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Students 'step out' to beautify Waco

By Chad Shanks
Staff writer

Baylor's Steppin' Out organization will partner with City of Waco Parks and Recreation, McLennan Community College and Keep Waco Beautiful on Saturday for a massive day of community service.

Approximately 3300 Baylor students are already registered to volunteer, with over 70 individual work sites scheduled throughout Waco.

"We want people to want to serve graciously and know they're doing a great thing, even if it's just for a few hours," said

Ashley Anderson, Pueblo, Colo., junior and Steppin' Out operations. "We hope this event gives people a passion to serve."

One of the main projects is a river clean-up organized by Keep Waco Beautiful, a local non-profit organization that hosts similar clean up events and beautification projects throughout the year. At least 200 of the Baylor volunteers will join the community in cleaning trash from the shores of the Brazos as members from the Waco Paddle Club scoop trash out of the water in their canoes.

"We want to see a lot of education and a clean riverbank come

out of this event," said Graeme Siebel, operations supervisor for Waco Parks and Recreation.

"Once people see how bad the river can get, hopefully they won't throw their bag out the window next time they eat at McDonald's."

Another 200 volunteers will assist McLennan Community College in eradicating the kudzu vine, an invasive and destructive plant that has covered trails and art at Art Center Waco.

An additional 100 volunteers will help clear dangerous debris from Cameron Park's biking and jogging trails while others assist in the tire-recycling day where

community members bring in tires to be properly disposed, free of charge.

Other service opportunities include painting houses, gardening, tree trimming, recycling, neighborhood clean-ups and interactive opportunities in nursing homes and schools.

Baylor Steppin' Out will hold a block party featuring live music and free food Saturday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Dewey Park at Ninth Street and Bosque Boulevard for all the Baylor and community volunteers to help create a sense of unity.

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Courtesy Photo

Saturday's Steppin' Out event Saturday is collaborating with Keep Waco Beautiful, The City of Waco Parks and Recreation and McLennan Community College to help clean up local parks and rivers in the Waco area.

Business school study predicts housing stability

By Ashley Corinne Killough
Staff writer

After nearly two years of rapid declines in the housing market, a report by the Keller Center in the Hankamer School of Business suggests prices may stabilize by the end of 2009.

The report, released in November, surveyed more than 700 economists in July on anticipated trends in prices and mortgage rates, as well as reasons for buying a home.

The economists not only agreed that prices will stop falling, but 80 percent believed prices will be higher in five years. Home values are expected to rise at moderate rates, however, with nearly half the respondents predicting increases at less than 2 percent per year.

Prices began falling when the subprime mortgage crisis, triggered by delinquent mortgage payments and foreclosures, caused an increase in the supply of housing and a decrease in demand. This resulted in stricter financing requirements, making it more difficult for people with poor credit to buy homes in recent years.

"Anytime the demand goes down and supply goes up, there's going to be a reduction in prices," said Dr. Charles North, professor of economics.

North conducted the survey, along with Dr. Chris Pullig, professor of marketing, Laura Indergard, associate director of the Keller Center, and Jacqueline Simpson, an M.B.A. candidate.

Major metropolitan areas such as Los Angeles, Las Vegas and Sacramento, especially, witnessed severe dips in housing prices, some as high as 17 percent.

The survey was conducted prior to September's dramatic market downturn, kicked off when Lehman Brothers declared bankruptcy and Merrill Lynch's proposed merger with Bank of America. If redone now, North speculated, the survey might turn out slightly different projections.

"My hunch is that there would be more pessimism now about the markets, but I don't know how much. I can't imagine there would be dramatically

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We remember ... A look back at the JFK assassination



Associated Press Photo

President John F. Kennedy and his wife Jacqueline Kennedy were in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963 during a tour of five Texas cities when the president was shot by gunman Lee Harvey Oswald. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy are pictured after landing at Dallas Love Field.

By Anita Pere
Editor in Chief

Every generation has moments of awe—moments in which Americans, as they watch news unfold on television or read coverage of the event in an extra edition of the newspaper,

understand that they bear witness to history.

The young adults of this country will forever remember where they were and what they were doing when airplanes flew into the towers of the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, 2001. But for another

generation, the defining moment was the assassination of President John F. Kennedy on Nov. 22, 1963. His death will have been 45 years ago Saturday.

Kennedy was shot just at 12:30 p.m. that day

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Campus police offer tips to deter robbery

Jade Ortego
Staff writer

The Baylor Police suggests using common sense to protect yourself and your property while gone over Thanksgiving break.

Chief of Police Jim Doak said that making an apartment or house look occupied is usually sufficient in deterring potential thieves. Students should leave a radio on and buy timers that will periodically turn lights on and off. "You can get timers at Home Depot or WalMart. It's a \$5 or \$6 investment," Doak said.

"We want to plant a seed of doubt in (potential thieves) mind," Doak said. He said that potential thieves would probably not risk breaking into a house if they think someone is home.

He said students should put their bikes inside and out of sight. There have been many bicycle thefts this semester.

Doak also advised students to be careful when driving home over the break. He stressed that students should take frequent breaks when driving.

"It's the monotony of that stripe-space-stripe-space. You get lulled into a trance as you drive," Doak said.

He said that drivers should stop every hour or hour and a half to stretch out their legs and break up the tedium of the road.

Doak also said that getting into confrontations with other drivers could be dangerous.

"Lack of courtesy when driving in becoming a real concern to us. You need to be able to step back from a potential confrontation," he said.

Doak said that drivers should never pick up someone from the side of the road.

"You don't know what they're doing or what they've just done or

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Alex Song/Lariat Staff

Jimmy Dorrell, co-founder and executive director of Mission Waco, discussed the current poverty situation in Waco and ways Baylor's Christian values could help in finding a solution at the Poverty Summit held in Bennett Auditorium on Thursday.

By Jacqueline Deavenport
Reporter

In an attempt to start a grassroots movement among Baylor students and the Waco community to address poverty locally, nationally and internationally, the inaugural Poverty Summit, held in Bennett Auditorium on Nov. 20, provided guest speakers, a photographic exhibition and poster session that featured the realities faced by those in need and what can be done to help them.

"I think we're trying to raise

awareness of poverty in Waco, and we're trying to encourage students to act and to get involved in the community," said Marianne Magjuka, coordinator of Service Learning Initiatives.

Poverty Summit, sponsored by the Department of Student Activities, Baylor Interdisciplinary Poverty Initiative, Steppin' Out, and Baylor Students for Social Justice, kicked off with a keynote address, "Poverty the Challenge," presented by professor of social work and dean of baccalaureate studies Gaynor Yancey.

