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# Committee to analyze planning input

By SARA TIRRITO  
STAFF WRITER

With the conclusion of the community input phase of the strategic planning process will come the official beginning of the synthesis and analysis phase.

A "last-minute onslaught" of input is expected, but the strategic themes committee has already begun reviewing the input and developing a system to categorize it by themes, Dr. Mitchell Neu-

bert, chair of the committee, said. The committee began meeting in January and will put together a report of the input to present to President Ken Starr, Dr. Elizabeth Davis, executive vice president and provost, and the Executive Council in June.

"When we try to interpret that data, our charge really as the committee is just to summarize all the input, not to decide what to include/what not to include or what's important/what's not im-

portant," Neubert said.

After the June presentation of the report, a draft plan will be created for submission to the Baylor Board of Regents in November. The draft plan should be available to the public in July, Davis said. Once the board of regents approves the draft plan, the community will again be asked for feedback.

"I think it's very important for us to be up front about the things that are included, the things that

are not included, so that we can honor the work of so many people," Davis said.

Davis stressed that all of the input will be taken into account and will help the president, executive council and regents as they plan for the university's future.

"No one should conclude that their voices weren't heard," Davis said. "Being a part of informing the process is helping to shape how multiple people think about how Baylor goes forward, so I

don't think anyone should feel like the input they provide, the amount of work they put into this, is going unnoticed."

The mix of students, faculty and staff on the strategic themes committee will also help to ensure all perspectives are taken into account, Davis said.

"We have such a broad cross section on the strategic themes committee. I think every perspec-

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JED DEAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

## Academia awaits

Students and faculty fill the steps of Pat Neff Hall and Founders Mall for the Dean's Garden Reception honoring academic achievements Thursday. The reception offered opportunities to learn about honor societies, international scholarships and undergraduate research.

# Marriage rights at issue in Senate bill

By DANIEL C. HOUSTON  
REPORTER

A bill that would remove only three words from the Texas Family Code could have significant implications for relationships in which at least one partner has gone through a sex change.

The bill, S.B. 723, authored by Republican Sen. Tommy Williams, who could not be reached for comment, would strike language from the statute allowing transgender individuals to present documentation of a sex change as proof of identity to receive a marriage license.

Without this language, the law could effectively default to a 1999 Texas appellate court decision that concluded people are legally considered to be the gender they were born with, making marriages between two people born with the same gender invalid under Texas law, regardless of whether either partner underwent reconstructive

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# Tornadoes leave path of destruction in South

By GREG BLUESTEIN  
AND HOLBROOK MOHR  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PLEASANT GROVE, Ala. — Firefighters searched one splintered pile after another for survivors Thursday, combing the remains of houses and neighborhoods pulverized by the nation's deadliest tornado outbreak in almost four decades. At least 291 people were killed across six states — more than two-thirds of them in Alabama, where large cities bore the half-mile-wide scars the twisters left behind.

The death toll from Wednesday's storms seems out of a bygone era, before Doppler radar and pinpoint satellite forecasts were around to warn communities of severe weather. Residents were

told the tornadoes were coming up to 24 minutes ahead of time, but they were just too wide, too powerful and too locked onto populated areas to avoid a horrifying body count.

"These were the most intense super-cell thunderstorms that I think anybody who was out there forecasting has ever seen," said meteorologist Greg Carbin at the National Weather Service's Storm Prediction Center in Norman, Okla.

"If you experienced a direct hit from one of these, you'd have to be in a reinforced room, storm shelter or underground" to survive, Carbin said.

The storms seemed to hug the interstate highways as they barreled along like runaway trucks, obliterating neighborhoods or

even entire towns from Tuscaloosa to Bristol, Va. One family rode out the disaster in the basement of a funeral home, another by huddling in a tanning bed.

In Concord, a small town outside Birmingham that was ravaged by a tornado, Randy Guyton's family got a phone call from a friend warning them to take cover. They rushed to the basement garage, piled into a Honda Ridgeline and listened to the roar as the twister devoured the house in seconds. Afterward, they could see outside through the shards of their home and scrambled out.

"The whole house caved in on top of that car," he said. "Other than my boy screaming to the Lord to save us, being in that car is

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Amy Ledford stands by the remains of her house near Athens, Ala., Wednesday. A wave of severe storms laced with tornadoes strafed the South on Wednesday, killing at least 16 people around the region and splintering buildings across swaths of an Alabama university town.

# BU student to trek across home state for water nonprofit

By JESSICA ACKLEN  
ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

As the spring semester draws to a close, many students focus on internships, summer jobs or summer classes.

One Baylor student has something else on his mind — a 300-mile bike ride across Colorado.

Trinidad, Colo., junior Eric Danielson is biking across his home state this May, a ride that he estimates will take two or three days, to benefit and raise awareness for his Well: Done campaign. Danielson is working to raise \$5,000 to provide a well for a village in Africa.

"I'm not really a biker, but it's something I've come to enjoy," Danielson said. "[The ride is] over 300 miles, so I'm a little nervous. I wanted to do something to challenge myself and also show people I'm committed to this. So, I'm going to be really challenged. I'm not asking for people's money so I could just donate it. I'm making a sacrifice."

Danielson's campaign is the result of a family challenge over the Thanksgiving holiday. After Danielson's family members reflected on their blessings, they decided to do something to help those less fortunate, Danielson said.

"[The family] gave each of us

\$100 and they said, 'We want each of you to take this out and double it and give it to some charitable cause, someone who needs it, basically,'" Danielson said.

"I just spent some time thinking about 'Who do I want to help out?' or 'Who is this going to go to?' ... Giving to some charities kind of makes you wonder where the money goes."

Danielson decided to start his own charitable campaign to ensure that money raised was all used for charitable works. That decision led him to organize his campaign through the nonprofit

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Trinidad, Colo., junior Eric Danielson will bike across Colorado this summer after being challenged by family members to help those in need.







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# Baylor police to collect leftover bicycles

By Stephen Strobbe  
Reporter

Beginning May 17, the Baylor Police Department will start removing abandoned bikes from bike racks in an effort to clean campus before the first summer term begins.

Baylor police will hold the bikes until September, when they will be donated if they have not been claimed.

The Baylor Police Department began removing deserted bikes from campus about four years ago after they noticed some people were leaving old and broken bikes on the campus bike racks for years.

“When you view the campus after graduation and into the summer and see the vast numbers of abandoned bicycles that students leave behind, it looks like this has become a Baylor junkyard,” Baylor Police Chief Jim Doak said.

“It’s a purging if you will,” Doak said. “It cleans the campus and gets us ready to go into the summer and certainly into the fall.”

Fliers are being placed around campus to alert students they will need to take their bikes off the campus bike racks or else they will be removed. Regardless of the warnings, often hundreds of bikes are left behind.

“Usually, the bicycles that are left on campus are ones that are not in great condition,” said Megan Partain, communications coordinator for the Baylor Police Department.

Last year, only seven or eight people claimed their bicycles, out of the approximately 185 that were removed in May, Partain said.

The police department stores them until September, when the unclaimed bikes are given to Waco Summer Youth Ministries. The ministry was started by Tom Hill, senior associate athletic director for Baylor Athletics.



Nick Berryman | Lariat Photographer

The Baylor Police Department will begin removing bikes left in the bike racks after May 16 and will donate them in September.

Through Waco Summer Youth Ministries, these once-forgotten bikes are given new life, going to various ministries in Mexico and Cuba, inner-city ministries in Dallas and organizations such as Patriot Kids Ministries, an nonprofit organization that serves children of people in the military.

Though the individual bikes are often in a state of disrepair, people are able to salvage parts in order to make one usable bike. And while shipping them has quite a high financial cost, Hill said that it benefits the people who receive them.

“It’s an amazing amount of work,” Hill said. “But we’ve tried to make lemonade out

of some lemons.”

Should students find themselves home for the summer and suddenly realize they accidentally left their bikes on campus and are unable to return, they will have an opportunity to claim them in the fall. In order to do so, they will need a solid description of where the bike was left, a physical description of the bike and the bike’s serial number.

This annual purging of old bikes is preparation for next year’s move-in day, Doak said.

“We’re taking action in May that we know will impact the campus come move-in day in August. It’s the first act of move-in day,” Doak said. “You’ve got to prepare a place.”

# Take It or Leave It celebrates eight years of student giving

By Leigh Ann Henry  
Reporter

Take It or Leave It, Baylor’s annual program promoting the reuse of materials donated during move-out, kicks off its eighth anniversary starting Tuesday.

“It’s a giving back to the community program that started back in 2004,” said Vicki Pierce, assistant director of housekeeping at Baylor and unofficial coordinator for Take it or Leave it.

Take it or Leave it encourages students to donate furniture to local nonprofit organizations in the Waco community instead of throwing them away.

“It’s a great way for Baylor to use its resources to give back to the Waco community,” Smith Getterman, sustainability coordinator at Baylor, said.

Pierce said she and Leigh Ann Moffett, director of emergency management at Baylor, started the program together, and this is the second year for the sustainability department to help coordinate the event.

“I saw a lady pull up in her Cadillac in the summer of ’03 and unceremoniously started pulling out garbage bags and looking through the trash,” Pierce said. “I started thinking to myself, ‘How do we get this stuff back to the people who need it?’”

The companies in charge of handling the donations are Caritas of Waco and Goodwill Industries International Inc. Caritas is primarily responsible for donated items on campus and Goodwill is heading up the off-campus collection. Caritas will set up large donation bins in the lobby area of each residence hall from Tuesday to May 13 in order for students to donate any items they don’t want to keep.

“That week we set up boxes and pick them up every day. We will accept any donations; the only thing we can’t take is mattresses,” Sally Norlie, warehouse manager at Caritas, said.

Caritas of Waco is a nonprofit organization that accepts donations and sells the items at a reduced price in one of their three thrift store locations: Waco, Bellmead and West.

If an individual cannot afford to purchase these items, they may go through an interview and provide identification to a Caritas employee. The employee who will present them with a referral, which will allow the individual to obtain free food and enough clothes to provide two outfits for each family member.

In-need individuals are only allowed to obtain a referral for food once a month and clothes once every four months, but they may frequent and shop thrift stores as often as they please.

“Baylor students leave behind a lot of good stuff; we’re grateful to them. That saying ‘one man’s trash is another man’s treasure’ is so true,” Norlie said.

