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New soccer, sports facility in works

By PAULA ANN SOLIS
STAFF WRITER

The face of Baylor athletics continues to change, and part of that transformation includes a \$3.3 million Williams Family Soccer and Olympic Sports Center scheduled to begin construction this summer.

The new facility is named in honor of 1963 alumnus and former Baylor football player Bill Williams and his wife Elaine, who donated \$1.5 million toward the center's construction. The complex will be part of the Turner Riverfront Athletic Complex along the Brazos River and is expected to be ready early next year.

"The Baylor brand has never been stronger than it is right

now," said Ian McCaw, Baylor director of athletics. "The growth of the athletics department is giving Baylor tremendous visibility nationally and internationally."

News of the soccer complex's construction is coupled with the announcement of the upcoming Beauchamp Athletic Nutrition Center. Combined with the McLane Stadium and a new track and field stadium, McCaw said the athletics department will be rejuvenated.

Upgrades from the former complex include a coaches suite, a visiting team locker room, 2,300 square feet for the soccer team's locker and training rooms and 35 player lockers. The complex will also include a 5,000-square-foot weight room for teams from

neighboring facilities to use as well.

"What I'm most excited about is how it will beautifully finish off the aesthetics of the riverfront complex," McCaw said. "We have dated facilities that will go away like the old batting cages and the current soccer complex which are unattractive. In its place will be a beautiful facility that will tie together the beautiful aesthetics of the riverfront."

Marci Jobson, the co-head coach of Baylor's soccer team, said this new facility will mean great things for both the improvement of team spirit and recruitment possibilities. Jobson, alongside her husband and co-head coach



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A rendering of the Williams Family Soccer and Olympic Sports Center displays the intended finished product of the new sports center, set to break ground this summer.

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LINDA NGUYEN | COPY DESK CHIEF

Lending a paw

Houston senior Sultana Aruba gives a little love to a dog Saturday at Fuzzy Friends Rescue with her service fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega. Members of the fraternity visited the animal adoption center to help bathe and play around with the pets as a part of their weekly service opportunities.

New BAA committee talks future

By RAE JEFFERSON
STAFF WRITER

The Baylor Alumni Association has appointed a committee to solidify the association's future in the wake of Baylor cutting ties with the group.

"A special committee of the board of directors will begin meeting immediately to chart a course for the future of the Association," said BAA President George Cowden III in a statement released by the BAA. "We then hope to engage the Board of Regents in an open, transparent dialogue about constructive, mutually beneficial results for our members and the University."

In an email to the Lariat, the BAA Executive Committee said the new committee will propose "amendments to the constitution and bylaws to reflect the continued support of Baylor University through the publication of the Baylor Line, existing endowment funds and any other endowment funds that may be created by the Baylor Alumni Association in the future and other such support as the committee may deem appropriate."

The new committee was the result of an executive session between the BAA Board of Directors that took place after an open forum meeting at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Galloway Suite at Floyd Casey Stadium to discuss the direction of the association with members.

Non-board members were invited to approach a microphone and share thoughts about the association's future plans, such as continuing with alumni outreach or redirecting its mission to include scholarship funds for current students. Several members also discussed the association's relationship to the university.

Members Gale Galloway and Phil Dorr were two of several members who said the associa-

tion should focus on supporting current students through scholarship funds for the time being.

"Very often we forget what we're here for, and that's to educate the students," Galloway said. "At the end of the day, Baylor Alumni Association should refocus its efforts in order to assist those students in the cost of their education."

Member Caroll Webb said he thinks the association "gets carried away with independence" and should focus on mending its relationship with the university.

"My personal opinion is we do not need an independent voice," Webb said. "'Us' and 'you' ought to be 'we' for Baylor."

Member Jim Price, a former BAA vice president, said he would like to see the Sept. 7 vote, which determined whether the association would remain independent from Baylor, revisited because remote voting had not yet been implemented by the association, possibly resulting in an unfair representation of member opinions.

"I'm wondering if, now that the bylaws have been changed, the board would consider a straw poll of everybody who could vote now," Price said. "How would they have voted back in September?"

The September vote was restricted to members present in Waco on the day of the vote. The BAA bylaws were amended to allow voting via mail, internet or proxy services on Dec. 7.

Price said the BAA could use the data from a straw poll, or a survey conducted to get an idea of general opinions, to determine whether a revote should occur.

"I hope something like that could be visited and talked about, and put into effect," Price said.

The Sept. 7 decision, if passed, would have dissolved

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Waco Baha'i Center shares faiths

By REBECCA FIEDLER
STAFF WRITER

Those driving down Bosque Boulevard might notice a large sign at the intersection of 25th Street that reads "Waco Baha'i Center" standing over what was, years ago, a pharmacy. Baha'is have been a part of Waco for more than 50 years, and to this day, people of the Baha'i faith are still active in the Waco community.

