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## Chaplain plays 'big brother' to hall residents

By Claire St. Amant Reporter

"I love the ladies," Resident Chaplain Brett Gibson said. After living as the only male in Collins Residence Hall in 2003 and again in Memorial Residence Hall this year, Gibson enjoys the opportunity to be "everyone's big brother," he said.

When Gibson married his wife, Christina May, she was working as the Collins resident chaplain.

"It's fun living with all girls," Gibson said. "Generally, they share a lot more of what is going on in their lives than guys do."

The feeling is apparently mutual.

"He seems to fit right in,"

Mansfield junior Tiffany Huddleston said.

Gibson serves as the resident chaplain for Memorial and Alexander Residence Hall, the two Honors College Living and Learning Center residence halls. For the most part, Gibson's job description is "undefined" and he says he likes it that way.

"I basically function as the pastor of the residence hall," Gibson said. "A big part of my job is to be available to dialogue about college, life and God."

Gibson can frequently be seen studying in the Memorial lobby and chatting with students.

"Brett is very outgoing," Huddleston said. "He is always interested in meeting new people."

One of Gibson's more concrete duties is recruiting and training freshmen to lead journey group Bible studies in the residence hall. While the idea for Bible studies in the residence halls came from the Baptist Student Ministries (BSM), it's up to the resident chaplains to guide the group, Gibson said.

"This year, the resident chaplains are really hands-on with the journey groups," BSM Director Cliff Mouser said. "We decided it would be better to have people who are already living in the dorms to lead the Bible studies."

Gibson meets with the male and female leaders once a week to help "shepherd" the students, he said.

"One of the reasons I did this job was that it isn't 'typical church,' but it still has a lot of pastoral components," he said.

A 2002 Baylor graduate, Gibson majored in English and minored in religion. After spending three years in Boulder, Colo., as a college pastor with his wife, he is now pursuing a master's of divinity with an emphasis on missions at George W. Truett Theological Seminary.

"Waco is definitely a change from Boulder," Gibson said. "But I love the vision of Baylor. It is such a unique place because there is a large concentration of young people with a desire to know God."



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Brett Gibson serves as the chaplain of both Alexander Residence Hall and Memorial Residence Hall.

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## Poverty becomes reality

Mission Waco gives students the chance to see how the poor live

By Mallory Briggs and Allie Cook Reporters

Driving down Franklin Avenue, you may see a man with a pushing a shopping cart full of cans. On another occasion, a man approaches you in the McDonald's parking lot asking for spare change for.

These people serve as a daily reminder of Waco's homeless situation.

Part 3 of a 3-part series on the homeless situation in Waco

The Be Good Tanyas, a folk band, addressed homelessness in "Junkie Song."

"The streets were full of junkies and homeless, and they all wanted something. They all wanted something. And what am I supposed to do? There are too many of you."

One organization taking a unique approach to fighting poverty is Mission Waco. The charity has a poverty simulation during which people in Waco spend a weekend experiencing the life of a homeless person.

Jimmy Dorrell, executive director of Mission Waco, said it's an activity that helps people understand "experientially and informationally" what it's like to be poor. Dorrell said it's a "transformative experience."

The simulation started in 1986 when a youth director from Oklahoma called Dorrell. He felt his



Photo illustration by Melea Burke

Mission Waco has been providing Baylor students and members of the Waco community the opportunity to experience poverty first-hand through its poverty simulation program since 1986.

students were superficial and self-centered and needed to see the world outside themselves. Dorrell came up with the simulation as a solution.

Over the years, the simulation has grown to about 600 people participating per year, including about 100 Baylor students.

"Students usually find out their presumptions about the poor are not so true," Dorrell said. "The poor people they run into are sometimes more generous than the rich people."

He said one example of this is when one group couldn't find any food. They met a homeless man

and he offered to help. The man walked downtown, sold plasma from his blood, and bought them food.

Alison Tinsley, a Rockwall junior, took a class in 2005 taught by Dorrell called Poverty in Waco.

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## Students influenced by parents

Many at Baylor find their future careers in fields they are most familiar with

By Christine M. Tamer Staff writer

"Dad, I don't know what I want to do when I grow up, but I know one thing, I don't want to do what you do," teenager Glen McGee told his father, Dr. Dan McGee, who was an ethics professor at Baylor.

Today, Glen McGee is the director of a bioethics center in New York and editor of the *American Journal of Bioethics*.

"The fact that he said this to me meant he was struggling with the idea (of doing what I did)," Dan McGee said. "He really wanted to do it, but his teenage elements were telling him not to. No self-respecting teenager wants to follow in their parents' footsteps. They see their parents as incompetent and not knowing much."

Glen McGee, who later became an ethics professor at the University of Pennsylvania, flew around the country listening to his father give lectures as a child.

"I think he was kind of enthralled by that," Dan McGee said. "So he finally not only became a professor, but a professor of ethics."

Students who choose to follow in their parents' career footsteps are "quite natural and common," Dr. Michael B. Frisch, professor of psychology and neuroscience, said.

"Living with a parent in a certain career is like a 24/7 training course in how to do that career," Frisch said.

While students a hundred years ago would have no choices as to a career and would simply

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## EVP puts together community summit

By Van Darden Staff writer

Student Body External Vice President Allan Marshall has been logging the miles on the "Enterprise EVP mobile" — his Ford Focus — these past few weeks.

Marshall has been meeting with various Waco leaders, including members of Waco City Council, the Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce and the Cen-Tex African American Chamber of Commerce in preparation for the community summit he is hosting next week.

"Beyond Leadership: Transforming Leaders into Lifelong Servants" will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday in the Barfield Drawing Room of the Bill Daniel Student Center.

two parts," Marshall said. "The first will focus on empowering student leaders through meaningful community involvement, and the second will concentrate on a community strengthened by a mutual relationship."

Marshall said he has invited the service chairs and representatives from various service and social organizations on campus, in addition to other student leaders, to talk about meaningful community involvement and how Baylor students can be more actively involved in Waco.

Marshall said he has also invited John Alexander, executive director for Waco Habitat for Humanity, who will discuss service options available to Baylor students and intro-

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Associated Press

President Bush speaks Thursday to a crowd at a rally in Orlando, Fla., for Charlie Crist, a Republican running for governor of Florida.

## President travels U.S. to support Republicans

By Jennifer Loven The Associated Press

President Bush, politicking at full campaign speed, contended Thursday that a vote for Democrats this fall would be a vote to siphon money out of American families' budgets.

It was Bush the Politician, unleashed, seven weeks before the midterm congressional elections.

The president's campaigning to help his party win governorships and maintain control of Congress in the November voting has been kept largely under wraps of late. Most of his political appearances have been at closed fundraisers. That reflected his low approval ratings that have GOP candidates eager for Bush's ability to collect campaign cash but unwilling to be splashed across the local press at his side.

Not so on Thursday. Racing through three venues in two Florida cities, Bush displayed his competitive streak and a love for engaging in

political battle.

"I'm looking forward to reminding the American people there are significant differences in between what our party believes and what the other party believes. It's easy to tell us apart," the president said, pounding the lectern and shouting at sometimes earsplitting levels, at an open-to-the-press luncheon here that raised \$450,000 for state Rep. Gus Bilirakis. He is trying to succeed his father in Congress in a safe Republican district. "And the first place you can start is looking at taxes," the president said.

Bush has repeatedly called for Congress to make permanent all the tax cuts passed at his urging earlier in his administration. GOP leaders have had little success doing so, focusing instead on extensions.

He criticized Democrats for passing what he called a "massive tax increase" in 1993 when their party last controlled the House. And he said that in the 13

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# Replacing Shawn Bell isn't answer to Baylor football woes

I've heard a lot said about Shawn Bell since I've been at Baylor, and most of it has been negative. I've heard he is holding the Bears' offense captive, keeping head Coach Guy Morriss' head under water until highly touted quarterback prospect GJ Kinne arrives next fall. I've heard he can't "make all the throws," whatever that means. I have actually heard somebody tell me that backup quarterback Blake Szymanski should start over Bell this season. That last one set me off. I've never truly understood this vitriolic hatred slung in Bell's direction. His skills have been marginalized, and in the name of what? Fandom? Let's face it; among many, Bell has

become the Alex Rodriguez of the Baylor campus. Hated for little more than a baby face and an arm that can't whip a football 100 yards. Maybe I hang out with the wrong crowd, but the notion that Shawn Bell, a fifth-year senior now with three games experience in the spread offense, should be benched in favor of the "future" is insane. If Baylor's immediate future at quarterback does not include Shawn Bell, then I don't want to be a part of it. I don't mean to put Bell on an unworthy pedestal, but he's the best we've got, and the sooner we all accept that, the sooner we can move on. I have a strong feeling a bowl bid depends on it. The second I first heard

## sports take



BY WILL PARCHMAN

Baylor fans calling for Bell's head on a platter following his two-interception performance against Washington State last Saturday, my very first thought was of the sticky quarterback situation last year. Shawn Bell began the year as the Bears' starter, leading them to their first Big 12 road win at Iowa State and in place to make a serious run at a bowl. But the coaching staff saw fit to replace him midway through the season with second-string quarterback

Terrance Parks, who was, much like Szymanski is this year, an intriguing and athletically gifted prospect. To put things mildly, Parks bombed. Things were so bad that Parks would eventually switch positions. The offense failed to produce one point with Parks starting, and only until Shawn Bell returned did things finally settle. One thing I can say with concrete certainty is that if Baylor nominates Blake Szymanski as the official starting quarterback right at this moment, with no pretense, he would be learning on the fly with an offense in desperate need of a steady-handed quarterback. Bell is no Tom Brady, but his previous experiences make his resume much more entic-

ing than Szymanski's, which at present is all but blank in collegiate experience. And here comes the importance of that whole fifth-year senior thing. Can you give me one example of a quarterback like Szymanski replacing a quarterback like Bell midway through the season and not having some kind of step backwards in offensive production? Baylor might as well use Bell while he's here and take its shot at a bowl game instead of throwing the season away in the name of player development. If the coaching staff had been so enamored with Szymanski in the summer, one of two things would have happened. He either wouldn't have been stuck behind walk-on quarterback Ja-

son Lovvorn on the depth chart until August, or he would have flat-out beat Bell. He did neither. But in football, as with most things in life, you play with percentages. What are the chances that the guy you've won with before will guide you toward bowl eligibility versus the redshirt freshman with a quarter of college experience? With the offense's historic offensive line problems, lack of any discernable rushing game and receivers who can't seem to hang on to the ball, can you say with overwhelming certainty that Bell is the root of the offense's problems? If not, you have your answer. Will Parchman is a junior journalism major from Austin.

## Editorial Early-action admissions come at good time

Baylor's stepping up its strive for diversity with an impressive new admissions technique. In the past, a rolling admissions policy was in effect, which meant students were accepted at any time until the incoming class was at capacity. By breaking up the admissions, officials will be able to be more selective in choosing the student body because students have specific times by which they need to apply. Officials will then compare the merits of each applicant against a large number of other applicants, which administrators believe will help diversify the student body and increase the quality of students admitted. This change in procedure is a positive move to increase diversity and make Baylor a viable option for a wider range of students. Baylor's change in policy comes right on the heels of Harvard University's and other top-tier university's rejection of its own early action policy in favor of a single deadline for all applicants. While Harvard is different from Baylor, both schools are attempting to diversify their student bodies. But Harvard's new direction comes at the cost of years of worthy applicants. Harvard's new policy requires that all applicants wait until April 1 to see if they've been accepted. This kind of waiting game isn't worth the effort. It puts even more



stress on high school students who needs to weigh financial aid packages and puts students in a bind if they're counting on attending the school and don't get in — but don't find out until April. Baylor's early action process helps students overcome the anxiety of applying and then having to wait to find out an answer. If students apply early, they'll know early if they're in. This also gives them enough time to apply to second-choice schools before other deadlines pass.

