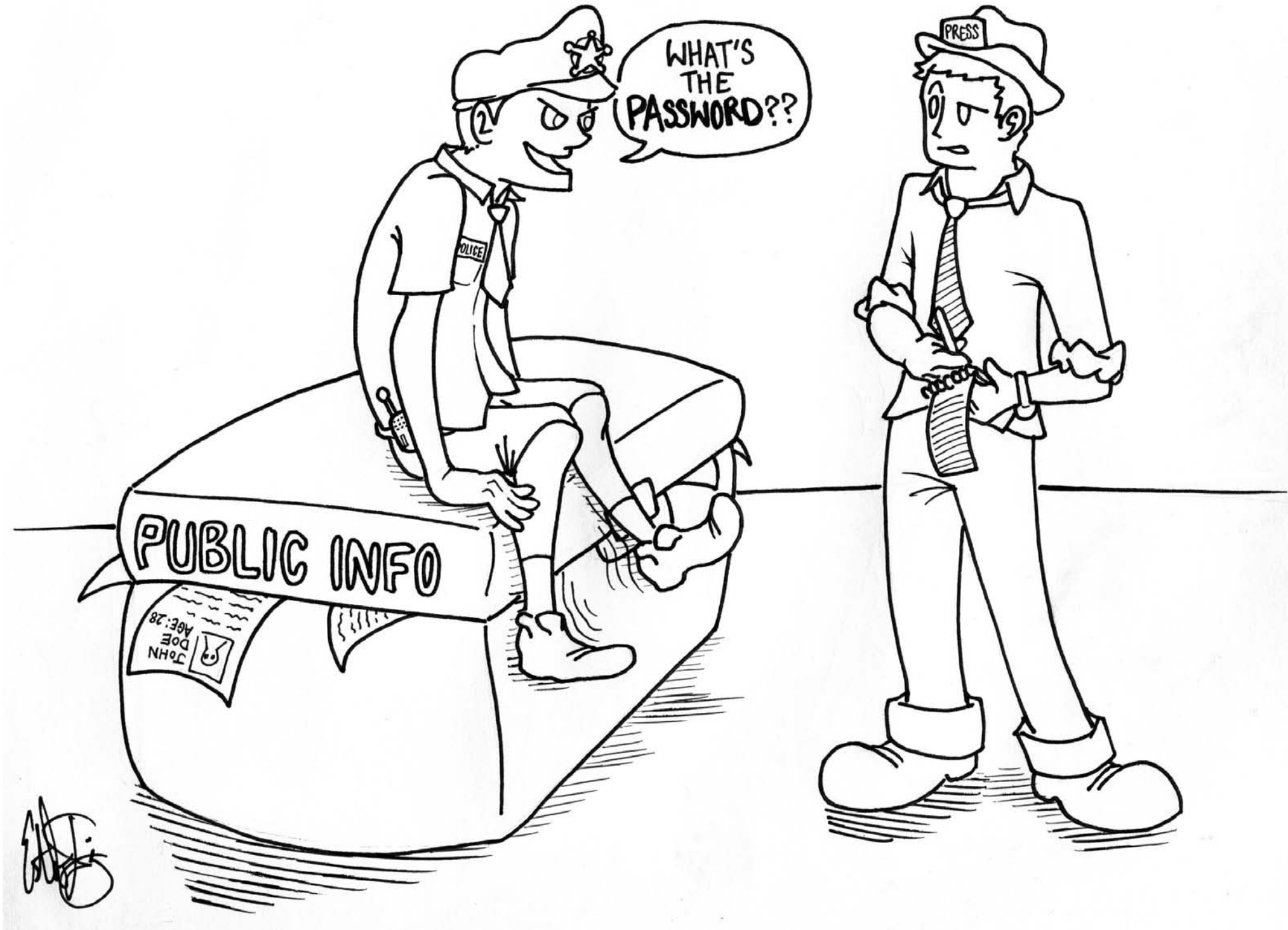
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NICK BERRYMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

An exhibit of Presidents Lyndon B. Johnson and John F. Kennedy, featuring pictures, papers of original speeches, newspaper clippings and more is on display in the Poage Legislative Library.





# When we’re stonewalled, the public loses, too

The importance of the media cannot be denied. Time and time again the media has proven its worth to society, and many intellectuals firmly believe democracy could not exist without the media educating the masses.

In fact, most countries (if not all) that try to establish a republic or a democracy without a functioning, free media face much corruption that eventually leads to a failing state. The media informs, it seeks truth and it works for the public.

State law has been passed that allows both journalists and citizens to access public records. Texas’ Public Information Act defines public information as any information collected, assembled or maintained by or for a governmental body.

The law set up for open records is not meant for journalists alone; it is for the public. Our job as journalists includes fighting to hold the government accountable and making sure the law is followed.

## Editorial

Journalists are at the forefront of the fight to maintain the freedom of information for all. This access fosters transparency.