Baha'i is a religion that was founded in the 1800s by Bahá'u'lláh in what is present-day Iran. The religion focuses on the importance of unity and equality among human beings, and teaches that the major religions of the world represent different stages in the central revelation of God's will.

Major religious leaders such as Jesus, Mohammed, Buddha and Krishna are believed by Baha'is to be divine messengers sent by God.

"Baha'is accept all religions that came before Baha'i because Bahá'u'lláh said we have to,

because we're all messengers of God," said Bill Irving, a member of the Waco Baha'i Spiritual Assembly.

Jo Welter is the board chair of the Community Race Relations Coalition in Waco and has been a Baha'i since she was a teenager in the 1970s.

"There are some Baha'is in Waco who are seventh generation Baha'is," Welter said. "Then there are people, like me, who became Baha'is as adults."

Welter said she once practiced Catholicism and first thought the Baha'i faith was satanic. Welter researched the religion to prove its teachings were wrong, but felt convinced otherwise and converted.

"On an intellectual level, it made sense to me," Welter said. "It's very logical. And then on another level, it fulfilled what I believed as a Christian. And then on another level, which is at the point where I became a Baha'i ... I really knew in the depths of my soul that Bahá'u'lláh

is who he says he is."

Dr. A. Christian van Gorder is an associate professor in the department of religion and teaches world religion classes.

"Most people don't know the Baha'i," van Gorder said. "They don't understand the Baha'i. I don't think the Baha'i in North America have had any particular problem with persecution. It's just a matter of neglect and misunderstanding."

Van Gorder said he feels that many people do not know about the existence of the Baha'i faith because of apathy.

"They're right there in the middle of Waco, and people drive by that place all the time, but there are very few people who ask the questions about who the Baha'is are and where they come from," he said.

For the Baha'is of Waco, devotional services are held at the Baha'i Center each Sunday,

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The Baylor music department gets ready for the next generation of Bear musicians.



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Volunteers from Habitat for Humanity raise the walls of the first harvest house.



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An online boutique created by two Baylor alumnae offers an alternative shopping experience.



Suing players defeats Little League mission

Editorial

When it comes to youth sports, the coach's job extends beyond the field of play. Coaches are supposed to teach their team valuable life skills such as teamwork, selflessness and responsibility. These life lessons are apparently lost on Alan Beck.

"There are certain risks associated with baseball. Its participants know that there are baseballs flying about, bats rolling on the ground and, yes, possibly a helmet on the field after a game-winning run"

You can imagine the dramatic scene: bottom of the 9th, two outs, bases loaded. It's a tense situation. With pressure mounting, one California Little Leaguer rose to the occasion and drove in the game-winning run.

The runner that scored the winning run, in traditional celebratory fashion for the sport of

baseball, took off his helmet as he was rounding third base and threw it into the air just before he stepped on home plate, earning the victory for his team.

For a 14-year old kid, a moment like this is one for the ages. Unfortunately for him, his heroic moment will forever be marred by his coach, Alan Beck, who is suing his player.

When the player threw his helmet in the air, the helmet hit the ground and injured Beck. The helmet struck his Achilles tendon and tore it, and Beck wants \$500,000 for his pain and suffering and more than \$100,000 for medical bills and lost wages.

Joe Paris, the boy's father, told KCRA, a TV station in Sacramento, Calif., that he can't afford to fight the case much longer and that he has already spent \$4,000 without stepping foot in a courtroom.

Beck should drop the suit and remember why he wanted to be a coach in the California Little League in the first place. He should also reimburse Paris for the legal fees he has incurred.

Paris said when he heard about the lawsuit, he thought the whole thing was a joke. Sadly, he was wrong.

"I don't think the boy meant to harm him," Gene Goldsman, Beck's attorney, told KCRA. "But, this wasn't a part of the game. A guy who volunteers his time to coach should not be subjected to

someone who throws a helmet in the manner that he did. What the kid did, it crossed the line."

Goldsman and Beck are overlooking the obvious. There are certain risks associated with baseball. Its participants know there are baseballs flying about, bats rolling on the ground and, yes, possibly a helmet on the field after a game-winning run.

The participants and coaches accept the risks associated with the game when they sign up to participate.

Beck should have signed up to coach because he wants to help the kids on his team become better people and have some fun playing baseball. By suing his own player, he has taken the fun out of the game.

This legal action also teaches his kids that any sort of bad thing that happens to you can be labeled as someone else's fault.

Now the kids think that you can get revenge on the universe by suing somebody.

Beck has taken no responsibility in the matter and now everybody is losing. He needs to set an example for his team and drop the lawsuit.

A lawsuit is only the answer when someone has wronged you and will not cover the damage.

If you are wronged by chance, then don't take it out on somebody else, especially if that person is somebody you mentor.



ASHER FREEMAN

Beauty pageants help open doors

With hair teased bigger than Texas, earrings so large they have to be held on with glue and not one, but two pairs of fake eyelashes weighing down my eyelids, you probably would have judged me to be exactly what I looked like, a hopeful Texas beauty queen.