Among the challenges of poverty, Yancey said, were hunger, disease, "at risk" children, homelessness and immigration. These challenges should be addressed not based on worthiness; Christians must defy the norm, Yancey said.

"It is not just in doing it to or for others, but in relationship with others," said Yancey. Building relationships with those in need was a foundational concept explicated throughout the summit.

Following the keynote

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International students experience Thanksgiving in America

By Melanie Crowson
Reporter

For most students, Thanksgiving means home. Home for food, home for family and away from the stresses of school.

But some students who are from other countries cannot journey home for the holiday.

"A plane ticket alone costs

about a thousand dollars," Grahams Town, South Africa junior Carlin King said. "We don't celebrate Thanksgiving where I am from, but I'm going home with a friend and I'm very excited."

Yet not journeying home could lead international students' plans elsewhere: a new place, a new experience in another culture. The tradition of Thanksgiving

began in 1600s America, with the Plymouth pilgrims and Squanto setting aside a feast for thanks and prayers. It was not until 1789 that president George Washington proclaimed Thanksgiving be celebrated on Nov. 26th. Yet it was president Abraham Lincoln in 1863, who declared a national Thanksgiving Day be observed on the last

Thursday of November. Since then, the presidents who succeeded Lincoln continued the tradition. President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a bill in 1941 making Thanksgiving Day a nationwide holiday to be observed on the fourth Thursday of November - annually.

Like King, some international students may go home with

an American friend and share Thanksgiving with their family.

"I'm excited to celebrate Thanksgiving with an American family," King said. "I'm looking forward to the dessert!"

Thanksgiving is an American holiday, but international students could compare it to holidays from their home countries.

"It is not exactly the same as Thanksgiving, but New Year's Day would be the most similar holiday in Japan to Thanksgiving in the U.S.," Gyoda, Japan senior Nobuyoshi Yamada said.

"New Year's Day is a time for family. Everyone in a family comes home and stay together.

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Editorial

Auto industry needs more than bailout

The Big Three U.S. automakers have joined a notorious group.

To add to the crisis facing the U.S. economy, GM, Chrysler and Ford are requesting that the national government step in and answer their cries for financial relief.

The rescue fund for the auto industry will ultimately be taken from taxpayers' pockets if Congress decides to approve any of the recently proposed bills. The auto industry is a business after all; if they can't compete, then they shouldn't be in business.

While some in Congress believe that it is the responsibility of Bush's administration to save the Big Three automobile industry from collapse, others have rightly disagreed.

The Big Three automobile companies are seeking billions of dollars in government aid after a slowed economy has caused a drastic dip in sales. GM has had to delve into its \$30 billion cash pile to keep the company afloat. It now has only \$16 billion left, and that number is quickly dwindling, according to a TIME magazine online article.

The bill proposed by Senate Majority leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., and currently stalled in Congress, encompasses \$25 billion in loans to the auto industry. The bill has met opposition from the Bush

administration and congressional Republicans, who refused to chisel \$25 billion out of the \$700 billion Wall Street economic bailout package.

Instead, the White House and congressional Republicans support the use of \$25 billion in federally subsidized loans that were approved by Congress earlier this year for an investment in retooling auto company plants to produce more fuel-efficient cars.

Neither of these proposals are doing much to solve the problem at large. American-brand cars aren't fuel efficient, and that's the problem. Even on their home turf, Americans cars aren't able to compete with foreign imports that get much better gas mileage.

The Big Three carmakers should have seen the writing on the wall. Because they are businesses, they should have been looking at long-term profits instead of short-term gains. Instead of producing gas-guzzling SUVs and trucks, they should have also invested in fuel-efficient cars. Oil is a limited resource that the U.S. has to import from other countries. Hopefully, GM, Chrysler and Ford weren't naive enough to think that this is endless commodity.

According to an ABC News online article, GM hadn't made profits even during times of economic boom. In 2005 and



2006, when the economy was booming, GM had reported record losses.

In an interview with Good Morning America, Paul Ingrassia, former Detroit bureau chief of the Wall Street Journal and currently a professor of journalism at Columbia University, said the monetary predicament of the car industry is a result of problems that have been festering for a long time.

"(Problems) certainly didn't just crop up with the economic crisis and the financial crisis the country has had since last summer," he said.

With a history of bad decisions that have led up to the current crisis, all Americans seem to hear from the auto corporations is persuasive rhetoric. The CEOs who came trips to Capital Hill to plead for a bailout assert that millions of jobs will be lost if the industry collapses. While it's true that many people will lose their jobs, it's also important to note that the executives haven't made a convincing argument

as to how they will solve the root of the problems.

"My fear is that you're going to take this money and continue the same stupid decisions you've made for 25 years," Rep. Michael Capuano, D-Mass said to the executives and reported in an Associated Press article.

Not only have the Big Three executives' history of fighting tougher fuel-efficiency standards in the past hurt them, but it didn't help their case when they arrived in Washington, D.C. in separate private jets. They claim that company policy requires CEOs to travel in private jets for safety reasons, but some lawmakers weren't convinced.

This image of these CEOs, who are among the top one percent of earners, arriving in an "oh-so-modest" form of transportation to beg for money is laughable.

Those who don't support the bailout have said that the economy won't be as negatively effected as hyped by the CEOs.

Many foreign cars are built in America. If the American's auto industry does go into a decline, foreign car companies would likely expand their productions in America to fill the void. This is a plausible option since the foreign companies would be saving money because they wouldn't have to pay for shipping their product around the world, which can become very expensive with the high price of fuel, according to a recent article in the Times.

Congress has given the Big Three automakers until Dec. 2 to provide a plan that will lead to "accountability and viability." The plans will than be considered by Congress.

Until then, no money will be shelled out.

It is imperative that Congress requires these corporations to justify their request. With a bail out, Congress may be able to prolong the life of these corporations, but they won't be able to save the Big Three if changes aren't made.

point of view

Americans had role in Kennedy's murder

Editor's note: This opinion piece was printed Nov. 26, 1963 in The Baylor Lariat, three days after the assassination of John F. Kennedy. Tommy West, editor of the Lariat, wrote it on behalf of the editorial board.

They buried John Fitzgerald Kennedy yesterday, and a nation that only last week was listening to the "Americers" and "Cubers" of the brilliant, mop-headed President now finds itself in a time of great crisis. There is only one thing wrong — John Kennedy is not here to address us on television and guide us through this crisis as he has done many times in the past.

