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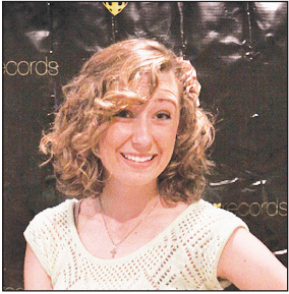
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A light at the end of the tunnel

TCU looks to fill Big 12 void

By KRISTA PIRTLE
SPORTS WRITER

TCU in place of A&M? This is not a bad idea, Big 12 officials agreed unanimously.

Thursday morning, the conference officials sent an invitation to TCU to join the Big 12, which would bring the total number of teams in the conference to 10.

"TCU is an excellent choice as a new member of the conference," Oklahoma president David Bored said in a statement. "They bring strong athletics and academic credentials and were enthusiastically and unanimously supported by all of the members of the conference."

Last year, the Horned Frogs made the decision to move from the Mountain West conference to the Big East.

Stability issues of the Big East provide a shaky future for the conference, a factor most likely discussed among the TCU regents.

The Big East recently lost Pittsburgh and Syracuse to the Atlantic Coast Conference, but commissioner John Marinatto has said previously the Big East would make Pitt and Syracuse honor the 27-month exit agreement, meaning they couldn't join the ACC until 2014.

Without TCU, Pittsburgh and Syracuse, the remaining Big East football members would be Louisville, West Virginia, Cincinnati, UConn, Rutgers and South Florida.

As for the Big 12, joining a local conference offers multiple benefits.

"These discussions with the Big 12 have huge implications for TCU," the statement from TCU Chancellor Victor Boschini Jr. said. "It will allow us to return to old rivalries, something our fans and others have been advocating for many years. As always, we must consider what's best for

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MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

No. 1 wide receiver Kendall Wright carries the football past TCU No. 17 safety Sam Carter in the Baylor vs TCU game Sept. 2. in Floyd Casey Stadium. The bears celebrated a victory of 50-48 over the horned-frogs.

Parking permits short on interest

By DANIEL C. HOUSTON
STAFF WRITER

Baylor Parking Services records show fewer students opted to purchase this year's new discounted parking decals for the East Campus Parking Garage and the Ferrell Center parking lots than parking services employees had hoped.

While 216 students bought stickers granting them access exclusively to the east campus garage, only 56 decided to buy the Ferrell Center permit, which fell short of the expectations Matt Penney, director of parking and transportation services, had for the program.

Penney said he had hoped parking services would sell 500 decals for the east campus garage and 100 for the Ferrell Center parking lots.

The east campus garage, which can hold more than 800 cars at any given time, routinely holds only a fraction of that capacity during peak parking hours.

"We basically have 400 parking spaces in a multi million-dollar facility that aren't being utilized," Penney said. "We have another 2,000 parking spaces that are just across the street from campus with a bus [stopping] every seven minutes that students aren't interested in. And so, instead of starting a conversation about 'there's nowhere to park on campus,' I'd rather focus on 'how can we utilize what we have that's sometimes overlooked?'"

The program, which was intended to alleviate traffic con-

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Brighton Wallace takes part in an "Occupy Austin" protest at Austin City Hall on Thursday in Austin. Demonstrations across the U.S. protested the state of Wall Street and the growing financial crisis.

Obama acknowledges protests, public concerns

By VERENA DOBNIK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Concerns over Wall Street practices and economic inequality that have led to sit-ins and rallies in New York and elsewhere reverberated up to the White House on Thursday, with President Barack Obama saying the protesters are expressing the frustrations of the American public.

Thousands of protesters, including many in union T-shirts, marched the day before in lower Manhattan, joined by labor leaders who say they will continue to support the protests with manpower and donations of goods and services.

The protests have slowly grown in size and attention

over more than two weeks, with the president's acknowledgment at a news conference a sign they might be jelling into a political movement.

Obama said he understood the public's concerns about how the nation's financial system works and said Americans see Wall Street as an example of the financial industry not always following the rules.

"It expresses the frustrations that the American people feel that we had the biggest financial crisis since the Great Depression, huge collateral damage all throughout the country, all across Main Street," the president said. "And yet you're still seeing some of the same folks who acted irresponsibly trying to fight efforts to crack down on abusive practices that got us into this problem in the first place."

He said, though, that the U.S. must have a strong and effective financial sector for the economy to grow, and that the

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Conference explores religion, philosophy

By JADE MARDIROSIAN
STAFF WRITER

Baylor joined with Georgetown University and the University of Notre Dame to host a conference Thursday to discuss the philosophy of religion.

The conference is being held on the Georgetown campus located in Washington, D.C., and will last until Saturday night.

The conference will be held annually, moving between the three universities and coming to Baylor in 2012, according to a university press release.

Dr. Michael Beaty, chair of the philosophy department, explained the idea behind beginning this conference.

"The idea of the conference was basically to bring people together, both people who have well-established reputations as well as some younger faculty, to talk about issues in the importance of the area of the philosophy of religion," Beaty said.

Beaty said the philosophy of religion includes a wide range of topics, including "questions about whether it is reasonable to believe God exists, are there any good arguments for God's existence and issues about the characterization of God, what are God's attributes."

Dr. Jonathan Kvanvig, distinguished professor of philosophy at Baylor, organized the conference and explained its value in a Baylor press release.

"These conferences provide the opportunity for our faculty and students to see what first-rate work is being done elsewhere, and also allow us to showcase the equally good work being done in our department," Kvanvig said. "Such opportunities are essential to the mission and future of Baylor University as a Christian research university."

Beaty said he feels this conference and future conferences hosted by these three universities will

help to advance this field of study.

"One value of the conference is having really good scholars pushing the field forward and having other scholars participating," Beaty said.

"Second is the visibility it gives to Baylor as it participates at these high-level conferences, and as it does it in cooperation with other outstanding research universities."

The conference will include speakers from Baylor, Georgetown and Notre Dame as well as other universities throughout the United States and the United Kingdom.

Dr. Trent Dougherty, assistant professor of philosophy at Baylor, will be co-presenting at the conference a paper he coauthored with Alexander Pruss, associate professor of philosophy at Baylor.

"[We] are going to be presenting a paper...on the problem of evil and suffering for Christians, and how it is a lot like the problem of anomalies in scientific theories," Dougherty said.

Dougherty further explained the topic of the paper.

"Sometimes scientific theories make predictions about almost everything and sometimes those don't come true, so there's a problem for the theory. But you don't just give up the theory because there is something that doesn't quite fit, you keep working with it," Dougherty said.

He said perseverance is also common among Christians.

"In a way, Christianity is a lot like a scientific theory. It is a theory about everything," Dougherty said.

Dougherty said he believes the value of these conferences is to make progress in understanding different philosophical theories about religion.

"One of the values is that we make some progress, even if it is

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FDA must improve food monitoring system

Editorial

Who knew that cantaloupes could be the cause of 18 deaths and 100 illnesses in 20 states?

Listeria is a type of bacteria normally found in processed meats and sometimes it is found in unpasteurized cheeses and milk, but it is rarely found in foods like cantaloupe.

The recent listeria outbreak has spread throughout the country from Jensen Farms in Holly, Colo., after the farm recalled their cantaloupe on Sept. 14.

Because the cantaloupe from Jensen Farms have traveled around the country to states other than the original 28 they sell to, more people have become sick. In a conference call on Sept. 28, Dr. Thomas Frieden, director of the Center for Disease Control, said, “this is the deadliest outbreak of a foodborne disease that we’ve identified in more than a decade.”

Time magazine reported, “the company said last week that it can’t provide a list of retailers that sold the tainted fruit because the melons were sold and resold.”

