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Fallen men relieved of duty

By CAROLINE BREWTON
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ASSISTANT CITY EDITOR

Twelve flag-draped caskets stood next to twelve smiling portraits of the first responders who died in last week's explosion in West.

In front of each stood a uniformed figure. Some old and some young, some with the decorations of rank and office and some unadorned. Periodically a column of similar figures would march in front and raise a hand slowly in a salute. With a quick step to the side, the first responders change places and continue their vigil — a vigil they held from early Thursday morning until the service concluded Thursday evening.

The memorial service, which was attended by President Barack Obama and first lady Michelle Obama, packed the Ferrell Center to capacity of around 10,000 people. Many of those who filled the actual arena were first responders themselves. They came in from all over the country — some coming from as far as Vancouver and Calgary, Canada — to honor their fallen brothers. Each one wore a black band around their badge to mourn their loss.

Aaron Abbie, a firefighter from Tool — northeast of Corsicana — said he attended the service out of a sense of ca-

maraderie with the fallen first responders. So did his captain, Stephen James, and Billy Perez, director of the Fairfield ambulance service.

"Every man or woman that's here, we're all a family. We all support one another," Abbie said. Abbie said he felt sad, but privileged to attend.

"I hope they know that they are part of this family, too," Abbie said of the families of the victims and residents of the stricken town, which has already started the slow rebuilding process.

Perez, who echoed Abbie's statement about camaraderie, said, "Our hearts and prayers go out to the families of the victims."

Many showed up early that morning to share their support with the grieving

“May the sun shine upon their paths, may the wind always be at their backs and may the Lord hold them in the palm of his hand.”

families and the residents of the devastated town. When officials opened the doors at 10 a.m., the line already stretched from the Ferrell Center beyond Bagby Avenue.

The procession began at 11 a.m.. Uniformed first responders marched beside kilted pipers and drummers underneath an archway made by two ladder trucks raising an American flag. Emergency vehicles joined the procession as they crossed LaSalle Avenue, moving down

University Parks Drive into the Ferrell Center.

The Ferrell Center filled to capacity by 1:24 p.m., the crowd of first responders and other attendees far outnumbering the 2,849 residents of West. Many more gathered to watch at different locations around campus.

Additional chairs were placed on the floor, directly in front of the stage area, where families of the victims and residents of West, as well as some emergency personnel, were seated.

As the victims' families began to file in past the caskets, a soft rain fell on the roof of the Ferrell Center. They were a group as different as the citizens of West themselves. There were suits, pearl snaps, cowboy hats and T-shirts, modern blouses and gingham dresses. More than once, one of the mourners would pass the casket of a loved one and, seeing the smiling portrait of one who would never come home, collapse. Each time, two firefighters would step forward and catch the person before they could fall before gently taking them to their seats.

In addition to the president and first lady, Sen. John Cornyn, Gov. Rick Perry, Baylor President Ken Starr, congressman Bill Flores and former congressman Chet Edwards were in attendance

Perry called the victims an inspiration, but also said their stories were heartbreaking.

"These were volunteers ... ordinary people blessed with extraordinary courage," he said.

The president, who arrived after a fly-over tour of the accident site on his way from Dallas, pledged his support to West in the wake of the accident that tore apart the small Texas town.

"You are not alone. You are not forgotten," he said of the families of the victims, who have had to cope with the destruction of many buildings in addition to the death of loved ones. In a speech often interrupted by applause, he praised the faith and dedication of the residents of West, and emphasized the bonds that drew together not just the area but the nation.

"We may not all live here in Texas but we're neighbors, too," Obama said. "We're Americans, too. And we stand with you and we will not forget, and we'll be there even after the cameras leave and after the attention turns else-



PHOTOS BY MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Top: Honor guards from various fire departments stand at casket watch before the memorial service on Thursday night at the Ferrell Center. The service was to honor the firefighters who lost their lives in the line of duty in the West explosion.

Center: Carmen Bridges, wife of fallen volunteer firefighter Morris Bridges Jr., holds their son Jameson after she receives the flag off of her husband's casket.

Bottom: Mourners fall at first responder Cyrus Reed's casket. Reed was attending the final training session to be an emergency medical technician when he responded to the call at the fertilizer plant.

where."

Obama praised the courage of the firefighters, many of whom were described as always ready to help others when a call went out, and also the citizens of the town. He also praised members of the surrounding communities and others who reacted to help in the wake of the blast.

"That's the thing about this tragedy. This small town's family is bigger now." And though there will be hard days ahead, he predicted, the love of the community will keep West going.

"Today I see in the people of West ... that what makes West special isn't going to go away," he said. America needs small towns like West where "there's always

someone to call," he said.

Video eulogies in which families and friends of the twelve victims spoke moved many in the audience to fond laughter and tears.