Harvard is essentially trying to even the playing field by cutting early action. While this is a worthwhile goal, it doesn't take into account the long-term effects it has on the peace of mind of applicants and admissions counselors. Highly motivated students should be able to apply early and know early if they're accepted. Students would simply apply to schools where they would be able to know if they got in and how much financial aid they received way

before Harvard's April announcement. Where Harvard is headed is not the direction Baylor needs to go in. We're on a course that connects well with our goals while still looking ahead to the future of the admissions process. Our new system preserves the merits of early admission that many applicants desire while spreading out the application due dates over two semesters, which gives everyone the opportunity to apply and have an equal chance of being admitted.

### Letters to the editor

#### 'Lariat' should always support Bears

It's troubling to see Will Parchman's article Wednesday receiving front-page placement three days before a home game. Army, a team we've handled before, showed a lack of focus themselves in their late-game breakdown last week against Texas A&M. It is our duty as fans to remain positive and support the Bears despite their rough start. As a sixth-year student, I remember the names "Cicero" and "Steele," but I'm wary to jump on the "Bash the Bears" bandwagon. This article represents a general feeling of doubt and lack of confidence in the team we so badly want to succeed. If you don't want to see a Baylor bowl game, then please, by all means, let's keep picking away at a young team looking for fans willing to throw their hats over the wall with them. If you are as eager as I am to make that long overdue trip in late December though, then I implore you, both *Lariat* staff and students alike, find the positive in what we have done and give the Bears a Floyd Casey full of crazy. We have a cornerback in C.J. Wilson who is leading the nation in interceptions and a young team full of talent like we haven't seen in a decade. We have, for the first time since joining the Big 12, a schedule chalked full of winnable games. We shouldn't be talking about winning six this year. We should take a page out of Wilson's book and call out every team in the conference. Colt McCoy of Texas should be losing sleep over our defense. Every game is the chance to be great and we need to prove to our own team that we know what they are capable of. It all starts at 6 p.m. Get crazy. Eric Engelsgerd  
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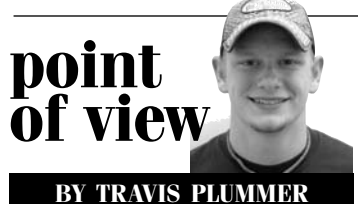
#### Correction

Tuesday's story headlined "Zionism, Hezbollah discussed," incorrectly identified Dr. Nehemia Geva as Muslim. He is Israeli.

# Student government strives to serve entire student body

"So what does Student Senate actually do?" It's a question that I receive all too often from students and friends alike. This is my third year to be a part of this organization, and every year we struggle to make sure that our name gets out. It's a shame to think the government the student body elects runs so remarkably unnoticed — and it's something I deeply desire to change. Student government was formed in 1913; and as early as

1914 students have been asking, what can you do for me? This is Student Senate's first year since changing from the long-established Student Congress, and hopefully it's also the beginning of a new tradition of transparency from your student leaders. In the past, Student Congress has advocated for student needs and special projects brought forth by students: everything from sidewalk improvements, drainage issues, extra study days before finals and of course



## point of view

BY TRAVIS PLUMMER

the ever-growing concern of parking. We are currently working on initiatives for religious diversity on campus, expanding Baylor's outreach to the Waco community and placing a student as a

member of the Baylor Board of Regents. Our initiatives are a tradition that will always continue; however, we need your help. We try to be a representative body of students, but we certainly can't claim to know everything on this campus. We need to hear from everyone. Our thoughts are focused not only on the largest groups of students but on the most underrepresented students as well. It's a shame to admit it, but most people do not even know

our offices are located in the CUB, across from the Student Activities office in the Bill Daniel Student Center. Our office is always open, so please come by and let us hear about what's going on throughout the campus. I feel blessed to get to attend this university, but that certainly doesn't make me blind to its shortcomings. You should know that we as student government are here to serve students, and you can rest in the fact that we want to hear

from you. Our favorite responsibility is the facilitation of other people's desires and being a servant to their needs. Please let us serve you in beautifying our campus in all physical and social aspects. Baylor is an amazing institution, and I pray that it is an even better place once our legacy is left. Let Student Government serve you and leave a legacy you can take pride in. Travis Plummer is a senior biology major from San Antonio.

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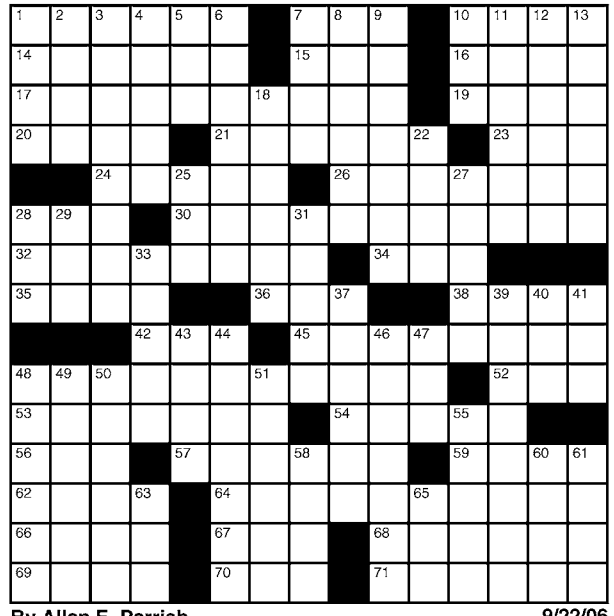
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By Allan E. Parrish  
Mentor, OH  
9/22/06  
For today's crossword and sudoku answers, visit www.baylor.edu/Lariat

**BEAR BRIEFS**

**Flag Football**  
Intramural Flag Football registration is being held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. today in the McLane Student Life Center Campus Recreation Offices. The cost is \$50 per team and today is the last day for registration.

**Art Exhibitions**  
Saturday, Martin Museum of Art will showcase Fruit of the Orchard by Tammy Cromer-Campbell and Managing Edens by Joann Brennan. In Gallery II, an exhibition of work by Kansas-State University Art Faculty is on display. Admission is free. The museum is also open throughout the week from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Organization Fundraiser**  
All manner of handmade artifacts brought back from mission trips to such places as Vietnam and Kenya will be for sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday in the first floor lobby of the Bill Daniel Student Center.

**Lariat positions**  
Applications for the positions of copy editor and assistant city desk editor are available online at [www.baylor.edu/lariat](http://www.baylor.edu/lariat).

# Laundry gets easier with send-out option

By Ashleigh Boutte  
Reporter

Students don't have to do their own laundry because University Laundry will do it for them.

This delivery service is provided for students living anywhere on campus as well as those in apartments or houses located off campus.

Students receive a large bag for regular laundry as well as a smaller bag for dry cleaning. Bar codes are included on both bags with that student's information.

As a first-time user of these services, Victoria freshman Kelly Rogers picked up her clothes with a smile on her face.

"It's really helpful with dry cleaning because you don't have to go off campus trying to find a good place," Rogers said.

University Laundry is also located on other college campuses such as Southern Methodist University, Texas Christian University and University of Texas.

Operations Manager Thad Harris said the laundry business is "very profitable" at Baylor.

Carrie Caitlin, a sophomore from San Diego, Calif., is employed with University Laundry and also uses the services.

"We provide good services," Caitlin said. "We'll come outside your door and pick up your laundry and have it washed and folded in two days."

University Laundry has three different plans for stu-



Scott Melvin, the operations manager for University Laundry, sits in his delivery truck outside Penland after delivering and picking up in the afternoon. University Laundry has no limit on how many loads students have washed each week.

Kelly Moore/Lariat staff

There is a 10-pound plan, which is \$264 per semester. The 20-pound plan is \$319 per semester and the 30-pound plan is \$349 per semester, with billing sent to parents or students.

Caitlin said any person who signs up also receives \$20 in free dry cleaning per semester as well.

Coppell sophomore Amanda Byers is also employed with the laundry service.

"It's a big help to students because some people just don't have time to spend hours doing laundry," Byers said.

She said students have no limit on how many loads they have washed each week.

Byers said if a student forgets to pick up his or her laundry, University Laundry will call to see if the student is available to pick it up, or the company will deliver it to them.

Toledo, Ohio, junior Trice Daniels used University Laundry her freshman year. "I thought it was great," Daniels said.

Byers said the laundry service tries to be very hands-on, getting to know people so that it will make delivering laundry friendly and easy.

University Laundry is definitely the way to go, said Caitlin. "I didn't have to wash my own laundry or spend my money," Daniels said.

# Knowing Bear Trail safety enhances experience

By Greer Kinsey  
Reporter

Many students know of the Bear Trail, but when it comes to details such as safety, history and etiquette, most are just kicking up dirt.

The Bear Trail is the route that goes through campus and turns from Eighth Street on to Speight Avenue, not down Bagby Avenue, said Kim Scott, director of campus recreation. The Speight Avenue route intersects Bagby Avenue next to the Baylor Sciences Building.

The Bear Trail is 2.25 miles long and begins close to the Baylor Sciences Building.

Some students may believe that taking the Bagby Avenue

route will create a longer and tougher workout, but Fitness Coordinator Van Davis said this isn't the case.

"Students need to know that instead of taking the Bear Trail all the way down Bagby, if they cut down Speight, the distance is almost the same," she said.

Davis and Scott also said it would be safer to take the Speight Avenue route.

"Running in the heart of campus is safe, as opposed to along traffic where it's not safe," Scott said.

"It's not so much the etiquette (of the Bear Trail), but the safety that's important," Scott said.

Scott said running or walking alone at night is dangerous and should be avoided.

"I don't care how athletic you feel. I don't care if you have a cell phone with you. Just don't do it," Scott said.

Jessie Reeves, a freshman from Iowa City, Iowa, said she often has people whistle and honk while she is walking the Bear Trail.

Another safety issue is bicycles. Scott said the trail was not built for bikes because bikes could be unsafe for runners and walkers when the ground is dry. She also said bikers have more momentum and the Bear Trail is not wide enough for both bikers and pedestrians.

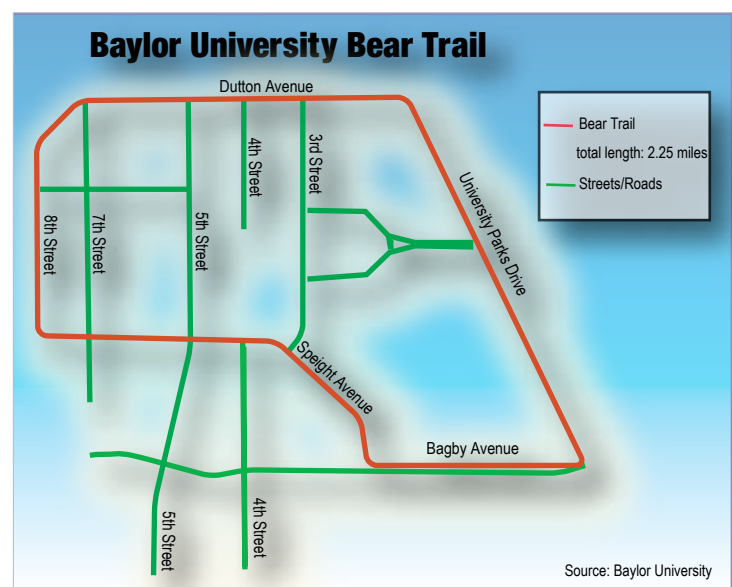
Before it was known as the Bear Trail, it was used by fitness and theory human performance

classes for walking and running, Scott said. Twenty-five years later, in 1998, the Bear Trail was adopted by Campus Recreation and made more accessible and visible, Scott said.

Two additions have improved the Bear Trail and made it easier to use, Scott said. Quarter-mile markers, which mark the trail every one-fourth mile were added five years ago. Last year, drinking fountains were installed in four locations along the Bear Trail.

Davis said several tips can help create a safe environment while on the Bear Trail.

She said not to assume that you have the right-of-way as a walker or runner when coming to an intersection. Be aware of



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who came to the intersection first. She also said to wear bright colors when running or walking

at night or early in the morning. This will help prevent traffic accidents, she said.

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# Students plan, perfect Parents Weekend events

By Sarah Viesca  
Reporter

For the Baylor Chamber of Commerce, being "keepers of the Baylor spirit" is a visible pledge, especially for visitors coming to Waco for Parents Weekend.

Since April, a nine-member committee has been planning the activities for this year's Parents Weekend.

