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Teacher killed at Texas high school; teen held

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

TYLER (AP) — A special-education teacher who had a passion for music was fatally stabbed Wednesday morning in a Texas high school classroom, and police took a 16-year-old student into custody. Todd R. Henry, 50, worked with students at John Tyler High School who were either emotionally or behaviorally challenged, according to his older brother, Jody Henry.

"He loved it," the elder Henry said.

He told me it was his calling. He had never been happier than when working with these kids."

District Superintendent Randy Reid said the male suspect approached his teacher about 8:50 a.m. and stabbed him in the neck with a sharp object. A teacher's aide and two other students were in the classroom, and the aide subdued the suspect before calling district police, Reid said.

Reid said the student had been in and out of the district "a

couple of times," but declined to provide further details, citing privacy laws.

"It is our understanding at this time that there was nothing in the classroom that incited this situation," Reid said. "It was a random act."

The high school was locked down after the stabbing and students were eventually sent home for the day, according to a statement on the district's Web site. Reid said classes will resume today.

Jan Shaw Henry, the teach-

er's wife of 10 months, said he had been injured by a student before. Todd Henry missed the first two weeks of school recovering from shoulder surgery after he broke up a fight at school last year, his wife said.

"He worked in a prison for 10 years. Do you think this man was afraid? Get real," Jan said in a telephone interview from her Tyler home, surrounded by close friends and family. "We'd be eating out and a student would walk up and shake his hand. He'd look at me and

smile and say, 'That's what it's all about.'"

Police did not offer a motive behind the stabbing and referred further questions to Angela Jenkins, a school district spokeswoman.

Jenkins said about 2,000 students attend John Tyler High and the district will provide additional support, security, and counseling for students and staff as needed.

She said Todd Henry began working for the district in 2003 at a school for special needs

students and transferred to the high school four years ago.

Late Wednesday afternoon only a few cars remained in the parking lot, and all entrances were blocked off with heavy steel barriers.

Jose Mundo, a 16-year-old junior at the school, said he learned of the stabbing through a text message sent by a friend during the two-hour lockdown. He said Henry was his band teacher last year. "He was cool

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Lounging Back in Time

Advanced Directing students (L-R) Gatesville freshman Brian Aslin, Grand Prairie freshman Chris Ramirez and Dallas junior Elisa Tipton, rehearse "The Winter's Tale," a Shakespearean play that will be performed this weekend. The rehearsal took place Wednesday in the Armstrong Browning Library and the play will show at 4 p.m. Friday in Armstrong-Browning Library.

Dropping soles to kindred souls

Students participate in charity's shoe drop trip

By JENNA THOMPSON
REPORTER

Students can be seen with them all over campus; they have caused a buzz in The New York Times, Vogue and People magazine; AT&T even featured them in a commercial: TOMS shoes seem to be everywhere.

These simple slip-on shoes, usually made of wrapped canvas, were created three years ago. Since their creation, TOMS have gained worldwide popularity as footwear with a conscience. Blake Mycoskie, the founder and chief shoe-giver of TOMS, was traveling in Argentina in 2006 when he befriended shoeless children who inspired

him to create a company that would put shoes on the feet of needy children worldwide.

"With every pair you purchase, TOMS will give a pair of new shoes to a child in need. One for One," Mycoskie said in an e-mail to the Lariat. "TOMS has conducted over 20 Shoe Drops since its beginning in 2006."

TOMS, despite an obscure beginning, has captured the attention of many customers through its policy of charitable donations.

"I first saw them at Macy's, and they had a tag on them saying that they would donate a pair to a child in another country. I thought that was generous, so I bought three pairs," said Houston junior Jackie Oliver.

Students on Baylor campus have also been very active in the

TOMS effort. Aside from simply purchasing and wearing the shoes, some have volunteered time and money to go on a Shoe Drop: the actual delivery of the TOMS on location.

In October 2008, Amanda Allen, Baylor's service learning liaison, accompanied volunteers on a shoe drop in Booneville, Ky.

"I feel like that's the kind of poverty that's a lot of times overlooked," Allen said. The team she was with set up a station at Owsley County Elementary School and fit the students for shoes class by class.

"All these kids' parents worked on farms. They had holes in their socks, if there were socks," Allen said. Most of the children had been wearing shoes that had been handed

down to them which either did not fit properly or were greatly worn, Allen said.

"This one kid shouted, 'I'm gonna wear them every night until I die,'" Allen said.

The experience inspired Allen and caused her to reflect on her involvement in charitable services.

"I know that I want to get up every day knowing that I'm doing something that is making a difference, no matter how small it is," Allen said.

Also in October 2008, Woodway senior Priyanka Rajaratnam volunteered for a Shoe Drop in Argentina, where the creators of TOMS were initially inspired to form the charity.

"At first we went to a lot of

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Several volunteers don various styles of TOMS shoes while on a trip to deliver TOMS to kids without shoes. Shoe drops are coordinated by Friends of TOMS, a nonprofit organization that partners with TOMS shoes.

International students seek welcome, connect with peers

By CATY HIRST
COPY EDITOR

The first day of school — everyone has had one.

You walk into class and you don't know anyone there; you don't know the teachers or what is expected of you. But you speak the language proficiently, know the culture and that everyone else is looking for friends just like you are. And your family is just a phone call away.

This is not the case for many international students. English

is often not their first language, the culture is foreign and everyone already has their own cliques. Also, their family may be an ocean away.

Some faculty and staff are concerned the "Baylor Bubble" does not make this hard transition for international students any easier.

"I think that at a place like Baylor, it is easy for students to become fairly insular and forget that the skills they are learning here can be applied globally," said Emily Rodgers, program

director for the Global Community Living-Learning Center.

Some Baylor faculty members believe that once international students arrive on campus, it can be difficult to build meaningful relationships with domestic students.

Beth Walker, the international student relations coordinator, said one of the obstacles international students face is that friendships in America are not necessarily built in the classroom. She said Americans tend to keep classroom life and their

social life separated and do not make new friends to hang out with while in class.

This is different for international students, who are often used to building relationships with classmates.

A service in place to counteract this problem is People Around the World Sharing Partners, which pairs international students with domestic students and encourages them to build meaningful relationships.

"I think our program with PAWS Partners to very inten-

tionally get international students involved with American students is a good way to get both integrated into each other's world," Walker said.

Another program in place to welcome international students is the Global Community Living-Learning Center. The Global Community LLC houses American students with international students, and tries to pair them based on languages of study.

"The Global Community Living-Learning Center is a good place for all students to make

those connections with other people," said Janet Norden, the director for the Global Community and a tenured instructor of Spanish and methodology.

However, the welcoming attitude of domestic students is sometimes lacking.

Tokyo senior Mari Ito said it is difficult to build relationships with many American students because they do not take the time to listen to her.