On Jan. 18, I had the honor of being crowned the new Miss Waco 2014, which on the surface probably looks like a title that feeds a young woman's ego and boost her quickly to local stardom.

I think the young lady hidden behind the cloud of hairspray and stunning evening gown might have surprised you.

Actually, participating in pageants is new to me. I began this journey less than a year ago and not for the glamour, because that is not me at all.

In fact, just a few years ago on a Saturday night, you would have found me in a rodeo arena with a layer of dust on my face and adrenaline in veins, racing my horse around poles and barrels.

I chose to become involved in the Miss America program because I view college as a stepping stone into the real world that, if used correctly, can catapult you into your career and allow for opportunities that are not granted to those who sit around and wait for them.

Every step, every decision and every opportunity that I seize is done so in a way that will allow me to reach my highest potential

now and be marketable when I am beginning my career in broadcast journalism upon graduation.



Madison Adams | Reporter

Starting this journey, I thought about all the ways this experience would help me to learn how to speak eloquently, articulate and handle even the toughest interview.

Slowly, I am realizing this process is not about that at all. Rather, it's about giving-giving of yourself, your skills, talents, time, efforts all to be able to have the opportunity to give even more of yourself as you serve as a representative for the community. This entire process is about self-sacrifice and often learning to put your personal interests aside for the sake of others.

After taking a few hundred pictures with Miss Texas, the judges and all the directors and supporters of the Miss Waco Scholarship organization, the only things conceivable in my mind were taking off my 5-inch heels and getting some food.

My thoughts seemingly paralleled what Sandra Bullock was thinking in "Miss Congeniality," "I am in a dress. I have gel in my hair. I haven't slept all night. I'm starved. Don't mess with me!" Of course, with emphasis on the word "starved."

After a quick wardrobe change, I was whisked away to the celebratory after-party at George's Restaurant, one of the Miss Waco Scholarship Organization's sponsors.

As I walked in the door with crown, sash and lipstick picture ready, I was met with applause, more people and even more pictures.

After round two of pictures ended, I made it a point to meet as many of the people in the room as possible because I wanted them to know how much I appreciated them being there and supporting the Miss Waco Scholarship Organization.

Even if I were starving, even if I just wanted to sit down and get blood circulating in my feet again, it came to my attention that this was not all about me. Sure it was a celebration of my new title, but it was also an opportunity to be able to personally meet and thank

the people who had played a part in radically changing the course of my upcoming year.

As Miss Waco 2014, I am a business partner to the city of Waco. I get the amazing chance to not only partner with local organizations, leaders and businesses as a representative to serve and help promote the exciting events that are happening in the Waco community, but also reach a vast audience with my platform that seeks to empower children and adults to live healthy and active lifestyles.

So what if I no longer get to make sporadic trips to Fort Worth with my friends on the weekend because I will be making appearances at events. So what if I no longer get to participate in Sing with my sorority because that time every night will be spent at the Student Life Center preparing for swimsuit competition at Miss Texas.

So what if my schedule no longer represents me, it gets to represent Waco.

You can bet your reddest lipstick that I will be gluing on my biggest earrings and layering on the eyelashes if it means in July I could have the chance to not only have my schedule revolve around representing Texas but also have the opportunity to make a difference in even one person's life.

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Survey Results

1. Should the court honor Mr. Munoz's wishes and take his pregnant wife off of life support?

Yes: 83.8%
No: 16.2%

2. Explain your reasoning.

"Mother and child should be allowed to pass away peacefully and with dignity, together, as nature intended, and as the family requests. Not surrounded by controversy, not attached to machines. This is a violation of life."

"It's an incredibly tough issue, but I think at this point, since the woman is pregnant, they must try to preserve the life of the child. I'm not sure if that's possible, but if it is, it must be done. You can't kill that baby."

3. Do you think the law is clear and applies to this situation when it says, "A person may not withdraw or withhold life-sustaining treatment under this subchapter from a pregnant patient"?

Yes: 65.6%
No: 34.4%

2. Explain your reasoning.

"The situation that they're in now is exactly what that law states. This is precisely what the law was made for. Therefore, to bypass it would show that the law means nothing."

"It's not life-sustaining treatment, and she's not a pregnant patient. It's a corpse hooked up to machines."

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Attorney center of execution questions

By JULIE CARR SMYTH
ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBUS, Ohio — An attorney for a condemned Ohio inmate whose slow, gasping execution with a new drug combination renewed questions about the death penalty was temporarily suspended last week while officials investigated whether he had coached the condemned man to fake symptoms of suffocation.

The Office of the Public Defender said Robert Lowe, one of the attorneys representing inmate Dennis McGuire, was back at work Monday after an internal review failed to substantiate the allegation.

State prison records released Monday say McGuire told guards that Lowe counseled him to make a show of his death that would, perhaps, lead to abolition of the death penalty. But three accounts from prison officials indicate McGuire refused to put on a display.