Congress passed a law in 2010 in food safety that allows the Food and Drug Administration to improve the traceability of foods to easily detect if an outbreak exists. One of these improvements is that larger farms must submit thorough and detailed plans explaining their methods of keeping their produce safe.

However, the FDA needs to better improve the methods of tracing to stop more outbreaks from occurring, especially in a complex food industry.

In the same Time article, Erik Olson, director of food

and consumer safety programs for the Pew Health Group, said, “Clearly the food industry has just changed enormously in the last several decades. It would be virtually impossible to sit down and eat a meal and eat food that hasn’t come from all over the world.”

Does this mean that we need to live in fear when choosing what to eat? How can we tell that

something isn’t carrying a deadly disease? The FDA needs to better monitor how foods are produced, manufactured and shipped throughout the country to protect the health of the nation.

Listeria in cantaloupe is not the only problem in food products throughout the country; romaine lettuce has been recalled after federal officials discovered a sample from one bag tested posi-

tive for listeria, according to the Christian Science Monitor’s Oct. 4 article. The lettuce outbreak as of now, affects 19 states and Canada in restaurants, cafeterias and other institutions.

E. coli, salmonella and listeria have been detected in different types of food throughout history. In 2008, salmonella was detected in peanut products, killing nine people and causing more than

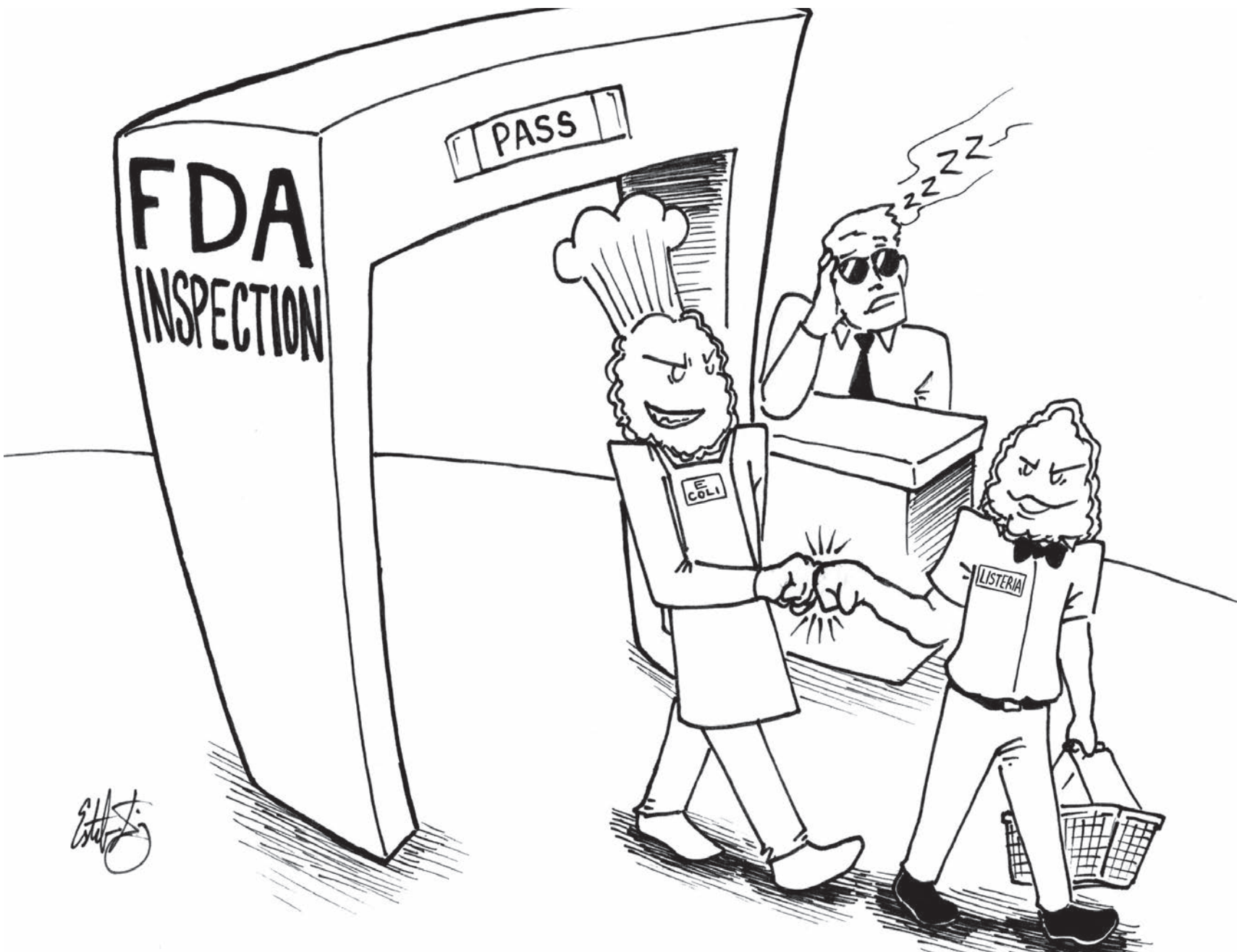
700 people to become sick; that was the second deadliest outbreak in the United States.

Salmonella has also been recently detected, as of Aug. 2011, in ground turkey throughout 34 states, causing 129 people to be infected.

With these outbreaks, combined with the multiple outbreaks the United States has already experienced this year and the years

before, the FDA needs to realize that the system and process of monitoring food production and promoting food safety needs to be modified. Listeria is a deadly bacteria that has the potential and capability to make people sick and even die.

How many more outbreaks will it take until the FDA decided to change its processing and regulating system?



iConic CEO changed multiple industries

In the hours following the announcement of Steve Jobs’ death, I was amazed by how many people quickly posted the news on Facebook, expressing their own variations on how much of a loss this was to the world.

President Barack Obama released a statement, saying, “there may be no greater tribute to Steve’s success than the fact that much of the world learned of his passing on a device he invented.”

I think that speaks volumes of how important Jobs has been to the modern world, but it’s important to remember that his innovations were not limited to the Apple products most closely associated with him. Jobs’ work spanned multiple industries and multiple companies. The Macintosh may be his most famous creation, but it’s hardly his only one.

It says something about Jobs and his legacy that the debate is not whether or not Jobs changed an industry. The debate is re-

ally this: Which industry did he change most?

As the arts and entertainment editor for the Lariat, perhaps I’m a little biased towards placing importance on Jobs’ work with Pixar.

Pixar reformed the entire film industry and Jobs played a major role in that. Many people were wondering about the viability of computer animation. ... That is, until “Toy Story” came along in 1995. Since then, Pixar has continued to produce great film after great film. Most of them, if not all, would likely not exist if Jobs had not made the company what it has become.

There are not many people I respect as much as Steve Jobs simply because there aren’t many men who do as much with their lives as Jobs did. In many ways, I think his death is the end of the era he kept alive with each innovation he made.

We had the industrial revolu-



Joshua Madden | A&E editor

tion and we are now living in the information revolution — the degree I’m currently seeking, a masters in information systems, is still fairly new and is undoubtedly the result of this revolution — but perhaps Jobs’ death marks the end of the information revolution. Perhaps we’re no longer experiencing the information revolution, just information.

If Jobs’ goal was to unite the world, allowing us instant communication across the globe, then he (along with others like Bill Gates, who should not be forgotten as we all heap well-deserved praise on Jobs) largely succeeded.

I didn’t know Jobs — I never met him and sadly never will — but my guess is that the question he would ask now is, “What next?”

So as we reflect on Jobs’ life and his achievements, let us remember that the specific inventions matter, yes, but it is also the spirit of innovation that matters. Somewhere, sitting in a garage or a basement, another Jobs is working on something even more innovative than the Macintosh.