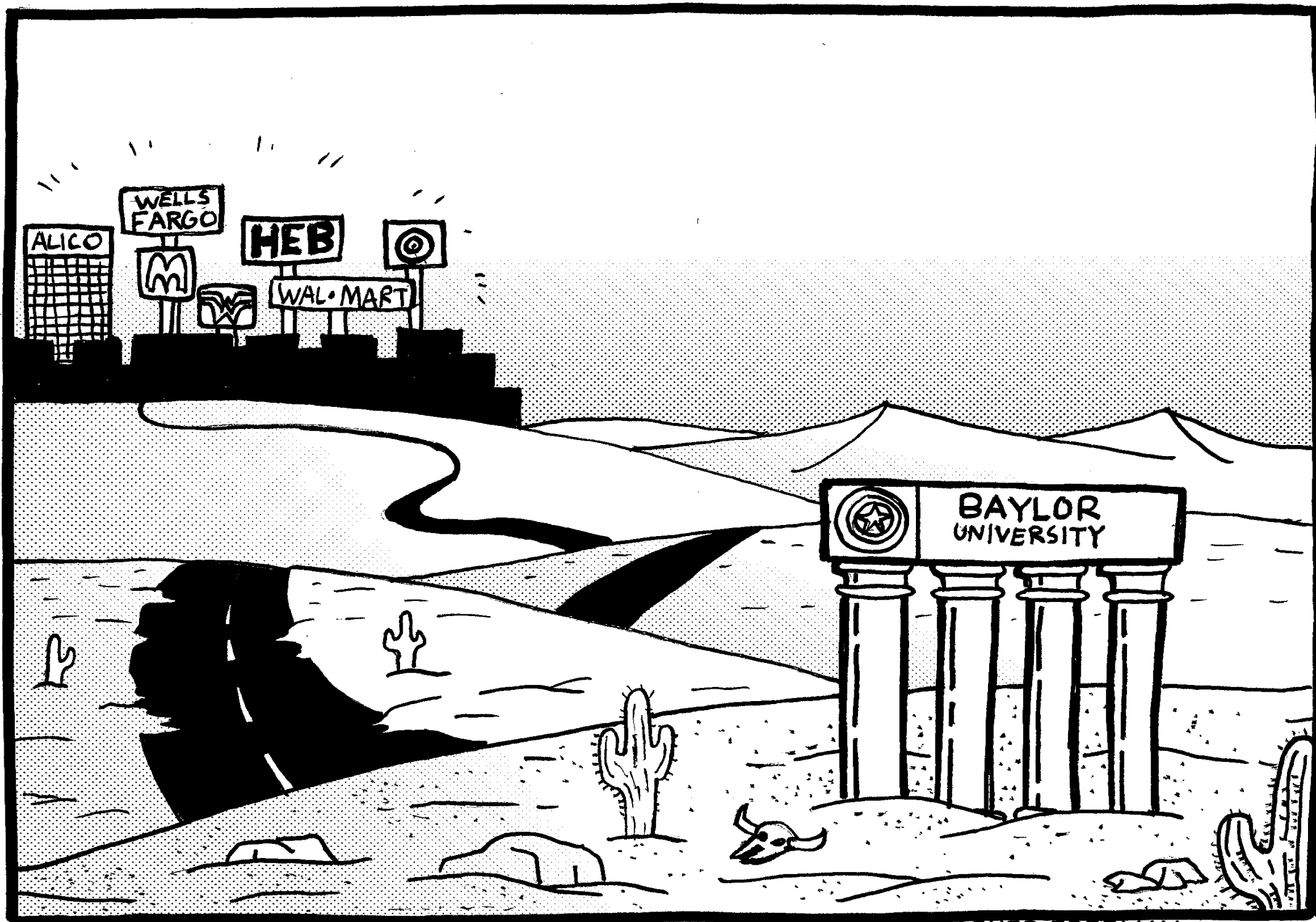
After the speeches, the last alarm, a ceremony to honor firefighters fallen in the line of duty, was sounded using a ceremonial bell. Each name was read, punctuated by the ringing of the bell. Afterward, the bell rang in the 5-5-5 alarm, calling the fallen one last time to duty.

As the last toll died, somewhere in the crowd on the arena floor, a lone bugler struck up "Taps."

After the blowing of "Taps," flags and

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ASHER FREEMAN (MURPHY)

Area around Baylor deserted by businesses

To be a truly residential campus, we at least need a grocery store within walking distance

Editorial

With its new expansion, Baylor is becoming more residential. Most freshmen are already required to live on campus. According to Baylor's Pro Futuris, Baylor wants to add to the on-campus experience.

In order to do this, one of the aims is to "continue to increase the percentage of undergraduate stu-

dents who live on campus and who participate in living-learning and residential college communities."

Compared to schools like Rice University, which is close to Rice Village; Texas A&M, which has the majority of College Station; and the University of Texas at Austin which has all of downtown Austin students can walk around in, Baylor has very limited choices for food, groceries and entertainment within walking distance.

There are the cafeterias and Baylor restaurants which have lim-

ited hours, in addition to nearby IHOP, Subway, Pizza Hut and Denny's. But with the imminent closing of the H-E-B at 12th Street and Speight Avenue, students have nowhere to buy groceries unless you count the convenience store in the Exxon station in front of Penland Hall.

And there is only one choice for shopping on campus, Harts 'N Crafts, geared mostly toward girls.

Many students who live on or near campus might not have cars because they don't have to com-

mute, but it's getting harder for students to go off-campus for food and groceries.

Many students rely on the H-E-B on 12th and Speight Avenue for their groceries. Additionally, many members of the Waco community rely on that H-E-B for their groceries because the other stores are much farther away.

After H-E-B closes, there will be nowhere for carless students to get groceries. As it is, there are few restaurants around Baylor that students can safely get to. There is

a large variety of restaurants across the interstate, but there is no way for students to get there without crossing the interstate, and it's a long way to walk, let us tell you.

Baylor wants more students to live on campus, but in order to do so, the surrounding community must be able to sustain carless students who need easy access to essential services. No one can eat at Collins all the time.

If there isn't shopping and entertainment close to campus, what incentives are there for students

to live there in the first place? For one thing, off-campus housing rates may be cheaper and offer convenient access to these essential services, plus there are no visiting hours or pet restrictions.

If Baylor wants to attract students to living on campus, there must be incentives — but we recognize these efforts may only come about in cooperation with the surrounding community.

Some shopping and a grocery store nearby would be a great way to start.

The cook controls the kitchen. Be the cook in your life.

When I first arrived at college, my primary expectation toward food consisted of Ramen, dining halls and Easy Mac.

Anyone who has ever eaten at Penland can see why these thoughts contain an elevated level of gloominess. However, my outlook broadened as I made friends with people who lived off campus.

Their houses all had a magical room called a kitchen. The best part was that some of these friends were males and degradingly deemed it my job to rule that room.

I know— how sexist of them. I made this work to my advantage. They paid for the ingredients,



Maleesa Johnson | Reporter

and I prepared the food as I saw fit.

We ran into one major snag. I like all kinds of food, especially anything foreign and with a kick.

One particular friend's taste bordered on bland. I never thought that the beginning of my college days would contain an element of cooking for a picky eater. That seems like such a mom-duty.

I endeavored to cook things that both I and The-Picky-One would enjoy. Considering I will eat almost any type of food, I was happy with whatever my friend chose.

However, it seems understandable that one might get tired of repeatedly cooking only with potatoes and shrimp. This wouldn't have been so bad had the individ-

ual liked things like cilantro, avocado, tomatoes...anything really.

There was one specific word I had in mind: compromise.

This was thrown back at me with the reminder that he was paying for everything we ate. I combated that by saying I was laboring over a hot stove and crying over chopped onions.

Insert any argument that you've heard from a bickering old couple, and you get the picture. Oh, and I won in the end.

