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Celebration ends with high hopes

Baptists return from conference, reflect on impact

By Claire St. Amant City editor

After three days of worship, prayer and discussion in Atlanta, 15,000 Baptists have returned home to their churches and businesses with one question hanging in the air: Will it make a difference?

Julie Pennington-Russell, pastor of First Baptist Church in Decatur, Ga., called the New Baptist Covenant "inspiring."

"I'm not sure I can go back to the same old Baptist meeting," she said.

Pennington-Russell, who previously pastored Calvary Baptist Church in Waco, spoke Thursday night on "Respecting Diversity." She said she hopes attendees will get together more often and likened the

"North-American Baptist reunion."

"There's just something about having people from different racial and geographical backgrounds that adds a richness to the experience," she said.

While "the world is used to seeing the same 'tribe' of people gathered together," she said this

gathering offerred a "compelling witness about the love of Christ" for all people.

Although some criticized the covenant for including so many groups, claiming that the



Rev. Cal H.P. Merrell of Atlanta, Ga., reacts during a sermon Friday during the last session of the New Baptist Covenant Meeting in Atlanta.

joint gathering would diminish important distinctions, Pennington-Russell said she believes it is possible to come together without losing one's

"I would agree that there are

that we celebrate and are important to preserve, but in some ways I feel like we've focused on our differences for too long," she said. "We can't go into this thinking we will solve all the problems (of division). We need to go into it with the purpose o f seeing

what God can create when we let down barriers."

Dr. Diana Garland, dean of the School of Social Work, said the celebration "wasn't about trying to get a group of people to agree on everything," but rather seeing how they could "work together on this great calling we've been given.

"I appreciated the focus of what Baptists should be involved with in the world," she

Jimmy Allen, program chair for the covenant, said he believes the impact of the covenant is still unfolding.

"At the beginning of this, we told you: we're going to find out if this is a moment or a movement," Allen said Friday at a press conference. "We found out. We're moving on."

While unity was the official theme of the covenant, collaboration followed close behind. William Underwood, president of Mercer University and co-organizer of the event, said what he hoped most to get out of the week was collaboration among different Baptist groups. He cited a tentative partnership between Mercer University School of Medicine and the Lott



Former President Bill Clinton speaks Friday during the final session of the New Baptist Covenant Meeting in

Carey Foreign Missions Convention to work in Zimbabwe. This idea sprang out of a conversation at the covenant.

"It's a little thing, but think what would happen if that were repeated over and over again," Underwood said.

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Fall hazing, honor code violations reported

By Christina Kruse

There were two hazing cases and 48 honor code violations reported for the Fall 2007 semester, according to the report released on Monday from the office of Judicial Affairs and the office of Academic Integrity.

Zeta Phi Beta and Alpha Tau Omega were the organizations disciplined for hazing.

The Texas Education Code requires the university to publish a list of student organizations disciplined for hazing from the three preceding academic years, as well as a summary of the Texas Hazing Law found in the Texas Education Code.

The definition of hazing is "any intentional, knowing or reckless act, occurring on or off campus of an educational institution directed against a student, that endangers the mental or physical safety for the purpose of pledging or maintaining membership in an organization," according to the hazing

Hazing practices include but are not limited to sleep deprivation, physical beating and humiliation, according to the hazing

There were nine hazing cases reported in the past three years: two in Spring 2005, five in Spring 2006, and the two in Fall 2007.

Since the Honor Code was revised in January 2007, 88 violations have been reported. "Our goal is to educate students on the Honor Code," Linda Cates, Director of the

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Boerne sophomore center Josh Lomers trains Thursday with associate strength and conditioning coach Charlie Melton in the Ferrall Center's training facility. Melton works with the men's basketball team to enhance performance through strength training and conditioning

Strength and conditioning coach works with Bear behind the scenes

By Brian Bateman Sports writer

It doesn't take an experienced college football historian to recognize the head coach. On the court, he's the suit-donning, clipboard-waving man swinging his pastel tie while he screams at the referees for missing a foul.

But it does take an informed inquiry to find the coaches behind the coach.

Meet Charlie Melton, Baylor's associate strength and conditioning coach for men's basketball. A University of Memphis graduate, he spent four years at Florida State University before joining the Bears in 2005. Wearing Baylor-contracted Adidas cross trainers, a white, Baylor longsleeve T-shirt and athletic shorts, his appearance

off the finished product, Melton works the grit "I love it. I got a great job, I get free clothes and

sharply contrasts with that of men's basketball

head coach Scott Drew. But while Drew shows

free food and a place to train," he said. But his job is far more than just enlarging ath-

letes' muscles and endurance. "To boil it down, it's performance enhancement," Melton said. "A lot of times people's connotations are that it's just about getting bigger muscles, but a lot of times people are strong

That is far from all the strength and conditioning staff does. From funnelling food, figuring out physics and creating leadership, the staff has turned their knowledge and experience into a highly evolved program.

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Downtown development estimated at \$1 billion

By Victoria Mgbemena Staff writer

The City of Waco plans to launch a large development project in the downtown district this fall. The Waco Chamber of Commerce is heading up initiatives to reach a goal that entails spending \$1 billion of private investor money on development in downtown Waco and along the Brazos River Corridor. The additions to the downtown district will include shopping centers and off-campus housing.

"This will most likely represent the single largest redevelopment initiative in the history of Waco," said Chris McGowan, director of Urban Development for the Waco Chamber of Commerce.

One of the Urban Development department's main goals is to promote the development of additional higher housing downtown."

in its architectural, engi-

neering and planning stages, as construction is projected to start in March. The entirety of the \$1 billion project will span a period of about ten years.