That, in my opinion, is the ultimate tribute to Jobs.

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Dr. Sue Margaret Hughes, right, mingles with guests Thursday at a reception honoring her as the namesake of the Sue Margaret Hughes Endowed Internship Fund. The fund will help expand summer library internship opportunities.

Reception honors 31-year library service, dedication

By ALYSSA MAXWELL
REPORTER

Approximately 30 of former Baylor libraries employee Dr. Sue Margaret Hughes' closest friends and colleagues attended a reception honoring her as the namesake of the Sue Margaret Hughes Endowed Internship Fund.

The fund will provide more paid summer internships for students in the Baylor libraries.

Kathy Hillman, associate professor and director of special collections for the Baylor libraries, compared Hughes with the "desirable and beneficial gift" that comes from heaven in James 1:17.

"Dr. Sue Margaret Hughes was the marvelous present that came from heaven," Hillman said. "Hughes gave herself as a gift to Baylor staff, faculty, students and those she mentored."

Hughes first began her career at the library working in serials in 1960. The only two libraries Baylor had at the time were Carroll Library and Armstrong Browning Library.

"[I've] known Hughes for 10 years, may have been longer," Dr.

Tom Hanks, professor of English, said. "There was no one on campus who was more consistently helpful to the faculty than she."

In her time at Baylor, the libraries forged a partnership with Information Technology Services.

She also helped plan and move the collection of books from Carroll Library to Moody Library, which opened in 1968. Then Hughes had to deal with a bat problem in Moody Library, which she described at the reception.

"The third floor was their habitat," Hughes said. "You could tell when you got out of the elevator because the odor was terrific."

The bats would come in at night and couldn't always find their way out of the library.

"The bats had a long flight from one end [of the library] to the other, and they would swoop down and absolutely terrify some of the girls because they would get in their hair," Hughes said.

They were finally caught by the library's circulation boys with butterfly nets and were released in another part of town.

"Eventually maintenance people went brick by brick sealing up

the holes," Hughes said.

When Hughes worked at Moody library, the closing time was midnight.

"It was a secret desire of many students to be able to spend the night in the library," Hughes said.

But they never found anyone who did.

"We did find a patch of bedding sheets and blankets in a corner," Hughes said.

But since then, Hughes said, times have changed.

"Needless to say, that's no problem now to spend the night in the library," Hughes said.

At the reception, Hughes was gifted with a book that included photos from her guest of honor dinner, which highlighted her dedication to the libraries, and vintage photos that were located in the reception program.

Pattie Orr, vice president for information technology and dean of university libraries, encouraged the reception attendees to give to the Sue Margaret Hughes Endowed Internship Fund.

"My Christmas list is lined up for your fund, Sue Margaret," Orr said.

TV exposure encourages alumna to start bakery

'The Next Great Baker' runner-up seizes opportunity

By ANNA FLAGG
REPORTER

An expert at cake designing and competitor on TLC's show "The Next Great Baker," Baylor alumna Megan Rountree now owns a bakery with her husband, Michael. The two started Legacy Cakes Bakery in Addison, near Dallas.

Megan, born and raised in Colleyville, graduated from Baylor in 2008 with a degree in entrepreneurship.

"Even before I started Baylor, I knew I wanted to do something with baking," Megan said. "I love food, and baking is a great way to be creative with my job."

Following graduation, Megan went to a year long patisserie and baking program, specializing in pastries and sweets, at Le Cordon Blue in Austin to learn baking techniques and perfect her skills.

After baking school, she took a job as head baker for Baylor Catering and then when she married Michael she moved to East Texas. Megan heard about the show "The Next Great Baker" a few months later.



COURTESY PHOTO

Megan Rountree attended Le Cordon Blue in Austin, specializing in pastries and sweets, after graduating from Baylor in 2008. She competed on TLC's "The Next Great Baker" and now owns a bakery with her husband.

"I follow a baking blog that was talking about the show, and it encouraged cake decorators to audition," Megan said.

Megan completed a 16-page essay and a video interview and eventually flew to New Jersey for an on-camera interview last winter. She found out she made the show a few weeks later and had one day to prepare.

"I was really excited for Megan and knew this would be an incredible opportunity for her," Michael said. "The only thing I was worried about was how they might portray her on television, since reality television can skew situations and personalities. Thankfully, there were no problems with this when the show actually aired."

The show lasted for eight weeks and Megan competed against 10 other contestants.

Each week, there were small challenges to test taste quality and team challenges that called for huge baking projects.

For one of the challenges, Megan had to build a 6-foot-tall Monopoly-themed cake.

Another challenge included filling up the display cases of the famous Cake Boss Buddy Valastro with her own pastries and selling as many as possible in one day.

"The show was insane and I was absolutely exhausted after competing in the challenges," Megan said.

The judges eliminated a contestant each week. Megan was the runner-up on the show, which aired in January.

"I learned more in those five weeks than in my four years of cake decorating," Megan said. "I got great networking opportunities and friendships out of it all."

After the show, Megan and her husband moved to Addison and opened up Legacy Cakes Bakery.

"With us wanting to start a bakery, the show was great publicity," Michael said. "There were just too many things that worked out and fell into place, and it was the perfect

time to open our bakery."

The bakery is now in full swing. The couple bakes and decorates everything from small cupcakes and cookies to cakes for special occasions and weddings.

Each cake is custom made and custom designed.

"My favorite part of my job is getting to design those really fun, unique cakes that someone just imagined," Megan said. "We get to make their vision come to life and be a part of people's special days."

Libby Rowe, the manager and head decorator for Legacy Cakes Bakery, said Megan is a wonderful boss.

"She keeps it very fun and light-hearted," Rowe said. "She is always happy, which spreads to the people she works with."

To find out more about Legacy Cakes Bakery, visit www.legacycakesbakery.com

Recently created comedy group seeks stand-up members

By BRITTNEY COULTER
REPORTER

Waco isn't known for having a lively comedy scene, but one Baylor student hopes to change that.

Des Moines, Iowa, senior Sam Hogan is drawing on his experience to form a new stand-up comedy group to perform at local venues.

"For the last year, I've been doing a lot of comedy in Des Moines and around Iowa," Hogan said. "I got here and kind of miss it. It's one of the most fun activities I've been a part of."

Hogan said he was inspired by Thomas Garland, a student at the University of Iowa who started a successful stand-up comedy group.

"[Garland] set up a very good open mic in a college town," Hogan said. "It was a very nice atmosphere for comedians. That's kind of the model that I'm using now."

Garland's comedy group hosts open mic events twice a week that have become an entertainment staple in his hometown of Iowa City.

"I think it's fun because it gets people to come see something that they normally wouldn't," Garland said. "Here in Iowa we don't get

very many entertainment acts, so to get people to come out and do stand-up comedy is definitely a fun experience."

Once enough members join, Hogan's first order of business will be to get weekly open mic events set up for group members to perfect their routines. These events will allow the comedians to test new jokes on an audience as well as work on their stage presence.

"Part of comedy is your ability to perform regardless of your material," Hogan said. "You need open mics and experience in front of crowds to be able to do that."

The open mic events will also serve as a way for comedians to be chosen for showcases, which are larger scale events in which participants perform a 10- to 15-minute routine of their best jokes.

Hogan's said his main challenge in starting the group is finding comedians who are willing to perform.

He encourages people who are interested to try, regardless of their level of experience.

"I don't want people to think that there's any experience necessary for how you get into the group," Hogan said. "If you want

to do comedy or you want to try to do open mics, even if you think you'll bomb, the open mics are a place where nobody will judge you based on that."

Hogan said he enjoys all aspects of stand-up, particularly making people laugh.

