

BAYLOR STUDENT LIFE SPOTLIGHT

Greetings Colleagues,

We hope everyone stayed warm this past week! It was a unique work week, but we made through. Here's to a warmer weekend and supposedly by Monday we might even get up to the 70s.

IMPACT

These past two weeks we had not one but two major birthdays in the Division. **On Tuesday the 24th Dr Pepper Hour turned 70 years old!** We celebrated in style in partnership with the Dr Pepper Museum who brought Dr Pepper with real cane sugar and Blue Bell ice cream for floats. "Dr Pepper Hour" started at Baylor in 1953, although back then it was actually "Coke Hour" (shh don't tell Dr Pepper). In 1997 Dr Pepper became the official soft drink of Baylor and it has been Dr Pepper Hour ever since. **On Wednesday January 31st we had our second major birthday, our beloved mascot Lady turned 21!** Due to the ice we had to reschedule her birthday party, but next time you are nearby the habitat stop and wish Lady a happy birthday!

UPDATES

Have you ever been in a situation where you were hiking, hunting, or fishing in the woods and something bad happened? **Every year Campus Recreation's Outdoor Adventure program offers a Wilderness Medicine course that helps develop the skills needed to respond in situations such as these.** At the beginning of January, we offered SOLO's 72-hour Wilderness First Responder course at Baylor's Eastland Lakes Team and Leadership Center. Training included a real-life 4 hour simulation, a field trip in partnership with TSTC to visit their emergency helicopter response team, classroom time, and daily scenarios to prepare participants for real life situations. Being ready for anything came into play recently during one of Outdoor Adventure's Fall Break trips, where a participant had a medical emergency and the trained staff were able to respond and evacuate in a safe and timely manner. **With 18 newly certified Wilderness First Responders, or lifeguards of the woods, in the Baylor, Waco, and Greater Texas, we can explore with ease of mind knowing that this team of people is ready to respond when things do not go as planned!**

Recently we announced that Dr. Rob Engblom completed his doctorate (congratulations again!). **Dr. Engblom's dissertation was on the role of residence hall directors in student spiritual development, and his topic was endorsed and featured by ACUHO-I** (the largest professional association relating to university housing). He recently hosted a webinar for ACUHO-I membership on this important topic. Thanks Dr. Engblom for sharing this important work!

COMING UP



Wednesday kicked off Black History Month and all February we'll be hosting events to celebrate and deepen our understanding of Black Americans important contributions to our country's history. Multicultural Affairs along with many other groups both at Baylor and in the Waco community will be hosting events all month. **You can find a centralized list of events [HERE](#).** Keep checking back as this list will be updated throughout the month.

Also in February, on Thursday the 16th we'll be hosting Dr. Beth Allison Barr and Dr. Kristin Kobes Du Mez as part of our featured Leadership Speaker Series. See the flyer below for more detail.

LEADERSHIP SPEAKER SERIES

*Ceilings and Mazes:
Exploring the Intersection
of Faith, Gender, and
Leadership*

*Dr. Beth Allison Barr &
Dr. Kristin Kobes Du Mez*

**FEBRUARY 16TH
6:30-7:30 PM**

**BAYLOR UNIVERSITY
FOSTER 240**

MOMENTS



Eighteen members of our Baylor family are newly minted as Wilderness First Responders. If you ever need help, you know who to call!

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