"I felt like I shouldn't speak

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Lariat Letters

Associate professor of philosophy agrees CLs need single room, encourages Baylor 2012

I want to express my appreciation for [Ash Anderson's] thoughtful and articulate "Point of View" piece in Thursday's Lariat. I truly hope that your well-considered judgment is heard and heeded as decisions about CL accommodations are made in the future. Clearly a variety of concerns make it desirable to avoid giving CLs roommates, and you describe those concerns convincingly. At the same time, you also develop your position graciously and with a sense of the extenuating circumstances Baylor faced this year. In both ways, your piece does you credit.

Since I began partnering in an intentional, significant way with my student life colleagues a few years ago, I have learned a great deal that most faculty members simply don't know about students' out-of-class experiences.

I have become persuaded that Baylor is doing many things well in the area of residential life, but it's also clear that our students deserve additional support in plenty of ways as we seek fulfillment of Imperative Two of Baylor 2012. In that vein, let me propose two things that I hope you will continue to think about and advocate for in the days ahead.

First, Baylor must continue to take seriously its commitment "to create a truly residential campus," and all the more so as our entering classes have grown beyond 3,000. Without timely progress to design, fund, and build the third residential project envisioned in Baylor 2012 (the so-called East Village), we will continue to encounter regrettable shortcomings in the availability and quality of residential spaces for our students. Retrofitting study rooms as living spaces, assigning roommates for CLs, and other less-than-desirable compromises may become normal rather than exceptional unless we develop new options. So, I hope that you and others like you will make your voices heard regarding Imperative Two: you deserve to see one of the most student-focused aspects of Baylor 2012 fulfilled.

Second, Baylor should seek student expertise from the beginning to the end of the design phase of the next residential project. Let me give an example of why this is crucial. It turns out that almost all of the CLs in Brooks Residential College do not have roommates. There is a straightforward reason for this: the college was designed a few years ago, with significant student input, such that a variety of single-room spaces are distributed throughout the facility.

By design, there is simply not room for two people in them. Such spaces were created principally with the needs of CLs in mind. Future residential construction projects at Baylor should have the same important aim in mind and thus should be built with single-room spaces in place for CLs that preclude the possibility of the compromises that you describe in your piece. I am certain that having a strong student voice present in designing new residential facilities would repay dividends in many other ways.

You know as well as I do that our exemplary CL&L leadership numbers among the strongest advocates for students to be found anywhere. I am proud to serve alongside Terri Garrett, Jim Broaduss, Kevin Jackson, and others that want to do the very best that is possible to ensure that our students thrive. Please don't hesitate to let me know if I may be of encouragement or help to you.

All the best,
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Student Aid Act crucial for students, nation's economy

Editorial

Last Thursday the House of Representatives passed a historic set of reforms that will substantially change the face of federal student financial aid programs.

The Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act makes the federal government the direct lender for student loans, eliminating federal subsidies to private lenders. Students will get new loans originated through the government's Direct Loan program. This is a change proponents of the bill contend will make college loans more reliable for students and families and guarantee that loans operate in the best interest of borrowers and is one that is much-needed.

The Obama administration has said that this reform of the loan system will save taxpayers more than \$80 billion over 10 years and will direct \$10 billion in savings back to the Treasury to reduce entitlement spending.

Effective July 1, 2010, the government's Direct Loan program would terminate the Federal Family Education Loan program, in which private lenders provide government-backed loans for eligible students, and in turn effectively cut out the middleman role played by banks and other lenders.

According to the Washington Post, direct government lending in the last academic year accounted for about a quarter of federal loan volume.

As the single largest investment in federal student aid in history, the money will be used to make sure that interest rates on student loans

remain low while expanding the Pell Grant program, and investing in community colleges and early childhood programs. The bill calls for investing \$40 billion of the savings to increase the maximum amount students can receive under the Pell Grant program, which awards financial aid based on need. These grants are the main federal college scholarship for low-income students. The amount of the Pell grants will increase from its current figure of \$5,350 to \$5,550 in 2010 and \$6,900 by 2019. In 2011, the amount of the scholarship will also be linked to the cost of living.

The bill also contains promises to simplify the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA, and expand access to Perkins Loans to every U.S. college. The FAFSA, often seen as a cumbersome and complicated process, is often perceived as a roadblock for students. By simplifying this process, more students can attempt to get the help they need to pursue higher education without being intimidated or hindered by this application..

Passed 253-171 in the House, the bill is expected to move to the Senate for a vote toward the end of the month. Though the bill was passed largely along party lines, this should not be seen as simply a partisan attempt to use an upper hand. The Senate should see this bill for what it is—an earnest attempt to strengthen the nation's education system through honest efforts at reaching out and providing students with all means necessary to complete college or

job training.

Tuition at both public and private schools has been consistently rising, and families have been stumbling to keep up while simultaneously wading through these tough economic times. As the public has become increasingly wary of bankers, subsidies have become a target of the same skepticism, a factor that probably contributed to the Democratic Party's success in passing this bill through the House.

President Obama released a statement saying that this legislation will end the billions of dollars in subsidies handed out to banks and financial institutions, and the money will instead be used to make loans and other means of financing more accessible and college more affordable.

Though the opposition may see this as just another area overtaken by the federal government that may lead to job loss through the industry or a burden on universities during the transition out of their respective federal lending programs, it is a risk and a burden well worth shouldering.

This is a crucial step toward rebuilding the American economy. By making sure young people have the means and access to education, we are ensuring that they enter the work force highly skilled, educated, and with the ability to contribute substantially to a highly fluctuating market and a constantly changing world. The Senate would be doing this country a great service by voting yes to this legislation.

Baylor's lower-level art classes should allow self-expression

As the editorial cartoonist, one would be correct in assuming that I have experienced a wide variety of art classes and training. Art consumed my life from an early age and has since shaped nearly every aspect of my life.

However, as an artist, I have again and again experienced art departments that claim their purpose is to produce great artists, but in reality their actions serve more to squelch and extinguish individual expression, the very ingredient essential to the creative process.

The style of teaching art itself, or rather the attempt to teach it, is what bothers me the most. No offense to Baylor, but I have not learned much from an art class since I took art in middle school. Ms. Winnubst was her name, and she taught us about passion, creativity and self-expression. Without her foundation instilled within me I would surely not be where I am today.

I initially decided to begin as an art major here believing that the caliber of teaching, even in beginner-level courses, would be at a much higher level than I'd experienced in the past. Sadly, I was wrong.

Here at Baylor, like all the other art classes I have taken, most of what I have experienced so far is a cookie-cutter way of teaching. "Here is a style or work of art, now do it exactly this same way or you will fail."

When did imitation become a style of teach-

Point of View

BY CLAIRE TAYLOR



ing? Sure, it exposes one to different ways of drawing, but that is what Art History is for. Studio Art should be about drawing things you are inspired to draw — not recreating works or styles somebody else came up with.

I vividly recall projects here at Baylor where I have been penalized for deviating in any way. Some of these same projects that have been labeled with an "F" have been sold to people who hang them proudly in their homes. I think this proves that beauty is most certainly in the eye of the beholder.

