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Dr. Z.E. Musielak, physics professor at the University of Texas at Arlington, will speak on "Quantum Cold Dark Matter" at 4 p.m. today in E125 Baylor Sciences Building as part of the 2011 Spring Physics Colloquium.

Trio to perform

The Aspen Spring Trio will play music from Mozart, Beethoven and Schubert in a free concert at 7:30 p.m. today at Roxy Grove Hall.

Find a job

Baylor Career Services will host a career fair from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Thursday at the Ferrell Center. The event is open to all students.



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Garland junior Analynn Serrano, center, carries on a conversation by sign language with Waco resident and Texas State Technical College ASL interpreter Allen Arrington and Waco resident Jessica Arrington during the ASL lunch Tuesday at the McAlister's Deli on Sixth Street.

Baylor sign language policy sparks class credit debate

Editor's note: This is the first of a three-part series on issues in the deaf community.

By SARA TIRRI
STAFF WRITER

San Antonio junior Cheniese Armstrong wants to be an early childhood interventionist for deaf children — a worker in a Texas program, Early Childhood In-

tervention Services, that helps provide services for infants and children who have developmental delays or disabilities.

But like many students who might have immediate applications for American Sign Language in their lives at present or in their future careers, Armstrong can't take ASL for her foreign language credit.

Baylor policy says the language does not meet that requirement, despite the fact that it is a language distinct from English. Only if students are majoring in the communication sciences and disorders deaf education program can they petition to have ASL count as their foreign language credit, said Joyce Miller, director of academic advisement.

Because Armstrong began her studies in the communication sciences and disorders department and had taken four semesters of ASL when she switched majors to child and family studies, she was only able to receive two semesters' worth of foreign language credit.

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Student launches 'Craigslis' for BU

By LEIGH ANN HENRY
REPORTER

A small, local business is depending on Baylor students to grow.

In October, Indianapolis junior Cole Chapman, who is pursuing a triple major in finance, entrepreneurship and real estate, launched a website called The Bear Trade.

"It is essentially an amplified Craigslist customized for Baylor students. It got inspired by move-out every year," Chapman said.

Chapman describes the site as a one-stop shop for Baylor students and said tutoring services, textbooks and housing are among the items listed online.

When students move out each year, large amounts of unwanted books, furniture and other unused materials quickly find a path to the nearest Dumpster, Chapman said.

These materials then move to a landfill, but The Bear Trade is Chapman's solution to alter this wasteful cycle.

The Bear Trade is intended to allow students to buy, sell and trade within the Baylor community instead of just throwing items away when no longer wanted.

Chapman said he hopes that the move-out in May will be different than those in the past, thanks to his website.

"I think this year as opposed to people throwing stuff away they'll post it on The Bear Trade," Chapman said.

Increasing awareness for his website at Baylor has been a struggle. His company is not affiliated with Baylor so the school doesn't allow Chapman to advertise on campus. Since the name of his company is The Bear Trade

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JED DEAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

From Russia with love

Kilgore seminary student Josh Kulak and Hanover, N.H., law student Erena Streltsov prepare and serve boshet (beet soup) and vareniki (stuffed dumplings), traditional Russian dishes, for the weekly International Students Dinner on Tuesday in the Bobo Baptist Student Center.

From Jay-Z to King of Pop, celebrities dominate Google

By STEPHEN STROBBE
REPORTER

A recent look at the men with the most Google search results found Jesus Christ losing in popularity to celebrities such as 50 Cent and Bruno Mars.

College Candy, an online lifestyle magazine, researched the most popular men according to Google's search index. Google is the most dominant search engine on the Internet, with an index of billions of websites through

which users can search via keywords. Once a search is run, Google provides an estimate of the number of sites within its index with that keyword.

College Candy began the process by gathering a vast list of close to 300 men it considered possible entries into the top 50 and then narrowing them down one by one by Googling their names and then recording the number of results. Although the process is not without its flaws, the site noted it cross-referenced



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the list with others who have compiled similar lists to provide a relative level of consistency.

"We spend a lot of time

Googling people online, both personally and for our job. So we kind of got curious to see, with the wide access to Google

in the world, who would be the most Googled men," Lauren Herskovic, editor-in-chief for the site, said. "We just wanted to see if are the people we think really at the top, or are there more?"

The top five ranked, in ascending order, were Drake, Chris Brown, Justin Bieber, Eminem and the number one man, Michael Jackson.

Some men who placed within the top 50 should come as no

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Many mistreat life by creating more, inessential drama

Anyone who knows me can tell I'm not a very dramatic person. This year, the more I try to stay drama-free, the more it pops up.



Wakeelah Crutison | Copy editor

And by drama I don't mean the significant yet inevitable plot twists life tends to dole out at the most inopportune moments. I mean the aggrandized version of life people insist on living. As a nation, we feed on drama — whether it's our own or (most of the time) someone else's. When there is nothing of interest going on people tend to find it anyway: often with needless secrecy, hidden agendas, passive aggressiveness, gossip and nipping at things to complain about.

I know conflict is an integral part of the storytelling structure, and I also know that people, by nature, are curious. People salivate at the chance to hear someone else's business and inject themselves into other people's lives.

I admit I'm the same way. I am an aspiring journalist after all (not to mention an avid "Grey's Anatomy" fan.) But you can have too much of a good thing, especially if it leads to excess complications in one's already complicated life. In this instance, drama can only lead to headaches and stress.

People often exaggerate the mundane and exalt the commonplace to a point where they're neither recognizable for what they are or at an acceptable level of importance. If people freak out about the slightest blemish, how will they react to something with the potential to really scar?

I bring this issue up quite often ... with myself. I don't have many friends with whom I wax philosophical (which is probably for the best).

I understand the need for escapism but not when it leads people to resort to the superfluous sugary confection that is sen-

sationalism (See, even I'm doing it. That sentence was way over-stated.)

Sure, the extra dose of intrigue takes away the sting of monotony in our own lives, but it's getting to the point where people should walk around with the commercial disclaimer "dramatization."

Because will all know that art imitates life, it's no surprise that there are glaring examples of amped up monotony all over the media. Shows like MTV's "Teen Mom" and A&E's "Intervention" exploit serious real-life situations and dub them entertainment. Take the recent movie release Catfish. It's a documentary about twenty-somethings being duped on Facebook and the most intriguing part is their belief that their lives are interesting enough to warrant documenting.

As you've probably gleaned from this column, I have a habit of overanalyzing, and in turn I tend to be a bit indecisive. Sometimes I end up skipping breakfast because I can't choose between Crunch Berries or Honeycombs. You can probably imagine how I am with the big things in life: I've changed my major six times, on weekends I hang out with at least three different groups of friends, and don't even get me started on how long it took me to choose which college to attend.

I'm a senior, and May is just around the corner. As of now, I have no plans for post-graduation. My conscious effort to eliminate the stress of post-graduation by weighing the pros and cons of every option has left me with no concrete plan. Oh, the irony.

