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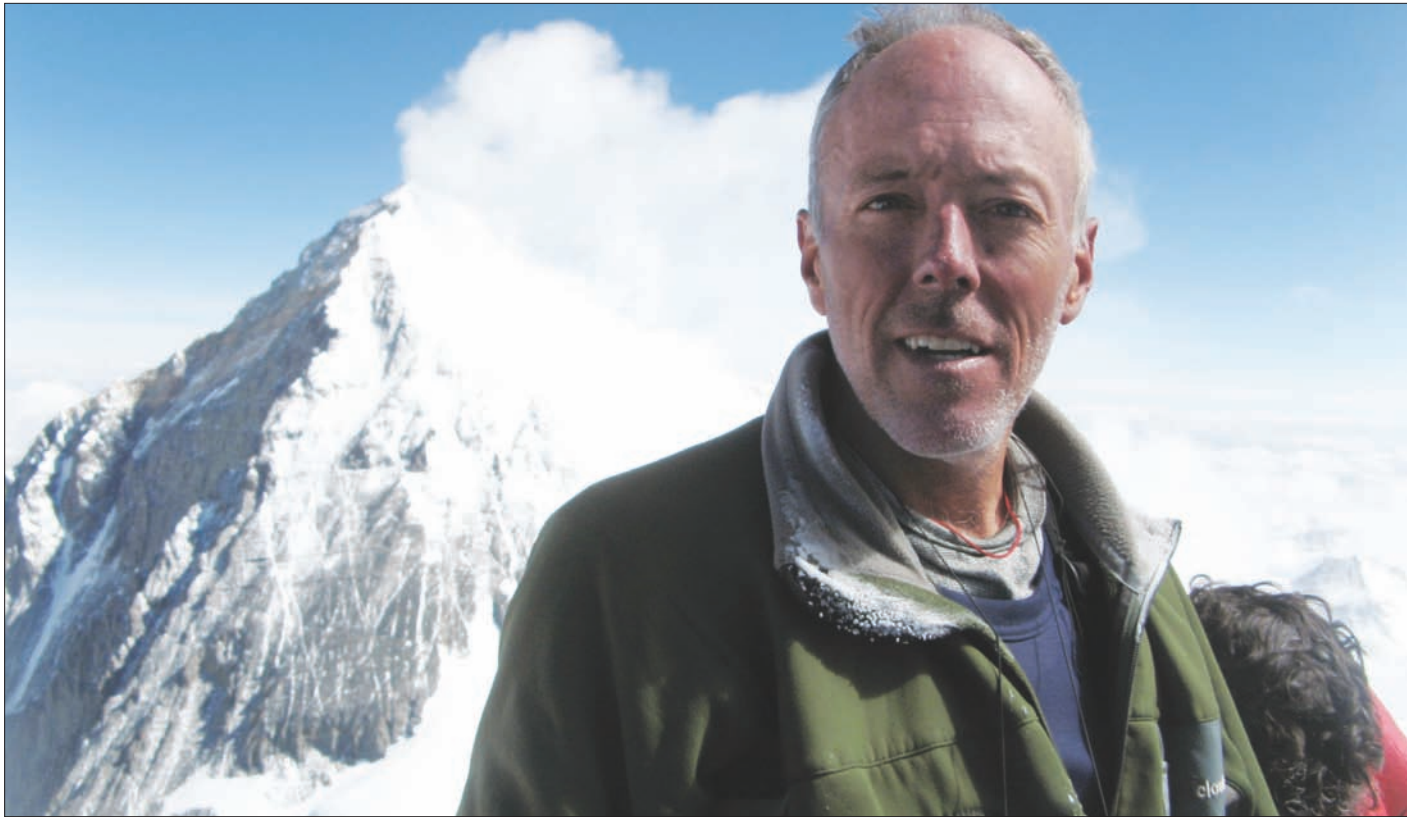
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# Life on a mountain’s ledge

**Alumnus has conquered peaks, traveled world**

By TRENT GOLDSTON  
STAFF WRITER

At first glance, Stuart Smith is an unimposing character. His calm and relaxed demeanor gives him the guise of being laid back; however, his personal drive is more aggressive than most people can imagine. Smith, a Waco attorney and 1982 Baylor alumnus, is arguably one of the most accomplished adventurers in recent history. He is the first American in history and the seventh person in the world to climb the highest peak on every continent and to also ski to the North and South Poles, a feat commonly referred to as the Adventure Grand Slam. Smith has been able to accomplish all of this while keeping his successful business and marriage in balance. “You really have to decide what your priorities are,” Smith said. “I’ve been very fortunate

being married to the right woman who’s patient with me.” As a partner at Naman, Howell, Smith and Lee Professional Limited Liability company, Smith dedicates a lot of his practice to litigation. Although his work occupies a lot of his time, Smith said it is important to pursue passions outside of the workplace. “You need to try and make it a part of your life from the beginning,” Smith said. “I’ve never met anyone who at the end of their career would say ‘I wish I had taken less vacation time’ or ‘I wish I had worked more.’” Smith has also participated in more than 14 marathons, and run four 50-mile races. This past summer, Smith tackled the 650-mile cross-country ski from Canada to the North Pole, a journey that took 52 days to complete. “I had to gain 20 pounds before the North Pole and ended up losing 30,” Smith said. “It was 14 hours a day and we were starving.” Smith said that hard work in



