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## Bears win, garner votes in rankings

#### By CHRIS DERRETT Sports writer

Baylor captured its first road victory since Sept. 22, 2007, when it defeated the Wake Forest Demon Deacons, 24-21, Saturday afternoon in Winston-Salem, N.C.

The Bears were up 24-7, when Wake Forest countered with 14 unanswered points in the second half. However, on 4th-and-12 with 35 seconds remaining, Baylor's defense forced an incomplete pass to secure the victory.

Robert Griffin engineered an eight play, 80-yard drive in the opening series of Baylor's season. Griffin found David Gettis in the corner of the end zone for an eight-yard pass to give the Bears the early lead.

After a 22-yard field goal from sophomore Ben Parks, Wake Forest fullback Mike Rinfrette bruised up the middle for two yards to bring the game within three points going into halftime.

All-Big 12 linebacker Joe Pawelek snatched an interception on the opening series of the second half, and on the ensuing play, wide receiver Kendall Wright scampered to the end zone on a 37-yard option run.

Art Briles used trickery for the Bears next score as Robert Griffin tossed an appear screen pass to Ernest Smith, but Smith lobbed to a wide-open Lanear Sampson for the score. The halfback pass was not the first time the Bears used misdirection to fool the Demon Deacons. Late in the first half Griffin rolled out of a deep shotgun formation and booted a punt that bounced for 59 yards.

"We didn't expect it to go 59 yards," Griffin said, "I punted through high school. I was decent, but not like (Derek) Epperson."

Wake Forest senior Riley Skinner threw two consecutive touchdown passes, before the Bears were able to make the key stop.

Pawelek's interception, five solo tackles and one sack for nine yards earned him Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week recognition. Although he appreciates the honor, Pawelek's eyes remain fixed on the team's goal. "It's a good honor, but all in-

"It's a good honor, but all individual stuff comes definitely comes second," Pawelek said.

The Bears also gained some national attention as a team, receiving 17 Associated Press Top 25 votes. They will gladly take the votes, but it is a small step towards reaching the team's desired destination, Briles said.

"When we started the season our goal wasn't just to beat Wake Forest," Briles said, "We felt like we needed to and expected to. Now we have to move on to others."

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(Top) Mikail Baker is surrounded by a host of Wake Forest Demon Deacons defenders during fourth quarter action on Saturday. when the Bears beat the Demon Deacons 24-21. (Left) Jay Finley is wrapped up by the Wake Forest Demon Deacons defense at BB&T Field on Saturday.

## Obama tells kids, 'Stay in school'

**Bethany Moore** Reporter

Amid the controversy surrounding the Obama administration, President Barak Obama gave a televised speech Tuesday at Wakefield High School in Arlington, Va. aimed towards public school children.

In the speech, Obama encouraged students regarding the importance of hard work and staying in school.

"There is no excuse for not trying," Obama said in his speech to the students.

"This isn't just important for your own life and your own future. What you make of your education will decide nothing less than the future of this country. What you're learning in school today will determine whether we as a nation can meet our greatest challenges in the future."

Keller junior Kara Dunham said the speech was a good way for Obama to use his influenence to help students.

"It is really important for kids to stay in school, so it's good that someone of importance is encouraging that," Dunham said.

Obama did not speak about his party's policies. However, he did talk about the government's role in the education system.

"I've talked a lot about your government's responsibility for setting high standards, supporting teachers and principals, and turning around schools that aren't working where students aren't getting the opportunities they deserve.

But at the end of the day, we can have the most dedicated teachers the most supportive parents, and the best schools in the world and none of it will matter unless all of you fulfill your responsibilities," Obama said. Preceeding the speech, protests from some people in the Republican party occurred because they feared that the speech was intended to push Obama's recent policies and ideas onto children. The Constitutional Party, a third party conservative political platform, sent out e-mails to their subscribers encouraging them to keep their children home from school during the time that the speech would be made, and some schools refused to show the tape altogether.

## Texas tops bureau's uninsured list

#### By Laura Remson Staff writer

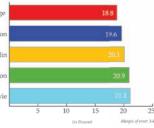
Analysis of new information from the Census Bureau found that Texas has the highest rate of working-age people without health insurance in the nation. Working age is defined as those between the ages of 18 and 64.

Wes Hinze, a senior research analyst for the Baylor Center for Community Research and Development, studied the data and found that almost 31 percent of working-age Texans are uninsured, compared to a national average of 20.2 percent.

Data was collected and released through the Small Area

#### Health Insurance Estimates, or the SAHIE program, which looked at percentages of people with health insurance in the United States. The SAHIE released estimates of coverage by<sup>Villiamso</sup> age, sex, race, Hispanic origin, and income categories at the state-level and by age, sex, and income brackets at the countylevel.

After reviewing the data, Hinze, and fellow senior research analyst Debbie McMahon came to their conclusions on Texas and the counties surrounding Waco. Hinze said that the 2006 data is the most complete for what they were looking at. Five Lowest Uninsured Counties in Texas



Despite the nation's current emphasis on health care reform, the census findings on health insurance have been neglected by the media, said Hinze.

"Not many news outlets

have picked up on it. It's pretty important, yet none of the major papers have done anything with the data."

The analysis done by Hinze and McMahon is exploratory, not explanatory, Hinze said, in that they were not attempting to explain Texas' high rate of uninsured people, but they were merely showing the public that it is a problem.

Hinze said the data offers no reasons or solutions. When asked about what could be done about the low insurance rates in Texas, Hinze had no reply.

"Any answer to that question would be speculative," Hinze said. Without health insurance, people pay much higher fees at hospitals and clinics. Often, those without health insurance also can't pay their hospital bills and end up owing large amounts to creditors.

"The strain on the health care system with almost one in three people without insurance is serious," McMahon said in the press release.

"These data raise a lot more research questions than they answer, but it's encouraging to me that when you start asking

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White House press secretary Robert Gibbs said Monday in a

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#### Drug Arrest at The Arbors

#### Megan Keyser Staff Writer

An arrest was made at The Arbors Apartments involving possession of drug paraphernalia on Thursday, according to the Baylor Police crime log. Incidents like these occur throughout the academic year, Baylor Police Chief Jim Doak said in an email to the Lariat. "Generally, a citation is issued, which is what happened in this case," Doak said. Baylor Campus Living and Learning personnel declined to comment on the incident due to privacy obligations.

## New features, structure set for Chapel

#### By Lena Waters Reporter

Sidewalk chalk sometimes highlights the next big event or visiting speaker. Many students change their evening plans to listen to David Crowder or Matt Chandler. However, this year's guests will not be heard about from the sidewalk, but rather from inside Waco Hall.

While chapel may be the one of the oldest traditions at Baylor, many new changes and special guests hope to transform a freshmen requirement into a part of on-campus life.

"The main changes are in hopes of chapel being some-

thing relevant and applicable in students' lives," said Ryan Richardson, associate chaplain and director of worship.

One new feature of chapel this year is the difference between Mondays and Wednesdays. Mondays will be more topic-focused while Wednesdays will be set aside for worship.

Although this idea started last year, there is going to be a clearer distinction this year, said Richardson.

"What we did is try to separate the two. So Monday's going to be this day when we're trying to inspire people about the life of faith, and it could happen through a band that plays or a nurse that comes to talk about her vocation or a social justice advocate who is selling TOMS shoes," said Dr. Burt Burleson, university chaplain and dean for spiritual life. "Wednesday is all about prayer and worship in the life of the community." Jared Slack, seminary pas-

Jared Slack, seminary pastoral resident in worship, described this new approach to Wednesdays as a 'just us' chapel.

"God is doing something here on our campus and we want to worship together under the various Christian traditions—an experience of which Christ is the center," Richardson said. In addition to these times of worship, chapel will also host a wide variety of guests.

These visitors may take the form of a band, visual artist, speaker, drama group or beyond.

In years past, guests have included well-known speakers such as Max Lucado and Shane Claiborne, and talented performers, such as India's Children Choir and The Annie Moses Band.

This semester, chapel will also sponsor a diverse guest list.

Highlights will include Robbie Seay of The Robby Seay Band and Michael Franzese, a Christian speaker and former member of the mob. Both guests have drawn large crowds in past visits.

To make it more accessible, chapel is streamed live each day from the Spiritual Life Web site.

This is an option for students and faculty who may have a free hour, but not enough time to come to Waco Hall.

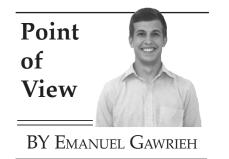
This is just one step towards knitting spiritual life into Baylor life. "You've got to meet people where they are. How do we get campus involved in something really meaningful when they are as busy as they are and as

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## Imperative II offers parking solution



Very few students can deny seeing the change in the classrooms this year. Of course, I do not mean any new facilities, desks or anything of the like. Instead, I am referring to the new desktop background of our oncampus computer systems, displaying a very ornate "Baylor 2012" logo.

Baylor 2012 is a vision put forth by Baylor's administration and approved by the Board of Regents. Unfortunately, the governance of our university has lost sight of this vision.