Despite this crucial role the media plays in a free society, many people feel nothing but contempt and loathing for members of the press. Indeed, these people want nothing to do with the media, will not talk to members of the press, have nothing but criticism for the media and offer no encouragement. Citizens have a right to feel this way and as journalists, we will work hard to persuade them differently.

However, those that are required to give out public information should never act this way. On Thursday, The Lariat was forced to file an open records request with the Waco Police Department after being

denied access to a public record that is required to be released under state law.

The Lariat requested basic information (commonly referred to as “page one information” on a police report) about two men arrested on Oct. 3 in Waco. This basic information is legally available to all citizens and includes but is not limited to: the name, age, address, race, sex, occupation, alias, Social Security number, police department identification number, and physical condition of the arrested person; the date and time of the arrest; the place of arrest, the offense charged and the court in which it is filed; the details of the arrest; the booking information; the notation of any release or transfer; bonding information and the location of the crime.

Upon our request, The Lariat was told the police report couldn’t be released until the case is taken to court. A call to the state attorney general’s office, which monitors adherence to the Public Informa-

tion Act, confirmed that this is not the case. Any withholding of the basic information defined in section 552.108 is a discretionary exemption for which the government body must file a request for an opinion from the attorney general.

The Lariat’s filing of a written open records request for the basic information triggered a 10-day deadline for the Waco Police Department to file a request for an opinion from the attorney general and to notify The Lariat it has done so.

There has been difficulty working with the Waco Police Department’s public information unit for years. We have filed at a minimum three other open records request in previous years in order to get the information that is rightfully open to the public.

The public has a right to the information and the Waco Police Department denied it of this right. Blatant disregard for the law should never be allowed — and we think the police should agree.

# Facebook: It’s on the way out

Not even the intense script of “Social Network” could give the actual Facebook the needed resuscitation it is crying out for.

Don’t get me wrong. I loved the movie, packed with intellectual, attractive ivy leaguers acting like pretentious jerks. What girl doesn’t?

The dramatic and witty screenplay used to illustrate the history behind the makings of the great social phenomenon of our time was interesting to say the least; however, the networking site it depicted no longer bears the same enthusiasm.

Surfing the site, looking at status updates and tagged pictures of “friends” (many of whom I rarely talk to on a regular basis) barely grabs my interest anymore.

The art of Facebook “research” which I worked long and hard to craft is no longer a skill I am proud to have.

We all have that Facebook friend that floods our news feed,



Jade Mardirosian | Staff writer

updating their status every two seconds to reflect whatever they are now currently doing or thinking.

Note to that obnoxious friend: Get a Twitter. That’s what they are for.

Or better yet, the Facebook friend that has to comment on everyone’s status or picture, usually in intervals of 17 seconds.

Please get off Facebook, stop worrying about what everyone else is doing, and do something productive in your own life, like deleting your Facebook account.

And please stop checking into places. If your friends want to know where you are in order to join in the fun, I promise, they’ll ask. Then again, I guess it lets me know where not to be. So thanks.

As for the followers who find it necessary to post YouTube videos that have already been posted on 129 of my “friends” walls, thanks, but I don’t live in a hole.

I am well aware that they are climbing in our windows and snatching our people up.

Don’t get me wrong. I still log on, sometimes multiple times a day.

Though this is usually when I am trying to avoid schoolwork in some capacity, not for a genuine interest to see what is up on the book.

Facebook definitely had its

good run, but when your mom, uncle and friend’s dog all have a Facebook account (each with about 43 friends), you know something is on its way out.

I’m sure Facebook will retain its steady friend base of 500 million plus users.

I on the other hand will be keeping my eyes peeled for the next big social networking site.

Will it be Twitter? I do tweet on occasion, but for some reason it just doesn’t thrill me to read about what celebrities’ and politician’s assistants deem intriguing enough to fit into 140 characters.

I guess I’m waiting for the next Harvard geek to get annoyed enough that they don’t have any friends and subsequently invent the next social networking site dedicated to creating millions of fabricated ones.

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# Nobel Prize winner sparks controversy

## China cuts off contact to wife of prize-winner

By TINI TRAN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

BEIJING — China on Monday blocked European officials from meeting with the wife of the jailed Nobel Peace Prize winner, cut off her phone communication and canceled meetings with Norwegian officials — acting on its fury over the award.

As China retaliated, U.N. human rights experts called on Beijing to free imprisoned democracy campaigner Liu Xiaobo, who was permitted a brief, tearful meeting with his wife Sunday.

Liu dedicated the award to the "lost souls" of the 1989 military crackdown on student demonstrators.

Liu, a slight, 54-year-old literary critic, is in the second year of an 11-year prison term for inciting subversion.

