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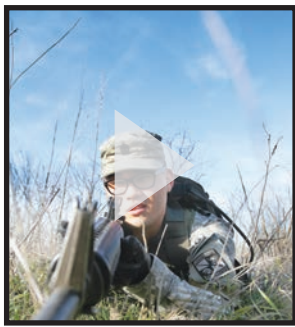


Photo of the day

Brian Kim, a member of Baylor University's Army ROTC program, lays in a defensive position during practice drills with media on the battlefield

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Athletics

Baylor men's basketball will play Missouri from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Ferrell Center. Tickets can be bought in the SUB Den ticket office or online at www.baylorbears.com.

The Arts

The Baylor Opera Theater will present Henry Purcell's *Dido and Aeneas* on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Hooper-Schaefer Fine Arts Center. Tickets can be purchased at the School of Music Box Office, by phone at 254-710-3571 or online at www.baylor.edu/music/. General admission is \$15 and student tickets are \$10 with proof of ID.

Perry drops out of presidential race

AUSTIN — Gov. Rick Perry dropped out of the presidential race on Thursday, endorsed his old friend Newt Gingrich and returned home to Texas, where the failed White House candidate has three years left to serve as the chief executive.

"I have come to the conclusion that there is no viable path to victory for my candidacy in 2012," Perry said in North Charleston, S.C., just two days before the primary there. "I believe Newt is a conservative visionary who can

transform our country."

Money also was a factor, with spokesman Ray Sullivan saying: "We have spent the bulk of our funds." He added that Perry hasn't ruled out running again for governor or the White House in 2016 if President Barack Obama is re-elected. Perry ended his campaign



Perry

soon after, Perry's verbal gaffes and poor debate performances sent his campaign into a tailspin

where he launched it last August, when tea party and evangelical Christian leaders hailed him as a charismatic conservative and some early polls showed him as a front-runner for the Republican nomination. But

from which it never recovered.

It was too soon to tell whether Perry's rocky turn on the national stage had damaged him politically at home. But already there were signs of his diminished clout.

Several Texas donors who fueled his bid indicated they were likely to back Mitt Romney, the former Massachusetts governor who is considered the more moderate candidate in the race. And South Carolina House speaker David Wilkins, who had supported Perry, ignored the governor's

recommendation and shifted his support to Romney, too.

Short of a Gingrich victory leading to a job for Perry in Washington, Perry will most likely stay in Austin where — despite his dismal presidential campaign — he's still considered the most powerful politician in the state. He has appointed more than 1,000 people to key government positions since becoming governor in 2000. State lawmakers also depend on

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Sorority gains upper hand in intramural game

Chi Omegas win Griner, Sims in basketball competition

By KASEY McMILLIAN
REPORTER

Brittney Griner and Odyssey Sims will coach Chi-Omega's "A" basketball team in its game Tuesday at the Student Life Center, after the sorority won their help in a competition. Chi-Omega will play Pi Beta Phi's "B" team at 5 p.m.

On Jan. 11, the Lady Bears defeated Oklahoma State 71-44, and the numbers of students present representing their sorority letters and wearing Greeklife T-shirts brought a variety of color to the stands. The girls' basketball team was seeking student involvement and had wanted to find a way to encourage fans to show up to cheer on the No. 1 ranked team to another victory at home.

The Lady Bears decided there was no better way to do this than awarding All-American players Griner and Sims as coaches for one of the sorority's intramural basketball games this semester. The group with the highest attendance would have the chance to work with some of Baylor women's star athletes.

The sorority with the most attendance was Chi Omega, with 69 members present. Moments after the winning group was revealed, students jumped on Facebook and Twitter to spread the news.

"We were all over social networks, and everybody not there was tracking the results; it's a pretty big thing for our chapter

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MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

No. 42 forward Brittney Griner shoots the ball for two points during the game against No. 2 ranked University of Connecticut Sunday evening, Dec. 18, in the Ferrell Center. The Bears ended up celebrating a 66-61 victory over the Huskies.

War relived in letters to Fanny

By MALLORY HISLER
REPORTER

A little piece of significant history, a little bit at a time.

That is the goal of a new exhibit from the Texas Collection on-campus library and archive, called "Believe me your own: Letters from the Battlefield to Fanny from Alex (1862-1865)."

The online exhibit, hosted on the library's website, began Jan. 9 and will continue until Spring Break.

Solely based on the letters of Alex Morgan, a Confederate doctor from Louisiana, to his wife Fanny, readers can follow the American Civil War through Morgan's eyes.

"Seeking to recreate the cyclical emotions of writing and wait-

ing the Morgans endured during the war, the libraries will publish one letter every Monday, Wednesday and Friday," according to a press release from the Texas Collection.

John Wilson, director of the Texas Collection, said he was impressed by the impact reading a first-hand personal account can make on someone's understanding of a soldier's thoughts on war.

"He's still pretty upbeat," Wilson said of Morgan's tone at the beginning of the letters. But Wilson also alluded to an obvious shift in mood as the war went the way of the North.

"To read them all of the way through, to see how they're changing — he really comes alive and brings the war to life in the letters," Wilson said.

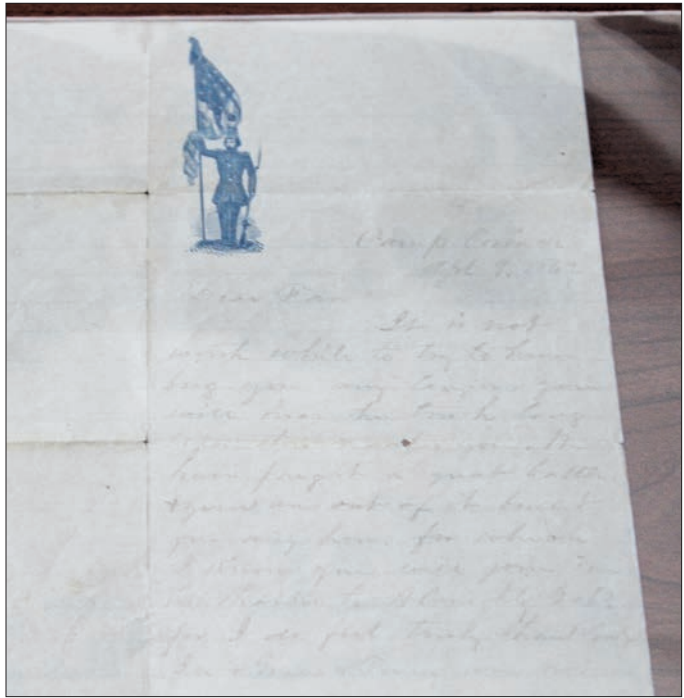
Knowing how the outcome of the war makes the story that much more intriguing to Alice Campbell, curator of the exhibit.