This idea has 12 regent-mandated imperatives, many which have been completed, and some that have not. Of those that have not been completed, the one that is most important to the student body is Imperative II. Imperative II calls for a "truly residential campus," establishing a goal to house 50 percent of students on campus.

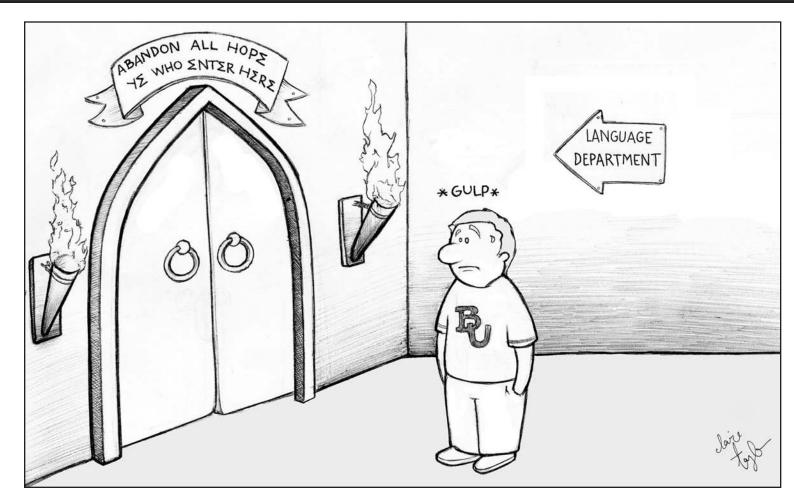
In order to meet this goal, Baylor set out to create three new residence halls that could accommodate such a large number of students. Two of the three residence halls have been built, those being Brooks Village and the North Village. The last residence hall has been named East Village and is to be placed beside the East Parking Garage near the Baylor Science Building.

Many students who live off-campus are probably wondering how this residence hall would be beneficial to them, and the answer is quite simple: parking. Anyone who has walked through a parking garage on campus is aware of the horrific situation that is Baylor Student-Parking.

This year alone, Baylor's administration chose to reduce studentparking on-campus by approximately 198 spots for no apparent reason. It is utterly paradoxical to think we are increasing the number of admitted students yearly, but our student parking is dwindling.

Now, it may seem unrealistic that the construction of a residence hall would alleviate this problem, but it is easy to see exactly how this works. When faced with questions about oncampus parking, Dr. Reagan Ramsower, vice president for finance and administration, frequently points out that at any time throughout the day a student can find hundreds of empty parking spots in East Garage.

While this is completely true, I



# Foreign language requirements abound with inconsistencies

#### Editorial

Foreign languages at Baylor are known throughout the student body for their intensity. Most classes in the language department meet everyday and teachers utilize classroom -immersion techniques, accelerating the experience.

The majority of majors within the college of arts and sciences, such as film and digital media, interior design and journalism, are required to take four semesters of a foreign language or opt to take two classical languages for only two semesters each.

However, Baylor business students are less likely to have experienced the fervor of language learning at Baylor, since they have alternatives to the well-known, often-dreaded language requirement.

While a bachelor's of business administration degree requires a modern foreign language requirement, like the majority of Baylor degree plans, the business school offers courses that can be taken in the place of a language. Therefore, a business student may graduate without ever learning a foreign language at Baylor.

The alternative options for a business student include taking a modern foreign language through the 2310 course, (or third semester of the language) or they may take 3 different courses, one from each of the following areas: communications, English, journalism/film and digital media.

Proponents of the current regulations may

argue that the other offered courses have the possibility to give students more applicable and common knowledge for the real world. However, the progressive nature of business combined with rapid globalization means there is a need now, more than ever, for business students to know a foreign language. In a world where walls are tumbling and barriers are breaking, foreign communication in the business realm may very well be essential to many Baylor business graduates. In fact, business is arguably one of the most internationally-inclined fields today.

Business students may argue that learning a foreign language would not aid them in the work force and that these courses would not provide the adequate amount of training to become language proficient, but this has not stopped other departments to require language education.

Other programs at Baylor have different regulations on students' language requirements that seem to take the students' interests into consideration. The school of engineering and computer science requires all engineering majors to take a modern foreign language through the second semester, with no alternatives provided.

Offering students the option to take only two semesters of a foreign language promotes language learning to those who may not be aiming for an international career in the future while fostering cultural awareness, without the pressure of taking language courses into the more advanced 2000 level. This policy is a reasonable, fair approach to language learning.

Simply put, foreign language study is not for everyone, much like math and science. Some struggle with learning foreign languages and may become overwhelmed as the courses advance from introductory to intermediate. This can negatively affect a student's GPA and distort this measure of competence in their field of study.

Likewise, allowing students in select fields to opt out of all language requirements may undercut the cultural education which a college education is meant to instill. Also, the challenge that Baylor language courses present may alone discourage those with a choice to opt out.

The two extremes on campus, both an excess and deficiency of language requirements, should be altered to a university-wide (save foreign language and linguistics majors) two-semester language requirement that also allows extra language courses to count as electives for those who want to continue their language education.

Requiring only two semesters of a foreign language for all students strikes a fair balance that can benefit those on each end of the spectrum. This moderate language requirement would promote international thinking and allow students to build stronger resumes, while at the same time, not overwhelming others.

have to ask: what is the point of these spots if they are so far from campus? Many third year students would be hard-pressed to explain how to get to the East Garage, much less confirm its existence.

So, now I propose a second question: How can we put this garage to use? Simple, fulfill the second imperative of Baylor 2012 and construct East Village.

Penland, Martin, Collins, and the Russells are all operating under expanded occupancy, which has resulted in creating makeshift bedrooms out of study lounges. This influx of students has, by itself, created the parking problem we now face.

If Baylor builds East Village, this will even out the number of students per residence hall, which literally translates to the number of students' vehicles per parking garage.

Without this over-booking of residential facilities, our students can live more comfortably and the residents of East Village can utilize the East Garage for parking.

Of course, many will point out that constructing a residence hall is very expensive, but I have to disagree. A residence hall is the only structure that a university can create that pays for itself and actually generates profit.

The North Village hit its fiveyear mark not long ago, and is now producing monetary gains for Baylor. Also, it is important to note that the current economic situation of our country would allow us to save millions of dollars in construction costs. So, why have we not progressed on this?

In conclusion, I would like to propose a question toward Baylor University's Executive Council, why are we choosing not to alleviate a situation with a solution that has been mandated by the Board of Regents and utilized as a recruiting tool for several of Baylor's brightest students?

Emanuel Gawrieh is a White Oak junior majoring political science and philosophy.

## Corrupt system in dire need of reform

The summer after seventh grade, my parents bought my siblings and me a golf cart to cruise down the streets of our rural Texas neighborhood.

They chose a golf cart for us because they believed a four-wheeler would be too dangerous.

A day later, I flipped it in a ditch and broke my leg.

The summer after my sophomore year in high school, complications from this fracture had me back in the hospital for a \$27,000 operation, an operation my father's insurance company inexplicably refused to cover.

Though my parents fought and eventually got the insurance company to pay for the surgery, countless others have not been as fortunate.

Today, the government is slapping together legislation in an attempt to reform a health care system that has been long broken.

After enduring my golf cart ordeal and hearing health care horror stories from a slew of others, I expected the country to embrace health care reform with open arms.

I was wrong.

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The nationwide outcry resulting from the Obama administration's proposed legislation is only a torn robe and sacrificed ram away from becoming a full-fledged Old Testament prophetic lamentation.

Gatherings of screaming senior citizens now known as "town hall meetings" (formerly "angry mobs") are popping up across the country with individuals demanding irrelevant members of the government hear their high decibel disapproval.

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Though my prior sarcasm may lead one to believe otherwise, I do believe there are several valid reasons to be opposed to this proposed health care bill.

However, the only reasons voiced at these meetings and by the talking heads on TV are mythical flights of fancy concocted by lobbyists and biased interest groups who have vested financial interests in seeing publicly funded health care fail.

Instead of focusing on relevant issues like how such a plan won't add to an already crippling national debt, we're greeted nightly with coverage of our local fear-fueled circus of ignorance with some poor kid's grandpa screaming that the black president is going to pull the plug on him.

Of course, grandpa is only screaming because he's afraid.

He's afraid because the media outlets where he is receiving his "information" know a good dose of fear mongering and unfounded threats of socialism get higher ratings than in depth debates about the minutia in the 1,000 page bill none of

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them have actually read.

Grandpa is only repeating what he's heard.

If health care reform is to fail, let it fail on it's own lack of merit rather than the earnest, yet ignorant cries of a scared public that has been fed false information.

The federal government in charge of healing the sick is a scary idea given that it has failed miserably in educating children, caring for veterans, maintaining infrastructure, mailing packages and rehabilitating criminals.

In fact, I'm surprised no one at these town hall meetings has used their own nonsensical rant as evidence of how the government-run educational system has failed them so badly and argued that government run-health care would be just as disastrous.

However, I still hope that partisanship can be put aside and legislation can be passed so America's embarrassingly corrupt medical system can focus more on patients than paychecks.

