Baylor football’s unique uniforms gain notoriety across the nation.

Topping out ceremony shows progress, future

Rover still exploring Mars after a decade

Students treated for hyperthermia after boat flips

Ex-football player to serve 20 years for assault

Matter of life and death

Los Angeles — A decade after landing on Mars, the rover Opportunity is still chug-ging along.

Sun, it has some wear and tear. One of its six wheels and two instruments stripped working long ago. It has an arthritic joint. Its flash memory occasionally suffers a senior moment. But these problems are considered minor for a rover that was supposed to be just a three-month adventure.

No one ever expected this — that after 10 years a Mars exploration rover would continue to operate and produce valuable, productive data for months on end.

NASA has scoured Earth’s planetary neighbor for decades, starting with quick flybys and later with orbiters, landers and rovers. Opportunity touched down on Jan. 24, 2004 — several weeks after its twin Spirit. Both rovers outlived their warranty by years, but Spirit stopped phoning home in 2010 after getting stuck in sand. Meanwhile, Opportunity has logged 24 miles center-hopping. The solar-powered NASA rover is now in an ancient spot on the rim of Endeavour Crater where it’s spending its sixth winter poking into rocks and dirt.

Its power levels have unusually im-portant. A minor “solar”alfa absent due to its solar panels was later wiped away by blowing rocks.

Early discovery by the two rovers pointed to a planet that was once tropical and moist. However, the signs of water suggested an acidic climate.

The men climbed on top of a project where the highest structural beam hoist the structure.

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Mars: Red planet’s atmosphere oxygen to one of the two rabbits rescued from a burning home Thursday near campus on the 800 block of S. Seventh Street and Rose Avenue. The other rabbit died, and the surviving one was returned to its owner. See page 6 for the full story on the fire.

President Ken Starr signs the top post of the new McLane Stadium during the topping off ceremony Thursday. Athletics director Ian McCaw said the stadium has surpassed 60 percent completion.

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Castroville: Leaves and flowers blooming- ing atop.

The topping out ceremony, Thursday, was on schedule for installation Thursday. Athletics director Ian McCaw said the stadium has surpassed 60 percent completion.

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President Ian Starr and Brian Nicholson, who is the As-soicate Vice President for Facility, Planning and Construction, were among university adminis-trators in attendance.

Workers took a break from their hammering and gathered in an enclosure from stacks of sheet rock and lengths of copper pipe for a bar ing, and gathered in an enclosure from stacks of

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Anita Corona

Student treated for hyperthermia after boat flips

Two male Baylor students were taken to the Hilli-cee Baptist Medical Center Thursday afternoon to be treated for hyperthermia, after falling into the waters of Lake Waco when their sailboat capsized.

"Something happened on the water," they said in a hurry to operate the sailboat," said Sgt. Patrick Iverson, Waco Police Department public informa-tion officer. "The boat capsized at some point. Both men went into the water, a woman tried to get him from the boat but failed. They were in the water, but with a considerable amount of time."

The men climbed on top of the captured boat in order to stay out of the water, Swanson said.

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In hospitals, when it comes to life or death situations, the combination of medical and moral ethics come into play.

On Nov. 25, 2013, Maruisa Munoz slipped in her home as she was a part of what doctors believed was a pulmonary embolism. In other words, a blockage, or some other foreign matter, blocked a pulmonary artery. She was rushed to the hospital where her husband Erick Munoz and the doctors and nurses and the baby had been born. The Munozes were both paramedics and Mr. Munoz was not going to have want a do not resuscitate form taken to keep her alive. Normally, this would have been enough, and Munoz would have been taken off the ventilators and machines keeping her alive. But, this wasn’t a normal case. The year 14 weeks pregnant with a healthy second child.

John Peter Smith Hospital, where Mrs. Munoz was taken, said because she was pregnant, it was against state law to remove the ventilator keeping her alive. The Texas Attorney General’s Office said, “A person may not withdraw or withdraw life-sustaining treatment from a pregnant patient!” Under Texas law, a person facing a non-fatal, non-emergency, or non-invasive, non-diagnostic medical procedure while pregnant is at risk of being charged with a third-degree felony. If found guilty, the person can face up to five years in prison.