"We all know how the war turns out. When he talks about getting ready for battle, we already know how the battle is going to end," Campbell said. "You have information as a reader that he doesn't have. I think that makes the experience of the letters that much more poignant."

The library's website outlines a brief history of the Morgan family to give readers an idea of who the man writing the letters was, and who the people on the receiving end of them were.

"Dr. Alex Morgan enlisted for a one-year term of service

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MATTHEW MCCARROLL | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

The Texas Collection will transcribe old love letters from a Confederate doctor to his wife and put them online Thursday.

Olive Branch Express spices it up with new venue

By ROB BRADFIELD
STAFF WRITER

Downtown shoppers at Spice Village have a new place to get food while on-the-go.

The Olive Branch Bakery and Cafe, a local eatery founded by 1998 Baylor graduate Leah Stewart, is expanding its operations by opening a new location on Monday Jan. 30, in the Spice Village shops on Franklin Avenue.

The expansion, called Olive Branch Express, will take over the location of Simply Good Eatery.

Simply Good Eatery was opened in 2004 by Jennifer Wilson, owner of Spice Village, to give her customers and other downtown shoppers a place to get a quick, inexpensive lunch.

Wilson was approached several weeks ago by Stewart and Jonathan Garza of Red Cap Consulting about converting her small restaurant into the Olive Branch Express.

Wilson, who has been refocusing on the retail side of Spice Village, quickly accepted the offer. "This was the perfect opportunity for me to transfer [the Eatery] to someone else," Wilson said.

The Olive Branch Express will take over the quick lunch business downtown, offering a menu featuring some ready-made versions of their classic sandwiches, salads and items from their catering menu.

Among the new items are lasagna, king ranch chicken and



MEAGAN DOWNING | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Simply Good Eatery soon to be replaced by the Olive Branch Express on Thursday

enchiladas.

The restaurant will be open from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and food will be available at the Spice Village main counter until 6:00 p.m.

Olive Branch Express will also offer family-size versions of their signature dishes, and opportunities to reserve the new space for private parties and receptions.

Space has been a recurring issue for Olive Branch, but with the new location, the owners hope to accommodate more private parties and lunchtime customers.

According to Jonathan Garza, Olive Branch's popularity as a lunch location is part of what

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Don't expect change with mindset of 'new year, new me'

Personally, I don't buy into the theory that the beginning of a new year is the beginning of a new and improved me. I prefer to set new goals when I become motivated by something.

However, for many Americans there is something intriguing about starting a fresh year that inspires them to set new goals.

According a Journal of Clinical Psychology study, between 40 and 45 percent of adults in America make at least one resolution each year. The study adds that only 64 percent of resolutions made have been kept.

With such discouraging statistics, I wonder why people continue to make resolutions. Also considering the top resolutions are almost always health re-



Breanna Nichols | Reporter

"It is important to stop kidding yourself and realize that new habits can be formed at any time. There is no need to wait until the new year to get healthy, stop spending so much, become more organized, etc."

lated in some way, it seems like the same resolutions are being made again and again each year to no avail.

New Year's resolutions always seem to lapse into old habits by February.

Although I'm not a fan of making New Year's resolutions, I do agree with regularly taking time to plan out reasonable self-adjustments or habits that can be made during any time of the year and sticking to those changes.

Setting and achieving a goal and then creating another one can be very motivational.

This leads me to question why the same goals are made each year by so many people and why so many of those same people are failing to achieve those goals.

We have just passed the two-week mark since New Year's Eve, and more than 71 percent of resolutions made have been kept, according to the Journal of Clinical Psychology's study. I have compiled a short list on ways to maintain resolutions as we are approaching the next two weeks, when the percentage of kept resolutions will drop to 64 percent.

First of all, it is important to stop kid-

ding yourself and realize that new habits can be formed at any time. There is no need to wait until the new year to get healthy, stop spending so much, become more organized, etc.

With that being said, if you have already given up on your resolution for this year, I encourage you to set a new goal for yourself and start again.

Goals should always be realistic. There is nothing wrong with setting a goal, accomplishing it and then creating another goal to advance. Not only does accomplishing the first goal you set give you motivation, it makes it easier to track your progress. It's a way of encouraging yourself rather than burning yourself out.

Evaluate your goals. If this is a goal you have made once or even twice before and have yet to accomplish it, really look into what has happened to hinder your progress in the past and what changes you will make this time around to lead you to success.

Talk about your goal. If you are vocal about what you're trying to accomplish, you're more likely to stick to it, and those people with whom you share your resolution can hold you accountable.

The number of days it takes for a new activity to become a habit is different for everyone.

As long as you are enjoying what you are doing and encouraging yourself along the way, those changes will eventually become part of your personality resulting in a better, more confident version of yourself.

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Really?

The following problems appeared on an Atlanta-area school's homework assignment for third graders:

Each tree had 56 oranges. If eight slaves pick them equally, then how much would each slave pick?

If Frederick got two beatings per day, how many beatings did he get in one week?

Susan B. Anthony was fined \$100 for voting for president. She only had \$25, how much more did she need to pay the fine?*

*Anthony was fined in 1872 but refused to pay it.

Slavery and math problems don't mix for third-graders

Editorial

Consider the following word problem: "Each tree had 56 oranges. If eight slaves pick them equally, then how much would each slave pick?"