I believe the fact that a teacher feels justified in grading a work of art based on replication of style alone is preposterous. If we must grade art, let it be on the use of the elements assigned and uniqueness of the work.

Take creative writing for example: Would a college professor ask you to rewrite the exact same words of another author; in essence, to

plagiarize their work? Then why is this very method of teaching is so pertinent within the higher level art education?

Art's purpose is to facilitate self-expression, not foster imitation.

Thankfully, Baylor has some wonderful professors that I am personally aware of. Berry Klingman, for example, teacher of advanced figure drawing and printmaking, is one of the most skilled artists I've ever had the pleasure of being taught by.

In high school, I regularly admired the work of Karl Umlauf and his beautiful collages, not having any idea that he was a professor here at Baylor.

The upper-level classes seem to foster the creativity an artist like me craves, but the stifled expression is all too apparent in the lower-level classes.

This lack of self-expression can turn many students, like me, away from the major at an early point.

I think all artists and art majors alike can agree that judging art on the basis of imitation is just plain wrong. College-level art courses, whether beginner or upper level, should be conducted on the basis of creating art — not recreating it.

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Please Recycle This Issue

Film presentation to spark health care discussion

By BETHANY MOORE
REPORTER

With Congress in a heated battle about health care reform, Baylor Democrats are doing their part to inform students and Waco citizens on this issue.

In an effort to raise awareness about this political topic, the organization is screening the film "Sick Around the World" at 7 p.m. today in D110 Baylor Sciences Building, in addition to an open 30-minute forum after the film.

"Sick Around the World" is a PBS and Frontline documentary that chronicles how health care is run in five other capitalist industrial countries: United Kingdom, Germany, Taiwan, Japan and Switzerland.

Oscar Boleman, a Galveston senior and president of the Baylor Democrats, said viewing this film is a great opportunity to understand what is going on in America and become a part of it.

"The reason I became involved in Baylor Democrats is because I

want the student population and Waco community to have more information about what is going on at hand," Boleman said.

Boleman is hoping that interest in the topic will spur a continuous series of politically and globally informative films.

After showing Michael Moore's extremist documentary "Sicko" last year the Baylor Democrats are making an effort to show more unbiased films aimed toward attracting different viewpoints, Boleman said.

"Our main goal in showing

this film is just to help people understand how things are done in other countries and reduce ignorance," Boleman said.

Along with students, Baylor Democrats also invited Waco health care officials, members of the community and Organizing for America, a group that encourages political involvement and was formerly known as Obama for America, to view the film and voice their opinions in the discussion afterwards.

Stan Staton, a Sugar Land junior and vice president of the

Baylor Democrats, wants students to attend whether they agree or disagree with universal health care.

"There's been a lot of things said about health care and this film provides a chance to look at the pros and cons of the issue," Staton said.

Franklin senior Ruth Michael, a film and digital media major, said that showing a documentary is a good way to get this visually enhanced generation interested and involved.

"I honestly think it is an awe-

some idea," Michael said. "At my age, I don't feel particularly addressed in the health care issue like my parents and grandparents are, so showing the film is an excellent way to draw us in and help us understand what we are voting on."

The next film the Baylor Democrats will screen is the PBS and Frontline documentary "10 trillion and Counting" which is about the U.S. debt and the origins of this issue in the nation. Currently, they do not know when they will screen this film.

Potato farmer's holy grail: McDonald's french fries

By JOHN MILLER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

KIMBERLY, Idaho — From the fields of Idaho to tasting rooms in suburban Chicago, potato farmers, researchers and industry representatives are in the midst of an elusive hunt: finding a new spud for McDonald's french fries.

Seven years have passed since the fast-food giant last added a new U.S. potato variety to three previously approved for its golden fries, something that both irks and motivates potato researchers who hope their progeny will be next.

Because McDonald's buys more than 3 billion pounds of potatoes annually across the globe, it has the power to dictate whether a variety sprouts or winds up in the less-lucrative supermarket freezer's crinkle-cut bin — or worse yet, banished to become dehydrated taters.

"It's a card game where McDonald's holds nine-tenths of the cards," said Jeanne Debons, the Potato Variety Management Institute's director.

The institute was established in 2005 by the Idaho, Oregon and Washington potato commissions to handle licensing and royalties from new potatoes developed at universities and federal research facilities in the three states.

An unwritten ambition: to get new potato varieties looked at by McDonald's.

The company still relies on the Russet Burbank for many of its fries, even though this 130-year-old variety takes an eternity to mature, gulps water and falls victim to rots and other diseases, meaning farmers must douse it in chemicals. Socially conscious investors want McDonald's to help cut pesticides to protect the environment and farmworker health.

Still, coming up with a spud stud is no mean feat: One of the last varieties McDonald's tested, the Premier Russet, has a pedigree that on paper resembles the lineage of a thoroughbred race horse, with ancestors like the buff-skinned Penobscot of Maine. The company decided it was an also-ran.

"It has a smaller starch cell," Mitch Smith, McDonald's agricultural products director, recalls of tasters' conclusions about the Premier. "You get a smoother texture, it does affect the way it eats."

Other U.S. potato-growing regions are also on the case. In July, researchers and industry reps meeting in Sturgeon Bay, Wis., home to the U.S. Potato Gene bank, discussed new sustainable varieties — all to help McDonald's advertise that potatoes they serve are produced with less chemicals and water.

To be sure, McDonald's has increased its use of other potato varieties in the last decades.

From then on, Russet Burbanks, with robust storage qualities, con-

sistent texture and taste, remain Mickey D's mainstay, though this variety brought West by Massachusetts botanist Luther Burbank in 1875 is costly to produce.

Across America, the Russet Burbank has a declining market share, but is still no small potatoes. In 2008, Idaho potato farmers planted 57 percent of their total acres with Russet Burbanks, while the variety accounted for 41 percent across the eight biggest potato-producing states.

Allan French, a globe-trotting J.R. Simplot Co. manager who oversees potato varieties that feed the Boise-based company's sprawling fry-processing empire stretching from Idaho to China, says finding a replacement has been elusive.

"We're always looking for the silver bullet to replace the Russet Burbank," French said.

Coming up with a reliable new variety takes years. The Premier Russet emerged from the breeder's greenhouse in the early 1990s, but wasn't released for commercial growers until 2006. Along the way, it underwent storage trials at facilities near the tiny farming town of Kimberly.

"There have been a lot of fantastic varieties that have come along over the years, but for one reason or another — shrinkage in storage, disease resistance, texture — they haven't been adopted," Brandt laments.

These days, however, taste,



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University of Idaho research scientist Tina Brandt leans into a pitch fork to unearth a three-month-old Yukon Gold potato plant in the fields of the Kimberly Research Center in July. Here researchers are testing experimental varieties of potatoes in an attempt to build a better potato that requires less water and chemical pesticides in the fields and encounters fewer problems like shrinkage and disease in storage.

texture and golden-brown appearance aren't everything.


In March, three activist investor groups won an agreement from McDonald's to promote best practices to cut pesticide use by its American potato suppliers.