Stuart Smith and fellow climber David Liano trek over a crevice. Liano and Smith climbed together for an entire mountain climbing trip on Lhotse mountain. (Top) Stuart Smith poses in front of Mount Everest while on Lhotse mountain.

one portion of his life feeds the other areas. To stay in shape, Smith runs 40 miles a week, usually before going to work in the morning. He also rock climbs on a weekly basis. “To me, the training makes the work easier,” Smith said. “If you stay in shape, it makes you a

lot more efficient both mentally and physically.” Smith also recalled losing 20 pounds when he climbed Everest. He has been around avalanches, fallen in a crevasse, gotten frostbite and even had

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# Farm bureau endorses Hutchison

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — Citing concerns about private property rights, the Texas Farm Bureau endorsed U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison for governor Monday, abandoning Gov. Rick Perry. The farm bureau endorsed Perry in his previous two runs for governor, but has been at odds with the Republican incumbent over what the bureau says is his lack of action in curbing abuses of eminent domain and protecting private property rights. Farmers have vocally opposed Perry’s Trans-Texas Corridor toll road network that threatens to take farm and ranch land. “Sen. Hutchison has been a leader in the U.S. Senate on agriculture and property rights issues,” said Kenneth Dierschke, president of the Texas Farm Bureau. “For the future of Texas, we call for new leadership, new ideas and a new vision.” He also praised Hutchison for supporting the elimination of the estate tax and the deductibility of the state sales tax on federal income tax returns. Perry’s spokesman, Mark Miner, dismissed the farm bureau endorsement as “political payback” for Hutchison because the bureau operates an insurance business and Hutchison voted for the bailout a year ago of the financial and insurance industry. “I think it’s a major reason” for the endorsement, Miner said. “It’s very clear the governor has been a strong advocate for property rights.” Farm bureau spokesman Gene Hall said the bureau’s affiliated companies offer insurance, “but those companies have not received one dime in bailout money.” Miner is demonstrating “an astonishing lack of understanding of what the Texas Farm Bureau is,” Hall said, noting that when Perry received farm bureau endorsements, he welcomed them. Miner later said he was not suggesting the farm bureau benefited financially but just pointing out it had supported the bailout. The group said in October 2008 it supported the federal bill because it would bring stability to the financial markets and some of its provisions would help farmers and ranchers. “We’re not surprised that an insurance company who supported the bailout would endorse somebody who voted for it,” said Miner, who has criticized Hutchison for voting for the bill. She opposed later federal stimulus spending bills. Hutchison campaign spokeswoman Jennifer Baker wouldn’t comment on Miner’s bailout remark, other than to say Perry is “out of touch and arrogant” and he advocates “abusive” eminent domain policies. Hutchison and Perry are squaring off in a rough and expensive Republican primary in March. Both candidates have been trying to make the property rights issue their own. With the Texas Farm Bureau endorsement, Hutchison gets the backing of a group that has 421,000 members and offices and activists in more than 200 counties. Perry has been rolling out a long list of endorsements of his own, including the Texas Association of Realtors and the

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# Visiting professor: ‘We are a narrative species’

By LAURA PATTON  
REPORTER

A girl who always looks angry, inexplicably covered with tattoos, smells a flower in Dr. Roger Rosenblatt’s class. She once sold roses on the side of the highway. No one ever bought roses for her. “That was the beginning of writing,” Rosenblatt said. The girl was a student in one of Rosenblatt’s classes at

Stony Brook University in Stony Brook, New York. Her appearance and attitude were suddenly explained to Rosenblatt — her anger and deviance, a result of seeing flowers being purchased for loved ones when she never received any roses. It was a response evoked by one of Rosenblatt’s favorite teaching methods, which involves smelling a flower and writing a response to what the smell means to the student.

The action is part of what Rosenblatt calls the “throat-clearing method.” The purpose of this method is to make sure the student is in the right presence of mind to write, and cut out fluff at the beginning of the story. He also spoke about how he would open and close a door, and students would write on what they drew from the motion. Few things in life are more important than the stories we

tell, Rosenblatt said. Rosenblatt is one of three finalists for the Robert Foster Cherry Award for Great Teaching. He is currently a distinguished professor of English at Stony Brook University and gave a presentation Monday, which attracted a crowd that overflowed the Foyer of Meditation in Armstrong Browning Library. The program is designed to honor great teachers promote

dialogue in about the value of teaching and develop the value of great teaching within departments. The winner will be announced in spring 2010 and will teach in residence during either the fall 2010 or spring 2011. All of the finalists were nominated and will be giving presentations at Baylor this semester. The other finalists are Elliot West, an alumni distinguished professor of history at the University of Arkansas and Edward

Burger, distinguished professor of mathematics and Gaudino Scholar at Williams College. Rosenblatt’s discussion on the reasons why humans tell stories attracted students from from all fields. Fort Worth senior Caitlin Rodgers, a professional writing major, said she enjoyed the way he talked about storytelling. “I really liked how he talked

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# Students meet across the globe, exchange stories

By CATY HIRST  
COPY EDITOR

An American student and two Japanese students sit together in a picture booth in Tokyo. Laughing, the young women take multiple pictures before they decorate their favorite snapshots with words, colors and clipart. The women, Jodi Walker, a senior from Furman University, and Mari Ito, a foreign exchange student, had met two days prior. Beth Walker, the international student relations coordinator at Baylor and Jodi Walker’s mother, had

been coordinating with Ito during the summer, making the final preparations for her to come to Baylor as an international student in August. When Beth Walker discovered her daughter, Jodi Walker, would be traveling to Tokyo, she arranged for the two women to get connected. “I did not know if Mari would have time to meet her, so I was very grateful that Mari would take the time to contact Jodi and to make such a point to meet with her,” Beth Walker said. “That is the kind of hospitality that we