If your first thought was seven, then you missed the point.

At Beaver Ridge Elementary School in Norcross, Ga., the third grade teachers decided to integrate social studies and math by basing word problems on history.

Much like SOPA, what is at issue here is the execution rather than the intention.

Instead of asking innocuous questions like: "If 81 people were going west on the Oregon Trail and nine people could fit in one wagon, how many wagons did they take?" the teachers chose to write two questions about slavery.

The first was about picking oranges. The second, "If Frederick got two beatings per day, how many beatings did he get in one week?" was even more upsetting to parents.

One father, Christopher Braxton, told local Georgia news station WSBTV "it

kind of blew me away," and "I was furious at the time."

Terrance Barnet, also a father, said the message of the problems was inappropriate.

"I'm having to explain to my 8-year-old why slavery or slaves or beatings are in a math problem. That hurts," Barnet said.

Both fathers complained to the principal, and a WSBTV reporter contacted school district officials for their response.

The district maintains that the teachers were trying to integrate curriculum, but that the questions were inappropriate and were not properly vetted before being distributed to students.

The local NAACP called for the firing of all teachers and staff involved in the incident. The district opened an investigation into the incident, which terminated in the resignation of one third grade math teacher, according to the Associated Press.

Parents were informed that the vice principal of the school collected all copies of the homework assignment to be shredded before it could be further circulated, but the damage was already done.

The math problems may not have been reviewed by the district, but they were seen by at least the four math teach-

ers who distributed the questions in their classrooms.

While America must always remember its shameful history of slavery, the way to educate our children about a hateful and harmful past is not to carelessly incorporate elements of violence and degradation into objective homework questions.

District spokeswoman Sloan Roach suggested the problem with the math questions was the lack of context, but we must ask if it is ever appropriate to reference beatings on an 8-year-old's take-home work.

Administrators insist the questions were in no way racist and were just a bad choice. This may be true, but choices like this lead to a culture of tension between black and white Americans that must not be passed on to younger generations.

What must always be remembered is that children are not small adults. They are impressionable and curious, and what teachers present in the classroom has a huge impact during these formative years.

Kudos to the parents who stood up for the innocence of their children and protested an act of carelessness. It is this involvement in education that can help move our country forward.

America's future needs separation of religion and politics

As children, we sat in our elementary school classrooms and learned about the great American melting pot. We derive many things in our country from members and traditions of many other nations.

And yet, over the past few centuries, it seems that we've been busy grounding down all of these differences to form our own distinctly American identity. Chinese cuisine in America has come to reflect American preferences. Olde English has become an American dialect in our mouths. And American politics are unique on the world stage.

As a nation, we have overcome dark periods in our own history that produced war, slavery, racial injustice. We have become open to discussing issues that, 50 years ago, would never



Caroline Brewton | Copy editor

have been raised.

This progress, though, has led to a host of emerging problems that threatens to tear us apart, issues that lawmakers grapple with

on a daily basis. We have become more open, yes, and less homogenized. We have become loud.

And so we are fighting a new battle. Our American culture is becoming common in some areas, but issues of religion continue to divide us. Many issues seen as "religious" have also become political because religion often determines morality.

This is our problem. We have confused morality with legality.

As Americans, we must navigate carefully between morality and legality. The purpose of morality is to guide personal growth and help us become "good" people. The purpose of legality is to govern the population of a country.

Morality and legality do not have to be opposites. Most major world religions would agree the

prohibition of murder, theft or rape in American laws is a moral triumph, but we must walk a fine line.

By accepting any moral system into legality, we run the risk of alienating other moral systems that might be just as valid, although different from our own. Because we are a diverse society, no homogenous American morality unites us.

No one religious moral system must come to dominate another by influencing our laws, no matter how closely we hold our beliefs.

Can we celebrate our differences in religion while still remaining a united people? I think we can. The first step is to maintain secular legislation and encourage an open-minded society that accepts all religions. Uphold-

ing a citizen's right to "privacy" is essential to this cause. Privacy is the lynchpin between morality and legality. And it is in privacy where moral decisions must be made.

This upcoming presidential election is our chance to draw a line in the sand between a fair and just government and a government that swings toward the dictates of one school of thought to the detriment of all, and it is perhaps the best example of how this struggle has come to influence America.

The Republican primaries are rife with religious issues, featuring candidates like Rick Santorum, who many Americans hope will bring conservative Christian values to the White House if he is elected. Or Mitt Romney - many believe his Mormon faith will

harm him in the eyes of constituents. Or Newt Gingrich, whose infidelities, though deplorable, are a moral and not a legal issue.

Remember this in the political battles that will accompany this election. If we want to continue to be taken seriously as a nation on an international stage, we must divorce the politics of religion from American legal politics. Don't vote for a Catholic candidate or a Mormon candidate or a divorced candidate. Vote for a candidate who will better serve America.

We are living in an increasingly global and pluralistic society. It's time to start thinking that way.

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Army ROTC faces battle with media training

By MEGHAN HENDRICKSON
REPORTER

They're trained in combat, in discipline, in dress and ... in talking to reporters?

Baylor Army ROTC cadets were trained in dealing with the media on Thursday.

Fidel Gomez, senior military science instructor for the Media on the Battlefield course, said he wanted cadets to learn how to deal confidently with reporters in the



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Cedar Park junior Josh Cantu takes his post, keeping a close eye on the approaching media members during practice drills with media on the battlefield Thursday at the Army ROTC training fields.

midst of war.

“There’s no way you can be in the military and not interact with the media at some time,” said Hackettstown, N. J., senior Brian Crookshank, who serves as the primary instructor for the Media on the Battlefield lab.

Nearly 100 cadets arrived at Bear Field, the 28 acres of Baylor-owned land located on University Parks Drive beside the Willis Family Equestrian Center, Thursday for their weekly training lab. Upon their arrival they were greeted by a

group of journalism students from Dr. Brad Owens’ Public Relations for Non-profit Organizations class.