Two trailers will be set up off campus for Goodwill collections, one by the Arbors apartments on Third Street and one behind Browning Square on Ninth Street. The trailers will be manned by Goodwill volunteers to help students with their donations from 12:30 to 7:30 p.m. from May 7-14 except Sunday. On the May 14, volunteers will be present all day.



“It’s important for students to realize that this is an opportunity for them to directly, positively affect the Waco community with very little effort,” Getterman said.

Both organizations accept donations outside of these days as well. Simply drop off items at their central locations in Waco and drop them off.



“We don’t recycle in terms of paper and plastics, but we do reuse those items instead of having them sit in a landfill ... and we take the revenue generated in retail stores to fund employment and job training programs,” Shannon Kendrick, public relations and marketing director for Goodwill in Waco, said.



Many items are able to be reused through this program and help lots of individuals that are in need.

“It is a real substantial contribution to Caritas and to our community. We are very indebted to Baylor for their staff and student involvement. They’ve been so great to work with,” Buddy Edwards, executive director at Caritas of Waco, said.



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# Residential colleges duke it out in quiz bowl

By SALLY ANN MOYER  
REPORTER

The friendly rivalry between the Honors Residential College and Brooks Residential College will go public on Saturday.

The two residential colleges will host the finals of the second annual Residential College Quiz Bowl at 11 a.m. in the Alexander Reading Room.

“It gets pretty intense; a lot of people take it really seriously,” Cottonport, La., sophomore Tucker Blackledge, a member of Team Nightwing from the Honors Residential College, said.

Team Nightwing is hoping to have its name engraved on the trophy for the second year in a row.

Team Nightwing is composed of five students: Austin sophomore Harrison Lemke, Fort Worth sophomore Drew Cody, San Marcos sophomore Kelsey Henry, Covington, La., junior Preston Morton and Blackledge.

“Quiz Bowl really builds a team-type feel, like there’s a real camaraderie to it whenever you

have to depend on somebody and it’s just really good at building some kind of communal feeling whenever people come down and watch,” Blackledge said.

The Royal Hippogriffs will represent Brooks Residential College: Houston senior Anson Jablinski, Aledo senior Jennifer Atwood, La Canada Flintridge, Calif., sophomore Ryan Gerlach, Cedar Park junior Emily Goeke and Baytown junior Robin Vander Pol.

“It’s something we all think is a lot of fun so we encourage people to come out and watch,” Jablinski said.

Houston senior Jeremy Goss, senior community leader at the Honors Residential College, has been in charge of organizing the competition since its initial year.

“In the activities that we do, we realized that we’ve challenged students in every way except academic,” Goss said. “We knew we definitely have the audience for academic events.”

While Goss is open to expanding the event to all residence halls in future years, the competition

began between the two residential colleges to keep it competitive.

“We’ve already got these sort of unspoken tensions with Brooks because we’re both residential colleges and got our residential college status in the same year,” Goss said.

Organizing the competition included assistance from both residential colleges and Baylor faculty.

Dr. Thomas Hibbs, dean of the Honors College, assisted in emailing professors to submit trivia questions.

As many questions as possible were drawn from faculty submissions, but some were also drawn from online sources and the National Academic Quiz Tournament, Goss said.

“We ask a wide range of questions in hopes that the students have many opportunities to answer them,” Goss said.

Categories include business, accounting, finance, classics, biology, pop culture, art, music, economics and chemistry.

“It always surprises me that it’s not necessarily the person whose

major it is who answers the question, who gets it right,” Goss said.

The student leadership team for the quiz bowl verifies the questions and answers, but sometimes controversies arise during the tournament.

“Some of the questions will get contested, just because these guys are certain they’ve got the right answer,” Goss said, “but in every case from last year, our answers were correct.”

Team Nightwing will compete in the finals because of its victory in the preliminary rounds for the Honors Residential College.

Six Honors Residential College teams competed in three rounds.

The Royal Hippogriffs are the only team from Brooks Residential College to compete this year.

“They’re just more intense about it at the HRC than we are,” Jablinski said.

He competed on a team for Brooks Residential College last year that did not make it to the final round against the Honors Residential College.

“There are more of those kind

of people who really like quiz bowls at the Honors Residential College, so they’re just easier to dig up, easier to find. At Brooks, we kind of had to shake down and go around and find some people to do this,” Jablinski said.

Atwood also participated on the same team as Jablinski last year.

“I joined because mostly I think the event is important inasmuch as building up a sort of friendly, competitive rivalry between us and the HRC,” Atwood said.

Team Nightwing made T-shirts for the finals last year and has done so again this year.

“They made really intense team shirts that were very, sort of, taking friendly jabs at Brooks in a spirit of good competition,” Atwood said.

Blackledge said he enjoys getting into the friendly spirit of the competition.

“There’s a lot of competition, but there’s no animosity afterward,” Blackledge said.

Atwood said she would like to see more future involvement from students at Brooks

Residential College.

“I would hope in years future that we would be able to drum up more spirit for it on our side,” Atwood said.

She said sharing the fun of the competition should create more interest for future years.

“We have the group of people who always comes downstairs and watch ‘Jeopardy’ in the JCR [junior common room] religiously, and it’s just because random trivia is fun,” Atwood said.

During the competition, two teams of five people, with four from each team competing at a time, buzz in their answers to the variety of questions.

The first person from either team to buzz gets to answer, but conferring with teammates is not allowed.

Questions occur in two rounds of 15 minutes each with a two-minute break in between.

The questions occur in randomized order, so those in the second half are worth twice as many points but not more difficult, Goss said.

# Nonprofit hosts photo exhibition of clients’ work

By JADE MARDIROSIAN  
STAFF WRITER

Next Friday, Avance Waco will present its second annual Photovoice Project Gala, which aims to abolish stereotypes and prejudices and educate through the use of photographic storytelling.

The event will be held from six to nine p.m. at the Arts Center of Waco.

Avance Waco is a local nonprofit organization that provides parent-child education to families living in at-risk communities.

The Photovoice Project Gala will include an exhibit of 96 photographs taken by nine parents that are part of Avance’s education program. The nine best pictures will be put on silent auction at the gala and the proceeds will go toward

the services and programs offered at Avance. The gala will be open to the public with free admission.

“The Photovoice Project is a mythology using the field of education to provide a medium to individuals who do not have a voice to express themselves. That’s the purpose of the project,” Kretcha Roldán-Rodríguez, executive director of Avance, said. “Our participants often do not have that outlet to express themselves because of language barriers, because of socioeconomic barriers or because they don’t know how to. The Photovoice is a way of having those participants have that voice.”

Avance was founded in 2002 and provides classes for families throughout the year on various aspects of child education.

“We are considered a pioneer

in parenting education. We take parents who have children [ages] 0-3 and provide parenting skills training to with a curriculum of 27 lessons they must complete from September through May,” Roldán-Rodríguez said.

Roldán-Rodríguez said the parents receive classes on things like how to discipline and better communicate with their children. The parents are also taught how children develop from conception to three years of age.

“While the parents are doing that, the children are receiving early childhood instruction school readiness skills like knowing colors, identify sounds, all those pre-school readiness skills that they need on day one when they go to kindergarten,” Roldán-Rodríguez said. “Those are important because

usually children living in poverty are not exposed to those skills until a later point because parents do not prepare them.”

Roldán-Rodríguez said the program discusses a series of issues throughout the year that help the parents focus their pictures on various topics.

“We have a series of topics that we go through during the whole year ranging from family, faith, community, joys and pains, struggles, barriers, all those things and we have guided questions along with those topics so as a group we can discuss those things and they can open up ideas,” she said.

Dallas senior Polette Galvan is an intern at Avance and helping with the Photovoice Project Gala.

“Starting my internship there I learned so much about nonprofits

in general. I see how the budget cuts that are happening are going to affect the people in the community,” Galvan said.

Galvan worked closely with the participants of the Photovoice Project and helped teach them various tips for taking photos, including aspects of lighting and angles.

“When they went out to take the pictures, they had those ideas in their mind. They basically took pictures about things that we talked about,” Galvan said. “We also went to different parts of Waco like Cameron Park and took pictures there. There are also pictures of their families because one topic was the importance of families, so there are pictures of their children playing on swings and different things like that.”

Galvan said she feels the par-

ents that go through Avance’s program gain a depth of knowledge.

“I never really knew what nonprofits really do, but I can see when mothers go in there they have a different perspective on life,” Galvan said. “The topics and key ideas they’re taught really help their kids grow as better individuals.”

Galvan said those who attend the gala will gain a lot from viewing the participants’ work.

“With people going to the gala ,they’ll be able to interact with these mothers and see their story and how Avance has really impacted them on a personal level,” she said. “You’ll really be able to see the fruits of their labor. All nine participants are looking forward to this gala. Not many people get to experience an exhibition of their artwork.”

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### The Year in Bronze

The Baylor Bronze play at its end-of-the-year performance Thursday in the Roxy Grove Hall. Baylor’s bell choir is directed by Bob Avant.

## Conference aims to bolster consumer, poverty discussion

By Molly Packer  
Reporter

Changing the way the world looks at consumerism is on Baylor’s summer agenda this year. As hosts of the third Transformative Consumer Research Conference, Baylor will host professors from across the country June 24-26 to talk about prominent consumer issues facing the business world.

Though the conference has been held three times before, it has never been hosted by Baylor.

“The first time it was at Dartmouth and then at Villanova,” Dr. Brennan Davis, a marketing professor, said. “This really builds Baylor’s place as a world-class institution.”

The conference allows attendees to talk about the problems at hand in small groups. Davis calls it a “dialogue-ical” conference. Nine sectors of the conference are dedicated to separate issues, including poverty, addiction, obesity, youth risk and consumption and sustainable products. Every sector has 12 conference attendees to discuss and try to solve the problem.

Transformative research came

about with help from the Association for Consumer Research, a major consumer-focused guild in marketing.

“The Association for Consumer Research decided that the work to be done within consumer research was not focused enough on changing people’s lives in a positive way,” Davis said. “The conference started to, in a sense, pull professors out of the Ivory Tower and into a very practical and transformative work.”

Chris Blocker, a marketing professor, will be guiding discussion in the Poverty and Subsistence Marketplace sector of the conference.

“What we’re really looking at is poverty in general and how that affects customers,” Blocker said. “There’s been a lot of research on consumers with discretionary income and lots of abundance, but there hasn’t been much research at all on impoverished customers.”