There are many — especially the people of college age—who still have not accepted fully the assassination of the President. There are the people who thought assassinations could never occur in this civilized, 20th century society. These are the people who thought special editions of newspapers with black headlines covering half the front page and newsboys on the street corner crying "Extra, extra, read all about it!" were something to read about in history books or to see in the movie houses.

One hundred years from now they will read in the history books about John Kennedy, about a young man named Lee Harvey Oswald and about the sunny afternoon of November 22. But most of all they will read about Dallas, Texas, and an American hate society that allowed fanatical hatred to breed and grow under the guise of freedom.

In this trying time, the most dangerous thing America could do would be to pass off the assassination of her President as the single deed of a lunatic. The death of President Kennedy is the fault of all America; every citizen had a finger on the sniper's rifle.

It is our fault because we have allowed twisted men like Lee Harvey Oswald to walk the street spouting off their warped propaganda under the guise of freedom of speech. It is our fault because we have fed the nerve of these men with dirty, vulgar jokes; with defiant cries about the "dangers" of the federal government and the "funeral" of state's rights; and with never the mention of the fact that we are Americans and we have the right to disagree, but never the right to murder.

The blame can be dished out in even larger helpings to specific areas: state and other prominent officials who have stirred and aroused the people to bombings, murders and other violent acts; newspapers and magazines that have twisted and slanted news, using every page as an editorial page, until the uninformed readers are worked into a frenzy of passionate rebellion; and the outspoken right-wing critics who have gained large followings with their easy cliches and unfounded answers to all problems.

In the speech he would have made if he had arrived at the Trade Mart in Dallas, President Kennedy wrote this:

"In a world of complex and continuing problems, in a world full of frustrations and irritations, America's leadership must be guided by the lights of learning and reason —or else those who confess rhetoric with reality and the plausible with the possible will gain the ascendancy with their solutions to every word problem."

It is now up to the people to realize that there are no easy answers to the problems of a great nation, and to reject the shallow offerings of these individuals. And those who have offered these answers should hang their heads in shame.

It takes a great man to pursue the Presidency with the vigor, the tolerance, the understanding and the dedication with which John Kennedy pursued it. It takes a great man to endure the strong criticism and opposition he endured in his efforts to move the nation forward. And it must take a great nation to understand men like these and to understand what democracy is all about —that it does not mean the freedom of passionate opposition that leads to violence.

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Kennedy's assassination still resonates with America

Saturday marks 45th anniversary of President John F. Kennedy's death

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while riding in the backseat of a convertible in a motorcade in Dallas. The motorcade started at Dallas Love Field, where the President and Mrs. Kennedy landed after a short flight from Fort Worth. The motorcade was to transport the Kennedys and Texas Governor John Connally and his wife Nellie Connally to the Trade Mart, where Kennedy was scheduled to give a speech. But after the convertible carrying the President turned onto Elm Street in Dealey Plaza, three rifle shots were fired.

The same bullet that hit Connally in the back struck Kennedy in the head.

Pandemonium consumed the plaza in the moments after the shooting, according to the eyewitness report of Hugh Aynesworth, who at the time worked for The Dallas Morning News.

"People were throwing their kids down in the street and covering them, people were screaming, one lady threw up ... you didn't know anything. It was really chaos," Aynesworth said.

Aynesworth wasn't assigned to report on Kennedy's visit to Dallas.

"It was the biggest occurrence in many years. Frankly, I was a little (angry) that I wasn't involved," he said.

Aynesworth walked over to the corner of North Houston Street and Elm Street at Dealey Plaza to catch a glimpse of the motorcade. Any resentful feelings at being excluded from the big story dissipated as he heard the rifle's quick blasts.

Aynesworth's inner journalist overcame him. He whipped out the only paper he had — an electric bill and a gas bill—and paid a nearby child 50 cents for his novelty jumbo pencil. Supplied with subpar note-taking materials, Aynesworth was thrust into the biggest story of his journalism career.

Kennedy was rushed to Parkland Hospital. Ed DeLong, who covered the assassination for The Baylor Lariat, said the members of the media swarmed the hospital's emergency room, but the Press Corps gave little information on Kennedy's condition. But the situation looked grim when two priests were brought in to visit with Kennedy. Shortly thereafter, Press Secretary Malcolm Kilduff confirmed Americans' worst fears — the president was dead. He had died at about 1 p.m.

Meanwhile, Aynesworth pursued the suspected murderer after hearing on a police radio that officers were headed to the Texas Theater to make an arrest. Aynesworth found Lee Harvey Oswald sitting in the theater, three rows from the back. He watched as Oswald drew a weapon and six officers wrestled him to the floor. Aynesworth said he remembers Oswald shouting, "I protest this police brutality!" as he was taken down.

Oswald was determined to be the lone gunman in the assassination that day, firing a rifle from a sixth floor window in the nearby Texas School Depository Building where he worked. President Lyndon B. Johnson, who was inaugurated as president the day Kennedy died, ordered the formation of the Warren Commission to investigate the circumstances surrounding Kennedy's death. The commission's 888-page report labeled Oswald as a social outcast who acted alone.

But many people feel the accusation of Oswald was unfounded. Did Oswald act alone? Could his crime be excused as the isolated action of one social outcast, as the report stated? And why did Kennedy's head fall backward if he was hit from the back? Is it possible the blow came the front from someone watching the motorcade from the infamous grassy knoll just in front of the motorcade?

Oswald never received a trial. He was shot by Jack Ruby on Nov. 21 while police were transporting him to the Dallas County Jail. Oswald adamantly denied he had anything to do with the murder, which undoubtedly helped fuel suspicions of foul play.

Aynesworth has spent most of his professional career researching — and dispelling — rumors of conspiracy.

"There's not one piece of evidence showing Oswald didn't do it," Aynesworth said. "At some point, you have to be honest and say, 'Where is the evidence?'"

Aynesworth thinks money and fame motivates people to generate conspiracy theories.

"It's a money-maker. A lot of these people become millionaires."

Mike Cochran, who worked for the Associated Press office in Fort Worth at the time and has covered Kennedy's murder extensively, agrees that the conspiracy theories have no validity. He, too, has chased down conspiracies.

But the lingering uncertainty (or outright disbelief) in the minds of some concerning the assassination of Kennedy has resulted in a never-ending assignment for Aynesworth and Cochran.

"It's been far more a part of my life than I'd like, really," Cochran said.