"I really enjoy getting laughs from people," Hogan said. "It's entertaining, it's fun [and] if you're doing well, it's a great experience."

Sorney senior Tania Perez was one of the first to show interest in joining the group. She participated in an open mic event in Dallas last summer and said she hopes to con-

tinue to develop her routine.

"Right now I just kind of want to perfect stand-up," Perez said. "If I do well enough, I hope I can start a career."

The most important piece of advice Garland said he gives to up-and-coming comedians is practice makes perfect.

"Show up and write all the time," Garland said. "The more time you spend refining your material and your delivery, the better comic you'll be."

Those interested in joining the stand-up group should e-mail Hogan at sam.standup@gmail.com.

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Initiative seeks to end hunger via partnership

By Ashley Yeaman
Reporter

Baylor's School of Social Work Texas Hunger Initiative is partnering with Share Our Strength, a national non-profit organization, to fight childhood hunger in Texas.

The four-year partnership will focus on the No Kid Hungry campaign, a national effort to end food insecurity in children by 2015.

Food insecurity occurs when an individual faces hunger or lives in fear of starvation.

Share Our Strength will provide \$230,000 to the Texas Hunger Initiative this year to fund its activities. In addition to funds, the partnership also brings a wealth of experience to the initiative.

Share Our Strength has partnered with several other public and private organizations in more than 13 states to streamline the administration of organizations that support childhood food programs, said Beth Drew, the No Kid Hungry campaign manager at the Texas Hunger Initiative.

"In any project, it's very beneficial to have someone who's been there, done that and has that prac-

tical experience," Drew said. "I think it's a great partnership."

When Dr. Jeremy Everett, director of Texas Hunger Initiative, met with Share Our Strength prior to the finalization of the partnership, he said he felt the two organizations shared common goals.

"Their dreams for domestic food insecurity reduction seemed to be just simply in line with what we're doing," Everett said. Texas Hunger Initiative and Share Our Strength will work together this year on two primary objectives: to increase access to breakfast for children through in-school programs and expand access to summer meal programs.

"Our goal is that we will increase overall breakfast consumption in Texas by 6 percent this year, which will affect 89,000 children each day," Everett said. Their efforts will target 10 school districts.

"In the summer of 2010, we increased summer meal access by 2 million meals over the course of the summer for kids in Texas. Our goal for 2011 is to match that number," he said.

Drew said the two organizations will work with state agencies

and private programs.

"We're working on the state and local level to make sure these programs, like Breakfast in the Classroom and summer meal programs, run as efficiently as possible," Drew said. "Money just sits up in the federal government right now, and we're not utilizing it as best we can."

Drew said the best way to implement these programs involves cooperation between state and private agencies.

To coordinate conversation among groups, task forces will be established to focus on specific projects, such as the summer meals program, Drew said.

Drew said the ultimate goal is to change the current system.

"Changing the actual infrastructure of the system is going to be a lot more beneficial in the long run than trying to figure out where the next handout is going to come from," said Drew.

"That's not to say that those programs are bad. Food banks are incredible, and there's an absolute need for them. But our goal is to make sure that infrastructure is in place so we can get the money we need for this and people can get the



Matt Hellman | Photo Editor

Baylor's School of Social Work Texas Hunger Initiative recently received \$230,000 in support after partnering with Share Our Strength, a national non-profit organization, to fight childhood hunger in Texas.

food they need," he added.

To jumpstart awareness of the No Kid Hungry campaign, the Texas Hunger Initiative organized a media event from 11 a.m. to noon on Wednesday, Oct. 12, on the south steps of the State Capitol

in Austin.

Baylor students, faculty and staff are invited to attend the launch and an information session on childhood hunger that will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in Room E2.014 at the Capitol.

Transportation will be provided. To RSVP, visit www.texas-hunger.org.

At Baylor, the Texas Hunger Initiative and CitySquare, a non-profit that exists to fight the roots of poverty, hosted a screening of the documentary "Food Stamped" on Sept. 29, followed by a panel discussion.

This event marked the beginning of a lecture series that will engage students on hunger issues, said Laura Hilton, program coordinator at Texas Hunger Initiative.

"We'd like to develop sort of a consistent way for students to be involved with THI and to just gain from hearing some of the people we get to work with on a day-to-day basis," Hilton said.

Everett said the lectures can also show students how it's possible to make positive changes toward stamping out issues such as hunger.

The next lecture will take place from noon to 1 p.m. Nov. 3 in the School of Social Work Room 320.

There will also be a second media launch event for the No Kid Hungry campaign. It will occur Nov. 9 in Dallas at the Dallas Farmers Market.

Charity walk: taking steps to end hunger, poverty

By Jordan Hearne
Reporter

Participants in a 5K walk through Waco will be taking steps to end world hunger at 3 p.m. on Sunday.

The Heart of Texas CROP Hunger Walk is one of many such walks sponsored by Church World Service, an organization that uses money collected at community events around the nation to end hunger.

Participants make donations at registration on the day of the walk that will be distributed in a 75 percent global to 25 percent local ratio.

Kevin Murphy, program as-

sistant for the Texas CWS Region Office, said the global funds will go through Church World Service to support its work in 40 countries around the world.

"The money will go to things like nutritional packets in times of disaster," Murphy said. "It will help support small micro-development projects and provide funds for people to plant crops."

This year's local donation recipient is Caritas of Waco, a program that provides McLennan County area residents with food, clothes and lodging in case of an emergency.

Buddy Edwards, director of Caritas, said the money received from the CROP Hunger Walk is

not only helpful to the organization, but is especially necessary now.

The organization has had an increasing demand for assistance over the past few months.

"With the large quantities of clients, we have to purchase large amounts of food ourselves, so it's very likely that we would be able to use some of those funds for food acquisitions as well as emergency assistance," Edwards said.

Caritas also provides help to families whose utility services are about to be cut off because they are unable to pay; however, the increase in demand has made it difficult to continue providing this kind of additional assistance,

said Edwards.

"This year, there just aren't enough funds," Edwards said.

The walk will begin at Bledsoe Miller Park and will continue across Herring Bridge and down University Parks Drive before looping back to the starting point.

For people not up to walking the full 5K, which is 3.1 miles, a one-mile route option ends before Herring Bridge.

Katie Cook is the chair of the steering committee for the Heart of Texas CROP Hunger Walk and she also works for Seeds of Hope Publishers, a company that produces resources for congregations regarding various hunger relief programs.

Cook said she learned about Church World Service through her work with Seeds of Hope Publishers.

"We let people know who really are the best hunger relief agencies, and CWS is one of them," Cook said.

"They make good use of their funds, they're dependable and they work with indigenous groups in other countries. They are not building buildings with the money—it goes right to relief," she continued.

Registration for the race will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday at Bledsoe Miller Park, and participants can donate the suggested \$25, although any amount will be appreciated, Cook said.

Though Cook freely admits the importance of these projects to her, she is unable to give a precise definition of just what it is she does for the CROP Walk.

"My unofficial title is 'CROP Walk Momma.' Almost everything I do has to do with making sure people get food that they need," Cook said.

Cook said that the hunger walks originally began in Waco about 20 years ago, but then stopped for a short time before beginning again 10 years later.

Last year, the walk raised over \$4,000 with only eight participants, some of whom were sponsored. Cook hopes for a larger crowd on Sunday.

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Kingdom Hearts offers single-player joy

By KAYLA RICHARDSON
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

It is hard to find a single-player game that can entertain an entire room full of people.

When I confessed my addiction to a certain video game last year, a few friends were shocked, but also ecstatic since they were big fans of the game, too. That game was “Kingdom Hearts.”