So far, the groups say the company is doing a "great job" adhering to its commitments.

McDonald's Smith says he's satisfied growers are already working efficiently and sustainability, largely because wasteful water or chemical practices dent their profits. But finding new varieties to meet that goal without mashing customers' taste expectations would be, well, gravy, he said.

Just now, McDonald's is scrutinizing the Bannock Russet, a 10-year-old potato variety bred originally in Idaho that isn't as susceptible to most diseases as Russet Burbanks.

"If we can find a variety that does that, with less inputs, water or whatever, that's something we're looking for," Smith said.



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Yearlong interim approved as director of Armstrong Browning

By LAURA PATTON
REPORTER

Rita Patteson has been named director of Armstrong Browning Library after spending little over a year as interim director.

"Rita has done an outstanding job over the last year as the Interim Director of ABL increasing the public programs, strengthening our plans for infrastructure, adding to the collection, developing digital collections, working with our donors and increasing scholarship through our visiting scholars and ABL publications," said Pattie Orr, vice president for information technology and dean of university libraries, in a press release issued earlier this week.

The promotion was announced internally on Aug. 28, but was not made public until earlier this week.

Patteson, who has been at Baylor since 1966, has been working in Armstrong Browning Library

since 1971. In May of 2008, Patteson was named interim director of the library.

"There was never really a search for a new director, she has been doing such a good job," said Carl Flynn, director of marketing and communications for information technology and university libraries.

Armstrong Browning Library serves as a cultural center, tourist attraction and wedding venue.

However, its main focus is research, centered specifically on Robert and Elizabeth Barrett Browning. In recent years, the collection has expanded.

Patteson, in addition to being the new director of the library, is also the library's Curator of Manuscripts, a position she has held since 1993.

"As director and curator of manuscripts, I handle original materials and find things that are still available through dealers and auction houses, and we are occasionally given a gift,"

Patteson said. "We keep striving to broaden the collection."

Last December, Armstrong Browning Library purchased a poetic manuscript of Elizabeth Barrett Browning. The manuscript, which is in Browning's own handwriting, includes three previously unpublished poems.

"It amazes me that there are still undiscovered materials to add to the collection," Patteson said.

Patteson will continue to act as Curator of Manuscripts, which will ultimately change the nature of the director's job.

Since 1971, the director of Armstrong Browning Library has also held the position of Margaret Root Brown Chair in Browning Studies, a division of the English department.

In allowing Patteson to keep her position as curator, the library has decided to split the directorship and the chair into two separate positions.

"The position of director,

which used to be half-director, half-English department, is going to split activities," Patteson said. "We are looking for a scholar-in-residence who will work more closely with the English department."

Last week's press release credits this split in the positions to the "growth and success" experienced by the director.

Baylor will now fund the director of Armstrong Browning, which used to be funded with an endowment by the Brown Foundation.

The endowment will continue to fund the Brown Chair.

Orr will soon head the search for a new Brown Chair. However, Patteson is not sure if she will be involved in the search.

"We have revisited the structure of that position," Flynn said. "We're going to let Patteson be the director of this collection, and let another faculty member take over the Brown Chair."



JED DEAN | PHOTO EDITOR

Rita Patteson, director of Armstrong Browning Library, transcribes Elizabeth Barrett Browning's translation of Homer's Iliad on Wednesday afternoon in Armstrong Browning Library.

U.N. chief demands greater efforts for global peace

By EDITH M. LEDERER
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

UNITED NATIONS — Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon challenged world leaders on Wednesday to cleanse the globe of nuclear weapons, tackle the threat of catastrophic climate change and combat poverty from the global financial crisis.

The U.N. chief warned presidents, prime ministers and diplomats from the U.N.'s 192-member states that "no nation, large or small, can violate the human rights of its citizens with impunity."

He called for greater efforts to achieve peace in Darfur and Somalia. He urged a revival of

negotiations to achieve a Mideast peace with Israel and Palestine live side-by-side in peace. And he pledged to see the Afghans "through their long night" and stand as well with the people of Pakistan.

"Amid many crises — food, energy, recession and pandemic flu, hitting all at once — the world looks to us for answers," Ban said in the the opening address to the General Assembly's 64th ministerial session.

A host of new faces will follow Ban to the podium at this last General Assembly ministerial session in the U.N.'s landmark headquarters before it closes for renovation later this fall.

A day after about 100 heads of state and government, in the largest-ever summit on global warming, exchanged views on how to reach a new global accord to combat climate change, Ban again exhorted the leaders to "rise to the greatest challenge we face as a human family."

"This year I have traveled from the ice rim of the Arctic to the steppes of Mongolia," Ban said. "I have seen, first-hand, the effects of climate change on our planet and its people."

The U.N. chief also urged leaders to "make this the year we agreed to banish the bomb," to address the "red flags of warning" about a global economic re-

covery and make a fresh push to achieve U.N. anti-poverty goals, especially reducing maternal and child mortality rates which remain very high, according to his prepared text.

Security around the sprawling U.N. complex and adjacent neighborhood was exceedingly tight because of the VIP participants, especially Obama who also spoke at Monday's climate summit and will be back here Thursday to chair a Security Council meeting on disarmament and curbing the spread of nuclear weapons.

Diplomats said the new U.S. president is almost certain to receive a standing ovation because of the new American commitment

to working with countries rich and poor, large and small, to solve global problems and Obama's outreach to the Muslim world.

On Tuesday, in addition to focusing on reducing U.S. carbon emissions, a Mideast summit with the Palestinian and Israeli leaders and a meeting with China's president, Obama invited 25 African leaders and African Union Commissioner Jean Ping to lunch to discuss job creation, particularly for young people, increasing trade and investment and improving agricultural productivity.

Obama stressed that the lunch was not a one-off event but the start of a dialogue between his administration and African lead-

ers, said Michelle Gavin, special assistant to the president and senior director for African affairs.

The U.S. president will chair a high-level meeting of the U.N. Security Council Thurs. on disarmament and efforts to halt the spread of nuclear weapons and the leaders of the four other nuclear powers on the council will also speak — Medvedev, Hu, French President Nicolas Sarkozy and British Prime Minister Gordon Brown.

The council is expected to adopt a resolution calling for stepped up disarmament efforts and a more intense global campaign to reduce nuclear dangers and threats of proliferation.

Residents complain about CL residency requirements

By CAROLINE SCHOLEE
REPORTER

Four years ago, CLs were first required to live with a resident, but not until the 2008 – 2009 school year was this requirement made without foreseeing an end to the requirement.

Campus Living and Learning has received complaints this school year because of residents living with CLs.

Terri Garrett, director of Campus Living and Learning, said sometimes residents are not very happy if they are placed in a CL's room, or if they find that their CL has a resident.

"CLs are required to live with students because of an increase of enrollment and a continual high-response from upperclassmen who want to live on campus," Garrett said.

Campus Living and Learning encourages students to live on campus and is doing its best to make room for students who would like to live on campus, which requires for CLs to live with their residents.