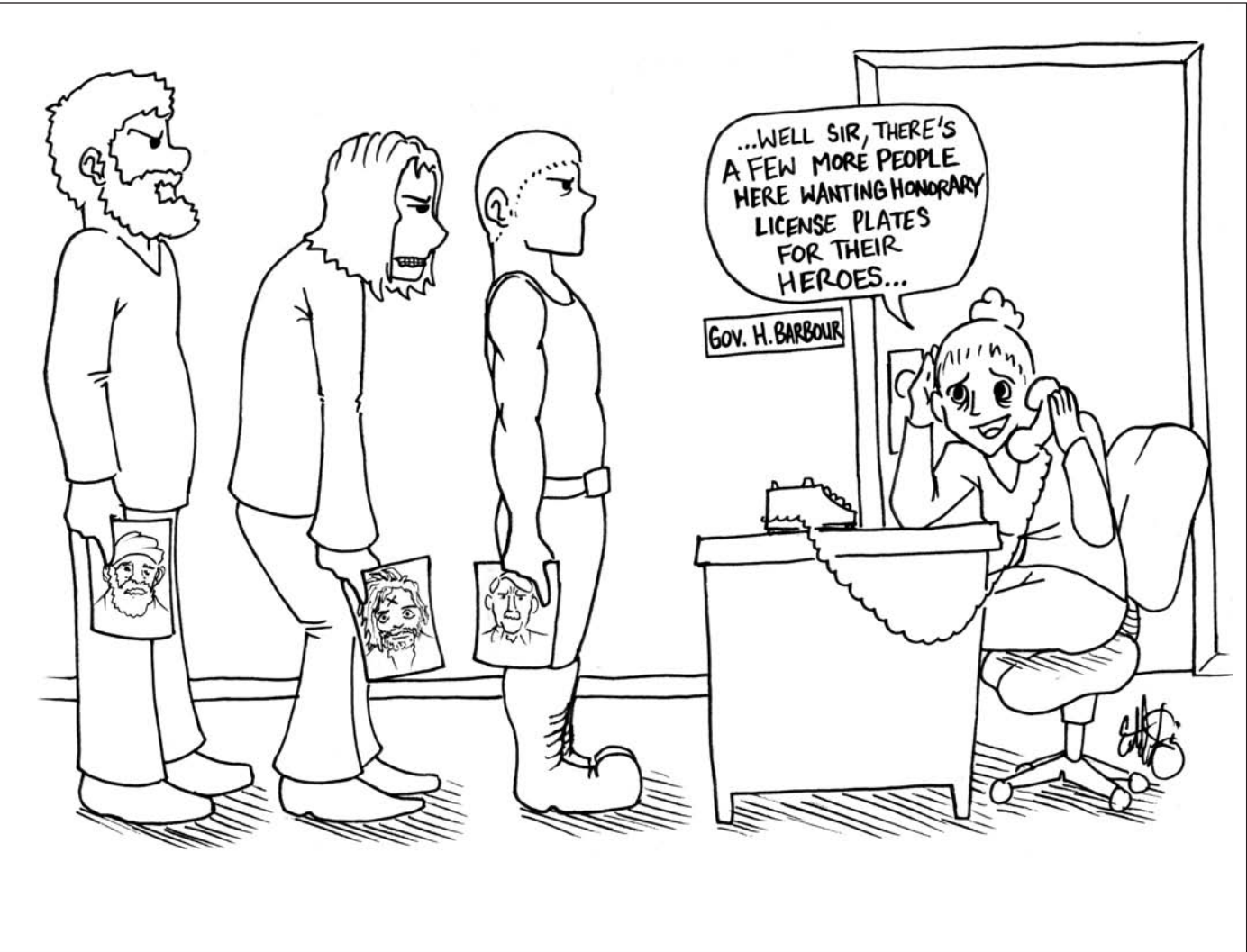
I can't help but think that my indecisiveness is just my subconscious way of holding myself in suspense in regard to my future — my own little way of pausing for dramatic effect.

Alfred Hitchcock once said "What is drama but life with the dull bits cut out."

Life has enough suspense without us adding to it and enough crises without us creating more. No one likes the person who awkwardly gasps during the movie at non gasp-worthy moments. So don't be the gratuitous gasper.

Nothing good can come of living in a state of perpetual hyperbole. I encourage my fellow students to take the time to enjoy the drama-free moments because apparently they are few and far between.

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Tribute to KKK member offensive, promotes racism

Editorial

A battle is brewing in Mississippi, and it seems to be the same one that was fought in the post-Civil War 1800s.

This resurgence of the tainted history of the South's past is over something often overlooked: license plates.

A proposed license plate would honor Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest, a military general who also was one of the earliest members of the Ku Klux Klan.

In reaction to the proposed license plate, Mississippi NAACP president Derrick Johnson told the Associated Press: "Seriously? ... Wow."

The editorial board sat with the same astonishment at the news.

The Ku Klux Klan should

never be honored.

While it seems inherently simple that an honorary license plate for a KKK member would ruffle feathers and offend many, there are some in Mississippi still trying their hardest to get this license plate approved.

The Mississippi division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, a group that commemorates the history of the Confederacy in the South, is the main advocacy group for the proposed license plate.

The group says it plans to produce a commemorative license plate every year, beginning in 2011, leading up to the 150th anniversary of the Civil War in 2015.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans call the Civil War by another name: The War Between the States.

The Sons of the Confederate Veterans reveres Forrest for his military brilliance, and his plate would be released in 2014.

In the mind of many, his military work in no way outweighs his involvement in a group well-known for its racist hate crimes.

Also, Forrest was not even born in Mississippi.

He is a Tennessee native and is most infamous, aside from possibly being the first "grand wizard" in the Klan, for a massacre of an all-black Union troop in 1864.

His involvement in the Klan is more well known than his "military brilliance."

So, the question isn't whether the production of the license plate is right or wrong. This tribute is undeniably wrong.

The real question is how could the Sons of Confederate

Veterans possibly justify the glorification of a known Klan leader and racist?

While Forrest is thought to have grown away from the Klan late in his life, it was after a long bout of severe violence.

Moreover, the other plates being released in the 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2015 all depict battlefields or landscapes in Mississippi. The only plate commemorating a person is the one honoring Forrest.

There is still the chance for the Mississippi legislature to prevent the distribution of this atrocity and that is a step that should be taken.

While honoring the history of the South is something we don't think should be stopped, honoring a man with a history entangled in violence and racism is step backward for the state.

Degrading move: Giving Michael Vick key to Dallas severely mars city's image

Usually I am more than happy to talk about my hometown of Dallas. Well, in actuality, my hometown is Arlington. But the Cowboys still call themselves the Dallas Cowboys and their new home is in Arlington, too.

Dallas is beautiful. It has the best restaurants and the best shopping. The people are more than friendly. It is the sophisticated embodiment of everything I love about Texas.

But I was less than pleased with Dallas last week when Eagles quarterback Michael Vick was given a key to my fair city.

That's right. The same Michael Vick who was convicted of a felony related to his involvement in a dog fighting ring and tested positive for marijuana in 2007. He served 19 months in prison for his crime of animal cruelty, and upon his release, joined the Eagles' offense.

Vick, who has no significant connection to Dallas whatsoever, received the key from Dallas' mayor pro temp, Dwaine Caraway. Caraway attributes this decision to Vick's change since prison and his encouragement of kids to stay in school and away



Jessica Acklen | I.A. & E. editor

from drugs.

The key was not an official key to the city of Dallas, as the current mayor, Tom Leppert, has made quite clear. He has been sure to distance himself from this decision as much as possible. A statement of his read: "The action taken was not sanctioned by my office and was not an official ceremonial honor on behalf of the City of Dallas."

Of everyone surrounding the situation, Leppert seems to be the wisest when he made it apparent

to the public that the presentation of the key was in no way sanctioned by his office.

While the key was an unofficial key that council members often give to celebrities welcomed to Dallas, it still seems outrageous that Vick was given one.

First of all, Vick has been out of prison how long? Not even two years. I'm sure that he has made progress since his release and that is to be commended. However, has it be long enough to assure that the change is permanent? It has not been, in my opinion.

Moreover, Vick was given the key during Super Bowl weekend. Where there not any better celebrities or public figures that we could have honored?

Celebrities flocked to Dallas and Vick was just one of many. He didn't even play in the Super Bowl.

That is who most of the unofficial keys to go, celebrities, which is another problem. Why are these keys being given to celebrities instead of people who head charities or local heroes? To me, it seems like a star-struck Dallas city official was looking for a way

to meet an NFL big shot.

There was bit of a confrontation when a local radio reporter, Richard Hunter, attended the ceremony in which Vick was presented the key.

Hunter adopted one of the dogs rescued from Vick's dog fighting ring in 2007.

When he confronted Vick about the treatment of the dog, Hunter was very pointedly ignored.

It is interesting that Hunter was ignored because Vick said last year that he wished he could apologize to the owners of all the dogs. Hunter gave him that chance and Vick didn't follow through.

I'm not saying he isn't remorseful, but it certainly would have made him look better had he shaken Hunter's hand and given him a sincere (and public) apology.

This confrontation just proves that many aren't over Vick's actions. And neither am I.

