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Baylor softball will play the University of Texas from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday in Gettnerman Stadium.



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Book makers keep art form alive

By JOSH DAY
REPORTER

With the proliferation of e-readers and digital textbooks, the way we view books is changing.

Today, another type of book will appear on Baylor's campus. Community members will have the opportunity to view a set of artist's books crafted by a traveling husband-and-wife team.

The multicolored gypsy wagon that the books — and Peter and Donna Thomas — travel in will be parked in front of Moody Library so passers-by will have a chance to view the books and reflect on the value of physical books.

The Thomases are book artisans who craft, bind and print their own unique books while traveling across America.



COURTESY PHOTO

Artists' books are unique in their form and shape, often looking nothing like the average book at a passing glance.

According to Sha Towers, the director of liaison services for Baylor Libraries, the Thomases will arrive at the library at noon.

Towers said they have made a collection that includes 3-inch miniature books, a moleskin journal whose pages unfold into a single meters-long piece of paper, and a book about ukuleles that folds out from a real, playable ukulele.

At 2:30 p.m. today, the Thomases will be in Moody Library's Allbritton Foyer, which is located behind Starbucks, to discuss the place and future of books in an increasingly digital world.

"One of the things that appeals to me about artists' books is that you can't 'e-readerize' artists' books. They would lose their value and their purpose," Towers said.

Towers said he hopes the artists' visit will spark a conversation about the nature of books and the existence of the library itself.

"I see it not as just an introduction to artists' books, but also an introduction to stopping and reflecting on the book and the library and what that means for us," Towers said.

Towers, who knew the artists' work through his involvement with the Baylor Libraries' Book Arts Collection, invited the two to Baylor when he heard that the Thomases would be traveling to another library in Texas.

The collection is an assortment of hundreds of artists' books from a number of book artists, including a few of the Thomases'.

7-Eleven to replace old Arby's beside Robinson Tower

By TAYLOR REXRODE
STAFF WRITER

Don't think of it as losing an Arby's. Think of it as gaining a 7-Eleven.

The world's largest convenience retailer, with close to 49,500 stores around the world, will open a store across from Robinson Tower, an area once occupied by an Arby's. Now it's a pile of rubble.

The Arby's on University Parks Drive and Interstate 35 was leveled in late February, allowing construction for the new 7-Eleven to start immediately. The store is expected to open in June, just in time for 7-Eleven's 83rd birthday on July 11. In 1988, 7-Eleven sold 25 of its Central Texas locations to Circle K, an Arizona-based convenience retailer, which later stopped operations in Waco.

Ian Geddie, market manager for the Austin and Waco areas, said that the Waco economy has allowed 7-Eleven stores to come back and build more stores, including one near the Waco traffic circle off La Salle Avenue.

"We have a history of having served the Waco area," Geddie said. "The current economic climate allows us to once again be an integral part of the local community. The company looks forward to being a part of Waco's economic growth."

With the opening of this new 7-Eleven near campus, students will have another option when it comes to filling up on gas. 7-Eleven locations also carry Donuts, pastries, hot dogs, coffee, fountain drinks and Slurpees along with milk, eggs, bread and other food items. This store will be less than one-fourth of a mile from three convenient stores on the north side of campus, including an on-

campus Exxon Mobil Smart Stop as well as Chevron and Valero stations across Interstate 35. North Richland Hills junior Justin Wisniski predicts the 7-Eleven will be successful due to the opening of the new Baylor Stadium in the fall of 2014.

"I think it will do well," Wisniski said. "It will be convenient since the stadium will be right there. And everyone loves Slurpees, so that won't be too bad either."

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Justin Wisniski | North Richland Hills

For Eules junior Megan Stewart, the price and convenience will determine whether she goes to the new 7-Eleven, she said.

"Gas stations on this side of the highway are really expensive, when I've noticed the ones across from the highway are normally 5 to 10 cents cheaper per gallon," Stewart said. "I like 7-Eleven stores, and I'm really excited that there are going to be Slurpees. If 7-Eleven does what the others are doing price-wise, then I'll probably go there."

The Dallas-based company, best known for the Slurpee, a frozen flavored drink, and the Big Gulp, a 32-ounce soft drink, has expanded its reach in Central Texas and other areas of the U.S., opening more than 900 stores in the past year. Major areas of expansion include New York City, Baltimore, Salt Lake City, Portland, Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego.

7-Eleven's marketing team has not made plans for any promotional events to bring in students to the new University Parks location, but Geddie said that the company "recognizes the importance of Baylor University to Waco and is committed to working with and supporting the school and community."

Sic'em Delivery service caters to frenzied college life

By PAULA ANN SOLIS
STAFF WRITER

Two recent graduates have carried their Baylor school spirit into a new business. Sic'em Delivery offers a service specially designed for the college lifestyle.

Sic'em Delivery takes orders for food or other goods from around the campus area and brings them to students' front doors.

Their services are available 24

hours a day, seven days a week, with the exception of some school holidays.

Jake Dahms, who graduated last year with a degree in business management, said Sic'em Delivery was inspired by his experiences at Baylor.

"I was at Baylor for four years, and especially in dorms, sometimes people are too tired to drive and I wished a service like this had been provided," Dahms said. "There aren't many restaurants

that deliver."

Dahms, along with childhood friend and 2012 Baylor alumnus Tyler Bull, opened the doors to the new delivery service Feb. 15.

To use Sic'em Delivery, a customer can call, put a request in online or send a text message to the number provided on the Sic'em Delivery website, (254) 652-3331.

Drivers will pick up a food order or run errands within the highlighted area on the Sic'em

Delivery website, which has a radius of about three miles around campus. However, Dahms said exceptions are made.

The charge for a delivery varies based on the price of the items being delivered.