The Town Square Development is at the center of current plans for Downtown Waco. The \$60-plus



An architects rendition of a proposed Interstate-35 Bridge. The bridge is a possible development being discussed by The redevelopment is the Waco Chamber of Commerce.

million project will result in two city blocks of new and used development and will include a 350room private residence for univer-

sity students. The Urban Development staff is

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Spring enrollment increases

By Anita Pere Staff writer

Efforts to improve student retention rates continue to bear fruit.

The Office of Institutional Research and Testing released enrollment statistics Monday for the spring semester. According to the data, which are collected from figures on the 12th day of classes each semester, student enrollment this spring trumps the enrollment of last spring by 120 students. Spring registration, when compared with enrollment from the previous spring,

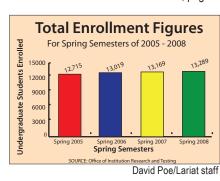
has grown since 2005. This semester, the university has 13,289 students - 11,103 undergraduates; 1,224 graduate students; 387 law school students, with an extra one enrolled in graduate classes; 378 semi-

nary students; 191 students at the U.S.

Army Academy of Health Sciences in San Antonio; and five studying at the Brooke Army Medical Center/West Point.

The U.S. Army Academy of Health Sciences and the Brooke Army Medical Center both work in conjunction with Baylor. Both schools participate in joint

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NFL right to crack down on illicit church parties

Thankfully, the NFL has flexed its muscles and cracked down on what has been an increasingly large number of rogue churches willing to flaunt the NFL's copyright laws by holding Super Bowl parties showing the

game on illegal-size screens.

Perhaps upset with the success of known Christian, Coach Tony Dungy of the eventual Super Bowl Champions Indianapolis Colts, the NFL notified the Fall Creek Baptist Church in Indianapolis prior to last year's game that it should not show the Super Bowl on the big screen in its sanctuary.

It is unknown if similar crackdowns occurred in the Colts' Super Bowl opponent Chicago, due to Bears Coach Lovie Smith also vocalizing his faith.

The NFL defends its policy,

noting that it has made every effort to hypnotize all NFL fans to be able to recite its copyright laws in their respective sleeps by the time they reach 12 years or the age of accountability: "This telecast is copyrighted by the NFL for the private use of our audience. Any other use of this telecast or any pictures, descriptions, or accounts of the game without the NFL's consent is



prohibited.'

The issue seems to be in interpreting the two phrases, "private use" and "NFL's consent." The NFL interprets private use to mean that showing the game on screens larger than 55 inches is forbidden, unless shown in bars, which are exempt from the rule.

To be fair, the NFL has consented that if churches make Super Bowl anchor sponsor Bud Light available, it may use screens not to exceed six feet measured diagonally. Exemptions for wider screens may be obtained if Doritos are also offered in requisite quantities.

Churches holding Super Bowl parties in bars are, of course, entirely exempt from the NFL policy. If you think no church would ever do this, then you should check out the Presbyterians at www.gracechicago.com who held their 2008 SB party at the Goose Island Brew Pub.

The NFL justifies its 55-inch policy on the basis that the use of big screens shown outside of homes shrinks TV ratings and subsequent ad revenue. We can see this by examining the growth rate of Super Bowl ad rates, which shows an alarmingly slow increase of only 225% in the past

The NFL notes that having churches meeting to watch the game together reduces TV ratings, since so many are watching on the same unit. This may be the one area where the NFL's position is weak, in that Nielson supplies a supplementary TV rat-

ing accounting for multiple viewership. Surprisingly, this shows essentially the same alarming growth pattern as the ad rates.

In sum, it looks like the NFL is doing the right thing after pinpointing the cause of their financial struggles.

Heaven forbid that the NFL should grant its consent to allow churches to be exempt alongside bars, which have done so much for the sake of our nation, our economy, our goodwill and the

Dr. Kirk Wakefield is chairman of the marketing department in the Hankamer School of Business.

Editorial

Tuesday chance to be involved

Political activists, grab your ballots er, straws

Today is Student Senate's first-ever straw poll, where students can vote for their presidential candidate using (you guessed it) straws.

The poll will be held on Fountain Mall and results will be announced

In an effort to encourage students to become more politically aware, Student Senate planned the poll to coincide with the so-called "Super Tuesday." Twenty-four states are holding caucuses or primaries today, and the outcome will help determine which candidate each party will nominate in the election.

Texas won't hold a primary for another month, but you shouldn't turn off your television just yet. Primaries are an important, if sometimes underrated, part of the electoral process.

Texans should be watching to see what other states are saying and to see how their candidate reacts to the "Super Tuesday" pressure.

The worst thing any of us can do is to do nothing at all. Living in a democracy is a privilege we all enjoy, but it comes with certain obligations. Every citizen has not only a right but a duty to take part in elections.

Some students complain that one vote won't make much of a difference or that it's too much trouble to register to vote, especially if you're from out

That's ridiculous, and just feeds the erroneous conception that America's youth are spoiled and apathetic.



Every year politicians start talking about the promised "youth vote," but so far, not much of one has shown up, though trends indicate that this year may be different.

As students, we are the youth vote. If we're serious about wanting to make a difference in the world, we need to do it in one place where it will really count: the voting booth.

Don't like the current political climate? Stop complaining that nothing ever changes and do something about it: vote.

Think things are going pretty well? Make sure they stay that way: cast a ballot.

If you haven't already registered for orimaries, it isn't too late to register for the final election in November.

Today's straw poll may be just a dry run, but the political awareness it represents still matters.

Sure, casting actual straws is a little bit silly, but by participating in the poll, students are letting people know that they care about the election.

Student Senate has invited repre-

sentatives for each of the candidates to attend the event.

They will be available to answer questions about their candidate's platform and to let students know how they can be more involved.

Today's straw poll is a fun and light-hearted way to get started and educate yourself. Go ahead — cast a straw for the candidate of your choice. The Lariat staff will already be there.

And if anyone asks what you're doing out there on Fountain Mall, tell them you're practicing for March 4.