“He wants me to put on this big show in front of my kids, all right when I’m dying!” McGuire is reported as having told one guard. “I ain’t gonna do this. It’s about me and my kids, not him and his cause!”

Amy Borrer, a spokeswoman for the public defender’s office, said all accounts from execution eyewitnesses — which did not include Lowe — indicate McGuire was unconscious at the time he struggled to breathe.

“We have no way of knowing, obviously, because we can’t interview Mr. McGuire,” she said.

Borrer said Lowe was not speaking with the media. He did not immediately return an email message or a phone message left at a number listed under his name.

When asked if Lowe denied the claims, Borrer said she was not present for Lowe’s interview. However, she said Lowe walked McGuire through the steps involved in an execution and McGuire’s statements appeared related to that conversation. Borrer said Lowe asked McGuire to give a thumbs-up during the execution as a way of determining when he lost consciousness.

Due to ongoing federal litigation, Borrer said the public defender’s office closely monitors the sequence of events during the execution process.

Prisons officials alerted Gov. John Kasich’s lawyer the night before the execution that McGuire had been overheard telling family members he’d been “encouraged to feign suffocation when the lethal injection drugs were first administered,” according to a statement released by the public defender’s office. The investigation was first reported by The Columbus Dispatch.

McGuire, 53, was put to death Jan. 16 for raping and killing a pregnant newlywed in 1989. He was executed with a combination of drugs — the sedative midazolam and the painkiller hydromorphone — that had never before been used in the U.S. and his fitful final moments sparked criticism and calls for a death-penalty moratorium.

McGuire took 26 minutes to die after the chemicals began flowing — the longest execution of the 53 carried out in Ohio since capital punishment resumed 15 years ago. Family members wept and later said the process amounted to torture; they have sued alleging undue cruelty.

One report from the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction suggests McGuire believed the signaling system he’d set up with his attorney could be used to save his life.

The night before his execution, a corrections team leader reported being told by McGuire that he understood Lowe as saying “if he started to choke or jerk in any way” the governor would put a stop to the execution.

Two prison employees reported hearing McGuire say that, if it weren’t for his daughter being present at his execution, he would “really put on a show.”



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A Habitat for Humanity volunteer works hard on Saturday as he helps build a new home for a Waco family. Jose Blanco, future Harvest House homeowner, said he appreciated the hard work the workers and volunteers put into the house. Habitat homeowners go through a 12-month homeowners college and must obtain at least 300 hours of volunteer work — half of which is dedicated to their own home and the other half to other construction projects.

Habitat builds Waco from ground up

By LAUREN TIDMORE
REPORTER

Hammers, nails and electric saws sounded as nearly 30 Habitat for Humanity volunteers and community leaders gathered for the first Harvest House Wall Raising Saturday morning at 408 Boyd Lane in Waco.

Habitat board members, a group of 11 RV Care-A-Vanner volunteers and the Blancos, the Habitat partner family and future homeowners of the Harvest House, worked together to begin framing Habitat’s 152nd home.

“We want to appreciate everybody for their hard work,” said Jose Blanco, future Harvest House homeowner. “Every day we were living house-to-house — not very weather resistant and very bad and cold to get in. Now thanks to God and everybody, it’s going to be a dream come true.”

Habitat homeowners are educated through a 12-month homeowners college and are required to obtain at least 300 hours of volunteer work, 150 being dedicated to their own home and 150 to other construction projects. This is known as “sweat equity.”

Habitat executive director Brenda Shuttlesworth said the Blanco family met their 150-hour requirement in only two months, which on average takes six months. Waco Habitat for Humanity plans to complete the

Blanco’s home within the next three or four months.

“I love that it’s a hand-up, not a handout policy,” said Diane Mason, vice president of the Habitat board.

The Harvest House construction project was named after the Harvest Diner Waco Habitat for Humanity hosted this past November. Financial and volunteer supporters for the organization as well as board members were in attendance at the dinner, which was held in celebration of a \$20,000 donation from Samsung, \$10,000 of which was set aside for the construction of the Harvest House.

“One of their marketing guys called us up, and he said, ‘We’d like to make a donation to Habitat this fall. Could you use \$20,000?’ Well yeah!” Shuttlesworth said. “I am truly appreciative to all of the partners—big partners, little partners and every partner in between. Every cent matters as we help make decent, affordable housing available to people in our greater McLennan County community.”

In addition to receiving the donation from Samsung, Waco Habitat for Humanity was recently selected to receive a \$150,000 grant from the Home Depot Foundation. The Waco Habitat for Humanity was one of 20 affiliates selected out of 1,500 applicants. The grant allows for a \$15,000 budget on each new home built specifically for McLennan County veterans. But the finan-

cial donations help those beyond McLennan County become homeowners as well.

“We title 10 percent of the cost of the home,” said board president Mark Boyd.