In naming him, the Norwegian-based Nobel committee honored Liu's more than two decades of advocacy of human rights and peaceful democratic change — from demonstrations for democracy at Beijing's Tiananmen Square in 1989 to a manifesto for political reform that he co-authored in 2008 and which led to his latest jail term.

Beijing had reacted angrily to Friday's announcement honoring Liu, calling him a criminal and warning Norway's government that relations would suffer, even though the Nobel committee is an independent organization.

The Dalai Lama criticized China for its response to the Nobel Peace Prize award, saying the government "must change," the Kyodo News agency reported. The Tibetan spiritual leader, who won the prize himself in 1989, said Beijing must recognize that fostering an open society is "the only way to save all people of China."

Also Monday, four U.N. human rights experts released a statement calling for China to immediately release Liu. The independent U.N.-appointed investigators, who examine issues from free speech to arbitrary detention, called on China to release Liu and "all persons detained for peacefully exercising their right to freedom of expression."

European diplomats, meanwhile, were prevented from visiting Liu's wife, Liu Xia, who has been living under house arrest since Friday.

Liu Xia has been told that if she wants to leave her home she must be escorted in a police car, the New York-based group Human Rights



Pro-democracy protesters hold a picture of Chinese dissident Liu Xiaobo with Chinese words "Release Liu Xiaobo" during a demonstration Friday outside China's Liaison Office in Hong Kong. Liu won the 2010 Nobel Peace Prize on Friday for using nonviolence to demand fundamental human rights in his homeland.

in China said.

She reported that her phone communications, along with her Internet, has been cut off; both her and her brother's mobile phones have been interfered with, HRIC said. She is not being allowed to contact the media or her friends, the group said.

Simon Sharpe, the first secretary of political affairs of the EU delegation in China, said he went to see her at her home in Beijing to personally deliver a letter of congratulations from European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso.

Sharpe was accompanied by diplomats from 10 other countries, including Switzerland, Sweden, Poland, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Belgium, Italy and Australia.

But three uniformed guards at the main gate of Liu's apartment complex prevented the group from entering, saying someone from inside the building had to come out and fetch them.

"We were told that we could only go in if we called somebody from the inside and if they came out to meet us. But of course, we can't call Liu Xia, because it's impossible to get through to her phone," Sharpe told reporters at the entrance to the compound.

Sharpe read out a message from Barroso saying the prize was "a

strong message of support to all those around the world who sometimes with great personal sacrifice are struggling for freedom and human rights."

The Nobel Committee has sent the official prize documents, including an invitation to the Dec. 10 ceremony, to the Chinese Embassy in Oslo, asking Chinese authorities to hand them over to Liu, said committee secretary Geir Lundestad.

The Beijing public security bureau and the foreign ministry had no immediate comment on why authorities were apparently restricting her movements since she has not been charged with anything. But "soft detention" is a common tactic used by the Chinese government to intimidate and stifle activists and critics.

In recent days, Beijing has also stepped up its harassment of other activists, detaining several when they tried to organize a dinner to celebrate Liu's Nobel.

Zhang Jiannan, who runs an Internet forum on political matters, told The Associated Press that he and other activists had gone out Friday to celebrate Liu's victory. He was placed under house arrest Saturday and warned by police not to participate in political activities.

"Our (bulletin board system) had been warmly discussing Liu Xiaobo winning the award and

passing the news to more people. I think police feel the pressure. They want to crack down on this circle of dissidents, and I and my site became a good target to set an example for others," he said, adding that he has agreed to shut down his website because he is fearful of police retaliation against his family.

On Monday, lawyer Pu Zhiqiang was the latest to be detained by police, according to his assistant, who did not want to be identified. Pu had sent out a message via Twitter Sunday that said security officials had showed up telling him not to accept interviews with foreign media.

### Winners at a Glance

The prestigious Nobel Prizes will be awarded on Dec. 10 in twin ceremonies in Stockholm and Oslo.

This year's winners are:

◆**Nobel Prize in physiology or medicine:** Robert Edwards of Britain won the Nobel Prize in medicine for developing in vitro fertilization, a breakthrough that has helped millions of infertile couples have children.

◆**Nobel Prize in physics:** Russian-born Andre Geim and Konstantin Novoselov for experiments with graphene, the thinnest and strongest material known to mankind.

◆**Nobel Prize in chemistry:** American Richard Heck and Japanese researchers Ei-ichi Negishi and Akira Suzuki for finding new ways to bond carbon atoms together, methods now widely used to make medicines and in agriculture and electronics.

◆**Nobel Prize in literature:** Peruvian Mario Vargas Llosa, one of the most acclaimed writers in the Spanish-speaking world and a man of letters who also braved the violence and political divisions of his homeland to run for president.

◆**Nobel Peace Prize:** Chinese dissident Liu Xiaobo for his long and nonviolent struggle for fundamental human rights in China. The Norwegian Nobel Committee said it has long believed that there is a close connection between human rights and peace.