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Clarification

Friday's editorial "Churches should care instead of condemn" mentioned a program of the Lutheran Church of Missouri Synod called "Get Real with Yourself." The program is actually independent of the church but is a recognized service organization which operates in conjunction with the church.

Letters to the editor

Take the Lady out of Bears

Although I am a Baylor alum from 1970, one could say I have been a Baylor sports fan only since 2000. A few years later, we began regularly to attend the women's basketball games, then the men's, and now it looks like softball is going to be entered on the rotation this spring.

In thinking of the softball and women's basketball teams, I absolutely detest the term "Lady Bears." Bears are Bears, and to add the "Lady," to my mind, indicates an attempt to patronize and somewhat diminish those to whom it refers. It makes no more sense than

to refer to a men's team as the "Gentleman Bears." Why are the men's teams "Bears," but we somehow have to qualify the women's teams as "Lady"?

It always seems to me that users of that qualification want to make sure everyone distinguishes the women's teams from the "real" Bears. Well, I'm telling you that Bears are Bears, and the women are as real as they

We could break ourselves of this archaic habit. I wish we would

Barbara Sullivan Alumna, 1970

Carter's speech too flippant

It was disappointing but not surprising to see former President Jimmy Carter equate divisions over abortion to the divisions over eating food sacrificed to idols. It would appear that in his effort to distance the Covenant Baptist movement from the Southern Baptist Convention that Carter is trying to trivialize problems that are extremely important.

I suspect that the Apostle Paul would be appalled at this comparison. While we may be able to work together on projects on which everyone agrees, it is a mistake to pretend that all of our differences are just a big to-do about nothing.

Walter L. Bradley, Ph.D, P.E. Distinguished Professor of Mechanical Engineering

Museum studies good training

My daughter, Courtney, a graduate of the museum studies program at Baylor, called me from Berlin, Germany, where she is installing a show for the Guggenheim Museum, to tell me of the closing of your museum studies undergraduate pro-

We are extremely saddened by this. Courtney's excellent training at Baylor helped her get positions at the Museum of Fine Arts-Houston; the Indianapolis Museum of Art and now at the Guggenheim-NYC, and she has not needed a graduate degree to do so. Her undergraduate training at Baylor was that good!

Laurie Gearhart

NBC coverage a success

Thank you, Lariat, for sending two such talented writers to the Celebration. As an old editor (fall 1962), I am glad to see you're still emphasizing good reporting. And as one of the many Texas Baptists who joyfully attended the Celebration, I'm glad to read about it from a young adult's perspective.

Ella Wall Prichard Alumna, 1963

Lady Bears deserve support

My wife and I are season ticket holders to both the Baylor men's basketball games and to the Baylor women's basketball games. We are impressed with the young men and young women who compose those teams.

What we have noticed is the lack of student support for the women's games. The men drew 10,000 plus fans to see them play in Oklahoma. The stands at the end of each goal were filled with cheering male students in their gold and black shirts.

The women drew 7,100 plus fans to see the Texas game with a few students at the end of each goal. Both games were exciting and were decided in the last minute of each game. The lack of student support has been evident at all the women's games when compared to the men's

There may be a few exceptions but I think both programs should be fully supported by the student body. My question is: Where are all of the Baylor students who should be backing the women's performances? When Baylor has some program that is especially good, why not be a part of it?

Hornor Shelton

Alum, 1948, Baylor Law School Alum, 1949

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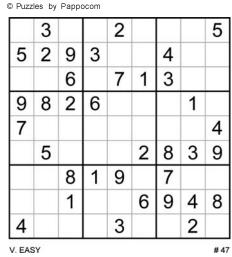
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For today's crossword and sudoku answers,

Cypress freshman Evan Weppler puts his purchases in a reusable bag at H-E-B. Whole Foods Market is planning to get rid of plastic bags in its

Whole Foods to wean off plastic

By Charly Edsitty

Whole Foods Market is telling its customers to BYOB: Bring Your Own Bag. Whole Foods announced Jan. 22 that plastic bag distribution in all 270 nationwide stores will be eliminated by Earth Day, April 22.

Whole Foods estimates that Americans will discard more than 100 billion plastic bags per year. Less than 1 percent of those bags will be recycled. The petroleum-based plastic bags are typically discarded after only one use and are quickly filling up landfills.

"More and more cities and countries are beginning to place serious restrictions on singleuse plastic shopping bags since they don't break down in our landfills, can harm nature by clogging waterways and endangering wildlife and litter our roadsides," A.C. Gallo, co-president and chief operating officer for Whole Foods Market said in a press release. "We estimate we will keep 100 million new plastic grocery bags out of our environment between Earth Day and the end of this year alone.

Whole Foods has been selling reusable bags for 99 cents in an effort to make the switch affordable. The store will still provide paper bags but will strongly encourage that they be

In addition, Whole Foods is offering a 5 to 10 cent refund, depending on the store, for every reusable bag a customer

uses at the checkout stand Whole Foods, an H-E-B chain, has a store-wide policy of placing at least six items in each plastic bag in order to reduce the amount used at checkout stands, said a manager at the 3801 N. 19th St. H-E-B.

H-E-B is involved in a local school recycling program that awards \$1 to the school per pound of plastic grocery bags collected. Enviro-bag, a trash bag brand, collects the used plastic bags and recycles them into new trash can bags that are sold to consumers in H-E-B

"I bring a reusable bag to do my grocery shopping whenever possible," Pagosa Springs, Colo. senior Daniel Patterson said. "I started to do this when I realized that single-use plastic bags are a major part of landfills, as well as being a constant source of litter. I became aware of this issue when the banning of plastic bags in a few major cities made headlines recently.'

Austin is among a list of fourteen other major U.S. cities that are considering a plastic bag ban. San Francisco and Oakland, Calif., have already enforced the ban, and New York City is in a testing phase.