Immediately afterward, we headed to my house to power up the old PlayStation 2. There were many nights that followed that consisted of one of us playing while the others sat and cheered them on.

“Kingdom Hearts” is a fantasy game that contains characters from the favorite Disney movies, “Final Fantasy” game series, and a few that were made up specifically for the game.

The main character is a kid named Sora. After being ripped from his best friends by creatures called Heartless, he ends up in a strange town with Donald and Goofy as sidekicks. Donald is his normal ill-tempered self who provides comic relief to the game while Goofy has the usual “duh” factor surrounding him.

The three go off in search of King Mickey, who might have the answers to why the universe is being invaded by heartless. Unfortunately, he is missing from his castle. To find Mickey, they must hop from world

to world, which are modeled from Disney movies.

Along the way, you are able to have some of your favorite protagonists as side-kicks. The game itself can get rather difficult as you play through the storyline, fighting battles along the way.

One of the worlds is inspired by Disney’s “Hercules,” and you must prove yourself in true warrior fashion.

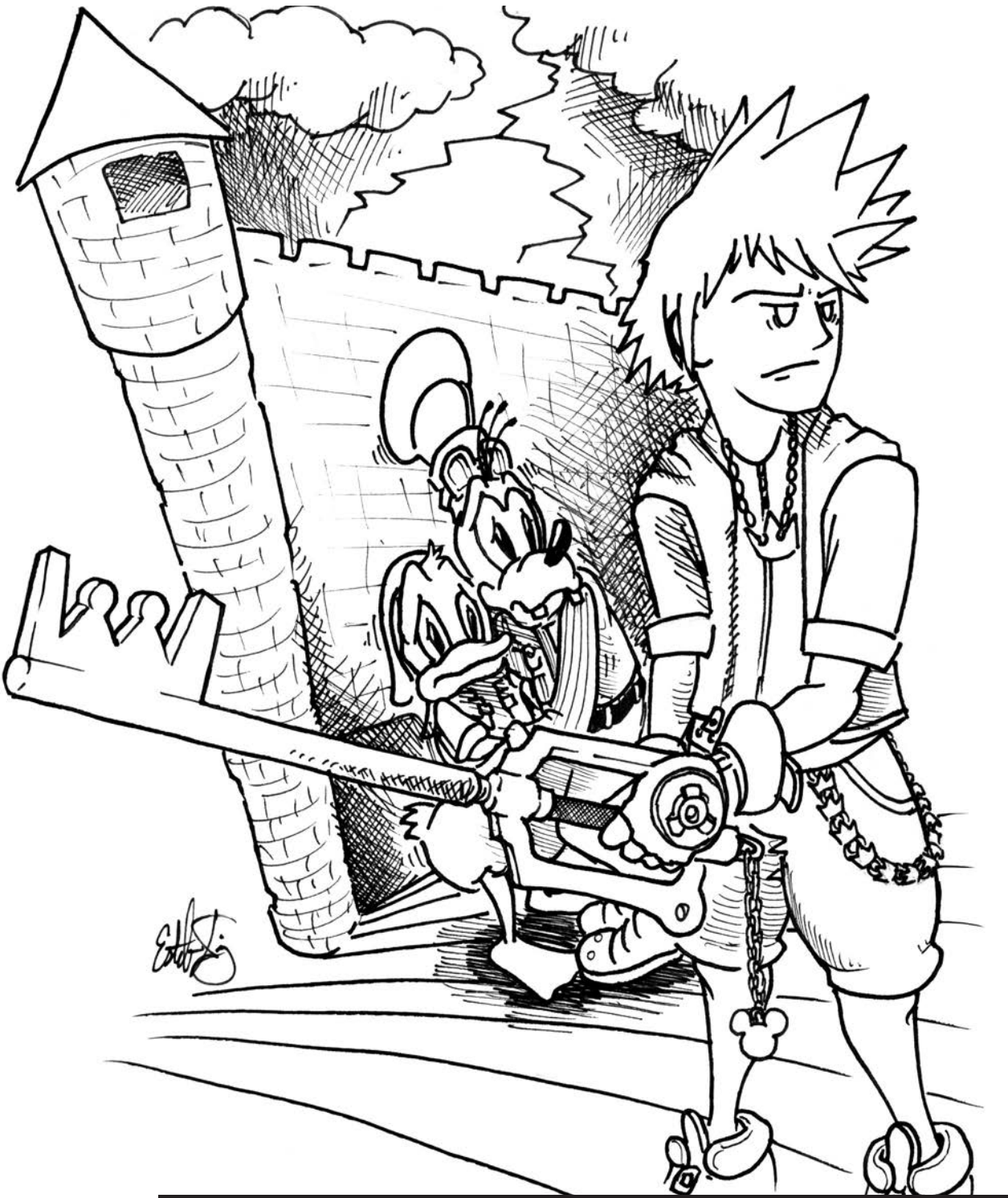
In the coliseum you battle enemies from some of the worlds in the game and also more challenging bosses including Cerberus, the three-headed dog from “Hercules.”

“Kingdom Hearts” is full of action, but it is the story behind the action that keeps you guessing.

Success on the PlayStation 2 has spurred the creation of other “Kingdom Hearts” games that can be played on the GameBoy Advance. There is currently a “Kingdom Hearts II” that has been released with even more worlds, and a third in the works. I enjoy all of them, but the original is still my favorite.

The worst thing about this series is that the developers are taking so long to release the third game.

This is part of our on-going “Great Video Game” series. If you would like to submit a video game you believe is great, please email us at lariat@baylor.edu.



“Kingdom Hearts” Trivia:

One thing many people don’t realize about “Kingdom Hearts” is that the voice cast actually features a wide variety of famous actors

The main cast consists of Academy Award-nominee Haley Joel Osment, who was nominated for the film “The Sixth Sense,” as Sora; David Gallagher, who most recently starred in “Super 8” and “The Vampire Diaries,” as Riku; and Hayden Panettiere, probably best

known as the indestructible cheerleader on “Heroes” or the young girl in “Remember the Titans,” as Kairi.

Other members of the voice cast include Dee Bradley Baker, who has risen to fame recently as the voice of Klaus on “American Dad,” Mandy Moore and Lance Bass as Sephiroth.

Even the comedian Gilbert Gottfried reprises his role as Iago from the “Aladdin” series. This, of course, was before he was fired from being the voice of the Aflac duck.

Stevens brings comedy to Uproar

By JESSICA FOREMAN
REPORTER

Trannie Stevens always had her eye on partnering with Uproar Records. She grew up in Waco, and the freshman has watched the student-run record label on Baylor’s campus since its early beginnings a few years ago.

So when it came time for Stevens to decide where to continue her educational career, Baylor stood out as an excellent pick for a singer/songwriter to advance a musical calling.

“There’s a lot of talent at Baylor, and no one is shy about it,” Stevens said, thinking back to the competitive Uproar audition a few weeks ago. “Everyone wants to succeed.”

Stevens succeeded in the audition and signed on with Uproar, but her musical acts have not always gone so smoothly. She fell down the stage stairs after her first performance in front of the Columbus Avenue Baptist Church congregation in Waco as an 8-year-old. In addition, previous to signing at Uproar, “The Trannie Stevens Band,” had a rough start to their act.

“It was a music festival, but a screamo venue,” Stevens said, remembering the show she played at the House of Blues in Dallas. “We were setting up on stage and everybody just started leaving, going

outside. But then I played my first song and everyone came back in to watch us.”

Persistence is in the recipe for success, and Stevens said the band sold more CDs that night than the band had ever sold at another venue.

“What I learn from that is I can’t take myself too seriously,” Stevens said. “That’s how you deal. You laugh at yourself.”