Blocker and the other members of the group will be looking at consumerism of people doing what they have to do in order to survive. Those who produce their own food or sell their crops at a local market-

place go through a series of complex interactions simply to make a living.

“We’re really trying to spur dialogue and research that would have a transformative impact on them,” Blocker said. “We really want to spur research that understands the lives of impoverished consumers and helps them in a more human way.”

Helping others through transformative research is one way that Davis believes the conference will be good for Baylor, she said.

“It matches Baylor’s mission by committing this research to helping others,” Davis said. “We give feet to Baylor’s motto, Pro Ecclesia, Pro Texana, by expanding the reach beyond our great state to effect change around the world.”

Research findings from done at the conferences will be published in a journal.

“Public policy makers on the state and federal level are looking to these journals for their scientific knowledge about how to change,” Davis said. “If we can get information into the right hands, changes can be made.”

## Students reach out to youth this summer in Greece

By Caitlin Giddens  
Reporter

It’s a hopeful glimpse of light that serves as a guide out of the darkness.

This is how Jeff Walters, assistant director for campus recreation and leader of Baylor’s outdoor recreation and leadership trip to Athens, Greece, described the immersion of culture between Baylor students and Albanian immigrants. Walters will lead 10 Baylor students as they spend two weeks in July mentoring Albanian youth about leadership and self-esteem.

Walters said the plight of Albanian youth, who crossed the border into Athens after the fall of communism in their own country in the 1990s, is desperate.

“These teenagers are left with a lack of initiative because their parents’ dreams of entering a better life in Athens may not have come true,” Walters said. “There are real needs in Greece, particularly with the Albanian immigrants living there who need leadership and self-esteem. This won’t be a vacation, but a real mission trip.”

Baylor students may not travel to Greece with a hammer in hand, but they hope to build a lasting foundation of faith.

“We won’t be building anything, but we’ll be living life with

these teens for two weeks,” Walters said. “These people are coming from spiritual nothingness, which is a huge contrast from Baylor students. So the dynamic between the students should be interesting.”

After fleeing from Albania in the 1990s, 500,000 immigrants live in Athens. They are often lacking in education and hope for the new life they, or their parents, were seeking.

But two Baylor graduates, Bob and Janice Newell, created a service called Porta, a cultural and spiritual center to help Albanians improve their lives.

“Last year, I spent five days in Athens meeting with the Newells and people they work with,” Walters said. “I came away convinced Baylor students can help these wonderful people. I am just as certain our students can learn from them.”

Upon returning to America, Baylor students plan to maintain the relationships with the Albanian youth through Skype and social media.

“That will make our departure a little easier,” Walters said. “You may not be able to see your new friends face to face, but you can continue the discussions you began.”

Baylor students have been preparing to lead these cross-cultural discussions by engaging in team-building exercises and learning

about life in Athens.

“I’ve been reading about servant leadership to prepare for this summer,” El Paso freshman David Campbell said. “And we’ll work on leadership skills. Above all else, we will lead by example and try to show God’s love.”

The students will receive course credit in leadership classes through the trip to Greece. He knew he wanted to participate in a mission trip, so when the call for Greece was made he answered.

“I got to go to Greece last year and I loved the people and the culture,” Campbell said. “They needed guys to lead on the trip, so I knew I wanted to go. And because this is the first time Baylor is going, we’re holding our plans loosely.”

Baylor students will meet with the Newell family to learn more about the operation of the Porta Albanian house, striving to better immigrants’ lives in Athens.

“I can’t wait to build great relationships with people there and meet the Newells,” Bloomington, Minn., sophomore Emma Steincross said. “And teach the Albanian youth about loving themselves and believing in themselves.”

Because of the continual needs of the Albanian people living in Athens, Walters said he hopes to establish this mission trip as a tradition for Baylor students.



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Dear President Starr,

This letter is sent to express a sincere apology for the accident that occurred at the end of the parade route this past Friday.

My number one concern is for the family involved in the accident and specifically the little girl who was injured. My dad went to the hospital on Saturday to express my concern for this little girl. He was not able to visit with the parents, but did visit with the grandmother. I am hopeful to have the opportunity soon to visit with this family, personally expressing my concern and seeking their forgiveness.

The highlight of the parade for me was shaking hands with all the children in attendance along the route. Never, ever was it my intention to frighten or harm anyone. From the beginning of the parade route, the crowds were so encouraging and enthusiastic of our float. After three years of working incredibly hard to win the Class A Float Division Award, we were hopeful of winning the Crowd Favorite Award.

The shock of having injured a child continues to be devastating. There is very little I remember of the accident. All I remember is seeing the child and asking the police to arrest me. It was so painful to see what this motorcycle had done. It never occurred to me I could have lost control of the motorcycle, causing injury to others. The motorcycle was owned and operated by me on Saturday, and I never want to see it again.

It is important you know that I am extremely sorry for any negative reflections on Baylor University. Please inform me as to what I can do to keep this accident from any repercussions directed at Baylor University. The university has been good to me and to my family. We have a long history with the university, and I am grateful for the education and experiences the university has provided.

This is my senior year at Baylor. This semester my time has been spent working on academics. As any of my friends will attest, I have been focused on my studies and have not been seen around campus. It has been important to finish Baylor strong, taking advantage of the education available. The only activity, in which I have participated this semester, has been working on the construction of the Kappa Sig Float.

Again, please accept my sincere apology. I did not attend the football game on Saturday, but the victory all of the Baylor Nation experienced at Floyd Casey Stadium was incredible. It saddens me such a special Homecoming Weekend was scarred by this accident.

Respectfully yours,

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tive is going to be represented well enough so that the final report will represent a cross section of perspectives,” Davis said.

The community input phase began last December. Input has been collected from groups on campus that have chosen to submit documents, individuals in the Baylor family who have provided input online and through community input sessions in 16 cities across the country. Distinctions will be made in the report to indicate which group gave which input.

Neubert said the committee aims to be both inclusive and transparent in its work by encouraging participation and being open about its processes.

“We’ve tried to be as inclusive as possible in terms of encouraging people to fill out information and

provide documents and then try to be as transparent as possible in saying here’s the process we’re using to work on the data, here are the people involved,” Neubert said. “And then ultimately that synthesis and analysis in some form will be available, too.”

Davis said the Baylor community’s participation in the strategic planning process exceeded her expectations.

“I’m just so encouraged with the level of participation and the seriousness with which people took this request to be engaged,” Davis said. “The work was not easy; preparing these documents took a lot of time. At the community input session — that was a real strategic planning exercise. So we wanted the level of work to reflect the seriousness of strategic planning and I

think we were very successful.”

Starr said he is grateful for the Baylor family’s level of participation, calling their input “extremely thoughtful, very helpful.”

“We’ve been overwhelmed in the best sense of the word,” Starr said. “The family has been engaged. Well over, at last count, 2,000 people outside the Baylor campus have been involved. So we’re very grateful for that. Moreover, we’re continuing to receive input by email.”

Although he does not know what direction the strategic themes committee’s report will take, Starr does have one specific hope for the university’s future.

“It remains to be seen,” Starr said. “But it is to chart our future, whatever that should be, and I very much hope that it will be a global future that’s being charted.”

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surgery.

The bill would only affect couples applying for a marriage license after Sept. 1, the date this provision would go into effect. All marriage agreements entered into before then would be “governed by the law in effect immediately before that date,” according to the bill as filed in the Texas Legislature’s online database.

Chuck Smith, deputy executive director for LGBT advocacy organization Equality Texas, testified against S.B. 723 on behalf of his organization, and said he believes the bill’s author fails to recognize “the reality that people do change their sex.”

Smith said he believes it is a mistake to classify a person’s gender solely according to what he or she was at birth, and that being able to use an affidavit as proof of a sex change should be sufficient to apply for a marriage license.

“We believe that transgendered people that get married should be

able to use the most recent documentation to reflect who they are,” Smith said. “Someone who’s transi-

*“We believe that transgendered people that get married should be able to use the most recent documentation to reflect who they are.”*

Chuck Smith  
Deputy Executive Director  
Equality Texas

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what saved us.”

His son Justin remembers the dingy white cloud moving quickly toward the house.

“To me it sounded like destruction,” the 22-year-old said. “It was a mean, mean roar. It was awful.”

At least three people died in a Pleasant Grove subdivision southwest of Birmingham, where residents trickled back Thursday to survey the damage. Greg Harrison’s neighborhood was somehow unscathed, but he remains haunted by the wind, thunder and lightning as they built to a crescendo, then suddenly stopped.

“Sick is what I feel,” he said. “This is what you see in Oklahoma and Kansas. Not here. Not in the South.”

Alabama Gov. Robert Bentley said his state had confirmed 204 deaths. There were 33 deaths in Mississippi, 33 in Tennessee, 15 in Georgia, five in Virginia and one in Kentucky. Hundreds if not thousands of people were injured — nearly 800 in Tuscaloosa alone.

Some of the worst damage was about 50 miles southwest of Pleasant Grove in Tuscaloosa, a city of more than 83,000 that is home to the University of Alabama. The storms destroyed the city’s emergency management center, so the school’s Bryant-Denny Stadium

was turned into a makeshift one. School officials said two students were killed, though they did not say how they died. Finals were canceled and commencement was postponed.

Tuscaloosa Mayor Walter Maddox told reporters that police and the National Guard will impose a curfew at 10 p.m. Thursday, and 8 p.m. the next night. Authorities have been searching for survivors so far, but Maddox said they will begin using cadaver dogs on Friday.

A tower-mounted news camera in Tuscaloosa captured images of an astonishingly thick, powerful tornado flinging debris as it leveled neighborhoods.

That twister and others Wednesday were several times more severe than a typical tornado, which is hundreds of yards wide, has winds around 100 mph and stays on the ground for a few miles, said research meteorologist Harold Brooks at the Storm Prediction Center.

“There’s a pretty good chance some of these were a mile wide, on the ground for tens of miles and had wind speeds over 200 mph,” he said.

The loss of life is the greatest from an outbreak of U.S. tornadoes since April 1974, when the weather service said 315 people were killed by a storm that swept across 13

Southern and Midwestern states.

Brooks said the tornado that struck Tuscaloosa could be an EF5 — the strongest category of tornado, with winds of more than 200 mph — and was at least the second-highest category, an EF4.

Search and rescue teams fanned out to dig through the rubble of devastated communities that bore eerie similarities to the Gulf Coast after Hurricane Katrina in 2005, when town after town lay flattened for nearly 90 miles.