"My goal was to have most of the big jobs completed by the time the semester started," said Wolfe City senior Jessica Hickey, chairwoman of the committee.

Since 1960, the Baylor chamber has organized Parents Weekend. The weekend's events also are organized and run entirely by students. Although all chamber members are involved in running the events during the weekend, a committee plans the event.

Each committee member is responsible for a certain task, such as Dinner on the Grounds or apparel design and sales.

"Baylor gives us a budget of a certain amount, but included in that are revenue expectations in our part," she said.

Orange County, Calif., sophomore and chamber member Adam Renz, who is coordinating Saturday's Dinner on the Grounds, said that in order to be part of the committee you have to be appointed by the chairperson.

"The chair looks at what an individual has to offer and usually looks for people who want to make the event bigger," Renz said.

Though this year's events won't change much from past years, Hickey said she hopes every activity will be well-attended. Traditionally, she said, Dessert Party and Dinner on the Grounds tend to be the most popular.

"We've tried to expand and improve what we've done in the past," Hickey said.

The weekend will kick off with Baylor in Focus, an event planned primarily so the parents of freshmen can see what Baylor is like.

This year, Hickey said Baylor in Focus will take place at the Mayborn Museum Complex so parents can look at the Baylor history exhibits.

Laura Berg, a San Antonio

junior who is in charge of the Parent-Faculty Coffee on Saturday, said her Parents Weekend experience during Meet the Mascots made her want to rush chamber.

Berg said she began organizing the event in the summer by reserving Burleson Quadrangle, placing a food order with Aramark, sending invitations to faculty and staff and mapping out where each department tent would be located.

"We're really excited about this event because this is the best opportunity for students and their family to experience one of Baylor's unique attributes — its emphasis on student/faculty relationships," Berg said.

This year Dinner on the Grounds has also undergone some changes, Renz said. In the past, this time-honored Baylor tradition had been held in an informal setting, but this year chamber stepped it up by putting together a more formal menu and setting tables to sit 10 or more people, Renz said.

"Two families can sit together, get to know each other and partake in the Baylor spirit," he said.



Henry Chan/Lariat staff

Fort Worth sophomore Lance Normand hangs a "Welcome Parents" banner on a lamppost over University Parks Drive on Thursday night. Chamber members are expected to work day and night throughout Parents Weekend.

# StuGov funds dance

By Laura Frase  
Staff writer

Student Senate allocated \$1,050 from the Student Life Fund to Pi Beta Phi to help fund the 44th annual All-University Howdy Dance during its meeting Thursday night.

The dance will be held at 8:30-10:30 p.m. Sept. 29 at the Dr. Pepper Museum and will feature a mechanical bull, line dancing and a live band.

Dallas junior Eden Haas and Rockwall junior Lauren Schlyer represented Pi Beta Phi during the meeting.

"It's an all-university event and a great way to be connected with the Baylor community on a Friday night," Haas said.

Schlyer noted that this is one of the few events alumni remember.

"It's just a Baylor tradition," Schlyer added.

Amarillo sophomore Zack Taylor voted for the allocation.

"This is a great event that touches over 700 students," Taylor said.

"We know they wouldn't come if they didn't legitimately need help."

Tickets are \$5 and T-shirts are \$10.

The Student Senate also allocated \$2,635 to Sigma Phi Lambda for a free concert event featuring Monk and Neagle, two Christian rock groups.

The concert will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. on Nov. 4 in Burleson Quad following Steppin' Out.

Lubbock junior Alex Knight supported Student Senate's decision to support the event.

"As part of the finance committee, we felt it was for a good cause," Knight said. "Students can relax after Steppin' Out."

These allocations will reduce the Student Life Fund from \$51,690.13 to \$48,005.13.

# Three teens charged in plotted 'Columbine' bombing



Associated Press

Green Bay East High School senior Matt Atkinson, center, attends a news conference Wednesday in Green Bay, Wis., with his mother, Nancy Dury, left, and Assistant Principal Matt Mineau.

By Todd Richmond  
Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Prosecutors formally charged three teens Thursday with plotting to kill high school students in a Columbine-style attack with the cache of guns and bombs police seized last week.

East High School seniors William Cornell and Shawn Sturtz, both 17, and recent graduate Bradley Netwal, 18, were each charged with conspiracy to commit first-degree intentional homicide.

The charge is punishable by up to 60 years in prison, and conspiracy to commit damage of property by use of explosives, a charge that carries up to

40 years in prison and \$100,000 in fines.

Cornell also was charged with possessing explosives and a short-barreled shotgun, a charge that carries up to 18 1/2 years in prison and \$35,000 in fines.

Cornell and Sturtz, friends since middle school, appeared briefly in court Thursday via video conference from jail to hear the charges. Netwal was scheduled to appear in court today. The teens' alleged plan — two years in the making, according to prosecutors — came to light last week after a student told an associate principal about it.

The 17-year-olds were arrested at school within hours; Netwal was

arrested the next day.

Cornell's attorney, Shane Brabazon, said the attack was hardly imminent and the teens seemed more bent on suicide.

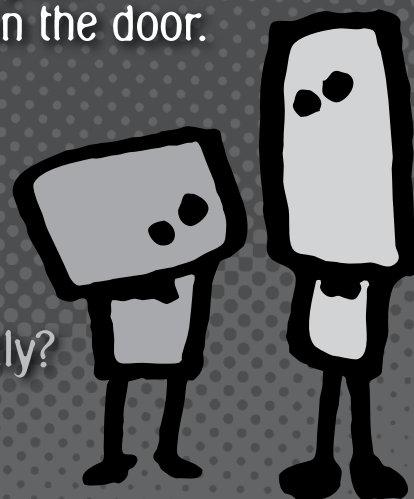
"Sounds a lot like it's hurting themselves," Brabazon said.

But Brown County District Attorney John Zakowski said the plan was to kill students in a plot that was reminiscent of the Columbine school shootings in Littleton, Colo., in 1999.

The criminal complaint paints Cornell and Sturtz as despondent and suicidal over their lack of relationships with girls and bullying at East.

Netwal told police he went along with the plan because he didn't want them to think he was chicken.

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# Search for inmates widened to Mexico

By Lynn Brezosky  
The Associated Press

McALLEN — Investigators on Thursday were trying to figure out how a former police officer facing drug charges and five other federal inmates escaped from a private jail, while the search for the fugitives was expanded far outside South Texas.

"We're looking all over Texas and other states and into Mexico," U.S. Marshals Service Deputy Joe Magallan said.

No more prisoners were being sent to the East Hidalgo Detention Center pending a probe into how the inmates overpowered a guard, slipped through a power-controlled door and cut through a series of fences late Tuesday.

The fences included an alarm-equipped electrical fence that apparently wasn't functioning and may have been turned off, Magallan said.

"Everything's being looked

at," he said.

Magallan said tips and reports of sightings were streaming in, but so far nothing had proved substantive. Investigators were questioning relatives of the escapees and trolling fugitives' known hangouts for information. He said officials were following several leads.

The jail remained in lockdown Thursday and there had been "top-to-bottom shake-down" of inmates and staff, said Patrick LeBlanc, co-owner of LCS Corrections Services Inc., of Lafayette, La. LCS is a private company that runs the facility.

He said the fence company was examining the fence system and that LCS was doing a security audit as well as adding more external lighting, security cameras and armed guards around the perimeter.

"We deeply apologize to the community," he said.

"Before this issue we were under the assumption we had



Associated Press

Criminal Investigator Jose Magallan Jr. of the U.S. Marshals Service addresses the media Thursday in McAllen to provide updated information regarding Tuesday's escape of six prisoners from the East Hidalgo Detention Center.

good security. Sometimes it takes an event to show us that we didn't."

LeBlanc offered a \$25,000 reward was for information leading to the capture of 41-year-old Francisco Meza-Rojas, the former McAllen police officer.

Meza-Rojas' trial on federal drug trafficking charges was scheduled to begin Oct. 3.

Authorities said the inmates gained access to exit doors after

overpowering the guard with a homemade knife and locking him in a room, then used "some sort of wire cutter" to breach the fence lines. No alarm was sounded. The guard was not injured.

Magallan said search dogs lost scent of some footprints at the highway and of other footprints at a levee near the prison, which was wet, muddy, and thick with high grass.

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years since, "they've worked hard to sustain their record as the party of high taxes," with overwhelming majorities of House Democrats voting against many of the Bush cuts.

And now, Bush said, the man poised to be chairman of the House tax-writing committee if Democrats control the chamber "can't think of one of our tax cuts that should be extended."

Bush, who equates that opposition with an intention to raise taxes, was referring, though not by name, to Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y.

"There should be no doubt in anybody's mind where they stand," the president said of Democrats. "If they get control of the House of Representatives, they'll raise your taxes."

Rangel said he would seek Republicans' cooperation, but he defended a review of "tax breaks

for the wealthy that no one has asked for and have driven our nation deeper into debt."

Stacie Paxton, spokeswoman for the Democratic National Committee, said: "Under President Bush, the GOP has turned record surplus into record debt, Americans' wages are stagnant and families are taking on more and more debt just to keep up in the Republican economy. You can't trust Republicans to handle your money."

After speaking inside the Tampa Bay Buccaneers' football stadium, Bush went to the team's nearby practice field where he spent more than a half-hour, sleeves rolled up and laughing with excited players and officials.

The president offered a pep talk to the team, off to a winless start this season.

"I've been 0-2 before," Bush said to laughs. "The beginning of the season is not the end of

the season."

Bush wrapped his Florida tour at an Orlando reception that scooped up \$2 million for GOP gubernatorial candidate Charlie Crist, Florida's attorney general, and the state Republican Party.

He hadn't lost any of his enthusiasm in the four hours since the first fundraiser, and he sounded the same themes.

"We got a record of cutting taxes, and they got a record of opposing tax cuts, it's night and day," the president said.

Democrats, whom political observers give a chance of gaining a majority in the House and, less likely, the Senate, have sought to make the elections a referendum on the unpopular war in Iraq.

The president, meanwhile, has tried to shift attention to the economy, as well as to the broader war against al-Qaida terrorists and their allies. He

continued that push Thursday.

"I need members of Congress who understand that you can't negotiate with these folks, you can't hope that they change their mind, that the best way to protect the American people is to defeat them overseas so we do not have to face them here at home," he said.

GOP Rep. Katherine Harris, who won the Republican nomination in this state's Senate race despite party objections to her candidacy from the White House on down, attended both fundraisers.

But Bush's help for her long-shot race to unseat Democratic Sen. Bill Nelson was limited to briefly noting her presence in Tampa, and urging support for her in Orlando.

"I, too, encourage you to vote for Katherine Harris for the United States Senate. Welcome, Katherine," he said before quickly moving on.

## LEADER from page 1

In addition to Boulder, Gibson has spent time in Turkey and Burma, learning and observing the culture, he said.

"I don't really know where I'll go next. I love the local church, and all I know for sure is that I want to work with it in some capacity somewhere in the future."

## PARENTS from page 1

work in the family business, today students have many career choices, Frisch said.

"We can easily get overwhelmed by all the career choices that are available," Frisch said. "When push comes to shove and a student must embark on some career course of study, they often fall back on the career choice of their parents."

Colleyville junior Mallory Staats' parents were foster parents when she was growing up. Having foster kids in her home and watching her parents experience the awards of giving to those in need encouraged Staats to major in social work.

"I saw how rewarding it was to help and be a part of others' lives, and it encouraged me to want to do something similar," Staats said.

If her parents had not raised foster children, Staats said she probably would not have majored in social work.

"If I hadn't had the firsthand experience, I don't think it would have been in my heart," Staats said.

In his new book, *Quality of Life Therapy*, Frisch recommends that "students find a career that they love and that puts them in a stage of flow in which they are constantly engaged, challenged, and immersed in their work in a positive way."

For students there is no better place to start searching for a future career than with what your parents do, Frisch said.

"Psychology research shows that we often have interests and values similar to our parents, even though our personalities may be different," Frisch said.

Sioux City, Iowa, senior Bill Samuelson's father is an orthopedic surgeon. Although Samuelson is currently in the process of researching medical schools and preparing for

the MCAT, he said that, at first, his father's profession deterred him from wanting to become a doctor.