The system needs to be fixed now before another innocent prepubescent preteen somehow loses control of a battery-operated vehicle traveling 12-miles-an-hour and meets a tragic fate in the ditches of rural

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## Baylor professor receives excellence award

TRENT GOLDSTON STAFF WRITER

Baylor professor of finance and insurance Dr. James Garven was recently recognized by the American Risk and Insurance Association with the Excellence in Teaching award.

According to the ARIA Web site, this award was first started in 2007 to recognize excellence in risk management and insurance teaching.

Garven, who has been teaching at Baylor since 2000, credited winning this award to his love of education.

Garven explained how many people, at one time or another, have had professors who don't seem to express interest in their own teaching. In Garven's opinion, that type of teaching is detrimental to the students. "I really enjoy teaching. It is

essential. If the professor is really interested and excited in what they are doing it shows rather vividly,"

G a r v e n said. Garven connects with his students in a unique w a y th r o u g h social media online, such as Garven

blogging, e-mail, instant messaging and Twitter.

This allows him to be more accessible and responsive to students when they need to communicate with him outside of regular office hours. Simply looking at his Twitter reveals that he updates his feed at least once a day.

"Two months ago if you had asked me about Twitter, I would have said you were nuts," Garven said.

"It's not just for following Paris Hilton around and seeing her LOLs. However, I am cautiously optimistic about Twitter, particularly because it seems to effectively leverage data-enabled devices like cell phones."

According to Garven, his zest for technology has been a longstanding interest.

"I've always been curious about things like that. I created my first Web site in 1994," Garven said. "I've always been interested in finding new ways to use technology." "If the professor is really interested and excited in what they are doing it shows rather vividly."

#### Dr. James Garven

Garven said that he tries to incorporate his blog into his classes.

"I will use the blog to tie things that we are learning to things that are happening in the world. It's really very helpful," Garven said. "I really haven't publicized my blog, but my students are paying attention to it."

According to Austin senior Vanessa Howell, Garven's class was both the hardest and the best class she's ever taken.

"He's very articulate, and he's easy to pay attention to," Howell said. "He is always in touch with his students. I almost dropped the class, but he was very adamant about me staying. He really helped me."

Although he has been acknowledged for his online prowess, Garven said some universities are slow to see the value of professors utilizing social media. Garven attributes this to the value many universities put on research productivity rather than teaching.

"Blogs are so new that universities aren't really knowing what to do with them," Garven said. "(Some universities) see the extent that you spend blogging as time you are not working on being published."

However, Garven said Baylor encourages faculty members to use Wordpress, a blogging tool.

Garven said that his time blogging does help him to be more productive.

"I find that blogging helps me with me teaching," Garven said. "If used the right way, it generates a positive externality."

Garven said the science of online applications has advanced substantially in the last few years, and his exploration into social media is still a matter of experimentation.

"I enjoy using web technology because I enjoy pushing myself in this way," Garven said. "I've used technology to enhance my research and teaching, but it is driven by my own curiosity."

### Faculty Senate focuses on attendance policy

#### Adeola Aro Staff Writer

The Faculty Senate focused on the relevance of the university's attendance policy, the requirements for associate professors and a new course approval system Tuesday in its first meeting of the year.

Briefly, the senators considered reviewing the history and relevance of the current 25 percent absence policy for class attendance.

To further look into this issue, the senate is in the process of forming a committee to work with the Office of the Provost in revisiting this policy, said Dennis Myers, chairman of the faulty senate and professor of social work.

"People do have differing views on whether we ought to have an attendance policy," said Dianna Vitanza, member of the faculty senate and department chair and associate professor of English.

The meeting's focus shifted to issues that are pertinent to some current faculty members.

In other business, Senators passed a recommendation to administration to change the current policy toward associate professors.

Currently, there are associate professors who were appointed at a time when requirements for professor ranking were different than they are now, making them the weight that each category holds changes over time.

"We believe these faculty members have a long time of service to the university, and should be given fair consideration for promotion," Myers said.

It was also announced that, effective March 1, 2010; the university would implement an electronic course of action review process.

Faculty senate also announced that, the university will implement a new electronic process for courses requested by faculty members.

This system will be introduced March 1, 2010, allowing for a quicker approval process compared to the former system which required faculty to submit new course requests in paper form.

This system will also benefit students in that they will experience a more nimble and responsive curriculum, Myers said.

"Any course that we (professors) offer has to be approved," he explained." This system will be able to deliver the course more rapidly. It pays attention to student needs."

The senate was also invited to participate in the United Way Campaign.

New to the United Way campaign will be an establishment of a compassion fund.

Myers explained that five percent of all gifts from the faculty and staff will be awarded to help

## Sunbright Disposal works to encourage recycling in Waco

#### By Caty Hirst Reporter

The little recycling robot that is the title character in Disney-Pixar's "WALL-E" collects and packs trash into cubes is a futuristic concept that may not be too far away.

Sunbright Disposal Services, a Waco recycling company, operates using a system very close to the character in "WALL-E."

Kendal Hobby, the sales representative at Sunbright, described the recycling process in simple terms.

Companies or individuals bring their waste to Sunbright and the waste is sorted into different types: plastics, newspaper, printer waste, cardboard, aluminum and unrecyclable products.

From there, the different products. From there, the different products are packed into large cubes. A cube of cardboard, once it has been packed, for example, weighs approximately 1500 pounds.

These cubes are then sold to other companies who use the waste to produce products. For example, Sunbright sales packed newspaper to a local company, GreenFiber.

Cori McDaniel, a spokesperson for GreenFiber, said they take the packed newspaper and make insulation.

Plastic bottles can be made into carpet fiber, printer waste

paper and cardboard can be recycled up to five to seven times to make more cardboard. at Sunbright even pays people and businesses for certain prod-

and businesses for certain products, and other recyclable products, although Sunbright does not currently pay for them, are accepted for free, the Web site said.

In McLennan Country, when trash is not brought to Sunbright, it goes to the Waco City Landfill. In contrast to Sunbright, the Waco Landfill charges \$27.28 per ton to drop off trash.

Smith Getterman, the sustainability coordinator for Baylor, believes one of the greatest disadvantages of not recycling lies in taking up space, because land space is at a premium.

Though the exact life of the Waco landfill changes with new technology and different ways to compress the trash, Diane Massey, the landfill manager, stated the expected life of the landfill is about 15 to 17 more years.

When the landfill is full, there is uncertainty about what the new method for storing trash will be, and it is partially dependent on new technology.

Carl Flynn, the director of marketing and communications for Information Technology and University Libraries, said, "Everyday we don't recycle, we cost the environment and cost future



The Sunbright Disposal Services in Waco helps the environment by recycling plastics, newspaper, printer waster, cardboard, aluminum and even unrecyclable products.

Flynn says that setting up the original infrastructure to recycle on Baylor's campus had a start up cost. For example, Baylor had to purchase the recycle bins currently on campus and have them set up.

Recycling, at the very least is free, and sometimes Baylor can make money on their recycling efforts. Whereas Baylor is charged per ton for every load of trash they take to the landfill.

"There is not a negative to recycling when it works. If people use the system the way they are supposed to, then there are not any negatives," said Vance Woods, a library information specialist, who assisted with the management of campus recycling as a graduate student. is trying to increase awareness of the importance of recycling in many ways. Getterman is trying to reach large, diverse groups on campus by speaking in chapel, classrooms and to different student organizations.

"I don't understand why people don't recycle, especially on a campus like Baylor. There is no reason not to. Long-term, not recycling is going to negatively affect the earth," Getterman said.

Off-campus students are encouraged to bring their recyclables to campus and place them in the recycle bins, if the service is not offered at their home.

"Recycling is a small, but significant way students can get involved and change the direction the earth is headed," Getterman

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**Baylor Habitat for Humanity** is hosting an interest meeting at 6

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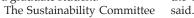
can be recycled to make toilet generations."



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#### Kickin' it on campus

Houston freshman Keith Cross takes a break from arduously studying to kick around a soccer ball on the grassy knoll outside of Brooks Residential Tuesday.



## BEAR BRIEFS

**F.A.C.E.S.** is hosting an interest meeting at 7 p.m. tonight in the Faculty Lounge of the Bill Daniel Student Center. Learn how to get involved in F.A.C.E.S and throughout the community.

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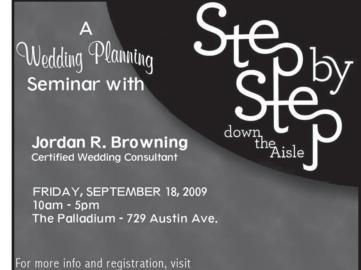
"Consequently, these associate professors may not be in position to be considered for promotion to rank of professor," Myers said. "The senate is asking that the Office of the provost will consider providing these faculty members the opportunity to be promoted to the position of the professor."

The rank of the professor is judged by excellence in teaching, research and service. However, the Baylor family.

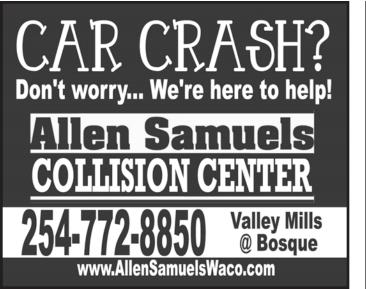
The United Way campaign is expected to kick off later this month.