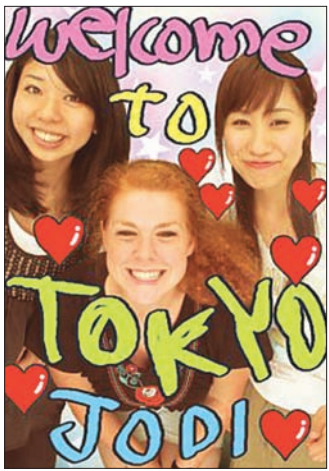
are also extended in other countries and it is important to me that we notice that and extend that same kind of hospitality.” Jodi Walker arrived in Tokyo on Aug. 2, after completing a three month teaching internship at MeySen Academy in Sendai, Japan. She taught kindergarten children English in the Immersion Program and taught first through sixth grade in Friend’s Club. “My favorite part was just getting to know Mari,” Jodi said in an e-mail to the Lariat. “While in Sendai I was not exposed to

many Japanese people my age that spoke English. It was so much fun to get to hear her perspectives of Japanese culture.” Mari took Jodi shopping for everything from clothes to chopsticks. She took her to eat at restaurants, offered her the hospitality of her family, advised her on historical locations to visit and even recommended which hotel to stay at. “Tokyo would not have been the same without Mari,” Jodi said. “I traveled all the time while I was in Japan, usually by myself because it was

easier. But in a big city like Tokyo I would have been lost without a good friend like Mari. She showed me so many things that I would have never been able to see or even know about by myself.” In turn, Jodi was able to advise Mari about her upcoming stay in the U.S. and ease her fears of being an international student in a foreign country. “I was hesitant to talk to American people because I feel like they are different from me, but (Jodi) was really nice and she talked with me a lot,” Mari said. “I could feel like

it was the same kind of friendship as back home. I don’t have to be afraid of people here.” Beth Walker was very excited the two women were able to meet and help each other. “I was delighted,” Walker said. “I thought, ‘This will be a great opportunity for Mari to be able to meet someone from Waco that could tell her things she might want to know and to reassure her that she would make friends and have a good time.’ I also knew that it

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COURTESY PHOTO

Jodi Walker, a senior from Furman University and Mari Ito, a Japanese student from Tokyo, take a photo in a picture booth in Tokyo.



# Letters still relevant in technology age

Point of View



BY KELSEY MOHR

There are never enough hours in the day. In between classes, homework, a job, organizations and friends, who really has time to sit down and write a letter?

In a technologically advanced time where texting and e-mail allow us to remain continually connected to people in our lives, I think it is important to take a step back. Letters are not a communication technique of the past, but a breath of fresh air that shows consideration and a sacrifice of time.

Letters are unique in that they are ancient in usage, but still can provide a deep connection between people.

The most obvious letter that comes to mind is the love letter. The time and thoughtfulness involved creates a perfect conduit for romance.

Pay attention to presentation and expressiveness. A love letter is as much about the visual appeal as it is about the words that are in it.

Love is a word that is thrown around easily, but takes a little more effort to sincerely articulate. Poets and writers have been trying for centuries to write the perfect love letter, so don't worry if yours is not particularly eloquent.

Romance is not the only reason to write a letter.

Letters of appreciation and thanks have a big impact, especially when hand-written.

So many of us have memories of the dreaded thank you cards our parents made us write after every birthday growing up. But now as we step into the world as mature adults, taking the time to thank a professor for going beyond the job description, or a recruiter for an interview, can be invaluable.

Being personal and creating something permanent is important. It means that whatever kindness you received meant enough that you took time out of your busy schedule to acknowledge it.

There are a few must situations where thank you cards are a "must," including:

- Receiving a gift
- Being given a party in your honor
- Being entertained by your boss
- Being a houseguest
- After being congratulated
- After being interviewed

Thank you notes should be specific, timely and include a personal touch. It may seem inconvenient, but is well worth the effort.

Then there are the simple, but always exciting to receive, "I'm thinking of you" letters. Who does not love to open his or her mailbox and find something other than bills and junk mail?

A letter can brighten someone's day and is an inexpensive way to do something unexpected for someone else.

Now, do not misunderstand, I am a big proponent of texting and e-mail. I love the quick-fix as much as the next person.

In the day-to-day busyness of life, instant communication is vital. We are required to process so much information, so quickly, that it would impractical be to rely on snail mail.

It is this very need for instant gratification that makes letters so important. It is a bit out of the ordinary and therefore all the more appealing.

So roll your eyes and tell me I'm old-fashioned, but then take a moment to think about how it makes you feel when someone takes the time to put into words how much you matter to them.

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## Corrections

The final paragraph in Friday's "Library Living" story incorrectly quoted Ralph Wood, university professor of theology and literature. Wood said, "Would that there were more Benny Barretts."

Friday's article, "Nigeria turns 49; students celebrate on campus" incorrectly stated that the population of Nigeria is 46 million. However, the population is actually over 124 million.



# Even without Griffin, Baylor football season has potential

## Editorial

Stop. Before you cram your season tickets into the paper shredder or make weekend plans that conflict with the rest of Baylor's home games, take a second. Exhale.