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Imagine Waco strives to keep downtown up

By LEIGH ANN HENRY
REPORTER

Imagine Waco has taken recent steps to revitalize the Greater Downtown Waco area, including plans to make it more sustainable. Imagine Waco is a vision for how Greater Downtown Waco will develop, function and feel over the next 20 to 40 years. The program was first proposed in 2009. Part of the goal is to change the face of downtown and how people interact with each other and their surroundings, said Scott Connell, senior vice president of strategic development at the Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the City of Waco recycling advisory committee. In the sustainability effort,

Waco is trying to make use of buildings and streets already in place during the revitalization of downtown. By finding ways to reuse these structures as opposed to demolishing and rebuilding, they avoid landfill clogs and maintain eco-friendliness. The plan is to make downtown more walkable and to provide public transportation services. The city hopes these options will encourage less driving in downtown and more utilization of their eco-friendly options, such as buses. “One of the things we’re working on in our downtown development aspect is to create more of a neighborhood environment,” Connell said. Additionally, emphasis is

placed on the DASH, Downtown Area Shuttle service, which connects Baylor with downtown. According to Connell, there have been many conversations between Baylor administrators and city administrators discussing potential ways to increase usage of the DASH and expand the route, promoting less vehicle travel from campus to downtown. Connell said connecting the Baylor community to downtown is vital for the sustainable goals of the downtown. The Public Improvement District has taken responsibility for several facets of the downtown redesign and houses a subcommittee, the Baylor Public Improvement District, which helps get Baylor connected to downtown.

“The effort to make downtown more accessible with biking and walking is a top priority of our subcommittee,” Reagan Ramsower, who serves as chair of the Baylor Public Improvement District and as vice president of finance and administration at Baylor, wrote in an e-mail to the Lariat. Ramsower said the subcommittee is also responsible for the DASH. The Public Improvement District has the responsibility of supporting sustainability during the changes seen downtown. Blue recycling bins have been placed in several locations, the street lamp lights have been switched to LED lights and bike racks have been installed to encourage less driving. These efforts

are solely focused on downtown. The city has been working with the nearby apartment complexes, encouraging them to provide recycling receptacles for their residents, but has not yet been able to implement the plan. “We’ve found that if you have a recycling box you are 50 percent more likely to recycle,” Connell said. Connell also talked about the presence of several major companies, such as Mars Chocolate, and the sustainable programs they have in place. For example, Mars bases its sustainable practices on five principles: quality, responsibility, mutuality, efficiency and freedom. Pursuance of those principles earned them the U.S. State Depart-

ment’s 2010 Award for Corporate Excellence for its Commitment to CoaCoa Sustainability. Connell said the development plans are trying to encourage local organizations and businesses to tap into potential sustainability programs as well. “Our goal at the chamber is to try and engage the city, but also to engage the business community in looking for ways to be more sustainable,” Connell said. As the city pursues its goals, Baylor will push to aid them. “Baylor will continue to make sure its plans coincides with the downtown plans to promote accessibility and sustainability and be a strong voice of support for all these efforts,” Ramsower wrote in an e-mail to the Lariat.

Loyalties of Mubarak’s successor remain unclear

MAGGIE MICHAEL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAIRO — Defense Minister Hussein Tantawi, the head of the ruling council that took power from Mubarak on Friday, is the new leader of what many Egyptians hope will be a radical transformation of their nation. The 75-year-old career soldier will be one of the most scrutinized figures in Egypt in the months ahead. His council has promised to steer the country toward a democratic system, sealed by elections. But he is an unlikely steward for the task, a man said to be resistant to change and out of touch with the younger officer corps. A U.S. diplomatic cable reported the defense minister was known as “Mubarak’s poodle,” a derisive reference to his unwavering loyalty to the former authoritarian president. Yet huge crowds of Egyptians who demonstrated for 18 days against Hosni Mubarak’s rule saw Tantawi and his troops as their savior. They appealed to the military to intervene in Egypt’s crisis, and the generals did. “Tantawi and the army gave a strong message to the public and Mubarak: We are with the people and their legitimate demands,” said Abdullah el-Sinnawi, editor-in-chief of el-Araby, an opposition weekly newspaper. “He managed to unify the army under his command,” el-Sinnawi added. Some

low- and middle-ranking officers did not hide their sympathy for the protesters, cheering and mingling with demonstrators. The generally positive reviews of the military’s actions, coming so soon after they took power, surprised some who thought Tantawi lacked the reflex for change. On Tuesday, the Armed Forces Supreme Council said a panel of experts would craft constitutional amendments so as to allow free elections later this year. Previously, the military dissolved parliament, which was stacked with Mubarak loyalists, and suspended the constitution, meeting key demands of pro-democracy activists. The military, which has long received huge quantities of U.S. aid, maneuvered deftly in the crisis. It did not use force against protesters, earning the gratitude of crowds that appealed for the armed forces to push Mubarak from power after nearly 30 years. The military had sought a neutral role in the conflict. But it swung against the president in his final hours to prevent more bloodshed and chaos, saying it did not want all of Egypt’s achievements to be lost. The shift was evident on the ground, where soldiers tossed sweets, cookies and bottles of water to protesters outside a presidential palace in Cairo. Tantawi himself showed populist savvy during the crisis by visiting Tahrir Square, the protest encampment occupied by tens of



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Defense Secretary Robert Gates, right, and Egyptian Minister of Defense Mohamed Hussein Tantawi stand during the playing of the U.S. national anthem at the Ministry of Defense in Cairo before reviewing troops on May 5, 2009. American telephone diplomacy with a small cadre of Mubarak’s closest advisers is key to a U.S. hoped-for transition to democracy in Egypt. Gates chatted with his Tantawi, his 85-year-old counterpart, this week. thousands of anti-Mubarak activists, who frequently chanted slogans such as “the army, the people, one hand,” extolling their unity. During his visit about midway through the crisis, he appealed to the crowds to recognize Mubarak’s early concessions, including a promise not to run for re-election and an offer of dialogue. Protesters, however, were not satisfied. Tantawi was the former commander of the elite Republican Guards, who protect the president and his palaces. As defense minister, he had a much lower profile than a predecessor, Abdel-Halim Abu Ghazala, who was widely popular among troops and civilians and was even talked about as a possible successor to Mubarak. Mindful of that popularity, Mubarak sacked Abu Ghazala in 1989. In contrast, U.S. diplomatic

view to do anything differently.” Tantawi rarely appears in public, and has not made an appearance since Mubarak’s resignation on Friday. Previously, Egyptians saw him on television, saluting troops during annual celebrations, at funerals of top commander and at meetings with Mubarak. One former sports and youth minister, Abdel Moneim Emra, said Tantawi opposed privatization, which was associated with Gamal Mubarak — a wealthy businessman who rose in the ranks of the ruling National Democratic Party and was considered a possible successor to his father. El-Sinnawi, the newspaper editor, said Tantawi always perceived the privatization policies of Gamal and his associates as a kind of “new imperialism” that was draining Egypt’s ownership of its resources. “He saw them as Western-minded kids who are selling the country,” el-Sinnawi said. Tantawi’s philosophy recalls the anti-imperialism of Gamal Abdel Nasser, an Arab nationalist and military man who overthrew the monarchy in 1952 and implemented reforms in Egypt that were inspired by socialism. Tantawi fought in Egypt’s three wars with Israel: in 1956, 1967 and 1973. In the last war, he led a battalion in a well-known battle called the “Chinese Farm.” He was appointed chief commander of the armed forces in May 1991.

From student to assistant director: the short path to the top

By MOLLY PACKER
REPORTER

A Baylor Graduate of 2009 is taking the transition from student to colleague in stride. As the new assistant director for the Keller Center, a division of Baylor University that researches buyer-seller relationships in real estate, Curtis Schroeder will be working alongside the same professors who taught him the basics of business. Schroeder will be responsible for working with faculty at Baylor

and around the nation to release a quarterly publication for the Keller Center, and he will also help plan and initiate research, Dr. Andrea Dixon, executive director of the Keller Center and associate professor of marketing said. Dixon remembers having Schroeder in class. He said Schroeder is a delightful individual who is hard working and creative. While in college, Schroeder was a member of the Baylor Chamber of Commerce and led worship services at Columbus Avenue Baptist Church. After graduation, Schroeder

always thought he would return home to work in Colorado. “I didn’t think that I would stay in Waco,” Schroeder said. “But I love Baylor.” Just two years ago, Schroeder was an undergraduate at Baylor. Transitioning from a student to a professional in front of professors has its difficulties, but Schroeder said he enjoys working with his professors-turned-colleagues. “Being treated as a professional as an undergrad helped me transition,” Schroeder said. “I like interacting with faculty.” The most difficult thing for

Schroeder to overcome in his transition was the pressure he put on himself while trying to prove his professional ability. “I went in like I had to prove something, but no one ever treated me that way,” Schroeder said. “It was the pressure I put on myself and not that anyone else put on me.” Schroeder was handpicked from 65 other applicants for the assistant director position at the Keller Center. Dixon said she remembers interacting with Schroeder while he was a student but around Christ-

mas time, things got busy and Dixon lost track of him. Now Schroeder works as a colleague of Dixon’s. Both Schroeder and Dixon maintain the importance of thinking a business relationship could be a long term one. “Always take your relationships with your peers and faculty seriously because you never know when those relationships will help you later,” Schroeder advises current students. Dixon said Schroeder’s fresh, creative approach made him a good candidate for his position. “He looked to approach work

with a new perspective,” Dixon said. “He’s creative, innovative, has strong writing skills and strong project management skills.” While Schroeder is interacting as a colleague in the Keller Center, he said he hopes to continue growing professionally. “I want to develop as a leader and team member,” he said. “I want to allow my work environment to continue my growth.” In regard to his success, Schroeder gives the credit to God. “Remember to allow God to guide decisions and thought processes,” he said.