The 10 percent tithed is donated to construction projects in El Salvador and Nicaragua. Because there are less expensive building materials in these countries, the 10 percent from Waco Habitat allows for the building of a complete home.

“Some would say we get a two-fer,” said Boyd.

Waco Habitat board members and staff credit much of the work being done on the Harvest House to a group of volunteers known as the RV Care-A-Vanners. The group of volunteers travels site to site all over the United States to aid in the completion of nonprofit construction projects much like the Harvest House. The 11 Care-A-Vanners that began work in Waco two weeks ago call places such as Minnesota, Arizona, Washington, Kentucky and Texas their homes.

“They are hugely talented, and some of us are just kind of gophers,” said Fred Winslow, RV Care-A-Vanners leader and associate minister of Austin Avenue United Methodist Church. “And what I have discovered is there are no bad RV Care-A-Vanners. I mean, they’re just good people. The reason they show up is because it’s their heart to want to help — to want to give back. And I’m very proud of them.”

The organization also hopes to begin working on reconstruction in West soon. Three homes are fully funded for the West community; however, finding families who are interested is a problem.


“Having families actually come to informational meetings is our hardest struggle with West right now,” said Ashley Burk, Habitat’s human resources coordinator.

Burk said she encourages Baylor students to spread the word about Waco Habitat informational meetings. The organization is accepting applications for Habitat families in the West community. Burk also wished to thank 1424 Bistro, Teriyaki Park and Little Caesar’s, who helped keep volunteers fed throughout the initial building process.

“We’re always willing to do whatever we can for people who have gone above and beyond for us,” Burk said.

Waco Habitat for Humanity provides information on how to apply for a Habitat home on its website at www.wacohabitat.org.

Those who want to get involved in Habitat volunteer work attend one of the Baylor Habitat for Humanity chapter meetings, which are held at 6:00 p.m. every Wednesday. Waco Habitat also plans on hosting a house dedication for Daisy Yruegas, another homeowner, at 5:30 p.m. Thursday Jan. 30 next door to the Harvest House on Boyd Lane.

	<p>Unplugged</p> <p>The Union Board will host Acoustic Café Unplugged at 6 p.m. on Thursday in the Bill Daniel Student Center den. The night will consist of musical performances and fun. For more information, contact Student_Union@baylor.edu or visit Student Activities Union Board on Facebook and Twitter.</p>	<p>Stompfest</p> <p>Organization or individuals interested in participating in Stompfest 2014 should contact Sophia_Shain@baylor.edu or Jordan_Louis@baylor.edu by Saturday. Any Greek or other organization may sign up for a chance to donate to philanthropy of their choosing.</p>	<p>Angelic Voices</p> <p>Auditions for the Baylor religious hour choir will be held Thursday. Contact Bailey Gates at Bailey_Gates@baylor.edu for more information and to sign up for an audition time.</p>	<p>Bearathon</p> <p>Student Foundations will host their annual Bearathon Half and 5K marathons on Mar. 22. Students interested in running, have until Friday, Feb. 21 to register early. The entry fee will go up after this date.</p>
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Details in fabric

Grads take Pinterest success, create shopping site

By KAT WORRALL
REPORTER

After the viral Pinterest success of one tribal print sweater, Baylor alumnae Katie Henry and Emily Rawls have continued to use the social media site to boost their online fashion store, Paizlee.

Henry and Rawls, who graduated from Baylor in May 2008, started Paizlee as a "hobby" from their real jobs. They enjoyed fashion, liked the idea of getting clothes at a wholesale price and decided online sales was a good place to start. Henry and Rawls began Paizlee primarily on support from friends and family, as well as with a small advertising budget. A big marketing tool for the young company was social media, specifically Pinterest.

"Pinterest was smaller at the time," Henry said. "But Emily thought, 'There's this new website that basically caters to fashion. You click on the link and it takes you to the website. What better way to have free marketing?'"

The company steadily increased, and then, as Henry said, "the sweater hit."

"We had one picture of a girl wearing a sweater, and it went viral," Henry said. "Millions of pins went out and we sold hundreds of that one sweater. That really gave us the capital to get going."

The tribal print sweater, called the "Santa Fe Sweater," generated 717,000 re-pins on Pinterest within the first month and continues to draw visitors to Paizlee's website. It quickly sold out, but Paizlee's customers kept coming back.

Henry said she estimates 80 percent of customers return to the website, which is high compared to other online companies. She said she believes that is because of Paizlee's customer service, products and prices.

With Paizlee's young contemporary demographic, Henry and Rawls wanted their products to have reasonable prices.

"Every price we put on an item, we try to make sure it's an amount we would pay for it," Henry said.

With lowered prices, shoppers are less hesitant and more likely to buy online. Shoppers might not know if it will be a quality product until they hold it in their hands, but they know it's inexpensive enough that they can test the product out, Henry said.

"The majority of our customers are repeated customers," Henry said. "So after luring them in with a basic price, they see the quality is worth the price."