While Robert Griffin's injury hinders the Bears' attempt to snap a 15-year bowl drought, Baylor's season is still meaningful. In his short tenure as Baylor's head coach, Art Briles has developed talent that he inherited in 2007 (Jay Finley and David Gettis), and recruited assets (Kendall Wright and Jarred Salubi) to construct a well-balanced offense that helps alleviate the loss of Griffin.

True, Griffin was the cornerstone of momentum heading into the season. During the offseason, Griffin was labeled as the "fastest man to ever play quarterback" by ESPN.com writer Bruce Feldman. Griffin's accolades for his freshman season were prestigious, including Freshman All-American and Big 12 Offensive Newcomer of the Year.

But in Griffin's first three games of the

season, his presence on the field descended from his role in 2008. Griffin was limited to only 77 rushing yards and two touchdowns rushing in his first three games, whereas Griffin established those numbers in his first one and a half games as a true freshman.

Last year, the offense was run through Griffin. In 2009, Griffin took on more of a distributor's role, and because of that, the Bears won't be stranded or befuddled as they enter Big 12 play.

While the quarterback play from either Blake Szymanski or Nick Florence won't be as electrifying and spontaneous as when No. 10 takes the field, Baylor's football team needs support from its peers, fans and faculty now more than ever.

While the University of Texas' season has been unblemished, the remainder of the Big 12 South has receded following a magical 2008 season in which at one time four teams resided in the top 10 of the AP poll. The opportunity for the Bears to finally escape the lower tier

of the Big 12 South is at its peak with Texas A&M University's program in a sluggish state. Meanwhile, Texas Tech University is struggling to recuperate from the losses of Graham Harrell and Michael Crabtree, making a bowl game in reasonable grasp for Briles' team — with or without Griffin.

At 3-1, Baylor is three wins away from playing in December (or January) for the first time since its students were in grade school. Winning without Griffin is possible — as proven by a 31-15 victory against Kent State University on Saturday.

As a private university, Baylor has a fan base microscopic relative to the large state schools in its conference. And as many players can attest, having a solid crowd roaring on a crucial third-down play, or celebrating a long touchdown, is essential to amplifying the team's efforts. With only three home games left on the schedule, make Baylor football a priority on your Saturday — not a social option.

## Lariat Letters

### BAA president speaks out about publication

As the 2009 president of the Baylor Alumni Association (BAA), I'd like to respond to a letter to the editor by Baylor grad Jay Hudkins that ran in the Sept. 29 edition of the Baylor Lariat regarding the proposal that Baylor's regents and interim administration made to the BAA on Sept. 19.

In that letter, Mr. Hudkins asked the BAA and Baylor to respond to two questions: "Would the *Baylor Magazine* and the *Baylor Line* each independently publish a story worthy of the attention of the alumni even though that story might cast the administration or university in a negative light? Would the new, 'joined' university-held and overseen magazine commit to publishing an equally controversial article?"

While I cannot answer the second question, since it is one that only Baylor administrators can answer, I am certainly glad to answer our part of the first question.

The BAA plays many roles, one of which is as a trusted communicator. Most of the time, the Baylor story is one of great success, and the vast majority of our pages are filled with this good news. We do indeed report on

Baylor's challenges and controversies, when they occur, in a candid and balanced manner that alumni have come to rely on and value.

We would prefer to not have any "negative" news to report, but we believe that responsibly covering such stories is beneficial, rather than detrimental, to Baylor as a whole. We don't believe in keeping alumni in the dark. They deserve the full story so they can remain as well-informed, loyal and supportive of Baylor as possible.

Published by the BAA since 1946, the *Baylor Line* magazine has a long track record of even-handed, responsible reporting. This has given us unequaled credibility with alumni and friends of Baylor.

The proposal that Baylor administrators and regents have made to the BAA calls for the merger of the *Baylor Line* and *Baylor Magazine*, which Baylor created in 2002, with the resulting publication being under university control.

The BAA is certainly interested in any proposal the university has to offer. Our board will soon establish a study committee to carefully assess the proposal, and we will respond in a way that we believe is best for Baylor.

*David Lacy '09*  
2009 president of the Baylor Alumni Association  
Waco, Texas

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# BearAware Campaign promotes computer awareness

By JENNA THOMPSON  
REPORTER

The BearAware Campaign will kick off National Cyber Security Awareness Month today during Dr Pepper Hour in the Barfield Drawing Room of the Bill Daniel Student Center.

Part of the program will include a computer health check, where faculty and staff can bring in their PC computers and have them checked for viruses for free.

"The goal of [the campaign] is to educate faculty and staff and students about safe computing practices," said Derek Tonkin, Baylor information security analyst. "Basically how to avoid getting themselves into trouble online."

The campaign will feature a series of presentations during October to promote cyber awareness. Some of the topics covered will include identity theft prevention and social networking, Tonkin said.

The BearAware Campaign was created two years ago as part of Baylor's participation in National Cyber Security Awareness Month, said Becky King, associate vice president for information technology, in an e-mail to the Lariat.

"We now use 'BearAware' to brand all of ITS's security awareness events throughout the year," King said.

The BearAware program is taking part in the monthlong awareness campaign instituted by the National Cyber Security Alliance. The NCSA is a partnership with the Department of Homeland Security and with organizations ranging from large corporations to nonprofit organizations, as well as multiple levels of education, to promote technological safety.

Although her story did not directly involve computer technology, Amy Alexander, technology training specialist, will speak about her experiences with identity theft in order to educate others and prevent her experience from happening again.