"Before Whole Foods Market decided to do away with disposable plastic grocery bags at our checkouts, we ran tests in San Francisco, Toronto and Austin. Customers have overwhelmingly supported the plastic bag ban initiated by Whole Foods Market," Gallo said. "The response has been incredibly positive, and our customers are thanking us for doing this."

SunBright, a Waco-based recycling company, is responsible for sorting all of Baylor's recycled waste. They serve the city of Waco along with the nearby cities of Hewitt and Robinson, averaging close to 3,000 tons of recycled products per month. Baylor contributes 15 to 20 tons, SunBright representative David Cortes said.

He explained that any plastic product, such as bags, water bottles and cola bottles, are petroleum-based and sorted into separate grades, or categories, according to the thickness.

The problem with these plastic products is that they take up a lot of space and tend to fill landfills quickly.

"Anything that is going to fill up the landfill that can be avoided in a reasonable way, I think, is a good thing," Cortes said. With plastic bags, that's something that is used consistently every single day. If you look at how much you are using when you add all that up, that's when it starts making a difference."

If caught without a reusable bag and faced with the "paper or plastic" dilemma at the checkout stand, Cortes said he prefers

paper.
"I think if you are to pick between the two, paper is better. It is easier to recycle, it's easier to handle on the recycling end of it, and it breaks down much quicker. If you were to pick the lesser of two evils, I'd go with paper," said Cortes. "If you had the option, and are willing to take that extra step, it's more beneficial to use reusable bags."

Dorms start dating games

By Sarah Rafique

One lucky Penland Residence Hall bachelor and North Russell Residence Hall bachelorette took a break from the traditional Super Bowl halftime to enjoy the first ever Baylor "Dating Game" and hopefully score a touchdown.

During halftime of Sunday's game, Amanda Jurvis, a Woodbury, Minn., freshman, and Fort Worth freshman KC Onyekanne were picked as contestants by the residence hall directors. They each asked a series of questions to three potential dates hidden behind a wooden

The purpose of the dating game was to "have fun and enjoy camaraderie with each other in hopes of coming back next Monday to come together

and learn about the ins and outs of relationships," said Kenny Byler, assistant director of Penland Residence Hall.

Charity Joecks, assistant hall director of North Russell Residence Hall, said she hopes the dating game will pique students' interest in the Relationship Forum at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the North Russell TV lounge.

Friday, the two couples will go on separate dates involving dinner and an activity, director of North Russell Hall Shannon Dean said. The dates will be filmed, edited and shown at the relationship forum, Joecks said.

During halftime, Jurvis and Onyekanne asked a series of questions, such as "which flavor of ice cream best describes your previous relationship?" The crowd hinted at who it wanted Jurvis and Onyekanne to pick for their date. Jurvis picked Austin freshman Anthony Jacobs as her date, while Onyekanne picked Peoria, Ill., freshman Katherine Johnston.

"I thought it would be an experience, one that I can look back on and laugh at," Johnston said about applying to be a con-

Students were able to apply to be contestants earlier in the week, and were randomly picked at halftime.

"I want them to have the opportunity to engage in a dialogue about how to maintain healthy boundaries in relationships, the importance of knowing the values that you want in a future spouse," Joecks said. "And how to have God-honoring dating and marriage rela-

Onyekanne said he is excited at the thought of getting to spend time with someone new, while winner Jacobs said he was in it for the free food.

Alpha Lambda Omega Christian Sorority is having a formal interest meeting beginning

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at 5 p.m. today in the Houston Room on the third floor of the Bill Daniels Student Center. For more information, contact J_Williams@baylor.edu. **Healthy Living Dr Pepper Hour** is at 3 p.m. today in the

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The history department will hold a lecture by Dr. Waldo

Martin from the University of

California, Berkeley at 3:30

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for Me." The lecture is in honor

of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

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Barfield Drawing Room of the Bill Daniel Student Center. Come get advice about nutrition, positive body image, and healthy living. The first 25 students will receive a free

The American Medical Student Association will meet at 7:30 p.m. today in the Baylor Sciences Building, B110. Anyone interested in pursuing a career in medicine is welcome. For additional information contact members@amsabu.com.

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Law school loses loved professor

By Lee Ann Marcel Reporter

Edwin P. Horner, emeritus professor of law, died Friday at his home in Waco. He was 92.

Linda Lampert, faculty office manager for the Baylor Law School said Horner always had students in mind.

"Ed had a fabled knack for remembering not only the names of his students, but also their hometowns and some interesting piece of information about their background and experiences," said Baylor Law dean Brad Toben. "He was a completely humble and unassuming man who was an icon within the Baylor Law community. Ed loved everyone, and everyone loved Ed. Horner dropped by the Baylor

Law School on a daily basis and maintained his office even after he had retired.

Lampert said Horner was

proud of his family and would often show off his grandchildren to fellow faculty members.

After his daily visit to the law school, Horner would dine with his wife, Arden, at the Wesley Woods Alzheimer's Care Center.

Horner became a professor of the Baylor Law School in 1948 and taught until 1960. He taught at the Baylor Law School for nearly seven decades and taught full-time for 37 years.

'We have lost a consummate gentleman who had a loving heart for all," Toben said. "Ed was devoted to the art and craft of teaching, which he regarded as the highest calling of a faculty member. He enjoyed nothing more than studying and discussing the law, especially oil and gas law and contracts, with all who shared his interest and passion for learning."

Horner served as an assistant attorney general of Texas in Force for four years during World War II until he

He also served in the Air

was discharged as a first lieutenant. He was

the co-editor of the Oil and Gas Reporter and more than 600 articles. In 1968, he rejoined the Baylor

Law School and taught until he retired in 1985. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Wilkirson-Hatch-Bailey Funeral Home. Funeral

Wednesday at Lakewood Christian Church, Horner is survived by his wife, Arden, and children, Suzy, Roberts and Claudia

services will be at 3 p.m. on

710-6357 Sports

Lilley: 2012 endowment goal may be too small

By Anita Pere Staff writer

An update of the progress of Baylor 2012 initiatives was released last month, showing both encouraging successes and room for improvement.