"You don't want to do something just because your dad did it," Samuelson said. "Subconsciously, though, it stirred my interests because I was around it all the time. Frisch described the advantage of a student whose parent is already in the career field they wish to pursue."

"Pre-med students who have a physician mother have an advantage over pre-med students who don't have parents working in the medical field," Frisch said.

Lubbock senior Bill McCuniff grew up hearing his dad tell stories of his grandfather's accomplishments as chief surgeon at a hospital in Kansas. Although, he had never met his grandfather, McCuniff said the stories had a "very big influence" on his decision to become a doctor. Another influence for McCuniff was his younger sister, who has had cancer since she was 4 years old.

"She said one doctor ended up almost saving her life," McCuniff said. "The doctor instilled confidence in her at a young age that she could make it."

McCuniff's sister was on and off chemotherapy for 15 years, and is currently healthy, McCuniff said.

His sister's struggle and relationship with her doctor inspired him to one day have "so much influence and compassion for others."

"I think that your surroundings and environment influence you to want a deeper knowledge and know that profession is not all about the money," McCuniff said.

"I would love to be able to go work every morning and find ways to make lives better."

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## Men's tennis ratchets up for tourney

Competition to feature 26 teams, 31 players with national rankings

By Allie Cook  
Reporter

When it comes to tennis, there's a big difference between playing in practice and in a match.

"In practice, you're relaxed," England sophomore Matt Brown said. "There's no pressure in winning or losing."

The pressure of playing matches will be on the Baylor men's team today as it opens its season in the sixth annual H-E-B Intercollegiate Tournament.

Play begins at 8 a.m. today at the Baylor Tennis Center and will continue through Sunday.

Twenty-six teams from around the nation have sent players to Waco, which means more than 120 student-athletes will play in the four-draw tournament.

Five players from the Baylor men's team will participate, with German junior Lars Poerschke as the No. 1 seed and Czech Republic senior Michael Kokta as the No. 8 seed.

Poerschke said he looks forward to just playing some matches, since the last time the team played in a tournament was at the NCAA National Championship in May.

"The feel is very strong for this tournament," Poerschke said. "With it being at home, it's a great opportunity for all of us to play some matches."

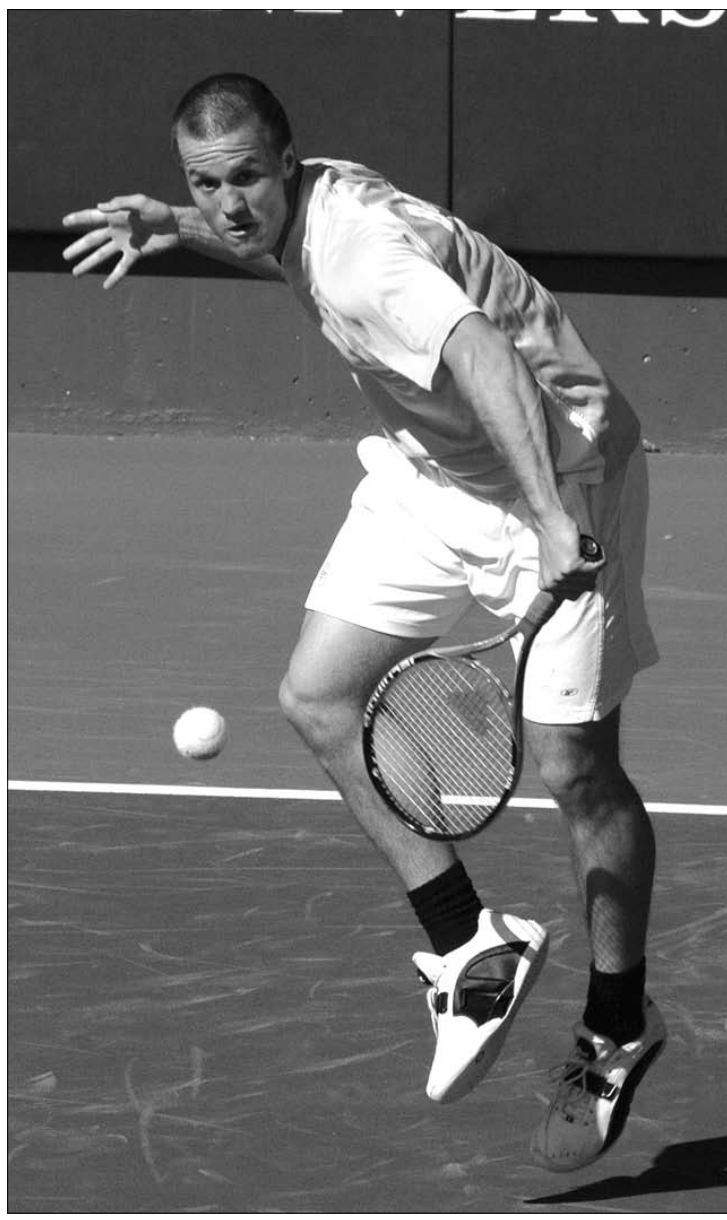
Poerschke is this tournament's defending champion.

This year, the tournament has been successful recruiting competitors. As of Tuesday, 31 nationally-ranked players are registered to play in the tournament, Assistant Coach Sam Winterbotham said.

"Our top four seeds are ranked in the top 10 of the country," Winterbotham said.

To be able to play such strong competition this early in the season is a great opportunity, Winterbotham said.

"This will be stronger than the regional tournament that we play and will be close to the national event because of the depth of play that's coming in,"



File Photo

Baylor senior tennis player Matija Zgaga (pictured above) and the rest of the men's tennis team begin their season today with the sixth annual H-E-B Intercollegiate Tournament.

Winterbotham said.

Participating teams include the University of Texas, Texas A&M University, Texas Tech University, Texas Christian University and others from around the country.

Even with so many good teams coming, Winterbotham's hopes for the Baylor team are high.

"We think we have a great chance to show (how our players have matured) in this event," Winterbotham said.

Two freshmen are playing in the tournament: Dominick Mueller of Germany and Denes Lukacs of Hungary.

Head Coach Matt Knoll and Winterbotham said they look forward to seeing how the freshmen will do, as well as the team as a whole.

For a season opener, it's an "unbelievable event," Winterbotham said.

The tournament is free and

open to the public.

"We encourage people to come and watch because they're going to see some of the best tennis players in the country and hopefully the next Benjamin Becker," Winterbotham said, referring to the Baylor alumnus who recently advanced to the fourth round of the U.S. Open by beating tennis legend Andre Agassi.

Brown, last year's runner-up in this tournament, said he has been training hard and expects to do well again.

"I feel like I've improved a lot in practice, but you can't really tell until you play a match," Brown said. "There's more riding on (tournament play)."

Brown hopes the results of this tournament will aid him as the season begins.

He said he hopes to do well individually and to play higher in the men's line-up than last year.

## Equestrian coaches ready for 20 new freshman riders

David Kaye  
Reporter

Most teams don't rebuild after their first season of competition, but Baylor's equestrian team will be forced to do just that — literally.

After a tornado leveled the team's temporary facility along with head Coach Ellen White's house on April 29, the need for a new arena became even greater.

Fortunately, the Baylor Board of Regents had just authorized the construction of the new Willis Family Equestrian Center on April 21. The 45,000-square-foot facility will be dedicated Oct. 20.

"Having our own facility will allow us to practice in great conditions and have the opportunity to host competitions," White said. "Our equestrian center will really be appealing to recruits."

The Bears bring 20 freshmen to a team with just five upperclassmen, but White says they'll have more experience than last year's team, despite being so young.

"We've got a young team, but I'm very excited because

we've got a lot of experience in our freshmen girls," White said. "We've got a lot more depth this year than we did last year."

Ashleigh Brown, a Ladysmith, Wis., junior, and Zionsville, Ind., sophomore Nicole Brown were elected team captains.

"They have strong leadership skills, and they are some of our top riders as well," White said. Brown is hoping to help the incoming freshmen make the transition from competing individually to competing as a team.

"We're used to showing our own horse and being competitive against everyone we're showing against," she said. "In this sport, you have to be competitive as a team even though you're showing against your teammates."

"That's something that's just going to get better as the year goes on."

Assistant Coach Trista Armstrong added that the captains are expected to be a source of knowledge for the younger riders.

"Ashleigh and Nicole are

acting as leaders. They want to be leaders, and they want their freshmen team members to really succeed and be a part of this team," Armstrong said.

Last year's team competed at the national championships in Albuquerque, N.M., but this year's nationals will be held in Waco.

"Auburn won the whole thing, and we competed against them on their home turf earlier in the season," White said. "They're coming to our house this time."

Hosting nationals will allow all members of the team to be at the event, something Armstrong says will be beneficial to the young riders.

"A lot of these freshmen have never been to the national championships, so they don't know what they're working so hard to get to," Armstrong said. "It'll be nice to see the whole team involved."

White said they're still making final preparations to host a show in Waco.

The equestrian team opens its season today in Columbia, S.C. Their first home show will be Sept. 29 against Texas Chris-

## Slow start doesn't worry kicker

By Jaime Aron  
The Associated Press

IRVING — Scribbled on a strip of tape across the front of Mike Vanderjagt's locker is the phrase, "Less is more."

The full meaning comes when you see another strip of tape going down the left side of his locker. On that one, the new kicker for the Dallas Cowboys has written the distance of every field goal he's missed in the NFL. The list is broken down season by season, with a "B" marking the ones that were blocked. Less is more, indeed.

"That's the motivation: Don't run out of tape," Vanderjagt said.

It's worth noting that Vanderjagt only jots down his misses from games that count — not preseason and not practice.

So for coach Bill Parcells or anyone else who got worked up over how poorly he was kicking before going 2-for-2 in his Dallas debut Sunday night, the confident Canadian who is always willing to share his opinion has this message: "Back off a little."

Vanderjagt wants everyone to know he's not hurt.

He's simply a slow starter who knows what he's doing, as reflected by his 87.6 percent success rate, the best in NFL history. The Cowboys signed Vanderjagt expecting to no longer have to worry about their

kicking game. Field goals were a constant concern last season, with Parcells blaming three losses on the three kickers he went through.

This year, Parcells seethed over having to keep a second kicker on the 53-man roster and remains perturbed that he had to use both Sunday night against Washington.

But Vanderjagt doesn't seem too worried.

"I feel like I'm in midseason form," he said. "I don't anticipate missing soon." Still, he knows it is likely to happen.

"You take the good with the good and the bad with the bad. I'm just going to kick and hopefully they all go in," he said.


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# Baylor defense greatly improved, but team still 1-2

By Daniel Youngblood  
Sports editor

For as long as the game of football has been played, it's been said that defense wins championships. But for the Baylor football team, stellar defense alone hasn't even been enough to win games.

Despite giving up just 14.7 points per game and forcing a Big 12-high 10 turnovers, the Bears find themselves on the short end of a 1-2 record.

In the team's two losses, the Baylor defense held No. 15 Texas Christian University and a potent Washington State offense to 17 points apiece, with just seven of those 34 points coming in the first half.

Unfortunately though, the Bears' offense, which has been plagued by miscue after miscue early this season, managed just one touchdown in each of those games.

Despite the disparity between the two units' performances, senior outside safety

Maurice Linguist said the team remains unified.

"We're one team," Linguist said. "Yeah, we're offense and defense, but we're all one team. I think everybody across the board can pick their games up."

Offensive Coordinator Lee Hays said he's been very impressed with the play of the defense.

He said they deserve better production from his offense.

"(Defensive Coordinator) Bill Bradley and his staff do a great job week in and week out preparing for the opponent," Hays said. "We have to do a better job offensively helping those guys out. I know Bill's upset about them not finishing (against Washington State), but it never should have come down to that."

While the Baylor defense has been playing well all season, they have been especially impressive in the first halves of their three games.

They shut out TCU and Northwestern State in the first

half of each of those contests, and they gave up just one score to Washington State, a second quarter touchdown that was set up by a Quieto Teasley muffed punt at the Baylor 34.

The defense had an interception returned for a touchdown in the Northwestern State game and returned a fumble for a touchdown against Washington State.

