Meth lab found under bridge

Jade Ortega

Two men were arrested at a 24-hour Waco convenience store in the early morning hours of Sunday after McLennan County Sheriff’s officials said they found ingredients, including ether, for methamphetamine production in a car at a gas station in unincorporated McLennan County.

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They claimed to be there to fish, according to an official familiar with the case.

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Bowl Championship Series rankings laughable

There aren’t many things that can make the BCS rankings laughable. But if you’ve been following the past 10 years of BCS rankings, you’ll have found that at least one point in time you can count on it being laughter. It rarely seems to pick the right two teams. Since its creation, the BCS has seemed to do a good job of selecting Who should be two teams who would end up playing in the national championship game. Most people can attest to this, if not one, two, three, four, even five teams who were not even close to being the national champion. And with the current crop of Bowl Championship Series rankings, this seems to be the case again. The Atlantic Coast Conference, Big 12, Big Ten, Pac-10 and Southeastern Conference rankings are laughable. By comparing the two teams in the Top 10 of the BCS rankings, you can get a sense of the national championship game being played. Though one or two teams are going to be in a weak conference, with a weak team, it’s not realistic to think they can be considered for a national championship game. This is why the Bowl Championship Series in the past has always been a joke. It’s determined the Big 12 South champion will be in the BCS, whereas the Big Ten will not. The BCS is unfair, and it’s clear that the Bowl Championship Series rankings are laughable. It’s time for something new.

In a verdict that was announced Wednesday, Drew Manna, 19, of Waco, Texas, pleaded guilty to one felony charge of computer fraud and abuse. Manna, a junior at Baylor University, pleaded guilty to a felony charge of identity theft, but already had a plea of no contest to the felony charge of identity theft in a separate case. Manna was charged with forging a signature on a check, which was then cashed by him. Manna pleaded guilty to the charge because the signature on the check was not his. Manna’s attorney, Michael L. Johnson, said his client pleaded guilty to the charge because he wanted to avoid a trial.

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**Handmade crafts to support charity**

By Molly McLean

Handmade soap, scarves, wood-crafted boxes, jewelry and stained glass are some of the items the Baylor community can expect at the upcoming holiday fair put on by Student Activities. The fair will be held on Saturday, Dec. 13, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Student Activities Center.

Santa's Workshop is a project that gives the opportunity for almost 900 local children to participate in a Christmas tradition and see Mr. and Mrs. Santa Class, according to the Gollas at BU Web site in university development. The children will also receive a new gift from Shop with a Cop and the local community.

For more information or for tickets, visit www.baylor.edu/studentactivities. For tickets, send an email to Millie Salter at salterml@baylor.edu.

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**BEAR BRIEFS**

Lt. Andy Baldwin, M.D. will be the guest speaker for the program. The session featured what is happening in the medical field. Baldwin is a family practitioner with Congressman Gene Green. Baldwin will be the speaker at the program on 12/1 at 5 p.m. in the Student Center's Den.

Baylor Air Force ROTC will be holding a special viewing of the film, America's Most Wanted at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center. The screening will be followed by a question and answer session.

Dougta Tyrus Christmas Tea Lighting Ceremony will be held on Thursday, Dec. 4 at 5:45 p.m. today. At the Dougta Tyrus Student Center.

The Student Center also holds and hosts many other events. For more information or for tickets, see the Baylor mailing or call 713.807.1900.

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**Baylor's Model United Nations team wins overall best delegation**

By Amanda Ochoa


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against the university, which operates by the named Paki-

stani militant group Lashkar-e-

Tehra.

Indian police officer, and said

the attack occurred in Lashkar-

e-Hurriyet, an Islamic extremist
group, denied any knowledge
of the group's operations.

According to Pakistani news
reporters, the body of the

killed man was identified as

Ramy Walson, a graduate stu-
dent in English literature who

was shot dead in the attack.

The government in Islamabad

confirmed that the university

was working to return normal

operations.

The U.S. government has

been consulting with Paki-

стане authorities about the

situation at the university.

Meanwhile, Pakistan's Inter-

national Atomic Energy Agency

leased a statement con-

firming that it was working

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Austin band releases first extended single, ‘Art of Change’

The Baylor Lariat

Wednesday, December 3, 2008

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

A new band is born everyday in the Live Music Capital of the World, more commonly known as Austin. From the masses of the musically talented and not so talented mixed into this crowd, come The Beautiful Fools.