"I was actually a victim of identity theft last December. My involvement was a little bit different in that it wasn't a cyber crime, but it was identity theft nonetheless," Alexander said.

"My vehicle was broken into in the Dutton Parking Garage. I was in a class when it happened and they stole my wallet and broke the windows."

Alexander hopes to give valuable advice to students and faculty about security during the monthlong campaign.

"Subscribe to services like LifeLock, things like that can be a big help — add fraud alerts to credit reports, watch credit reports periodically," Alexander said.

Many problems that the campaign addresses are specifically aimed at students and faculty who are at risk of laptop theft.

"Keep your laptop close at hand — treat it like cash," Tonkin said. "Using strong passwords is important."

ITS urges the Baylor Community to stay aware and rely on common sense when using their computers.

"Cyber Security involves so many things now," King said. "Some practical tips would be to always use strong passwords for online systems and don't share them with others, to be alert to and never respond to phishing emails that ask for your private credentials, and to make sure you run a protection program on your computer."

One of the first events on campus, featuring identity theft, is open to anyone, and will be held from 12 to 1 p.m. on Oct. 14 in the Blume Conference Center.



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## Bear Downs makes its return

A Student Foundation member wears a bear suit on Monday, at the registration for Bear Downs, a bicycle race which began in the '70s but hasn't been held since 2002. The race is being brought back to mark the organization's 40th anniversary.

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would make a huge difference in Jodi's visit to Tokyo if she could meet someone there."

Beth Walker had dinner with Mari and her father when they came to America in August, and Mari said Beth Walker has always encouraged her to practice her English.

"(Jodi) gave me encouragement because I did not know anyone here, but thanks to her I felt like I had family here I know," Mari said. "It did not just help with language, but eased my anxiety for studying abroad."

Mari is a senior at Baylor and is majoring in economics, although her major in Japan is intercultural communications. She goes to school at Hosei University in Tokyo and is very excited about her opportunity to study at Baylor.

"I thought English is the minimum requirement for me to work at a trading company and I want to have friends that are of a different background than me," Mari said. "I am curious for everything."

While she enjoys being in America, Mari said she misses

**"Tokyo would not have been the same without Mari."**

Jodi Walker  
Furman University senior

her friends and family. And, although she loves American junk food — having a particular addiction to french fries —she also misses the comfort of familiar

Japanese food.

Mari said her greatest dislike thus far about America is the crickets.

"Their jumping is incredible," she said.

They do not have bugs like crickets in Japan, Mari said.

Jodi missed her family and friends as well while in Japan, and said the food, although very different, was also typically very good.

"And when in doubt, I could always find sushi or a hot dog," she said in an e-mail. "Japan loves hot dogs."

Jodi believes her time with Mari made the difference in her stay in Tokyo.

"I was so blessed to have Mari waiting for me in Tokyo," Jodi said. "I could not have experienced the city the way I did without her."

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to spend a night at 24,500 feet without a sleeping bag, but despite all of the danger he has faced, Smith looks back on these instances as reasonable risks. "I think I have a pretty high threshold for discomfort. I'm a risk taker when it comes to outdoor adventure," Smith said. "Although I think the biggest risk I've taken is driving on I-35."

His accomplishments have set records, but even with countless climbs and expeditions under his belt, Smith remains a fairly tame personality and often interacts with Baylor students.

Smith climbs frequently at the climbing rock in the McLane Student Life Center and also spends time with the students from the Baylor Outdoor Adventure Living and Learning Center. He has also joined students on trips to Enchanted Rock and the Grand Canyon.

"I've kept in touch with a couple of kids from the trip," Smith said. "It was a great time."

San Antonio senior Jordan Ryan first met Smith at the Baylor rock, and in December of 2007, Ryan and Smith rock climbed together in Potrero, Mexico.

"We went out there and mul-

tipitched with him," Ryan said. "He's a fun guy to climb with. He knows what he's doing and he's really fun to be around."

When asked about how growing older has affected his mountaineering endeavors, Smith said that his answer to aging has been training harder.

"It's harder. I'm not the fastest one anymore, but I'm still fast and faster than most people. The training is key," Smith said. "I've got a few good years left. We climbed McKinley this summer (with) no problem."

For some Baylor students, Smith serves as an inspiration for their future goals.

"A man of his age and stature still holding a family and a job — it's incredible," Ryan said. "It's like anyone can do these things if they really set their heart on it."

Austin senior Brandy Amor works at the climbing rock and has gotten to know Smith from the time he spends there. Amor said Smith appreciates getting to know students.

"He's a really personal guy. He enjoys having relationships with the students," Amor said. "Doing all that he does — it is a really amazing thing."

"We are really lucky to have someone in Waco like that who

is dedicated to Baylor students," Amor said. "The first time I heard him my freshman year, I was thinking, 'I want to be Stuart.' It's really inspiring."

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Texas Chemical Council, two major trade industry groups. He's also backed by social conservative groups, such as Texas Right to Life.

The farm bureau said its endorsement of Hutchison came down to its trust in her. Hall noted Perry vetoed a 2007 bill backed by the farm bureau that addressed eminent domain and said he didn't provide the leadership the bureau was looking for in this year's session and special session.

"We've been very disappointed with his property rights performance," Hall said.

Perry, meanwhile, supports a proposed constitutional amendment on the November election ballot that he says will protect landowners from eminent domain abuses. He even went to the Alamo to ceremonially sign the proposal, which would prohibit government officials from taking property and giving it to a private developer to boost the tax base.