It was also mentioned that a bookstore committee will be established to serve as a liaison between professors and the bookstore. The committee hopes to improve the timeliness that textbooks are received and adopted by the bookstore in a more time efficient manner.

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#### BEARS from pg.1

and reflecting on the week's performance, the Bears came to a general consensus: a win was good, but the team can get better.

"I think you can ask anyone out here and they'll be the first to say our best football is yet," Pawelek said.

Griffin believes Baylor is fully capable of reaching that potential.

"It's definitely good to come out with the win, no matter how we got it," Griffin said, "I think we can beat any team we step on the field with as long as we're playing our best."

He completed 15 of 24 passes for 136 yards, while his counterpart, Skinner, connected 20 of his 31 attempts for 143 yards. Jay Finley started his season solidly with a team high 91 rushing yards on 14 attempts.

Baylor's defense, though, forced three interceptions including one from defensive end Phil Taylor and a pick by both Mikail Baker and Pawelek.

Baylor has a bye week next week, and will then play host to the University of Connecticut Sept. 19.

#### SPEECH from pg.1

press conference that "it's a sad state of affairs that many in this country politically would rather start an 'Animal House' food fight rather than inspire kids to stay in school."

Dr. Tony L. Talbert, associate professor of social studies education and qualitative research, said he had many conversations with colleagues and students about this controversial matter.

"I think it was wonderful that Obama gave the speech," Talbert said. "Many teachers asked me how they should respond to this and I answered them by asking, 'How would you respond to a historical moment in your class?""

Talbert encouraged teachers to integrate the controversy surrounding the speech into their lesson and use it as a good teaching tool. "Diverse opinions should be discussed in the classroom" Talbert said, "Neither my students nor my intellect is so fragile that it can't sustain disagreement."

Talbert said this level of intolerance can't be sustained in our nation. "What happened to bipartisanship?"

#### HEALTH from pg.1

questions you are closer to working toward solutions." Minnesota, Massachusetts, tails or anything."

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) -

Washington State University is in

the midst of a swine flu outbreak

since classes started last month,

with 2,500 people contacting

student health to report flu-like

symptoms and officials handing

pected swine flu dropped dra-

matically as students left campus

over the Labor Day weekend,

but school officials were closely

watching the numbers Tuesday

to see if this would rise as stu-

football game against Stanford

was down, likely because of

publicity about the flu, and the

school took precautions that in-

cluded placing hand sanitizer at

players have come down with

cases of flu at different times, and

top receiver Daniel Blackledge

missed practice Tuesday because

about 200 free flu kits, includ-

ing a thermometer, painkillers,

throat lozenges, sport drinks,

hand sanitizer and tissues. Some

students wore surgical masks

around campus, but most were

like any other type of flu," said

21-year-old Molly Aigner, whose

boyfriend came down with the

"The students are taking it

"It's not like we're growing

Officials have distributed

Coach Paul Wulff said 16

Attendance at Saturday's

dents returned.

concession stands.

taking it in stride.

flu.

of the flu.

The number of cases of sus-

out flu kits around campus.

There have been no deaths or even hospitalizations from the cases at WSU, a school with an enrollment of about 18,000 in Pullman. About a dozen patients with nausea and vomiting have required hydration, the school said.

"Some colleges have already seen upticks, but the majority haven't."

> Dr. Anne Schuchat U.S. CDC spokeswoman

Officials at Washington State, and at other colleges around the nation, have been anticipating large numbers of flu cases this fall because swine flu targets young people and thrives in the tight living quarters common on college campuses, said Paula Adams, community coordinator for WSU Health and Wellness Services.

Washington State started classes on Aug. 24, much earlier than most schools, and thus its outbreak has been getting more attention, Adams said.

Other colleges across the country are seeing spikes in the number of suspected cases of swine flu as dorms fill up and classes begin.

Federal health officials say they have been girding for a

spike in cases as schools and colleges came back into session in August and September.

Washington St. outbreak may be easing

"Some colleges have already seen upticks but the majority haven't," Dr. Anne Schuchat of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said at a briefing Tuesday.

Based on federal guidelines, WSU is assuming everyone who calls with flulike symptoms has swine flu, as there would be only a handful of normal flu cases this time of year, Adams said.

"To see hundreds if not thousands of people is unusual," she said.

Anyone who calls Health and Wellness to report flulike symptoms is counted as a swine flu case.

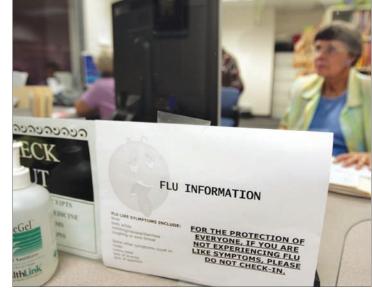
People who call are advised to stay home, treat symptoms and drink fluids.

Dr. Dennis Garcia, senior associate director of Health and Wellness Services, said federal estimates would indicate that some 5,000 WSU students might eventually come down with the bug.

The number of flu contacts dropped sharply on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, as thousands of students headed home for the holiday.

A total of 64 people contacted WSU Health and Wellness Ser-

happening at Dilard'S



Associated Press

A bottle of hand sanitizer and a sign about swine flu on a window in front of Marilyn Hallam at the health center at Texas Christian University. Colleges across the country are seeing spikes in the number of students with flu-like symptoms as dorms fill up and classes begin for the fall semester.

vices those three days, compared with 146 who contacted the office on Friday alone.

The state expects additional outbreaks at colleges, workplaces and other gathering places this fall, said Tim Church of the state Department of Health.

The state's largest college, the University of Washington, does not begin classes until the end of the month.

The school district in Pullman

is already seeing a higher rate of absenteeism, suggesting it is spreading to the larger population, said Fran Martin, director of Whitman County Public Health.

Compared with other types of influenza, the swine flu, or H1N1 strain, is relatively mild, Garcia said.

He said most students suffer three to five days of discomfort, such as fever, congestion, sore throat and fatigue.

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Hawaii, Wisconsin and Maine have the lowest rates of uninsured people, according to the press release.

Following Texas, other states with the highest rates are New Mexico, Florida, Louisiana and California.

Students also find themselves impacted by health insurance, whether they realize it or not.

Mesquite senior Carissa Mc-Keen has options when it comes to insurance.

She has been working for Gap Inc. for the last five years, but has remained under her parents insurance.

"About three years ago, Gap Inc. initiated the part-time employee health insurance instead of just full-time employees," Mc-Keen said.

"I haven't taken them up on that, but it's an option."

As a full time student, she can stay with the insurance provided with her parent's employer.

"I figured as long as I could stay under my parents, I wouldn't have to pay for my own plan, or have it taken out of my paycheck. It's more beneficial to stay under my parents," McKeen said.

#### CHAPEL from pg.1

covered up as they are? Those are huge questions that we are working on," Burleson said. "If students not required

"If students not required to take chapel are attending or watching online it truly does become Baylor community at worship," Richardson said.

Chapel takes places at 9:05, 10:10 and 11:15 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays in Waco Hall and is open to public. To watch online or to see the full schedule, go to www.baylor.edu/spirituallife.



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## THE BAYLOR LARIAT WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2009 | ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## 'Gamer' makes audience wish for game over



Kable (Gerard Butler) participates in the deadly game of "Slayers." Kable is a death row inmate, and if he survives 30 sessions, he will be set free.

#### **STATEMENT ON HAZING, FALL 2009**

Section 51.936 (c) of the Texas Education Code requires Baylor University to publish and distribute during the first three weeks of each semester a summary of the Texas Hazing Law, subchapter F, Chapter 37 of the Texas Education Code, and a list of organizations that have been disciplined for hazing or convicted of hazing on or off the campus of the institution during the preceding three years. In compliance with this law, Baylor provides the following information:

#### Texas Hazing Law, Subchapter F, Chapter 37 of the Texas Education Code

§ 37.151. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter: (1) registered in an educational institution, or that may punishable by: (1) a fine of not less than \$5.000 nor

#### By Andrew Muñoz CONTRIBUTOR

Chances are that if you're reading this, you've played a video game at least once in your life. And, based on that assumption, you've most likely figured out that Hollywood has decided to cash in on this trend and begin producing such films as "Resident Evil," "Tomb Raider" and "Hitman." Unfortunately (I can't stress that word enough), it has also produced "Gamer," the latest film from the writers of Crank, Mark Neveldine and

#### MOVIE | REVIEW

#### Brian Taylor.

In the futuristic world of "Gamer," everyone who can afford to do so is either playing "Society" or "Slavers", two revolutionary games made possible by nanotechnology invented by the world's richest man, Ken Castle (Michael C. Hall). In Castle's "Society," people pay to control real human beings in a virtual playground where the controllers get to force those being controlled to demean themselves through all types of physical, mental and sexual abuse. But where Ken Castle truly generates his mindboggling revenue is through "Slayers," a violent game that promises condemned convicts a chance at freedom if they manage to survive 30 matches while being controlled by a player who has paid to participate.