In Phil Campbell, a small town of 1,000 in northwest Alabama where 26 people died, the grocery store, gas stations and medical clinic were destroyed by a tornado that Mayor Jerry Mays estimated was a half-mile wide and traveled some 20 miles.

“We’ve lost everything. Let’s just say it like it is,” Mays said. “I’m afraid we might have some suicides because of this.”

President Barack Obama said he would travel to Alabama on Friday to view storm damage and meet Bentley and affected families. As many as a million homes and businesses there were without power, and Bentley said 2,000 National Guard troops had been activated to help. The governors of Mississippi and Georgia also issued emergency declarations for parts of their states.

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organization Charity Water.

Charity Water has already provided 1,794,983 people in 19 countries with clean water through 3,962 projects like the one Danielson is leading, Charity Water’s website states.

“Almost a billion people on the planet don’t have access to clean drinking water. Unsafe water and a lack of basic sanitation cause 80 percent of all disease and kill more people than all forms of violence, including war,” the website said.

Danielson said he chose Charity Water because the organization uses its funds efficiently.

“One hundred percent of the donations go to the digging of the well and the training of the people who live in the community,” Danielson said.

“They show you how it’s broken down, where your money goes. All of their expenses, like salaries and stuff, are covered by private donors. ... That’s why I chose Charity Water.”

With Charity Water, those interested in raising money to build wells in Africa can set up their own

campaigns on mycharitywater.org, which is what Danielson did earlier this semester.

On the Charity Water website, donations can be made directly to Danielson’s cause, which, according to the website, has already received \$945 from 21 donations.

In addition to the website, Danielson is taking other measures to inform his fellow students.

“I’ve started to go around to different groups on campus, like Student Foundation and Greek organizations, and that will continue,” Danielson said. “There’s so much that we can do real easily by just donating a few dollars. ... My goal is to raise \$5,000 to drill a well and provide a community of about 250 people with clean water for 20 years.”

Danielson caught the attention of one member of Alpha Delta Pi, Brandenton, Fla., freshman Ariel Pecoraro.

“[Danielson] came to talk to us about all that he’s doing and I have a real passion for service and Africa so I thought it was a great cause to donate money to,” Pecoraro said.

his or her own gender to be. People can find themselves in a situation in which their “sexual self-identity is in conflict with their biological and anatomical sex,” according to the court’s majority opinion.

It’s questionable whether the bill would even fully accomplish what its author intends, Smith said. He also said the language could still allow for transgender individuals to obtain a marriage license using a driver’s license or other documentation that reflects their gender after reconstructive surgery. Smith also said this bill would effectively open the door for two self-identifying females to obtain a marriage license, provided one of them was born male.

S.B. 723 failed to obtain the two-thirds majority necessary to bring it to the Senate floor for consideration ahead of schedule. As it stands, it could be weeks before it reaches a vote, but officials could not confirm a more specific date.





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### Sports Briefs

*With the semester nearing an end, Baylor athletics starts postseason play*

#### Men's tennis

No. 7 men's Tennis starts competition in the Big 12 Tournament today after receiving a bye in the first round yesterday. The Bears claimed their ninth regular season Big 12 Title in ten years a week ago when they downed No. 6 Texas A&M at the Baylor Tennis Center. Now they set their sights on their eighth Big 12 Tournament trophy in 10 years.

#### Women also in action

No. 7 Women's Tennis chases its sixth consecutive Big 12 Tournament crown this weekend after capturing its seventh consecutive conference regular season title. They carry a 12-game win streak into the tourney that they have won as the No. 1 seed each of the last five years. Ranked No. 15 in the nation, junior Sona Novakova (28-8 overall) leads the way for the Lady Bears after being named Big 12 Player of the Week this past week.

#### Women's golf

Though her team was not offered an at-large bid to the NCAA West Regional May 5-7, junior Chelsey Cothran became one of six individual golfers offered an at-large bid to travel to Auburn, Wash. Cothran is the first Baylor golfer in program history to receive the individual bid.

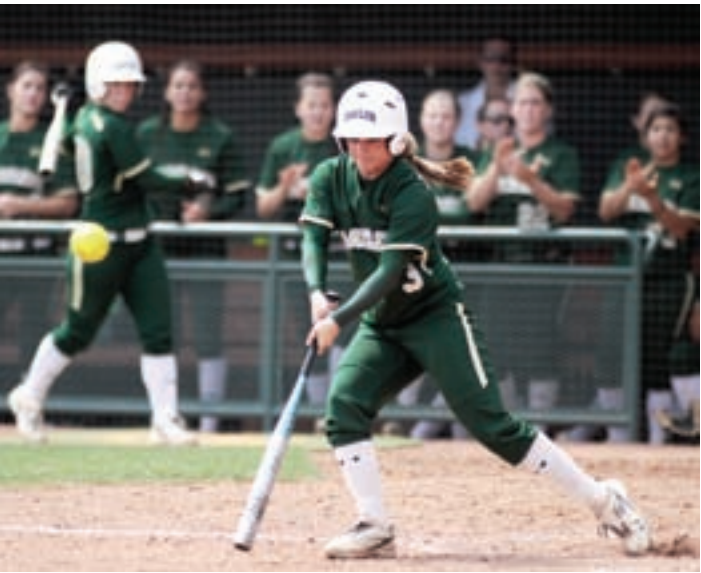
#### Track and field

Both men's and women's track jumped into the Top 15 in the country in time to travel to Des Moines, Iowa for the Drake Relays this weekend.



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Baylor No. 35 Crayton Bare throws a pitch during the game last Friday against Missouri. The Bears won, 6-3, and travel to Lincoln, Neb., this weekend to face the Nebraska Cornhuskers.



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Baylor No. 3 Kayce Walker fouls off a pitch during the game against Oklahoma State last Friday. The Lady Bears lost, 4-2, but remain ranked No. 17 in the country as they battle last-place Iowa State this weekend.

## Senior Jones' story transcends stats

By MATT LARSEN  
SPORTS WRITER

The green scoreboards with “hustle stats” stamped boldly across them in white letters that hung from the Ferrell Center ceiling may have come down when Baylor’s basketball arena got a makeover this last winter.

But coach Kim Mulkey and the Lady Bears’ passion for the section of the stat sheet that documents assists, rebounds, blocks and steals has done anything but collect dust this past season.

If Mulkey could pick a player who embodied these stats in 2011 and really ever since setting foot on campus, she would look straight to senior Melissa Jones.

Actually, she did pick Jones to embody these stats.

In addition to retiring her jersey earlier this month, the women’s basketball program created an annual Hustle and Courage Award, made Jones’ the first recipient of it and then finally named the award after her.

The speech communication major and two-year captain will graduate this May having set career or season marks in all of the “hustle” categories except blocks.

The guard finishes eighth on the school career steals list with 199.

She picked up 135 of her team’s 606 assists as a senior this last year to notch the fourth highest season assist mark in Baylor history. Then hauled in 248 rebounds to secure the school’s No. 9 spot for rebounds in a season.

And yet most coaches, Mulkey included, don’t need the stat sheet to explain Jones’ impact on the floor.

Opposing coach after opposing coach shuffled up to the microphone during the postgame press conference with words of praise for the captain but one word stuck out

more than others.

Glue.  
“Melissa Jones is the glue that holds this team together,” Mulkey and numerous opposing coaches said.

The word glue does not carry shiny, glamorous connotations but that’s exactly what seems to draw teammates, coaches and fans.

“I think people just love watching her play because she gives everything she’s got, because that’s how the game should be played,” junior Lindsay Palmer said.

Jones does not need a basket and bright lights to draw a crowd, though.

Palmer witnessed firsthand her teammate’s magnetic personality in a dirt field with soccer goals while on a Sports Mission Trip to Kenya last summer. For the second straight year, Jones and Palmer took part in the Baylor-sponsored trip that hosted several sports clinics and did repair work on a rehab-house this past summer.

“There was a time she was with toddlers at some school,” Palmer said. “She was the only white person there. She was this pale-skinned girl and she was sitting there playing duck-duck goose with all these little kids running around and the world,” she said. “At least she is easy to spot. It was so cute. They were all over her.”

While little children seemed to flock to her, Jones remains convinced she has been the one most changed by her time spent in Kenya.

“My intentions were to go over there and to help play with kids and share God’s Word with everybody. To get Jesus Christ known around the world,” she said. “There was one particular memory from this last summer of several individuals who have diseases from jiggers. I came to realize that we may be washing a physical part of their lives but at the same time we have

By MATT LARSEN  
AND KRISTA PIRTLE  
SPORTS WRITERS

Baylor baseball and softball are both nearing the homestretch, and each squad has its eyes firmly fixed on postseason berths.

#### Baseball faces Cornhuskers

With a 5-1 win over the University of Texas San Antonio Tuesday, Baylor baseball (22-20, 7-11) will look for its next foothold at the University of Nebraska this weekend.

At seventh in the Big 12, the Bears seek a solid grip in the 10-team conference race from which to propel themselves to a solid finish during their last three conference matchups.

With the No. 14 and No. 19 teams in the country in Oklahoma and Oklahoma State to close out the Big 12, the road trip to Nebraska (26-16, 5-9) this weekend becomes that much more important.

The Bears come off a non-conference win in which they manufactured five runs off seven hits and got a double from freshman Lawton Langford when they needed it but didn’t have many hits to spare.

“That is really the only key hit we got all game,” head coach Steve Smith said of Langford’s 2-RBI double.

When it came to the mound, Smith was a little more pleased.

Junior starter Brooks Pinckard held the roadrunners to one run in his 5.1 innings of work before senior Jon Ringenberg and sophomore Max Garner combined for 3.2 innings of scoreless relief.

“Hopefully, we can get some

momentum from this,” Pinckard said. “We played great, it is not like we played bad baseball and got a win. We just have to go into this weekend with the same confidence we had tonight.”

Sitting right behind the Bears in the conference standings, the Huskers also see this weekend as a virtual must-win series if they hope to be playing in the postseason.

Junior Cody Asche leads his team from the plate with a .630 slugging percentage and conference-best 19 doubles.

On the mound, the Huskers feature a trio of young starters.

Left-handed freshman Logan Ehlers (1-1, 3.65 ERA) is expected to start Friday’s 6:35 p.m. matchup against junior righty Logan Verrett (4-4, 3.69 ERA).