The journalism students devoted a few hours toward the Army ROTC’s training by acting like professional reporters covering a battle overseas.

“A lot of the cadets have never done anything like this before and there are guidelines that they need to follow that are easy in principle, but hard to actually follow in process,” Crookshank said.

of credentials and a list of interview questions were provided for each journalist to use as a springboard for their encounters with the cadets.

Denver, Colo., junior Mark Cerf was questioned by three journalists while also trying to accomplish the mission assigned to his platoon and maintain operational security.

“It’s very rare that we actually get outside influence, especially from people in the media or potential media profession, to come in and help us out with training,” Cerf said. “Every time we come out here it’s a great learning experience, and honestly one of the best ways to learn, because sometimes we mess up and make mistakes.”

Although this was just training, the instructors said they wanted the cadets to react to the media in a realistic way.

“The best thing I can do for these cadets is provide that realism – the realistic environment – and that’s one thing that we’re so fortunate that Baylor has,” Gomez said. “We’re not in some gym, we’re not in some ballpark, we’re actually coming out here and the cadets feel like they’re in a real training environment.”

The cadets agreed the training was relevant to their future whether they choose to serve in the Army or in a civilian career.

“In this modern age, we have reporters everywhere – the world’s a lot smaller,” Cerf said. “We really need to put our best foot forward and show them what the Army really is all about.”

Gomez said he hopes to have journalism students help out with this training again in the years to come because he felt it was such a success.



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Omaha, Neb., sophomore Shannon Boddie and McKinney senior Meghan Hendrickson demonstrate how Army personnel are supposed to interact with media during interviews Thursday at the Army ROTC training fields.

The world can hear you: social media’s growing impact

By KAYLA REEVES
REPORTER

A story that started with a Baylor student’s Facebook post has sparked discussion about how college students and professors are realizing the power of social media both in and out of the classroom.

Wildwood, Mo., freshman Alex Eklund is one example of how websites like YouTube and Facebook can carry a message to hundreds of people in a matter of hours.

After watching the Victoria’s Secret Fashion Show on Nov. 29, Eklund posted a Facebook status stating he would “rather have a Proverbs 31 woman than a Victoria’s Secret model.” This post sparked the creation of a video in which Eklund reads from the Bible

and speaks candidly about the significance of inner beauty.

Eklund’s friend Jake Cockerill, North Kingstown, R.I., freshman filmed the video. Cockerill agreed with Eklund about the content of his video.

“The message needed to be spread,” Cockerill said.

The video, which went viral almost instantly, now has more than 200,000 views on YouTube. The video’s message then prompted the creation of a Facebook page that now has more than 13,000 fans and an official website to promote the idea (www.live31.org).

“Never in my wildest dreams did I expect the video to take off like this, but God’s plans are so high above me, and he used it for his purpose,” Eklund said. “I’m just

a vessel, and I have Jesus and Mark Zuckerberg to thank.”

“It’s incredible,” Cockerill said of their success. “People in Sri Lanka have seen our video.”

Baylor itself has a history of using social media to reach out. In January 2011, Klout.com ranked @BaylorProud the No. 5 most influential college Twitter account based on its number of followers, the number of people who retweeted posts and the influence of people who keep up Baylor’s Twitter activity.

Kevin Tankersley, journalism lecturer, public relations and new media, is responsible for updating the department’s Facebook page. He said sites like Facebook and Twitter are a great way to reach college students because many young

people already use these services.

The journalism, public rela-

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Alex Eklund | Wildwood freshman

tions and new media department, like many others on campus, uses Facebook to broadcast job opportunities, spotlight students and alumni who have made major accomplishments and alert students to upcoming events.

Tankersley said despite its benefits, social media can also be harmful. Students must be careful about the content they post on the site.

“Everything is archived somewhere, and somebody knows how to get it,” he said. But when used correctly, Tankersley said social media can be a wonderful resource for students to find out what is happening on campus and in the world.

Other professors are using social media as part of

their curriculum.

Dr. Mia Moody-Ramirez, assistant professor of journalism, public relations and new media, requires her students to keep a blog for class. Students must write at least five blog posts per semester, and she encourages them to keep two versions — one personal and one professional.

“It is very important for students to have a presence in the blogosphere, especially journalism students,” she said. “It shows your real writing style because it hasn’t been through several editors.”

Moody-Ramirez said she believes that professors will be more likely to include practices like blogging in their future classes because it “balances old traditions with new media.”

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On the open power range

This is part of our ongoing “Great Video Game” series in which readers are asked to submit articles about video games they consider to be great. This week’s submission — “Mighty Morphin Power Rangers” — comes from graduate student Farzeen Dhalla.

By FARZEEN DHALLA
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

My love for “Mighty Morphin Power Rangers” all started one snowy morning in Canada in 1994. When I walked downstairs I saw a medium-sized birthday gift labeled “Sega Genesis.” I didn’t know then as a confused 5-year-old that the box would spawn a new era in my life: the use of video games.

More than 16 years have passed since I received that Sega Genesis and since then, I’ve gone through the original Nintendo (NES), a Nintendo 64, the original Playstation, the original Xbox and currently the Playstation 3.

I’ve played numerous titles, including “Sonic the Hedgehog,” “Super Mario Bros.,” “NBA Jam,” “NBA 2k12,” “Street Fighter” to “Marvel vs. Capcom,” “WWF Wrestlemania” and “WWE Smackdown vs. Raw.”

Though now I rarely play video games, one game still sticks out to me after all these years: “Mighty Morphin Power Rangers.”

I was only 5 years old when “Mighty Morphin Power Rangers” came out in 1994, but the game was a shrine for every fan boy (and girl) who grew up watching the show “Power Rangers.”

It sold more than 1 million copies in the United States and is listed as the 11th best-selling game of all time for the Sega Genesis.

This game had the “it” factor and kept me busy for hours a day. The depth and realism of the content was second to none at the time — hey, it was the mid-1990s, after all.