Creativity and an open mind are deeply ingrained in Stevens’ musical lyrics; they are also two defining characteristics of her major, entrepreneurship.

“I really like coming up with new ideas, making something cool out of nothing,” Stevens said.

Stevens’ manager, Megan Moore from McKinney, a senior music and entertainment marketing major, said innovation and brainstorming are going to be at the forefront the next few weeks as she and Stevens decide on three songs to record in the Uproar studio this

November. Moore said that each signed Uproar artist will have one weekend to record their chosen songs, which will appear on an extended play (EP) album to be released later in the year.

She anticipates revealing Stevens’ music to a wider audience and described her sound as “intelligent piano pop music,” like Sara Bareilles.

In addition to the House of Blues show, Stevens played at

Common Grounds earlier this semester, the Acoustic Café, and she also recently performed her original “My Place in the Line” with Jack Spalding at Student Activities’ After Dark Variety Show.

“I heard that Ken Starr, our president, has watched my [After Dark] performance twice on YouTube,” Stevens said. “It’s a sarcastic song about being a freshman at Baylor.”

The lyrics mock the hierarchy of senior to freshman, living away from home for the first time and other freshman year trademarks, but Stevens’ favorite line from the song is:

“Oh I miss my mom and dad cause all my clothes never smelled so bad; they stink. I turned my underwear pink.”

“Trannie’s music is so comical and unique,” said Stevens’ fellow freshman, Olivia Offringa, from Rochester, Mass. “Her personality shines through her lyrics, and her clever choice of words play on the ear nicely.”

When Stevens’ isn’t singing, playing, or writing music, she keeps busy as freshman class vice president of student government and keeping up with the Baylor Men’s Basketball team, especially her favorite player, Anthony Jones.

“I’m obsessed with Baylor men’s basketball,” Stevens said. “I just want to hang out and be best friends with all of them.”

The songwriter’s upcoming events will include a show in College Station with fellow Uproar artist, Amy Boykin, and Jillian Edwards, and putting a band together to enhance her November recording session and future performances.

“I see the potential in things, and I get really excited about it,” said Stevens. “Being a new Uproar artist, I get giddy when I think about where I could be in a year.”

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- 11 Spirit
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- 15 Narrow space
- 16 Pay add-on
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- 18 August
- 20 Boast à la Donald Trump?
- 22 Patriot Act protesters: Abbr.
- 24 Malt finish?
- 25 Goddess of motherhood
- 26 “Our overly fussy friend has a point”?
- 31 Wasikowska of “The Kids Are All Right”
- 32 “Trinity” novelist
- 33 Union agreement
- 34 Fiber source
- 36 Illegal pitch
- 40 “Have some”
- 41 Kid on “The Cosby Show”
- 42 Big name in ‘40s-’50s Argentina
- 43 Joplin piece about modern weaponry?
- 47 Went under
- 48 Emulate Eminem
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- 55 LA and MI, but not DO or RE
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- 59 NRC predecessor
- 60 It can get you credit in a store
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- 62 “The ___ of Pooh”: ‘80s best-seller
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- 10 Dam up
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- 12 Draw forth
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- 21 Surround with dense mist
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- 23 Hirsute pet
- 27 Like the sticks
- 28 Sizzling
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- 30 Under the weather, e.g.
- 35 Anouilh play made into a Burton/O’Toole film
- 36 It’s not always easy to get into
- 37 “Tootsie” Oscar nominee
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Fantasy Football Q&A

Having received positive responses from our presentation of our office's fantasy football league, we decided to expand our fantasy football coverage to an advice column.

The good news is that readers will see advice from sports editor Tyler Alley and editor-in-chief Chris Derrett, who are both 4-0 in the Lariat Super League, as well as photo editor Matt Hellman, who is 3-1.

The bad news is readers will also receive "advice" from A&E editor Joshua Madden, who is 0-4.

Q: For players with Andre Johnson on their fantasy team, who is a good dark horse receiver to pick up during his injury?

A: I'd take a look at Victor Cruz. He had a huge game two weeks ago in the Giants' blowout of the Eagles and had another solid game last week at Arizona. He could have big games against Seattle this week and Buffalo next week, though he has a bye in three weeks. - *Chris Derrett*

A good darkhorse receiver, you ask? Well, Jordy Nelson has been receiving a lot of attention from Aaron Rodgers lately. If I were you, he would be my first choice. - *Matt Hellman*

Devery Henderson would be a good pickup for any team needing a wide receiver. Really any Saints or Packers receiver would be good since Rodgers and Brees are on fire. - *Tyler Alley*

Q: Is there ever a time any fantasy owner should play a member of the Seattle Seahawks on their team?

A: Sidney Rice might be worth a start against the NFC West. Other than that, not really. - *Chris Derrett*

There's actually an argument to be made for using the Seahawks D this week. - *Joshua Madden*

If you have any Seahawks on your team, just remember: Don't hate the player. Hate the game, and all of your players. - *Matt Hellman*

No... - *Tyler Alley*

Q: Any predictions on good fantasy players with very favorable matchups this week?

A: This is probably sort of obvious, but Aaron Rodgers and Arian Foster should both score 30+ points this week if I had to guess. - *Joshua Madden*

Eli Manning is going to have a great day against Seattle. By great, I mean he might get an early rest and be replaced by a fan halfway through the fourth quarter. Or third. - *Chris Derrett*

Drew Brees is guaranteed a good week just about every week, but he and his offense face Carolina this week. Unlike other teams, the Saints don't just hand the ball off with a big lead, but keep on throwing. - *Tyler Alley*

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MEAGAN DOWNING | LARIAT STAFF

No. 10 quarterback Robert Griffin III breaks away from Rice for a touchdown on Sept. 24 at Floyd Casey Stadium. Baylor beat Rice 56-31. Baylor looks to grab another win Saturday against Iowa State after a tough defeat to Kansas State.

Bears seek new momentum against Cyclones

By TYLER ALLEY
SPORTS EDITOR

After their tough 36-35 loss to Kansas State, the No. 25 Bears return home to play Iowa State at 6 p.m. Saturday .

Senior receiver Kendall Wright says he is happy to be home. "We're ready to get back in front of the home crowd," Wright said. "It is tough to put [Kansas State] behind us, but we have to clear it and get ready for next week."

Iowa State (3-1) heads into Waco coming off a 37-14 loss to No. 17 Texas. The Cyclones are lead by junior quarterback Steele Jantz, who averages 229 passing yards per game and seven touchdowns.

"The thing about Iowa State is [they are] very good schematically," head coach Art Briles said. "I really respect what they do on the offensive side of the ball. They've got a guy that can do it in [Steele] Jantz. He's a big, strong kid that is fearless and they believe in him. He's a guy that can keep the plays alive."

The Cyclone offense will take on Baylor's defense, which currently ranks 83rd in points allowed. The defense has shown ability to make big plays with four interceptions

on the year but lacks consistency in stopping opponents, other than the shutout against Stephen F. Austin.

"I think that we just need to fully trust the team, fully trust our

"Anytime you get [into] Big 12 play, you toss the coin up, just about. It all comes down to penalties, turnovers, momentum and field position."

Art Briles | Head Coach

coaches and what positions they're putting us in and go out do what they ask us to do to the best of our ability," senior linebacker Elliot Coffey said.

Baylor's offense, which is the only FBS offense averaging 300+ yards passing and 200+ yards rushing, goes up against a Cyclone defense that is 85th in points allowed but features junior linebacker Jake Knott, a preseason first-team all-Big 12 selection.

Knott is currently on the watch list for the Butkus Award for the

most outstanding linebacker, the Nagurski Award for the nation's best defensive player and the Bednarik Award for the nation's top defensive player.