Saturday’s game, with an opening pitch at 2:05 in the afternoon, pits freshman Jon Keller (2-4, 2.66 ERA) against sophomore Josh Turley (2-3, 4.25 ERA).

After his first career start boded well for the Bears Tuesday, Pinckard finds himself facing sophomore Tyler Niederklein in the Sunday spot of the weekend rotation. Niederklein is slated to throw the first pitch at 1:05 p.m. Sunday at Haymarket Park.

#### Softball seeks third place finish

Approaching its last five games before postseason play begins, the Baylor softball team has hopes to finish third in the Big 12 after being picked in the preseason to finish sixth.

“I think postseason wise we’re OK but you got to win ballgames,” Baylor softball head coach Glenn Moore said. “You want to finish in

the top half of the conference, and we have a shot to finish third still. That’s very respectable with the strength of this conference.”

Currently, Baylor is No. 5 behind Texas, Missouri, Oklahoma State and Texas A&M and is mathematically eliminated from first or second place contention. The Lady Bears split games with both Missouri and Texas A&M while being swept by OSU and losing their only game to Texas Wednesday night.

Nationally speaking, to finish in the top half of the Big 12 would be quite the accomplishment as seven out of the ten teams are nationally ranked: No. 3 Texas, No. 8 Missouri, No. 14 Oklahoma, No. 17. Baylor and Oklahoma State, No. 19 Nebraska and No. 21 Texas A&M.

First up on the remainder of Baylor’s conference schedule is a two game road trip to take on Iowa State.

“We need to take two like we’re supposed to,” junior outfielder Kayce Walker said. “We’re on the downhill stretch. We need to get everything together before we go into post season.”

From the mound, redshirt sophomore Whitney Canion carries her squad with a 20-8 mark, a 1.24 ERA and a conference leading three saves.

From the plate, senior Dani Leal leads the team with 13 homers, 34 RBIs and .763 slugging percentage.

After that, the Lady Bears return back to Waco for their final series at Getterman Stadium as they host Nebraska May 7-8. Their last conference game will be a much-wanted rematch against Texas in Austin May 15.

## Two Bears selected in NFL draft's first round

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For the second straight year, at least one Baylor football player heard his name called in the first round of the NFL draft.

#### Taylor to Browns

After making two trades, the Cleveland Browns selected defensive tackle Phil Taylor with the No. 21 pick, a run stopper for their new 4-3 defensive alignment.

Taylor finished last season with 62 total tackles, good for fifth on the team and seven tackles for loss.

The Browns first swapped the No. 6 overall pick with Atlanta, acquired four others from the Falcons, including the No. 27 pick and then swapped that pick and a third-rounder (No. 70) with the Kansas City Chiefs to get Taylor, a 6-foot-3, 330-pounder.

Cleveland’s defensive front is changing next season under new coach Pat Shurmur.

#### Watkins to Eagles

The Philadelphia Eagles selected Baylor offensive lineman Danny Watkins with the 23rd pick of the NFL draft Thursday night.

The 26-year-old Watkins is a former firefighter who took an unconventional route to the NFL. The Canadian has more experience as a firefighter (five years) than a football player (four) and played hockey and rugby in high school.

Watkins, listed at 6-foot-4 and 312 pounds, played left tackle for Baylor but projects as a guard in the pros.

He could help an offensive line that allowed 49 sacks last season, despite the presence of Michael Vick.



NICK BERRYMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Senior Melissa Jones concentrates on the rim before attempting a free throw against Texas A&M on March 29 in the Elite Eight. After the Lady Bears were eliminated, Jones’ jersey was retired at the Ferrell Center.

our own disease and that’s called sin. That was something I could relate to and that was something that really hit my heart.”

When not washing feet or playing duck-duck goose amidst a cluster of African children, Jones spends her summer time training and coaching younger girls on the basketball court in her hometown of Thornton, Colo.

Palmer said she finds a way to live the same no matter what continent or court she sets foot.

“She gives a lot of herself to other people,” she said. “She legitimately wants the team to succeed

first and foremost. That’s very evident throughout her whole life.”

The Melissa Jones Hustle and Courage Award pretty much says it.

The soon-to-be graduate spent the past four years giving much of her sweat and the occasional tear in a lifestyle of pouring out her energy for the sake of a team and its mission.

But since shiny plaques are not her style, one must ask: has it been worth it?

For Jones, it seemed there couldn’t be an easier question. “Every step of the way,” she said.





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# Mulkey’s daughter runs court, base path



McGregor freshman Makenzie Robertson runs into third during a play against Oklahoma State Saturday at Gettnerman Stadium. A third out was called on the Lady Bears during the play.

BY KRISTA PIRTLE  
SPORTS WRITER

McGregor freshman Makenzie Robertson is able to go home when she pleases and sleep in her own bed, grab a meal more appetizing than she can find on campus and have her mom, the national coach of the year, do her laundry. “It’s not that big a difference,” Robertson said.

Robertson, a standout basketball player at Midway High School, a 15-minute drive from Baylor campus, has always wanted to play for her mom, who was named the U.S. Basketball Writers Association 2010-11 coach of the year in women’s collegiate basketball. For some people, that means having Mom coach a youth league team; for Robertson, that meant her college basketball career.

“I didn’t even go on any official visits anywhere else because I didn’t want to waste anyone’s time because I knew I wanted to play for my mom,” Robertson said.

Robertson looked nowhere else other than Baylor; while Rice and SMU pursued her, she showed no interest. Other schools knew not to offer because it was obvious Robertson would follow in her mom’s footsteps.

Once she signed with Baylor, questions circulated as to how Mulkey would treat her daughter on the hardwood.

“I’ve never coached either of my children in any sports, and I’ve

always been, I don’t want to say leery, but I always wondered what it would be like [and] if it would be difficult to take the emotions out of it. And it was very easy to do,” women’s basketball head coach Kim Mulkey said. “I had no problem.”

It was strictly a business relationship on the court as Mulkey showed no favoritism and gave her daughter the same constructive criticism she gives all her players.

When asked what she calls her mom on the court, Robertson grinned.

“I don’t even know if I ever even said anything,” Robertson said. “I think I just raised my hand and started talking or went to another coach because I would just end up calling her mom.”

Once the season ended, Robertson got a day off and then changed from her basketball jersey to a softball one.

“Makenzie approached me about coming over after basketball, asking if we needed a base runner she’d like to keep playing,” Baylor softball head coach Glenn Moore said. “She played in high school and won a state championship. We had kind of expected this to be a possibility. We had seen her enough to know that she knew what she was doing and of course we were open to it.”

Robertson’s first appearance in a game was pinch running in game one against Missouri on April 2.

Mulkey was late for the game. “I was running late for the game because Kramer, my son, was finishing up his baseball game and I couldn’t find the softball game on the radio and I was panicked because I couldn’t find it,” Mulkey said. “I actually parked in Judge [Ken] Starr’s parking spot. I just locked the car door, and I heard the announcement over the PA system, ‘And in pinch running, Makenzie Robertson.’ I took off in a dead sprint to get up the steps so I could see her. I was thinking to myself, has Glenn Moore lost his mind?”

Moore chuckles when he recalls the frantic Mulkey after the Missouri game.

“Typically, when she’s home and not recruiting, she’s sitting to the right of where I coach third base when Makenzie was in the seventh grade,” Moore said. “So to have her daughter on the team just makes it more special.”

He is still in the process of getting to know Robertson but likes what he sees so far.

“On the way back from Kansas on the bus she was encouraged with a strong arm to sing in front of the team. We got rid of that shell I think. She’s enhanced that [chemistry]. She’s a neat kid and she’s definitely enhancing the Baylor softball program.”

Robertson recorded her first career at-bat against UTSA on March 20, grounding out in the sixth inning of a 5-0 win.

# Rangers finish 5-5 homestand with loss to Blue Jays

BY STEPHEN HAWKINS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ARLINGTON — Texas Rangers reliever Darren Oliver surprised he even got to the ball. Chris Davis knew it was a nearly perfect bunt on which there was little chance of getting anybody out.

Corey Patterson bunted home the go-ahead run in the ninth inning when he dragged the ball on a safety squeeze for Toronto in a 5-2 victory over the AL West-leading Rangers on Thursday.

“He bunted it into no man’s land,” the 40-year-old Oliver said.

When Oliver (1-2) fielded the ball, nobody was covering the bag with first baseman Davis charging in and thinking about trying to throw home if he got the ball.

Patterson got credited with a single and John McDonald, who held at third base until the ball was safely in play, scored the go-ahead run.

Then the Blue Jays, who took three of four games in the series, added two more runs when Texas made two errors on the same play.

“We’ll just wash it down the drain and move on,” manager Ron Washington said.

After a 5-5 homestand, and still holding a one-game division lead over the Los Angeles Angels, the Rangers head to the West Coast for seven games in seven days against AL West opponents. They play four games in Oakland and three in Seattle before returning home to play the New York Yankees.

The defending AL champion Rangers have lost nine of 15 games since a 9-1 start.

“We need to play better obviously,” Rangers second baseman Ian Kinsler said. “Right now, we don’t like the way we’re playing. ... Offensively, we need to get better and take it on the road and try and improve.”

McDonald and pinch-hitter Yunel Escobar had consecutive one-out singles before Patterson’s bunt. After Jose Bautista drew his majors-best 26th walk and Adam Lind struck out, third baseman Adrian Beltre made his first error of the season and Oliver had a throwing error allowing another run.

“Put it behind us,” Oliver said. “That’s all we can do.”

Frank Francisco (1-0), who played his first six major league seasons in Texas before being traded in January, got the final four outs. The right-hander struck out Mitch Moreland after taking over with two on and two outs in the eighth before a perfect ninth.

“I don’t really look who’s in there. I just face who I got to face,” he said. “I feel great.”

Rangers starter Alexi Ogando struck out seven with three walks while allowing two runs and four hits over six innings. The right-hander had strikeouts for six of the first eight outs he got.

Brandon Morrow, making only his second start of the season for Toronto, struck out six in six innings with one walk.

“Good pitching battle, both Alexi and Morrow,” Washington said. “We had some opportunities, and we didn’t cash any of them in, and it just came back and got us.”

Bautista walked after Ogando struck out the first two batters in the game. Lind then hit a 411-foot shot into the second deck of seats in right field that ricocheted back onto the field for his third homer of the series. He has 10 homers in his last 14 games at Rangers Ballpark.

Pedro Strop struck out Lind on a 10-pitch at-bat to end the seventh with the bases loaded.