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Program helps small businesses take big leap

By ADE ADESANYA
REPORTER

The Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce is invested in small business development as much as it is in downtown revitalization and marketing initiatives. The chamber actively supports private and government sponsored business development firms.

The chamber partnered with the entrepreneurship program at the Hankamer School of Business and the Small Business Development Center to create the Thrive Business Mentors program, a monthly meeting to bring together entrepreneurs and business consultants.

“Our job is to help businesses make better presentations to lenders to increase their chances of get-

ting loans,” Belinda Pillow, director of the Small Business Development Center, said. “Not all businesses need us. We just want to be sure we work to prevent talented entrepreneurs from getting discouraged because they were turned down for a loan.”

These firms work with current and prospective small businesses to help create business plans, get loans, present a better image to the community, help link them to other companies and assist them in finding resources available to them.

Some of the firms are privately operated development companies, such as the Waco-based Platinum Career Coaching Group, a self-management and business strategy training company. Others are government-sponsored development entities like the Small Business De-

velopment Center at the McLennan Community College.

“The Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce is a sponsor of the annual Entrepreneurial Conference & Exposition held in August,” Brenda Atchison, CEO of Platinum Career Coaching Group and member of the Waco Chamber board of directors said. “Speakers from around the country are invited to speak about networking and other skills necessary to run a successful business.”

Minority-owned businesses have become more active in bidding for government contracts as a result of the Chamber’s support of entrepreneurship.

“We have filed papers to the state so that we can get funding for minority-owned businesses and minority contracting,” Atchison said.

Privately run small business development companies charge a fee for in-depth training for small business owners in business management and self-management practices, while consultation is free with the government funded small business development firms.

It is not only the cost of training that is different between public and private small business development organizations; training durations vary widely.

“Training length depends on the individual; it can be as short as six weeks or as long as one year,” Atchison said. “We have to be creative in how we service small businesses. They may not be available Monday to Friday; sometimes coffee shop meetings or focus groups work.”

Government-funded small business development centers de-

termine that business development training must be at least five hours long in line with guidelines set by the Small Business Administration.

The Small Business Administration, a U.S. government agency, supports small businesses by providing entrepreneurs with education and guaranteeing loans.

The Small Business Development Center trains entrepreneurs to secure loans and run businesses without going into the intricate managerial details of owning a small business. This is where private entities differ, because they assist the client in working through the intricate details of understanding how businesses work.

“Executing the business plan is the greatest challenge small business owners experience,” Atchison said. “They have to be resourceful and focus on self-

discovery and self-management.”

Small business development has its challenges regardless of the type of entity offering development solutions.

“We bring lenders and businesses together, but there are banks who won’t lend,” Pillow said. “We are also here to inform small businesses to avoid them.”

The private small business development system advises small businesses to be innovative and prescribes resourcefulness over seeking resources.

“The greatest challenge is to get everybody to see the challenges micro-businesses experience,” Atchison said. “Commerce chambers are primarily focused on bringing businesses that can employ more people at once. Large or small, businesses are a good for Waco.”

Texas refinery town goes solar

By RAMIT PLUCHNICK-MASTI
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PASADENA — Life in Pasadena has always revolved around energy. It was the refineries surrounding this Houston suburb that provided its economic and social foundation, as well as its nickname, “Stinkadena.”

Now — as oil prices skyrocket, the nation talks about becoming less dependent on foreign oil and some scientists say pollution is causing climate change — Pasadena has laid a stake in tomorrow’s energy. It’s installed a \$2 million solar “lab” on the rooftops and awnings of two high schools, an array that will serve the dual purpose of educating students and saving the district about \$15,000 a year on its electric bill.

“We are in a community that uses conventional energy fossil fuels and we embrace their business and what they’ve given our economy, but we need to look at the future of our economy,” said

Grace Blasingame, the science content specialist at Sam Rayburn High School in the Pasadena Independent School District.

“It’s all about the energy business and this is just one facet of the energy industry,” she added.

Even the funding for the project has its roots in old energy, coming from a settlement between the nearby Shell refinery and an alliance of environmental groups that sued the plant over air pollution. As part of an out-of-court agreement, Shell paid \$5.8 million for alleged violations, upgraded its refinery to increase efficiency and decrease pollution and put \$2 million into the solar project at the high schools.

Now, sitting atop the two schools are three different solar technologies manufactured by Houston-based Ignite Solar that create energy while providing students with raw data that is being integrated throughout the curriculum. Science teachers are using it to teach about solar power. In computer class, the students

are plugging the data about how much energy is generated into Excel and PowerPoint as they master those programs. And social studies teachers are using the experiment as a way to educate about the history of energy.

Off in the distance, visible from the rooftops where the glistening panels and silvery tubes absorb the sun’s rays and convert them into electricity, are the refinery stacks — still a source of energy, but one that is rapidly being complemented by newer, nonconventional technologies.

Shirleyne Murr-Thompson, an 18-year-old senior at Sam Rayburn High School, has lived in Pasadena her entire life. Her uncles and cousins all work in the refineries, and like most others in the Gulf Coast town she is proud of the community’s contribution to the nation’s energy supply and thankful the plants are there.

“Without them much of my family would be unemployed,” she said.

At the same time, Shirleyne is

proud to be part of the project that has produced one of the largest solar arrays in the greater Houston area.

“It’s a good thing to get the new energy into our school ... and teach that it’s not a big, scary thing,” she said. “You don’t have to have just oil!”

In the seven days the project has been up and running, the panels have generated enough electricity to power the average home for two months. Blasingame said it is estimated the solar project will fulfill 15 percent of the school’s electricity needs.

To make the project a true learning experience, Ignite Solar installed the panels at slightly different angles and with minor variations at each school so that the students would be able to compare and contrast the data, concluding what is most efficient and possibly even coming up with real-life solutions for other businesses and places, said Peter Mathey, the president and CEO of Ignite Solar.



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New solar panels are seen Tuesday on the roof of Sam Rayburn High School in Pasadena. The panels at Sam Rayburn and another area high schools are expected to save the school district \$15,000 annually.

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Protests erupt throughout Middle East

Obama: Power can't be maintained with coercion

By Ben Feller
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WASHINGTON — Warily watching protests ripple across the Middle East, President Barack Obama said Tuesday that governments in the vital, volatile region are figuring out that they “can’t maintain power through coercion.” He slammed Iran as an exception, accusing the U.S. foe of beating and shooting protesters.

The public uprisings that toppled the leaders of Egypt and Tunisia have ignited protests and violent clashes in Bahrain, Yemen and Iran. With strategic U.S. interests in each of those countries, Obama conceded he is concerned about the region’s stability. And he prodded governments to get out ahead of the change.

In his most expansive comments yet about the unrest spilling across the Middle East and north Africa, Obama signaled that he would stick with his Egyptian model: Prod governments to allow peaceful protests and to respond to grievances, but stay silent about who should run the countries or what change should look like.

The Egyptian experience has cemented Obama’s doctrine of dealing with countries grappling with upheaval: direction that falls short of dictates. He said the lesson for all the nations is that they will only see lasting change, and gain both international and internal support for it, when it comes through “moral force.”

“These are sovereign countries that are going to have to make their own decisions,” Obama said at his first full news conference of the year. “What we can do is lend moral support to those who are seeking a better life for themselves.”