Knott is second in the Big 12 and 11th in the nation in tackles averaging 10.25 tackles per game, including 3.5 tackles for loss.

"They're a very disciplined team," junior quarterback Robert Griffin III said. "They listen to their coaches and they're going to do what their coaches tell them to do. Try to discourage them a little and try to win the game. But no matter what happens, our main objective is to get the 'W'."

Griffin continue to strengthen his Heisman candidacy, leading the nation in completion percentage with 82.3 percent of his passes completed. He has 18 passing touchdowns and threw his first interception against Kansas State, which then led to him pointing the finger at himself for the loss.

Wright had yet another record-breaking performance with 201 receiving yards in a single game against Kansas State.

He leads all FBS Division I receivers with 155.3 receiving yards per game but still does not receive nearly as much national attention

as his quarterback.

"I don't care if they talk about me or not because I'm going to try to do what I can do to help my team win and make plays when it's time," Wright said. "I like being underrated. I'm not worried about any of that."

Saturday will be the 10th meeting between Baylor and Iowa State in football. Iowa State currently leads the series 5-4. The two teams last met on Oct. 17, 2009, in Ames, Iowa, and the Cyclones defeated the Bears 24-10.

Blake Szymanski, filling in for the injured Griffin, threw for 223 yards and three interceptions in that game. The lone Baylor touchdown came in the fourth quarter with nine seconds left on a 9-yard pass from Szymanski to Justin Akers.

Though this game can be seen as an easy win by some fans, Briles is not overlooking Iowa State.

"Anytime you get [into] Big 12 play, you toss the coin up, just about," Briles said. "It all comes down to penalties, turnovers, momentum and field position."

The Bears and Cyclones play at 6 p.m. Saturday in Floyd Casey Stadium. The game will be televised on Fox Sports Network.

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Baylor tries to head the ball into the goal late in the game against Weber State on Sept. 25, 2011 at Betty Lou Mays Field. The Bears celebrated an exciting golden goal victory.

Soccer heads on road for Big 12 play

By DANIEL WALLACE
SPORTS WRITER

For the first time this season, Baylor soccer will play two Big 12 games in one weekend. The Bears play Kansas (8-5) at 4 p.m. today in Lawrence, Kan., and then square off against Iowa State at 5 p.m. Sunday in Ames, Iowa. These will be the last two road games of the season for the Bears, as their final four games are at home.

The Bears (9-2-2) are coming off a 0-0 double overtime time against the Texas Tech Red Raiders last Friday. Normally the team plays two games per weekend but did not have a Sunday game last weekend. The team was able to rest and recover from the Tech game and feels more prepared for this weekend's match-ups because of the extra rest, players said.

"We used (Sunday) as a recovery day," sophomore forward Vic Hoffman said. "I think a lot of the

girls on the team would have rather played a game just because it's fun to play those games. But since we're about to go into a double Big 12 weekend, I think it's good we got that rest in. It was basically just rolling out in ice baths (on Sunday)."

Head coach Marci Jobson said the break was good for the team and came at a time in the season when it was greatly needed. Hoffman said the rest allowed for some harder practices this week, but overall she believes it will be beneficial for the team this weekend with the heightened competition facing two Big 12 teams.

Junior forward Dana Larsen said focus is the key to coming back to Waco with two victories this weekend. She said the team will need to focus more on themselves and what they can do to improve than their opponents' strategy.

"With our style, we just want to go in and disrupt and try to do our

thing and focus on us more," she said.

Larsen said the situation the team needs to improve on the most is finishing in the final third of the game. Jobson said the team needs to stay sharp in its execution and that it's not the time in the season to be implementing any new strategies.

She said the worst thing the team can do is to focus on the projections and rankings of the Big 12 and become distracted by that. She believes the best way for the team to improve is to only worry about the task at hand.

"We're in the home stretch now," she said. "It's all about just taking each game one at a time, going for it as hard as you can, and not getting caught up with all the calculations and just doing what you do each game the best you can and seeing where the chips fall."

Hoffman recalled last year's game at Kansas as an extra physical

game where team members from both sides got a little scrappy. She said she believes it will be the same type of game today and that it will be a very similar game to the Texas Tech game.

Jobson said Iowa State (6-5-1) could win a game on pure will, as her team found out in a devastating loss last season.

"Iowa State brings a team that beat us last year on pure heart and will," she said. "That was one of my most disappointing losses of the season last year because we got out-hearted and I don't like that. We got out-worked and out-fought."

Larsen and Hoffman said they expect some bad blood in Sunday's game against Iowa State and are looking for some sweet revenge after last year's 1-0 loss.

After this weekend's competition, the Bears will return home to take on Missouri at 7 p.m. Friday at Betty Lou Mays Field.

Week 5	Tyler Alley Sports Editor	Krista Pirtle Sports Writer	Daniel Wallace Sports Writer
Tennessee at Pittsburgh	Steelers	Titans	Titans
Seattle at NY Giants	Giants	Giants	Giants
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New Orleans at Carolina	Saints	Saints	Saints
Oakland at Houston	Texans	Raiders	Texans
Philadelphia at Buffalo	Bills	Eagles	Bills
Kansas City at Indianapolis	Colts	Colts	Chiefs
Arizona at Minnesota	Cardinals	Vikings	Vikings
Tampa Bay at San Francisco	Buccaneers	49ers	Buccaneers
NY Jets at New England	Patriots	Jets	Patriots
San Diego at Denver	Chargers	Broncos	Chargers
Green Bay at Atlanta	Packers	Falcons	Falcons
Chicago at Detroit	Lions	Bears	Lions
Week 4:	12-4	6-10	12-4
Season:	39-25	32-32	41-23

Men’s, women’s tennis find success in Calif.

By LAUREAN LOVE
REPORTER

Baylor women's tennis senior Diana Nakic had a three-set win to advance through qualifying to the main draw of the ITA/Riviera Women's All-American Championship on Wednesday in Pacific Palisades, Calif. The men's tennis team's journey came to an end on Thursday in the main draw of the ITA Men's All-American Championships in Tulsa, Okla.

Senior Diana Nakic, who is ranked 28th, defeated back-to-back ranked opponents on Tuesday, and on Wednesday Nakic won against Tennessee's Brynn Boren, who is ranked 31st. Nakic won the first set 7-5, lost 6-1 in the second, and won the third 6-3 to clinch the victory.

Nakic will take on USC's Danielle Lao, ranked 16th, in the first round of the 32-player main draw that begins Thursday.

Seniors Nina Secerbegovic and Sona Novakova will enter the main draw in singles and doubles. Secerbegovic is ranked 23rd and Novakova is ranked 13th. In doubles Novakova and Secerbegovic are ranked 10th and will play Stanford's Mallory Burdette and Nicole Gibbs in the first round of a 24-team doubles field.

For the men's team, junior Roberto Maytin split two singles matches and lost a doubles match with his partner, freshman Marko Krickovic, in a tiebreaker.

In the round of 64 in singles, Maytin, ranked 43rd, was able to fight off three match points in the third set to defeat UCLA's 35th-ranked Clay Thompson 6-3. However, Maytin lost the second set 6-4.

Thompson had two match points at 5-4 in the third set and was up 6-3 in the tiebreaker, but Maytin was able to eventually take the match by posting an 8-6 tiebreaker score.

Maytin lost to Oklahoma's Peerakit Siributwong in the second round (6-2, 7-5), which ended his run in singles.

In doubles round of 32 Maytin and Krickovic, ranked No. 23 nationally, played No. 13 Christopher Aumuller and Benedikt Lindheim of Nebraska.

The Bears were down 3-6, but were able to come back and win four straight games and force a tiebreaker. However, they were not able to hold them off as they won the match 9-8 after winning the tiebreaker 8-6.