A \$5, \$7 and \$9 fee is applied for orders that fall in the range of \$1 - \$25, \$26 - \$50, and \$51 - \$99, respectively. Orders in excess of \$100 are charged 12 percent of their total purchase for delivery. All major credit cards, debit cards

and cash are accepted.

Sic'em Delivery will also pick up groceries from H-E-B, but they limit the purchase to 10 items, according to the Sic'em Delivery website.

Special offers are also available through their Facebook and Twitter pages.

Other specials include deliveries from Bush's Chicken on Saturdays, and on Tuesdays, orders can

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TRAVIS TAYLOR | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Singing for justice

McGregor sophomore Art Wellborn performs Thursday during the Stanf for Freedom event hosted by the International Justice Mission at Fountain Mall. The event featured exhibits protesting slavery and sex trafficking.

Alumni remember BU roots

By TAYLOR REXRODE
STAFF WRITER

Alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago will celebrate Baylor pride and tradition with their graduating class at the upcoming Heritage Club event.

Heritage Club, a homecoming event sponsored by the Baylor Alumni Association, is in its 37th year.

This year's Heritage Club will take place Sunday through Tuesday.

The alumni association will honor the newest Heritage Club class, that of 1963, with golden diplomas for the 50th anniversary of their graduation.

All alumni are eligible once

they have reached their 50-year graduation anniversary.

The class of 1963 will be awarded golden diplomas before the Heritage Club gala banquet on Monday night.

The banquet will feature keynote speaker Jody Conradt, former University of Texas women's basketball coach and Baylor alumna. Before they leave on Tuesday morning, alumni will have a chance to see the changes on Baylor's campus and interact with people from their graduating class.

Alumnus Dr. Colbert "Cokie" Held, graduate of 1938 and former Baylor professor, will receive his diamond diploma while attending the event, an honor reserved

for alumni celebrating their 75th year as a Baylor graduate.

Alumni that are eligible for either golden or diamond diplomas but cannot attend the Heritage Club events may request to have their diplomas mailed to them.

The event will start Sunday night with a musical performance by Heavenly Voices choir in the George W. Truett Theological Seminary.

On Monday, Heritage Club members will be able to attend morning sessions where Baylor graduates will speak.

They will have the opportunity to go on afternoon tours to the Waco Tribune-Herald Museum

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BUILD-A-BABY

Isolating genes for intelligence to create smarter children for birth needs ethical consideration

Editorial

We all wish we were a little bit different.

Be it taller, shorter, thinner, bigger, smaller or whatever, there is always something that could be changed for the better. For China, wishing you were smarter could be a thing of the past.

According to a March 15 article by international arts and culture magazine Vice Magazine, China is close to identifying specific genetic traits that intelligent people share.

A company called BMI Shenzhen has collected DNA samples from some of the smartest people in the world in hopes of identifying which alleles determine human intelligence.

The idea is that parents can produce multiple embryos and pick the one that, based on its genetics, will be the most intelligent.

One of the most interesting and frightening facts about this is that BMI Shenzhen is apparently not too far from getting the answers it needs.

Genetically engineering humans has been a topic in philosophy and literature for quite some time. While it can have its benefits, the consequences would be too hefty a price for humans to pay.

Socially, genetic engineering would further divide rich and poor. Richer people, at first, could afford to have different embryos screened for their intellectual capacities. This means that richer people can afford to have the smartest babies with the most opportunities.

Children from lower-income families generally have more obstacles to overcome. Genetic engineering would all but stack the cards against them.

Pro-life groups would strongly oppose the creation of multiple

embryos because that would mean that the embryos not selected would be killed. Life is created just so it can end abruptly.

Currently, plans don't seem to include genetically altering the produced embryo, just picking the one that naturally has the most desirable traits.

In other words, a couple that uses this service wouldn't have a genetically altered kid. They would just have the ability to choose the most desirable child that they are capable of producing.

Unfortunately, it seems like the next step to take would be giving parents the ability to choose which traits they want their child to have.

Tall, smart, right-handed, thin, creative and nice people will team the streets. While this may sound good on paper, it has "dystopia" written all over it.

According to an article in the New York Times titled "Do-It-Yourself Genetic Engineering," the ability to choose things like personality and attractiveness are right around the corner.

"Genetic engineering could create another cultural divide that poses a threat to much of the world. If only one part of the world is making these super-babies, how quickly will the rest of the world fall behind in the business world and in the classrooms?"

There are benefits to be had here. If BMI Shenzhen is able to one day find a way to alter embryos in a way that would end certain dis-

eases, then the world would benefit greatly from its work. But once you get into genetically engineered babies, Aldous Huxley's "Brave New World" suddenly becomes a reality.

We Westerners have this idea that playing the role of God is something to avoid.

Genetic engineering seems to be the most God-like role out there, so it would be a touchy and debated issue in this part of the world due to its controversial nature.

Many Westerners disliked Nazi Germany because it practiced eugenics. Genetic engineering, much like eugenics, would ultimately eliminate (or at the very least, segregate) human traits that are deemed to be undesirable.

Genetic engineering could create another cultural divide that poses a threat to much of the world. If only one part of the world is making these super-babies, how quickly will the rest of the world fall behind in the business world and in the classrooms?

What if the technology that allows you to breed geniuses were to fall into the hands of, say, North Korea, who is an ally of China and keeps threatening to nuke us? What if China uses the geniuses to build weapons or take over the world? The technology to breed scientists is dangerous in the hands of anyone, us included.

Genetic engineering may seem like a problem for the distant future, but the future is upon us. Numbing people to the idea of genetic engineering may open the door to other morally ambiguous practices and technologies with dangerous potential.

Whatever we humans decide to do with this, the consequences are far-reaching.

Humanity needs to proceed with caution until our understanding of the ethics of these technologies catches up to the technology itself.