"There are some little things that (our defense) can continue to improve on," head football Coach Guy Morriss said. "But so far, they've kept us in all three ballgames, given us a chance to win and scored in two of them. So what else can you ask them to do?"

Players on the defensive end said they're ready to keep Baylor in Saturday's game, too.

"We can't worry too much about the offense; if the offense doesn't score any points, we got to find a way to score some points and win games," said freshmen linebacker Joe Pawelek, who leads the team in

tackles with 19.

The defense has shown huge improvement in the three seasons that Bradley has been the team's defensive coordinator.

Aside from a new-found defensive swagger, the biggest thing Bradley brought to the Bears is a nose for the ball, Morriss said.

In 2004, Bradley's first season, the Bears forced just nine turnovers all season.

They more than tripled that in 2005 by forcing 29.

This season, the Baylor defense is on pace for even more, with 10 in three games.

"When (Bradley) first came in, he really emphasized running to the football and stripping the football, and I think our kids are hawking the ball pretty good with interceptions and turnovers," Morriss said.

Linguist said he wants to maintain Baylor's reputation on Saturday, as Army comes to Floyd Casey Stadium.

"I wouldn't be mad at all if we shut (Army) out," he said.



Henry Chan/Lariat staff

Baylor defensive captain C.J. Wilson intercepts a pass in practice Thursday. He and the Baylor rest of the Baylor defense will try to continue their success Saturday against Army at Floyd Casey.

# Lady Bears' soccer team conference schedule kicks in today

By Brittany McGuire  
Sports writer

The Baylor Lady Bears soccer team will kick off its conference season this weekend with two home games against old Southwest Conference foes, hosting Texas A&M University at 7 p.m. today and the University of Texas at 7 p.m. Sunday.

Since the team already faced off against the 2005 NCAA champions, the University of Portland, head Coach George Van Linder said he's confident his team can handle anything.

"This is something we've prepared for," he said. "It wasn't pleasant at times, but we've seen everything we're going to see."

The Lady Bears have struggled against both Texas and Texas A&M in past seasons, but the players said they're only



Henry Chan/Lariat staff

Sophomore midfielder Andi Fagan advances the ball Sunday in the Baylor soccer team's victory over Samford. The team hopes to extend its three-game home winning streak this weekend against Texas A&M and Texas.

thinking about the present.

The games will be tough, Junior defender Rose Zapata said,

but so is this Baylor team.

"Texas A&M and Texas are both well known for their pro-

grams and rightfully so," Zapata said. "But we need to show this conference just who Baylor soccer is."

The team's coming off a winning weekend, with a season-high 27 shots in its win over the University of Texas-San Antonio and a victory over Samford University.

Forward Anna Schuch, Baylor's leading scorer with 3 goals on the season, said playing at home will give the team an extra boost in the games.

"It's wonderful knowing that the stands are mostly cheering for Baylor," the Austin native said. "That helps fire our intensity. So yes, we have an advantage."

The Lady Bears are 3-0 at home this season and have shut out every opponent they've faced in Waco.

"I believe this team owes its wins to the fans," Zapata said. "We want the winning streak to continue."

While Schuch and the offense will have plenty of work up top, Zapata and the defense will have to work against the Aggies' talented strikers and a trio of tough forwards from Texas.

"It's just something else to adapt to," Zapata said. "I think we'll have no problem handling it."

Backing up the defense is junior goalkeeper Ashley Holder, who was named the Big 12 Defensive player of the week for her shutouts over Texas-San Antonio and Samford.

This was Holder's second weekly honor, but even though it brings confidence to her game, she said her focus is on this weekend.

"That was last week's recognition," Holder said. "I have to prove I can be a Big 12 defensive player any week."

The top eight teams in the conference move on to play in the Big 12 tournament, a goal the Lady Bears said they have firmly in sight.

These weekend games will be the team's first test.

"Each game determines whether or not we get into the tournament," Holder said.

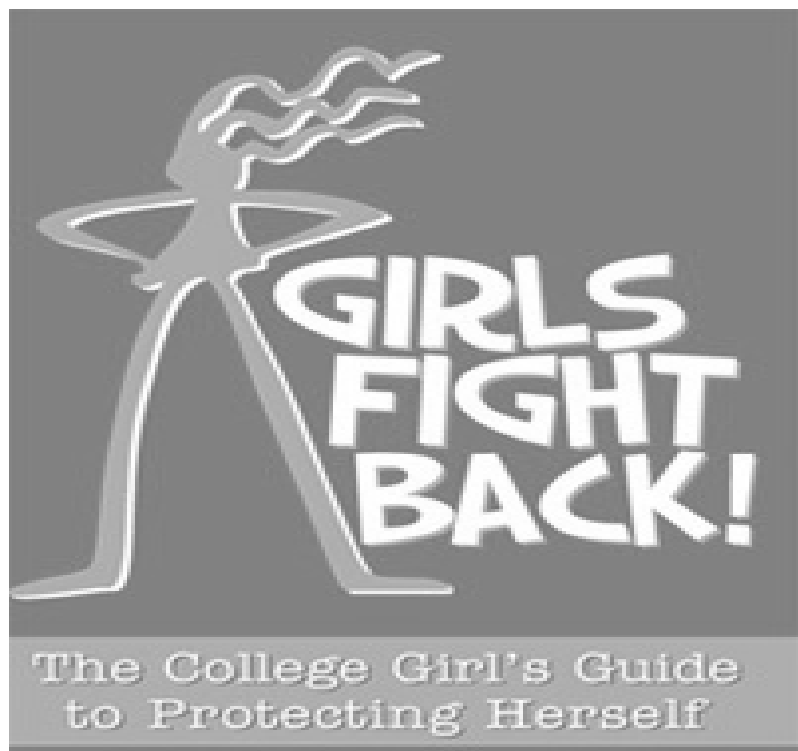
Van Linder said Texas, Texas A&M and the University of Nebraska are all in the running to win the conference.

But the rest is wide open, he said, leaving a chance for the Lady Bears to advance to the tournament.

"There's no rhyme or reason to it," he said. "Anyone after that's a possibility."

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# Defensive battle looms

Baylor Bears defense, ranked first in Big 12 with 10 turnovers forced, will face Army on Saturday

By Daniel Youngblood  
Sports editor

Before the season, when the Baylor football team discussed how it would like to see its season unfold, a 1-2 start was not what the team had in mind.

While this season has begun the same way last season ended — with close losses and missed opportunities — the Bears aren't prepared to settle for the same outcome.

The team's mantra remains "bowl game or bust."

The Bears will have this battle cry on their tongues this Saturday, as they attempt to pick up their second win of the season against Army at Floyd Casey Stadium.

A win over the Black Knights would not only give them some confidence going into Big 12 play, it would also give them another victory toward the six they need to become bowl eligible.

"It's real important to try and get back to that 2-2 and starting out conference play on a high note," freshman linebacker Joe Pawelek said. "Our ultimate goal is to get that sixth win and more. We see this game as one we need to win to get to our goal."

But the Bears know that will be no small task. Big 12 rival Texas A&M University learned this first-hand last week, when the Aggies needed a goal line stand in the final seconds to squeak out a 28-24 win over the Black Knights.

Army, which is led by NFL and college coaching great Bobby Ross, also comes into this game with a 1-2 record, with losses to Arkansas State and A&M, and an overtime win against Kent State.

Both the Black Knights and the Bears enter the contest struggling offensively. Army is averaging 15.7 points per game, while Baylor's averaged just 10.5 points in its two contests against Division I-A opponents.

Baylor head Coach Guy Morriss knows his team will need better offensive output to have the kind of season he's hoping for, and that starts this Saturday against an Army team that has his respect.

"They play really hard and don't make a lot of mistakes, something we could probably learn from," Morriss said. "They'll get after you. If I was watching what we did against Washington State and I were them, I'd come down here figuring they can whip our behinds. That's the kind of team I think we are going to have to get ready for."



Kelly Moore/Lariat Staff

Brandon Whitaker runs in the open field against Northwestern State. The Bears, who are last in the nation in rushing offense with 19 yards per game, hope to establish some semblance of a running game against Army on Saturday.

After putting up just 256 yards of offense and seven offensive points against Washington State, the Bears will face another stingy defense in the Black Knights, who have given up just 18.7 points and 324.3 yards per game.

Fortunately for the Bears, their defense has been even better this season, allowing 14.7 points and 332 yards per game against stiffer competition.

The Bears, who lead the Big 12 with 10 turnovers forced, will be facing an Army offense that has had a little bit of trouble protecting the ball.

Army quarterback David Pevoto has already thrown seven interceptions. This could spell disaster for the Black Knights, as Baylor is first in the Big 12 in picks with six and Baylor cornerback C.J. Wilson leads the nation with four.

This doesn't keep Baylor Defensive Coordinator Bill Bradley from being concerned.

"Watching the Texas A&M tape, offensively they scare you a little bit," Bradley said. "They execute extremely well, and Coach Ross does a tremendous job with them."

Standout receiver Dominique Zeigler isn't scared, but he knows it will take a full-team effort for four quarters to come out with a win.

### Weekly Big 12 picks



Game	Youngblood	Parchman	McGuire	Daniel
Army @ Baylor	BU 28-10	BU 17-3	BU 21-10	BU 16-0
Iowa St. @ Texas	UT 35-14	UT 41-20	UT 38-14	UT 33-23
La. Tech @ A&M	A&M 38-14	A&M 35-3	A&M 35-10	A&M 19-18
Okla. St. @ Houston	Houston 41-35	Okla. St. 27-20	Houston 28-14	Okla. St. 30-23
South Fla. @ Kansas	S. Fla. 24-21	Kansas 28-16	Kansas 21-17	Kansas 22-17
Louisville @ Kansas St.	Louisville 49-7	Louisville 38-17	Louisville 42-14	Louisville 52-6
Last week's record	5-1	4-2	5-1	4-2
Overall record	16-2	15-3	15-3	13-5

"We are going to prepare the same way, just try to stay focused longer because we know that they are not going to give up," Zeigler said. "That is just the mental approach they have. We just need to go out and play the full 60 minutes."

### SPORTS BRIEFS

#### Men's tennis hosts tournament

Baylor men's tennis begins its fall schedule today, hosting the sixth-annual Baylor H-E-B Intercollegiate Tournament at the Baylor Tennis Center. In all, 26 schools will compete, including Big 12 participants Texas, Texas A&M, Texas Tech and Oklahoma. With his No. 4 NCAA ranking, Baylor's Lars Poerschke is the tournament's highest ranked player, as well as its defending champion. Also entered in the event are Baylor players Michal Kokta, Dominik Mueller, Denes Lukacs and Matt Brown, last year's runner-up. The event will begin at 8 a.m. today and conclude on Sunday.

#### Lady Bears team earns two shutouts

Baylor goalkeeper Ashley Holder was named the Big 12 defensive player of the week Thursday. The Baylor women's soccer team posted consecutive shutouts this week against Samford and UT-San Antonio, which is the first time the team has blanketed consecutive opponents since 2001. This is Holder's second time to receive the award in her Baylor career.

#### Cross country to compete Saturday

Baylor cross country will travel to St. Paul, Minn. this weekend for the Roy Griak Invitational scheduled for Saturday. The men will run in the 8,000-meter race and the No. 13 women's team will compete in the 6,000-meter race. The meet includes five of the nation's top 30 cross country programs, Baylor included. Baylor women finished third at the event last year, while the men finished 27th.