The confusion, angst and sorrow concerning what happened that day resonate in America even today. Many Americans still mourn the loss of Kennedy, whose two-year presidency was still in its infancy when he was murdered. His death was certainly untimely—in addition to being only 46 years old, the future of the Vietnam War and the Civil Rights Bill, cornerstones of his administration, were left in the hands of Kennedy's vice president, Lyndon B. Johnson.

Even though his handling of the war didn't go over smoothly, President Johnson was able to muster the support necessary to pass the civil rights legislation the next year.

"(Kennedy) could have never gotten the civil rights legislation through that Lyndon Johnson got through," Aynesworth said. "Kennedy didn't have the standing."

Ed DeLong, who covered the assassination for The Baylor Lariat, said he thinks Johnson's background worked to his advantage when it came to persuading legislators to vote for the civil rights bill.

"It may have been easier for a president with constituencies in the South and roots in the South," DeLong said. Kennedy, a liberal from Boston, may not have been able to persuade legislators representing the South to approve the bill.

Kennedy's activism on civil rights matters caused some Texans to worry if he would be well-received during that 1963 trip to a Southern state that hadn't yet warmed up to the equalization of blacks.

"There was some concern that he wouldn't receive a warm welcome, despite his vice president being from Texas," DeLong said.

Aynesworth, Cochran and DeLong see parallels between Kennedy and President-elect Barack Obama. Aynesworth said the excitement about Obama's coming presidency has rivaled the enthusiasm for Kennedy's presidency. Ray Hubener, who also covered the story for The Lariat, cites the hopefulness of Americans as something present both then with Kennedy and now with Obama.

Since Kennedy's murder, Americans have grieved the loss of beloved public figures Martin Luther King Jr. and Robert Kennedy, as well as the attempted murder of Ronald Reagan. But none of these subsequent tragedies stunned America like the loss of Kennedy, a young president with so much promise. America will never fully understand what it lost that November day 45 years ago.

Want to learn more about the Kennedy assassination? The Poage Library contains newspapers, magazines, DVDs and books covering everything from biographical information about his life to conspiracy theories surrounding his death.



Associated Press

Above: President John F. Kennedy and Jacqueline Kennedy ride in the backseat of a convertible in motorcade taking them from Dallas Love Field to The Trade Mart on Nov. 22, 1964, where Kennedy was scheduled to give a speech. Texas Governor John Connally and Nellie Connally wave to crowds as they ride in the front. John Kennedy and John Connally were both shot shortly after the photo was taken.

Left: A Secret Service agent leaps over the back of the convertible the Kennedy's were riding in when President Kennedy was shot at about 12:30 p.m.

Left, below: The Associated Press ran a sent out a wire notice moments after Kennedy was shot.

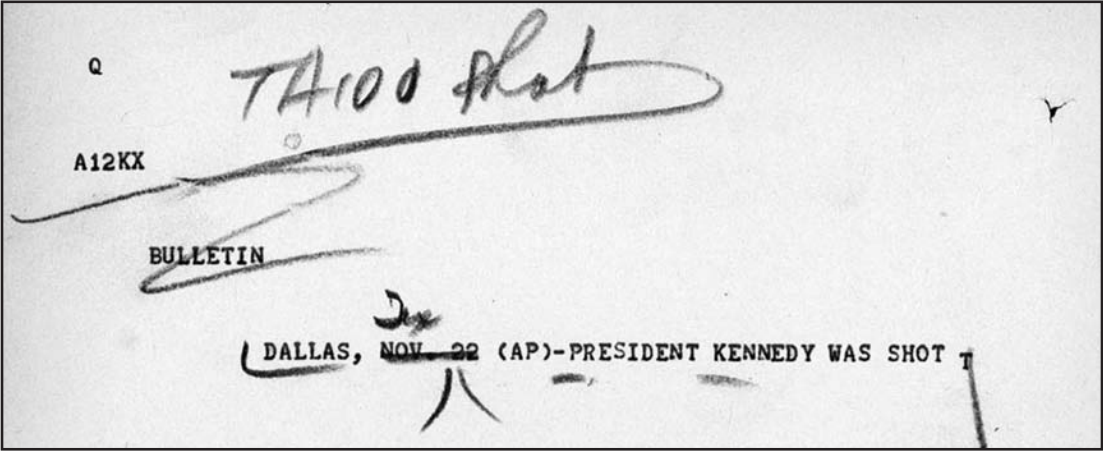
Left, bottom: The front page of The Baylor Lariat on the morning of Nov. 22, 1963. Associate editor Ed DeLong, staff writer Ray Hubener and photographer Paul Currier trekked across Texas, tracing Kennedy's visits to San Antonio, Houston, Fort Worth and Dallas in the days preceding his assassination. Kennedy never made it to Austin, the last city he was scheduled to visit.

Right, bottom: The front page of the special edition of The Baylor Lariat, which printed on the afternoon of Nov. 22. DeLong, Hubener and Currier covered the story from Dallas.

To read an editorial written in response to Kennedy's assassination, published Nov. 26, 1963, see "Americans had role in Kennedy's murder," page 2.



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WEEKEND EVENTS

Waco

Karma House Movie Night @ 9 p.m. tonight at Common Grounds. Cost: \$4 — proceeds benefit Karma House in Kenya, a transition home for orphans.

Vedera, Hot Chelle Rae, James Callihan, Caleb Lee @ 6:30 p.m. tonight at Art Ambush. Cost: \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door.

Andy Davis w/Seth Philpolt @ 8:30 p.m. Saturday at Common Grounds. Cost: \$10

Oliver @ 7:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at the Waco Hippodrome. Cost: \$31 to \$59.

Dallas

Black Crowes @ 7 p.m. tonight at The Palladium Ballroom. Cost: \$42

Spazmatics @ 8:30 p.m. tonight at The Palladium Ballroom. Cost: \$70

Smokey Robinson @ 8 p.m. Saturday at the Morton Meyerson Symphony Center. Cost: \$214


Usher @ 7 p.m. Tuesday at The House of Blues. Cost: \$192

Austin

Nada Surf @ 10 p.m. Saturday at Emo's. Cost: \$32


Cafe Tacuba @ 7 p.m. Sunday at Stubb's Barbeque. Cost: \$38

Opening in Theaters



Courtesy of MCT

Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson star in "Twilight," a film based on a popular book series by Stephenie Meyer. The film follows the love story between an average girl, Bella and a vampire, Edward.



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Bolt, voiced by John Travolta, is a dog that plays a supercanine in a sci-fi, action television show. Believing his powers are real, he begins a journey to save his co-star Penny, voiced by Miley Cyrus, from a threat he thinks is real.