US should not cut off monetary aid to Egypt

In 1979, Egypt signed a peace treaty with Israel. Part of the agreement included aid for Egypt from the United States. Since that time, the U.S. has aided Egypt with about \$2 billion per year.

The appropriateness of this aid has recently been questioned due to the political affiliation and anti-Semitic statements from Egypt's current leader, President Mohammed Morsi. His statements have ranged as far as encouraging his country to raise their children to hate Jews.

When I did my initial research on this topic, my views were extreme. I was appalled at the idea of the United States offering aid to someone capable of saying such hateful things. In fact, my original draft of this column said just that. My primary point was that we should cut off all aid to Egypt.

However, this idea is irrational and out of the question. The political balance between the United States and the Arab world is fragile at best. To cut off aid from Egypt would be to upset a carefully crafted, though not entirely stable, relationship.

Egypt was already in a state of political upheaval before Morsi became president. Social and political injustices drove Egyptians to riot against former president Hosni Mubarak.

One of the primary groups against him was the Muslim Brotherhood, the group Morsi so happened to be a part of. His affiliation with this group has earned him many disparaging views from Americans.

The Muslim Brotherhood is a very large group that spans 70 countries. Many of the terrorists that have threatened and acted out against the U.S. were directly asso-

ciated with this organization.

Partially due to media representations, it would not be hard for an individual to get the idea that the U.S. is practically sponsoring the Brotherhood through its aid to Egypt considering Morsi's affiliation with them. However, Morsi resigned from the Brotherhood when he took office.

One could argue, probably accurately, that Morsi still shares their viewpoints. That is not a far stretch, which is why it would be wise for the United States to keep



Maleesa Johnson | Reporter

"The political balance between the United States and the Arab world is fragile at best. To cut off aid from Egypt would be to upset a carefully crafted, though not entirely stable, relationship."

There is no denying that these statements are wrong and go directly against human rights. However, if the United States were to cut off aid from anyone who ever said anything hateful, many of us would not have had the luxury of FAFSA to help us through college.

Essentially, it is not desirable that the United States should have to support a country with such a leader. However, it is simply a pill we have to swallow to keep our international relations in order.

I am far from supporting anything Morsi has said, and as I stated early, my previous draft was completely opposed to this current one. The change of mindset occurred when I ceased letting the media target my emotions and I looked at it from a more rational standpoint.

I wish it did not have to be this way. However, we are all lucky that United States foreign policy is not dictated by my emotions. Were this the case, we'd be in an even bigger mess.

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March is mad for business forum coordinator

By KARA BLOMQUIST
REPORTER

To Julie LaStrape, March Madness is not a college basketball tournament. It's a time of year that is so insanely busy, it can drive you mad.

LaStrape is one of the main organizers of the annual Global Business Forum, which brings speakers from areas such as academics, business and public policy to explore issues facing the world economy.

March is one of her busiest times of year because of her involvement with the forum, said LaStrape, office manager and program coordinator for the McBride Center for International Business.

LaStrape helps with all of the details of the weeklong event, from getting flowers onto tables to picking up speakers from the airport, she said.

She also works on publicizing the forum, getting the speakers parking passes and making sure the rooms are set up correctly. She has been working on the forums since they began in 2007. Hotel rooms, menus and microphones are just a few things LaStrape has overseen.

Every year something goes wrong, she said. This year a keynote speaker couldn't come. The potential speaker is a member of the Kenyan government, where there was some confusion with the last election, which took place March 4.

The electronic voting machines failed, and the votes had to be hand-counted. The results were extremely close, and the potential speaker couldn't leave until one party clearly received more than 50 percent of the vote.

"So every year there's something," she said. "The philosophy is

we do as much as we can to make sure that everything that we can control is perfect, or as perfect as it can be, and deal with what comes."

Dr. Joseph McKinney, associate director of the McBride Center for International Business and professor of international economics, said he believes LaStrape has done a great job with the forums.

"She takes a tremendous burden off of Dr. Gardner and me," he said. "Most people don't realize how much work goes into organizing a conference."

Dr. Steve Gardner is the director of the McBride Center, chairman of the economics department, and one of the organizers of the event.

LaStrape said she enjoys working on the global business forums.

"When it's over, I kind of have that sigh, you know, 'It worked again,'" she said. "But I miss it because we bring in such wonderful

speakers that it's kind of like it's a sigh of relief, but it's also like, 'Oh, they're gone.'"

LaStrape has helped plan other conferences, including a free trade conference and an ethics conference.

But she is not a one-trick pony. Her responsibilities extend far beyond conference planning.

LaStrape is the only administrator for the Baylor in Great Britain Program, for which her duties include answering students' questions and handling all of the necessary paperwork, she said.

"I love sending students abroad," LaStrape said. "I didn't go abroad when I was a Baylor student, and so that's kind of why I felt this job was perfect, because that's one of the regrets I have, that I didn't go abroad."

LaStrape also makes sure the McBride center runs smoothly. The McBride center coordinates

and supports the international activities of the Hankamer School of Business.

"I do everything," she said. "If they ask me to do it and I have time to do it, I do it."

She is the only administrative assistant the McBride center has ever had. She became the office manager in 1999.

The McBride center is made up of three employees, McKinney, Gardner and LaStrape, who have worked together since LaStrape joined the staff.

Gardner and LaStrape had an instant connection because both studied Russia, LaStrape said.

LaStrape majored in Russian while at Baylor, and Gardner focused on Slavic studies and economics at the University of Texas at Austin and has lived in Moscow, Gardner said.

"We don't hang out and speak Russian a lot around here, but that

sort of appreciation for foreign languages and cultures is a very important part of working in this area," he said.

LaStrape's interest in Russian actually helped her get the job in the McBride center, Gardner said.

She can still remember her interview for the position, LaStrape said. It was two or three hours long.