◆**The Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences:** Americans Peter Diamond and Dale Mortensen and Christopher Pissarides, a British and Cypriot citizen, for analysis of how the job market is affected by regulation and economic policy.

Associated Press

## Cuba, Venezuela side with Chinese government

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cuban state-controlled media says it is disappointed with the Nobel prizes awarded to imprisoned Chinese dissident Liu Xiaobo and Peruvian novelist Mario Vargas Llosa, an outspoken critic of dictatorships across Latin America.

The website Cubadebate, where Fidel Castro posts his opinion columns, carried an article over the weekend saying, "Let's hope to God this is just one of those ideological strikes that this once-prestigious honor has delivered over its long history, and not a new rule."

The opinion was signed by M. H. Lagarde, a longtime commentator for Cuban government media.

China has become a major trading partner and ideological partner of Cuba since the collapse of the Soviet Bloc deprived Cuba of its main foreign supporters. China and Cuba are both governed by Communist Parties that tolerate little organized opposition.

Lagarde compared Liu to dissidents that Cuba's government considers agents of Washington.

Another ally of Cuba and China, President Hugo Chavez of Venezuela, expressed solidarity with China on Sunday and criticized his country's media for alleging that Chinese failure to broadcast news of Liu's award showed "the repressive character" of the government there.

"This [Liu] is like Obama, the other peace prize," Chavez said.

The Venezuelan leader criticized last year's award of the Nobel Peace Prize to Barack Obama, saying the U.S. president didn't deserve the honor because his administration continues to engage in wars.

Speaking in his weekly radio and television program, Chavez scoffed at his Venezuelan political opponents who praised the giving of the peace prize to Liu.

Chavez said the opposition's support for the prize showed that "they are lackeys" of the West. "They are worse than the Yankees."

"Our greetings and solidarity go to the government of the People's Republic of China," Chavez said, adding: "Viva China! And its sovereignty, its independence and its greatness."

Venezuela is one of the largest world oil exporters and China one of the largest consumers.

# 101-year-old woman becomes citizen, looks forward to voting

ASSOCIATED PRESS

BROWNSVILLE — Exactly 101 years after crossing the Rio Grande on a ferry, a 101-year-old Texas woman will become a natu-

ralized U.S. citizen, officials said Monday.

Eulalia Garcia-Maturey is scheduled to take the oath of allegiance today in Brownsville during a special naturalization ceremony

administered by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. The agency said a U.S. magistrate judge will administer the oath in federal court. The government agency says Garcia-Maturey was born in Mexi-

co on Feb. 12, 1909, and arrived in the U.S. with her parents on Oct. 12, 1909, in Brownsville.

She has lived there ever since, raising two children.

Garcia-Maturey told The Asso-

ciated Press she was happy because she would be able to vote Nov. 2.

The woman's niece, Yolanda Ovalle, says part of the reason behind her aunt's long wait was that her husband, who died in 1982,

didn't want her to become a U.S. citizen. Ovalle didn't elaborate on why Garcia-Maturey waited nearly 30 more years.

"She is very happy to be a citizen," Ovalle said.

## White calls for limits on contributions

By JAY ROOT  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — In a state known for its high-dollar political donations, Democrat Bill White is calling for limits on the size of contributions to candidates for governor. But he still hasn't figured out how much is too much.

White, trying to unseat Republican Gov. Rick Perry, said Monday he would bring both parties together to draft appropriate campaign finance limits.

He also renewed his call for limits of \$10,000 from people the governor appoints to state boards and commissions.

Though corporate and labor contributions are restricted in Texas, there are no limits on the amount individuals and political actions committees can give. Both White and Perry have received several six-figure donations from wealthy donors and organizations in the 2010 governor's race.

"There ought to be contribution limits to the governor's race from all citizens," said White, the for-

mer mayor of Houston. "We need to establish some bipartisan consensus of what those ought to be. Most states have them. I think it's appropriate that Texas would have them."

Perry said he disagrees and said supporters should be able to give what they want.

"People that support me because they believe in good government, I think, should continue to be able to do that," Perry said after a speech in San Antonio.

He added that a trial lawyer who supports White is spending millions of dollars to speak out in the campaign, making White's call for limits seem "a little bit disingenuous."

White has received more than \$2 million from the Democratic Governor's Association, making its largest investment ever in a Texas gubernatorial candidate.

White is considered the most viable, well-funded Democratic candidate for Texas governor since Ann Richards lost to George W. Bush in 1994.

Perry routinely gets huge do-

nations from wealthy Texans, including a \$250,000 contribution he reported last week from Dallas businessman Harold Simmons.

In 2006, Democrat Chris Bell received a whopping \$1 million donation from Houston trial lawyer John O'Quinn. White said that sounds like too much.

"My gut says 'absolutely,' but there ought to be some clear rules. They ought to apply equally," White said.