Larry Lyon, Baylor Graduate School dean and Vice Provost for Institutional Effectiveness, cited three areas of great strides in 2012 goals - increased selectivity of applicants, higher SAT scores of incoming students and more scholarly publications by faculty members. Attaining top-tier status, an

endowment of \$2 billion and

campus are imperatives proving more difficult to achieve, Lyon While Brooks Village opened

50 percent of students living on

last fall and made living on campus more attractive, Lyon said growth in this area may stagnate with no new residential hall plans slated. The university is faced with

prioritizing," making tough decisions about which building projects to invest in, President lohn Lillev said.

Currently, university officials are discussing a new student union building or a renovation of the Bill Daniel Student Center,

or building a new residential hall. Administrators are weighing these options, as it wouldn't be possible to complete all of these endeavors before 2012, Lilley said. The imperative of reaching a

renovations to residential halls

\$2 billion endowment presents another amount. Lilley thinks \$2 billion won't suffice. "Frankly, that won't be

enough. It's the endowment per student that matters," Lilley said. He said the current endowment is about \$3,500 per student, while deep-pocketed Rice University has an endowment of about \$38,000 per student.

\$4.5 billion, which would mean approximately \$16,000 per student, would be more appropri-Even when we meet that \$2"

billion goal, that's still not going to allow us to move away from a tuition-based budget. We need to have more than \$2 billion so we can have more endowed scholarships," Lyon said.

Lilley said administrators are working "quietly behind the scenes on a major fundraising campaign.

Baylor's endowment stood at \$1,055,478,000 as of Dec. 31,

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Drew: Rebounds crucial for Tech win

By Will Parchman Sports editor

With all the roadblocks the Baylor men's basketball team has faced over the past few years, junior forward Kevin Rogers admitted that the Bears' current two-game losing streak is low on the list of toughest adversities faced.

But in context, getting over the team's first two-game skid of the year and winning Wednesday at the Ferrell Center against Texas Tech University has become the biggest hurdle of the season.

And a possible NCAA Tournament bid hangs in the bal-

"Going through half a season and being on so many losing streaks, I think we've grown from it," said Rogers, who has been Baylor's most consistent post player this year with 13 points and eight rebounds per game. "(The losing streak) realy doesn't phase us too much because we know that the things

that we're not getting done in games, in the end, we can turn around just like that."

The Bears said improving their rebounding, especially on the offensive glass, is one of the small tweaks necessary to prepare for the 12-8 Red Raiders.

Head coach Scott Drew pointed to Baylor's inability to keep the University of Texas from making more rebounds than them as a major reason for the Bears' blown 14-point lead in Austin last weekend in a 80-72 loss. "The last two games, the

rebounding department really hurt us," said Drew, who has seen his team outrebounded by 12 over the past two games, just enough to tip the balance in two close losses. "We need to get better at challenging shots and rebounding.

Rebounding will be especially critical on Wednesday, as there are no Texas Tech players over 6-foot-8 who average more than 20 minutes per game.

Gaining an advantage there

with Baylor's athletic guards and a combination of 7-foot centers Mamadou Diene and Josh Lomers is top on Drew's list of importance.

Senior guard Aaron Bruce doesn't see the minor tweaks necessary as an insurmountable hill to climb before Wednesday night, either.

"I think we've done a reasonable job, at Texas we did a reasonable job, but when you're playing at someone else's home, you need to have a lead to fall back on," Bruce said. "When you're playing at home and you make a run, that is often the

Upsets have become the norm in the Big 12 over the last two weeks, and home court advantage has driven those battles.

After knocking off the previously undefeated and then-No. 2 University of Kansas at home, Kansas State University turned around and lost to a University of Missouri team on Saturday with five suspended players, including star guard Stefhon

Not surprisingly, Missouri had the home court advantage.

In a league as parity-driven as the Big 12, Drew allowed that holding serve at the Ferrell Center is pivotal toward being conference champions and earning post-season bids.

"Home games are the most important," said Drew, who has coached Baylor to a 9-2 record at home this year. "They are must (win) games if you want to compete for the Big 12 and a championship and the upper echelon of the division. We have got to take care of home court advantage. We've been good so far this year. Hopefully that continues and hopefully the crowd keeps giving us the support that

That crowd, which is currently showing up at a clip of 8,281 people per home game during Big 12 contests, is the highest average attendance for Baylor's three opening Big 12 games in the Ferrell Center's 20-year his-



Austin junior Curtis Jerrells brings the ball up the court in Saturday's game against the University of Texas. Despite leading by 14 points in the first half,

Lady Bears' win ends in serious injury for Player, but team rallies around her

By Justin Baer Sports writer

The No. 5 Lady Bears (20-1, 8-0) took sole possession of first place in the Big 12 Conference, defeating No. 18 Kansas State University Saturday in Manhattan, Kan. But the price head coach Kim Mulkey's team had to pay for the 63-49 victory was monumental.

Junior guard Jhasmin Player suffered a tear in her anterior cruciate ligament and sprained her medial collateral ligament on a fast-break lay up in Saturday's game against the Wildcats.

Consequently, the Bay City native's season has abruptly ended and the nightmare of Baylor losing one of its star players has turned into an oppres-

'The Jhasmin news is not something any coach looks forward to or any athlete looks forward to," Mulkey said. "But we look at the positive side of it. Jhasmin played 21 basketball games and was a huge part of

what we have done this year. There's always a bright side to the darkest moment.'