"Some students have asked if the CLs having roommates is a permanent living arrangement," Garrett said.

Additional beds in CLs' rooms are not intended to be completely full, but are intended to be used as expanded occupancy as needed.

However, over the past two years the extra beds in the CLs' rooms have been occupied by freshmen, which has sparked

complaints from the students to Campus Living and Learning, Garrett said.

Overall, 20 CLs live in single rooms but all other CLs are required to live with their residents.

Garrett said CLs living with residents could have a negative impact by discouraging residents from going to their CLs with confidential matters.

When confidential matters arise, CLs are instructed to go to other places in the dormitory or on campus to talk to their residents.

"A CL having a roommate is an adjustment. It creates difficulty when a CL has to discuss a private matter with a resident," said Peter Smart, residence hall director of Penland. "CLs living with residents gives the resident an opportunity to have a direct relationship with their CL."

Campus Living and Learning told some residents who were living with CLs at the beginning of this school year that their living situation might not be permanent.

Brooks Residence Hall CL Rachel Robinson said her freshman roommate was told at the start of this school year that she could be moved.

So her roommate has not unpacked all of her belongings in case Baylor places her in a new room anytime soon.

Lake Kiowa junior Grant Adsit was a CL in Penland for the 2008-2009 school year.

Adsit said he would have

sensitive conversations with residents in his room and had to ask his roommate to leave for a few times because of confidential matters being discussed.

"It hinders students' ability to have a learning-centered living environment as well as a community-centered freshman experience," Adsit said.

Woodlands senior Jerod Parr transferred from Oklahoma State University to Baylor.

"RAs (CLs) at OSU had their own room, and every school I have heard of they have their own room," Parr said.

Because of the overflow of students in the dorms in the summer of 2008, Baylor converted study rooms in Penland into dorm rooms housing three to five residents.

"There is tension because of the lack of study space," Smart said. Smart also said that the elimination of study rooms encouraged a lack of community. However, students now utilize the library more because there are no longer study rooms," Smart said. There is no foreseen end to the elimination of the study rooms.

Despite these challenges, some CLs believe that it is worth it.

"I definitely knew being a CL would be hard. It is a challenge to keep up with friends off campus," Adsit said.

However, to many CLs being a CL is rewarding because students get the opportunity to mentor incoming freshman and other students living on campus.

BEAR BRIEFS

Hispanic Students Association meets at 7:30 p.m. today in the Cowden Room of the Bill Daniel Student Center. All students are welcome.

British Consul General Paul Lynch will be giving a lecture from 4 to 5 p.m. today entitled "Do We Still Need Diplomats? A Case Study on Climate Change". This lecture will be

held in Kayser Auditorium in Hankamer School of Business.

Dr. Wayne Flynt will be presenting his lecture, "The South's Battly Over God," from 3:30 to 5 p.m. today in the Miller Chapel of the Tidwell Bible Building.

Senior Yearbook Portraits will continue until Friday in the CUB of the Bill Daniel Student Center. While online appointments are no longer available, walk-ins are welcome. E-mail roundup@baylor.edu to order your 2009-2010 yearbook.

Acoustic Cafe will be from 8:00 p.m. to 10 p.m. today in the Sub Den. Baylor students are encouraged to share their stories through original music and art. Faculty, staff, and students will have the opportunity to engage in discussion.

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Latest ‘Halo’ game receives high marks

By **BILLY O’KEEFE**
McCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS

Lest there be any lingering confusion about what, exactly, “Halo 3: ODST” is, here’s the rundown.

It’s a standalone game, not an expansion, and you don’t need “Halo 3” to play it even though the online competitive multiplayer is ripped verbatim from that game. The single-player campaign is brand-new, as is the Firefight co-op mode (two players splitscreen, four online,) and three of the competitive multiplayer maps. The other 21 maps are from “Halo 3” proper, but if you didn’t download the three \$10 map packs or the free Cold Storage map, 10 of those are new to you.

Thus, it’s up to each individual player to decide if “ODST” makes good on its

\$60 price.

Judged on its own merits, though — and particularly by the new gameplay avenues the new content explores — the game lives up to its billing and feels right at home alongside those proper “Halo” releases.

Partial but significant credit for that goes to the Firefight mode, a no-brainer feature that does for “Halo” what the Horde mode did for “Gears of War 2.”

Waves of Covenant forces descend on you, and they don’t let up until you do. Brief respites between waves allow you time to restock and recharge, and there’s a dual emphasis on being a good teammate and taking chances in order to stockpile points.

Nothing about the mode really innovates, but it’s a predictably great time because it



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“Halo 3: ODST” puts the player in control of one of the supposed Orbital Drop Shock Troopers as they search for their squad and the reasoning behind the Covenant invasion of New Mombassa.

infuses the formula with the gameplay polish that’s defined “Halo” games since the franchise’s first day.

With that said, though, it’s the story campaign — which,

like “Halo 3’s” campaign, can be conquered alone or online with three friends — that ultimately defines the game.

For starters, it’s remarkably different despite also be-

ing more of the same. “ODST” pits you not as series mainstay Master Chef, but as a handful of comparatively underpowered orbital drop shock troopers, and your diminished abilities make fights against the Covenant’s tougher foes more menacing than they were in “Halo 3.”

The story, which takes place entirely on Earth and alongside the events of “Halo 2” and “Halo 3,” also takes on a decidedly different structure by centering itself around the hub city of post-war New Mombassa.

“ODST” introduces missions as flashbacks that piece together the events that led to the city’s destruction, and different missions put you in the shoes of different troopers before coming to a head in present day.

The actual missions are trademark “Halo” — new loca-

tions and objectives, but same weapons and enemies -- but

“The story campaign ultimately defines the game.”

Billy O’Keefe

the hub city is considerably more wide open. You can take on missions out of order, uncover audio clue that further unfurl the story, and hunt patrolling Covenant forces in the dark. The lack of stuff to do in a mostly desolate city keeps “ODST” from remotely approaching “Grand Theft Auto” territory. But it’s a novel change of pace for a series known for its uncompromisingly linear gameplay, and it works surprisingly well.

New book delves into president’s relationship

By **KATHERINE SKIBA**
McCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS

After a microscopic look at several famous marriages, author Christopher Andersen takes his pen — or, some argue, a hatchet — to the Obamas in his latest book, “Barack and Michelle: Portrait of an American Marriage.”

He describes a reluctant groom-to-be, sometimes-stormy union, and woman sick of emptying his overflowing ashtrays and being shut out by his ambition. He said the crucibles of battling infertility, helping to nurse daughter Sasha to health after meningitis, and coping with early political defeat (and debt), the Obamas survived and thrived. By the inauguration they were “indisputably the First Couple not only of America but of the world.”

On him: “He was the supremely confident overachiever whose fatherless childhood left him deeply scarred emotion-

ally, the product of an exotic multicultural upbringing who yearned for roots and a sense of his own racial identity...”

On her: “dutiful daughter ... corporate lawyer ... wife and mother who despised politicians but outperformed even the most seasoned of them as she helped her husband win the presidency.”