White, speaking to reporters outside the Texas Ethics Commission on the grounds of the state Capitol, also attacked Perry for his oversight of the Emerging Technology Fund, an economic development program used to lure high-tech companies to the state.

The fund has doled out more than \$16 million to high-tech startups whose investors are big donors to Perry, according to the Dallas Morning News.

Overall, the state has given \$173 million to 120 companies through the tech fund, which was created in 2005. Perry said the donations had no impact on the grants.

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Holly Berenson (Katherine Heigl), rides along with Sophie and Eric Messer (Josh Duhamel) in Warner Bros. Pictures' and Village Roadshow Pictures' romantic comedy "Life As We Know It," a Warner Bros. Pictures release.

# 'Life As We Know It' too predictable, not believable

By CARA LEIGH  
CONTRIBUTOR

Here lies another woefully tragic case of rugged boy meets plaid-skirted girl meets the baby that will bring them all together.

## MOVIE REVIEW

The synopsis of this movie sounds more like a pitch for a dated sitcom: Holly "Control Freak" Berenson (Katherine Heigl) and Eric "Manchild" Messer (Josh Duhamel) are two bickering friends-of-friends who, after a disastrous blind date, vow to disdain each other for all of eternity. But after a horrendous car accident leaves the couple best-friendless and little Sophie "She's-Your-Child-Now" Novak orphaned, hijinks ensue.

You can already see where this is going, can't you?

For some reason unbeknownst to logic or sense, the deceased parents decide it's best to leave adorable baby Sophie in the care of her godparents: two incompatible sworn enemies.

Okay, okay ... so it turns out to be a miraculous coming together

of Holly and Messer, a cornucopia of beauty, family and lessons learned...but therein lies the rub. Holly and Messer never actually hated each other.

Holly is a bakery manager and caterer, ever distracted with her job and her nonexistent love life. Heigl, slipping comfortably back into safe and easy territory, offers little to no difference in this role as she does in "Knocked Up," "27 Dresses" or "The Ugly Truth." Again she plunges headfirst into a pretty-but-not-too-pretty, intelligent, stylish, relatable-but-not, semi-successful firecracker.

Messer, on the other hand, is a fun-loving playboy who, when not taking reckless rides on his Harley, enjoys a flourishing career as a TV sports technical director. He's coarse, childish and sexist, but this is all forgivable due to his good looks and sensitive side.

Do you see what the writers did there?

The "total opposites" and "odd couple" gag is a tired one, and if not done just right, should not be done at all. Holly and Messer's relationship takes a stab at satisfyingly frustrating love-hate tension, but without witticism or bite.

The pair never once believably loathe each other. From the beginning the audience is left to count down the minutes before the protagonists finally lock lips. Their "blossoming" love is not only already there but obviously so.

Heigl and Duhamel have the petulant chemistry of two lovestruck teenagers, but lack the mystery required for a proper romantic comedy. Their silliness is admittedly entertaining but does little to convince the viewer of a tangible clash between them.

It's safe to say that the best actor in this movie was baby Sophie. She brings truth and ingenuity to this clich  tale by just being her sweet self, and the expressions she delivers are worth the ticket price. Because let's face it: Sophie is the glue that keeps this film from falling to bits, just as she holds fast to Holly and Messer.

To counter such sentiments, the film is underwhelming and ridiculous. On the whole, "Life As We Know It" isn't too bad for a two-hour-long romantic comedy based solely on a will-they-won't-they (of-course-they-will) romance.

Grade: C

# Lane outshines horse in Disney's 'Secretariat'

McClatchy Tribune  
News Service

Forget about the horse. The real prize-winner in Disney's "Secretariat" is Diane Lane.

## MOVIE REVIEW

The versatile actress makes a run for Oscar roses as Penny Chenery Tweedy, an unlikely icon of the '70s horse-racing world. Lane brings the incandescent beauty of Tippi Hedren and the acting grace of Ellen Burstyn to her role as a cooks-and-cleans housewife who emerges as the surprise owner of a 1973 Triple Crown winner.

Even when "Secretariat" wobbles like a newborn foal — a cheesy opening dripping with NutraSweet and strained relationships that are resolved too patly — Lane takes the reins and gallops this baby over the finish line.

In tone and intent, "Secretariat" shares the DNA of "The Blind Side," last year's megahit. Each takes cues from the real world and presents families with a neatly packaged inspirational feature anchored around a strong female character with convictions and moxie to spare.

Yet "Secretariat" is also cut from the Disney sports-movie cloth, with facts tailored to ensure the studio has a crowd-pleaser. This is a rousingly entertaining and robustly acted movie with electrifying horse-racing sequences filmed from the jockey's perspective. Now, how cool is that?