Cartoon by Esteban Diaz

First, you started the game by picking your favorite character: Jason, Kimberley, Billy, Zach or Trini. Sadly, there was no option for Tommy.

Once you got past that screen, you begin fighting as a civilian and then morph into a ranger while continuing to fight off the evil Rita Repulsa’s Putty Patrollers.

The game becomes even more intense as you move on as you gain access to your signature attack, which can be used to kill multiple

swarms of bad guys. I always hated when I accidentally pushed the button to release the special attack because then I had to wait forever until my power replenished and I was able to do it again.

Once you get through all those levels, it was time for the best part, which was marked by the game screaming, “IT’S MORPHIN’ TIME!”

In the final stages, you got to control the all-mighty Megazord, a really big robot, and use its spe-

cial powers to defeat Rita’s monsters. By this point when I played the game, the adrenaline would be pumping through my little-boy veins and I would be amped to send the villains back to their planet.

I knew I was not going to be denied victory because Zordon, a powerful wizard, had given me his words of wisdom: “LET THE POWER PROTECT YOU!”

Though those “Power Ranger”-video game-playing days have long

passed me, I will never forget the fun I had playing with my sister, cousins and friends for hours while taking down the bad guys. It will always remain one of my favorite games of all time.

If you’re interested in writing about a video game that you consider to be great, please email us at lariat@baylor.edu. Please include a few hundred words on why you think your selection deserves to be recognized as a great video game.

Run for self-worth

By JAMIE LIM
REPORTER

Pittsburgh, Pa. native Jennifer Luitweiler is a woman that’s always on the go. However, she still found time to write her first book, “Run With Me: An Accidental Runner and the Power of the Poo.”

“It’s a very personal story that happens to be very funny,” Luitweiler’s publicist and a fellow creative artist, Chad Thomas Johnston, said. “And that happens to involve her dog’s love of leaving ‘presents’ beneath her sewing machine instead of in the yard like a proper dog.”

Luitweiler is busy playing many roles. From full-time mom and wife to football fanatic, from blogging about crafts to running with her dog — Luitweiler stays fairly busy.

Luitweiler said she has always been strong in her faith. Even though she grew up in the church, her parents allowed her to explore religious matters for herself.

“I did not know how much support [my parents] gave me until I published the book,” Luitweiler said. “I find myself feeling very blessed that I was given a lot of leeway growing up to explore, to figure out who I was and what I wanted to do.”

Luitweiler said she comes from a family of “word nerds.” Vocabulary and reading were essentials to her growing up. Her parents always encouraged her to write.

“Before I had the nerve to call myself a writer, I wanted to be a

writer,” Luitweiler said.

Once Luitweiler’s kids reached a certain point, she was able to bump up her profile as a writer. Her inspiration? Her dog and some poo.

The poo is not just from her dog, but the problems she had to deal with in life. In a way, it symbolizes the way people live their life the way someone else thinks they should.

Luitweiler decided to come up with an answer for her smelly problem. She began to train her dog, and that’s how she became an accidental runner.

“So I started getting up early and taking him out,” Luitweiler said, “And I find that tedious, walking, so I just thought, well, we’ll get it done faster if we run.”

Once Luitweiler became a runner, she started to blog about her runs.

To make the runs go by faster, she would entertain herself by thinking about funny things she would post on Facebook or Twitter.

With time, Luitweiler began to start getting questions from other beginning runners.

One of these novice runners happened to be an editor at Civitas Press. After reading many of Luitweiler’s blog entries, she asked Luitweiler to submit a book proposal.

In September 2011, Luitweiler’s book was finally published. “Run With Me: An Accidental Runner and the Power of the Poo,” is a memoir about Luitweiler’s self-discovery.

Although it’s coming from a

personal perspective, Luitweiler challenges her readers to look at their own lives. One reader, Angela Jones, a Baylor alum, wrote Luitweiler a letter about what she had gotten out of the book.

“It wasn’t just a book about running,” Jones said, “It was more a book about deciding to run your life with a purpose.”

The central message Luitweiler really wants her readers to get is that because they have strength and value, they can do hard things. She wants her readers to realize that life isn’t always easy or perfect.

“You’re [going to] get detours. The trick is how you’re going to manage them,” Luitweiler said.

Luitweiler’s mother told her to do everything she had a chance to do and she hopes that’s a message her college-aged will get from the book.

Luitweiler believes that if readers find the thing they love, they need to pursue it with everything they are.

“Jennifer sort of finds who she is through running, and I think that idea is very much in tune with what every college student deals with on some level,” Johnston said. “The truth is, there is a lot of self-discovery that goes on at those times [in college].”

Luitweiler said she hopes that after reading her book, readers will search for who they are deep down. They need to discover motivation and keep it, she said.

Instead of using the word “should,” they need to make it happen.