Assuring shoppers of a product's value is a common challenge online retailers face. Dr. Chris Pullig, department chair and associate professor for Baylor's marketing department, spent several years as the CEO of a clothing store chain and has watched online retail develop and overcome the challenge of a lack of tangible products.

"Every price we put on an item, we try to make sure it's an amount we would pay for it."

Katie Henry | Paizlee co-creator

"One of the major things that has happened with the prevalence of online reviews and the ability for an individual to get information about these intangible services is that it allows a customer to feel confident when they shop at a company like Paizlee," Pullig said.

Pullig said online reviews are an important factor for online stores and can influence a customer's decision to purchase a product.

"Any sort of negative reviews should be addressed be-



COURTESY PHOTO

Paizlee's Santa Fe sweater was "re-pinned" on social media site Pinterest 717,000 times. Pinterest helped lead to the start of Paizlee as an online apparel site.

cause those will be very influential if people shop with them or not," Pullig said.

Henry and Rawls enjoy the benefits of an online store, such as little overhead costs and a self-sufficient, always-open store without having to manage additional employees. Henry and Rawls do it all — manage the website, buy products, photograph each item, promote the store and even store and ship the products from their homes.

"We feel like in order to create value with the product, we like to make sure the items look really neat when they arrive," Henry said.

Each product is wrapped in craft paper with a brochure and Paizlee sticker, so shoppers don't feel like they are getting a "dress in a plastic bag," Henry said. Paizlee also tries to ship items out the day or next day after an order is placed.

With technology thriving, the future of online retailers, such as Paizlee, looks as viable as a "traditional brick and mortar store," Pullig said.

"The environment is rich for any type of retailer to do fairly well," Pullig said. "When you think of the influence of Pinterest, it enables the smallest of retailers to have a large reach."

While Henry said they have considered opening a storefront, the online prominence of Paizlee, spurred on by a single sweater, still has room to improve.

"You will never start at a perfect point," Henry said. "You just have to start it and you progress as time goes by."



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Alumnae Katie Henry and Emily Rawls created paizlee.com, an online fashion store, first as a hobby. Their hobby evolved into a career after success on the social media site Pinterest.

what's coming up?

>> Jon Foreman concert

8 p.m.
Friday
Common Grounds

Jon Foreman, lead singer and co-creator of Switchfoot, will perform at Common Grounds. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. VIP tickets are \$50, giving ticketholders early access to the concert space and a meet and greet with Foreman. The doors open at 8 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at facebook.com/cg.wacotx or at Common Grounds.

>> Sacred Harp Sing

9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 8
George W. Truett Theological Seminary

The 13th annual Baylor Sacred Harp Sing is an event focused on the participatory singing of hymns. The event will start with a coffee and doughnut introduction and singing school where the tradition of shaped note singing, the tradition employed in the event, will be explained. The event is free and open to the public for both participants and observers.

Cinema owner association to limit length of movie trailers

By RICHARD VERRIER
LOS ANGELES TIMES
VIA McCLATCHY-TRIBUNE

Cinema owners have long complained about the length of movie trailers. Now they're clamping down. New guidelines issued Monday by the National Assn. of The-

atre Owners call for limiting the length of movie trailers to two minutes. The guidelines, which the trade group said were designed to "maximize the effectiveness and efficiency of the industry's marketing efforts," also call for restricting marketing time for trailers to 150 days prior to the release date of the film, and 120 days for all

other in-theater marketing materials. Two exemptions per distributor per year would be allowed for both trailer length and marketing lead time.

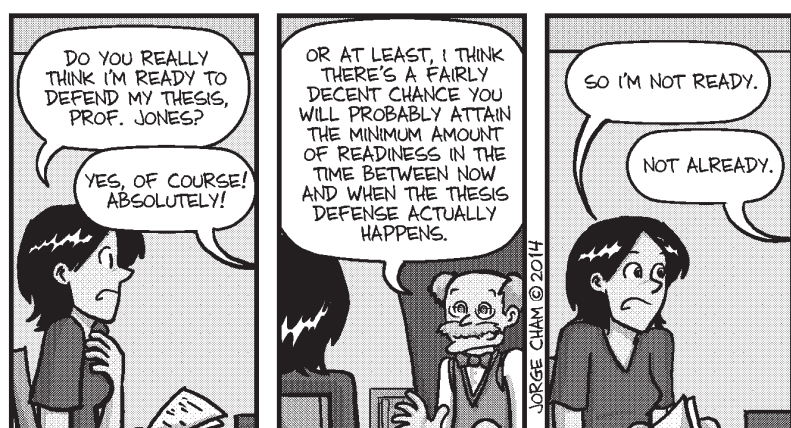
"These guidelines will evolve in response to technological innovations, marketing and advertising trends, competition in the marketplace, and consumer

demands," the theater owners association said. "The guidelines are completely voluntary and will be implemented through individual exhibition company policies, which may vary."