Nicole Kidman and Hugh Jackman star in "Australia," which opens in theaters everywhere Wednesday. The film follows the lives of Lady Sarah Ashley and Drover, opposites who fall in love in Australia during World War II.

Australia hopes to boost tourism with new Kidman-Jackman film

By Tanalee Smith
The Associated Press

SYDNEY — The film camera sweeps across the landscape, taking in flat plains, gushing waterfalls and a dusty country town. The color is brilliant, the emptiness palpable, and the soundtrack soars dramatically as warplanes bomb a city.

This is "Australia," the new movie by award-winning director Baz Luhrmann. The World War II-era romantic epic, which opens Wednesday, has already been hailed for its cinematography and its pairing of Australian film stars Nicole Kidman and Hugh Jackman.

But tourism promoters claim the real star of the movie is the country itself.

Tourism Australia, the national tourism board, has launched a \$26 million international advertising campaign based on the movie, highlighting the wilderness of Western Australia state and encouraging tourists to refresh themselves by getting away from bustling cities and their busy daily lives.

"We knew that this huge film would create a wave of publicity that would put the country in the spotlight around the globe," said Geoff Buckley, managing director of Tourism Australia. "And we found that the film's story had a remarkable resonance for what we do marketing the country as a travel destination."

The film follows the story of a noblewoman on a cattle drive in Australia during World War II. The movie was filmed largely in rugged Western Australia, notably in and around the small town of Kununurra, a three-hour flight north of Perth, and in the California-sized Kimberley wilderness region.

Various tour operators have begun offering tours of the Kimberley region in connection with the movie, and the state of Western Australia has begun its own \$1.4 million tourism campaign of cinema, print, online advertisements and in-flight television.

"We want to make sure that moviegoers who are inspired to visit the region know that it's actually WA's stunning landscapes and outback adventure they're longing for," state tourism minister Liz Constable said in a statement last week.

The Northern Territory, where Darwin is situated, has also launched a \$393,000 tourism campaign in the wake of the movie, touting the territory as "the real outback."

Northern Territory Chief Minister Paul Henderson said the movie "really is going to put us on the map."

The national tourism campaign, dubbed "Come Walkabout," includes two commercials directed by Luhrmann, an Australian. The commercials, broadcast in 23 countries, feature busy professionals who are visited by a young Aboriginal child who sprinkles red dust into their hands.

"Sometimes, we have to get lost to find ourselves," the child whispers. "Sometimes, we gotta go walkabout." The overworked businessperson is then transported to a moonlit picnic under a baobab tree, or a refreshing swim in a billabong.

The ethereal campaign was criticized by erstwhile Australian celebrity Paul Hogan, of "Crocodile Dundee" fame. Decades ago, he starred in the "Throw Another Shrimp on the Barbie" tourism ads, which Hogan said highlighted the hospitality and friendliness that Australians are known for.

"If I go to your house for a visit and I want to come back, it's because I enjoyed your company, not your furniture," he told reporters recently. He complained that the new campaign ignored real Australians to instead focus on impersonal nature.

But if the campaign works, it wouldn't be the first time that a movie spurred tourism. Annie Dundas, U.S. regional manager for Tourism New Zealand, said that "The Lord of the Rings" movies were among "the biggest contributors to awareness for New Zealand from '03-'06." She estimated that tourism numbers rose between 3-5 percent in each of the years that movies in the trilogy were released.

"We called it our three-hour commercial," she joked, adding that the blockbuster films "put New Zealand on the map for a larger proportion of Americans than we could have hoped to achieve through just advertising."

Australian tourism boards, meanwhile, are counting on the country's natural beauty to lure moviegoers across the seas.

Another lure? Kidman has spoken in interviews of the "fertility waters" of Kununurra, saying that she and six other women on the film became pregnant after swimming among the waterfalls outside the town.

Service celebration moves off campus

By Ashley Erikson
Reporter

Block parties can be more than free food and socializing. From 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Steppin' Out will host a block party for Baylor students and the Waco community, and it's all about service.

"It's different from 'Celebration' of previous years," said Sonja Davidson, Carmel, Calif. senior and public relations chair for the Steppin' Out Committee. "It's more than just a day of inter-action."

Over 3,000 people will participate in Steppin' Out, said Overland Park, Kan., senior Ryan Laschober and Littleton, Colo., senior Brent Corrigan, who are in charge of the block party.

Despite the large number of students who attended last year's Steppin' Out Celebration, the committee felt the party didn't reach much of the Waco community, Laschober said.

"The block party is a culmination of Steppin' Out's service and fellowship between all of Waco and Baylor," he said. "Having the event on campus just isn't hitting the mark for what we want to get done."

Members of the committee have been handing out flyers to

Steppin' Out participants as well as to the Waco community to ensure a large crowd at the block party, Corrigan said.

"It's the first time we've done it off campus," he said. "We're expecting the same amount of students (as last year), but more people to show up from the Waco community."

This year's theme has been "how to burst the bubble," Davidson said.

"The heart of Steppin' Out is to connect with the community," she said. "Waco and Baylor are two vastly different communities, so this is a way to get people to come together."

The committee plans to have free Aramark-catered food, music and free T-shirts, Corrigan said.

"It's going to be a huge barbecue to mix and mingle with other students and people in the community," he said.

The block party will take place at Dewey Park on Ninth Street and Bosque Boulevard, after the Steppin' Out service projects. Baylor students are a part of Waco too, Laschober said.

"We're in a neat place," he said. "Waco is the fifth poorest city in Texas and Baylor is one of the most prestigious colleges in the nation. If Baylor students become a bigger part of the community, we feel more can be done to help Waco."

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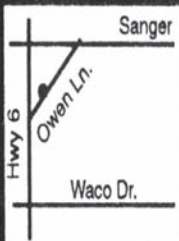
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Done with Stanford, Lady Bears ready for Ladyjacks

By Joe Holloway
and Kyle McKanna
Sports writer and Reporter

On Friday, the Lady Bears (2-0) will play host to the Stephen F. Austin State University Ladyjacks (2-0). The Ladyjacks lost only one starter from last season's team, which went 12-17 overall and 9-7 in the Southland Conference.

Stephen F. Austin is in its eighth season under head coach Lee Ann Riley, and has gotten off to a fast start this season. The Ladyjacks have recorded wins over Prairie View A&M and Houston Baptist University already, marking the first time a Riley-coached SFA squad has started 2-0. The Lady Bears, on the other hand, have posted their two wins over Florida Atlantic University and a No. 2-ranked Stanford team. Baylor head coach Kim Mulkey said that the team will get ready for

the Ladyjacks just like they did for the Cardinal.