He still draws the line at mushrooms, but that is subject to change.

The point of that was to say that it is the cook that is ultimately in

charge of what's being created.

Look beyond the kitchen. If you are one of those students here at the grace of your parents' money, don't subject yourself to the idea that they have full reign over your education.

Do they have a significant say in it?

Yes, absolutely, but there is more to it than that.

There will always be aspects of life where people will feel subject to someone or something because of things like money. However, this can't determine how to live life. If you want to throw in a few other ingredients and spice up life a little, go for it. So your parents made you

come to Baylor because it's their money? That's great; just throw a few extra seasonings.

Do something more than making the degree you're supposed to. Take interesting electives or get involved in things you will never be able to do once you graduate. Ultimately, you are the cook and it's your decision what to do with the ingredients.

Besides, picky eaters are generally that way because they simply haven't been willing to try different foods.

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Autism Center holds gala, asks for community support

By BROOKE BAILEY
REPORTER

Baylor First lady Alice Starr and attorney David Willis, will be honored this Saturday for their contributions to the Baylor Autism Resource Center.

The Celebrating Exceptionalities Inaugural Gala will take place at 5:30 p.m. Saturday on the fifth floor of the Cashon Academic Center.

The gala will raise money for the center through proceeds and donations and honor Starr and Willis.

Starr has been on board since the

day she arrived at Baylor, said Dr. Julie Ivey-Hatz, founder and director of the Baylor Autism Resource Center.

"When Alice first moved to Baylor, we knew she was a supporter of kids with disabilities," Ivey-Hatz said. "She came here and was eager to get involved."

Ivey-Hatz said Starr has been a good spokesperson for the center.

"We felt like it would be a good thing to honor her support," Ivey-Hatz said.

Willis has also been a significant contributor to the center, said Kristen Mainor, coordinator of Baylor

Autism Resource Center.

"It is something he is passionate about," Mainor said.

The event will include dinner, dessert, raffles, a silent auction and music by local band The Morticans.

Students and faculty may purchase individual tickets for \$35 or reserve a table for eight guests for \$250.

Tickets are limited, but are still available. Students should email Kristen_Mainor@baylor.edu for more information about ticket availability and donations.

The event is open to the public.

Mainor said the Baylor commu-

nity's support is important to the event.

"We are inviting the Baylor family to join us for a fun evening to support families in Central Texas that have been affected by autism," Mainor said.

The center provides resources such as books on autism, support groups and therapy.

Central Texas families and Baylor students and faculty use the center's resources, housed in the Draper Academic building.

The center was founded in 2008 by Hatz.



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Baylor's first lady Alice Starr gives the opening speech at the 2013 Waco Walk for Autism on April 14, at Fountain Mall.

Project Come Together: Delta Epsilon Psi brings kids to Baylor

By TAYLOR REXRODE
STAFF WRITER

Baylor's chapter of Delta Epsilon Psi will host its first-ever Project Come Together for Waco elementary students.

Project Come Together, which was created 14 years ago by a Delta Epsilon Psi chapter in Austin, celebrates the accomplishments of elementary students completing their standardized tests for the year.

Students in Texas, as of 2012, are required to take the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness, which includes sections on reading, writing, math, science and social studies. The majority of tests are taken in the late spring, though some are administered in the fall semester.

The Zeta chapter of Delta Epsilon Psi at Baylor will invite fourth, fifth and sixth grade students from J.H. Hines Elementary School to

Fountain Mall, where they will get to enjoy five bounce houses.

There will also be an inflatable 75-foot zip line, a magic show, stations for face painting and other games. Other student organizations on campus, such as Alpha Phi Omega, Kappa Phi Gamma and Student American Chemistry Society Association, will run booths and provide entertainment for the approximately 150 children that will attend.

Coppell senior Azaan Ramani, president of Delta Epsilon Psi, said Project Come Together gets kids interacting with college students and thinking about their futures.

"Kids don't often get to interact with college students," Ramani said. "It's a good way to promote higher education when many of them may not think of going to college."

Throughout the year, Delta Epsilon Psi raises money for the

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, the organization's philanthropy. They were able to use this event to raise money through sponsorship on fliers, T-shirts and other promotional materials. With 26 sponsors, the organization raised \$5,400 just through Project Come Together.

Bounce houses, transportation to and from the event and promotional materials have been funded by Baylor's student government al-

location fund. Booths will be run by each student organization that volunteered. Ramani said more student organizations are welcome to volunteer at next year's event. Those interested can email him at Azaan_Ramani@baylor.edu.

For the organization, this new event does more than just raise money for their philanthropy.

"It helps the Waco community," Ramani said. "It means a lot to make a difference."



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In this Dec. 6, 2012, file photo, Brandon Coats works on his computer at his home in Denver. Coats, a quadriplegic medical marijuana patient, was fired from his job in 2010 as a telephone operator at Dish Network after testing positive for marijuana.

Colorado court says pot smokers can be fired

By STEVEN K. PAULSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER — Medical and recreational marijuana may be legal in Colorado, but employers in the state can lawfully fire workers who test positive for the drug, even if it was used off duty, according to a court ruling Thursday.

The Colorado Court of Appeals found there is no employment protection for medical marijuana users in the state since the drug remains barred by the federal government.

"For an activity to be lawful in Colorado, it must be permitted by, and not contrary to, both state

and federal law," the appeals court stated in its 2-1 conclusion.

The ruling concurs with court decisions in similar cases elsewhere and comes as businesses attempt to regulate pot use among employees in states where the drug is legal. Colorado and Washington state law both provide for recreational marijuana use. Several other states have legalized medical use.

The patchwork of laws across the nation and state-federal conflict has left the issue unclear. Based on this ruling, employees who use pot in Colorado do so at their own risk. In Arizona, however, workers cannot be terminated for lawfully using medical marijuana, unless

it would jeopardize an employer's federal licensing or contracts.

The Colorado case involves Brandon Coats, 33, a telephone operator for Englewood, Colo.-based Dish Network LLC. Coats was paralyzed in a car crash as a teenager and has been a medical marijuana patient in the state since 2009.

He was fired in 2010 for failing a company drug test, though his employer didn't claim he was ever impaired on the job.