Director Randall Wallace ("We Were Soldiers") and screenwriter Mike Rich ("The Rookie") take a marginal risk by focusing on their heroine's pluck and her resolve to make a name for herself in a male-dominated sport rather than spending more time on Big Red —



McClatchy Tribune News Service

Diane Lane stars as Penny Chenery Tweedy in Disney's "Secretariat."

aka Secretariat — the trophy horse Penny wins in a coin toss. That might not appease the "My Friend Flicka" crowd, but I appreciated the more- human, less- equine story line.

Penny's entree into the boys club of horse racing occurs as the country's on the cusp of change over war, sex and gender roles.

She doesn't realize it, but her actions challenge the status quo of what a woman can achieve as she

tries to save her ailing father's Virginia stables. As played by Lane, Penny comes across as driven and practical, but someone not above using her charms to get what she wants. Whether she's bursting into a "gentlemen-only" club or wittily responding to a lame put-down about being a housewife, Lane stays as true and steadfast to her character as her Aqua Net hair.

Grade: B

## FUN TIMES

Answers at [www.baylorlariat.com](http://www.baylorlariat.com) — McClatchy-Tribune

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# Campbell's 11 kills help volleyball sweep Colorado

By RACHEL ROACH  
SPORTS WRITER

Volleyball swept the University of Colorado this weekend in Boulder, 3-0 (25-14, 25-20, 25-13). Despite the change in altitude, the team proved its ability to adapt and excel.

Senior Elizabeth Graham enjoyed the opportunity to test the team's athleticism.

"It's just fun to have that challenge to be able to win in that atmosphere," Graham said.

After upsetting both Kansas and Kansas State, Colorado kept the Bears on their toes in preparation for the match.

"Colorado hasn't been known to be too strong in the past, but they have definitely improved their game a lot this year," Graham said.

Baylor's two main focal points were to lower errors and continue to play smart defense.

The Bears stopped the Buffaloes' offense, totaling 50 digs to just 37 for Colorado.

"As far as defense went, we did really well. We didn't really let any balls hit the ground," senior Caitlyn Trice said.

Against Colorado, Trice recorded at least 10 digs for the 18th time in a row.

"It's kind of just being in the moment, and pretty much just doing my job," Trice said. Graham also recorded a match-high five blocks.

Baylor kept Colorado from taking the lead and running away with points, another of the Bears' goals.

"We didn't give up a run the entire night," coach Jim Barnes said.

The Bears also reduced offensive errors.

"Our hitters kept our errors down, which is one of the things we've been focusing on," Trice said.

Torri Campbell and Graham led the team in attacks, with 11 and 10 respective kills.

Barnes attributes the team's recent stop in runs and errors to the women focusing on what they each

need to do.

"One thing that has helped each player is to concentrate on executing and doing their job and not to worry so much on the players around them," Barnes said. "So we really focused on doing your job."

Barnes saw the team respond to a challenge in the crucial second set when Nicole Lindow's kill gave Colorado a 15-13 lead. But Baylor answered with a 6-3 run followed by three consecutive kills and eventually a final set score of 25-20.

"We did a great job of shutting them out and basically taking them out of the match. If they [Colorado] find a way to win that game they think they're still in it," Barnes said.

"We made sure we didn't make the mistakes. ...We pretty much took their heart out of the game."


After wins against Texas A&M and Colorado, the Bears are learning how to pull together as a team.

"I think the team is making a big stride as far as developing. And we're also having to manage five of our six starters are injured," Barnes said.

"That's what we're happy about with Colorado; we didn't get to practice much two days prior. It was a lot of film and talking, but they were ready to play game day."

The Bears return home to play the University of Kansas at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Ferrell Center.

Baylor swept the Jayhawks at home last September and lost a four-set match in Lawrence later in the season.



### Claws and Antlers

Texas Rangers fans stand during introductions for Game 4 of baseball's American League Division Series between the Rangers and the Tampa Bay Rays on Sunday in Arlington. The Rays won, 5-2.

# Rangers drop second at home; Rays seek ALDS comeback in Tampa

By STEPHEN HAWKINS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ARLINGTON — David Price and the Tampa Bay Rays worked hard all season to earn home-field advantage in the AL playoffs.

This time, they need to make use of it if they want to keep playing.

Tampa Bay forced a deciding Game 5 in the division series against the Texas Rangers with a 5-2 victory Sunday. The Rays avoided elimination twice on the road after losing the first two at Tropicana Field, setting up the chance for an improbable comeback.

"I feel a little better than 50-50 going home at this point," said Evan Longoria, who homered and had two doubles in Game 4. "We've really battled to get back to even."

Price, the Rays' 19-game winner, takes the mound tonight against Rangers ace Cliff Lee in a rematch of the Game 1 starters.

Lee equaled a postseason best with 10 strikeouts in a 5-1 victory over Price, who relishes the second chance after giving up five runs and nine hits in 6.2 innings last week.

"They got me back on the mound on Tuesday, so I appreciate it," Price said. "It stung a little bit. I definitely wanted to give us a better chance to win."