"It doesn't matter who we play, we are going to be prepared," she said. "We know Stephen F. Austin will be prepared."

A key to the early success of the young SFA team has been free throw shooting. Through two games the Ladyjacks are 45-for-62 from the charity stripe, including nine made freebies in the final minute of their 69-58 season opening victory. Mulkey cited missing shots as one of her worries heading into the teams next five game, which come over the course of the next eight days.

"We've got a lot of games coming up," she said. "Hopefully, we'll have our legs."

Sophomore guard Melissa Jones didn't seem worried about fatigue.

"They do a really good job of keeping us fresh," she said. "I think we've had a lot of strength

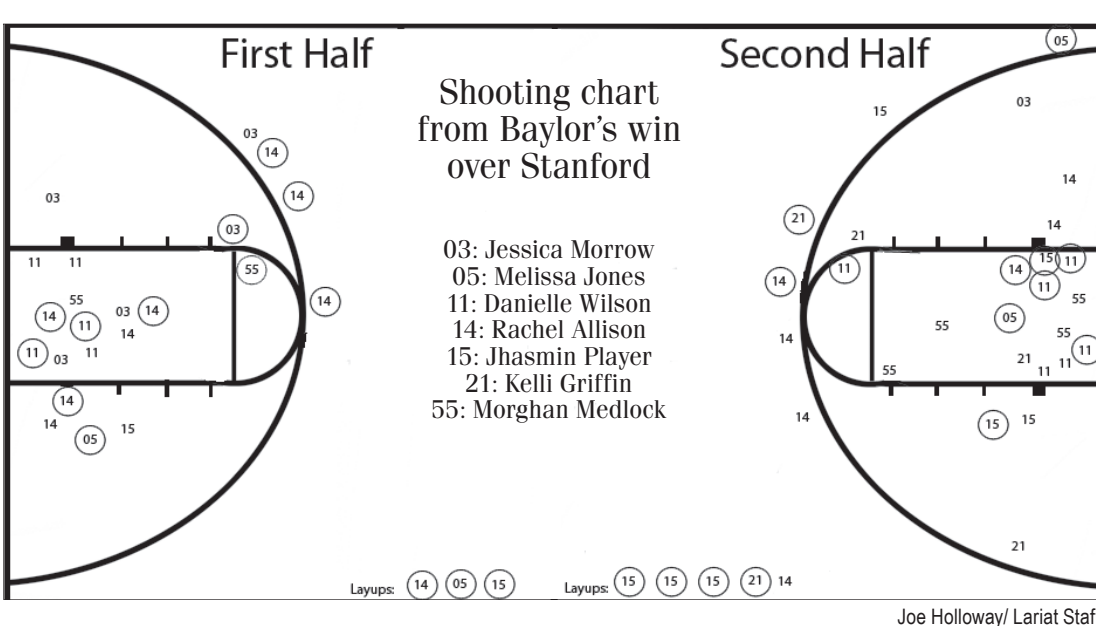
and conditioning workouts this summer."

Junior post Danielle Wilson said that the team would get most of the work done in practice.

"Games are just fun for us now," she said. "We're going to go out and play our hardest."

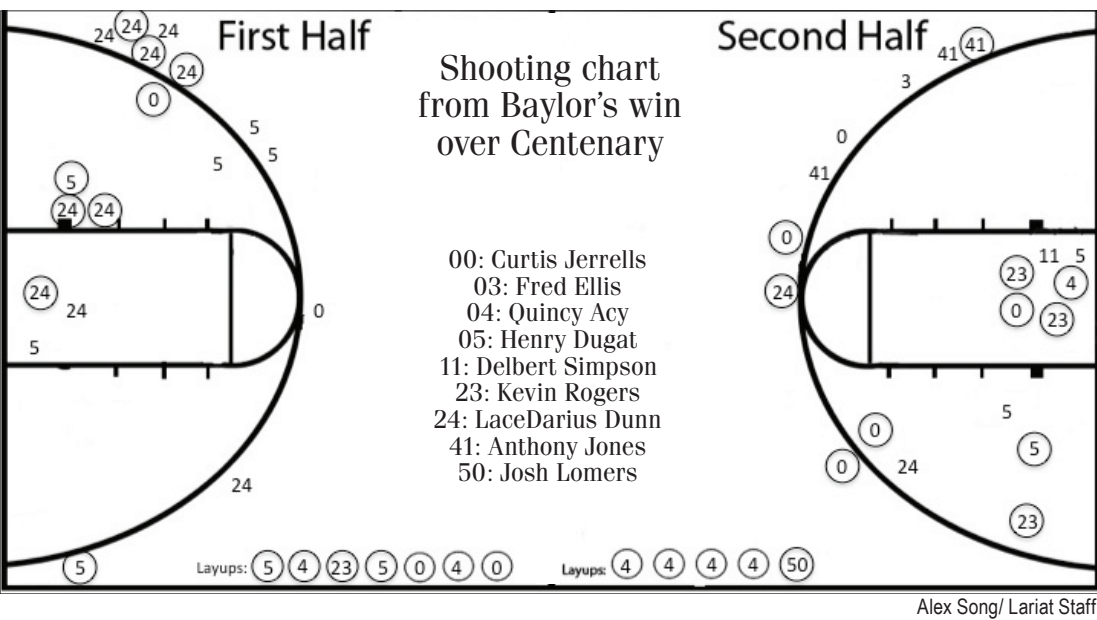
The Ladyjacks will look to their leading scorers, sophomores Whitney Cormier and Ebony Alexander, to put points on the board and give their team a chance against the heavily favored Lady Bears. After the upset of Stanford, the Lady Bears shot up the rankings to No. 10 but Mulkey and her team routinely indicate that they don't put much stock in numbers ahead of names.

"That game is behind us now," Wilson said. "We pat ourselves on the back, then you say let's go get after it. There's always a target on our back, regardless of who we're playing."



In this shooting chart of Baylor's 81-65 win over Stanford University, circled numbers represent made shots by the specific player, while uncircled numbers signify missed shots by that player. The Lady Bears focus on strong post play from a variety of players, but still have to ability to hit 3-point shots, mostly from the top of the key. Rachel Allison (14) had three, 3-pointers, as well as being active in the paint. All remaining points came from free throws.