One such person is the wrongfully accused Kable (Gerard Butler), a man on the cusp of being the first convict to win his thirtieth match. From the very beginning, movie-goers are introduced to rapid-fire sequences of "let's see if we can top that" violence.

Quick camera cuts and multiple explosions are often found as Kable — through his player Simon (Logan Lerman) — carves

competition.

But it just doesn't work. Instead of being concerned

with how Kable is portrayed (he is the protagonist after all), the audience becomes distracted by the constant stream of gore being thrown about on the screen, and before one can even discern what exactly is happening, Kable has already made his way to the proverbial save point.

It is perfectly acceptable to have gratuitous amounts of violence in an action movie targeted to today's testosterone-charged youth, but the silly style in which Neveldine/Taylor showcase their over-the-top violence clashes horribly with their intended message

And that, ladies and gentlemen, is the fly in the ointment.

"Gamer" is saturated with a message that questions, "how far is too far?" It is a fair point, one that will only become more important as video games continue to evolve in search of "realism." But such a serious message doesn't fit well in this movie; you can't make a half-hearted argument for social reflection and then pass it off as a comedy chock full of snappy one-liners.

This is a point that becomes glaringly obvious when a character quips a not-so-witty remark about the country's failed health care system.

From that point on, the movie is an unsalvageable blur of poorly shot action sequences, questionable acting and an unnecessary recurring stereotype. Cris "Ludacris" Bridges soldiers on in a role that just doesn't fit him. Amber Valletta plays Kable's wife, who has been reduced to acting in Society under the control of the colorfully named "Gorge" (Ramsey Moore), the movie's unique spin on the gamer stereotype. Now, I can understand that gamers have carved themselves a distinct niche in society, but having them all represented by a morbidly obese man who sits

a bloody swath through all the in a Hoveround wheelchair and eats waffles by the handful while he subsequently dunks them into a vat of syrup seems like an extremely low blow.

The movie's only redeeming quality comes from Michael C. Hall's wonderful performance as Ken Castle, a man who has revolutionized video games with technology that will also help improve the quality of life by preventing disease, making everything in existence more "user friendly" and ultimately extending people's life span.

Naturally, Castle has a more sinister plot as he uses his nanotechnology to control everyone like puppets — someone has to be the bad guy, after all. But Hall steals every scene he's in with witty humor, outrageous propositions and a delightful southern drawl that makes every word coming out of his mouth entertaining

Movie posters and trailers showcase action, Gerard Butler and violence, but they all fall extremely short on their promises. "Gamer" failed at just about everything it attempted, and left me wondering if it was possible to petition to have my five bucks refunded.





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private high school. (2) "Pledge" means any person who has been accepted by, is considering an offer of membership from, or is in the process of ualifying for membership in an organization. (3) "Pledging" means any action or activity related to becoming a member of an organization. (4) "Student" means any person who: (A) is registered in or in attendance at an educational institution; (B) has been accepted for admission at the educational institution where the hazing incident occurs; or (C) intends to attend an educational institution during any of its regular sessions after a period of scheduled vacation. (5) "Organization" means a fraternity, sorority, association, corporation, order, society, corps, club, or service, social, or similar oup, whose members are primarily students. (6) "Hazing" means any intentional, knowing, or reckless act, occurring on or off the campus of an educational institution, by one person alone or acting with others, directed against a student, that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of pledging, being nitiated into, affiliating with, holding office in, or naintaining membership in an organization. The term includes: (A) any type of physical brutality, such as whipping, beating, striking, branding, electronic shocking, placing of a harmful substance on the body, or similar activity; (B) any type of physical activity, such as sleep deprivation, exposure to the elements, confinement in a small space, calisthenics, or other activity that subjects the student to an unreasonable risk of harm or that adversely affects the mental or physical health or safety of the student; (C) any activity involving consumption of a food, liquid, alcoholic beverage, liquor, drug, or other substance that subjects the student to an unreasonable risk of harm or that adversely affects the mental or physical health or safety of the student; (D) any activity that ntimidates or threatens the student with ostracism, that subjects the student to extreme mental stress, or humiliation, that adversely affects the mental health or dignity of the student or discourages the student from entering or remaining

the organization or the institution rather than submit to acts described in this subdivision; and (E) any activity that induces, causes, or requires the student to perform a duty or task that involves a violation of the Penal Code

§ 37.152. PERSONAL HAZING OFFENSE. (a) A person commits an offense if the person: (1) engages in hazing; (2) solicits, encourages, directs, aids, or attempts to aid another in engaging in hazing; (3) recklessly permits hazing to occur; or (4) has firsthand knowledge of the planning of a specific hazing incident involving a student in an educational institution, or has firsthand knowledge that a specific hazing incident has occurred, and knowingly fails to report that knowledge in writing to the dean of students or other appropriate official of the institution. (b) The offense of failing to report is a Class B misdemeanor. (c) Any other offense under this section that does not cause serious bodily injury to another is a Class B misdemeanor. (d) Any other offense under this section that causes serious bodily injury to another is a Class A misdemeanor. (e) Any other offense under this section that causes the death of another is a state jail felony. (f) Except if an offense causes the death of a student, in sentencing a person convicted of an offense under this section, the court may require the person to perform comm service, subject to the same conditions imposed on a person placed on community supervision under Section 11, Article 42.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, for an appropriate period of time in lieu of confinement in county jail or in lieu of a part of the time the person is sentenced to confinement in county jail.

37.153. ORGANIZATION HAZING **OFFENSE.** (a) An organization commits an offense if the organization condones or encourages hazing or if an officer or any combination of members, pledges, or alumni of the organization commits or assists in the commission of hazing. (b) An offense under this section is a misdeme

offense caused personal injury, property damage, o other loss, a fine of not less than \$5,000 nor more han double the amount lost or expenses incurred because of the injury, damage, or loss.

§ 37.154. CONSENT NOT A DEFENSE. It is not a defense to prosecution of an offense under this subchapter that the person against whom the hazing was directed consented to or acquiesced in the hazing activity.

§ 37.155. IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION AVAILABLE. In the prosecution of an offense under this subchapter, the court may grant immunity from prosecution for the offense to each person who is subpoenaed to testify for the prosecution and who does testify for the prosecution. Any person reporting a specific hazing incident involving a student in an educational institution to the dean of students or other appropriate official of the institution is immune from civil or criminal liability that might otherwise be incurred or imposed as a result of the report. Immunity extends to participation in any judicial proceeding resulting from the report. A person reporting in bad faith or with malice is not protected by this section.

§ 37.156. OFFENSES IN ADDITION TO OTHER PENAL PROVISIONS. This subchapter does not affect or repeal any penal law of this state. This subchapter does not limit or affect the right of an educational institution to enforce its own penalties against hazing.

37.157. REPORTING BY MEDICAL AUTHORITIES. A doctor or other med practitioner who treats a student who may have been subjected to hazing activities: (1) may report the suspected hazing activities to police or other law enforcement officials; and (2) is immune from civil or other liability that might otherwise be imposed or incurred as a result of the report, unless the report is made in bad faith or with malice.

The following student organizations have been disciplined for hazing or convicted for hazing during the previous three years:

Spring 2007 Kappa Sigma Zeta Phi Beta Fall 2007 Alpha Tau Omega Fall 2007

Sigma Chi Spring 2008 Phi Gamma Delta Spring 2008 Alpha Tau Omega Spring 2008

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Baylor's Statement on Hazing can be reviewed online at: http://www.baylor.edu/student\_policies/hazing.

#### HONOR CODE REPORT **FALL 2009**

The Baylor University Honor Council is charged with the responsibility of reporting each semester to the campus community violations of the Honor Code.

During the Summer 2009 semester, there were 10 reported violations of the Honor Code. Two of these cases proceeded to Honor Council hearings (one case is still pending). The other 8 cases were handled by faculty.

The types of violations and sanctions for each may be reviewed on the Academic Integrity Web site under the Honor Council Report at: http://www.baylor.edu/student\_policies/honorcode.

> Copies of Baylor's Statement on Hazing and the Honor Code are available from Judicial Affairs and the Office of Academic Integrity.

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## ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT | THE BAYLOR LARIAT 7

## Latest Austen parody serves up monsters

#### BY TISH WELLS MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS

"Sense and Sensibility and Sea Monsters" is a hoot, but Jane Austen purists will shudder.

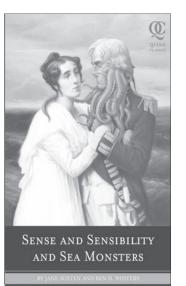
Ben H. Masters, playwright and author, has created an amusing mash-up of Jane Austin's classic novel using Jules Verne's fantasy, Robert Louis Stevenson's adventures, the eldritch horror of H.P. Lovecraft and extensive use of a thesaurus.

Austen's original "Sense and Sensibility" covers two years in the life of the three Dashwood daughters - mostly the elder two, Elinor and Marianne - as they fall in and out of love, according to the rigid social strictures of the 19th century English Regency period. Survival dominates "Sea Monsters" where every fish lusts for human blood.