Coats sued to get his job back, but a trial court dismissed his claim in 2011. The judge agreed with Dish Network that medical marijuana use isn't a "lawful activity" covered by a state law intended

to protect cigarette smokers from being fired for legal behavior off the clock. According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, more than half of all states have such laws.

Dish Network did not return a call seeking comment.

Coats' attorney, Michael Evans, plans to appeal and issued a statement saying the ruling has wide implications.

"This case not only impacts Mr. Coats, but also some 127,816 medical marijuana patient-employees in Colorado who could be summarily terminated even if they are in legal compliance with Colorado state law," Evans noted.

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This November 2009 photo shows Kate Suski, right, and her brother Dan while on vacation in San Diego, Calif. The brother and sister are recovering in the eastern Caribbean island of St. Lucia after their ship sank on April 21 during a fishing trip, forcing them to swim almost 14 hours to reach land, according to the siblings. The Suskis said they are recovering after being hospitalized with severe dehydration and tendonitis.

U.S. tourists swim for 14 hours after ship sinks during fishing trip

By DANICA COTO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — The fishing trip off the rugged north coast of St. Lucia was supposed to last all day, but about four hours into the journey, the boat's electric system crackled and popped.

Dan Suski, a 30-year-old business owner and information technology expert from San Francisco, had been wrestling a 200-pound marlin in rough seas with help from his sister, Kate Suski, a 39-year-old architect from Seattle. It was around noon April 21.

He was still trying to reel in the fish when water rushed into the cabin and flooded the engine room, prompting the captain to radio for help as he yelled out their coordinates.

It would be nearly 14 hours and a long, long swim before what was supposed to be a highlight of their sunny vacation would come to an end. As the waves pounded the boat they had chartered from the local company "Reel Irie," more water flooded in. The captain threw life preservers to the Suskis.

"He said, 'Jump out! Jump out!'" Kate Suski recalled in a telephone interview Thursday with The Associated Press.

The Suskis obeyed and jumped into the water with the captain and first mate. Less than five minutes later, the boat sank. The group was at least eight miles (13 kilometers) from shore, and waves more than twice their size tossed them.

"The captain was telling us to stay together, and that help was on its way

and that we needed to wait," Kate Suski said.

The group waited for about an hour, but no one came. "I was saying, 'Let's swim, let's swim. If they're coming, they will find us. We can't just stay here,'" she recalled. As they began to swim, the Suskis lost sight of the captain and first mate amid the burgeoning swells. Soon after, they also lost sight of land amid the rain.

"We would just see swells and gray," Dan Suski said. A plane and a helicopter appeared in the distance and hovered over the area, but no one spotted the siblings. Several hours went by, and the sun began to set.

"There's this very real understanding that the situation is dire," Kate Suski said. "You come face-to-face with understanding your own mortality ... We both processed the possible ways we might die. Would we drown? Be eaten by a shark?"

"Hypothermia?" Dan Suski asked. "Would our legs cramp up and make it impossible to swim?" the sister continued.

They swam for 12 to 14 hours, talking as they pushed and shivered their way through the ocean. Dan Suski tried to ignore images of the movie "Open Water" that kept popping into his head and its story of a scuba-diving couple left behind by their group and attacked by sharks. His sister said she also couldn't stop thinking about sharks.

"I thought I was going to vomit I was so scared," she said. When they finally came within 30 feet (9 meters) of land, they realized they couldn't get out of the water.

"There were sheer cliffs coming into the ocean," she said. "We knew we would get crushed."

Dan Suski thought they should try to reach the rocks anyway, but his sister disagreed.

"We won't survive that," she told him. They swam until they noticed a spit of sand nearby. When they got to land, they collapsed, barely able to walk. It was past midnight, and they didn't notice any homes in the area.

"Dan said the first priority was to stay warm," she recalled. They hiked inland and lay side by side, pulling up grass and brush to cover themselves and stay warm. Kate Suski had only her bikini on, having shed her sundress to swim better. Dan Suski had gotten rid of his shorts, having recalled a saying when he was a kid that "the best-dressed corpses wear cotton."

They heard a stream nearby but decided to wait until daylight to determine whether the water was safe to drink.

As the sun came up, they began to hike through thick brush, picking up bitter mangoes along the way and stopping to eat green bananas. "It was probably the best and worst banana I've ever had," Dan Suski recalled.

The Suskis were hospitalized and received IV fluids, with doctors concerned they couldn't draw blood from Kate Suski's arm because she was so dehydrated.

They also learned that the captain and mate were rescued after spending nearly 23 hours in the water, noting that their relatives called and took care of them after the ordeal.

Baylor Central Libraries buys almanac signed by Ben Franklin

By JOSH DAY
REPORTER

An original copy of "Poor Richard's Almanac," printed by Benjamin Franklin himself, has been purchased by the Baylor Central Libraries.

The 1761 edition of the iconic colonial publication was purchased this week from an Austrian rare book and antiquities seller for \$6,500.

"For something of that time period, it's not bad," said Baylor librarian Carol Schuetz. "There aren't many examples of this out on the market."

Schuetz and director of the Special Collections Kathy Hillman chose the almanac to add to the collection as an example of Franklin's printing production.

"We wanted one that was done by Franklin," Hillman said. "This was the one that was within the price range that we could afford."

After the two decided which almanac to purchase, an unnamed donor covered the cost in full.

According to Jennifer Borderud, a Baylor rare books catalog librarian, the donor gave the library the necessary funds after hearing the library's plan to purchase the antique almanac.

"Kathy Hillman worked with a donor who was interested in supporting the libraries and supporting Baylor students," Borderud said.

The addition of the "Poor Richard's Almanac" will be the third piece of Franklin's literature the library has acquired in the past three years, the first two being a 1748

edition of "The Doctrine of the Quakers Vindicated" and a 1749 copy of Franklin's colonial newspaper "The Pennsylvania Gazette."

Andrea Turner, the library acquisitions unit leader, said the opportunity to get an item as exceptional as the "Poor Richard's Almanac" is rare.

"Maybe once a year do we get something as exciting as this," Turner said.

"Poor Richard's Almanac" was printed yearly and was a best-selling pamphlet that contained information on a wide variety of topics, including weather forecasts, travel, medical advice, astrological information and the occasional proverbs that are credited to Franklin.

"The Poor Richard's were the best selling piece of literature in colonial America," said professor of

management Blaine McCormick. "They were like the colonial smartphone. Everyone had one."