Defense still the name of the game for Scott Drew's Bears



The Baylor men's basketball shooting chart lists where players took shots during Saturday's contest against Centenary College. The circled numbers indicate a made field goal, while uncircled numbers show missed shots by that player. Baylor had success driving to the hoop as well as shooting 3-point shots. LaceDarius Dunn's (24) favorite spot on the court was the right corner. All remaining points came from free throws.

By Garrett Turner
and Brian Bateman
Sports writer and editor

After two great defensive performances to open up its season, Baylor faces a team that has had its own struggles putting up points. For its last two games, Southern University, Baylor's next opponent, has averaged a measly 65 points while Baylor is averaging just under 100 points per game.

Baylor (2-0) will play Southern (0-1) at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Ferrell Center.

In Baylor's last two games, a transition to a defense-first team has led to better offensive production, something that head coach Scott Drew has noticed.

"If they want to celebrate on the other end we've got to focus on the defense," Drew said. "I think this group has."

The Southern Jaguars will give the Bears their next test.

Last season, the Jaguars went 11-19, posting wins over

Southern Methodist University, Texas Southern University, Prairie View A&M University and Jackson State University, among others. The Jaguars had four common opponents with the Bears in 2007-08. Baylor went 4-0 against those teams and Southern went 3-3, playing two squads twice.

Baylor traveled to Baton Rouge, La., on Dec. 21, 2007 and defeated the Jaguars 71-60.

This year, the Jaguars (0-1) faltered on its first trip to the floor, giving Tougaloo College a 78-67 win on Nov. 14.

Southern starts a normal set – two guards, one center, and two forwards – where its main scorers are guard Chris Davis, with 16 points and center Barry Honore' with 12 points. However, only two players chart in at 6-foot-9 for the squad: center Andre' Davis and forward and center Gregory Horne.

That will give Baylor freshman Quincy Acy more room to work.

"The four-spot is a good spot for me because not many four guys can defend the perimeter," Acy said.

Acy has already added a new dimension to the Bears' offense: that of the successful and emphatic dunk. With defenders looking to keep the Mesquite freshman under wraps, it opens lanes for other players to shine.

"With (the other team) watching him, it allows me to go one-on-one," senior guard Henry Dugat said. "It allows me to rack up those assists and points."

Dugat has seen an early surge in his production this year, totaling 18 points and 4.5 assists per game. That's up from 12.2 points and 1.6 assists last year.

Following a poor shooting performance Saturday, sophomore LaceDarius Dunn stepped it up Tuesday against Centenary College, shooting 4-of-7 from the 3-point line. With Tweety Carter sitting out for violating team rules, Dunn should start on the floor.

Steinbrenner out as Yankees' skipper

By Ronald Blum
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — George Steinbrenner is boss of the New York Yankees no more.

The omnipresent owner's colorful 35-year reign of pronouncements, threats and firings ended Thursday when he passed control of baseball's most famous franchise to his youngest son, Hal.

The elder Steinbrenner has gradually withdrawn from the Yankees' day-to-day operations in recent years as his health faded, and brothers Hal and Hank were appointed co-chairmen in April.

"I realize it's a great responsibility," said Hal Steinbrenner, who turns 40 on Dec. 3. "My dad is, needless to say, a tough act to follow."

George Steinbrenner, now

78, headed a group that bought the club in January 1973 for an \$8.7 million net price and became one of the most high-profile owners in all of sports. He dominated the back pages of New York's tabloids, earning the nickname "The Boss" as he spent lavishly on players and changed managers 20 times during his first 23 years as owner, feuding with Billy Martin, Yogi Berra and Dave

Winfield.

The Yankees regained their former glory, winning six World Series titles and 10 American League pennants from 1976-2003. They also transformed themselves into a sports empire that owns a cable television network (the YES network) and food concession company and is preparing to move into a \$1.3 billion new Yankee Stadium next year.

Upcoming Baylor sports

The Baylor Lariat won't be publishing next week. Here is a schedule of the next two weeks' sporting events. Make sure to catch our online coverage at www.baylor.edu/lariat.

Friday, Nov. 21	Monday, Nov. 24
Equestrian vs. Georgia 2 p.m. Willis Family Equestrian Center	Cross country NCAA championships all-day Terre Haute, Ind.
Women's basketball vs. SFA 7 p.m. Ferrell Center	Men's basketball vs. Jacksonville 7 p.m. Ferrell Center
Saturday, Nov. 22	Wednesday, Nov. 26
Equestrian vs. Texas A&M 11 a.m. Willis Family Equestrian Center	Volleyball @ Kansas 7 p.m.
Men's basketball vs. Southern 2 p.m. Ferrell Center	Thursday Nov. 27 – Sunday, Nov. 30
Volleyball vs. Missouri 5 p.m. Ferrell Center	Women's basketball @ Paradise Jam tournament (St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands)
Sunday, Nov. 23	Men's basketball @ 76 Classic (Anaheim, Calif.)
Women's basketball @ Rice 2 p.m.	Saturday, Nov. 29
	Volleyball vs. Nebraska 7 p.m. Ferrell Center

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Student senate calls for improved campus lighting

By Kate Williams
Reporter

On Thursday evening Student Government passed a resolution condemning the lack of campus lighting.

The bill advocated that new light sources be added outside of Fountain Mall, Castellaw Communications Center and the McLane Student Life Center.

Miami Senior Albert Barraza, co-sponsor of the bill, told students that the new lighting would ensure students feel safe walking across campus late at night.

"It is extremely dark behind North Village and in some areas around Fountain Mall, the additional lighting will definitely help," Barraza said.

Barraza said his committee began looking at the lack of on-campus lighting around the beginning of the semester, but recent safety concerns raised demand for the bill.

Arlington sophomore Keely Terrell, who serves on the same committee as Barraza, said efforts to add more campus lighting stem directly from the student body.

"This bill is a message from the student body to the administration that this campus needs more lighting," she said.

The bill, which passed unanimously, was immensely popular among students who live in the dorms.

Helotes freshman Valerie Santoscoy, who lives in Collins Residential Hall, said

inadequate lighting limited where she could walk to after dusk.

"Personally, I do not feel safe walking from the Library to Collins late at night, but with additional lighting that might change," she said.

Senior Senator Stephanie Schrader added that the lighting was so poor outside of The Bobo Spiritual Life Center she almost hit a pedestrian with her car last week.

The approved bill will be sent to facility management, who will partner with student government representatives to place the additional lighting around campus.

Barraza was unsure when the lamps would be added, but said possibly sometime next semester.