The book, relying in part on unnamed sources, serves up plenty of dish from the Obamas’ youth, nearly 17-year marriage, and up-and-down journey to the White House.

Andersen said Michelle Obama helped shoot down the prospect of Hillary Clinton being tapped as her husband’s running mate. “Do you really want Bill and Hillary just down the hall from you in the White House?” it quotes her as saying.

According to the book, when Obama ran for the U.S. Senate in 2004, at first he thought the David Axelrod-designed campaign slogan,



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Barack and Michelle Obama’s marriage is chronicled in Andersen’s book

“Yes we can,” was corny.

But the controversial Jeremiah Wright, then his pastor, and Michelle Obama, liked it. The book, from publisher William Morrow, went on sale Tuesday for \$25.99.

Andersen is famous for writing about the famous—the Kennedys, the Clintons and—Diana, Princess of Wales—and he intermingles dirt and stardust.



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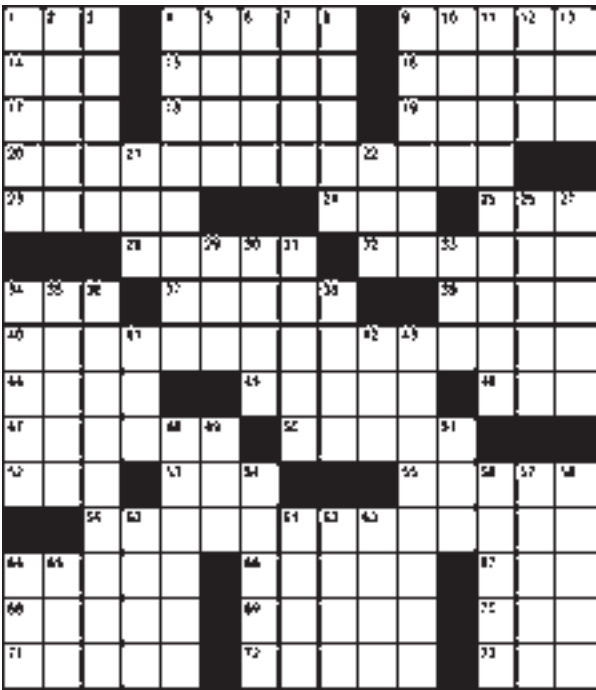
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Bears upset Cyclones in historic match

By KEVIN TAMER
SPORTS WRITER

The No. 24-ranked Baylor volleyball team made school history as it upset No. 11-ranked Iowa State University in three sets (25-23, 25-19, 33-31) on Wednesday night inside the Ferrell Center.

The Bears win over the Cyclones marked the highest-ranked opponent the Bears have defeated in program history and boosted their record to 13-1, 2-1. Entering Wednesday, the highest-ranked opponent the Bears had defeated was the No. 12 University of Texas Longhorns in 1999.

"It was our best team effort that I've ever seen here at Baylor," head coach Jim Barnes said. "They made us earn every point, but this is certainly a big statement that this team is for real. If we get together and play like we did tonight, we can beat anyone we cross."

Torri Campbell led the Bears' offense with 10 kills and a .250 hitting percentage. While Taylor Barnes recorded a triple-double as she effectively moved the ball around with 38 assists and 10 kills of her own.

"We knew the match was going to be neck-to-neck the whole time, but we knew if we played



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Middle blocker Anna Breyfogle passes to ball during Wednesday's game against No. 11 Iowa State University. After Wednesday's win (25-23, 25-19, 33-31), the Bears' record is now 13-1, 2-1.

consistently we could pull out a win," Jim Barnes said.

On the defensive side of the ball, the Bears defense shined again, as they racked up 13.5 blocks and 79 digs. Allison King led the Bears with 17 digs, while Campbell recorded six blocks and three digs. Jim Barnes credits a strong defensive performance

as a key to winning the game.

"This was a match where we had to do everything well, especially defensively," he said. "The fact that we out-dug them was huge."

In the first set the Bears traded points with the Cyclones until Katie Sanders provided back-to-back kills to put the Bears up

22-19. From there, the Bears extended their lead to 24-21 with another kill by Sanders and a service ace by King. The Cyclones showed a sign of a late comeback, but Anna Breyfogle recorded her first kill of the match to give the Bears a 25-23 win.

The second set started off similar as the first set, with the two teams trading points. However, the Bears started to pull away after a service error by the Cyclones and back-to-back kills by Campbell and Ashlie Christenson to make the score 20-16. The Bears' defense was able to hold off the Cyclones to only three more points and Campbell recorded her fifth kill of the set to give the Bears a 25-19 win.

The Cyclones didn't go down easy in the third set as they forced the Bears to record 33 points to take the set. The two teams went back-and-forth for most of the set until Breyfogle recorded a kill to put the Bears up one, then teamed up with Sanders for a block to take the match 33-31.

"We were all tired and getting a lot of rallies back-and-forth," Breyfogle said. "But we had relentless pursuit the entire game, and we played our hearts out and we got the win."

Women's golf captures third place finish

By MATT LARSEN
REPORTER

Battling cold, wind, rain, bunkers and even a little snow, the Baylor women's golf team finished third Wednesday behind host University of Denver and the University of California Davis respectively, in the Ron Moore Women's Intercollegiate in Highlands Ranch, Colo.

Temperatures hovered in the 20s, 30s and 40s throughout the three-day tournament, with rain making everything from greens to green golf bags soggy.

"It snowed on Monday, there was wind on Tuesday and today we had nine holes in a steady rain," head coach Sylvia Ferdon said jokingly after getting a chance to dry off and warm up. "It was quite a challenge handling umbrellas, ski mittens, rain gloves, hand-warmers and clubs."

In spite of the un-Waco-like conditions, Hertfordshire, England senior, Hannah Burke fin-

ished third overall with a +2 on the tournament. Shooting a par-72 and 1-under-par 71 on the first two rounds, Burke went into the final round tied for first place.

Playing shot-for-shot with Denver co-leader Stephanie Sherlock, Burke's final round was on track for her first, first-place finish of the season until an iron shot got away from her and landed in the bunker. Because of an unplayable lie, Burke was forced to take a drop that set her back two strokes.

"I wasn't really expecting to get plunked in the bunker," she said. "If I hit 1,000 golf balls from the same spot I don't think I could end up in the same spot."

Burke would go on to finish the day with a 75 that earned her a third-place finish. Though content with her play, the senior could not help but leave the 18th green feeling a bit disappointed.

"Honestly, it just wasn't my day," she said.

Still, the senior was proud of the way the team played against

two good golf programs in Denver and UC Davis.

Ferdon, too, noted the success of the tournament. "It was great to play with Denver," she said. "They're a top-25 team and that's where we want to be. Cal Davis has a great program too."

Burke was not the only Bear to have a successful outing.

"We had two sophomores, two juniors and a senior, and everyone contributed at some point," Ferdon said. "Everyone finished in the 70s today."