McCormick, who is a board member for the Friends of Franklin, spearheaded the effort for the library to acquire examples of Benjamin Franklin's publications. His class, "Business, the Economy, and World Affairs," centers on the life, the printing techniques and the business practices of Benjamin Franklin.

The almanac will be available for the class's students to directly read and touch during the course, under the supervision of one of the librarians.

McCormick said that he was happy to exhibit the original publications to the hundreds of students that enroll in his class and was pleased with cooperation of

the library.

"Not every library shares their special collection so freely," McCormick said.

Hillman said the "Poor Richard's Almanac" and the materials of the Baylor special collections will be available to students, faculty and small classes for the students to see and use for research, upon appointment.

Students will be able to hold the almanac, but are not allowed to check it out from the library with their Baylor ID.

"If the dog ate it you would owe us money," Hillman said. "We can't handle those kind of surprises."

Schuetz said the library was glad to obtain an artifact that would be shared among the students.

"We're pretty excited about it

because it's something that we can take out and show to the students," Schuetz said. "It won't sit on the shelf in a temperature-controlled room that we have in the library for these things. It's something that will actually go out to a class as a way for the students to see a bit of living history, something from when our country was first starting out."

She said she hopes that in the future the library will continue to acquire things that are both relevant and accessible to the Baylor students, but she also said she doesn't know what they are planning to acquire next.

"Who knows," she said. "Word might get around that we've got this, and someone else might have another idea for what we should go out and look for."

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Students view artwork at the Senior Bachelor of Fine Arts Exhibition opening reception Tuesday at the Martin Museum of Art. The students' senior portfolios will be featured at the Martin Museum through Sunday.

Senior portfolios featured at exhibition

By RYAN DAUGHERTY
REPORTER

Each year, Baylor hosts the Senior Bachelor of Fine Arts Exhibition where graduating seniors can display their work.

The event began Tuesday with a reception and will run through Sunday at the Martin Museum of Art in the Hooper-Schaefer Fine Arts Center in galleries 1 and 2.

The event is free and is open to the public.

The exhibition is for graduating BFA majors that have an emphasis on graphic design, photography and painting.

The students who will be displaying their work throughout the week are: senior Sarah Craig; senior Victoria Leos; Chandler, Ariz., senior Landis Ware; Brownsville senior Kendra Naranjo; Elgin senior Katy Powell; San Antonio senior Freddy Rosas; Highlands Ranch, Colo., senior Anna Lee Webster and Dallas senior Adrian Garza.

Garza is a graphic design major and will be displaying several of pieces of his work, such as logos, posters, package designs and other items including brochures and informational work.

He said all the seniors in this event have put in a lot of hard work this year in each of their portfolios for the exhibition.

"Putting together a portfolio requires a lot of time and dedication," he said. "The creation of a portfolio book requires taking a hard look at past projects and re-working them to bring them up to your current level of expertise."

Garza said his displays are various pieces that are all different in their intended applications.

"I would say that the work overall has an emphasis on visually conveying the client's intended message," he said. "Some of the work could have a clean and minimal approach while another could feature more illustration and color."

Rosas is a BFA major with a concentration in graphic design. He is displaying a portfolio consisting of 10 of his works, which are mostly logos and identity designs incorporated into stationery sets.

He said his hard work has helped him get to this point of his career.

"I like to think I've maintained a healthy balance between work and leisure for the past four years," he said.

After he graduates, Rosas will be moving to the United Kingdom to become a freelance writer.

As for Garza, he plans to move back to Dallas to temporarily work for a photography company that he has been employed by for the past two years.

He said he has an idea of what he wants to work with and where he wants to do it after his current job.

"After that job, I hope to find a graphic design job that deals with interface or poster design where I can also incorporate my photography skills," he said. "Ideally, I would like to find a job somewhere in California, New York City or Boston, Massachusetts."

Each senior has his or her own specific concentration, but they can do more than just that. Garza said while he has worked hard on his own skill he has had the opportunity to work on other skills.

"We graduate from the program with a well-rounded skillset," he said. "I am a graphic design major but I have a major passion for photography and I have had the chance to develop that through the BFA program as well."

Wind Ensemble joined by distinguished conductor, premieres work

By CONNOR YEARSLEY
CONTRIBUTOR

Fans of music don't want to miss Monday's Wind Ensemble concert.

The performance will feature distinguished guest conductor H. Robert Reynolds and will also see the world premiere of the 2012 Baylor Composition Contest's winning composition.

The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. in Jones Concert Hall in the Glennis McCrary Music Building and is free and open to the public.

Dr. Eric Wilson, director of bands at Baylor, said he is particularly excited that his students will have the opportunity to learn from and be led by Reynolds.

"He is one of the true legends in our profession," Wilson said.

Niceville, Fla., sophomore Stephen Farrell, trombonist in the ensemble, said he is also excited about Reynolds' visit.

Reynolds is the principal conductor of the University of Southern California Wind Ensemble and is director of bands emeritus of the University of Michigan. His musical interpretations have won widespread praise.

Wilson said the School of Music is very fortunate that Reynolds will spend about five days on campus. In addition to conducting three pieces on Monday's Wind Ensemble concert, he will also conduct some pieces for tonight's Symphonic Band concert, which starts at 7:30 p.m. in Jones Concert Hall.

Additionally, Reynolds and Wilson will serve as the clinicians for the Baylor Conducting Symposium, which will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in the Glennis McCrary Music Building. A select group of band directors will be given the opportunity to conduct the Symphonic Band and the Wind Ensemble and get feedback from Reynolds and Wilson.

Monday's Wind Ensemble will begin with German composer Richard Strauss' "Wiener Philharmoniker Fanfare," which was composed in 1924 for the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra.

Then, the ensemble will perform Frank Ticheli's "Postcard," which was composed in 1991. Reynolds, who will conduct the first two pieces on the program, commissioned "Postcard" to commemorate his mother. Ticheli himself wrote that the piece is "vibrant, whimsical and succinct."

Wilson said he thinks "Postcard" might be the most challenging piece on the program because of its shifting meters, fast tempo, rhythmic complexity and constantly changing instrumentation.