Texas got a run in the first when Elvis Andrus had a one-out walk, stole second and scored on a single by Beltre.

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# BU treks ahead after shining at Waco meet

## Top finishes give Bears wave of momentum

By LINDSAY CASH  
REPORTER

Baylor's most outstanding runners from past and present were featured on the home track last weekend at the Michael Johnson Dr Pepper Classic. World-class competitors watched as Baylor athletes and 18 other schools competed at the Hart-Patterson Track

and Field Complex. Baylor rounded up eight wins as an elite crowd of alumni reunited, signed autographs and cheered on the athletes in their footsteps. Michael Johnson's presence at the meet was one to be remembered. Johnson stood alongside Olympians Jeremy Wariner, Sanya Richards-Ross, Darold Williamson and Reggie Witherspoon. "It's such a neat thing to be a part of such an elite Baylor tradition. There were memories through the decades all meeting in one place," Coach Todd Harbour said. Along with the presence of Baylor Legends Raymond Pierre and the women's 1991 4-x-800-meter relay team, it was a reunion weekend for alumni.

"We had a reunion tent that evening for people to meet with one another. There was actually a good crowd there, despite it being Easter weekend," Harbour said. Each of the field event winners set personal bests and moved into the NCAA's top 10. Walla Walla, Wash., senior Nick Lyons in the javelin broke his record for the second weekend in a row, making that the second best throw in the country. His toss hit 257 feet, 2 inches. "Nick had good conditions and took advantage of it. He popped out an outstanding throw," Harbour said. In the discus, DeSoto sophomore Skylar White was busy moving from 13th to seventh place as she tossed at a career best of 178-3. In the triple jump, El Paso ju-

nior Jessica Ubanyionwu moved to sixth in the NCAA with her career-best leap of 43-2.5. Wind was an intense factor during the field events, but White pushed through the conditions. "I'm at home. I don't care about the weather elements," White said with a smile. Individually on the track, the men claimed three titles, with career bests from Bartlett, Tenn., junior James Gilreath in the 800 meters and Texas City junior Whitney Prevost in the 200 meters. Repentigny, Quebec, freshman Gabriel El Hanbli joined them in victory lane in the 400-meter hurdles. Gilreath is tied for 12th-best in the NCAA with a time of 1:48.54. Prevost's final time was 20.70, with New Orleans junior Woodrow

Randall close behind finishing in third place, at 20.80. El Hanbli finished at 51.05 in the men's 400-meter hurdles, steadily surging toward the finish. He was the former Canadian national champion in this particular event. "Our men had really solid performances. With the men now ranked 10th and women 12th in the NCAA, we are in the pool of making the top four. Both teams are closing in on it, and if we keep our goals in front and our people healthy, I really think we've got a shot at it," Harbour said. For the women, Killeen senior Tiffany Townsend ran her first 200 of the season and placed fourth with a time if 23.25. Kansas City freshman Tiffani McReynolds

placed second in the 100-meter hurdles at 13.02 and landed fifth in the 100 meters at 11.37. DeSoto junior Diamond Richardson landed a season-best, placing fourth in the 400 meters at 53.37. In the women's 800 meters, Landover, Md., junior Brittany OgunMokun finished third at 2:09.18, followed closely by Littleton, Colo., junior Leigh Ann Ganzar in fourth at 2:10.57. Harbour's outlook on the conclusion of the season is positive and upbeat. The team travels to participate in the Drake Relays this weekend. This site is one of Baylor's most successful performance spots in history, and Harbour and his squad say they are geared to move into the top four by season's end.



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Left: At the Michael Johnson/Dr. Pepper Classic on Saturday, steeplechaser Taylor Jackson competes against other Texas schools, coming in 10th at the Hart Patterson Track and Field Complex.

Right: El Paso junior Jessica Ubanyionwu participates in the triple jump.

Below right: Lee's Summit, Mo., senior Brittany Bruce gives a high five to her teammate after running a race.

Below left: In the pole vaulting competition, pole vaulter Joe Farley placed third for Baylor.



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Wisconsin defensive end J.J. Watt was the 11th overall pick for the Houston Texans.



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Southern Cal defensive lineman Tyron Smith was the ninth overall pick for the Dallas Cowboys.

# Texans, Cowboys use draft to plug holes

HOUSTON — The Houston Texans took Wisconsin defensive end J.J. Watt with the 11th overall pick Thursday night, trying to bolster one of the league’s weakest pass rushes.

The 6-foot-5, 290-pound Watt made 43 tackles behind the line of scrimmage, including 11 1/2 sacks, in 26 games last season.

A former tight end, Watt transferred to Wisconsin after playing one season at Central Michigan. He entered the draft after two seasons with the Badgers.

“He plays 100 miles an hour on every play,” Texans defensive coordinator Wade Phillips said. “This is the kind of player we want on the Texans’ defense.”

Houston ranked last in pass defense and 30th in total defense last season.

The Texans ranked 23rd in both interceptions (13) and sacks (30) in 2010, and Phillips replaced Frank Bush as defensive coordinator.

The Texans have taken a defensive player with their first overall

pick in seven of the past eight drafts. Houston passed on taking Nebraska cornerback Prince Amukamara to shore up the secondary.

Phillips said the Texans were also eyeing Missouri defensive end Aldon Smith, who was taken by San Francisco at No. 7.

*“Passes defended and tackles for a defensive lineman at that position are rare. This guy makes a lot of plays.”*

Wade Phillips | Texans defensive coordinator

But Phillips said Watt should be a good complement to defensive end Mario Williams, the No. 1 overall pick in the 2006 draft.

“He gives us a lot of versatility,” Phillips said. “This guy can play the right end for you, and that gives us versatility for what you

want to do with Mario. That was a big key point for us.”

Watt led the Badgers with seven sacks in 2010, and also broke up eight passes, a statistic that caught Phillips’ attention. He ranked second on the team with 62 tackles, intercepted a pass and blocked three kicks in 2010.

“Passes defended and tackles for a defensive lineman at that position are rare,” Phillips said. “This guy makes a lot of plays.”

Houston has the 42nd overall pick in the second round, and the 73rd overall selection in the third round.

General manager Rick Smith said this week that he was open to trading picks to move up in the draft order, but Phillips said the right scenario never materialized.

Phillips hinted that the Texans will continue to look for defensive players over the remainder of the draft.

“We still need some more defensive players,” Phillips said. “I think everybody is clear — we need a lot of defense in this draft.”

IRVING — Tyron Smith already has a claim to fame in Dallas Cowboys lore. He is the first offensive lineman drafted in the first round by Jerry Jones.

Since Smith is only 20, and the Cowboys took him with the ninth overall pick, they are counting on him to grow into something a lot more special.

The 6-foot-5, 307-pounder from Southern Cal is likely to immediately replace Marc Colombo at right tackle. Eventually, Dallas would like to move Smith to the left side to take over the vital role of protecting Tony Romo’s blind side.

Smith started only two years in college. His size, athleticism and his potential to blossom into a long-term answer at a difficult position made him too good of a pick for the Cowboys to resist.

The Cowboys could’ve gone for a more proven offensive tackle in Anthony Castonzo of Boston College, or tried filling other holes. Instead, they made Smith the first offensive lineman taken in the draft.

Smith, who doesn’t even turn

21 until Dec. 12, was at the draft in New York.

Dallas hadn’t picked an offensive lineman in the first round since 1981, when the Tom Landry-Tex Schramm leadership took Howard Richards at No. 26. He didn’t pan out, and neither have most of the linemen Jones’ Cowboys have taken in the early rounds in recent years.

They whiffed with a second-round pick on Jacob Rogers, also of USC, and third-rounder Stephen Peterman in 2004, and they got little out of third-round pick James Marten in 2007. Robert Brewster, a third-rounder in 2009, also doesn’t look like he’s going to pan out.

The best Dallas has done with an offensive lineman recently is taking Doug Free in the fourth round in ’07. He started at left tackle last year and is expected to do so again next season. Once Smith is ready to move to the left side, Free could be moved to the right side, which is where he first broke into the starting lineup in 2009 when Colombo was injured.

# Lady Bears breakfast together for education, camaraderie

By MATT LARSEN  
SPORTS WRITER

They may not be the most nutritious breakfasts ever, but the Lady Bears’ strength coach and nutritionist sat pleased as long as the team’s off-season breakfasts at Penland came with a dash of health-consideration and plenty of good times.

“Obviously, the goal of me eating with them was so we could discuss nutrition,” Jeremy Heffner, Director of Athletic Performance for Women’s Basketball said of the regular breakfasts in Penland last fall that the Lady Bears were required to attend.

“My whole philosophy on it is, you can’t make somebody eat something, at least not on a consistent basis,” Heffner said. “I

can cultivate their eating habits by spending time with them and making suggestions. What I want to develop is habits for a lifetime.”

So, in place of strict dietary measures, Heffner encouraged healthy doses of both pancakes and laughter to start off the morning while taking on any questions that came his way.

“He probably just laughs at what we eat half the time,” senior guard Melissa Jones said. “He is almost is like a walking encyclopedia when it comes to nutrition.”

Because the long season and early morning hours blurred most of the camaraderie together, Heffner doesn’t recall too many particular conversations.

But if particular conversations have drifted into obscurity, particular meals have not.

Heffner figured about 90 percent of the girls always chose omelets from Miss Dee.

“I had a few girls who were strict carnivores. Brittney Griner being one of them,” he said. “So she always had bacon on her plate.”

The All-American post was far from the only standout when it came to food choice though.

“Lindsay Palmer devours strawberries, by the pound,” Heffner said.

Palmer, a junior from Tulsa, didn’t mention her own liking for strawberries but was quick to call out Jones.

“Melissa is obsessed with breakfast burritos,” Palmer said.

Sophomore forward Mariah Chandler chimed her agreement to Jones’ obsession.

The Atlanta native recalls a time when Jones discovered her class that usually follows breakfast was cancelled and stuck around for a few more plates.

“She had two breakfast burritos, two omelets, two plates of fruit, and a whole bunch of cups of water,” Chandler recalls. “I am sure she had some pancakes in there too.”

As to the incident, Jones didn’t deny it but refused to take too much of the Penland spotlight.

“Lindsay can pack it down too,” Jones said. “If you ask anybody on the team, she eats the most. Mariah, she is sneaky too. While she is waiting in line she is eating so it doesn’t seem like she is eating as much while we’re at the table.”