#### Equestrian team opens schedule

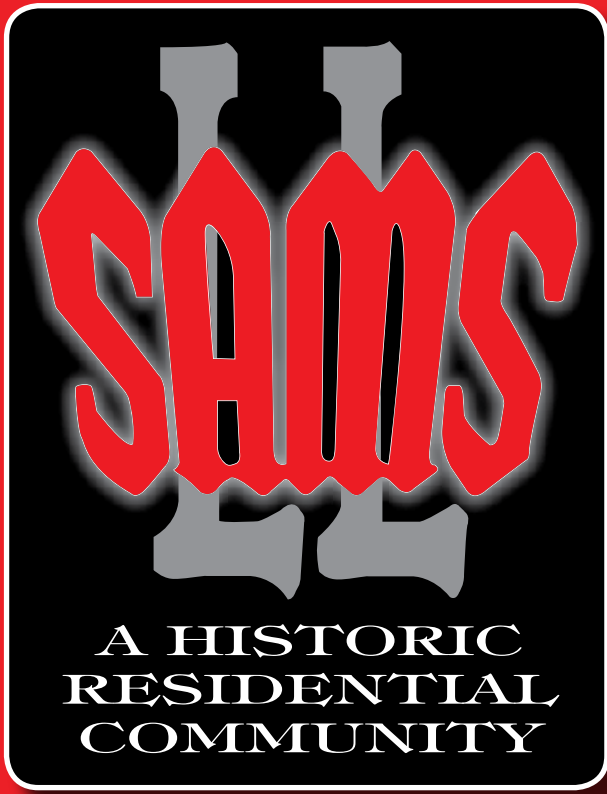
The Baylor equestrian team opens its schedule today with a head-to-head contest at South Carolina, the defending English national champions. The team will then travel to Athens, Ga. for the University of Georgia's Bulldog Invitational, which will be held Saturday and Sunday. Both shows will include Western and English events. Baylor lost to South Carolina in the first round of the invitational last year and was then narrowly edged by Fresno State in the consolation round.

#### Volleyball team start best since 2001

The Baylor volleyball team (13-2) is off to its best start since 2001, when the Lady Bears last made an appearance in the NCAA tournament. The team is idle this weekend, but they'll travel to Columbia, Mo. on Wednesday to face the Missouri Tigers.

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## Leaving the nest a difficult journey

Students discover how  
to nurture roots, wings

**K**atie Moseley seemed a little bit somber.

It may have just been the atmosphere. The Barfield Drawing Room was sparsely populated for a Dr Pepper Hour, with only a handful of kids milling about and someone in the back using the piano to dole out a very slow and haunting rendition of "Amazing Grace."

But, then again, it may have just been the way Moseley, a Livingston freshman, spoke frankly about missing home while she nursed a float with her friends.

"I miss my convenience, my comfort, my friends," Moseley said. "I miss the lake, I miss my room, that kind of stuff."

She paused, "Tubing."

"You could go tubing on Lake Waco, you know," someone offered.

Katie nodded.

"But I don't have my dad to pull me on the boat," she said.

Moseley's not alone. This year, 2,783 freshman started their academic careers at Baylor, and a large part of their experience has involved moving to campus and away from their families. Moseley has already gone home to visit once. The reason?

"I couldn't bear to hear my dad so sad," she said.

Moseley's friend, San Antonio freshman Christina Birkeneder, hasn't seen her family at all since moving in. In fact, the last thing she told her family was simply, "Bye."

"We said we'd make the leaving as easy as we could," Birkeneder said, noting that she'll see her family during Parent's Weekend, which begins this evening and runs through Saturday.

"My dad's had it on the calendar since before I got accepted to Baylor," she said.

The realization of being separated from parents at school manifests itself in different ways. Houston freshman Callan Davis is adjusting to new living arrangements.

"It's almost like you kind of have picked up your life and you move, at least for me, three and a half hours away," Davis said. "Someone asks if you're going home and you're like, 'I guess I'm going home, if that's what you call my room.'"

Freshman Justin Kralemann has to endure a 13-hour car trip to get back to his St. Louis home. He knows the hardships of relocation.

"As soon as you get to college," Kralemann said, "you're growing into a more mature person, an adult. The past few weeks have been a culture shock."

But if it's a shock for students to begin to come into their own, it may be even more of a shock for their parents to watch it happen... from afar.

Mike Dalton's daughter, San Antonio freshman Rebecca Dalton has joined her sister in the collegiate ranks. Though he's excited for her and her older sister Ryanne, an Austin College

student, he also feels the emptiness they've left at home.

"You have to trust that they have learned what they're supposed to learn," Dalton said. "We're just concerned that we have to get along with just the dog and cat now, with no little Rebecca running around."

Kralemann's father, Jim, also now has all his children in school, which leads him to admit to a slight case of "empty nest" syndrome.

"I was very much a hands-on dad," Jim Kralemann said, "even though I had very independent sons. Now I have to gear my day around finding other activities than checking to see if their clothes are washed."

However, Justin finds they are still able to keep up their relationship, thanks to technology.

"We e-mail a lot," he said. "It makes it easier to communicate with the parents [...] if you don't feel like a two-hour conversation with Mom and Dad. We talk on the cell phone once or twice a week."

In fact, he said it was tougher in some ways to leave things like his old youth group.

"We (the family) communicate so often on a weekly basis, it still feels like I'm there with them in a way. It kind of bridges the gap," he said.

San Antonio freshman Brandon Farnington agrees, noting that he talks to his family on a regular basis.

"I call my dad almost every day," Farnington said, "to make sure things are going good in my classes and everything."

"Every three days or so I get a call from Mom," he said. "Almost every day I get an e-mail from Mom and Dad. I can't really miss them because I always talk to them."

Farnington often wishes he had more of a reason to miss them. During Labor Day weekend, Farnington went home to visit. His mom immediately had him help clean the house.

Then, the next afternoon, "Dad was home," Farnington said, "and I helped him wash his car, then my mom's car, then my car. It was like 'I'm back at home!'"

Looking back on that busy weekend, it's funny now, and regardless of his visit, Johnson knows that he's changed already in his short time at school.

"It's more like I'm grown now, not having to rely on them too much," Farnington said.

And according to Callan Davis's mother, Cindy, that's the point, regardless of emotion.

"My job's to work myself out of a job, basically," she said. "[Callan's] happy. I don't want him to live with me forever. I want him to be good, to do what he wants to do."

Mike Dalton finds special confidence in a promise that his daughter Rebecca will find that kind of direction at Baylor.

Dalton was impressed when a freshman orientation speaker touted Baylor's students as it's products. Dalton said, "That's something you don't get at a UT or an A&M."

The phone conversation with Dalton pauses as he ponders his daughter's new life.

"I couldn't be prouder of her. Our loss is Waco's gain," Dalton said.

By Ben Humeniuk



Kelly Moore/Lariat staff

1424, located at 1424 Washington St. in downtown Waco, offers a casual environment with elegant cuisine. The restaurant opens at 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

## 1424 makes elegant night out in downtown Waco

By Melea Burke  
Contributor

Trying to find a romantic atmosphere coupled with eclectic cuisine is no longer a lost cause in Waco. 1424, an independent, chef-owned eatery founded three years ago, offers casual yet elegant setting at 1424 Washington St.

### RESTAURANT REVIEW

Whether you choose to sample one of Chef Bob's seafood specialties or opt for a pork, steak or chicken dish, get ready to treat your taste buds to food that simply can't be found anywhere else in Waco.

Start off with a homemade Caesar salad of crisp romaine lettuce while you take in the evening air at a patio table or enjoy the familiar feel of the cozy indoor dining room. One of my favorites is the grilled tilapia in a cream curry sauce served over rice. The topping adds the perfect accent of tangy sweetness to a tender, flaky fillet of tilapia complemented nicely by the basmati rice. Other fish dishes include a seafood picatta — sea scallops and a thick slice of melt-in-your-

mouth mahi mahi, grilled and flavored with capers and a hint of lemon, accompanied by spicy Greek potatoes. Also glorious is the grilled rainbow trout in a lemon, white wine and butter sauce served with deliciously creamy Bavarian potato pancakes.

Although most of the menu selection at 1424 is composed of fish and seafood, other choices include Southwestern chicken and tenderloin steak, or one of the chef's daily specials.

1424 also offers a diverse wine list to complement the menu offerings, not to mention nightly dessert specials ranging from a triple chocolate torte drizzled with pecan sauce to a butter cream cake topped with whipped cream. Bittersweet chocolate crème brûlée adds an innovative twist to the traditional dessert, and Chef Bob pulls it off well.

A dinner at 1424 makes for a night to remember, but note that the experience comes with a price. With entrees starting around \$13, a three-course meal can hit the college budget hard. But the money won't be wasted — the chef and staff of 1424 make sure you get what you pay for.

## Cafe serves up more than just coffee

By Angela Best  
Contributor

"With the best pancakes in town, we promise you won't go home hungry," boasts the coffee cups at Café Cappuccino, located at 4700 Bosque Blvd. in The Market Place shopping strip.

### RESTAURANT REVIEW

Voted 2006 Best Brunch in the *Wacoan* magazine and "Home of the Best Pancakes in Town," Café Cappuccino truly lives up to these superlatives with a menu so extensive and diverse it can make even the pickiest of eaters satisfied.

Not only does the menu feature a variety of pancakes — from buttermilk and blueberry to apple wheat and chocolate chip — it also offers a wide range of omelets, from the more typical sausage and cheese to the not-quite-so-typical chili, cheese and onion.

But since their pancakes are the best, patrons can also get their choice of pancake with their omelet at no additional cost.

Waffles, French toast, cinnamon rolls, biscuits, bagels and almost any other type of breakfast food imaginable are also available on the menu.

The Café Cappuccino combo comes complete with one or two eggs prepared according to your preference, bacon or sausage, hash browns or home fries and pancakes or toast for around \$6.

The three slices of bacon were thick and crispy, the hash browns seasoned and the ideal combination of soft and crunchy, and the buttermilk pancake equal to the size of its large plate, accompanied by maple syrup that was not too rich and was just the right consistency — neither too thick nor too thin.

With the name of the establishment being Café Cappuccino, I had to complete my meal with a mocha cappuccino, one of many cappuccino and latte choices.

The mocha cappuccino, which was a perfect mix of chocolate and espresso, came topped with whipped cream and chocolate syrup drizzled in a creative design.

In addition to the coffee choices, as well as other regular beverages, Café Cappuccino offers a plethora of hot teas — from green tea and English breakfast tea to cinnamon citrus and cranberry hibiscus.

While clearly best known for its breakfasts, Café Cappuccino also has a lunch menu that is just as varied and appetizing as its breakfast menu.

The lunch menu includes an assortment of sandwiches, soups, salads, wraps, quiche and quesadillas. Sandwiches come with a choice of fruit, pasta or chips for a side, and quesadillas and quiche come with salad or soup for \$1 more.

My lunch consisted of a chicken salad sandwich on a croissant with a side of pasta and a pickle. I paid \$1 extra for the croissant (other bread choices are white, rye, wheat and sourdough), making the total for my meal a little over \$7.

The extra \$1 was well worth it, though, because the croissant was fresh and flakey and went well with the chicken salad.

The chicken salad itself was some of the best I have ever had. What makes this chicken salad special are the bits of apple mixed in, which add a unique, surprising touch of sweetness to every bite.

My dining experience also was enriched by a friendly wait staff who made it a point to engage in



Melea Burke/Lariat staff

Café Cappuccino on Bosque Boulevard has a wide selection of breakfast and lunch foods that won't empty out your pocketbook. Lunch prices average between \$6 and \$7.

personal conversations with the patrons. Service was speedy, with both meals at breakfast and lunch taking under 10 minutes to travel from kitchen to table.

The atmosphere of the café is cheerful and comfortable. Pictures of flowers and villa-lined streets in foreign lands adorn the sunny yellow walls, which are filled with white chairs and tables with royal blue tablecloths positioned around the restaurant.

Tables by the large windows in the front of the café

as well as tables outside have a perfect view of the sparkling fountain outside, and the happy notes of oldies music can be heard over the crowd of customers, young and old alike.

For the quality and quantity of the food, the fast and friendly service, and the easygoing atmosphere, the price is exactly right.

And for whichever meal you decide to try, whether breakfast or lunch, one thing is very clear — Café Cappuccino offers more than just coffee.

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# Amelia's gives fruitful charm

By Lauren Burris  
Contributor

Picture ornamental chandeliers, real silverware and tables covered with fresh linens, each topped with a vase of fresh flowers. Add a wait staff decked out in hot pink bow ties, and you've found yourself at Amelia's on the Avenue — a magnificent restaurant tucked inside Sironia's Antique Emporium.

## RESTAURANTREVIEW

When you first walk inside Sironia, you're surrounded by chic clothing and home décor. But walk around the corner and you'll find the girly, laid-back atmosphere of Amelia's.