"As the party watched in horror, Miss Bellwether was wrapped inside the quavering blanket-shape of the beast and consumed, the stomach acids of the enormous jellyfish dissolved her flesh, emanating a sickening sizzling noise, followed by a sort of unholy belch.

And then as quickly as it came, the creature dragged itself back into the sea, the tide withdrew; and all that was left of Miss Bellwether was a pile of corroded bones, a clump of hair and a whalebone corset.

In Austen's version, Elinor is known for "strength of understanding, and coolness of judgment." Winters changes this to "an excellent heart, a broad back and sturdy calf muscles and she was admired by her sisters and all who knew her as a masterful driftwood whittler."



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Elinor and Marianne search for love in the newest novel in the Jane Austen parody line.

The flighty Marianne is described as though her sorrows, her joys, could have no moderation. She spoke with a sigh of the cruel creatures of the water even the one who had so savaged her father, lending them such flowery appellations as "Our Begilled Tormentors" or "the Unfathomable Ones."

Elegant Regency London has become Sub-Marine Station Beta, an undersea glass-domed metropolis constantly under attack by the aquatic world.

"Outside the Dome, enough blood was left in the (filtration assistant's) upper portion for him to remain conscious, and he watched in horror as his lower portion was chewed to death by the great beast.

Marianne paused - and no one spoke. The anglerfish finished the legs and began its assault on the

remaining portion of the filtration assistant. The ocean fogged with blood."

Monsters" "Sea actually gives a large part to the third daughter, Margaret, who now has sharpened teeth, a bald head and mutters Lovecraftian-style chants, "K'yaloh D'argesh F'ah! K'yaloh D'argesh F'ah!"

The heroic Colonel Brandon, afflicted by a sea-witch curse, has tentacles on his face (think Davy Jones in the "Pirates of the Caribbean" movies) while the duplicitous Willoughby, who attracts Marianne, is a treasure hunter - not too far from Austen's original portrayal.

If you don't take any of it too seriously - and how could you? "Sense and Sensibility and Sea Monsters" is an entertaining addition to the overwhelming tide of Austen-related books.

#### Events this week

#### **School of Music**

Faith and Music Concert is at 7:30 pm. on Thursday.

Memorial Carillon Concert is at 5:00 p.m. on Friday.

Jazz Ensemble Swing Concert is at 7:30 p.m. on Friday.

**University Libraries** 

The Texas Collection presents "Around the World with Baylor Missionaries" until Sept. 15. The event lasts all day.

Baptist 400 Exhibit: Texas Baptist Churches will continute until Sept. 20. The event lasts all day.

## Degree program expands students' views in Nashville

#### By Lincoln Faulkner Contributor

It was a real-world experience this summer for music and entertainment marketing majors looking for a taste of the music industry life in Nashville, the music capital.

The music and entertainment major is a degree program at Baylor. Its goal is to prepare marketing students interested in the music, film or theater business with action learning experiences.

In addition, students work in a variety of labs, including theater production, where students learn what goes on behind the scenes in productions and learn how to develop audiences, and the Uproar Records lab where students run Baylor's record label day-to-day.

One important part of the major includes the Baylor in Nashville Mavmester study program, which is followed by internships with many Nashville music industry employers.

As a curriculum requirement, students enter the program the spring of their sophomore year. Following their junior year, all music-minded members are expected to participate in the Baylor in Nashville course, and apply to intern with several music industry-leading organizations, including EMI-CMG, Word Records, Curb Records and Scott Welch Management.

Instructed by Baylor professor, Charles H. Fifield, the program allows for students to experience a hands-on approach to learning about the music market. Students begin the course in Waco in early May with a briefing on the industry they soon visit. This preliminary study is to prepare the students to get the most out of their Nashville experience.

Then, for two weeks students tour each major label and are lectured by top music industry executives such as EMI-CMG CEO/president Bill Hearn over important areas of the music industry.

"We went to all the major Christian labels, and then some of the independent ones," Austin senior Garrett Burnett said. "We basically got to ask questions and learn who's who and how they do things."

Areas the executive instruction emphasize include marketing, distribution/sales, artist management and music production.

Burnett said after the first week they had gained a wellrounded understanding of how the major players in the Christian music industry worked.

Along with classes, students also have the opportunity to visit the Warner Bros. recording studio, the Country Music Hall of Fame and Belmont University's Entertainment and Music Business School and their Ocean Wav Nashville recording studio.

As part of their learning, students are also required to submit daily journal entries of their experiences. Students also complete two exams, one based on required text book readings on understanding the music business, and the other with particular emphasis on their experiential learning.

The major also stresses that the best way to get a post-graduate job in the music industry is to already have a job in the industry, which is why in order to graduate, students must complete an internship.

Baylor does a wonderful job of getting a foot in the door for students who need connections for internships with leading music companies, Arlington senior Sarah Leyda said.

"They really love Baylor students," she said. "They see how the M&E marketing program has equipped us to walk into that industry."

The internships are usually with Baylor-developed partners or companies that have a committed support to the program's success.

Word Records, a Christian music label, has been working with Baylor students as part of an initiative by the Mike Curb Foundation.

"Our idea was that when somebody came into a Word internship, we sort of run them through each business unit we have here," said Mark Funderburg, Word Records president of distribution. Interns can experience distribution, marketing, management and more.

"We try to give them an overall idea of all the different aspects they can get into should they ever decide to put their career into the music business," Funderburg said.

Furthermore, what really impressed him was how the Baylor interns demonstrated their spirit and passion in their everyday work.

"They brought their Christian

faith into our culture," Funderburg said.

Burnett and Leyda, along with BBA 2009 Mandi Jones, interned for Word in the distribution department. Their jobs included anything from working on marketing products and sitting in on sales strategy meetings, to going on a cupcake run for executives and completing other forms of grunt work.

One of the main things the Word interns said they learned about finding a job was that it's all about who you know.

"I got to the city and right off the bat I started meeting people," Burnett said. "Every relationship that you make carries you on to the next relationship."

By making these connections, they were asked to work on different projects, like creating merchandise for Francesca Battistelli, presenting a V.I.P. tour for Rock the Universe or helping marketing executives create strategies appealing for the younger generation.

Some interns are even offered jobs by companies when they graduate.

Jones accepted a job offer to work in the print department as a marketing and production man-

While Jones interned in the distribution department, she said that networking and meeting

with different departments to understand how each role is important to the company has helped her succeed at her job. "I'm able to see it all come full

circle," she said. "I understand how the whole system works."

Even though the music industry is downsizing, Jones was offered two jobs at the same time at Word, Funderburg said.

"That's never happened," he said. "That says a lot right there."

Sacramento senior Giovanna Reed, who interned for Scott Welch Management, said her hands-on work experience gave her more confidence.

Reed said her job included making phone calls and collecting contracts and checks for the company. She also had the chance to work at CMA Fest and a CD release party for Johnny Cooper.

"I was really nervous about the real world," Reed said. "But now I feel I am a lot less nervous about that. I think that is the biggest thing about doing this. Now, I actually look forward to working in the real world."

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#### **Bears of the Week** MALE ATHLETE



Jay Finley

The info: Finley is a 5-foot-11 running back from Corsicana. He was the leading rusher for the Bears in 2008, averaging 5.8 yards-percarry

The stats: Finley ran for 91 yards on 14 carries Saturday evening in a 24-21 victory against Wake Forest University.

#### FEMALE ATHLETE



Katie Sanders

The info: Sanders is a 6-foot-1 outside hitter from Katy. Sanders has led the Bears in kills the past two seasons and is currently eight on the all-time kills list at Baylor.

The stats: Sanders recorded 20 kills and 10 digs in Saturday's epic five-set win against the No. 24 Purdue University. Sanders was named Tournament MVP of the Holiday Inn and Suites Baylor Classic.

Sports editor Justin Baer selected the "Bears of the Week."

#### **Sports Briefs** Football receives votes in polls

Baylor football defeated Wake Forest 24-21 on Saturday and drew attention from national poll voters. The Bears received votes in the Associated Press Top 25 poll for the first time since 1998 as well as the USA Today Coaches' Poll.

#### Linebacker Pawelek named Big 12 Defensive **Player of the Week**

Joe Pawelek earned Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week honors for his effort against the Demon Deacons, highlighted by an interception that set up a Kendall

## The Baer Necessities: Wake Forest win polluted with subplots

Baylor escaped Winston-Salem, N.C., Saturday evening with a narrow 24-21 victory against Wake Forest University. Given a reprieve to overcome last season's nauseating 41-13 defeat in Waco, Baylor marched into BB&T Field and bolstered the preseason hype encompassing Art Briles and the Bears.

While the Bears' first road victory since Sept. 22, 2007, is noteworthy in itself, many lingering questions were answered in the season-opening triumph over the Demon Deacons.

#### **Don't Gettis** another receiver yet

Senior wide receiver David Gettis has been harped on by the media and fans for his inability to secure the ball in pressing situations. The former Army High School All-American was



play." Gettis responded to the message. On the first series of his se-

starting

nior season, Gettis adjusted to an underthrown pass from Robert Griffin and snatched it out of the air for a 37-yard completion. Four plays later, Gettis caught his first touchdown since 2006, when Griffin laced an eightvard pass to the back corner of the end zone. Even though the passing game was tempered in the second half, Gettis still had an influential presence.