The winner hosts the wild-card Yankees in Game 1 of the AL championship series Friday night. New York swept Minnesota in three

games, wrapping up that series with a 6-1 win Saturday night.

Tampa Bay is trying to join the 2001 Yankees as the only teams to win a best-of-five playoff after losing the first two games at home. New York did it against the Oakland Athletics.

The Rays won the AL East on the final day of the regular season and finished with the best record in the league, a distinction that was important to manager Joe Maddon as he looked toward the playoffs.

"You get the extra game at home. I have been talking about it all along," he said. "Hopefully, it will bear out."

This is the first time a division series has been pushed to Game 5 since the Los Angeles Angels beat the Yankees in 2005.

Texas is still the only current major league franchise that has never won a postseason series. The Rangers are 0-6 in home playoff games.

"The bottom line is to win one more game and move on," outfielder David Murphy said. "Cliff is going for us and we have to like our chances."

When the Rangers acquired Lee from Seattle on July 9, it was for situations just like this. He went 4-0 with a 1.56 ERA in five postseason starts for Philadelphia last season and won two World Series games against the champion Yankees.

Lee is pitching now to get the Rangers another postseason meeting with New York, the only team they had ever faced in the playoffs until this year.

"This is exactly where I would want to be," Lee said. "It's two teams that are really good teams, and it's coming down to the wire."

While Lee is facing the same team, the Rays had an offensive resurgence over the weekend and were feeling pretty good before leaving Rangers Ballpark.

In the visitors' clubhouse after Sunday's game, several Tampa Bay players sang "Deep In the Heart of Texas" with "Yee-haw!" added for emphasis.

Longoria, still limping because of the left quadriceps strain that forced him to miss the last 10 regular-season games, snapped out of an 0-for-12 postseason slump Sunday. Carlos Pena scored twice after a pair of extra-base hits of his own.

Longoria and Pena had consecutive doubles to start the fourth against Tommy Hunter. Longoria added a two-run homer an inning later for a 5-0 lead.

"I kind of felt like Kirk Gibson going around the bases," he said.

The homer was Longoria's first this postseason after he set a major league rookie record with six when the Rays went to the World Series two years ago.

"He is under strict managerial orders to not run hard, although he can't anyway," Maddon said. "Of course, the home run over the wall is a nice play."

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No. 24 running back Terrance Ganaway scoops up the botched onside kick by Texas Tech and returns it for a touchdown Saturday at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas.

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hosts an exact replica of Poage’s office, with most of his original artifacts in place.”

The open house will showcase the office as well as congressional papers, the Lyndon B. Johnson collection, Kennedy assassination collections and Sept. 11 materials collected since 2001. Students will also be allowed to look through other materials in the library’s collection that they wouldn’t normally have

access to.

“This is the time they’d be able to go into the rare book vault and look at signed editions of the various presidential books in the collection,” said Janet Pence, Moody Garden Level curator. “It is definitely worth a trip over. Most people don’t realize that’s a whole separate library. There are a lot of other things in the collection besides books. They’ve got campaign buttons, photos and con-

gressional papers.”

Through the open house, Rogers said he hopes to encourage students to take advantage of the library’s vast resources.

“We need an open house to have people know they can come see it and use it,” Rogers said.

The collections in the current archive include the papers of 12 former congressmen, seven Texas legislators, the papers of former Lt.

Gov. Bob Bullock, four judges, editorial cartoon collections and numerous ancillary collections.

“I believe that they have a wealth of information really concentrating on political events in Texas from the time of Congressman Poage to recent collection of Representative [Jack] Hightower,” Pence said. “It gives you a really good background. More than you would get in any book.”

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[how] this is really getting back. It’s getting back to our own creativity, our basic creativity that if you were first on this earth you would find a cave, but after that you would begin to build your own structure. Man needs shelter actually before he needs food,” Ravenscroft said.

“This is just a wonderful way of showing you don’t have to have fantastic tools to create something.”

The sculpture, composed of several domes with a pathway connecting one to the next, does not yet have a name, and Dougherty hesitates to call it symbolic.

“I think that a lot of things that are good are just experiential and that beauty is subjective, and also I think you can carry things too far by always finding symbolic meaning in it per se,” Dougherty said.

“People might find some personal meaning in it that will be symbolic for them, but I try not to overload an object with all kinds of significance other than what it is. I hope that ... feelings can be elicited from the viewer that produce a kind of personal meaning.”

Several classes at Baylor have also come out to help build the sculpture, along with individual Baylor students.

Red Oak senior Natalie Williams was dropping off her friend to work on the sculpture when she found herself drawn into the project as well, even though she is not particularly fond of modern art.

“When I saw this I was really intrigued,” Williams said. “I think even if you’re going just into graphic design or any other field of art, you should be part of something else that you’re not used to, or that you’re not accustomed to, or even really like. Especially if you learn to like it or are intrigued by it by first glance, and you have the opportunity to volunteer and help work on it, you should, because you’re a part of that art now.”