Whether moral support is enough is often the issue as the United States tries to help shape



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This photo, obtained by the Associated Press outside Iran, shows Iranian protesters attending an anti-government protest Monday in Tehran, Iran, as a garbage can is set on fire. Eyewitnesses report that sporadic clashes have erupted in central Tehran’s Enghelab or Revolution square between security forces and opposition protesters. The demonstrators were chanting “death to the dictator,” referring to the country’s hardline president that the opposition believes was re-elected through fraud in 2009.

events in the Middle East that are out of its control. The unrest in the region, and its potential impact on leadership of friendly and rival nations, can in turn affect U.S. economic, military and security interests.

Obama singled out Iran, where hardline lawmakers are calling for the country’s opposition leaders to face trial and be put to death. Tens of thousands of people turned out for an opposition rally Monday in solidarity with Egypt’s revolt, the first such demonstration since a violent crackdown on protesters in 2009.

“I find it ironic that you’ve got the Iranian regime pretending to celebrate what happened in Egypt when, in fact, they have acted in direct contrast to what happened in Egypt by gunning down and beating people who were trying to express themselves peacefully in Iran,” Obama said.

What began with an uprising in Tunisia emboldened massive protests in Egypt, mobilized in part by the social media networks Facebook and Twitter. In less than

three weeks, autocratic Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak stepped down under enormous pressure, and the makings of a democracy are under way. Now the White House is trying to get ahead of events across the Arab world even as Obama encourages other leaders to do the same.

In Bahrain, thousands of protesters took over a main square in the capital city Tuesday, trying to force high-level changes. Bahrain is one Washington’s key allies in the Gulf and home to the U.S. Navy’s 5th Fleet, so the unrest there adds another worry for the White House.

In Yemen, police and government supporters battled nearly 3,000 marchers calling for the ouster of President Ali Abdullah Saleh in a fifth straight day of violence. That comes as ties between the U.S. and Saleh have been growing over alarm in Washington about the activities of al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula.

Obama said his message to friends and foes in the region is this: “The world is changing.”

“You have a young, vibrant generation within the Middle East that is looking for greater opportunity,” he said. “And if you are governing these countries, you’ve got to get out ahead of change. You can’t be behind the curve.”

The president suggested that authoritarian rule is giving way to fundamental desires by people to get good jobs, an education and a better life.

“You can’t maintain power through coercion,” Obama said. “At some level in any society, there has to be consent.”

And then he added: “My belief is that, as a consequence of what’s happening in Tunisia and Egypt, governments in that region are starting to understand this.”

As for other protesters across the region, Obama said he supported their aspirations, but insisted the outcomes will be up to them.

“We do want to make sure that transitions do not degenerate into chaos,” he said. “That’s not just good for us. That’s good for those countries.”

Lawmakers call for opposition leaders to go on trial in Iran

By Nasser Karimi
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEHRAN, Iran — Hardline Iranian lawmakers on Tuesday called for the country’s opposition leaders to face trial and be put to death, a day after clashes between opposition protesters and security forces left two people dead and dozens injured.

Tens of thousands of people turned out for the opposition rally Monday in solidarity with Egypt’s popular revolt that toppled President Hosni Mubarak after nearly 30 years in power. The demonstration was the first major show of strength from Iran’s beleaguered opposition after canceling planned rallies for the past year when authorities refused permission.

At an open session of parliament Tuesday, pro-government legislators demanded opposition leaders Mir Hossein Mousavi, Mahdi Karroubi and former reformist President Mohammad Khatami face be held responsible for the protests.

Pumping their fists in the air, the lawmakers chanted “death to Mousavi, Karroubi and Khatami.”

“We believe the people have lost their patience and demand capital punishment” for the opposition leaders, 221 lawmakers said in a statement.

Hardliners have long sought to put senior opposition figures on trial, but the calls for the death penalty signaled an escalation in their demands. Parliament formed a special committee to review the case and decide in coming days about how the government should deal with the opposition leaders.

Iran has already tried scores of opposition figures and activists on charges of fomenting the mass protests following the country’s disputed 2009 presidential elections that saw Mahmoud Ahma-

dinejad win a second term. More than 80 of people were sentenced to prison terms ranging from six months to 15 years.

The opposition says scores were killed in the massive crack-down on those protests, while the government says only around 30 people died.

Iranian leaders had sought to portray the toppling of Zine El Abidine Ben Ali in Tunisia and Hosni Mubarak in Egypt, both secular leaders, as Islamic uprisings.

Following Monday’s opposition demonstrations, the first since December 2009, authorities vowed to move quickly to stifle the opposition before its gains momentum.

“The judiciary will quickly and resolutely deal with major elements and those who violated public order and peace,” the spokesman for Iran’s judiciary and state prosecutor, Gholam Hossein Mohseni Ejei, told the official IRNA news agency.

The U.S. has voiced support for the demonstrators. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton said Monday the protesters “deserve to have the same rights that they saw being played out in Egypt and are part of their own birthright.”

Iran’s Foreign Ministry spokesman, Ramin Mehmanparast, on Tuesday rejected Clinton’s remarks, and accused the U.S. of “meddling” in Iranian affairs.

Also Tuesday, Iranian officials confirmed that two people had died in Monday’s protests.

IRNA quoted the security chief for Iran’s Culture Ministry, Gholam Ali Zarei, as saying Sane Jaleh, a 26-year-old student at Tehran’s University of Art, was killed. He described him as a government supporter.

Later in the day, Kazem Jalali spokesman of the parliamentary committee on national security and foreign policy told the semi-official Ilna news agency that one of the injured also died. The victim was not identified.

Acting police commander Gen. Ahmad Reza Radan told IRNA that several people were arrested, but did not specify how many.

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Barbershop Nostalgia

By JEREMY ROEBUCK
THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER

Want to tick John Scioli off? Call one of those mahogany-paneled, manicure-offering, \$60-shave-and-a-haircut men's salons a barbershop.

"Any fool can cut hair and overcharge," the 39-year-old scoffs. "All these guys think they're doing something new."

At John's Old School New Skool Barber Shop in Schwenksville, Pa., the sartorially inclined gent won't find hot-towel facials, salon-trained stylists, or flat-screen TVs eternally tuned to ESPN.

Instead, Scioli has been churning out

“Sure, you can give a haircut, talk and be charming, but you also have to be off-center sometimes.”

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pompadours, slicked-back greaser 'dos, and straight-razor shaves the way your father and grandfather got them for years.

Think less metrosexual, more retro-sexual.

In the four years since it opened, Scioli's operation has grown into something of an oddball, noisy, but beloved neighbor to the Victorian houses and antiques markets lining Main Street.

The shop — run by a burly, tattooed bear of a man with a case of Tourette's that keeps his face in a state of constant twitch and spasm — might seem more at home in Northern Liberties in Philadelphia than this rural enclave roughly 35 miles north.

"It looked like a peaceful place to live," Scioli said of his choice of locale. "I got sick of city living, and saw there were other weirdos up here, too."

Amid the clatter of occasional live music and clinking birch-beer bottles, he and his cutting crew shear and shave while doling out a healthy dose of sharp-edged attitude.

Collectibles cover the walls, ranging from midcentury ads for RC Cola and Fudgie Bars to posters of the psychedelic Sid and Marty Krofft 1970s television show "H.R. Pufnstuf" — all mixed in with a smattering of pudgy-faced Bob's Big Boy figurines. ("There's something to be said for a fat kid with nice hair," Scioli joked.)

Customers line up seven to 10 at a time, perusing styles as varied as the "Peter Gunn," the "Oliver North," and the "Whiskey Cut," a short crop on top with straight-razored sides.

At the center of it all stands Scioli, perpetually garbed in a guayabera, Havana straw hat and saddle shoes.

Whizzing vintage clippers in hand, he performs a constant one-man show, ribbing the customer in his 1949 hydraulic chair with as much gusto as he does those waiting for their own shot at a cut and a cutting remark.

His salty humor skewers all ethnicities, religions and political views with equal good-natured jabs that keep his clients laughing, even when they're the butt of the joke.

"This here's Nicky Niceteeth," Scioli said as one frequent client settled into the chair for a touch-up to his coiffed pompadour. "We've all got gangly smiles, but this guy's got the nicest pearly yellows."

Call it service with a snarl — the type his customers have come to appreciate.

"For some reason I've dated a lot of hairstylists," said Niceteeth, better known as 25-year-old Nick Sosa, a mechanic and bass player in a local band. "But even with the chance at all those free haircuts, I keep coming back here for this."

To Scioli, the performance is just as much a part of barbering as the cut itself.