"It was August, and I was wearing a wool suit," she said. "Surprisingly, I still got the job."

She has helped edit textbooks and makes copies for classes Gardner and McKinney teach, LaStrape said.

Despite all of the responsibility, LaStrape said she loves her job.

"I don't know if I would love the business school at other places, but where I am, with the faculty that I work with and the staff that are around me, they're just amazing," she said.

Officials to review arson cases for possible wrongful convictions

By NOMAAN MERCHANT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GATESVILLE— Ed Graf was given life in prison 25 years ago for killing his two stepsons by locking them in a backyard shed and setting it on fire.

Two investigators used photos of the shed's remains to persuade jurors that Graf had started the fire intentionally.

By today's standards of fire analysis, though, the investigators may have been mistaken.

Authorities in Texas and in other states are beginning to re-examine cases in which defendants were sent to prison for setting fires based on expert testimony about burn patterns and charring that today is considered suspect.

Nine years after Texas executed Cameron Todd Willingham for killing his three children in a fire — a conviction questioned by many legal advocates and fire experts —

the state fire marshal and the non-profit Innocence Project of Texas are working together to review the evidence in fire investigations and identify cases in which convictions might have been questionable.

Representatives will meet next month to start reviewing the first six cases, including Graf's, who was convicted in 1988 of setting the deadly fire in the central Texas town of Hewitt.

It's a rare collaboration between state officials and criminal justice advocates who are usually at odds.

"We both have the same goals, to make sure that justice is served," said Chris Connealy, the state fire marshal.

The National Fire Protection Association issued its first set of fire investigation guidelines in 1992. Before then, fire investigators did not always use uniform procedures, Connealy said.

Also, advances in scientific analysis have found other explanations

for burn patterns once considered to be signs of arson.

The Innocence Project, a national legal reform group that has worked to exonerate more than 250 convicts, has identified potentially problematic arson cases in several states, including one in Tucson, Ariz., in 1970 in which 29 people were killed.

In Texas, which has had to free more than 100 inmates wrongly convicted in criminal cases, the state Innocence Project has narrowed its working list to about 60 arson cases of the 1,000 reviewed, chief counsel Jeff Blackburn said.

A state expert panel, the Texas Forensic Science Commission, has also made 17 recommendations for improving how arson cases are handled.

The widespread attention given the Willingham case has driven interest in looking at other arson-related convictions.

The Forensic Science Com-

mission investigated the case for years, but was barred by Attorney General Greg Abbott from issuing a final report.

Arson experts hired by the commission found the 1991 fire was most likely accidental.

It's possible that problems will be found with more cases, Connealy said.

"Having been around fire investigations and being in the fire service the last 35 years, I saw where there could be improvements," Connealy said in an interview. "I wanted to try to lead that effort to improving fire investigations. It should be based on science."

If the group finds problems with an arson investigation, its findings will be sent to the authorities with jurisdiction over the case and to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, Connealy said.

No action will be required, but the report could help someone who is wrongly imprisoned.



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In this 1988 photo, Edward Graf, left, is consoled by Don Youngblood, a private investigator who worked with Graf's attorneys. A jury sentenced Graf to life in prison for killing his two stepsons by locking them in a backyard shed and setting it on fire in Waco.

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Carillon recital kicks off Holy Week and ending of Lent

By **CONNOR YEARSLEY**
CONTRIBUTOR

Today the bells in the belfry of Pat Neff Hall will ring to signal the approach of Holy Week.

Lynnette Geary, resident carillonneur (pronounced care-uh-lahn-oo-er), will give the carillon recital beginning at 5 p.m.

A carillon is a keyboard instrument with dowel-like keys connected by wire to the clappers of correspondingly-tuned bells. When the keys are pushed down, the clappers are drawn to strike the bells, which remain stationary. The keyboard and bells together make up the carillon.

The McLane Carillon in Pat Neff Hall, which was named after the family of the instrument's donor, Drayton McLane, has a range

of four octaves (48 notes) that begins with a low C and goes up to high C. The low C weighs 4,370 pounds and the high C weighs 29 pounds. Combined, all the bells weigh 22 tons. The bottom two octaves of the instrument can also be played with foot pedals.

Today's recital will feature arrangements of traditional hymns associated with Holy Week, the week leading up to Easter.

"I love that music and I wanted an occasion to play it," Geary said. She said she did this recital a few years ago and wanted to do it again.

The recital will begin with the playing of the "Doxology."

Geary said it's hard for her to single out a favorite piece from the program.

She said she likes the hymn "Ah, Holy Jesus," which is set to the

tune "Herzliebster Jesu" by Johann Crüger. "That tune is very pretty," she said.

Geary said she thinks "A Somber Pavan" by Ronald Barnes might be the most technically challenging piece on the program.

"It's very expressive," she said. "It's a slow piece, but you've got to have enough control so that all the lines are clear."

She said one of the challenges of playing the carillon is preventing sounds from becoming jumbled or muddled. The melody can get overpowered since the bells ring for so long and since carillon music

often has flurries of notes on top of or underneath the melody.

Geary said every piece on the program has its challenges. She said "Prelude on 'The King's Majesty'" by Milford Myhre is difficult because the melody is played using the foot pedals. The part requires playing two

notes simultaneously (called double stops) for a prolonged period. She said that makes it pretty loud for a little while, but the piece has a quiet ending.

"Drop, Drop, Slow Tears" by Orlando Gibbons is another piece

on the program in which the melody is played with the feet while the hands accompany in the higher ranges.

Geary said the piece "Windsor" presents the melody in a canon that fits together beautifully. A canon is a technique in which the melody is started and then, usually in another voicing, started again, so that the two or more melodic lines are staggered slightly.

"Windsor" also requires the use of some polyrhythms. For example, in the piece, triplets played on top of duplets is polyrhythmic.