The 18th-year coach also commended Colleyville freshman Melanie White who competed individually. She posted a 74 for the final round.

Another key component to the Bears' third-place finish was the consistent play of Billingsstad, Norway, junior Lene Hafsten-Morch. She too, turned in a 74 for her final round and finished tied for fifth at 7-up for the tournament.

"I'm happy," she said. "I hit the ball really [well] the first two

days."

When asked about the biggest struggle during the tournament, Hafsten-Morch noted the weather and its effects.

"Weather was pretty tough," she said. "Greens were really fast. There were lots of hills, lots of breaks."

However, being from England and Norway, Burke and Hafsten-Morch are no strangers to the cold and rainy conditions.

Nevertheless, neither was overjoyed to get reacquainted with them.

"I got up to my second hole, and it was snowing," Burke said about her first round. "I didn't come to this country for the weather to follow me."

Regardless of the cold, wet weather, Ferdon and her team savored the excitement involved with a close match.

"It came down to the back nine today to see who was going to win it. That was fun," she said. "That's what we want to be a part of."

Bears of the Week

selected by sports editor Justin Baer

Male Athlete: Joe Pawelek



Joe Pawelek

The Facts:

Pawelek is a San Antonio senior and middle linebacker for the Bears. Pawelek led the nation in 2008 for interceptions by a linebacker. He garnered first-team All-Big 12 honors last year, and was a preseason All-American this season.

What he did:

Pawelek set a career high when he tallied 21-single game tackles Saturday against the University of Connecticut. Pawelek's 21 tackles move him to fifth place all-time in career tackles with 341.

Female Athlete: Ashlie Christenson




Ashlie Christenson

The Facts:

Christenson is a Cleburne junior and an outside hitter for Baylor's volleyball team. Christenson was a member of the U.S. Women's National A2 during the summer. Christenson is currently second on the team with 2.84 kills per set.

What she did:

Christenson propelled Baylor to its first conference victory Saturday against Kansas State University with 14 kills. Christenson also led the Bears with eight kills in their Sept. 16 match against the University of Texas.



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Kill it like Christenson

Former soccer athlete excels as outside hitter for Baylor volleyball

By JESSICA GOODLETT
REPORTER

For Ashlie Christenson, soccer was an integral part of her life. When she was a kid, she proudly stated that she wanted to play professional soccer when she grew up. It was soccer, and soccer all the way.

Now a junior at Baylor, Christenson has taken a leadership position on the volleyball court.

Wait, volleyball? What happened to soccer?

"I don't even think I knew what volleyball was at that age," Christenson said.

The age was 11, the year before Christenson would begin her journey in volleyball. She picked up the sport because her friends had been playing club.

"I think it was great timing for me. It was kind of a transition period of what I wanted to do," Christenson said. "I never would have imagined I would be playing volleyball where I am today. I always thought I would be playing soccer."

Christenson gave up soccer when she received her scholarship offer to play volleyball for Baylor the summer before her junior year at Cleburne High School. Her high school volleyball coach, Floyd Rogers, said Baylor was a huge opportunity and that he was glad to see Christenson take the offer.

"It's been a good fit for both Baylor and Ashlie," Rogers said.

Baylor head coach Jim Barnes said, with a chuckle, that he recruited Christenson because "she hits hard and jumps high," but then said that she had the ability to be a Big 12 outside hitter.

"There's not many in the country that can play at the Big 12 level, especially at the left side position," Barnes said. "She's a terminator."

According to Barnes, Christenson has improved every year that she has been at Baylor. She even played on the U.S. Women's National A2 team in Minneapolis this past summer. This opportunity allowed Christenson to gain exposure. She was able to play at a professional level under the coaches who train the U.S. Olympic team.

"The more you're seen,

the more that they'll notice you and remember you," Christenson said.

The tournament in Minnesota was a direct glance into the life that Christenson aspires to. She said she wants to continue playing indoor volleyball, play in at least one Olympics and then begin her training for the AVP Pro Beach Volleyball Tour.

"I feel like nothing's really too competitive for me," Christenson said. "I love challenges thrown at me."

Christenson said her time at Baylor has allowed her to find herself and has prepared her for her future, both in volleyball and in life.

She is pursuing a degree in fashion merchandising and if volleyball doesn't work out, she said she has a great education to fall back on. She plans on doing retail management or product development for either Puma or Nike.

Barnes said Christenson's determination and focus will carry her far in life. She is a consistent player with a lot of energy. He is looking forward to what Christenson will do in her last years at Baylor and beyond.

"The best is yet to come for Ash," Barnes said.



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Cleburne junior Ashlie Christenson played soccer throughout her childhood, but is now an outside hitter for the Baylor's volleyball team. She assisted the Bears to a 3-1 win against Iowa University Wednesday night at the Ferrell Center.

Soccer team's offensive improvement readies it for Big 12, coach says

By CHRIS DERRETT
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Last Sunday afternoon, Austin junior forward Lotto Smith buried Baylor's 136th shot of the season for the team's 13th goal. While the goal won the game for the Bears, the importance of offensive production is stressed as the team enters conference play this weekend.

The Bears have made huge strides since 2008, when they managed 17 goals in nine pre-conference games, 10 of those in one match against Prairie View A&M. Though they have missed plenty of scoring opportunities, head coach Marci Jobson welcomes the pressure her team is now able to put on opponents.

"I'd like to score more, but I'm happy we're creating chances. Last year we were just trying to survive," Jobson said. "This year we have an opportunity to win each game."

Much of the Bears' offensive experience lies in Smith, who currently ties freshman Hanna Gilmore for most points on the team with nine.

During the offseason, Jobson saw the potential in Smith to play at a higher caliber in 2009. She challenged Smith, and the results have been much better than satisfactory.

"Last year I was telling Lotto how good she could be, and I think this year she's embraced that. I'm excited to see her go against these top defenders and see how she does," Jobson said.

As a leader, though, Smith does not underestimate the value of the team's younger players. Three of the top five shot-takers are from the class of 2013, includ-

ing forward Dana Larsen with 18, Gilmore with 17, and midfielder Chelsea Geller who's recorded 15.

"They are all really good additions to our team. If I were just looking at them, I could not tell they were new to the team this year," Smith said.

The three starting forwards still have two full conference seasons to develop more on-field cohesion, but after seven games Gilmore feels confident and ready

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Marci Jobson
Head soccer coach

to work alongside Smith.

"I think we've clicked really well. I know where she's going to run and what kind of ball she likes. If I'm on the ground, I know she'll be there to cover for me," she said.

The Bears have seen their share of frustration already, like outshooting North Dakota State 15-to-4 but failing to score in the 110-minute, 0-0 tie.

Entering conference play, Gilmore says it makes the team hungrier to capitalize on each chance.

"Those types of games make

you want to win bigger games more. In practice you spend that much more time seeing where you can improve so it doesn't happen again," she said.

But just because the Bears have found a new offensive spark does not mean they take defense any less seriously. So far the defense has held opponents have only four goals, which is the kind of effort Baylor needs to beat conference foes.