Next on the program will be Roger

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Dr. Eric Wilson | Director of Bands

Zare's "Mare Tranquillitatis," which was arranged for band in 2012. The title translates to "Sea of Tranquility," which is the famous location on the moon where Apollo 11 landed. Zare wrote, "The music seeks to capture a dichotomy of emotions—tranquil beauty and restless isolation."

The Wind Ensemble will then premiere

"Lament and Proclamation" by Brownwood sophomore music composition major Jordan Tucker, who is the winner of the 2012 Baylor Composition Contest. The concert's program notes explain that Tucker was inspired by Jeremiah's story in the third chapter of Lamentations. "I immediately began wondering how Jeremiah's simultaneous agony and hope could be depicted in a musical setting, and 'Lament and Proclamation' was born," Tucker wrote.

Then, the program will continue with English composer Gustav Holst's three-movement "First Suite in E-flat," which was composed in 1909. Reynolds will conduct the suite and Wilson said he's excited for his students to have that experience. "For them to have the opportunity to perform such an epic, landmark composition with one of the masters in our field will be exhilarating," Wilson said.

Farrell said the suite is his favorite piece on the program. "It's just such a huge staple of the band repertoire," he said.

Next, Kathryn Salfelder's "Crossing Parallels," which was composed in 2009, will be performed. "Crossing Parallels" blends contemporary harmonies with re-

naissance and baroque elements," Wilson said.

The concert will conclude with Mexican composer Arturo Márquez's "Danzón No. 2," which was originally composed for orchestra in 1994 and was arranged for band in 2009. "People in Mexico consider it their second national anthem," Wilson said about the piece, which was inspired by a style of dance.

Wilson also said he thinks the piece will be popular with the audience. "It is a very fun and fiery way to conclude the semester," he said.

Farrell agreed the piece will be a crowd-pleaser. "It really grooves," he said.

Wilson said the concert is also significant because it will mark the last Wind Ensemble concert for 15 of the group's members. "It's got its sentimental value," Wilson said.

Both Wilson and Farrell said the program will be eclectic.

"I think this is going to be one of the most diverse programs we've presented," Farrell said.

He also said he thinks there will be something for everyone. "It's going to be just a great concert," he said.

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MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Junior forward Cory Jefferson throws down a two-handed dunk during Baylor's on March 14 loss to Oklahoma State. Jefferson announced Thursday that he will return for his final season as a Bear.

Jefferson is coming back

By GREG DEVRIES
SPORTS EDITOR

Junior forward Cory Jefferson announced Thursday that he will be returning for another year and will not enter the NBA Draft.

After a breakout season, Jefferson was projected to be a late pick in the 2013 NBA Draft if he decided to enter.

"Everything went into this decision," Jefferson said. "It was probably one of the biggest decisions of my life. Before this time, I'd say it was the redshirt, but that decision was a breeze compared to this one."

During the season, Jefferson averaged 13.3 points and eight rebounds per game while shooting better than 70 percent from the free throw line.

Jefferson is known for his thunderous dunks and blocks. His athleticism and experience should prove to be valuable to the Bears next season.

"Cory is somebody, being a fifth-year senior, everybody listens [to]," head coach Scott Drew said. "They respect him. I think this is a great opportunity for him to be more vocal and really help out."

With senior guards A.J. Wal-

ton and Pierre Jackson moving on, Jefferson and junior guard Brady Heslip will be the only returning starters on their final year of eligibility.

Junior guard Gary Franklin will be the third and final senior on next year's Baylor basketball team.

"Being a fifth-year guy, everyone is going to look to me to be a leader whether I want to or not," Jefferson said. "I am willing to step up and take that position. I have no problem with it."

Heslip said that Jefferson's presence in the middle helps open up outside shots, so he is glad to see Jefferson return for his final year.

"If they help off me, he's going to kick it out," Heslip said. "If not, he's going to score."

Jefferson has had a lot of support from Baylor fans and the community.

Some have reached out to Jefferson on Twitter asking him to stay for a senior season. When he addressed the crowd at Baylor football's spring football game, some fans even started chanting, "One more year."

Heslip expects Jefferson to be one of the focal points of the team next year, and that includes being

awarded various preseason honors and taking on more responsibility.

"He's going to come back next year, and he's going to have all of the honors, the preseason honors, and stuff like that," Heslip said. "There's going to be a lot of pressure on him but he'll be ready to handle it and he'll be a force inside."

Freshman center Isaiah Austin has yet to announce his decision to either enter the NBA Draft or return to school.

The deadline to decide is Sunday. The NBA Draft is set for June 27.

The Bears have signed four high school players that will join the team next season.

Ishmail Wainright, a four-star small forward, and Dominic Woodson, a four-star center, highlight the recruiting class.

Johnathan Motley, a power forward from Houston, is the final high school senior that has put pen to paper and agreed to play at Baylor.

The Bears have also signed sophomore point guard Kenny Chery, a junior college transfer from State Fair Community College in Canada.

Gilmore signed to play professional soccer in Chicago

By LARISSA CAMPOS
REPORTER

After months of challenges and uncertainty, former Baylor midfielder Hanna Gilmore found a home with the Chicago Red Stars as she signed to the team's final roster as part of the newly formed National Women's Soccer League. As she adjusts to her new life as a professional soccer player, Gilmore answered some questions about the journey she is on and what the future may hold for her.

Q: How have you as a player adjusted to play professionally?

A: As a player, the biggest adjustment I have had to make is the men-

tal side of my game. Being able to train physically and technically at a high level under an extreme amount of pressure takes a lot of focus.

Q: Is the style of soccer with the Red Stars different from what you were used to at Baylor?

A: The style is very different. There is much more emphasis on possession, technique and smaller combinations. However, the mentality aspect of working hard and fighting is consistent within both teams. Which is what wins games.

Q: What was your first reaction when you found out you were going to be signed to the Chicago Red Stars?

A: I was so excited and honored honestly more than anything. I have never thought I was any good and I still don't think I am. But to be on a team with some of the girls I grew up idolizing is really humbling but so special.

Q: Did your experience at Baylor prepare you for the journey you are on?

A: Definitely. The way [the coaches] helped me grow as a soccer player and as a person is one of the main reasons I am able to be doing what I am doing.

Q: Do you think professional is something you would like to con-

tinue doing long term?

A: You know, that's a good question, but my answer is yes. If doors are continuing to be opened, I will run through them at full speed. But if they are closed I will be understanding and just as happy.