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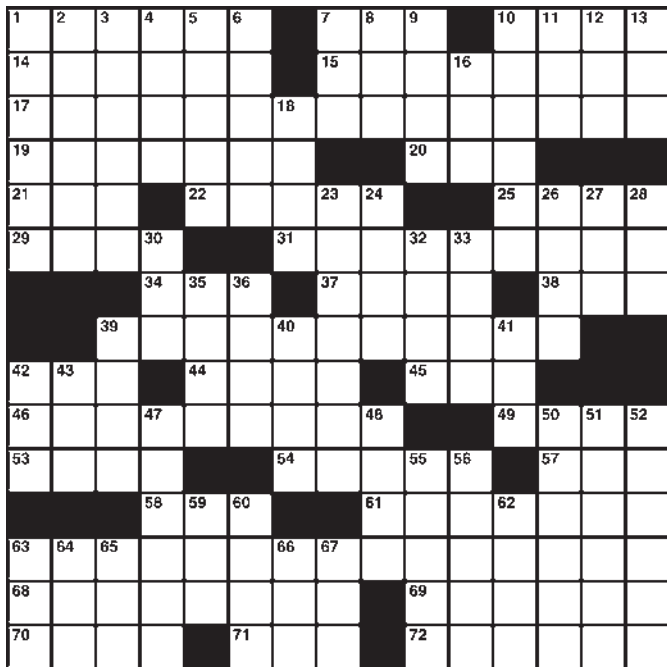
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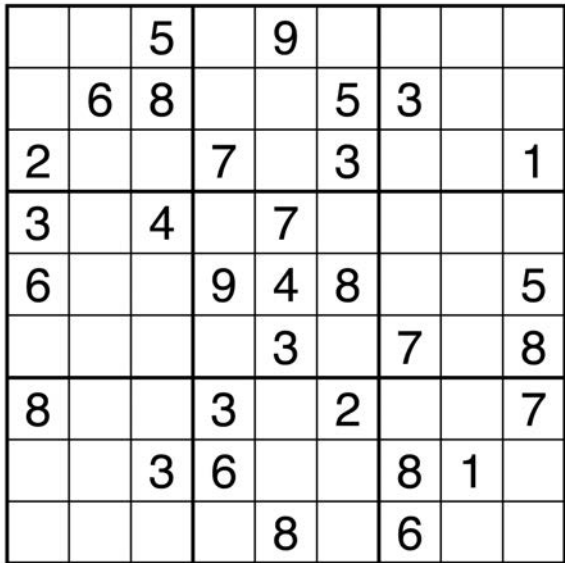
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    B --> C[Test hypothesis via rigorous Experiment]
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    C --> E[Modify Hypothesis]
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    C --> D[Defend Theory despite all evidence to the contrary]
    D --> E[Modify Theory to fit data]
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WEEKEND DOUBLEHEADER

No. 1 Lady Bears to face second straight ranked conference foe

By KRISTA PIRTLE
SPORTS WRITER

The No. 1 Baylor Lady Bears (18-0) look to add to the win column as they host No. 23 Kansas State (13-4) at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Ferrell Center.

Their last matchup went in Baylor's favor with a score of 86-53 in Manhattan, Kan.

Kansas State is 0-3 when facing the No. 1 team; however K-State has won four out of five road competitions this season.

Baylor has won the last 10 meetings between the teams; Kansas State's last win came in 2004.

The Lady Bears will have to fight complacency as they face lower-ranked competition.

ANALYSIS

In order for Baylor to excel defensively in this game, the Lady Bears must shut down Kansas State's top two scorers who average 15 points per game: junior guard Brittany Chambers and senior forward Jalana Childs.

On the offensive side, the guards for Baylor will need to acknowledge the presence of junior guard Mariah White who has 40 steals on the season, putting her at 100 total while at Kansas State.

For the Lady Bears, this game has a special meaning.

Redshirt sophomore Shanay Washington will play for the first time at home since November 2010.

Washington suffered an ACL tear during practice and underwent surgery this past summer as a graft had not healed properly.

She played four minutes in Wednesday's win over Texas Tech and went 0-1 from the floor.

In addition to Washington, the reserves for the green and gold could see some playing time.



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

No. 0 sophomore Odyssey Sims drives into the lane against Oklahoma State on Jan. 11 at the Ferrell Center.

This game will be a great opportunity for the Lady Bears to work on different defensive schemes and allow the depth to strengthen.

Wednesday, Texas Tech used its sharp shooting post players to pull junior Brittney Griner away from the basket, allowing less threat near the basket.

The Lady Bears, who are used to having help behind them, were beaten off the dribble several times, allowing Tech easy layup opportunities. This game will give Baylor an opportunity to fix that.

Baylor still pulls down an impressive amount of offensive rebounds.

Expect Baylor to own the tem-

po of this basketball game, increasing its lead with transition buckets.

As far as post play goes, the tallest K-State player is 6 feet 2 inches tall.

Lob passes into the paint should be spot on for Griner. Once Kansas State begins to crowd the paint, the Baylor guards will have the opportunity to work on their accuracy beyond the arch.

The Lady Bears know to focus on the game at hand and not look forward to Thursday's competition in Norman.

Baylor's toughest opponent in this game will be itself, working to improve upon and polish its game as the top team in the nation.

NCAA Top Five opponents will clash Saturday in Ferrell Center

By GREG DeVRIES
SPORTS WRITER

"The fastest 40 minutes in basketball."

That used to be the slogan for Missouri's No. 5 basketball team. It referred to their style of play that mildly resembled the 100-meter dash.

When coach Mike Anderson left to coach Arkansas, however, the slogan left with him, but the style of play remained.

No. 3 Baylor will have to contend with this style as it faces the Tigers at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Ferrell Center.

The Tigers' starting five consists of four guards and a power forward. This lineup allows them to have ball handlers at many different positions.

As a team, Missouri is the second-best shooting team in the country at just over 50 percent. They score more than 83 points per game, which makes them the fourth-best offense in the country.

ANALYSIS

Missouri's offense starts with senior Marcus Denmon. He averages 15.4 points per game in conference play, the same as Baylor sophomore Perry Jones III. Denmon shoots nearly 48 percent from the field and 42 percent from the 3-point line.

Brady Heslip will likely guard Denmon. Heslip is not known for his defense, but he does average about one steal per game. Heslip likely won't shut down Denmon, but if he can force him into taking contested shots, then Heslip should be happy with his defensive effort.