"Sure, you can give a haircut, talk, and be charming, but you also have to be off-center sometimes," he said. "I give everyone the same (rotten) service. I think what a lot of people like is that I put them on the spot."

But his role as the outspoken maestro seems improbable given his early years as a loner teen struggling with Tourette's.

The son of a high school German teacher and a physician's assistant, Scioli spent hours as a boy holed up alone in his high school library, poring over magazines and sure of only two things: his future career and his passion for collecting anything from records and old toys to his elders' sense of style.

"It's sad when I look back at what a geek I was," he said. "But I think I knew since third grade that I was going to be a barber. I used to dress up as a barber for Halloween. Who does that?"

As for the obsession with collecting, the signs of its enduring hold are plastered all over Scioli's walls — from the countless figurines to his Tom Corbett, Space Cadet lunch box, a vintage treasure from the 1950s TV show that has taken on new cachet since the election of Pennsylvania's newest governor.

More tchotchkes and castoffs are stored in a back room he has dubbed the "Schwenksville Nostalgia Museum."

"Where else am I going to work where I come in in the morning and turn on seven Elvis lamps?" asked John "Smiling John" Shilling, a recent addition to Scioli's staff.

Scioli's clients have a ragtag assortment of backgrounds and personalities — mechanics, rockers, hipster kids, local executives and even a few misfits, including a customer on a recent visit who repeatedly insisted the government had been injecting him with chemicals in his sleep.

With a draw like that, no matter how many froufrou men's salons open up around him, Scioli remains confident that a hot shave, a classic cut and a little bit of attitude will never go out of style.

"You can't just sell a haircut in this economy," he said. "You've got to sell a dream — the nostalgia of it."



Above: Scioli, reflected in a mirror, cuts Chris Van Osten's hair amid a collection of Bob's Big Boy figurines.

Left: Chris Van Osten waits to have his hair cut, among the Elvis lamps and "H.R. Pufnstuf" memorabilia that sets the feel of the barber-shop.

Below: Scioli gives Ali Sharifi a "Whiskey Cut," a retro style specialized by the shop.

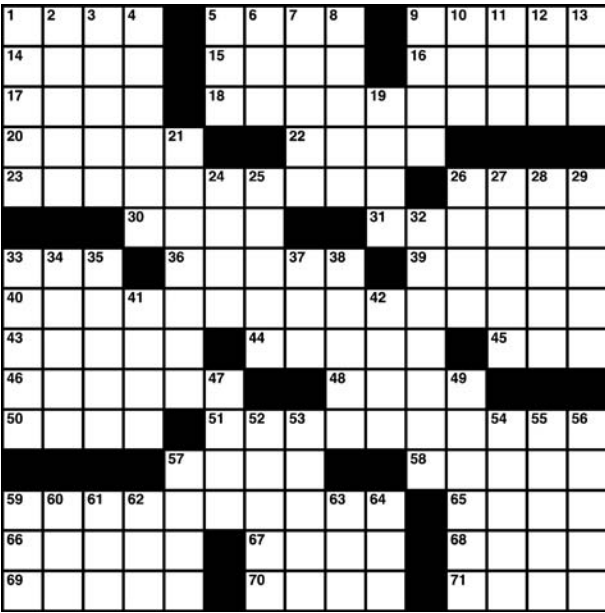
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Dunn tops BU all-time scoring list in win

By CHRIS DERRETT
SPORTS EDITOR

There is a new player atop Baylor's career scoring leaderboard. With a left-handed layup in the Bears' Tuesday night matchup with Wayland Baptist, senior LaceDarius Dunn notched his 2,190th point in a Baylor uniform and cemented his already well-documented place in Baylor basketball history.

Dunn totaled 17 points to lead his team past the Pioneers, 64-50.

"I just took a deep breath, like it happened, it's gone, and I can put it behind me now," Dunn said.

That was the good news. The bad news, coach Scott Drew said, was everything else about the Bears' effort against the 8-18, NAIA squad it faced.

"There was one positive from tonight, and that was Lace Dunn setting the school record. The rest of it was nothing good. Credit to Wayland Baptist for some of that, but [I'm] obviously very disappointed with our performance," Drew said.

Baylor finished with 16 turnovers and 15 assists, the team's 18th consecutive game in which assists did not surpass turnovers. The Bears have tallied more assists than turnovers in just two games this season, against Prairie View A&M and Bethune-Cookman.

Tuesday the mistakes cost the

Baylor	Tuesday, Feb. 15 Ferrell Center	Wayland Baptist
64		50
52.4% (22-42)	Field Goals	40.0% (18-45)
63.0% (17-27)	Free Throws	81.8% (9-11)
12	Off. Rebounds	11
18	Def. Rebounds	12
L. Dunn, 17	Lead Scorer	N. Harbour, 12

Bears to the tune of 12 Pioneer points off turnovers by halftime and 19 in the game.

"We just came out playing sluggish," Dunn said. "The way we played today against Wayland Baptist wasn't us. We were out there half-going, not communicating."

The Pioneers were within two points as late as the 7:36 mark of the first half, trailing 21-19.

After Dunn's fast break dunk put his team ahead 42-24 one minute into the second half, three Baylor turnovers contributed to a 10-1 run that pulled Wayland Baptist to within 43-34. Less than a minute later a free throw cut that deficit to 44-37, but from there Baylor scored eight straight and staved off the Pioneers' threat.

Defensively, the Bears used Tuesday to polish themselves for their five remaining Big 12 games.

"Do you get out and pressure everywhere, knowing that's not what you're going to do in the last five games? We chose to work on things we thought would help us the last five games, and I don't think anything helped us tonight," Drew said.

Freshman Perry Jones III added 14 points albeit struggling to 4 of 10 from the free throw line.

Dunn's wide open, record-breaking layup with 6:31 left in the game prompted Drew to call a timeout. With his mother and father making the trip from his hometown of Monroe, La., to see their son play basketball in person, Dunn pointed to them and waved to the Ferrell Center crowd before quietly taking high-fives from teammates and returning to the floor.

Dunn's teammates were equally

Baylor all-time scoring leaders

1. LaceDarius Dunn - 2,196
2. Terry Teagle - 2,189
3. Micheal Williams - 1,854
4. Curtis Jerrells - 1,820
5. Brian Skinner - 1,702
6. Darryl Middleton - 1,677
7. Aundre Branch - 1,666
8. Tweety Carter - 1,447
9. Kevin Rogers - 1,371
10. Darrell Hardy - 1,360

glad to see the record shattered.

"I was happy. I wanted to get the assist for it," Acy said. "It's good to see him get that. That's amazing, that many points. I'm still working on my thousand."

Acy's 10 points on the night brought his career total to 834.

To Drew, Dunn's record was no surprise.

"In practice, you can't ask for a better player to coach," Drew said. "If it's a walkthrough, he goes hard. If it's a shootaround, he goes hard. He doesn't have an on-off switch. He's always on."

As far as brushing Tuesday's game aside, Drew said his players will not get off as easy as they wish.

"I think the players would like to wipe this one away, but I think we'll wait a little bit longer to wipe it away. I think we're not quite done with it yet," Drew said.



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No. 24 guard LaceDarius Dunn shoots the ball during the game against Wayland Baptist University Tuesday in the Ferrell Center. Dunn became Baylor's career scoring leader with a total of 2,196 points.

NFL still seeks to fix fans' woes under legal pressure

By STEPHEN HAWKINS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DALLAS — The NFL upped the ante again Tuesday for the 400 fans displaced by problems with temporary seats at the Super Bowl on Feb. 6.

Spokesman Brian McCarthy said the league e-mailed all the fans to offer either \$5,000 or reimbursement for "actual documented" Super Bowl expenses, whichever figure is higher.

The latest offer is the third and most valuable option for fans who had tickets but no seats in Cowboys Stadium for Green Bay's 31-25 victory against Pittsburgh on Feb. 6.

The NFL decided to extend another offer after commissioner Roger Goodell talked to fans over the past week, McCarthy said in an e-mail.

The first offer was for \$2,400 — three times the face value of the affected seats — and a ticket to next year's Super Bowl. The league soon added a second option of a ticket to any future Super Bowl plus airfare and hotel costs.

"As you may know, we have been reaching out directly to those fans who regrettably and inexcusably were unable to watch Super Bowl XLV from a seat in Cowboys Stadium," the e-mail to fans stated. "In listening to your feedback, we have decided to offer a third option."