In April 2013, the association's executive board voted to create industry wide guidelines to encompass marketing lead-

time for in-theater marketing materials, and trailer length and placement. After discussions with executives of the seven largest distributors, the guidelines were revised to take into account their concerns, the association said. The voluntary guidelines will go into effect for any film released domestically on or after Oct. 1.

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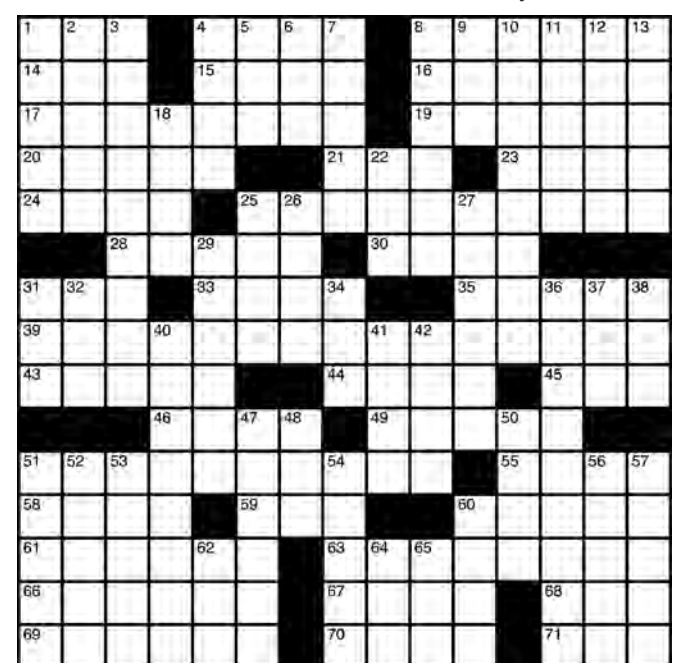
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- Across
- Apply, as with a cotton swab
 - Dinner bills
 - Defeat decisively
 - Dean's email suffix
 - Overlook
 - "Respect" singer Franklin
 - Hitchhike
 - Rented
 - Write back
 - Amazement
 - Pod fillers
 - Out of the wind
 - Far from being in agreement
 - More in need of moisturizer
 - ___ noire: dreaded thing
 - Before today
 - Contact lens care brand
 - Indian prince
 - What a pep talk is meant to do
 - Pixieish
 - Strong veiny cheese
 - Chanced upon
 - Chess corner piece
 - Pizazz
 - Graduation garb
 - Quantity of 53-Down
 - Gritter's game
 - Diminish
 - Prima ___: opera star
 - Schoolchildren
 - Time relaxing in a chalet, and where the first words of 17-, 25-, 39-, and 51-Across may appear
 - Some nuclear trials
 - Earth's natural satellite
 - Archaic
 - Nobel Prize-winning poet Pablo
 - Graph's x or y
 - Nintendo's Super ___ console

- Down
- Actress Messing of "Will & Grace"
 - "I challenge you to ___!"
 - Took out, gangland-style
 - Conservative Brit
 - Bordeaux boyfriend
 - Offer at Sotheby's
 - Great bargain
 - "Honor Thy Father" writer Gay
 - 1,000-year Eur. realm



- Come back into view
- In a total fog
- Use wool clippers on
- Owned, in the Old Testament
- K.C. Royal, e.g.
- E.B. White's "Charlotte's ___"
- Ball-___ hammer
- Normandy river
- Naturally lit courtyard
- Clothing patch type
- Pale or malt brew
- Baseball's Hodges
- PC-to-printer port
- "Sesame Street" puppeteer
- Had a meal
- FDLR successor
- Italian dessert sometimes made with espresso

- Like much post-Christmas business
- Drudge
- Black Sea port
- Old USSR spy gp.
- Golf instructors
- TV from D.C.
- Sharp, as an eagle's eyesight
- Photocopier supply
- Only U.S. president born in Hawaii
- Foot-to-leg joint
- Hotel cleaning crew
- Cozy rooms
- U.K. business abbr.
- Chicken ___
- French king

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Lady Bears upset Big 12 foe on road

By JEFFREY SWINDOLL
SPORTS WRITER

In an overtime thriller, two of the Big 12's top teams faced off on in another road test for the No. 12 Lady Bears.

Baylor overcame No. 8 Oklahoma State's second-half comeback, and a frantic overtime period, to beat the conference leaders 69-66 on Sunday. Despite a big win over OSU, Baylor's second-half slumps continue to plague the team.

Following No. 12 Baylor's road upset win over No. 8 Oklahoma State, Baylor and OSU traded spots in the latest AP top 25 poll. Baylor is now ranked No. 9 and Oklahoma State fell to No. 11.

Head coach Kim Mulkey said her players put in good shifts in the first half of games throughout the season, but the second half has been a struggle for the Lady Bears. Baylor has been outscored in its past four games in the second half.