Geary said the last two pieces on the program, "Ah, Holy Jesus" and "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," which is set to the tune "Rockingham" by Edward Miller, are more straight-forward than the rest of the program.

Geary said the "Rockingham" tune has a nice, upbeat character about it. "It's a nice one," she said.

Also on the program are "Baby-lon's Streams" by Thomas Campian and "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days," which is set to the tune "St. Flavian."

Geary said she hopes people will come listen to the recital.

"It's contemplative music," she said. "There's nothing bombastic about it."

She also said she thinks it will be a good way for people to start the weekend before Holy Week.

Geary said Founders Mall, between Pat Neff Hall and Waco Hall, is a good place to listen to the recital. Programs will be placed in a basket on the steps of Pat Neff Hall for people to pick up. The recital is free and open to the public.

"It's contemplative music. There's nothing bombastic about it."

Lynnette Geary | Carillonneur

Safari seeks to educate children on dangers of little-known poisons

By **REBECCA FIEDLER**
REPORTER

In a place full of lions, tigers and bears, visitors to the Cameron Park Zoo will learn to live safer lives, as the zoo hosts its Poison Safety Safari. Together with the Central Texas Poison Control Center at Scott & White Healthcare,

from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Saturday, Cameron Park Zoo will have games and presentations for kids and their families, teaching everyone about poison

safety. This will be the first time that the Cameron Park Zoo has hosted this event since 2003.

"We tell the public that everything can be poisonous," said Jennifer Watson, community education specialist for the Central Texas Poison

Texas Poison

Center at Scott & White Healthcare. "It just depends on the dose. So even water can be poisonous."

In the front plaza of the zoo, children 12 years old and younger will be able to pick up a

goody bag with a scavenger hunt booklet and free giveaways inside. When they finish filling out the booklet from the hunt the children can enter to win a drawing for a girl's or boy's bike, both of which were donated by Walmart in Temple said Connie Kassner, education curator for the Cameron Park Zoo.

"A lot of times, it seems like people come to the zoo and they don't realize something else is going on, and then they really enjoy the fact that there are other things to do in the zoo besides just walk around and look at the animals," Kassner said.

On the playground area of the zoo, children and families will learn about things found in the wild with a special focus on things found locally, Kassner said. One activity, a game, will compare things that look alike, like candy and certain medicines, and will

educate kids on the difference between what is edible and what isn't.

Scott & White Healthcare will talk to parents about childproofing their homes and will give away child safety locks for cabinets.

The Safe Kids coalition will talk about car seat and vehicle safety.

There will be a drunk driving simulator in the front plaza, where visitors can see for themselves what it's like to drive drunk.

Alpha Epsilon Delta, a Baylor student organization, will be coming out and volunteering with multiple aspects of the event, Kassner said.

A nature trail activity around the park will help teach children where poisons "hide," educating kids on organisms such as spiders, snakes and ants, Watson said.

"It kind of gets children thinking not to pick those things up, and don't put them in your mouth, and

don't try to kill a spider or snake on your own — things like that," Watson said.

The Humane Society of Central Texas will talk about pet safety.

The Temple Target store will be hosting a "mother-may-I" game, which will teach kids about what is and isn't safe for them to eat, smell and touch. Some zookeepers will be talking about invertebrates' bites and stings and reptiles, focusing on Texas organisms.

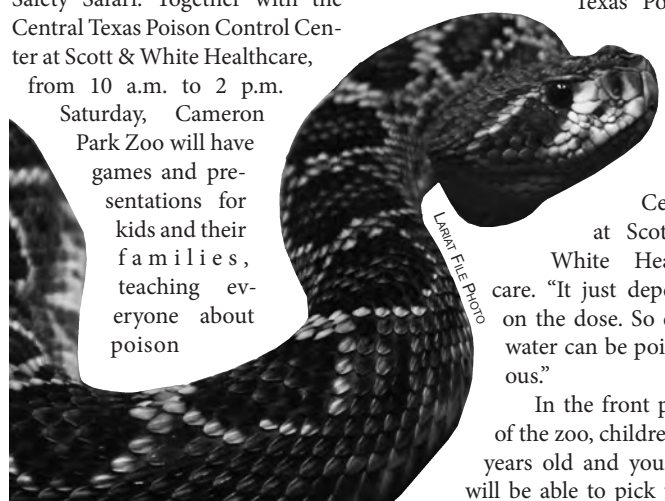
"For example," Kassner said, "our reptile staff will be talking about the milk snake and the coral snake; how one is venomous and one is not; how you'll find rat snakes and they'll talk about cottonmouths and copperheads and different snakes you'll find in this area."

This week is National Poison Prevention Week, and in honor of that, there will be a poison safety

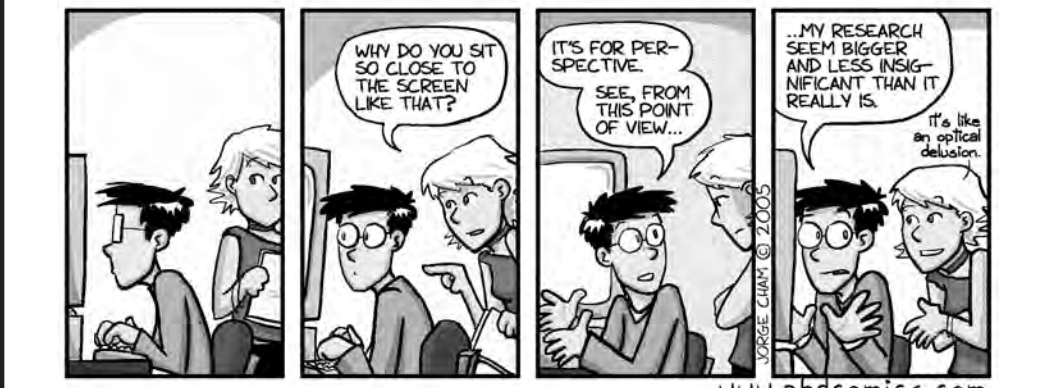
poster contest for the children, judged by zoo staff. Children will be able to make a poster Saturday, but many have already submitted posters through their schools. The winner of the poster contest will get a yearlong family membership pass to the zoo.