The 6-foot-4 Los Angeles native provided an essential block on Kendall Wright's 37-yard

touchdown run on Baylor's initial series of the second half.

#### Phil-ing a need

The anticipated premiere of Penn State transfer and defensive tackle Phil Taylor surpassed expectations. The 355-pound mammoth clogged running lanes and smothered Wake Forest's rushing attack to 3.7 yardsper-carry. Taylor also captured an interception in the midst of the Demon Deacons' first series.

If that wasn't enough for the Big 12 preseason Newcomer's of the Year debut, the preponderant junior contributed offensively in the backfield of the "heavy set," just another one of Briles's ingenious offensive innovations.

Briles's creativity spurred once again in the third quarter when Griffin tossed a lateral to senior wide receiver Ernest Smith. With three Demon Deacons voraciously approaching, Smith lobbed a pass to a wideopen Lanear Sampson who trotted in the end zone to give Baylor a 24-7 lead.

#### Not another "Baylor" moment

Despite the Bears nearly faltering in the final 16 minutes of the game, Baylor distinguished itself Saturday as a team capable of generating a first-half lead and preserving it, something that hampered the Bears in 2008, (see games against Missouri, Nebraska and Texas Tech).

Led by fourth-year starter, and the ACC's all-time leader in completion percentage, Riley Skinner, Wake Forest stormed back into the game. The once 17-point lead evaporated after Skinner completed a five-yard

pass in the back of the end zone to tight end Andrew Parker.

But the Bears stood undaunted in the waning minutes of the contest and secured a muchneeded victory on their journey to a bowl berth.

While the season is still in the infancy stage, Baylor's victory against its toughest non-conference opponent is testimonial to the change of atmosphere Briles has cemented into the football program.

As a resident in the Big 12 South, many bumps remain on the road to fruition for this team. But with team victories such as Saturday's, it's finally evident these aren't your average Bears.

Justin Baer is a senior marketing and business-journalism major from Midlothian and sports editor for The Baylor Lariat.



Wright touchdown run.

Pawelek, who led all linebackers nationally with six interceptions in 2008, recorded seven tackles and one sack.

#### Volleyball claims tournament title

Baylor volleyball claimed the Holiday Inn and Suites Baylor Classic title with a five-set win over 24th-ranked Purdue (21-25, 25-20, 25-23, 23-25, 15-13). Katie Sanders recorded 20 kills and 10 digs in the match and was named Tournament Most Valuable Player.

The Bears swept Central Florida (25-9, 25-18, 25-16) and UTSA (25-18, 25-28, 25-16) before the winning the championship game Sunday. Allison King totaled 11 digs against Central Florida and doubled that total the next day against the Roadrunners. Sanders claimed her season's third doubledouble in that game, compiling 12 kills and 10 digs.

#### Soccer still without loss

Women's soccer continued an undefeated season with a 4-0 win over McNeese State Friday and a 3-1 victory against Louisiana Lafayette Sunday. During the twogame road trip, the Bears improved their overall record to 3-0-2.

Freshmen Emily Bush and Chelsea Geller each scored a goal on Friday, and Hanna Gilmore's pair of goals brought her season point total to eight.

Lotto Smith scored the first goal Sunday, followed by freshman Lisa Sliwinski, whose goal was the first of her collegiate career. Geller finished the weekend with another goal late in the game.

The Bears return to Betty Lou Mays Field and take on the University Louisville at 1 p.m. next Sunday.

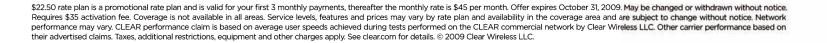
#### Cross country teams victorious

Both the men's and women's cross-country teams defended their home turf Friday by winning the Bear Twilight Invitational meet, the Bears' only home meet of the season. Sophomore Robbie Knorr won the men's title, finishing the 6k run in 18:48.2, and senior Nichole Jones' 4k time of 14:07.3 was enough to win the women's title.

The Baylor men and women each claimed four of the top five finishes in their respective divisions and defeated Texas A&M and Dallas Baptist in the Bears' first meet of the season. They travel to Texas A&M for an invitational meet next Saturday

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Buda senior and middle blocker Anna Breyfogle (14) spikes the ball against the Texas State Bobcats Tuesday, which resulted in a victory.

## Eighth straight win for Bears

**By Chris Derrett** Sports writer

Baylor volleyball extended its undefeated season Tuesday night, improving to 8-0 with a sweep of Texas State, 25-14, 25-13, 25-22.

Katie Sanders' 13 kills on 30 attempts led the offense, followed by Anna Breyfogle with eight and Taylor Barnes, who had 28 assists in addition to six kills.

The closest the Bears came to relinquishing the lead in the first game was a 7-7 tie. Their offense then awakened and overwhelmed the Bobcats with an 18-7 run capped by a Barnes kill. A quick start was one of the team's goals as they prepare for stiffer upcoming competition, Sanders said.

"Tonight was our night to work on being aggressive and see what we are capable of," Sanders said. "It's really getting us ready for this weekend."

The Bears' offensive capability shined in the second set. Sanders connected six of her 10 attempts while Barnes racked up nine assists. Freshman Torri Campbell also earned two kills in the set, an effort that Sanders appreciates from the incoming class.

"The freshmen coming in

are definitely helping take some pressure off the seniors this year," Sanders said.

Barnes set up 23 kills through the first two sets. The team's passing and setting accuracy, she feels, can dictate how well the team performs in any given match.

"We've been working all year on the first contact. Whether it's a serve or a pass, it's the most important thing. If we can do that, we can win the match," Barnes said.

Though Baylor did not face much offensive pressure from the Bobcats through two sets, they tallied 33 digs in that time led by Allison King's nine.

Texas State surged in the third set with 14 kills compared to a combined 16 in the first two set. Head coach Jim Barnes gave his opponent credit for playing stronger and felt the Bears responded well despite fatigue possibly brought on by illness.

"I was proud of the ladies because we have several who are under the weather, and we challenged them to play strong," Barnes said. "We got a little unfocused (in the third set), and we talked about not letting that happen against good teams."

Barnes is still unsure of the starting lineup and has used Baylor's preconference games to find a winning formula. Tonight's starting lineup gave Barnes a good look at what could possibly be the lineup he uses for Big 12 play.

"We went into this match to see if this is the lineup we use for this weekend," Barnes said.

This weekend will test the Bears as they face Pittsburgh, New Mexico and Cal State Fullerton in tournament play at Albuquerque. Any success in addition to the perfect start is a product of well-deserved work, Barnes said.

"It started in January with our seniors making the commitment to lead by example. They came to practice in the best shape of their lives," Barnes said.

As for further aspirations, Sanders sees no limit to the team's potential.

"Everything's a goal of ours now. We want to be ranked, and we want to make the NCAA tournament," Sander said. "It would be icing on the cake to be ranked right now, and it's one of the things we're working for."

## Tamer's Twelve

#### 1. Texas

Colt McCoy and Jordan Shipley proved to be practically unstoppable for the Longhorns. However, it was freshman tailback D.J. Monroe who created the most buzz, as he showed off his impressive speed and kick return ability.

#### 2.Oklahoma State

The Cowboys were able to live up to their preseason hype with an impressive victory over the University of Georgia. We knew the offense was good, but the defense's ability to hold the Bulldogs to only 10 points was the difference maker.

#### 3. Nebraska

The Cornhuskers notched the program's 24th-straight win in an opener with a strong performance from running back Roy Helu Jr. Helu rushed for 152 yards and three touchdowns. On the defensive side of the ball, Nebraska was able to hold Florida Atlantic to a field goal, despite giving up 122 rushing yards.

#### 4. Oklahoma

Even before losing Sam Bradford, the Sooners didn't look like a team that played for the national championship last season. Now the Sooners must rely on their defense and freshman quarterback Landry Jones to hold them over until Bradford and Jermaine Gresham are healthy again.

#### 5. Kansas

Despite not having wide receiver Dezmon Briscoe, the Jayhawks offense was still able to put up 49 points against Northern Colorado. Quarterback Todd Reesing took control of the game with four touchdowns and 208 passing yards.

#### 6. Missouri

The Tigers showed critics they could still win after losing key



University of Oklahoma quarterback Sam Bradford grimaces after being hit in the second quarter of Saturdays' game against Brigham Young University. BYU defeated then, No. 3-ranked OU 14-13.

players on the offensive side of the ball. Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week Blaine Gabbert proved to be a worthy replacement to Chase Daniel by throwing for 319 yards and three touchdowns.

#### 7. Baylor

After beating a talented Wake Forest team on the road, the Bears believe they can make some noise in the Big 12. Baylor will take advantage of the off week and get ready for a tough challenge against the University of Connecticut Sept. 19.

#### 8. Texas Tech

The Red Raider's victory over North Dakota was far from impressive. Tech scored the fewest points in an opener since 2006 and let the hapless Fighting Sioux hang around until the fourth quarter. In addition, quarterback Taylor Potts' debut was disappointing as he threw three interceptions.

