

BAYLOR STUDENT LIFE SPOTLIGHT

Dear Division Colleagues,

The semester is in full swing now and campus is again full and buzzing with energy. If you want a quick snapshot of what a student body of 20,000+ looks like, go for a stroll in the transition time between classes.

IMPACT

Lots has happened in the last two weeks! Starting with Welcome Week, leading up to the start of classes. Incoming students were placed in small groups based on where they lived, each group with 1-2 Welcome Week Leaders. For a recap of WW events click [HERE](#). After classes started NSP continued to welcome our new students with **over 200 students attending the Out of State Mixer, and approximately 60 new transfer students joined the Transfer Mixer** co-hosted with CASE.

Also occurring during welcome week was the highly successful **Celebration of Community & Faith (Church Fair) which featured 61 local churches**, and despite the heat, saw a packed-out Vera Daniel Plaza for 2 full hours.

The semester started off strong with Mosaic Week, headlined by the Mosaic Mixer. **Over 750 people showed up and a record 60 student organizations signed up to table during the event.** The event also featured The Mosaic Showcase, and this year *the first Mosaic Bear Trophy was awarded to the winners of the Showcase, Alpha Kappa Alpha Inc.* The Black Student Welcome, LatinX Night, and Mosaic Asian Night, were also well attended with an estimated 750 attendees total across the three nights.

At the end of the first week was the much-anticipated **Late Night**. The night started at the SLC featuring a dodgeball tournament, demos from our 30+ sport clubs, and activities, food, and prizes. **New this year, the second part of the night was at McLane Stadium, featuring opportunities for students to get to know our 395 student organizations**, food trucks, and a 360-video booth. BUPD reported that attendance for the evening saw **roughly 5,000 people participate**.

Another notable event from the last two weeks was the return of Dr Pepper Hour. **Roughly 1,100 attendees came to each of the first two Dr Pepper Hours this semester.**

Finally, last but certainly not least, this past weekend we officially welcomed the newest Baylor Bears, Belle and Indy to campus. **We hosted a Meet the CUBS party at the habitat on Saturday, and so many people showed up that we gave out all 500 t-shirts in less than an hour.** The event was scheduled for two hours, but there was so much excitement that guests continued to show up and engage well past 1pm.

UPDATES

To stay up to date on all that is happening, just a friendly reminder that we created a shared Divisional calendar, Student_Life_Events@baylor.edu. The calendar is public and so anyone can add it to their Outlook and view upcoming events. For more information about how to add the calendar check out the **"For Staff" page** of the [Student Life website](#). On the website we have listed instructions for PC, Mac, and Office365 Online, for how to add this calendar to your Outlook. [You can find those instructions here.](#)

We will be updating the calendar with major campus dates and events (holidays, Homecoming, etc.) as well as events that come to our attention from departments or *What's New BU* submissions. Even more helpful than that though, **YOU can add your own departmental events for others to see.** The calendar also has an e-mail Student_Life_Events@baylor.edu that you can add to calendar events (similar to inviting a person). If you invite Student_Life_Events@baylor.edu to a calendar event, we will accept the invitation and then everyone in the Division will be able to see your event. We hope to see your events on the calendar soon!

COMING UP

Labor Day weekend is **starting off strong** with [Staycation Weekend!](#) There's something to do for everyone, whether it's watching sports, **eating free food**, or taking part in fun activities like black light bowling. For a list of full events, click [HERE](#). Football season is back in full swing with our **first home football game** against Texas State.

Next week, students are in for a treat as [Howdy at the Hurd](#) celebrates the **grand opening** of the Hurd Welcome Center with food trucks, ferris wheel, and Bailey Zimmeran in concert. Don't forget about our annual *Division of Student Life Kick-Off Event* on **September 13th** that the newly opened Hurd Welcome Center. If you haven't RSVP'ed yet, please do so [HERE](#).

STAFF NEWS

Spotlight On New Staff

We're continuing to shine a light on some of our newest Student Life staff members. Newer team members were featured each issue this summer, and now it will be regular practice throughout the year as people join our division. Enjoy getting to know each of them! This issue we have:



Scott Strawn, Business Officer

Fun fact: "I have been married for 23+ years to an amazing wife (Cambra) and have two awesome boys who are a Senior (Will) and a Freshman (Sam) in high school."

What I enjoy most about working at Baylor: "I truly enjoy working at a place that is laser focused on our Christian mission and our desire to serve our students with excellence."



Reagan Rosebrock, Senior Coordinator for Communications and Housing Systems

Fun fact: "A fun fact about me is that my family has a pet zebra that lives on our ranch in Lott, Texas."

What I enjoy most about working at Baylor: "My favorite part about working for Baylor is the people I've met and get to work with. Everyone is very friendly, kind, and helpful."

MOMENTS



Is an event really even worth talking about if it didn't have a chainsaw artist? At Indy and Belle's "Meet the Cubs" event last Saturday, students got to watch a local artist turn a big log into our two favorite new family members.

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