Though quick to point the fin-

ger about who eats the most, the trio couldn’t agree more about the one who prepares most of their morning meals.

“Got to get Mama Dee’s omelets,” Palmer said.

Chandler’s omelet orders came with a question from Miss Dee about how her mom was doing. Chandler’s biological mother and Baylor mother struck a chord when the two were introduced during Mrs. Chandler’s visit last year.

Chandler as well as Jones noted Miss Dee’s desire to pray for them about anything going on in their lives.

Jones, however, especially values Miss Dee’s ability to recall everyone’s order by just seeing their faces and her consistent response to life.

“Mama Dee, everyday when you asked her how she is doing, her response is always, ‘I’m blessed,’” Jones said. “That just speaks volumes because no matter how good of a day she was having or how bad of a day, she still made it a point to say she is blessed.”

Whether it be a secret ingredient in Mama Dee’s omelets or just the chance to interact off the court, Palmer and company agree that Penland breakfasts helped pave the way for a solid 2010-2011 season.

“I would assume any time you spend with every one where you’re talking outside of a basketball setting would help [build chemistry],” she said. “Eating a meal is a much more relaxed setting. No one is fighting for a position. You’re just... eating.”

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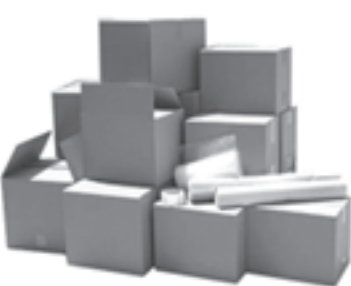
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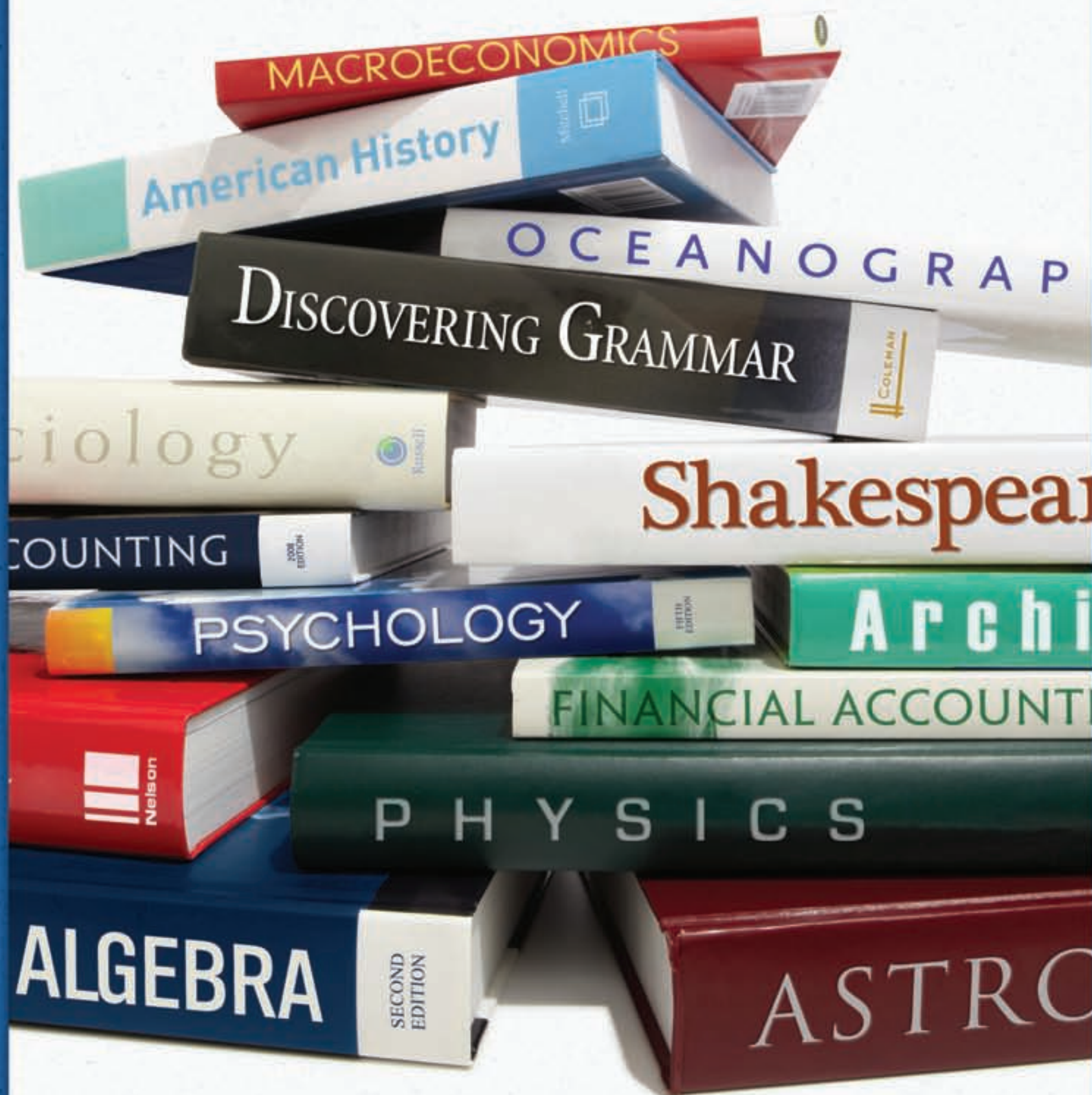


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# Photo, print sale showcases students' artwork

By LIZ HITCHCOCK  
REPORTER

The art department is holding the students' photography show and print sale from 5 to 7 p.m. today in the Martin Museum of Art gallery and lobby.

"Students do a lot of good work over the semester and have not had a place to share it with their friends," Susan Mullally, professor of art, said. "It seemed like they should have a place to share their work and a celebration for the end of the semester. ... It's always held on the last day of classes every semester. It's grown since we started. At first we just had my classes participate, but now it's all the photography classes."

The show will incorporate photos from the classes, from beginning black and white photography to digital photography and advanced photography.

"The photos will be in a black box," Haley Propes, an Austin junior, said. "You will be able to open it up and there will be an artist statement, then you can look through all the photos."

Some of the photos will be the end result of students' final projects; the digital photography class work will be based on inspiration drawn from other photographers.

"We'll be showing our final project. [Mullally] gave us a lot of freedom and it's 10 photos," Maria Knorr, a San Francisco junior, said. "She had us pick an artist and use inspiration from them. We will be allowed to show eight other photos from the semester."

The content and subject matter of the photography will vary, giving the viewers more to choose from.

Students were able to choose the content of their bodies of work, focusing on a topic or a concept.

"There is anywhere from narrative photography, on a specific story, to simple composition, design-oriented photos," Propes said. "Some people focused on models and figures and others people explored the idea of objects that don't deteriorate. We were supposed to find artists and use their work as inspiration."

Students were given creative freedom just as long as the photos

fit together as a group. They were also able to select the works that they would like to display and sell.

"In my class, Photo II, we mostly focused on producing a collective body of work for each student," Rowlett senior Josh Matz said. "We made 10 photos that are hopefully cohesive as a group. They range from some like mine, which are water droplets, to someone who did Alice In Wonderland. We will have other photos as well, but we are focusing on this group of photos."

The students will be selling their work, and the money will go back to that individual student.

"The money is to kind of get back some of the money that we spent on our supplies," Knorr said.

Pieces will range from \$10 to \$20 and food and drink will be provided, Matz said.

"When artists start showing their work, they start taking their work and themselves more seriously," Mullally said.

"When someone buys their work it's validation of their ideas and content and even technical abilities."



Patrons look at student photos for sale at last semester's photo and print sale. This semester's sale will be from 5 to 7 p.m. today in Martin Museum of Art.

# Sexual abuse on canvas: a new way to raise awareness

By STORI LONG  
REPORTER

Art has the ability to breed empathy, understanding and sympathy in viewers. People are able to, in a way, experience things they have never experienced before.

A Baylor student opened his work to the public in "Lost Innocence Dreamscape," a solo art exhibition, on Thursday.

Through his exhibit, Wichita Falls senior Colton Canava takes the viewer on a chilling journey through the mind of a young girl coping with abuse.

"My work is an expression of some of my own experiences as well as the experiences of others," Canava said. "You may not know exactly how someone feels because our experiences are different, but you can understand and share emotions and relate through those."

Canava cites the experience of his family and people around him as inspiration for this exhibit.

"I have several family members that experienced abuse as children," Canava said. "I also have a niece who's 4 years old whose mother neglected her and so she was sent to live with her father."

This exhibit somewhat reflects my fear of what could happen to her because she's far away and alone and there's nothing I can do."

The exhibit tracks the experience of the girl depicted in the paintings in different ways. Canava fuses psychology with his art by reflecting the landscape of the girl's mind and how she copes with the abuse.

"When I decided to do this, I really wanted to re-evaluate what lost innocence meant to me," Canava said. "I really wanted to focus on the psychology of it more than just the image of it. I did a lot of research for it. I read books and poetry on depression, suicide, rape and abuse, just so I could understand what happens to someone when this happens."

Canava beautifully weaves between the world of reality and what exists in the mind. In dealing with such content, Canava said it was important to prepare.

"The exhibit tells an entire story," Canava said. "But each painting could also stand on its own"

Canava also said he intentionally avoided highly graphic scenes.

"I like showing action in painting, but I like it to be hidden to a certain extent," Canava said, "and not unnecessarily graphic. I think often the implied action is just as



Wichita Falls senior Colton Canava explains his art exhibit "Lost Innocence Dreamscape" to visitors Thursday at Harrington House. The artwork is inspired by the pains of sexual assault and focuses on its real and surreal aspects.



Wichita Falls senior Colton Canava, speaks to students and faculty who attended his exhibition Thursday.

power, if not more, then actually seeing it happen."

Canava uses colors, dimensions and placement to provoke emotion and draw attention in the painting.

Fort Worth senior Kristin Oca attended the exhibition.

"I like his use of color in the painting and also his use of texture."

It's as if it's popping out at you," Oca said. "It is really raising awareness for violence. It's like watching a movie."

As the story goes on, the girl begins to reconcile reality with the way her mind copes with the abuse.

"It ends very raw and harsh,"

Canava said. "It's a moment of realization for her."

Canava very much views this exhibit as a documentary. He has no agenda or even a major point, rather, he wishes to document one instant in the life of one girl who suffered one event of abuse in her life.