Amelia's doesn't serve just excellent food, but it provides a relaxed dining experience inviting patrons to forget the business of their day and get lost in conversation with friends.

All the food served at Amelia's is made from scratch daily from the restaurant's original recipes.

The variety of the lunch menu is inviting, with most dishes falling in the \$6 to \$8 price range. Though the prices are a bit high for a lunch menu, you will get all you pay for as most dishes come with a small salad, a vegetable, chips or a bowl of soup.

No one's shying away from this place. Amelia's bustles during lunch hours.

It is clear that the owners of Amelia's value freshness. I ordered a seafood quiche, fresh fruit and carrot cake muffins.

The fruit salad was more diverse than most, featuring strawberries, watermelon, cantaloupe, honeydew melon, bananas and grapes. All of the fruit was juicy, and it came with a poppy seed dressing for dipping.

The seafood quiche had a pleasantly mild flavor, not overpoweringly fishy. The mixture of the warm quiche with the fresh fruit is a satisfying combination for lunch.

A popular lunch combo is Amelia's trio: a scoop of chicken or tuna salad, vermicelli salad

and a bowl of fresh fruit with carrot cake muffins.

The soup and salad combination is also an excellent choice. The spinach salad is served to perfection, not a wilted leaf on the plate, with feta cheese, fresh mushrooms, crumbled bacon and bacon dressing.

You can't go wrong at Amelia's for lunch. The friendly service, light atmosphere and delectable food are a dynamic combination.

Amelia's just began serving dinner in May, but the flavorful, diverse cuisine doesn't reflect its youth. The dinner menu features appetizers such as savory gorgonzola cheesecake, herbed crepes stuffed with shrimp and scallops, chorizo and fennel strudel and black bean and quinoa salsa.

The salads are adventurous, with unique blends of ingredients such as the Crab Louie, a salad with lettuce, crabmeat, cucumbers, tomatoes, green onions and Thousand Island dressing.

The dinner entrees are rea-



Amelia's on the Avenue offers a rich blend of homemade soups, salads, entrees and desserts in a charming atmosphere with delicate touches. The restaurant is located inside Sironia's Antique Emporium.

Henry Chan/  
Lariat staff

sonably priced, ranging from \$12 to \$30. The eye-appealing presentation, the taste-bud-jumping combination of flavors and the romantic atmosphere make it well worth the cost.

The pork loin with fresh green apple chutney simply exploded in my mouth. The warm green apple and golden raisin topping enhances the subtle flavor of the tender pork loin. This was served with fresh cut green beans and warm, well-seasoned

new potatoes.

The literal icing on the cake for this exquisite establishment is its variety of rich, homemade cakes, pies and puddings. Each of these is made from scratch daily.

A benefit to eating at Amelia's for dinner is the solo jazz guitarist who sets up on the patio and serenades patrons with smooth jazz on his acoustic guitar. The restaurant advertises a jazz band on a sign out front, so I

was a little disappointed it was only one musician, but the simplicity of one instrument playing in the background enhanced the mood.

Whether you happen to be 'on the avenue' or not, you should swing by Amelia's to enjoy a delightful lunch or a romantic dinner.

Amelia's, located at 1509 Austin Ave., is open daily for lunch and from 5 to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

# Food for Thought satisfies healthy eaters

By Heather Keenan  
Contributor

Health nuts looking for a casual dining experience will feel right at home at Terry & Jo's Food for Thought. The trendy sandwich and smoothie shop on Speight Avenue has been providing brain food to Baylor students for the last five years.

## RESTAURANTREVIEW

Food for Thought serves reasonably priced — \$4 to \$7 — meals. The small restaurant provides a good value in terms of the freshness and quality of ingredients that go into its sandwiches and other dishes. The Baylor alumni-founded eatery aligns its dining priorities with those of its student clientele: providing healthy, fresh and inexpensive food, ready within minutes.

Food for Thought fills to-go orders, but its bright and inviting atmosphere makes it a great location to meet friends for a meal. The order-at-the-counter restaurant serves traditional lunch fair of sandwiches, burritos, soups and salads. The dinner menu expands to include a variety of pizzas, all available after 4 p.m. A staff of young and friendly servers will give you a number when you order and deliver your food to the table when it is ready.

Terry and Jo's embraces a West Coast flavor, and many menu items are Californian-infused with avocado or sprouts. Vegetarian options abound and go beyond the ordinary salad. Vegetarian dieters still can enjoy creative sandwiches, burritos and even chili.

Whether you choose a turkey sandwich or a vegetarian dish, the light selections will leave you with a healthy, full feeling. That beats the heavy, full feel-



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One of Food for Thought's health-conscious sandwiches is served with a small side of chips and salsa. The restaurant was founded by Baylor alumni to offer West Coast flavor options for local students.

ing you get from a fast food joint any day.

In keeping with this fit and healthy subculture, Food for Thought allows customers not only to take home the sandwiches but also the experience. Real cups are provided for the fountain drinks, and many students have collected quite a few of the distinctive green plastic souvenirs. You can also purchase a T-shirt with the restaurant's logo for \$10.

The excellent side dishes are another benefit of dining at Terry and Jo's. Sandwiches and burritos come with a choice of three sides: chips and salsa, a side salad or frozen yogurt. If you don't specify a side order, cashiers will give you chips and salsa by default. This is nothing to complain about because the homemade salsa is fresh and flavorful. You get free salsa refills when you dine in, and it can be purchased in three convenient to-go sizes.

Regardless of your side choice selection, you will be pleased. The side salad is a great complement to any meal and the frozen yogurt seals the deal with a sweet twist.

While Food for Thought boasts sandwiches and smoothies on its simple logo, its smoothies are nothing to boast about.

At close to \$5 a pop on a student budget, you'd expect ambrosia — or at least a filling fruity blend. These smoothies are neither. The so-so consistency and 16-ounce servings are outshined by local smoothie chains. You'd be better served by spending \$1 more and get a full lunch with a side dish.

However, it would be worth stopping by Terry and Jo's for a smoothie between 3 and 5 p.m. when all smoothies are half price. You could sit and read during these off-peak hours at one of the window tables that overlook the H-E-B parking lot. Or you could admire the framed fruit and vegetable artwork on the wall and absorb energy from the yellow chili-peppered tablecloths that surround you.

The colorful environment of Terry and Jo's is a good match for the food served. It's a balance of stimulation and simplicity.

Just as the classic grilled chicken sandwich is dressed up by sliced avocado, simple walls are dressed up with bold colors.

The sparsely decorated eatery is consistent with the light food choices, but little touches such as the homemade salsa and pop radio in the background add just the right amount of pizzazz to the dining experience.

# Authentic Mexican flavors delight cultured taste buds

Cancun Restaurant differs from the rest with genuine dining

By James Kopecky  
Contributor

The sweet smell of salty air flows from the lapping green sea and straight up your nose. Pinks, oranges, yellows and blues dance all over the horizon as the largest sun you have ever seen sinks blissfully away to another side of the earth. You hear gulls and terns argue with one another over who gets to eat the bread tossed by playful children. Then, without warning, this sensory overload culminates with a mouth-watering plate of coastal Mexican delicacies being laid on the table before you.

## RESTAURANTREVIEW

The bad news: You will have to open your eyes, wake from this wonderful daydream and realize that you are indeed still in Waco. The good news: The food will still be there. You have found your way to Cancun Mexican restaurant, and what a find you have made.

Located on the corner of 18th Street and Colcord Avenue, Cancun is a great treat for anyone looking for more than just your

average Mexican restaurant.

When you enter the front doors, you almost could believe you were in a true Mexican cantina. There are tile floors, stucco walls and various pieces of Latin artwork hanging about the room. With a fair number of tables both large and small, round and rectangular, the room looks like it could hold upwards of 50 people comfortably, which it often times does during weekday lunch and weekend dinner.

The restaurant is owned and operated by Julio Lopez, a Baylor alumnus, who bought into a partnership with the restaurant's previous owner and eventually took over all together. When he is not out of town doing consulting work with his computer science degree, Lopez can be seen around the restaurant talking to customers, bringing out plates and making sure everything runs smoothly.

Cancun offers a wide variety of both coastal and continental Mexican dishes, all of which can be ordered at both the lunch and dinner services. It has old favorites such as chicken enchiladas and quesadillas, as well as a few dishes many Americans may have never heard of before, such as caldo, a traditional meat and vegetable broth-based soup; or pozole, a heavier soup made with pork and hominy.

As with many Mexican res-

taurants, Cancun starts you off with chips and salsa, but that is where the similarities end. Cancun makes a variety of salsas fresh and in house everyday. Its salsa verde is so good, you probably won't find any better short of going to Mexico.

Adding to the character of the eatery, you can find many great drinks to go with your food. It has everything from agua frescos and limonada to various types of Mexican bottled soda. The only thing Cancun doesn't offer to drink on its menu is anything with alcohol in it. But that is not so say that the establishment is anti-alcohol; it just prefers to have a BYOB policy. Feel free to bring any kind of spirit-laden beverage along with you to enjoy with your meal, be it beer or wine.

Though the food, salsa and drinks are all amazing, it should be noted that Cancun's specialty is, of course, coastal cuisine. Make sure to try the plato del mar or shrimp cocktail with ceviche, both of which are amazing. And when you are done with the main course, you better hope you saved room for dessert because Cancun's flan isn't just cheap, it's delicious as well.

It's getting harder and harder to find authentic cuisine at a reasonable price, but where many other restaurants have failed, Cancun has passed with flying colors. With drinks and dessert, you can expect to walk away paying less than \$15.

Cancun is a great place for lunch or dinner, and on Fridays and Saturdays, it even has live music starting at 7 p.m.

With the aid of a few guitar pedals, this crafty musician has turned classical latin guitar duets into a one-man show. It's the perfect soundtrack to accompany such a mellow, laid-back restaurant.

Cancun is well worth the visit, and one would be hard-pressed to find a better Mexican restaurant in all of Waco. It is open daily, starting at lunch and closing at 3:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, and at 10 p.m. Thursday through Sunday.

Do yourself a favor and give it a shot.



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Cancun Restaurant Manager Laura Lopez serves longtime customers Paul and Ruth Dulin their dinner on Thursday evening. The Dulin's come to Cancun almost once a week.

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# Activities to perk up weekend

Fun ways to explore Waco and avoid driving to Austin or Dallas

By Lindsey Grewe  
Reporter

When the calendar turns to Friday, Baylor students are left pondering what to do on a weekend in Waco.

Dinner and a movie suffice for a few weekends. But when you find you have eaten every dish on the menu three times and *The Covenant* is beginning to sound like a pretty good flick, it may be time to branch out to some new places.

## Cameron Park

Baylor students have one of the largest municipal parks in the state, but many may not realize that there are more uses for it beyond the standard running and biking.

"Cameron Park is great for students and families," Jonathan Cook, head of community promotions with Waco Parks and Recreation, said.

There are pavilions in which to barbeque and picnic and miles of trails to mountain bike or hike. Kayaks are also available. Many people can be spotted walking their pets or fishing in the river.

"The cliffs provide a spectacular view of the river," Cook said. "Waco is fortunate to have a natural preserve like this within the city limits. You have your state parks, of course, but not many cities have anything like what Waco has."

## Cameron Park Zoo

Although the Cameron Park Zoo is small, those who go usually leave impressed.

With a girlfriend and friends attending Baylor, Stephen Leach, a sophomore at the University of Texas at San Antonio, has visited Waco numerous times. Despite all those visits to Waco, he only discovered a zoo on his last visit.

"I was surprised that the Waco zoo was as good as it was," Leach said. "I actually thought it was much cleaner and better maintained than some of the

bigger city zoos that I have been to."

The zoo is located at 1701 N. 4th St. It currently boasts a Brazos River Country Exhibit, taking visitors through exhibits showing off each part of Texas that the Brazos River runs through and the wildlife living there. Giraffes, lions and rhinoceroses also make their home in the zoo.

## Practically Picasso

For jittery first daters wanting to go somewhere unique or students just looking for a change of pace, this paint-your-own-pottery shop nestled in a shopping center at Waco and Valley Mills drives is a perfect fit. Customers can come in, select pottery and create a design with help from a professional artist on staff. Customers have the option to make stained glass and pottery as well.