Entering the season, Baylor's lack of depth was evident by its 10-player roster. Eight players are averaging more than 10 minutes per game, but out of those eight, only three are guards, including freshmen Melissa Jones and Kelli Griffin.

To make matters worse, Player's injury comes right before the Lady Bears travel to Stillwater, Okla., to take on Oklahoma State University.

Player's defense, which helped place her on the All-Big 12 Defensive Team last season, will be greatly missed, especially against Andrea Riley, one of the top guards in the conference. Riley is leading the Big 12 Conference with 23.2 points per game, including a 45-point outing against the University of Oklahoma on Jan. 12.

But as Mulkey said, if the Lady Bears have already exceeded expectations in the first half of conference play, why let an injury be the cause for setback in what has been a successful season so far? "We've got the tears behind

us now," the eighth-year head coach said. "Things in life happen for a reason, and while we don't see it at the moment and we're down and dejected, this basketball team is not going to skip a beat. When and if we lose a game, it won't be because Jhasmin got hurt. We will miss her, no doubt about it.

"But Jhasmin has set the example for all the younger players on how to play, how to work and what you have to do to succeed at this level. She has been a great ambassador for Kelli Griffin and Melissa Jones."

Fortunately for the Lady Bears, Jones' play mimics that of Player's. A hustler, a grinder and a leader, Jones is averaging 21 minutes per game while she has posted 5.3 points and 5.1 rebounds per game.

"I could have gone out of game two games into the season and (Melissa) would have been thrown out into the fire," Player said. "Melissa is battle tested and she is playing with some juniors and seniors who will hopefully set an example for her. She will do go out there and do great."

Jones was the 2007 Gatorade's Colorado Girls' Basketball Player of the Year and was ranked seventh in the nation in the 2007 recruiting class by

And as Mulkey said, even though Jones is a Íreshman, the Thornton, Colo., native plays well beyond her years.

Now Jones will be asked to do something most rookies aren't asked to do: come in and keep things running smoothly for a team that is off to its best conference start in program history.

Mulkey seems confident for the guard's senior season.

There's no doubt that she will be back; there is no doubt that she will be the same player she is today," Mulkey said. "She is tough and has unbelievable work ethic. That in itself is the battle of rehabilitation."

Kansas State forward Ashley Sweat (4) tries to shoot over Baylor center Dan-

ielle Wilson (11) during the first half of their college basketball game in Manhat-

tan, Kan., Sàturday, Feb. 2, 2008. Baylor beat Kansas State 63-49.

ahead of the curve in evervthing. It's kind of trickled down into the college ranks," Drew said. "That extra inch or that extra pound of muscle makes the difference between winning and losing games."

Although not in the top facilities in the nation, Baylor isn't too far behind. The 7,500 squarefoot Gray's Gym is specifically designed for basketball players, with weight machines and gear built for seven-foot athletes.

Despite its bland name, it's filled with color-coded weights, flat-screen televisions and player-selected music playing on the public address system.

But the bright colors don't hide the true purpose of the program.

STRENGTH from page 1 The No. 1 concern is injury prevention. The strongest, fastest guy can't help his team when "Usually the NBA is always he's on the sideline," Melton The longer (the players) get to

Associated Press

No one has had more time on injured reserve than Yeumbeul, Senegal, junior center Mamadou

Since 2004, he has battled malaria, a foot fracture and injuries to his knees and ankles.

"The concern there is how to heal that injury and get back to practice so that there is no downtime," Melton said. "Instead of having him run up and down the court, we had him doing ellipticals and throwing medicine balls for 60 or 70 reps at a time.'

With an elevated heart rate from the exercises, he was able to return unwinded several weeks faster than any other method could provide, Melton said.

But Diene, like all other athletes, had to be patient.

"Like anything, it takes time. work with (Melton) the better it gets," Drew said.

Diene enrolled at Baylor weighing 215 pounds, a toothpick for a 7-foot, 18-year-old.

At the beginning of this season, he had swollen to 260 pounds. Austin walk-on senior forward Mark Shepherd had a similar experience.

'Freshman year I was 195 pounds, now I'm up to 220," he

While Strength and Conditioning shares many aspects with traditional trainers, Melton's title as "associate coach" is no misnomer. Nutritional concerns, leadership and even physics are part of his work.

"It's straight nerd stuff, is what it is," Melton said.

Charts and graphs cover his board, showing rate-of-force developments in red and black dry-erase marker ink.

'You can train heavy and slow or light and fast," he said. "We just try to apply that stuff

With that plan, Melton sets plans for each athlete. Take Boerne center Josh Lomers, who could squat his 265-pound frame without much effort. However, improper lifting led to a recurring rotator cuff injury.

"So how do you get him stronger without hurting him?" Melton said. "As big and strong as Josh is, his shoulders hurt when he does some of the classic lifts. Instead of lifting 200 pounds, we had him do rotator cuff exercises with seven

Besides gaining weight, managing the players' meals is

another priority for Melton. "You obviously have to put

the right fuel in the body to train right," Shepherd said.

Every week, Melton trims restaurant menus to acceptable standards, cutting grease and leaving fiber. In their weekend trip to Austin, he had to mediate between Texas, Land and Cattle and health standards - a tough battle for anyone. But Melton sees his work in a broader light.

"A strength coach is generally a role-player guy. You're the military rough-and-tough guy," he said.

In the past two years, he's had chances to show his character. When his father died last summer, he had to battle through his grief and will to slack, he said. But he went back and the team responded. Several months later, he blew out his knee throwing a

"The next morning I come into the weight room and I couldn't walk straight," Melton said. "The past few months it's been a challenge not to show these guys that I can lift all this weight, but hey, I can come back

from injury.'

That distinction was not lost on the Bears, who used their learned endurance to survive a five-overtime ordeal with the Texas A&M University Aggies.