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# New ‘Fast and Furious’ is shameless fun, never dull

By COLIN COVERT  
McCLATCHY-TRIBUNE

As adolescent male power fantasies go, “Fast Five” has an undeniable trashy charm.

## Review

Things blow up right and left, muscle cars are pulverized, sexpots vamp and brawny men wallop the tar out of one another.

Yet there are pauses between

adrenaline-packed driving sequences, shoot-outs and explosions for three romance subplots in “Fast Five.” Two subplots involve babies.

Here’s a summer popcorn flick strong enough for a man and gentle enough for a woman.

The story, such as it is, begins with an exhilarating escape from a prison-bound police bus that rivals the spectacular train wreck opening of “The Fugitive.”

Cut to Rio de Janiero, where road-racing bandits Vin Diesel,

Paul Walker and Jordana Brewster join in a train robbery.

That robbery ends with them wrongly accused of killing several DEA agents – thus, introducing the conflict of the movie.

With vengeful FBI agent Dwayne Johnson now on their tail, they plan a \$100 million caper that will allow their team to move to countries with no extradition and no speed limits.

Like a grease monkey “Ocean’s Thirteen,” the film reassembles the cast of earlier installments. Chris

“Ludacris” Bridges, Tyrese Gibson and Sung Kang return to the franchise in “Fast Five.”

The film is handsomely and atmospherically shot in gritty hillside slums and backstreet garages. This is not the popular and exotic bikinis-and-palm-trees tourist guidebook Rio.

The story makes only one excursion to the city’s beaches, and it’s a treat.

A leggy member of Diesel’s crew does a Girl from Ipanima act in order to obtain a crook’s hand-

print needed to open a high-tech safe.

Her hands-on approach is more fun than lifting his fingerprints off a doorknob, so you give the pandering scene a pass.

It’s a bigger stretch to ignore the fact that the crooks level half of Rio street racing with the policia in the finale.

The staggeringly destructive sequence stops just short of toppling the Christ of the Andes from his mountainous perch.

With performances that are

adequate at best and stunts that defy the laws of physics, “Fast Five” flouts every rule of good filmmaking but one – it’s never dull.

Thankfully, director Justin Lin, who filmed the previous two installments of the “Fast” quintet, makes the proceedings noisy, chaotic, shameless fun.

His extravagantly budgeted stunt scenes are so crisp and thrilling that you’re willing to forfeit sharp storytelling and interesting characters.

You can’t have everything.

**Buffalo Chicken and Ranch Wraps**

Ingredients

1 pound thin-sliced bacon

2 tablespoons bacon drippings

3 pounds skinless, boneless chicken breast halves, cut into bite size pieces

1/4 cup Buffalo wing sauce

2 tablespoons butter, melted

12 (10 inch) flour tortillas

1 cup diced fresh tomato

3/4 cup ranch dressing, divided

Directions

1. Place the bacon in a large, deep skillet, and cook over medium-high heat, turning occasionally, until evenly browned and crisp, 10 to 15 minutes. Drain the bacon slices on a paper towel-lined plate. Crumble when cool.

2. Drain off all but 2 tablespoons of the bacon drippings, and cook and stir the chicken breast chunks until browned, about 10 minutes. Cover the skillet and allow chicken to continue cooking until no longer pink inside and the juices run clear, about 10 more minutes. Stir in the Buffalo sauce and melted butter until chicken is thoroughly coated. Stir in the crumbled bacon. Keep the mixture warm.

3. Heat the tortillas, one at a time, in a large ungreased skillet over medium heat until they begin to form air bubbles and small brown spots. Fill each each warmed tortilla with about 1/3 cup of the chicken filling and a tablespoon or so of tomatoes; sprinkle the tomatoes with 1 tablespoon of ranch dressing. Wrap the tortilla around the filling; serve warm.

Courtesy: allrecipes.com

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# Baylor grad uses art to capture hunger issues

By *Liz Hitchcock*  
Reporter

Food has not always been an issue on artist and Baylor alumnus Mark Menjivar's conceptual plate. His interest in studying food was ignited shortly after graduating in 2002 from the School of Social Work by a trip to his home continent, South America.

When Menjivar was attending college, he said he never thought about the food he put into his body, where it came from, who made it or even why he chose to eat it. Like most college students, he was eating out a substantial amount and was completely unaware of the hardships that surround the issue of food.

"I think the first, as far as in my artistic practice, was when I started working with Michael Nye, another artist, on a documentary on food in 2006," Menjivar said.

"I was talking to a lot of people who were really experiencing hunger and food insecurity. I was talking to them deeply about their thoughts about it and the physi-

cal reality of hunger on the body. That was the origin of beginning to think about it"

While helping Nye, with a exhibit titled "About Hunger and Resilience," in which Menjivar came in contact with many people faced with the problem of hunger, Menjivars' interests in visually documenting food issues were solidified.

"The exhibit [About Hunger and Resilience] is more about reflection than it is about suffering," Nye said. "The stories are all about life experiences with hunger, but they are also about a larger picture of life. There are 15 stories and portraits. It is very diverse. In America, it's hard to imagine someone that's so hungry they would cry and not want to go on living."

After working on the documentary, he returned home to San Antonio only to uncover another passion – photography.

Menjivar then embarked a new journey for the next three years, documenting people's lives through their refrigerators.

"One of things that I first fell

in love with in the conceptual idea of refrigerators is that they are like our bodies in a way," Menjivar said. "They are constantly changing; the things in there are sometimes alive. They change more than any other space in our homes. That conceptual thought fascinated me."

The concept of his most recent and complete body of work, "You Are What You Eat," was derived through Menjivars' own goals in carefully monitoring his daily food consumption. He had been self-sufficient in South America and witnessed the full cycle of food, from the ground to the mouth.

"His work is extremely strong and really touches on so many issues, like financial securities and nutrition habits," Nye said. "You Are What You Eat" really makes you think about what you eat and what's in your fridge."

The photographs in this series are pictures of refrigerators of an array of types of people. The pieces are compiled with information regarding each individual, small excerpts about their job, the number of people in their household and a

fact about them.

Through the execution of this series, Menjivar said he discovered things about people and each of their relationships with food, whether it be good or bad.

Dr. Diana Garland, dean of the School of Social Work at Baylor, said it is important to be aware of hunger issues around the globe.

"We don't think clearly or set goals, make plans or dream dreams, or just live our lives in forward thinking if we are hungry and we have to focus on where our next meal is going to come from. Our lives are affected by hunger."

Menjivar began to see that regardless of who people are or what they do, food has a prominent impact in people's lives.

One of Menjivar's pieces is a list of virtually everything Menjivar ate for an entire year. He was driven to record his own eating habits when he was challenged by a nutritionist friend.

Something that he realized once he began the process of fastidiously recording every meal and snack, was that like many people in America, he was sometimes unaware of the things he ate.

Whether it be the quality of nutrition he was in taking in or the number of times he ate fast-food, Menjivar said that he began to see the relevance of food in people's lives and how we form a relationship with our food.

"Something that fascinates me about food," Menjivar said, "is that we can all relate to it. It's kind of like this large umbrella that has all these different explorations in it."

Menjivar is currently working on a project that combines new media art and social work. He will be organizing cities to chart out food maps.

"I will be working with communities to make these alternative maps of their cities by exploring the community through the lenses of food," Menjivar said. "This will look different for each place, but it may include the location of restaurants, grocery stores, gardens,



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Menjivar is working on a project that couples media art and social work.



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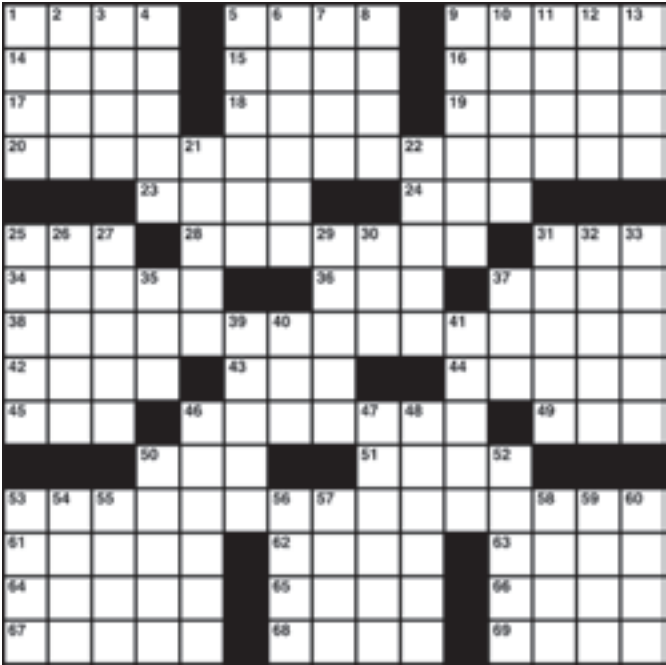
Baylor graduate and artist Mark Menjivar uses his talent to capture hunger issues across the world.

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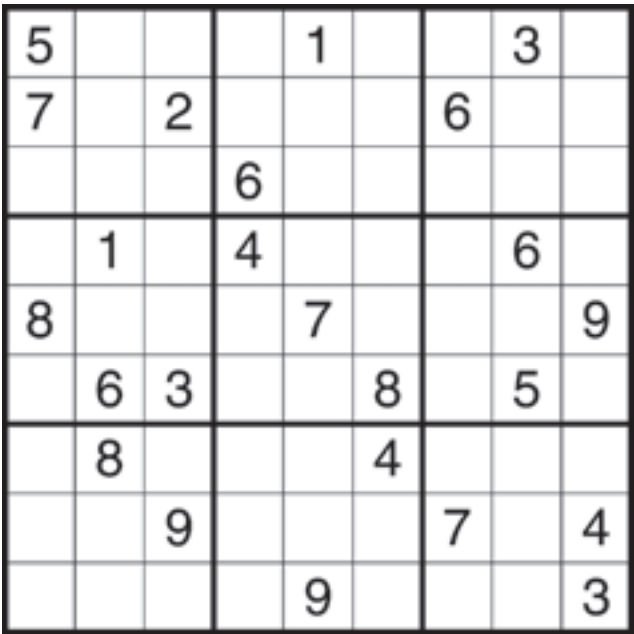
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- Set of moral principles
- Colosseum garments
- Think aloud
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- Architect Frank \_\_\_\_ Wright
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