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about writing and storytelling to better understand yourself and the world around you," Rodgers said. "Storytelling is natural. It is what everyone does, not just writers."

The first part of Rosenblatt's speech was dedicated to how everyone, not necessarily writers, tell stories. Business, medicine and law all require storytelling as part of the job. Storytelling, he said, is used in politics, as "the politician who tells the best stories wins," most of the time.

"Everything we do is a story we tell one another," Rosenblatt said.

Even when the author believes there won't be anyone left to read what we have to say, we continue to tell our stories.

Ray Bradbury wrote the story "There Will Be Soft Rains" with the expectation that humanity would end. Bradbury's story takes place in August 2026.

"Why did Bradbury bother to write his story if we are all going to disappear?" Rosenblatt said. "Because we have to. It is what we are made to do. We are a narrative species."

Rosenblatt believes that this

narrative dependence is the attribute that drives humans to act the way we do.

"As a teacher of creative writing, I try to help students unearth the stories in them," Rosenblatt said.

Rosenblatt emphasized in his lecture that the treatment of students could make a huge difference in the outcome of their work. He rejects the theory that a cranky teacher is effective.

"One should like and admire one's students," Rosenblatt said. "You have to be on their side, as students and as people. You have to wish them well."

Athens senior Courtney Grymonprez agrees with this theory.

"I think teachers that encourage their students are more effective," Grymonprez said. "I was

really drawn in by his teaching methods. I kept thinking what I would do in the door situation."

As a teacher of writing, Rosenblatt understands how important it is for people to be able to record their stories.

"We write to improve our own story, to find out who we are, to find out what we're worth," Rosenblatt said. "To our surprise, we may find we are worth more than we think."

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Garland freshman Nick Florence (No. 11) secures the ball as he scrambles against Kent State University on Saturday at Floyd Casey Stadium. Florence ran for two touchdowns in his first career start.

# Florence flourishes in start

By JUSTIN BAER  
SPORTS EDITOR

He hasn't been labeled by ESPN.com as the "fastest man to ever play quarterback." He hasn't won a Big 12 title in the 400-meter hurdles. He wasn't even projected to be the starter for Saturday's contest. But Nick Florence proved to head coach Art Briles that Robert Griffin isn't the only quarterback on the Bears' roster that is elusive.

The Garland freshman scored twice and ran for 60 yards on 11 carries in Baylor's 31-15 victory Saturday evening against Kent State University at Floyd Casey Stadium.

Florence entered the season third on the depth chart but earned the start over second-string quarterback Blake Szymanski, who was still ailing from a bruised shoulder suffered Sept. 26 against Northwestern State University.

"I think he played admirably," Briles said in a press conference Sunday. "He did what we asked him to do, and that is all that you can ask of a player."

Florence finished the first half with an effective 10-for-14 passing with 132 yards, but portrayed an alter ego on the opening series of the second half. Florence scampered for runs of 14 yards, one yard and 10 yards before eventually breaking free on a 29-yard touchdown run.

While players joked of the scrawny freshman's ability to scramble under pressure, they realized how valuable Florence's presence was.

"I was kind of messing with him about it because a lot of people didn't think he could run like that," freshman running back Jarred Salubi said after the game. "He really proved himself today."

Florence affirmed his ability to run with the football in the beginning of the second quarter. On third-and-goal, Florence darted out of an empty-set backfield and jetted six yards before heaving his body into the end zone. For Briles, the run characterized the determination Florence offers to the Bears.

"He's got a little moxie to him," Briles said. "He is not afraid

to get dirty, dive around and create something. He did exactly what we thought he would do."

Florence's second touchdown run accentuated a productive drive for the 6-foot-1, 190-pounder. With the Bears in a shotgun formation, the Golden Flashes hurried Florence, who in turn weaved in and out of traffic before getting tackled into the end zone.

"A hole opened up, I took it and our receivers made blocks on the outside, so it worked," said Florence, who finished the game with 276 total yards.

With a game against an ailing University of Oklahoma football team looming, Florence may have presented somewhat of a competition at the quarterback position. However, Briles mentioned he will look further into the matter as the week progresses and Szymanski's health improves.

"I haven't got there yet," Briles said. "I just have to see how Blake's shoulder is. We have a little history of Blake through practices and spring ball, but Nick certainly did a good job (against Kent State University)."

# Soccer notches first goal of conference season in win against Colorado

By CHRIS DERRETT  
SPORTS WRITER

Baylor snapped its 359-minute scoreless streak and Colorado's four-game conference winning streak in a 2-1 victory Sunday at Betty Lou Mays Soccer Field.

Lisa Sliwinski netted her third goal of the season, and Christine Clark scored her second after burying a Bethany Johnston corner pass.

Baylor's two goals matched its combined total of all its 2008 conference games. The team was due a few goals after being held scoreless in its first three conference games, said head coach Marci Jobson.

"We knew it was going to come," Jobson said. "They have been playing so tough defensively and they've been creating chances. So it was great to get those two goals."

Sliwinski saw her golden opportunity in the 69th minute when a ball was kicked just beyond the top of the circle and

away from Colorado defenders. She dribbled to the left corner of the box and lobbed a shot over the goalkeeper's head, which rebounded off the right post and into the net. When the ball found the net, Sliwinski was relieved to finally see a reward for the 171 minutes she has logged in conference play.