"You have to play good defense, because if you don't you're not in the game. It'll be a great opportunity for our backs to step up and show what they can do against some incredible forwards," Jobson said.

Last year the Bears opened conference play against Texas A&M and surrendered a game-deciding goal in the 81st minute. With a new mindset and talent, Smith sees the chance for more offense this time.

"I think we're taking more shots and practicing more angles. Last year we had to focus on defense against A&M, and this year we have a stronger offensive line," Smith said.

Regardless of the season's results, Jobson expects more goals as her recruiting classes get more playing time.

With time, missed opportunities become points, and talented young teams become winning ones.

"It's typical of a young forward line. Getting shots is a positive thing, but finishing and execution comes with growth and development," Jobson said.

Friday's action at Betty Lou Mays Field begins at 7 p.m., and the Bears take on the University of Texas at 1 p.m. Sunday.





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with you," Mundo said. "He was a nice guy."

Those who lived and worked nearby said they were stunned to learn of the slaying.

"Nothing like this has ever happened here as far as I know," said Don Dozier, a custodian for 15 years at Westwood Baptist Church next to the school.

The stabbing stunned the tight-knit community of 110,000, located about 90 miles southeast of Dallas.

"It's quite a shock," said city of Tyler Communications Director Susan Guthrie, who received a text message from the police chief soon after the stabbing. "Everybody was very shocked and saddened by the news."

Tyler Mayor Barbara Bass interrupted the morning City Council meeting to observe a moment of silence, Guthrie said. The school board planned an emergency meeting Wednesday afternoon.

Henry, a native of Chicago, grew up in Huntsville, Texas, after his family moved there in 1973. He was a confirmed bachelor until he married Jan, also an educator.

Henry earned a degree in psychology with an emphasis in music therapy, working for at least a decade as a music therapist, mainly with inmates in the state's prison system, his wife said.

He was self-taught on several string instruments, played in several bands on the weekends and did some studio work.

"He was an amazing guitar player and just an all-around great guy," said Matt Robb, minister of instrumental music at Green Acres Baptist Church in Tyler, where Todd Henry filled in on guitar for the church orchestra. "He was so gifted. Music was like his first language."

"When he picked up that guitar you could tell that it came from his heart and soul. It brought so much joy to his life and joy to the people who heard him play."

On his Web site, Todd Henry gave an inkling of how powerful he believed music to be. "I know that music can be a direct link to feelings and passions and is therefore a powerful tool," he wrote.

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schools," Rajaratnam said. "They drove us out to this place one to two hours from the city of Mendoza. Their houses were just these poles put up and big sheets of burlap."

Rajaratnam said she was inspired by this humbling experience and felt she was being taught to be a better servant.

"The coolest thing about the Shoe Drops is that we actually put the shoes on the kids," Rajaratnam said. "The Bible talks about how Jesus washes his disciples' feet, and it's such an act of humility."

These Shoe Drops are coordinated by Friends of TOMS, a non-profit organization that partners with TOMS shoes, who is now moving its focus to distributing TOMS shoes to prevent diseases commonly associated with the lack of shoes.

"A current focus of the effort is to prevent podoconiosis, or podo, a debilitating disease that causes swelling, ulcers and deformities in the feet and legs. This condition is 100 percent preventable with shoes," according to the Friends of TOMS Web site.

The TOMS effort continues to expand and cover the feet of children in need both at home and beyond borders.

"To date, TOMS has given over 150,000 pairs of shoes to children around the world," Mycoskie said.

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with 100 percent tobacco and do not have fillers while cigarettes contain fillers and have a homogenous wrapper.

Harwell said customers who have come in to purchase flavored cigarettes since the ban have been confused and disappointed.

Others, like Johnathan Daniel, head of sales at Ronn's Discount Cigarettes, question teenagers' attraction to the cigarettes and whether the ban is effective.

"Teens don't go after \$8-a-pack flavored cigarettes," Daniel said. "They buy the cheap menthols."

"(The FDA is) not cutting down on young smokers," he said. "It's only hurting the people who bought them."

Dr. Sharon Stern, medical director of Baylor Health Services, said flavored cigarettes may be

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that much because I couldn't speak quickly, but I am trying to speak more and I am trying to stick to the people who are friendly and will help," Ito said. Rodgers said this division between domestic and international students is a natural reaction to cultural differences.

"There is an unspoken 'groupism' that occurs because people typically feel more comfortable around other people who are like them," Rodgers said.

While some international students have trouble connecting to domestic students, those involved in the services offered to international students have less of a problem.

Ennepetal, Germany, senior David Bendig, a member of the Global Community LLC is excited to be at Baylor and thinks the students here are more than superficially friendly.

"I like Baylor University," Bendig said. "Baylor thinks of itself as special and it is. It is like a big family and I like that."

Rodgers believes that Baylor could offer more services to international students, especially those geared toward integrating international and domestic students. For example, Rodgers suggests a programming or lecture series where international students can share their culture and domestic students can ask questions.

"Let it be a challenge to the university to see how they can get people of different colors, ethnic backgrounds and cultures to mingle in a meaningful way," Norden said. In Imperative XI of Baylor's 2012 Vision, the goal is to emphasize global education. Some people, however, feel that Baylor has not focused on this imperative as much as they could; especially in brining international students to Baylor's campus.

"The percentage of undergraduate international students on campus has remained relatively constant since fiscal year 2005," said the 2008 progress report for Imperative XI. "The percentage of international graduate students has declined between fiscal year 2005 and 2007."

Anis Qourzal and Mark Cowart, international admission counselors, believe one of the most important ways Baylor can encourage international students to come to Baylor is by taking care of the inquiries and students it already has. he international admissions counselors receive about 20 e-mails a day, and a large part of their job is making sure these inquiries are answered in a thorough and respectful manner. The admissions office can also accommodate students in several languages, if they are not yet comfortable talking in English.

"I am really proud of the university," Qourzal said. "I think they are doing a great job."

Though Baylor does not have an international student recruiter, many students learn about Baylor from the university's Web site.

Another good recruiting tool is alumni abroad. Some alumni volunteers attend university fairs to represent Baylor and encourage international students to consider Baylor.

"The question is not just about services, but the importance of the campus and the Baylor community valuing and welcoming the international students and their presence on campus," Walker said Baylor staff are looking to do better. "I am so grateful that Baylor, even though growth in some directions is painful, is willing to grow and embrace new challenges and new perspectives," Norden said.

misleading to consumers.

"I think any cigarette is bad for your health, and I think the reason the FDA applied the ban to the flavored ones only is that many people feel that they are not as bad for you as a 'real' cigarette," Stern said.

Since the FDA ban is targeting children and teenagers, Genous said she does not believe college-aged consumers are as greatly affected.

"I do think that on many college campuses, including Baylor, flavored tobacco products are not the issue," Genous said.

"This ban is aimed at lessening the attraction of products to children and teens who haven't started smoking, so they are hopefully the target population who will be most affected."

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