"We're not your normal entertainment venue, and I think that makes us special," Sammie Fadal, owner of Practically Picasso, said. "It's a great place for dates. I see so many people on their first or second date with a person, probably because this actually gives them something to talk and laugh about. You don't have to be an artist to enjoy this."

## Dr Pepper Museum

The Dr Pepper Museum boasts an operational turn-of-the-century soda fountain. There is a life-size animatronic version of the inventor of Dr Pepper, Dr. Charles Alderton. There is also an exhibit about the bottling company and an exhibit about the evolution of advertising in the soft drink industry.

"They have an adorable little soda shop where you can get original Dr Pepper floats and all kinds of ice cream," Katy junior Whitney Tharpe said.

## Texas Ranger Museum

Another well-known museum in Waco is within walking distance for students (located at University Parks Drive and Interstate 35). Voted *True West* magazine's No. 1 Texas museum in 2003, the Texas Ranger museum houses an extensive collection of artifacts throughout the



Dr Pepper containers line the walls inside the Dr Pepper Museum located in downtown Waco. The museum is just one of the many things for students to do to take a break from studying. The museum also houses several exhibits on the history of the soda, as well as Waco.

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Texas Rangers' history. The one of most particular interest to viewers is the exhibit on Bonnie and Clyde. There is also a gallery of case studies from Texas Ranger law enforcement investigations.

## Waco Hippodrome

It's not Broadway, but Baylor students can pretend for a night with this nearly century-old theater's latest series, *Broadway and Beyond*. Five Broadway shows will be presented to the Waco public between October and March.

Additional shows not part of this series, including *Rent*, also will be performed between November and May. The Waco Hippodrome, which opened its doors in 1914, has received the designation of Recorded Texas Historical Landmark.

## Spirit of the Brazos

At 7:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, students can take a trip on the paddle boat down the Brazos River. Dinner is provided on Friday and Saturday cruises for \$30 a plate, but during the week, prices are lowered so anyone can ride, Kristal Irnegos, a hostess at the Lake Brazos Steakhouse, said.

Dinner is not included with the weekday paddle boat ride. In order for students to cruise down the Brazos River, getting a group of 10 or more together is necessary. The cost is \$6 per person.

## Homestead Heritage

Just north of Waco in Elm Mott, a Christian agricultural community discovered that their lifestyle was attracting a crowd. Instead of being offended, they opted to turn their community into a tourist venue.

"People were already coming out here, so we just figured 'why not' and opened a visitor center," Robin Wilson, a resident of Homestead Heritage, said. "We welcome the people wanting to see us, so we built the visitor center to accommodate."

The people living in the community are committed to a simple, traditional lifestyle. Visitors can tour various shops, including a handmade furniture shop, a pottery shop and a blacksmith shop. There is a restored 1760s gristmill still used today. Visitors can also look around the gift shop, where everything is handmade. A deli, complete with homemade ice cream, is also available for visitors. Every Saturday, people can enjoy a horse-drawn hayride.

## The Heart of Texas Maize

What looks from a casual driver to be a typical cornfield found in any rural area is actually a giant maze. On weekday evenings beginning in October, anyone without a fear of the dark can attempt to complete the maze without any lights. During the days surrounding Halloween, the maze becomes a "haunted house." Other attractions include a corn cannon

and a hayride. "It sounds really dorky, I know," Sarah Thomas, a senior from Crowley, said. "But it's one of those crazy things that you actually remember when you graduate from college."

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- ◆ Cameron Park: University Parks and Martin Luther King drives, open daily
- ◆ Cameron Park Zoo: 1701 North 4th St., 750-8400, open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday
- ◆ Practically Picasso: 4310 West Waco Drive, 776-2200, open noon-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday, noon-6 p.m. Sunday
- ◆ Dr Pepper Museum: 300 S. 5th St., 757-1025, open 10 a.m.-4:15 p.m. Monday-Saturday, noon-4:15 p.m. Sunday
- ◆ Texas Ranger Museum: 100 Texas Ranger Trail, exit 335B, Interstate 35 at University Parks Drive, 750-8631, open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Sunday
- ◆ Waco Hippodrome: 724 Austin Ave., 752-9797
- ◆ Spirit of the Brazos: 1620 North Lake Brazos, 755-7797
- ◆ Homestead Heritage: 608 Dry Creek Road, Waco, 754-9600, open 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Saturday
- ◆ The Heart of Texas Maize: 15893 County Line North, West, 826-3988, open Monday-Friday 5 p.m.-10 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Sunday 1 p.m.-6 p.m., in October

Michelle Hogan, of Waco, paints a Halloween bowl Thursday afternoon at Practically Picasso. Hogan plans to serve her candy to trick-or-treaters from her personalized dish. Behind Hogan is a vast array of pottery for guests to choose. Visitors design and create original works with the help of a professional staff member.



Kelly Moore/Lariat Staff

# BU, KSU trade faculty art for special exhibit

By Lauren Hightower  
Reporter

Bright metals, pots and statues of bronze, steel, gold and copper scattered around the room contrast with black and white plates along the wall.

The Martin Museum of Art is hosting an exhibit in its second gallery, said Karin Gilliam, the museum's director. The studio art faculty of Kansas State University has traded works of art with members of the Baylor faculty.

Baylor sent 15 artists' work to Kansas, and KSU sent work from 11 artists back, making this show both diverse and unpredictable for the museum workers.

"A one- or two-artist show becomes predictable because you know what to expect," Gilliam said. "This show is so unpredictable and unique."

The idea for a joint exhibit was created when the chairmen for the two schools' art departments met at a conference. They discussed the idea over dinner

and started making the arrangements.

Since the show involved the original work of several individuals, the pieces range from ornate pots of copper with gold leaf lining the inside to a clay teapot with a bumpy surface. There are relief paintings with bits of poetry placed across the wall from a tea party scene made from Starburst wrappers and balloons.

"This was fun because we had no idea what was coming out," Gilliam said.

Bringing in art from another faculty body is not just a way to connect with other universities. It also promotes diversity in styles of art and techniques used by individual students.

"It's good to get a variation in the art presented to students," Dallas junior Shawn Denny said. "If you see the same style all the time, it can cause a stop in your personal development."

One of the goals of the exhibit is to promote the unique development of art students. "Students get used to what



Pieces created by Elliot Pujoi, Thistle (from left), Quilt and Moonglow, are displayed under spotlights in the middle of the Martin Exhibition room with other Kansas State art pieces. Baylor and Kansas State traded faculty art for the university's exhibit.

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Lariat staff

teachers do," said Carrie Wieners, a Collierville, Tenn., graduate student and museum intern. "It's nice to see something different."

The exhibit will be open until Oct. 11. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

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# Campus caters to healthy eaters

By **Orie Achonwa**  
Reporter

Wholesome campus foods result in healthful living for students. Baylor Dining Services helps complete a healthy lifestyle by providing food options to meet the recommended daily allowances.

Dining Services has taken note of the need to encourage students to make healthy meal choices and students' interest in eating more wholesome foods.

The cafeterias on campus are offering fresh produce and less processed foods as opposed to nutrient-deprived and fried foods typically served in restaurants.

"I like being able to find roasted chicken, garden salads and whole-grain cereals in our cafeterias," Houston senior Anastasia Collier said. "It makes it easier for me to maintain a balanced diet even when the semester gets hectic."

But the residence halls aren't doing this all alone.

"Aramark, Baylor's food service supplier, took a new direction to meet

the challenge of increasing the consumption of healthful foods," said Randy Sullivan, production manager of Penland Residence Hall cafeteria.

Dining Services provides a variety of foods that have low sodium, fat and calories, and foods that are heart-healthy.

It also has updated their preparation methods to baking, broiling and steaming in order to preserve the natural nutrients and minerals in foods.

Some of the new steps to provide more healthy eating options include adding extra ingredients to increase the nutritional value of foods, Sullivan said.

"We give the students the option of adding ingredients like oats, honey, poppyseed or Italian herbs as a way to enhance the value of the bread they're eating," Sullivan said.

"Dining Services does a good job of accommodating the different eating styles of students by coming up with new ideas for foods to serve," Harker Heights senior Charlene Copeland said. "They do recognize that some students are health-conscious, and they always offer a good variety

of foods to support our efforts to eat healthy."

Sullivan said Dining Services gather ideas for new menu items from Aramark's eight-step health program, as well as various recipes that fit in with its goals.

Items are chosen based on the popularity among students.

Dining Services also meets with parents to discuss eating plans for students with special diets.

It then educates students on harmful ingredients so they will be aware of what to avoid when they visit the cafeteria for their meals.

"Our mission is to support students to maintain good eating habits and help to foster a positive college experience any way that we can," Sullivan said. "We store special foods for students in the freezer. In the past we kept a supply of soy milk for a student and even made soy pancakes for her because that is what she wanted."

While students can still find junk foods around campus, they can count on Baylor Dining Services to find an abundant selection of wholesome foods.



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Austen Baldrige, a Spring freshman, loads up at Penland's steak and shrimp night Wednesday evening. Baylor Dining Services is working to cater its menu to students' heart-healthy needs by offering wholesome recipes. It also is educating students on the dangers of harmful ingredients and how to avoid them.

The feared Freshman 15 affects campuses nationwide. The idea is that freshman gain 15 pounds during their first year and has been attributed to stress, numerous extracurricular commitments and lack of food quality. Baylor Dining Services currently are working to improve its menu, and the Student Life Center offers several options for a great workout.



Photo illustration by Henry Chan/Lariat staff

# Students brush off Freshman 15 myth

By **Erin Pedigo**  
Reporter

The Freshman 15 is a topic that keeps popping up at colleges, but it seems to be something students aren't concerned about at Baylor.

Some students didn't seem worried about gaining the extra weight the common eating curse brings on.

Shreveport, La., freshman Meredith Smith said she heard a lot about the mythic 15 pounds, but her sister Morgan, a senior, gained the weight fall semester of her freshman year and lost it over the Christmas holidays that same year.

"I exercise pretty much every day," Smith said.

As an athlete in high school, Smith played tennis, soccer, and was a cheerleader.

Brooklyn Sandvall, an Arlington freshman, said she didn't worry about the Freshman 15 and that she doesn't read magazines because she thinks they could distort body image.

"I never really diet," she said.

Women aren't the only ones who have heard about the Freshman 15.

Plano freshman Adam Weaver said he

and his friends sometimes eat in Collins Residence Hall to counter the food in Penland Residence Hall, which they said is "greasier."

Weaver said he came to Baylor a steady weight but actually lost six pounds.

He said a lot of the women, as well as the men, had heard about the Freshman 15 and took it into consideration.

"A lot of girls were like, 'I'm going to work out daily.' Guys who are out of shape are working out more," Weaver said.

Weaver said he never ate when he was stressed before college, something that is talked about in relation to weight gain.

A reason students are unconcerned with the weight gain may be the food quality.

Tammie Walters, office manager for Collins Residence Hall cafeteria, said that in seven years of work she had students telling her, and the rest of the staff, that Collins had the best campus food.

It tries to serve healthy meals, she said.

Student requests have helped them tailor the selection over the years. There is more vegetarian food now, and the puddings are low-fat.

Rusty Kearns, food service director, said while some campus cafeterias fry more food

than others, Collins focuses on providing healthy food.

Another reason students aren't worried is the fact that the Student Life Center is free to use, said Charlotte Brooks.

Brooks, a New Braunfels junior, works with students on nutrition and exercise as a nutrition educator.

For students wanting a workout, the Student Life Center offers many options: a pool, a track, Bearobics and Turbokick classes, as well as the Bear Trail.

Brooks and other nutrition educators put on a Wellness Seminar Sept. 14 at the Student Life Center. The seminar, "Beat the Freshman 15," was poorly attended, with fewer than 10 students there.

Brooks, who put together part of the PowerPoint used there, said the students did have a lot of questions.

Some topics were portion sizes, meeting nutrition goals and healthy snacks.

The name Freshman 15 came from a general idea that college students would likely gain 15 pounds, if they did gain any, because 15 is a number that is reached fairly quickly.

"It could have been the Freshman 50," she said.

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