Watson, who visits schools to educate children on poison safety, said most children will think about poison ivy when hearing the word "poison." They don't think about medication or cleaning supplies being poisonous, she said.

"I wish that we could speak to parents more. Unfortunately when I go to groups of parents — and it's usually in a parenting class or something — there's not a lot of parents that want to attend parenting classes, so we don't get to talk to as many as we would like. But when I do talk to them, they are amazed and shocked."



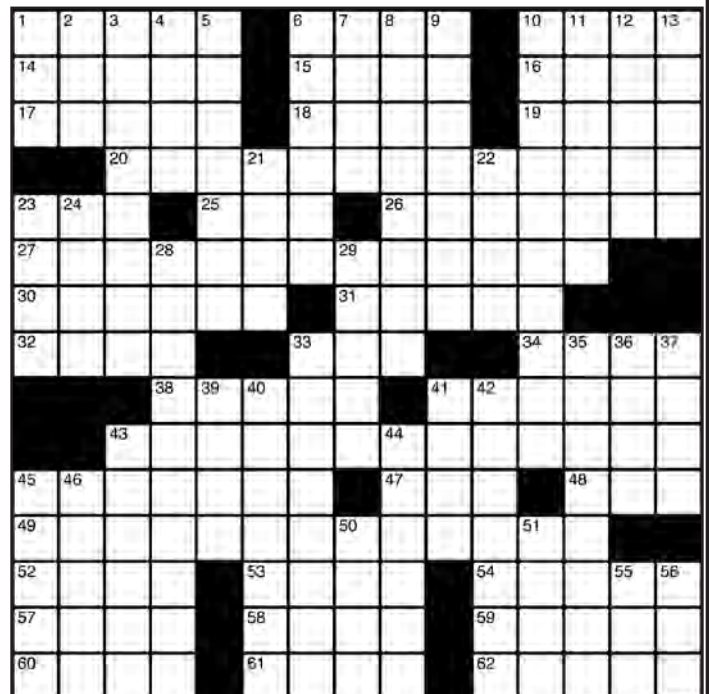
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Bears ready for second-round war with Sun Devils



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Freshman forward Taurean Prince rises up to shoot a 3-pointer Wednesday against Long Beach State in the first round of the NIT. Prince finished with 14 points and seven rebounds in 12 minutes of play.

By DANIEL HILL
SPORTS WRITER

After defeating Long Beach State 112-66 Wednesday in the first round of the NIT, the No. 2 seed Baylor will host the No. 3 seed Arizona State Sun Devils at 7 p.m. tonight at the Ferrell Center.

"We're excited because we won the first game but we don't really know much about Arizona State yet, other than that they are a great team," junior guard Brady Heslip said.

Head coach Scott Drew said it was just nice to play someone outside of the Big 12 Conference.

"Playing in the Big 12, I think it was nice to just play somebody else," Drew said. "I think every year every conference argues which is the best conference, and I go back to the last five years, the most pros and the most lottery picks. It's refreshing to see somebody different and I think everybody played like that too."

With such a large lead against Long Beach State, the Bears utilized the opportunity to rest their

key players to help them have more energy for Friday night's contest.

"That's something that we took into account," Drew said. "We didn't want to get anyone injured, and we wanted to have everybody as fresh as we could because we're playing in another 48 hours."

The Bears will look to their senior guards A.J. Walton and Pierre Jackson to help the team protect home court on tonight against ASU.

"Coach is always telling us that the toughest game of a tournament is always the first one," Walton said. "We have two more at home, so that's a plus. Coach Drew does a great job of helping us recover and playing different players. Being a senior, me and Pierre Jackson can help the young guys and tell them what to do and make sure they'll be ready to play Friday."

"Home court advantage is so important in this postseason," Drew said. "I know Friday's game at 7 o'clock is going to be a war and it'll be two great teams no matter who we end up playing."

Arizona State has a freshman

point guard who closely resembles Jackson in both height and style of play. Jahii Carson is listed at 5-foot-10 and 175 pounds and uses his quickness, just like Jackson.

Carson averages 18.4 points and 5.1 assists per game for the Sun Devils. Jackson, listed at 5-foot-10 and 180 pounds, averages 19.5 points and 6.4 assists per game for Baylor. Drew knows that Arizona State's game plan starts with its star freshman point guard.

"He's one of the best point guards in the country and they have a 7-foot-2, 250 lb. big man [junior center Jordan Bachynski], a monster," Drew said. "They are a team that a lot of people thought were going to go to the NCAA and then they lost a couple of tough ones down the stretch so they're a really good team and that'll be a really great game. Anyone that's seen Arizona State, knows that they play fast, they play off of ball screens and everything starts with their point guard, so I think this is two teams to make sure you put your contacts in because it's going to be a blur out there."

Lady Bears start journey to repeat

By PARMIDA SCHAHHOSSEINI
SPORTS WRITER

The path for a consecutive National Title begins at 6:30 p.m. Sunday as the No. 1 Baylor Lady Bears play No. 16 Prairie View A&M Lady Panthers in the Ferrell Center in the first game of the NCAA Tournament.

"We're ready. We're ready to play," head coach Kim Mulkey said. "We're not used to sitting this long period of time. I thought we had an outstanding practice, inter-squad scrimmage Saturday."

Baylor received a No. 1 seed for the third consecutive year and the overall No. 1 seed in back-to-back years. Baylor is led by senior post Brittney Griner and junior guard

Odyssey Sims, who were named to the Women's Basketball Coaches Association All-Region Team. Griner and Sims also received this honor last year.