#### 9. Texas A&M

Aggie fans saw a glimpse of the old "Wrecking Crew" days as the defense recorded five sacks and limited New Mexico to 231 yards. Offensively, the Aggies were able to put up 606 yards behind scrambling quarterback Jerrod Johnson.

#### 10. Iowa State

The Cyclones were able to muster up a win under Paul Rhoads and snap a 10-game losing streak. Missing tackles still proved to be a problem for the Cyclones, however the offense was productive behind quarterback Austen Arnaud who threw for 227 yards and two touchdowns.

#### 11. Kansas State

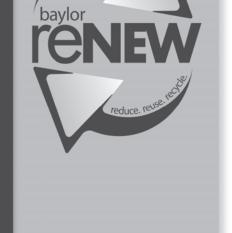
The Wildcats were able to squeak by the University of Massachusetts in Bill Synders' return to the sidelines, however it wasn't pretty. The Wildcats experienced several miscues on special teams, and quarterback Carson Coffman had two turnovers in the first 10 minutes.

#### 12. Colorado

Against in-state rival Colorado State University, the Buffaloes were embarrassed in front of their home crowd after losing a home opener for the second time in head coach Dan Hawkins' four-year tenure. Colorado must quickly regroup and get ready to face Toledo University on Friday night.

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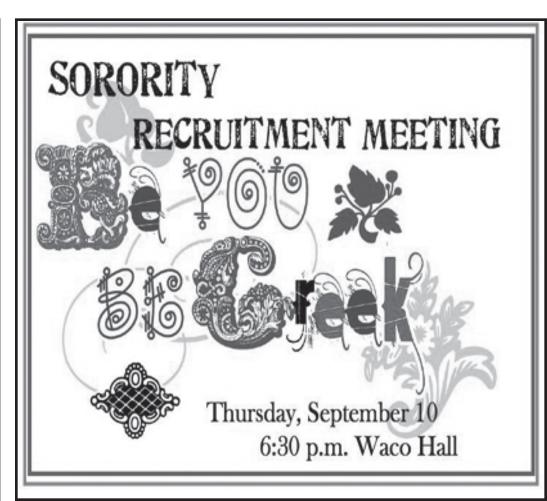


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## Backpacking through Europe









#### By Laura Remson Staff Writer

ost students have summer vacations working at summer job in the retail or food industries or an internship related to their major. Some people mow lawns, others baby-sit or lifeguard or even serve as counselors at summer camps for kids.

One Baylor graduate student took the term "summer vacation" to the extreme. Henry Chan, 24, originally from Hong Kong, spent six weeks this summer traveling around Europe, seeing nine countries in 42 days.

This European trip started as a joke.

"(A friend and I) were talking one night about how cool it would be to see all of these places," Chan said. "As we thought about it, it didn't seem that far-fetched: Save money, buy a ticket, have a great plan and see the places."

It was easier said than done. Chan had a couple of friends back out on him before fellow graduate student Jaron Farmer joined him on the trip.

Before this trip, Chan had never been to Europe. However, he has travelled throughout Asia, particularly in China. The trip's itinerary included France, Switzerland, Italy, Germany, the Czech Republic, the Netherlands, Belgium, England and Scotland.

Each country was different, each with its own personality and flavor.

Italians for instance, have a "messy, spaghetti way of running the country," Chan said.

One of the most memorable experiences for Chan was visiting the Holocaust Memorial in Berlin. The monument consists of rows of concrete blocks that get taller as a visitor walks down into the memorial.

"It's one of those things people always talk about. You can't understand what those people go through. It feels like you're walking through the valley of death (as the blocks get taller)," Chan said. "(It's) like you're walking through a concentration camp."

Chan and Farmer made lots of friends on the trip, whether they were traveling on a train or eating in a café. They even made friends with some unexpected people, like the French.

"I went in thinking they would be the stereotype who looked down on Americans, but from what I experienced, they are just as curious about Americans as we are about them," Chan said.

Like Texans, the people of country they visited shared the common thread of state pride.

"Each wants to show people their best," Chan said. "The Scottish are keen on showing visitors how cool bagpipes are; Germans have pride in wearing lederhosen; the French in preparing their food and wine."

Maxey Parrish, a senior lecturer in the journalism department, spent the spring semester teaching and directing Baylor in Maastricht. The program took 50 students, as well as Parrish and his family, overseas for the semester.

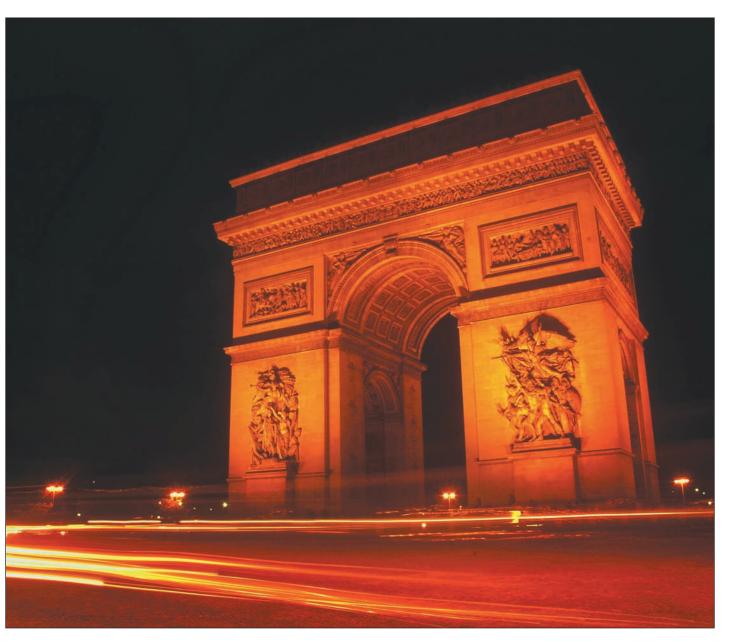
"One joy of travel is the surprise brought by each new culture you experience, whether it's the cheek-kiss greeting — right, left, right — between men and women in France or all-male version of the same — right side only — in Armenia," Parrish said. "In both places hugs are viewed as weird."

With four-day school weeks, spring break and a month at the end of the semester dedicated to travel, Parrish was able to tour throughout Europe to many large and small cities and sites.

The sites that are farther away where less English is spoken often hold surprises greater than traditional sites. Aachen, a smaller site in the Netherlands, held just as much of a draw as the larger sites Parrish said his family visited.

"(It) holds the remains and cathedral of Charlemagne. He helped define Western Europe and the Middle Ages," Parrish said. "The massive altarpieces in Antwerp's majestic cathedral were painted by Peter Paul Rubens, the most influential Baroque artist of the 17th century."

Chan doesn't consider language barriers to be a problem and even said that the fewer people who speak English, the more adventurous the trip becomes. He was even able to use Chinese,



which he speaks fluently, to get around.

"If you know Chinese, it's become a worldwide language," Chan said.

It was with this that he was able to borrow a Seguay Personal Transporter and try it out. He saw another group of tourists using some of the machines and started talking to them in Mandarin. They offered their rentals to Chan and Farmer so they could test them out. In this, Chan recognized the power of language and culture in his travels.

Parrish, on the other hand, used the Spanish he knew from college to get around.

"In most of the rest of Europe, English is spoken. I don't think I've ever been stonewalled by a language barrier," Parrish said.

Los Almos, N.M., senior Abby Worland studied abroad in Rome last fall and said she enjoyed the slower pace of smaller sites.

"You get a greater picture of how real inhabitants of a country live, and it's a more accurate view of the culture," Worland said. "You get away from all the tourist stands and the hype and really enjoy it. You get to take your time."

She said she looks at these places as an opportunity to practice the language and experience a city.

"In smaller cities, there's obviously a language barrier, but they are more patient and more willing to work with you. Communication is more enjoyable. They are much more forgiving as you try to speak," she said. "Bigger cities have a much faster pace and they get annoyed with you."

Other than different languages, food choices and availability are often a concern or a treat to many first-time travelers.

Chan's favorite meal traveling was escargot, or cooked land snails in Paris.

"Lots of Americans say they are 'texture eaters' or eat by appearance. It bars you away from learning a very distinct part of the culture: how they dine. It's an everyday part of culture," Chan said. "If you take that away, it's like taking hamburgers and steaks away from America. A good way to experience foreign cultures is to let yourself go."

(Top clockwise from left) A pianist performs outside of the Bürgerspital and the Central Train Station in Berne, Switzerland.

Chan visited Katedrála svatého Víta (St. Vitus Cathedral) at nightfall in Prague, Czech Republic.

Scottish drumming and piping group Clanadonia perform at the Hunter Square on the Royal Mile.

(Middle) Street performers juggle glowing balls on the Royal Mile during the Edinburgh Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland. The festival is the largest cultural event in the world, attracting millions of people to visit the city every year during August.

(Bottom) Chan also visited The Arc d'Triomphe, located in the western end of the Champs-Élysées in Paris.

Photos courtesy of Henry Chan.