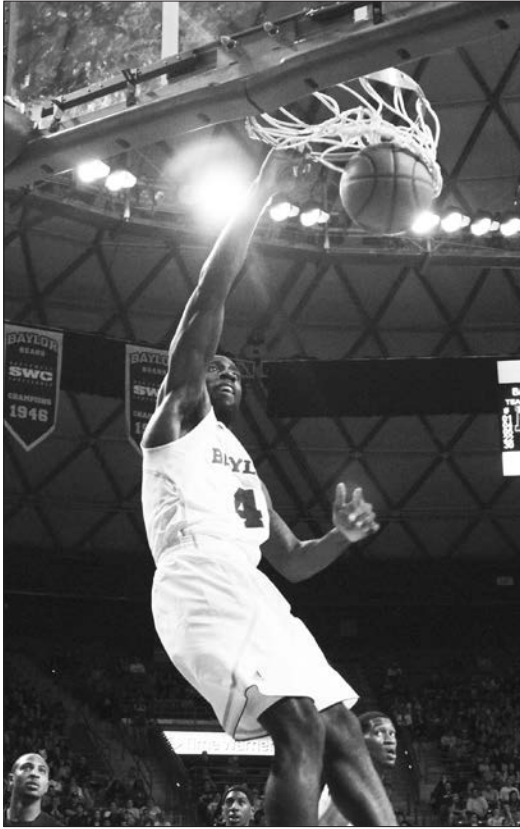
The Bears are not going to beat Missouri if they try and keep up with the Tigers. Pushing the tempo only feeds into Missouri's style of play. If Baylor is going to win this game, it will be won in the post. When Missouri played Kansas State, the only team to beat them this season, the Wildcats outscored the Tigers 46-18 in the paint.

Senior Ricardo Ratliffe is Missouri's starting post player. Ratliffe leads the nation in shooting percentage at 77 percent from the field.

To put this in perspective, the all-time NCAA record for field goal percentage was 76.6 percent set by Travis Weiss in Division III.

Senior Quincy Acy will likely defend Ratliffe. Acy is a tenacious post defender. He blocks 2.4 shots per game. Since Ratliffe plays below the rim, Acy should not have too much trouble with him.

The Bears are going to need a big game from Jones III. With Acy on the floor, Jones III will probably be



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

No. 4 senior Quincy Acy slams it home against Bethune-Cookman Dec. 14 at the Ferrell Center.

matched up with senior Kim English. English is only 6 feet 6 inches tall, and his true position is guard. Jones III should have a big night if he posts up and gets shots inside.

Because of Baylor's size, it would make sense for Missouri head coach Frank Haith to start senior Steve Moore, but that would severely limit their depth in the post.

Another pivotal element to this game will be rebounding. Missouri grabs fewer than 35 rebounds a game, ranking 204th in the country. Limiting Missouri's offense to one shot will help keep its scoring down.

Keeping Missouri off of the free-throw line will be another point of emphasis. As a team, the Tigers are shooting more than 80 percent from the line during Big 12 play.

Denmon shoots the highest percentage at 92.4 percent. Backup point guard Michael Dixon also shoots over 90 percent.

In their last game, Baylor fell to the Tigers 77-55 at Missouri.

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Texas spent time getting to know Darvish before spending \$111M

By STEPHEN HAWKINS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ARLINGTON — Before the Texas Rangers committed more than \$111 million to get Japan's best pitcher, they spent more than two years watching and getting to know Yu Darvish.

"It wasn't just sitting behind the plate with a radar gun," Texas general manager Jon Daniels said.

Sure, that was part of the process of scouting Darvish. But Rangers scouts in the Pacific Rim who watched just about every one of his starts in recent seasons and other team officials also spent time developing a personal relationship with the pitcher and his family.

"They've probably seen about 50 games the last two years, they were very thorough in how they evaluated," said Don Nomura, one of Darvish's agents. "We knew they were very interested in Yu, and I'm glad it was the Texas Rangers that

won the bid."

That familiarity with each other should help the 25-year-old Darvish with the cultural transition he faces playing in the United States and the major leagues. Arn Tellem, the other agent, said all the effort by the Rangers to build a personal connection was "very significant" to Darvish, who agreed Wednesday to a \$60 million, six-year contract with the two-time defending American League champions.

The deal was finished at the end of a 30-day exclusive negotiating window for Texas that began when its record \$51,703,411 posting bid was accepted last month by the Hokkaido Nippon Ham Fighters, Darvish's team in Japan's Pacific League.

Though negotiations went down to the final minutes before a deadline when Darvish would have stayed in Japan without a deal, Daniels said talks were never

contentious since they knew each other so well.

"It wasn't like the clock started on Day 1 and we were a brand new entity. They were open with us and talked with us and gave us access," Daniels said. "You hear about other negotiations where you're completely shut off from the player or the family, and it wasn't handled that way."

Texas appointed a director of Pacific Rim operations just more than four years ago, and has since expanded to three full-time scouts and a couple of part-timers who scout the area that includes Japan.

With the bigger presence there, the Rangers got to see and bring back starter Colby Lewis, a supplemental first-round pick by Texas in 1999 who revived his career with two seasons in Japan. Right-handed reliever Yoshinori Tateyama, a teammate of Darvish's with the Fighters, joined the Rangers last year.

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his support.
But that doesn't mean he won't face serious headwinds.
Democrats insist the failed presidential run has diminished his power and embarrassed Texans. Conservatives also have complained about the \$2.6 million the state has spent on his security

detail while he campaigned outside the state. Top Republicans, meanwhile, have been positioning themselves to replace him whether he won the presidency or retired in 2014.
Roy Blount, a Perry supporter and deep-pocketed Republican donor in Texas, said he expected