"A lot of people try to give me credit for that. But once I turn them over to coach Drew after the summer, it's all about how they play," Melton said.

The game lasted 65 minutes - a virtual game and a half.

"Without the importance of the strength coach, a five-overtime victory doesn't happen," Drew said. "We have an excellent strength coach in Charlie Melton.'

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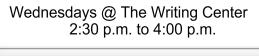
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Students use arts to pay homage to heritage for Black History Month

By Emily Monti Reporter

In celebration of Black History Month, the third annual Tribute to the Black Arts will be held at 7 p.m. today at the Seasons Cafe, located in the North Village Residential Community

This display of performance and art is being put on by the Association of Black Students at

"Our event kicks off Black History Month with poetry, singing, dancing and art by Baylor students," said Killeen sophomore Angela Robinson.

Robinson, treasurer for the association, is in charge of coordinating the event.

Baytown junior Charlye Nichols will perform for the first time at the event and said she is extremely excited about it.

"Tribute to the Black Arts is an inspirational event and means a lot to me because fine arts are such a big part of the African-American culture, and in many ways helped pave the way for the black community,"

Nichols said she will perform because she is passionate about singing because it means something to her culture and

In addition to singing, there will be performances on the piano and harp. There will also be an art exhibit showcasing pieces done by Baylor students.

"I think this is a great way for the Baylor community to come out and support their fellow students and learn about a different culture," Canyon junior Ashley Sackinger said.

The Association of Black Students has been active on the Baylor campus for the past 25 years.

Robinson said the organization's main goal is to promote unity, not only within their race, but across the Baylor campus and Waco community.

"The Association of Black Students is really about engaging Baylor students, whether it's through discussions, events or community service," said Dallas junior Aleana Peoples, vice president of the Association of



Student artwork, like the painting above from last year's show, will be displayed tonight at the Tribute to the Black Arts at 7 p.m. today in the Seasons Cafe.

Black Students. "We encourage all members of the Association of Black Students and Baylor students to showcase their tal-

ents at our different events." Robinson said the event is open to anyone to come and participate in the celebration of

"It will be a fun time for all ages and ethnic backgrounds," Robinson said





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'Sleep Through the Static' sinks deep with lyrics, surf sound

By Lee Ann Marcel

For Jack Johnson fans, the wait has been too long, but it's

finallv over. Johnson's Sleep Through the Static will be released in stores

ALBUMREVIEW

Most of us are familiar with the relaxed tunes of Johnson, the singer and surfer, who has released three previous albums: Brushfire Fairytales, On & On

and In Between Dreams. He brought us the catchy singles "Banana Pancakes" and

Sleep Through the Static includes Johnson's new single

"If I Had Eyes" and 13 other

Upon first receiving the album, I hurriedly shoved it into my CD player and cranked the

volume up in my car. But rather than being greeted by the happy beats Johnson typically begins his albums with, it was instead the solemn and honest track "All at Once."

But after such a serious song, Johnson picks up the beat with 'Sleep Through the Static."

Though the beat may fool you into thinking the song is carefree, Johnson's lyrics confess a deeper problem of war and

And when I listened to "Angel" I could almost picture Johnson strumming his guitar softly while singing to his wife.

great talent of Zach Gill, the new piano player. The song is definitely one that I now listen to as I make my

"If I Had Eyes" showcases the

way across campus to class. Gill, who was originally invited to join the world tour. was recently officially added to **Standout Tracks:**

"They Do, They Don't," "If I Had Eyes"

"Go On" also has a new and different sound than most of Iohnson's previous songs, as the piano adds a little something extra in the background.

"Adrift" truly lives up to its title as the song slowly moves along in its beat, while "They Do, They Don't" has a slight jazzy piano sound in the background, as well as the more rough guitar

Johnson stays true to his surfing roots with relaxed beats, but his newest album doesn't sound a great deal different from his Upon first listen, the tracks

But upon another listen, I

sound really familiar, maybe even a bit too familiar.

began to notice smaller details, such as different instruments like harmonicas and jazzy piano There are some great new

songs, but they are scattered through a few of the familiar Johnson has definitely

matured lyrically. As always, there are allusions

to the ocean through titles such as, "Monsoon" and "Adrift."

But rather than making cutesy little rhymes, the album reflects more on deeper aspects such as war and love

Sleep Through the Static was recorded on analog tape machines powered on Solar Energy with the help of the warm Hawaii and Los Angeles

Johnson has also contributed his music to movie soundtracks such as Curious George and has even directed the surf films September Sessions and Thicker Than

"Some of the songs on this album are about making babies," Johnson said in a press release about Sleep Through the Static. "Some of the songs are about raising them. Some of the songs are about the world these children will grow up in; a world of war and love, and hate, and time and space."

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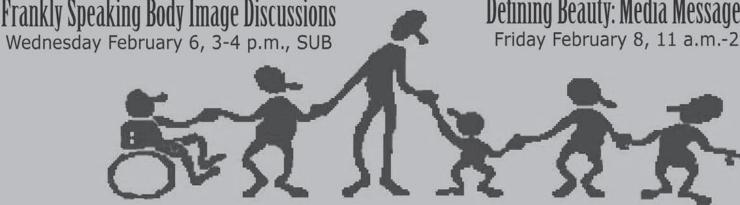
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Texas Tech coach Bob Knight, left, is congratulated by his son Pat Knight following his team's Jan. 1, 2007, game against New Mexico in Lubbock. Tech beat New Mexico 70-68, giving Knight his 880th career win, to break the Division I men's basketball record he shared with former North Carolina coach Dean Smith.

Texas Tech coach Knight has resigned

By Betzy Blaney The Associated Press

LUBBOCK - Bob Knight, known as much for his fiery temper as his basketball brilliance, resigned Monday at Texas Tech, handing the team over to his son.