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TCU and our student-athletes in this ever-changing landscape of collegiate athletics. We look forward to continuing these discussions with the Big 12.”

Rivalries will be a big plus in the move to Big 12 territory; they could possibly exceed those established in the Southwest conference back in the ‘90s.

In football, the rivalry between TCU and Baylor will be heightened even more than it was this past September, with conference records on the line.

Sadly, basketball does not offer much promise.

Baseball, on the other hand, brings about big potential, seeing as the program went to the College World Series for the first time this past season.

The talent on the diamond will ignite a rivalry between Texas and TCU, replacing the rivalry the Aggies left behind.

“We’re proud that TCU has been invited to join the Big 12,” Texas Athletic Director DeLoss Dodds said in a statement. “Their commitment to academics and success on the field make them an excellent fit. With a solid budget and strong financial support, they have been proactive at improving facilities. Their close proximity to all conference institutions makes for a comfortable travel situation.”

Geographically, the Big 12 offers a more feasible location than the Big East.

If TCU stayed in the Big East, it would have to travel to mostly the northeastern portion of the country.

With gas prices not looking to go to under a dollar ever again, this could be an expensive route to take.

The location of the Big 12 offers more feasible transportation routes that would be quicker and less expensive.

Additionally, the student athletes would miss more classes.

In terms of recruiting, TCU brings great opportunities to the Big East, drawing Texas into the playing field.

If TCU decides to join the Big 12, its recruiting base could expand, since players can compete

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only small, in understanding these questions,” Dougherty said.

“Even if we don’t solve the problems, we can better clarify the questions in hope that somebody

with local “rivals” in Texas and Oklahoma.

Strictly focusing on football, both the Big East and the Big 12 offer an automatic berth to a bowl game, something that has been just beyond the reach of TCU in the Mountain West.

If TCU does decide to join the Big 12, it will have to pay \$5 million to the Big East to depart from the conference.

That amount of money is an extraordinary amount; however, with the money TCU would receive from the Big 12 the summer of 2012, that amount will seem less painful.

Because of the drama created by the University of Texas’ Longhorn Network, the conference universities’ presidents and chancellors have agreed to equally share revenue from that and other television deals if schools agree to give those rights to the conference for the next six years.

This revenue-sharing plan would give TCU \$20 million in June.

“The Big 12 has made significant progress today in restoring stability to its membership,” Baylor athletic director Ian McCaw wrote in an email to the Lariat. “We are grateful for the leadership of Interim Commissioner Chuck Neinas along with the Big 12 Board of Directors for today’s decisive action. President Ken Starr has played an extremely important role in this effort. Baylor highly values its more than century-old rivalry with TCU. Fans from both schools will be able to take advantage of the close proximity of the institutions in supporting their teams at future games.”

As of right now, the odds look to favor the Big 12 by a landslide.

The question is whether or not the TCU Board of Regents feels the same.

The loss of Texas A&M to the SEC came with whoops from the Aggies and boos from most everyone else.

The possible addition of TCU to the Big 12 brings about a replacement for A&M that is more than capable of exceeding expectations.

else can solve the problem. Also, we [as scholars] can get a new perspective on the problems and perhaps find that they don’t need solving at all.”

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financial regulation bill he championed ensures tougher oversight of the financial industry.

Among some protesters, reaction to Obama’s acknowledgment was less than enthusiastic.

“His message is that he’s sticking to the party line, which is, ‘We are taking care of the situation.’ But he’s not proposing any solutions,” said Thorin Caristo, a 37-year-old antique store owner from Plainfield, Conn.

The protesters have varied causes and no apparent demands, but have spoken largely about unemployment and economic inequality, reserving most of their criticism for Wall Street.

“We are the 99 percent,” they chanted Wednesday, contrasting themselves with the wealthiest 1 percent of Americans.

“The great thing about Occupy Wall Street is that they have brought the focus of the entire country on the middle class majority,” said George Aldro, 62, a member of Local 2325 of the United Auto Workers, as he carried the union’s blue flag over his shoulder through lower Manhattan.

“We’re in it together, and we’re in it for the long haul.”

Ed Figueroa, a janitor in a public school in the Bronx and a shop steward with Local 32BJ of the Service Employees International Union, said the march was “the first time in these weeks that unions have shown their face.”

“But it won’t be the last time,” he said.

The unions were donating food, blankets and office space to the protesters, said Dan Cantor, head of the Working Families Party.

But he said the young protesters would continue to head their

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gestion in the high-traffic parking facilities on campus such as the bookstore garage, offers students three options for parking decals: the traditional sticker allowing access to all Baylor parking facilities, which sells for \$245; a \$150 alternative allowing access only to the east campus garage; and a \$95 day pass allowing students to park in the Ferrell Center lots until 5:30 p.m. All three passes allow access to campus facilities after 5 p.m. and before 7 a.m. on weekdays, limiting restrictions on access to peak parking hours.

Penney and other Baylor administrators intended to offer



Protesters gather at City Hall Thursday in Philadelphia. Organizers of what is being called Occupy Philadelphia say Thursday’s demonstration is meant to be a stand against corporate greed.

own efforts.

The movement lacks an identified leader and decisions are made during group meetings.

“They’re giving more to us than we’re giving them. They’re a shot in the arm to everyone” Cantor said.

Victor Rivera, a vice president for the powerful 1199 Service Employees International Union, which represents health care workers, said the union had donated “all the food they need for this entire week” to the protesters.

Union leaders had also assigned liaisons from their political action committee to work with demonstrators.

“We are here to support this movement against Wall Street’s greed,” he said. “We support the idea that the rich should pay their fair share.”

The Occupy Wall Street pro-

tests started Sept. 17 with a few dozen demonstrators who tried to pitch tents in front of the New York Stock Exchange.

Since then, hundreds have set up camp nearby in Zuccotti Park and have become increasingly organized, lining up medical aid and legal help and printing their own newspaper.

On Saturday, about 700 people were arrested and given disorderly conduct summonses for spilling into the roadway of the Brooklyn Bridge despite warnings from police.

A group of those arrested filed a lawsuit Tuesday, saying officers lured them into a trap before arresting them.

Video shows officers using bullhorns to try and tell the group to get off the road.

Activists have been showing

solidarity with the movement in many cities, including Los Angeles, Boston, Seattle and Providence, R.I.

Several Democratic lawmakers have expressed support for the protesters, but some Republican presidential candidates have rebuked them.

Herman Cain called the activists “un-American” Wednesday at a book signing in St. Petersburg, Fla.

“They’re basically saying that somehow the government is supposed to take from those that have succeeded and give to those who want to protest,” the former pizza-company executive said. “That’s not the way America was built.”

On Tuesday, CBS reported that former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney called the protest “class warfare” at an appearance at a Florida retirement community.

While the new program has not attracted the numbers administrators anticipated, it has brought more attention to the east campus parking garage in particular.

Carrollton sophomore Ryan Andrews found out about the opportunity to park in the garage when shopping for the decals.

Andrews’ need to park on campus occasionally prompted him to purchase the traditional, all-access sticker. Now Andrews parks at the east campus garage on a regular basis.

“On the days where my first class is in the [Baylor Sciences Building] and I end in the BSB,

I park here,” Andrews said. “It doesn’t fill up. If I don’t have an 8 o’clock class, I can’t get anything closer.”

Penney said the program’s relatively slow start can be attributed to insufficient advertising of the available options, but also pointed out the difficulty in persuading a substantial portion of the student body to change behavior in a small amount of time.

“We realized it wouldn’t fit every student’s need,” Penney said, “but for every student that found it attractive and decided it fit their needs, that was pulling one more car off the interior of campus.”

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