ALBUM REVIEW

With the recent release of its extended single (EP) in November, titled “Art of Change,” the members of The Beautiful Fools continue their journey to becoming the privileged few who make their living playing music. The Beautiful Fools consist of Brady Davis of Hamilton, Casey Needham of Hico and Will Scott of Waco. The band began when Davis, Needham, and Scott were full-time students at Baylor University.

“Casey and I were dating at the time, and we loved to practice together until noon,” Needham said. “That’s how Davis and I met.” Scott joined the band in the spring of 2007 when the three sat down together in a smoothie shop and decided to fully pursue a career in music, Davis said. This decision meant that Scott would have to choose in order to join Davis and Needham in Austin. Since the three became The Beautiful Fools they have played various venues including 6th Street’s The Blue Batchelor.

“A world where band names confuse even the most creative of people,” The Beautiful Fools have an explanation for its name. “We’re all beautiful and wonderfully created, but often we can’t be defined beyond belief,” said Needham. “With multiple band names throughout our time together, many people go through tough times and reach out for things that are empty and filling.”

“We want to write music that is relevant to our current society,” Needham said Needham. “So many times people jump to sex, drugs and alcohol in tough times, but there is something bigger than ourselves that we can grasp onto for hope.”

With the recently released “Art of Change,” listeners who haven’t been able to hear The Beautiful Fools live, get a taste of the band’s easy-on-the-ears, melodic sound and inspiration-al lyrics.

“Art of Change” starts with the song, “Rise Up,” a title track for the EP. With lyrics like, “Time to rise up, tonight is the night to turn around, there’s nothing we’ve lost that can’t be found” the song is consistent to the end. The catchy melody will cause listeners to keep in the loop. “Rise Up” features a mellow sound with instrumentation that will give a driving beat, which is customary for the end. The melody will cause listeners to find themselves singing along as they are humming along with the chorus comes around. There is absolutely electric. The feel of lyrics and Coldplay influences in the track tell the story of the band’s journey as they break the mold of the punk rock genre.

The Beautiful Fools, was added to Bill Pearlman’s The Beautiful Fools, was added to the list of bands to watch for in 2009. The band plans to continue their journey to becom-

Davis played throughout high school with Needham’s friend of mine and played for adults. They can be purchased at the Baylor Theater box office at 710-1865.

“Cyrano de Bergerac.” The play is Baylor Theater’s final production of the fall. The story follows Cyrano, a romantic poet who can’t get the girl he loves. He then helps a handsome swordsman woo her by giving him the words to say. The play began Tuesday and runs through Sunday. Ticket are $10 for students and $15 for adults. They can be purchased at the Baylor Theater box office at 710-1865.
SPORTS

Big 12 announces conference honors

By Betsy Blaney
The Associated Press

Chad Leach received a warm welcome when he was introduced by University of Texas athletic director Mike Perrin on Tuesday as the Big 12's coach of the year.

"In a year when everyone was writing that Texas football is on the decline, we've moved up to No. 24," Perrin said. "I think we're ready." He said "by a panel of conference media" Leach got 16 votes to four for coach of the year. In balloting Tuesday named him Big 12 first. The Associated Press on December 17th and receive

Other award-winners

Offensive Freshman of the Year: QB Robert Griffin, Baylor
Offensive Newcomer of the Year: WR Brandon Carter, Kansas State
Defensive Newcomer of the Year: DE McKinner Dixon, Texas
Offensive Player of the Year: RB Joe Pawelik, Texas Tech
Defensive Player of the Year: DB Derek Epperson, P, honorable mention
Special Teams Player of the Year: Jon Cooper, Oklahoma
Offensive Lineman of the Year: Jon Cooper, Oklahoma
Defensive Freshman of the Year: LB Travis Lewis, Oklahoma
Defensive Lineman of the Year: Brian Orakpo, Texas

Baylor players on All-Big 12 roster

Jason Smith, OT, 1st team offense
Joe Pawelik, RB, 1st team defense
Jordan Lake, FS, 1st team defense
Derrick Epperson, P, honorable mention
Dan Gay, OL, honorable mention

Drew's crew part of Big 12/Pac-10 Challenge series

By Jon Holloway
Sports writer

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Together as a top-25 team. "I don't know what to say," he said. "Anytime you can get recognized as a top-25 team in the country's the best you can do." Leach added a powerful running game and an improved defense, leading to a 10-6 record and a 13-16 victory in 2008.

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Walee Jantawiboon (left) chats with a Thai woman in the village of Khao Lak, Thailand. Starting in 2005, Jantawiboon has helped thousands of people in this neck of the woods. She has developed educational programs such as a house and water, and financial aid was blocked because of poor money management in the country.
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