"It was a long time coming," Sliwinski said. "There's been a couple of games recently where I've had a couple good drives up the middle, but they ended really anti-climactically."

This time it ended with a burst of applause from the small crowd that braved the elements to support its team. The excitement was short-lived, though, when the Buffaloes evened the scored 10 minutes later.

Senior goalkeeper Gianna Quintana allowed her seventh goal in 11 games when Kassidy Fitzpatrick's rain-soaked shot slipped through Quintana's cleats.

Knowing they had limited

time to earn their first conference win of the season, the Bears broke through again in the 84th minute when Johnston was awarded a corner. Her kick traveled almost parallel to the goal line, creating heavy congestion in front of the net. In the scramble for possession, Clark bumped the ball past the keeper, who was unable to corral it before it was past the line.

Clark, who hails from Colorado and personally knows many of the Buffaloes, knew just how badly the team needed a win.

"Once that goal happened, it was instant happiness," Clark said. "We worked so hard for (Sliwinski's) goal, and it would have taken all our energy out to lose or tie again. We wanted that win."

Baylor returned to Waco on Sunday after dropping a 1-0 decision to Texas Tech in Lubbock, the game's lone goal coming on a Taylor Lytle penalty kick. The Bears combined for 10 shots, four of them being shots on goal, while Lytle recorded six of her own, all of them on goal.

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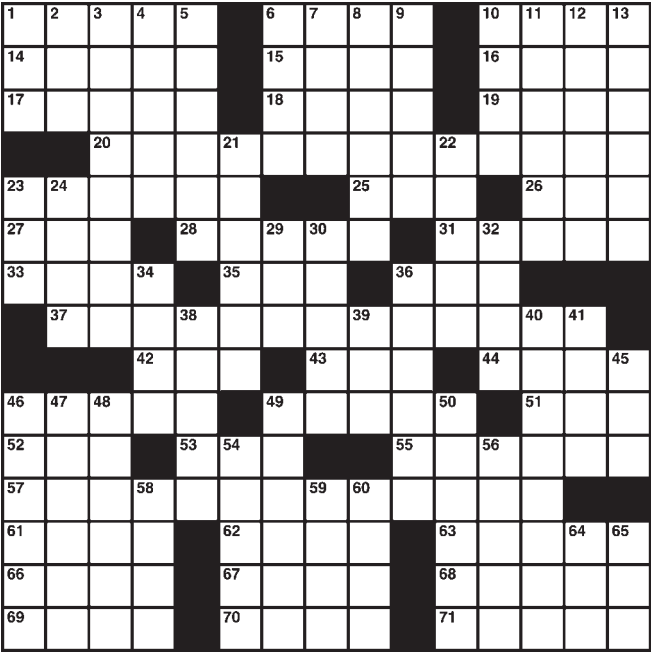
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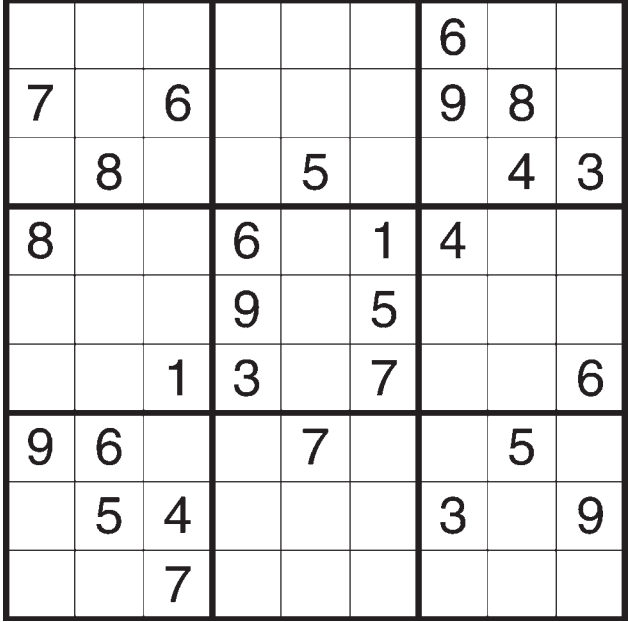
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### Jonathan Tyler and the Northern Lights entertain fans with tunes

By Ash Anderson  
Entertainment Editor

Once a year, more than 100 bands gather in Austin for a three-day festival known only as Austin City Limits. The eclectic mix of genres, artists and cultures act as an oasis for weary journey-men that have traveled from all over the country for this annual extravaganza.

Sitting under the appreciated shade of the media tent, Jonathan Tyler and the Northern Lights welcomed the opportunity to talk, simply because they enjoy talking to people that are inter-

ested in their music.

Hailing from Dallas, the band found its roots by creating a blues and rock cocktail — a flavor that’s only gotten sweeter as the band has found its own niche in a world filled with struggling musicians.

When Tyler and Kansas, the band’s lead guitarist, discovered bassist Nick Vox and drummer Jordan Cain, the added talent only fueled the band’s desire to reach out to the world with their distinct and brilliant sound. Tyler produced the first album himself, and later the band was able to win others over by avoiding anything cookie-cutter in terms of lyrics or rhythm.

Having recently signed with Atlantic Records, Jonathan Tyler and the Northern Lights have put in countless hours making sure that their trademark edge is as sharp as it can possibly be.

“We’ve been able to spend a lot more time making music,”

Tyler said. “We have no choice. It’s very profes-sional. Making music isn’t easy.” Making music isn’t easy, but the hours don’t make it any easier. “We spent 17 days in the studio, about nine or 10 hours a day,” Vox said.