It was a stunning midseason move by the winningest men's coach in major college basketball, who gave no hint a change was coming. Pat Knight, a Red Raiders assistant, was appointed his father's successor in

"There's a transition that's going to take place here from me to Pat and I've dwelt on this all year long ... how it would be best for him and for the team and for what we can do in the long run to make this the best thing for Texas Tech," Knight told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, which first reported the resignation.

The 67-year-old Knight informed Texas Tech athletic director Gerald Myers of his decision in a meeting around noon Monday, Texas Tech chancellor Kent Hance told The Associated Press. Knight then called Hance and told him.

"He's ready," Pat Knight said during his weekly radio show. "He's tired."

Hance said: "I think Bob is through with coaching. I think he got to the point where it

"He thought about it Sunday all day and talked to his wife and decided 'This is something I want to do."

Knight told the news paper he informed the team before practice Monday.

The Red Raiders beat Oklahoma State 67-60 on Saturday, giving Knight his 902nd victory. He won national titles at Indiana in 1976, '81 and '87.

"I guess you can never be surprised at some of the things Bob does," former UCLA coach John Wooden told the AP. "I don't think there's ever been a better teacher of the game of basketball than Bob. I don't always approve of his methods,

but his players for the most part are very loyal to him. I would say that no player that ever played for him would not say he did not come out a stronger

In September, Knight signed a three-year contract extension that runs through the 2011-12

"I didn't know, I've never really known when I was going to step down from this job. As I thought about it, my first thought was at the end of this season," Knight told the Lub-bock paper. "My thinking was . the best thing for the long run for this team would be for Pat and his staff to coach these remaining 10 games."

BAPTIST from page 1

Practicality underscored topical discussions over the three-day celebration with everyone from former president Jimmy Carter to average attendees emphasizing ways to make an impact in the community. Discussions on a range of issues including poverty, global warming, immigration and criminal justice all called for individual action. Pennington-Russell said several members of her congregation were challenged

by the covenant's message "to be better stewards of the

While theological discrepancies still exist in Baptistdom, conference attendees united around causes of social justice and morality.

The purpose of the conference, former president Bill Clinton said Friday night, was "to find a journey that we might begin together."

"No one knew what it would really be like," Garland said. "But it was the most incredible gathering of Baptists I have ever been in."

SPRING from page 1

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Previous spring semesters brought an enrollment of 13,169 (2007); 13,019 (2006); and 12,715 (2005).

I.R.T. compiles a report of spring enrollment for internal purposes, according to Kathleen Morley, director of I.R.T. This report does not break down enrollment by ethnicity, but by gender only.

Extensive reports, Morley said, are compiled every fall semester and are disclosed to

the U.S. Department of Education; The Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas, Inc.; "The Princeton Review"; and "US News and World Report."

Brandon Miller, assistant vice president of student success, said he thinks these figures can be attributed to student awareness of resources.

"Research suggests that students who take advantage of all the wonderful orientation, Welcome Week and transition programs offered by the Office of New Student Programs are more likely to persist to graduation. Transition programs such

as these are intended to connect students to the Baylor community in meaningful ways," Miller said. "New first-year students and transfers who participate fully in these educational opportunities are more likely to be retained to graduation because they are aware of where to go for help and support when needed and are also better prepared to navigate the complex university system and, ultimately, to suc-

Miller cited personal reasons other than poor academic achievement as the cause for most student withdrawals.

"This could be because of health issues experienced by the student personally or by a family member, family situations back at home such as a divorce, the loss of a parent's job, a change of academic objectives, etc.," Miller

Diana Ramey, assistant vice president for enrollment management, attributed high spring enrollment figures to the strong academic profile of students at Baylor, student success resources such as the Paul L. Foster Success Center, and the commitment of faculty and staff to student success.

HAZING from page 1

Office of Academic Integrity,

Some of the Honor Code violations include cheating, plagiarizing, and failing to follow the instructions of the professor.

The consequences for a vioation may include but are not limited to a failed grade for the assignment, failure of the course, expulsion and academic probation.

There is an electronic file that has the names of students who have violated the Honor Code at least twice.

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working in conjunction with other stakeholders who have studied other development initiatives across the country to arrive at the vision for the redevelopment.

SWB Heritage Square Partners, an independent firm based in the Houston area, picked up the 17-acre mixedused development plan.

"The project will bring new upscale shopping, dining, office space and residential units that will include special amenities that target

Baylor students. Additionally, about 40 urban style loft condominiums will be available for sale as part of the project," McGowan said.

Orlando, Fla., sophomore Brittany Knott has heard about the prospective changes and believes that the growth will receive positive reactions from students.

"I think the changes will add to the demographic of people who frequent downtown," Knott said.

"It would be nice to see the some of the more popular shopping centers like the GAP alongside smaller shops

alarms, free tanning bed, pool w/ hot tub, basketball court, fitness center, billiards, sand volley ball,

like boutiques to give vari-

Baylor students accounted for more than \$340 million in revenue for McLennan County between 2005 and

Buzzard Billy's restaurant opened at its South University Parks Drive location in 1993 and has been frequented by students for food and entertainment.

As part of the Town Square Development, the restaurant has moved to a location off of Interstate-35 and the Brazos River, next to the Dock's River Front restaurant.

"Plans for the space that Buzzard Billy's previously occupied have not yet been made public," McGowan

"Baylor has been a tremendous asset to the revitalization initiative because the university provides a large potential employment and consumer base.

Knott believes the new growth will encourage students to eliminate the notions they have of Downtown Waco as being a myriad of "unused buildings and old antique shops."

McGowan said that the

Waco Chamber of Commerce plans to create jobs that will both attract people from outside of the community and encourage college students from schools in the area to invest in Waco in the long

"The Chamber's Urban Development and Economic Development staffs will continue to work in concert with other downtown stakeholders to create outstanding places for people to live, work and play," McGowan said.

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