Q&A

Q: Growing up, did you have dreams of playing professional soccer?

Oh yeah. Besides my dream of singing and dancing like Shania Twain, I wrote on every paper in elementary school that I wanted to be a professional soccer player. At that time, I think people probably laughed at both of those dreams.

Q: How has it been getting to know new girls and a new coach?

A: It has been so fun. I love getting to know new people and to hear their stories and perspectives, which is very broad. My teammates ages range from about 22-35 and they are from all over the world. Some don't even speak English. The new coaching is great as well because I am learning so many new aspects of the game.

Q: What advice can you give to college athletes with plans to play professionally after they graduate?

A: Trust God. And if that means to go for it, go for it with all your heart and soul. Whether you choose

to play or not to play, believe in your choice and enjoy it. Most importantly, just enjoy it and be yourself.

Q: How has this adventure affected your educational and career plans? When will you graduate? What kind of job will you pursue when soccer is over?

A: I do not have a definite answer to graduation and career plans, but it has affected my graduation plans a little. I will not graduate with the rest of my class, but I will return in the fall to complete my undergrad and MBA. When soccer is over, whenever that is, I would love to start my own business with something that makes me have to work with a lot of people.

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Baseball set for conference battle with Longhorns

By DANIEL HILL
SPORTS WRITER

The Baylor Bears host the Texas Longhorns this weekend for the last home Big 12 Conference baseball series of the season. The Bears are 21-20 overall and 8-6 in Big 12 play.

The Bears are currently fourth in the Big 12 behind Oklahoma, Kansas and Kansas State.

"It's very important, you know, to win the weekend and get the series," sophomore right-handed pitcher Austin Stone said. "I know that we don't have that many more Big 12 games left, and we just need to win as many as possible."

With only 11 games left in the season, every game is of the utmost importance for the Bears, especially games at Baylor Ballpark.

The series against Texas is Baylor's final Big 12 home series of the season, and the Bears only have one more nonconference home game.

"[We] just to try to win as many games as we can," senior Cal Towey said. "I don't know how many we have to win to get

into a regional, but we want to finish strong with our last 10 or 11 games, however many we have left, go to the Big 12 tournament and do what we can do and then make a regional."

Texas, a traditional baseball powerhouse with a rich history, has struggled this season with a 19-22 overall record. The Longhorns are also last in the Big 12 with a 5-10 record.

Texas has pitching talent but its offense is a different story.

"They have really good pitching but they've had a tough time scoring runs," head coach Steve Smith said. "It's been a long time since they've been big run producers because it's a big ballpark and they have that slow infield and they've been so good for so long. They're just having a hard time scoring. They're hitting .260 or so with runners in scoring position. That's way down."

Senior right-fielder Nathan Orf leads the Bears offensively with a .403 batting average. As a senior, Orf leads by example with hustle.

"He's just an all-out guy" Stone said. "He plays hard no matter

what. If he hits a grounder and you know it's just going to be an out, he's at a full sprint. He's having fun and he's just all-out all the time and he's a great player and that's what makes him a great player."

This weekend, the Bears will play Texas today at 6:35 p.m., Saturday at 8:05 p.m. and again on Sunday at 2:05 p.m.

Typically, the weekend series has a night game on Friday and then two day games on Saturday and Sunday. The late 8:05 p.m. start Saturday will be something different for Baylor.

"I don't think I've ever had an 8 o'clock start on a Saturday except for maybe that last super regional game," senior right-handed pitcher Max Garner said. "It was maybe seven, but it'll be a little bit weird. I think more the next morning than anything else. It'll be a little bit easier to play on Saturday because everyone will have a full 24 hours to recover instead of maybe twelve before batting practice and all that kind of stuff. I think the turnaround on Sunday will probably be the one where you'll see the effect on both teams."



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Sophomore center fielder Logan Brown gets in position to catch a fly ball on April 13 against Oklahoma while junior second baseman Lawton Langford ducks for cover.

Lady Bears travel north to take on Jayhawks

By PARMIDA SCHAHOSSEINI
SPORTS WRITER

After splitting back-to-back double headers against nonconference opponents, the No. 14 Baylor Lady Bears will resume conference play with a series against the Kansas Jayhawks today through Sunday in Lawrence, Kan.

"Going into the Kansas house, I know that they are always ready to play us," senior center fielder Kathy Shelton said. "They always hit the ball well, so hopefully we just have it all together as a team and we go in there and get a sweep."

Kansas is coming off a two game winning streak, but lost two of three games in its latest conference series against Oklahoma State. However, Kansas has the ability to bounce back because of

its offense.

Other than Texas, the Jayhawks have not faced the other two top pitching teams in the Big 12. Texas swept Kansas due to its pitching, giving Baylor an advantage because they are No. 3 in the Big 12 in the circle.

The Jayhawks are effective at hitting the ball. The team leads the Big 12 in batting average at .346 with eight batters hitting over .300, four of which are hitting above .400. Senior outfielder Maggie Hull leads the team with a .467 batting average with 63 hits while adding 37 runs and 40 RBIs.

Kansas has other playmakers as well. Freshman Alex Hugo has been effective with a .426 batting average scoring 38 runs while adding 58 hits. Hugo leads the team with 12 home runs and has 42

RBIs. Sophomore Maddie Stein leads the team with 44 RBIs while generating 49 hits and 18 runs batting at .350.

Against this offense, Baylor cannot afford to repeat the same pitching effort it displayed against the University of Houston.

"We needed these games after a weekend off and we have to get better from this," head coach Glenn Moore said.

Junior left-handed pitcher Whitney Canion, despite struggling in the middle of the season, took control of the game against Houston by not allowing a hit or run while in the circle. Canion has struck out 213 batters and averages 9.6 strikeouts a game.

"My rise was really jumping and my change up was helping me out," Canion said.

Freshman right-handed pitcher Heather Stearns has played well with a 1.57 ERA. Stearns ranks No. 11 in strikeouts with 130.

Inside the circle, Kansas is fifth in the Big 12 with a combined 2.55 ERA. Sophomore pitcher Alicia Pille has a 2.43 ERA and has struck out 156 while allowing 96 hits and 46 runs. Junior pitcher Alex Jones has been effective with a 1.94 ERA striking out 51 batters, while allowing only 12 runs.