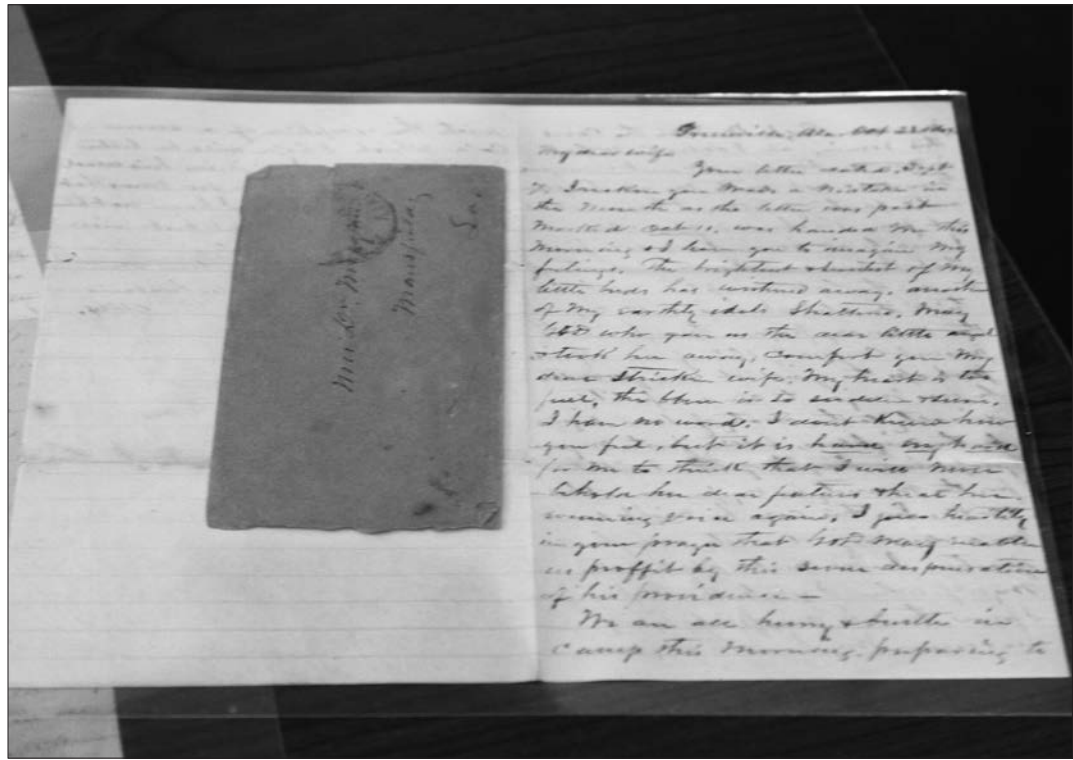
Perry to remain popular and powerful.
"Everything he stood for resonates with Texans," Blount said. "He's got this state as a leading state, and he wants to continue that and expand it."

LETTERS from Page 1

with the 19th Louisiana Infantry of the Confederate Army," the website states. "He left behind his wife Fanny and their four children, and, though the couple expected to reunite at the end of his year of service, in fact they would not see each other again for nearly four years."
The letters show a loving relationship between a husband and wife, as well as the constant grind of being at war.
"It's the human element that

comes out and makes this connection, even though it's a 150-year-old story," Wilson said. "He's so steadfast, so consistent. And these are things that get him through the horror. The belief that he will get back to his wife — to have that relationship is pretty amazing."
Campbell encouraged people to subscribe to the series by entering their email address on the blog where the letters are published. She said she is eager for readers to see the new content that will be added.

"We are trying to give as much context as possible for the letters, so that they can come alive for readers," she said.
Those interested in the story can go to <http://blogs.baylor.edu/believemeyourown/> to view letters that have already been released.
History graduate student Thomas DeShong transcribed the letters from their originals, and the website features his transcriptions, as well as audio recordings and photo copies of the letters.



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Letters from Confederate doctor Alex Morgan to his wife, Fanny, will be displayed online in the "Believe me your own: Letters from the Battlefield to Fanny from Alex" in the Texas Collection beginning Thursday.

CHI O from Page 1

because we are so passionate about intramurals," Waco junior Hannah Abbe, the captain of Chi-O's "A" basketball team, said.
Abbe leads her team this season as a shooting guard. She has past experiences with both Griner and Sims.
"I grew up going to basketball camp at Baylor, playing with and against Odyssey Sims, and trying to guard Brittney Griner in a zone," Abbe said. "It's really cool getting to see their skill level progressively improve."
Aside from coaching, Griner and Sims will get a feel for what Greek-life on campus is like. Abbe said the group hopes to make the experience as memorable for their new coaches as it will be for the team.
"They will get coaches' shirts for sure," Abbe said. "We want to give them something to remember our chapter by because they are supporting Chi-O."
Chi-O has a young team this year, with three new freshmen. However, they all played high school ball and have the experience and skills to be strong assets

to Chi-O's A team, Abbe said.
The team is in 2nd place, based on a total number of wins in all sports throughout the year. The other clubs in Chi-O's bracket are anxiously awaiting the debut of the team's new star-studded coaching staff.
"Of course it's something to be aware of," Austin sophomore Ashtyn Mathews, a member of competing Pi Beta Phi, said. "But I'm really excited for Chi-O, and it goes without saying that any match-up involving Brittney and Odyssey's new team will be entertaining to watch."
"I will definitely be there to witness the big game and to support my Chi-O sisters," Dallas sophomore Kat Robanson, a member of Chi Omega, said. "I wouldn't miss it."
models contains varying degrees of plausibility, but also flaws. Each model offers a glimpse into the limits of a corporation, but fails individually to show the whole picture.
For example, even though the "creature of contract" model is justified in showing the different con-

tracts a corporation enters into, it fails to identify all parties involved in those contracts.
For this reason, a corporation must be examined with the language of its society, Hicks said.
"In the end, it is what we make it," Hicks said. "Language realities such as the corporation, and such as all of our social institutions, ... are intelligible, verifiable in principle, [and] coherent."
But they also are "living and adaptable realities," he added.
"On behalf of the reality created by our language, we articulate among other things the common law of our human interaction. We drive on a certain side of the street, we enter into contract, we sue and are sued, and we respect judicial decisions as a voice in that reality," he said.
Hicks said the best way to articulate corporate interaction is to dig in, analyze and expand the conversation, citing the need for philosophical analysis and philosophical inquiry to keep corporations honest in a world of mutable language. And to be honest, corporations must be humble, he said.



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Fifth & Fite takes the Stage

Pearland senior Jacob Agnew, a current Uproar artist Fifth & Fite band member, performs during Acoustic Cafe's "Bro Night" Thursday in the Bill Daniel Student Center.

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prompted the expansion.
"Everybody takes their lunch break between 11:30 and 1:30, and now if our line is too long they can just go upstairs," Garza said.

Both owners agree that much of the old restaurant's charm will be preserved in the expansion. Among the concepts that the new eatery will adopt are the quick

service and the "\$5 lunch." "Aside from a little menu change and a staff change, it will still be a great place to eat and hang out," Wilson said.

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