Robbie Barber, associate professor of art, has gotten his sculpture classes involved in the project, and will be bringing his 3-D design classes out to work as well.

“Working with an actual artist person who’s out there making a living with his work full time is a great experience for them to see, especially someone who’s really a world-class artist ... It’s kind of a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity,” Barber said. “I’ve been teaching 18 to 20 years and this will be one of the biggest projects that I’ve ever been involved with.”

Dougherty has also been working with Barber’s sculpture classes once a week as they create a scaled-down version of the Cameron Park sculpture to hang in the trees outside the Hooper-Schaefer Fine Arts Building.

Work on the Cameron Park sculpture began last week and should be finished by Oct. 23. The sculpture is expected to last about two years.



MAKENZIE MASON | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Artist Patrick Dougherty instructs Austin senior Miranda Hoffman and Garland junior Jordan Hearne how to weave sticks for his sculpture Monday at Cameron Park.

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682 in 2006.

“We missed too many tackles earlier in the game. They mixed it up a little bit but for the most part we feel like we gave up a lot of big plays by just missed tackling,” senior safety Byron Landor said.

The Bears’ defense stiffened and the team subsequently began to narrow the deficit late in the game. Prior to Kent’s interception, Baylor forced only one Texas Tech punt on the day. It caused another three in the fourth quarter, but Griffin and the offense could not capitalize.

“It was frustrating. It is what it is. We had opportunities even though Texas Tech’s offense is pretty hot,” Griffin said.

“We had opportunities to win the game and we just didn’t. When you do look at the box scores and you see all the yardage and the points we put up, you would expect for us to have won that game. And we didn’t, so it’s just frustrating.”

Griffin completed 31 of 42 passes for two touchdowns, and the Bears totaled 507 yards of total offense.

Neither team could gain the de-

fensive upper hand in the first half, as evidenced by each team scoring three touchdowns within the game’s first 17 minutes.

After the Red Raiders responded to Baylor’s game-opening touchdown with their own 80-yard touchdown, an onside kick from Texas Tech’s Donnie Carona fell two yards short of the required 10 yards. Three Red Raiders, including Carona, surrounded and stared at the ball on the field, and Terrance Ganaway scooped it up and ran 38 yards for a 14-7 Baylor lead.

The blunder now has nearly 3 million views on YouTube.

Antonio Johnson aided Baylor’s third scoring drive by snagging a 34-yard fake punt pass on fourth down from quarterback Brody Trahan. Griffin later found Gordon for Gordon’s lone touchdown Saturday and a 21-14 lead.

But a quick Red Raider march, helped by missed tackles, saw Batch rumble 37 yards for a 21-21 tie.

Texas Tech forced two quick Baylor punts en route to building a 35-21 lead before Wright’s 62-yard touchdown catch brought the game to its halftime score of 35-28.

Couple duped by skeleton

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

TAMPA, Fla. — A Florida couple thought they were buying a Halloween decoration at a yard sale, but it turns out they bought a real human skeleton. Judith and Mitchell Fletcher paid \$8 for what they thought were a box of scary holiday decorations at a yard sale in Brandon. When they got the box home, they realized they had bought real bones.

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sociology, said. “People are interested in conceptions of God and who believes in God, and this book unpacks both those views and the implications of those views in how people live their lives. Unlike some other academic writing that is very dry and filled with tables of numbers, this is a very engaging book that has provocative stories as well as sound statistics. It is fun to read.”

Bader said some of the most interesting things that he and Froese learned in writing their book were what the two most important characteristics of God are to Americans.

The first characteristic was people’s beliefs about how engaged God is in the world, Bader said. Some people believe God is very personal and interested in helping them, while others believe he is more removed from the world.

“Americans really differ on this characteristic,” Bader said. “All across the spectrum there are people who believe God is intimately involved in their lives. For instance, if they get over a cold or get a new job, they believe that is God. On the other hand, there are people across the spectrum who find that hard to believe.”

The second characteristic was people’s beliefs about God’s judgment.

“People’s view on this characteristic of God is one of the most important predictors about how they are going to feel about moral and political issues,” Bader said.

Bader and Froese also created “The God Test,” which can be found at AmericasFourGods.com. The test asks a series of questions about God’s personality. Once completed, participants can discover what their

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Dr. Kevin Dougherty  
Assistant Professor of Sociology

view of God is and how many other Americans believe in the same God.

Krum junior Chelsi Patterson took “The God Test” to find out whether her view of God is critical, distant, benevolent or authoritative, the four views mentioned in the book.

“My view of God is benevolent,” Patterson said.

“This didn’t surprise me because I believe that the Lord definitely has his hand in the affairs of the world, but that he is not judgmental and wants people to come to him without the fear of wrath but with a view of grace and mercy.”

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