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address was a short video, a panel discussion followed by a poster session and breakout sessions featuring talks on ethics and poverty, politics and poverty, economics and poverty, international missions and poverty, and medicine and poverty.

In the panel discussion, Director of Mission Waco Jimmy Dorrell, Assistant Professor Dr. Jon Singletary, who is the Director of the Center for Family and Community Ministries, Magjuka, Arkansas Senior Matt Schnarr, and Carrie Chrysogellos, answered audience's questions on local poverty issues.

One controversial question got the crowd excited. An audience member asked if Baylor was being more of a private university versus a Christian university, as money is spent on campus towards new buildings and not back into the Waco Community.

Dorrell admitted there is room for improvement, but also stated that the power for change lies in the students and their lifestyle choices.

"I think the student movement side of thing has to move out first. So regardless of who's paying for big buildings, which is my older generation with the big bucks, they will follow through, but the movements start with you," Dorrell said.

Several Baylor organizations, such as Baylor's International Justice Mission, which advocates a living wage for workers at Baylor, and Campus Kitchen, a food recovery program, are just two examples of how Baylor students have united and are actively fighting poverty in the Waco community.

Twelve organizations were present during the poster session and members spoke about their organization's mission and sought students to get involved.

Eight speakers during the breakout sessions talked about

several facets in the world of poverty: the importance of generosity, the importance of a living wage as critical to fighting poverty, ways we can view poverty through an economic lens, assisting "the least of these" through applied classroom theory in real world application in the context of Christian responsibility, and an exploration of the effects of poverty on healthcare delivery in Waco, the United States, and internationally.

The summit concluded with a concert benefitting University Baptist Church's Mission to Kenya, held at Common Grounds.

For more information regarding the Poverty Summit contact Emily Hinkle at e_hinkle@baylor.edu

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whom they've killed," he said.

Doak said that if students have a pet, for it's safety they should arrange for someone to care for it. They shouldn't leave food and water for their pets because it may accidentally knock it over, he said.

"You don't want to come home and find Fido sprawled out on the floor, either from over-eating or not getting enough water," he said. "Be a good parent. This is Thanksgiving for your pet, too."

He said that if a dog breaks something or attacks someone while unattended, that student could be held criminally responsible.

Doak said that students shouldn't worry, and that they'll be safe if they take basic precautions.

"We'll be watching this place while you're gone, so enjoy yourselves," Doak said.

Brooks College is closing from 12 p.m. Wednesday before Thanksgiving to 8 a.m. Saturday. Only students who have registered to stay will still have access.

"For most people the exterior card swipe will stop working," said Ann Garner, administrative assistant at Brooks College.

The food services, front desk and Junior Commons Room will not be open, Garner said. Students registered to stay are only able to access residential areas, she said.

Students interviewed said that they weren't that worried about theft because they take everything valuable home with them for the holidays.

Rebecca Jordan, Dallas senior, says that she thinks leaving the radio on is a good idea, but she lives on campus and she'll have to unplug everything and her room will be locked up. She said she takes her laptop and other valuables with her when she travels.

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"We've been using the slogan 'More than just a day' because some volunteers and community members view Steppin' Out as just one day of service," Anderson said. "But we want to develop a relationship with the community so we can continue working with them throughout the year and learn the stories behind the houses we're painting and the neighborhoods we're cleaning."

Keep Waco Beautiful also hopes this event will motivate cooperation between Baylor and Waco citizens to improve the city's quality of life.

"We want to empower the citizens to want to make Waco a cleaner and healthier place to live and work," said Sherri Street, executive director of Keep Waco Beautiful.

Siebel said City of Waco officials are grateful for the Baylor volunteers and the positive effect they have on the community.

"We wouldn't be anywhere without the volunteers from Baylor," Siebel said. "Baylor leads the way and really helps out Waco. They do a great job."

Anyone interested in volunteering can meet on campus at 11 a.m. Saturday in front of the Bill and Eva Williams Bear Habitat Complex to be placed at a work site.

Keep Waco Beautiful will provide gloves, trash bags and trash pickers along with a hot dog lunch.

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different results," North said.

While the report suggests prices may turn around, it also says buyers could see little change in interest rates. In the first half of 2008, rates averaged around 6.5 percent, and nearly 60 percent of the economists surveyed expect the number to continue hovering between 6 and 7 percent over the next decade.

North said higher housing prices would give assurance to buyers reluctant to purchase property that might continue declining in value.

"These are just the opinions of people about what's going to happen in the future," North said. "At best, it's a prediction."

Dr. Charles DeLaney, professor of real estate in the department of finance, insurance and real estate, disagrees with the report's findings, saying that unless the banking industry starts freeing up funds, the "downward spiral" in the housing market will continue.

"I think if (the survey) were to be replicated now, the results would be very different," Delaney said. "They would paint a gloomier picture."

DeLaney cited the next round of adjustable rate mortgages set to occur in February and March of 2009. These are loans where the interest rates are scheduled to change periodically based on an index designated by the lender.

"The next big round of rate increases means a lot more defaults and a lot more foreclosures," DeLaney said. "At the same time demand is falling, and if supply continues to increase, prices have no where to go but down."

DeLaney said many property owners have been reluctant to sell since the values of their homes have dropped significantly.

"Experts were saying two years ago that the market would soon turn around," DeLaney said. "I think it will be a couple more years minimum. I may be wrong, but I'm willing to throw it out there."

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Fourth Quarter 2009	11%	74%
Sometime in 2010	22%	96%
Sometime in 2011	4%	99%
Sometime in 2012	1%	100%

Source: The Keller Center Research Report



Shanna Taylor/Lariat Staff

Gobble, Gobble

Students enjoy turkey and all the fixings at the All University Thanksgiving dinner Thursday night. The event was sponsored by Student Government and other organizations and extended an invitation to the local homeless to enjoy the dinner.

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We have also a special dinner during the New Year's time, called Osechi. We have the dinner with wishes for happiness, health, fertility and good harvest of the entire year." Yamada said.

Although they may hail from foreign countries, some students have family in America.

"I'm going to Chicago," Lagos, Niger freshman Dami Adekoya said. "I'm flying there to see an uncle. I am excited to

see his new daughter because I have not seen her in a while."

A round-trip ticket to Lagos from Dallas is \$1,750 for a trip during the Thanksgiving Holiday.

A round-trip ticket to Japan from Dallas is \$2,000 - at the cheapest, according to Yamada.

"Sometimes they ask me if I'll be going back home during the winter holidays and coming back next semester," Yamada said. "But no doubt I would rather travel around the US spending the same money for the ticket."

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