Griner leads the nation in shooting percentage at 60.4 percent and leads Baylor in scoring at 23.6 points. She also averages nine rebounds and 4.2 blocks per game. Sims averages 12.7 points and 5.7 assists per game. She ranks second in the nation in assist-to-turnover ratio at 2.7.

Baylor also ranks first in the nation in assists per game at 21.8. The Lady Bear's smart guard play is what allows for success on both ends of the court.

Senior guard Jordan Madden has been tasked with guarding

the best player from the opposing team this season. However, Madden is having her best season offensively, shooting 52.7 percent from the field and making clutch 3-point shots when Baylor needs them most.

Prairie View A&M is 17-14 on the year, but in the NCAA Tournament, anything can happen

"We're going to take it one game at a time and not overlook anyone," Sims said. "No matter what seed they are, we can get beat at any time and we have to stay focused and continue to push each other throughout these six games."

Senior guard Latia Williams leads the Lady Panthers in both scoring and rebounding at 13.2 points and 9.2 rebounds per game.

Senior guard Kiara Etienne averages 11.3 points per game. Prairie View A&M scores an average of 59.8 points per game and give up 57.8 for a scoring margin of +2.1. They also average 35.3 rebounds and 12.6 assists per game.

Keeping up with the Lady Bears is a tough task. Not only are they the No. 3 offense in the nation, but they also share the ball.

"Throughout the season I've been growing actually, from watching [Sims] play and playing with her and against her," freshman guard Niya Johnson said. "Overall, I'm getting better and better by just watching her and she's just giving me strategies on the defensive side because she's the best defensive player in the nation."

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and Dr Pepper Museum and will get to take a bus tour of Baylor's campus. Attendees will step inside the Baylor Sciences Building and McLane Student Life Center, neither of which were a part of campus when they were students.

Beth Wooten, assistant vice president of membership and marketing, said that the Heritage Club helps keep alumni up-to-date with what is new at the university.

"It may have been 50 years since they've been back to campus," Wooten said. "It's one opportunity we have for those folks to have an

excuse to come back to campus if they don't already. We want our alumni, even those that graduated 50 or more years ago, to know how important they are to us and how important they are to the university."

Jan Dodd, assistant director of programs and awards, said the Heritage Club events help reconnect classmates in a way that Homecoming may not.

"It's just a concentrated time," Dodd said. "They're not trying to rush off to other alumni events or Pigskin or a football game. They

are here just to see their classmates and other alums."

An endowment fund for the Heritage Club is available for those who are interested in contributing to this alumni event.

Funds raised will go toward guest speakers, food, facilities and other costs that go into forming the Heritage Club.

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be placed for "Taco Tuesday" at Rosa's Cafe & Tortilla Factory.

The business has only been operational for about a month, but Bull said profits have surpassed their expectations.

Dahms also said they already have regular customers and things are going much better than ever expected.

"We actually had High Noon Entertainment, the producers of 'Cake Boss,' contact us," Dahms said. "They're interested in maybe doing a reality show on delivery services. I don't know how they found out about us, but I got the call from L.A. last week."

Though the business is doing

well, Sic'em Delivery will go on a break along with students during the summer months, Dahms said. Co-owners Bull and Dahms do not expect many students to stay in the Waco area during the break.

"We will close at the end of this semester and open back up when the fall semester starts," Dahms said.

As of now, Sic'em Delivery is composed of four employees, but both co-owners said they are looking to expand beyond Baylor and beyond Waco.

"We plan on expanding to Austin next year," Bull said. "So we are really interested in hiring freshmen or sophomore business ma-

jors from Baylor. We're looking for people who can work hard."

Their hard work includes making strange deliveries like the one recently called in by a student in Memorial Hall who wanted their mail from the Bill Daniel Student Center delivered to them.

As strange as it was, Dahms said, they did it.

Runs to the mailboxes in the SUB are atypical, Dahms said, and usually orders are made for meals from places like Taco Bell or Whataburger.

The goal of Sic'em Delivery, Dahms said, is to make student life more convenient — one burger run at a time.

Lawmaker tearfully vows to fight for expansion of charter schools

BY WILL WEISSERT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — The head of the Senate Education Committee broke into tears Thursday as he promised to fight for dramatically expanded "school choice" in Texas.

But Sen. Dan Patrick also announced he was softening his high-profile bill to allow an unlimited number of charter schools to operate statewide, instead taking a more gradual, tiered approach to their expansion.

The tea party-backed Republican from Houston became emotional as students told his committee of dropping out of school but then returning thanks to charter schools and other facilities specializing in at-risk youth.

They were supporting a bill by San Antonio Democratic Sen. Leticia Van De Putte, who is seeking to modify how state accountability measures evaluate public schools to more accurately label facilities that specialize in helping students who had previously dropped out.

Van De Putte argues that many such students aren't currently included in the accountability system, which can hurt the "completion rate" rating their schools receive.

Bertha Vasquez, an 18-year-old former dropout in Austin who returned to school is now set to graduate this year and hopes to become a nurse. She cried as she detailed being raised by a single mother.

"I want to be the reason that she can smile every day, even though I made her go through a lot," Vasquez said.

Patrick instructed a committee clerk to hand her a box of tissues — then said he needed them back as tears ran down his own face.

"Today has been a tough day because everybody up here (on the committee) wants to support choice and options in schools," Patrick said, his voice cracking.

"Sometimes the adults get in the way with fighting and politicking in the adult world," he continued.

Then, directly addressing Vasquez and another student who testified, Terrance Wigfall, Patrick

"I am going to fight for you and thousands like you. We are not going to let politics steal futures and dreams."