People who sympathize with the Munoz family argue that since Mrs. Munoz is brain-dead, the case clearly spells out what is to be done. There’s no discussion or misinterpretation about the law or the definition of patient. Mr. Munoz and his lawyers claim that Mrs. Munoz is brain-dead, there is no chance she will recover, and she is only being kept alive by the ventilator, but her organs are working because continue running the fetus to birth. The fetus has a right to life.

If Mrs. Munoz had not collapsed because of the pulmonary embolism, the fetus would have been born healthy and big. It’s not fair to the fetus, which is viable at this point, to be deprived of life because Mrs. Munoz is no longer viable. It is not a case like this, but people don’t see it as reason to stop life.

Additionally, Mr. Munoz waited until last week to file a lawsuit against the hospital, at this point, the lawsuit could not be legally avoided anymore. He felt so strongly about this, why didn’t he file the lawsuit sooner? Why waited until the fetus was viable, or tests to keep Mrs. Munoz on a ventilator would significantly endanger any medical procedures that could not take her off of life support as a result of her pregnancy? In this case, the law clearly states that if Munoz had had a ground that, under normal circumstances, the fetus could be aborted at 14 weeks. Instead, he waited until the fetus reached 21 weeks and had a small chance of survival. A fetus is not considered medically viable until 24 weeks where it has a 38 percent survival rate.

Opinions to this decision state that Mrs. Munoz’s wishes should be honored just because of a pregnancy. The husband knows her very well, and that they have discussed this. Therefore, they’re not making an uninformed decision or not weighing the consequences. As a result of this, they are opposed to physicians and decision made during this day, and know what a Do Not Resuscitate directive entails. Having forcing her to remain on the ventilator, they are honoring her final wishes.

Unfortunately, the law is the law. If people have a problem with it, they should focus on changing the law for the law for future patients because laws are there for a reason, and by the time anything would get passed, the fetus could reach the viability and age of viability, so it wouldn’t do any good to change the law.

The hospital should ensure that the law gets carried to viability. The law strictly states what needs to be done, and there is no arguing with it at that point.

As much as it pains her husband and family, there is no getting around the law.

“SORRY, GRANDPA, BUT WE CAN’T BUY YOU THE MONA LISA. PRETTY SURE THAT’S STILL GRANDPAPA!”
Four students start organization to improve orphan care

By Rebecca Flannery

Bearsforphans, an organization that has been in the works since April 2013, will hold its long-anticipated first meeting at 5:31 p.m. on Feb. 11. Classes may or may not be involved.

Started by sophomores Caroline Giles, Madi Wise, Meghan Bell and Carly Kloack, Bearsforphants is a club that seeks to bridge the gap between Baylor’s campus and the international orphan care they provide to Haitian children.

The orphanage will soon have a school to accompany it, financially supported by Bearsforphants. Along with the new school, the club will provide care in the form of food, shelter and education through Coreluv’s partnership.

“Elsewhere in the world, you can see more than just a fundraiser though,” said Katy Styles, to go over details.

When the girls figured out how long the process could take, they decided when they met with graduate apprentice Shaefer Fine Arts Center. There is a $3 admission fee at the door. Tickets are $25, in Waco Hall from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Box Office until 8 p.m. on Jan. 25, in Waco Hall from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Baylor School of Music.

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The Baylor Department of Student Activities’ online information this is one of the final 10 out of 25 organization applicants, a three-tiered @bearsforphants. The club can be considered chartered as a Baylor University organization. The time it takes to complete these steps can be extensive. In the case of Bearsforphants, it took up to eight months. Parker, Giles, sophomores Carly Kloack said emotions during this time were all over the place.

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International students find common ground

By Keith O'Neal

International students from five continents have found a temporary home at Common Grounds. Though they met a group for the first time less than two weeks ago, more than 25 students from around the world gathered Wednesday to support one of their group's main activities.

Gabriela Schaffer said she attended the event to hear about Common Grounds, "I know everyone's faces," Schaffer said, "but I've never met them."

"Outlets in the community are important for international students to get a taste of American culture," Schaffer said. "It's a unique opportunity to meet new people, especially American people," Schaffer said.