The seating issue has sparked at least two lawsuits against the NFL and the Dallas Cowboys, and the lead attorney for one of the suits was unswayed by Tuesday's move. Attorney Michael Avenatti said the NFL still isn't offering reimbursement for all Super Bowl expenses, or addressing fans who were delayed or relocated to "substandard" seats.

"The NFL and its lawyers need to come clean with the fans as to their right to full compensation and sit down with us to fairly resolve this matter," Avenatti said.

About 1,250 seats were declared unsafe hours before the Super Bowl, and the NFL scrambled to find new seats for about 850 fans. The remaining 400 were forced to watch from standing-room areas or on TV from places with no view of the field.

Documents released after the game show that the Cowboys were slow to respond to requests for building permits needed to install the seats, and indicated that a contractor walked out on the job in the days before the game.



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Texas Rangers' infielder Michael Young reaches for a ball during the 2010 World Series. Young has requested to be traded from the team.

Rangers' Young wants trade by season's start

By STEPHEN HAWKINS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Michael Young has gone from talking about another World Series with the Rangers to wanting out of Texas.

The All-Star infielder who became the face of the franchise went through last-place finishes, long, hot summers and rebuilding years over the past decade before finally getting to the playoffs and the World Series last season.

Right after San Francisco's series-clinching victory last November, Young was already talking about raised expectations and trying to get back this year to win it all.

So much for the good tidings that should have come with their first American League pennant. This could instead turn into a spring of discontent for the Rangers.

Young, their longest-tenured player, wants to be traded by the only major league team he's played for. And there is a real possibility that might not happen.

"It's a situation where nobody comes out looking good. A valued member of the team is unhappy," general manager Jon Daniels said before leaving Texas for Surprise, Ariz., where Rangers pitchers and catchers have their first workout Thursday.

Young requested a trade last month. The Rangers expect him to be their primary designated hitter and super utility player after the January acquisition of two-time Gold Glove third baseman Adrian Beltre. It would be Young's third position change in eight springs.

The Rangers have been trying to accommodate Young's trade request, though they still would prefer their career hits leader be on the roster. He would get most of his at-bats as a DH while also filling in at every infield position.

Several teams have expressed interest in Young, but most want the Rangers to pay

the bulk of the \$46 million he is owed over the next three seasons or are offering little in return. There are only eight teams not on Young's no-trade list and Daniels said he won't make a deal unless it makes the team better.

The first full-squad workout is Sunday. If there is no trade before then, the Rangers may need to have some reconciliation with Young, who has said he was "misled" and "manipulated" by the team.

"Obviously, that would be necessary if we get to a point where a trade does not make sense for the team," Daniels said.

Even after signing Beltre, the Rangers still had interest in potential DHs Jim Thome and Manny Ramirez. They then traded for catcher-first baseman Mike Napoli, who could also be a DH.

Team president and co-owner Nolan Ryan has said the Rangers are excited about the role they have planned for Young, who has been a starting second baseman, shortstop and third baseman for Texas.

Even if the Rangers and Young smooth out things and he stays on the team, they will still look somewhat different.

Texas couldn't convince ace left-hander Cliff Lee to stay despite a \$138 million, six-year offer.

Setup reliever and former closer Frank Francisco was traded to Toronto for Napoli. Yorvit Torrealba signed a two-year deal to be the Rangers' starting catcher, and Arthur Rhodes became the second 40-something left-hander in the bullpen. They also signed former NL Cy Young Award winner Brandon Webb, who hasn't pitched in the majors since the 2009 opener because of shoulder surgery.

The Rangers last week avoided arbitration with AL MVP Josh Hamilton, whose \$24 million, two-year contract covers his last two arbitration-eligible seasons.

Sports take: Lady Bears could defy odds, go perfect in Big 12

We're breaking Kim Mulkey's golden rule. We're looking ahead.

But after the Lady Bears survived round two with their toughest conference foe in Texas A&M Monday night, one can't help but steal a peak at the Lady Bears' chances of (cross those fingers if you bleed green) winning out.

Baylor (24-1, 11-0) sits atop the Big 12 and the nation in all big polls and their only loss came to then No. 1 Connecticut. The Huskies now sit at number two after falling to No. 3 Stanford and all three are picked to be No. 1 seeds come March Madness.

But let's not get too far down the calendar.

For the time they just consider finishing conference play and the Big 12 tournament with an unblemished 18-0 record.

As far as who would be most likely to derail them in the Big 12 championship, the Lady Bears have already beaten the second and third best teams.

The more one narrows the scope, the more one has to like the chances.

The Lady Bears face five more regular season conference opponents in Texas Tech, Kansas State, Oklahoma, Missouri and Colorado and have already beaten Tech and Oklahoma once before.

If anything would make Mulkey wary from that list, it would be the road contests.

Oklahoma currently brandishes a No. 14/15 ranking nationally and a third-place spot in the Big 12, though the nations two best teams (Baylor and UConn) each put up 85+ points against them as of Monday night.

The Lady Bears soundly defeated the Sooners in Waco, but if one is looking for someone to upset Baylor's hope of running the table in the Big 12, they would turn first to the Sooner's chances in Norman.

Prior to their trek to Norman, the Lady Bears first venture out to Lubbock to face Texas Tech.

Baylor trailed Tech at halftime of their first matchup this season in Waco, 29-28. The Lady Bears came back to win 64-51, but their 64 ties the Connecticut game for the second fewest points scored this season. (A&M held them to 63 in College Station.)

By record or standings the Red Raiders don't seem to match up, sitting at No. 7 in the Big 12 with a 4-6 mark.

If they find a way to play the Lady Bears in front of a home crowd as closely as they did on the road, though, the Lady Raiders pose just as much a threat to Baylor's perfect finish as any.

When considering who stands in its way, Baylor must also not overlook themselves. The No. 1 team in the country already came face to face with its humanity once this year when UConn senior Maya Moore managed just 14 in their loss to Stanford.

Not to downplay the chances of any of the remaining competition, but as seen during the first half against Tech, the Lady Bears cannot expect for their top performers to have poor halves and still be winning at the end of that half.

So far the Lady Bears have survived first halves in which their leading scorer sophomore post Brittney Griner has been virtually silent. The latest example came just



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Monday when Griner took just three points into the locker room, but finished with 26.

Both times they faced the Aggies, Baylor looked to freshman point guard Odyssey Sims to find a way to score when Griner either was taken out of the game by A&M's defense or simply could not hit shots.

Both times she filled the void with critical buckets. Sims put up 22 points Monday night and 25 in College Station.

Granted, at No. 1 in the country the Lady Bears shouldn't fear much.

What's more, I would expect Mulkey and her intensity to be the subject of her player's bad dreams more than the other way around.

Still, if the 10-year coach had nightmares about not winning out, they would probably involve single digits in the box score beside No. 0 and No. 42.

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Indianapolis junior Cole Chapman gives a preview of his website www.thebeartrade.com, a Craigslist-type site intended specifically for Baylor students, at his residence on Monday.

and it is specifically tailored for the Baylor community, there are concerns students will associate the company with Baylor.

The sustainability department supports The Bear Trade in its attempt to avoid landfill usage, said Smith Getterman, sustainability coordinator at Baylor.

“Green businesses and green solutions can be found anywhere,” Getterman said.

Chapman said about 100 users have signed up on the website, but hundreds of people browse the site unregistered.

Giving an example of how the site works, Chapman said he put a toaster under the “free” category on The Bear Trade and within a few days someone called asking if

he had gotten rid of the toaster yet.

“He was there within probably 10 minutes to pick it up,” Chapman said.

“So we know it works; it definitely works.”

Plano junior Carson Fabian used The Bear Trade to sell his bike shortly after the website was launched.

Fabian said he received two different phone calls and the bike was sold within two weeks.

“Actually, I’m going to put all of my textbooks on there because of how fast my bike sold,” Fabian said.

Chapman said he hopes to find success with his business and potentially expand to other colleges in Texas. He said he is not aware of other schools having a buy-sell-

trade system similar to The Bear Trade.

The website is free to use for anyone, but as The Bear Trade hopefully snowballs into a larger business, that may change.

Chapman said Baylor students will be able to use the website for free, but in the future, anyone outside of the Baylor community who wishes to join the network will pay a fee.

Getterman contacted Chapman in early February for the opportunity to express support and encouragement of The Bear Trade on behalf of the sustainability department.