As a testament to their suc-cess, Tyler and the band recently snatched up three awards at the Dallas Music Awards in August: Best Group, Best Male Vo-

calist and Best Blues Act. But Tyler doesn’t let any of their status go to his head.

“Awards mean nothing to me,” he said. “It’s like one per-son trying to compare two paint-ings. One person can’t say that, ‘This painting is better than that painting’ or, ‘That painting is bet-ter than this painting’ because someone else could come along

and say something entirely dif-ferent.”

Critics have even gone as far as comparing them to icons such as Jimi Hendrix, Lenny Kravitz and Stevie Ray Vaughn — juxta-positions that Tyler isn’t so sure about.

“It’s nice that people compare us to them,” Tyler said, “but that’s treading on classic territory.”

The band recently came to Baylor to play for Kappa Alpha Theta’s “Theta Rocks the Casa” event. Kansas said the band was pleased with the reaction from those that attended the event. “[The women of Kappa Alpha Theta] were very receptive, very energetic. They knew the words to our songs.”

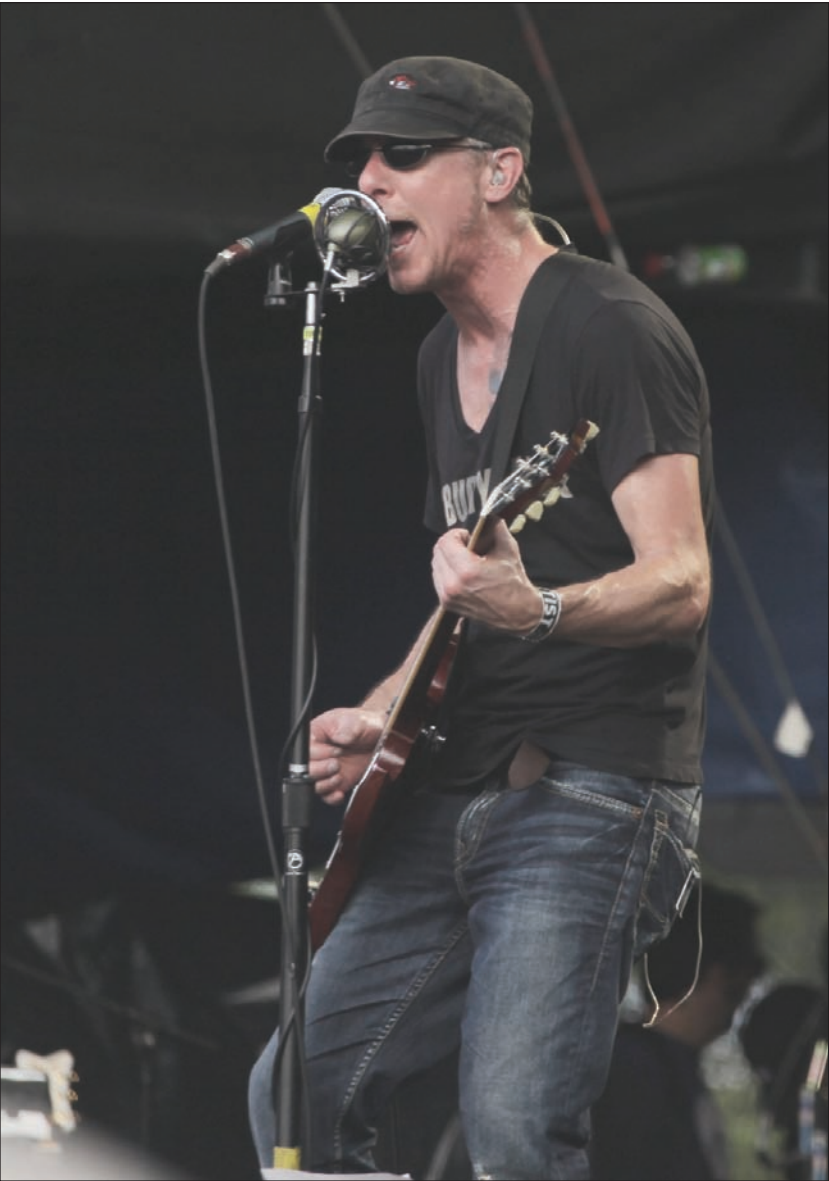
For Jonathan Tyler and the Northern Lights, having people know the words to their songs is something that they should get used to.



Top: The Decemberists lead singer Colin Meloy performs late Saturday night on the Dell Stage of the Austin City Limits Music Festival.

Left: Girl Talk mash-up artist Gregg Michael Gillis stands on the stage desk and pumps up the crowd late Sunday night at the Austin City Limits Music Festival.

Below: Thousands went barefoot Sunday after Saturday’s rainfall turned the newly laid grass of Zilker Park into a complete mud pit. C3, the producer of Austin City Limits recently spent \$2.5 million to turn the once dusty venue into a grassy haven for future visitors to enjoy.



Top: The neon ACL sign adorns the entrance to the three-day, 137-band music festival that held daily crowds of more than 65,000.

Middle: The Dave Matthews Band headlines Saturday nights’ performances with previous hits as well as songs from their new album “Big Whiskey and the GrooGrux King.”

Bottom: Toadies’ lead singer gives his all while performing “You’re the Song I Hate” on the Livestrong stage Sunday afternoon.