Baylor's offense has a .298 batting average, which is fifth in the Big 12. However, the Lady Bear have already surpassed last year's home run total with 24, and the freshmen have accounted for half of them. Freshman third baseman Sarah Smith's batting percent has dropped as of late, dropping below .400 for the first time this season.

Smith is still batting at .363 and leads the team with five home runs. Freshman outfielder Linsey Hays hit four home runs in addition to 40 hits and 23 runs.

In addition to Smith and Hays, junior first baseman Holly Holl has also contributed to the increase in home runs. In the last six games, Holl has a .474 batting average with two home runs and two doubles in addition to eight RBI. Holl is also reading pitches well, leading the team with 31 walks drawn.

The Lady Bears need Shelton and sophomore outfielder Kaitlyn Thumann to continue being aggressive to bring a spark to the team. The duo is first and second in stolen bases, respectively. Shelton already broke Baylor's stolen base record and is continuing to add more.

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A Bruceville-Eddy firefighter with a black badge shroud to indicate a period of mourning walks in the processional on Thursday afternoon down University Parks Drive in honor of his brothers who lost their lives in the West explosion on April 17.

firefighter helmets were presented to the families of the victims. The Honor Guard who conducted the ceremony reverently lifted flags, saluted and presented helmets to family members sitting in the front row. The ceremony proceeded solemnly, slowly and silently.

After the last flag was presented, the voice of a dispatcher crackled over the loudspeaker. She called each firefighter and EMT in turn, and when none responded she proclaimed their duty done.

After a period of silence, broken only by the quiet weeping of the bereaved, a lone piper mounted the stage. His kilted companions had slowly moved to surround the first responders and grieving families. Suddenly his pipes sprang to life with a mournful drone, and he began the first strains of "Amazing Grace." After the first verse, the

entire drum and pipe core sprang to life, enveloping those on the floor in a warm, humming ring of sound. The drums throbbed as the voices of the pipes rose and fell.

"Today I see in the people of west...that what makes West special isn't going to go away. There's always someone to call."

President Obama

Here and there in the crowd, a few snatches of the verses were sung softly.

As the families received the items, hands from the rows behind them reached forward, a wall of

support for the grieving families. They were engulfed in embraces from those behind. As the memorial continued, some didn't let go, but remained stretched forward, holding their neighbors.

"We all cried at the helmet presenting," Abbie said of himself and colleagues. Abbie said he was proud to be a firefighter.

"And also kind of sad at the same time," James finished. Abbie lost his own father, a member of the military, when he was five years old. He remembers being handed his own father's flag.

"It's something they won't forget," he said.

Eventually everyone filtered out, leaving only a few grieving family members and the twelve caskets, draped in twelve flags.

Politics set aside at Bush library dedication

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DALLAS — George W. Bush shed a sentimental tear. Barack Obama mused about the burdens of the office. Bill Clinton dished out wisecracks. Jimmy Carter and George H.W. Bush chimed in, too, on a rare day of harmony at the dedication of the younger Bush's presidential library that glossed over the hard edges and partisan divides of five presidencies spanning more than three tumultuous decades.

"To know the man is to like the man," Obama declared of his Republican predecessor, speaking Thursday before a crowd of 10,000 at an event that had the feel of a class reunion for the partisans who had powered the Bush administration from 2001 to 2009. Bush, 66, said he was guided throughout his presidency by a determination "to expand the reach of freedom."

"It wasn't always easy, and it certainly wasn't always popular."

It was a day for family and sentimentality, Bush choking up with emotion at the conclusion of his remarks.

The 43rd president singled out his 88-year-old father, another ex-president, to tell him: "41, it is awesome that you are here today."

The elder Bush spoke for less than a minute from his wheelchair, then turned to his son and quipped, "Too long?" He has a form of Parkinson's disease and has been hospitalized recently for bronchitis.

Just as the public tends to view presidents more kindly once they've left office, ex-presidents, too, tend to soften their judgments — or at least their public comments — with time.

Obama said the living presidents make up an exclusive club — but it's more like a support group for the men who have held the position.

"No matter how much you may think you are ready to assume the office of the presidency, it's impossible to truly understand the nature of the job until it's yours," Obama said. "And that's why every president gains a greater appreciation for all of those who served before them."

The presidential center at Southern Methodist University includes a library, museum and policy institute. It contains more than 70 million pages of paper records, 200 million emails, 4 million digital photos and 43,000 artifacts. Bush's library will feature the largest digital holdings of any of the 13 presidential libraries under the auspices of the National Archives and Records Administration.

A full-scale replica of the Oval Office as it looked during Bush's tenure sits on the campus, as does a piece of steel from the World Trade Center and the bullhorn that Bush used to punctuate the chaos at ground zero three days after 9/11. In the museum, visitors can gaze at a container of chads — the remnants of the famous Florida punch card ballots that played a pivotal role in the contested 2000 election that sent Bush to Washington.

Baylor and Southern Methodist University were the final universities competing for the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum in 2008. Six universities and one city, Arlington, initially submitted proposals to house the library.

The universities that submitted proposals were Baylor, SMU, Texas Tech University, the University of Dallas, the University of Texas System and Midland College.

During the selection process,

Texas Tech and Midland College joined forces to become the West Texas Coalition.

These bids were submitted after Bush's reelection in 2004.

Baylor's proposal highlighted the short distance between the university and the Bushes' ranch in Crawford.

In 2005, the White House said the final four universities in the running to be the location of the presidential library were SMU, Baylor, the University of Dallas and the West Texas Coalition.

Representatives from these groups went to Washington, D.C. to present their proposals to the steering committee. Soon after, the West Texas Coalition was eliminated as a potential location for the library.

In 2006, SMU announced that it had been selected to enter the next phase, as reported by the Daily Campus, SMU's student-run newspaper. This involved in an exclusive year-long discussion with the selection committee. No other university entered this phase.

About a week after this announcement, the University of Dallas removed its proposal from consideration. This left only two universities competing for the library, Baylor and SMU.

On Feb. 22, 2008, SMU officially became the future site of the presidential library, as reported by the Lariat.

Construction on the library began Nov. 16, 2010.

Laura Bush led the library's design committee, officials said, with a keen eye toward ensuring that the family's Texas roots were conspicuously reflected. Architects used local materials, including Texas Cordova cream limestone and trees from the central part of the state, in its construction.



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