“We think it’s a good idea and it’s a great service to students,” Getterman said.

riculum for the students.”

Shomaker said the Texas A&M Health Science Center College of Medicine has received a significant amount of student feedback concerning the incident, but is trying to remain positive.

“There has certainly been a range of different responses,” Shomaker said. “Students want more information and we try to be forthcoming and we tell them how we wound up where we are and how other students are taking advantage of the options being made.”

Students applying for the medical school next year will also be affected by the miscalculation. The number of deferred students will be subtracted from the total number of students accepted for the next academic year, leaving about 90 available spots.

Shomaker said he hopes the medical school will remain a source of interest and popularity despite its current challenges.

“We are gratified that more students are interested in coming than we can accommodate, and we want to remain a popular option among the state later, so that’s why it’s important to take care of the students in this situation,” Shomaker said.

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Arts and Sciences is that students in such situations can usually receive foreign language credit for half of the ASL hours they have completed, said associate dean of humanities and professor of Spanish Dr. Frieda Blackwell.

To earn the rest of her credit, Armstrong had to begin studying a language that Baylor considers a modern foreign language, even though that language will not be as closely related to her future career.

“My major doesn’t have ‘deaf’ in the title, but I’m still going into a deaf-related field. I want to be an ECI for deaf children, so I’m still going to be very closely related with the people, with the culture, with the language,” Armstrong said. “Spanish is going to be of no help to me and I just didn’t understand the correlation with that. I’m not going to Mexico; I’m going to stay in the U.S. and use ASL, so I didn’t understand why that couldn’t be made an exception.”

Armstrong is not the first to question the policy regarding foreign language credit, which Blackwell said she has heard numerous complaints about in past years.

Blackwell said the policy stems from a desire to comply with the university’s mission statement, which says that the university’s goal “is to educate men and women for worldwide leadership and service by integrating academic excellence and Christian commitment within a caring community.”

“If you read the first line of the mission statement, it talks about preparing students for worldwide leadership and service,” Blackwell said. “So we feel like if we don’t get you out of American English and American culture, we haven’t done that very well.”

Although she said she believes ASL is important and useful, Blackwell said studying the language does not meet the same educational objectives or give students the global perspective they get from studying what Baylor considers a modern foreign language. She said that is because deaf Americans participate in many of the same aspects of American culture that hearing Americans do, including going to the same schools, eating the same food, wearing the same clothes and watching the same movies.

Blackwell said she also doesn’t

believe deaf Americans or their language should be labeled as foreign.

“If you call American Sign Language foreign, then you said those people that use it are not Americans. They’re somebody different; they’re somebody other and obviously over the last 20, 30, 40 years, the deaf community has worked very hard to become mainstreamed in a lot of ways,” Blackwell said. “So that doesn’t sound very nice to me

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Ally Roberts | Houston junior

to say ‘Oh they’re foreign, they’re other, they’re not one of us.’”

Armstrong said she disagrees with the idea that labeling ASL as a foreign language could be offensive to members of the deaf community.

“I feel like that’s just a lack of knowledge because deaf people themselves identify themselves as different — like they are first deaf, and then they are American,” Armstrong said. “So I just think that that comes down to awareness of deaf culture and deaf views. It’s just a lack of knowledge really.”

She said she also sees Baylor’s stance on ASL as a refusal to acknowledge that deaf culture is separate from American culture.

“There’s so many things beyond just the language with deaf people that you have to learn — it is truly a culture in itself and Baylor doesn’t acknowledge that,” Armstrong said. “They’re just saying ‘Oh well, that’s the language they use because they can’t hear,’ but it’s like ‘no, not really.’ They’ve created their own culture; they’ve created their own identity in that.”

Dr. Heidi Bostic, chair and professor of modern foreign languages, said she is aware that deaf culture is a culture of its own and that ASL is a language separate from English, but that she believes students need

to learn a language that is spoken outside of the United States.

“I recognize that ASL is another language, I recognize that deaf culture is a real culture, and respect that,” Bostic said. “Given the fact that we want to prepare students to learn other languages that they can take with them around the world, I think it’s important for every Baylor student to study a foreign language or a world language in that sense.”

Some students, like Houston junior Ally Roberts, who is a communication sciences and disorders/deaf education major, believe that the language and culture taught in ASL and deaf studies courses at Baylor do apply in a worldwide sense.

“We’ve been given opportunities to go to Honduras and learn Honduran Sign Language. I had a friend given an opportunity to go to China and teach American Sign Language to Chinese kids,” Roberts said. “In the deaf culture, they can expose you to the world of different sign language. We learn about that — deaf studies is not just deaf studies for America. It is, but it’s [also] about the world.”

Roberts said she does not believe ASL should be available as a foreign language credit to all students just because they don’t want to take a language like Spanish or French, but that it should be able to fill the requirement for those who have a legitimate reason for taking it.

“It should be people that are associated with the deaf community, people that focus within the deaf community like ECI, people that want to be interpreters and they want to work in a nursing setting where they know that there will be deaf patients,” Roberts said. “That’s what they need in this program.”

Baylor’s policy could also prevent the program from attracting members of the deaf community to study at Baylor, Roberts said.

“It’s something that needs to be changed because if they don’t accept it ... you’re not going to pull the deaf community, and even though we’re not funded by the state, there’s such good recognition in the deaf community for Baylor,” Roberts said. “Baylor’s a good school in the deaf community, but if we can’t provide anything, if we can’t think about it as a culture, then deaf people aren’t going to come here. It’s just not going to happen.”

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ment on April 1.

Dr. Samuel Shomaker, the Jean and Thomas McMullin dean of medicine and vice president for clinical affairs for the Texas A&M Health Science Center College of Medicine, said the deferred students will be guaranteed a seat in the class of 2016 while also being given four different options while waiting for medical school. Each of the options for students who voluntarily defer includes a one-time \$2,000 scholarship. Students randomly chosen for deferment will not receive the scholarship.

“We began working on this right away and began to create a menu of options for students who have been accepted but voluntarily defer acceptance to next year,” Shomaker said. “Things like research rotations in labs of faculty, pursuing an MBA or a master’s in public health are some of the things we have been able to set up and make available to students in that situation.”

Shomaker said the school is working to ensure there are enough placement sites for students interested in research, and that they will receive a stipend for their work in addition to the one-time scholarship.

So far, 10 students have been reported as deferring, Shomaker said.

Shomaker said the miscalculation of offers and acceptance stemmed from unexpected student interest in the college of medicine.

“Typically and historically we use rolling admission, so we have to do predictions every year of how many offers to extend each year,” Shomaker said. “We have had to extend three offers for every one student going to the college of medicine. We used that historical ratio this year as we have in every past year and somewhat surprising was that there are far more students who accepted than have typically been the case.”

Shomaker explained that one out of every two students accepted this year’s offers, leaving the medical school with more students than spots.

“We’re not sure why they were interested in coming, but we do have new campus facilities in Round Rock and in Bryan-College Station,” Shomaker said. “And we have a unique medical school because students can rotate between campuses to experience different elements of the health care system, which makes for interesting cur-

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surprise, with President Barack Obama ranking at nine and former president George W. Bush at 29. Much of the rest of the list featured more celebrities, ranging from musicians and actors to sports stars.

And yet the ranking provided some surprises, with Jesus placing at only sixteen, being outranked by both Shakespeare and Jay-Z.

Dr. Mia Moody, professor in the journalism department, conducts research on new media and social media. She attributed the results to a culture of celebrity obsession.

“People are really into the ce-

lebrity culture nowadays,” Moody said. “People can relate more to celebrities than they can political figures or historical figures. Those are the stars of today; those are the role models for today’s youth.”

With Internet culture growing ever closer to becoming a sort of interconnected world culture, the number of Google results each name claims could be seen as a sort of cultural barometer.

“So this is just a matter of people giving people what they want instead of what they need. People want to learn more about 50 Cent whereas they may need to learn more about Jesus,” Moody said.

“People are catering to what they perceive what people would want to read about.”

Lubbock sophomore Catherine Teegardin said she was shocked by some of the men who made the list, especially since entertainers tended to outrank more seemingly noteworthy people.

“I would say it fairly accurately represents what we focus on in our free time. A lot of songwriters, entertainment-type people and then later on down the list people like Mark Zuckerberg and George W. Bush. That says something, I think, about where we spend our free time,” Teegardin said.

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