Audrey Richmond, a junior, was the center of attention. She brought the students to Common Grounds, turned Hatier's performance into an excellent starting point for the international students.

"This is the best group of international students I've ever had," Richmond said. "They were all so good, they were all doing great jobs." Richmond said that Schaffer was working very well with the group, creating cultural friendships, exploring new cultures and integrating into Baylor — all within a week.

Hatier said he plans on performing again at Common Grounds, a venue he calls "old school, " and said he feels more confident with the support of his fellow international students.

"It's not a big group of international students to get a taste of American culture," Richmond said. "Common Grounds is a great representation of that culture. I hope all of the international students find an outlet like Franks, something they love to do while they're here."

In addition to the gathering at Common Grounds, the international students plan to start an informal soccer team that will play every week. The international students gather every Thursday night for pizza at a local pizza restaurant. They also hope to travel as a group to different cities in Texas and share their cultures with each other through travel and tourism.

Common Grounds holds a free Open Mic Night every Wednesday with a free headliner at 11 p.m. Sign-up sheets are located in Common Grounds and are posted every weekend. For more information, visit Common Grounds website at scopus.com.

DALLAS (AP) - Malakute Ragopotu seems to have the most of her peer relationships.


Do you have any current projects you're working on?

"I don't know about writing, but I want to may be eventually manage the company, Kennington LLC, which is a makeup company to just run my own business."

"I've never met so many volunteering people in such a short time," Cambeli said. "I thought my only friends would be Brazilians, but I feel like I truly have long lasting friendships from people the world over."

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Lady Bears prepare for road test at OSU

By Kenneth Cline
Reporters

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Baylor Lady Bears basketball fans were treated to a visual treat on Sunday as the Bears put on their new uniforms for the first time.

Shiny helmets with blue and yellow colors adorned by a blue Baylor “B’” were worn by the basketball team.

The Bears played against Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Okla.

With the success of the 2013 football season, as well as the flashy uniforms, Baylor has grabbed national attention.

Although Baylor’s customary crimson and gold fan gear, plus gold, has been business ascendant to better and more intimidating collared shirts, the Bears have decided to stick with crimson and black.

For good or bad, the split new uniforms have caused quite a stir.

Evidence of this can be dated back to Nov. 7, when the Baylor Bears opened their season by playing against Oklahoma State University. In what was hyped up as a school’s first trial of the new uniforms, the Bears cruised to a 41-12 win against Oklahoma on Nov. 7 at Floyd Casey Stadium.

Junior quarterback Bryce Petty scrambles out of the pocket in Baylor's 41-12 win against Oklahoma on Nov. 7 at Floyd Casey Stadium.

As trite as that may sound, the uniforms do have an impact on the perception of the player’s psyche before a game.

Chad Klempnauer, marketing director for Baylor Athletics, said he believes the uniforms are a blessing from niche.

Klempnauer said that everyone has their own team in don’t judge others for their choice of uniforms, “Tech wears black,” Parrish said. “I think it’s kind of a close relationship between our success and the new uniforms.”

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“I think we’re in a unique situation,” Klempnauer said. “All those teams have a history of winning and that is why they work for them. Someone like us, who is up-and-coming, shows the world we are the new kid on the block and think we can do it, too. That is our goal.”

Not only have the uniforms have improved the team’s performance, but they also have a financial boost.

According to Parrish, the financial boost for the new uniform look.

“I think Alabama recruits pretty well, and they also have found a bunch among prospective student-athletes,” said Klumpner. “I think it’s kind of a close relationship between our success and the new uniforms.”

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Ex-football player to serve 20 years for assault

Attack caused her to do poorly in class and Elliott driving by both said the trauma of the experience was too much to handle. She recoils when she sees a large black man; she is upset with herself for, and because of her experience with speaking out sooner.

The victim from 2012 said she was assaulted in 2009, came with his degree from Oklahoma College and his family sat behind him. "This schedule is nothing we've been able to make up that will correct the problem," he said. "This is a real work area." He said the accident was caused by a piece of wood, probably, "but it's still the speed limit that's in effect," he said. "This study is something we've all been trying to decide where to invest scarce dollars, the real decision is expected to be made in a couple of months about the NTSB," said McCaw.

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