Dan Patrick | Texas Senator

added: "What you have done has probably turned around some people's thinking."

"You have inspired me. I am going to fight for you and thousands like you," he said. "We are not going to let politics steal futures and dreams."

Patrick calls himself an "education evangelist" and suggested during a recent committee meeting that anyone who opposes expanding charter schools in Texas opposes students and families who weep when they try to attend charter schools but are wait listed because demand outpaces existing supply.

He has pushed for the most dramatic overhaul of charter schools since Texas began allowing them in 1995. Patrick called the witnesses, "perfect people, at the perfect time, with the perfect stories."

"We're going to try to change a lot of things this session," he said.

Patrick is sponsoring two sweeping "school choice" proposals. One would lift the current cap of 215 licenses Texas issues to operate charter schools and creating a special board to oversee a flood of new charter applications he expects will follow. The other is a voucher plan that would allow businesses to earn tax credits for donations that help poor and at-risk children leave public schools for private or religious ones — diverting public money to private schools.

During the hearing, though, Patrick also modified his charter proposal to call for 10 new charter licenses issued next school year and 20 new ones given out in 2014-2015, as well as 35 in the 2015-2016 academic year and beyond. He said he still supports an unlimited number of new charters, but understands that such a plan could be opposed by some in the Legislature.

Patrick also altered his bill to give the state the authority to issue five new charter licenses for every one that is revoked from an existing school because of poor performance. The Texas Education Agency says authorities only close about three charters in a typical year.

The committee, which could have referred the modified bill to the full Senate, instead left it pending Thursday. It will take it up against next week.

Democratic lawmakers, teachers groups and other educational organizations have strongly opposed vouchers — but tend to be more mixed on charters. Still, opposition has come from both parties in the Texas House, where lawmakers from rural areas too small to support charters are often wary of them.

NY school experiences tense claims of racism, anti-Semitism

BY JIM FITZGERALD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPRING VALLEY, N.Y. — School board meetings descend into shouting matches. Accusations of racism and anti-Semitism fly. Angry parents turn their backs on board members in a symbolic stand of disrespect.

Tension in a suburban New York school district is rooted in an unusual dynamic: The families who send their children to public schools are mostly Hispanic and African-American. The school board is almost entirely made up of ultra-Orthodox Jews who send their children to private schools and are bent on keeping taxes low.

"It's as if the board of directors of Coke only owned stock in Pepsi," said Steven White, an activist for the public schools.

Public-school parents accuse the board of the 9,000-student East Ramapo Central School District of cutting teachers, guidance counselors, art programs, all-day kindergarten and the high school marching band, while diverting public resources to favored Orthodox institutions.

Peggy Hatton, who co-hosts a radio program that features school issues, said, "It's just becoming impossible for our students to apply to colleges when the advanced placement classes are cut, the extracurriculars are cut."

How a public school district that's 57 percent black, including Haitian, and 29 percent Hispanic came to be governed by ultra-Orthodox Jews is a case study in changing demographics and the power of democracy.

The district, 25 miles north of New York City in Rockland County, has been settled rapidly in recent years by Jews from the Hasidic and other sects who came from their traditional strongholds of Brooklyn. They quickly built their own schools, or yeshivas, raised large families and became a powerful voting bloc. Though not

a majority of the population, they have organized to defeat school budgets that increase taxes and to elect members of their own communities to the board.

At the same time, public-school supporters are less organized; many are believed to be non-citizens who don't vote. And the area's older residents have also tended to vote against school budget increases.

At least seven of the nine board members are ultra-Orthodox Jewish men. A man and a woman who represented the public-school community resigned from the board in January, alleging intimidation by the rest of the board. Two men, one black and one Jewish, were appointed to replace them.

The stark division has led to a flurry of lawsuits and petitions, and New York State has intervened, blocking the sale of a public school building to a Jewish congregation and warning the board to change the way it uses public special education money for private schools.

While state law provides for a school district to pay some private school expenses, for transportation, textbooks and special education, the state alleges that East Ramapo has been too quick to move children — mostly Jewish children — from the public schools into special education schools run by the Orthodox. Each case funnels thousands of taxpayer dollars to the private schools.

The state is also insisting that the district balance its budget, which has an estimated \$8 million deficit this school year. At a meeting Tuesday night, the board approved borrowing \$7.5 million.

That meeting illustrated the apparent disdain each side has for the other. There seemed little in common between the board members, most in yarmulkes and black coats, and the onlookers, mostly from racial minorities.

About 20 residents shouted in protest, then stood and turned

their backs on the board when it decided that in the future, students could address the board only at the end of meetings.

"You're not doing right by these children!" shouted Mae Davis of Spring Valley. "What about freedom of speech?"

Daniel Schwartz, president of the board, had complained that public comment has become insulting, and he said there's no requirement to offer it at all.

"I think there are people who want to be abusive to the board and when it starts we're not going to tolerate it," he said Monday.

Some parents have petitioned the state Education Department to remove the school board, a rare step. Department spokesman Tom Dunn would not comment specifically about East Ramapo, but said the commissioner has the authority to remove local officials "for willful violation of law or neglect of duty or willfully disobeying a decision, order, rule or regulation."

The board denies any wrongdoing. It announced at Tuesday's meeting that it is suing the state in federal court, seeking a judge's declaration that its methods for special education placement are legal.

He says the district's problems stem from its being "a square peg" — a district that has about 9,000 public school children and an estimated 20,000 in private schools, almost all of them Jewish.

He said money — "more money from the state" — is the solution to East Ramapo's problems. But state Assemblyman Ken Zebrowski said the division in the community is too deep for that to work.

"Public school parents have said, 'We don't want any more money,'" Zebrowski said. "They don't trust their own school board with additional money."

The Democratic assemblyman has proposed instead that East Ramapo be divided into two school districts, one for public schools and one for private schools.

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