Against OSU, Baylor held the lead for the majority of the first half and ended the half with a nine-point lead. The Lady Bears often go into halftime with a lead, usually a substantial lead, and it is apparent that this team is used to being in a comfortable lead when going into halftime.

Against a quick team like OSU, it is dangerous for Baylor to be complacent with a lead even if it is nine points, or more.

Junior post Sune Agbuke picked up three fouls in the first half, presenting a challenge for Baylor on the defensive end, but sophomore post Kristina Higgins seamlessly fulfilled her role on both sides of the floor after subbing in for Agbuke.

But the history from Baylor's road loss against Kansas a week ago looked like it would repeat itself: another conference road loss after playing well in the first half, going into halftime with a lead but falling flat in the second half.

Just as she did against Kansas, Agbuke fouled out with over six minutes left to play in the game. Once again, the Lady Bears found themselves being outscored in the second half, but they were still in position to tie the game with 14 seconds left on the clock.

Baylor tied the game at 61 after senior guard Makenzie Robertson drained a clutch three with five seconds left in regulation.

"I thought Niya [Johnson] was going to shoot it, honestly, because I didn't realize there was enough time for a three," Robertson said. "As soon as I got it, I knew I need-

ed to get it off. I wanted the ball, I wanted to shoot it. I did, and it went in."

Robertson was having a career game, confidently making six of 10 three-point field goal attempts, but OSU still had the chance to deflate Baylor's late second half gasp.

Immediately off the inbound pass, OSU senior guard Tiffany Bias bolted down the court to attempt what would have been the game-winning layup, but missed off the backboard. Bias had the game in her hands, but missed.

After an upstart to the overtime period and some good defense, Sims iced the game with a layup and free-throw with three seconds left in overtime. Baylor was able to pull off an unlikely away victory in Stillwater.

Baylor's depth was tested in the later portion of the game with Agbuke and Sims each in foul trouble. Robertson buried six three-pointers and freshman forward Nina Davis had 16 points and 17 rebounds shined on an overall off-day for Sims.

Sims' teammates needed the self-assurance to know they can pull off the win even when she is not playing as well as she does in other games.

"I came in and tried to come



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Senior guard Odyssey Sims reaches in to steal the ball from sophomore Oklahoma State forward Brittney Martin on Sunday in Baylor's 69-66 overtime win at Gallagher-Iba Arena in Stillwater, Okla.

in and be focused and not let the other team be tougher than us and hustle," Davis said. "For us to win the game like this is huge, because when Odyssey struggles and we still come out with the win, it gives everybody confidence. If Odyssey was excellent this game, we can only imagine how different the score would have been."

Although Sims was struggling to produce the amount of offense she usually does with her shooting, Baylor played with poise, even when it seemed it was going to be

another "tale of two halves" road loss. The Lady Bears, rather than crumble without Sims driving the team, found a way to grind out a win. Players like Robertson, Davis and sophomore post Kristina Higgins stepped up when they needed to.

"I knew coming in that I was going to have to try and play tough and be bigger than I really am," Robertson said. "I just did the best I could."

Mulkey has stressed several times this season that she wants

her players to understand how mental preparation plays into these big games.

"You just have to battle and have it within your soul to battle and do everything you can to help your team win," Mulkey said. "I thought freshmen on both sides got valuable playing time and did good things."

Baylor's second half woes could be a thing of the past. The Lady Bears return to Waco to take on Texas Tech at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Ferrell Center.

Bears seek second Big 12 win versus WVU

By SHEHAN JEYARAJAH
SPORTS WRITER

Baylor is sliding after its fourth straight loss in Big 12 play after a 74-60 blowout at the hands of Texas on Saturday. With the loss, Baylor fell to 1-5 in Big 12 play. After winning 13 straight home games, the Bears have lost two straight. Baylor (13-6, 1-5) will look to turn things around against West Virginia (11-9, 3-4) tonight in Waco.

Baylor struggled with ball movement versus UT. The Bears

finished the first half with only three total team assists.

"We've got to get the ball where our teammates like it and keep feeding off of each other and stick to what we do," sophomore forward Taurean Prince said. "We've got to keep finding each other and try to get assists and put it in the right player's hands."

The Bears moved the ball better in the second half, finishing with eight assists for the half, but the defense disappeared.

"We can't seem to put it togeth-

er," Baylor coach Scott Drew said. "When we have good defense, our offense goes into lulls. When we start hitting some shots, the defense goes out the window."

The frontcourt of sophomore center Isaiah Austin, sophomore forward Rico Gathers and senior power forward Cory Jefferson combined for 22.7 percent shooting on 5-for-22 from the field.

The icing on the cake was a fast-break dunk opportunity by Jefferson that bounced right off the rim.

"That's one of those things that

kind of takes the air out of you," senior guard Gary Franklin said. "Like man, nothing will go tonight. Cory is going to make more dunks than he'll miss. It happens."

Baylor will have an opportunity to get only its second Big 12 win against West Virginia. Sophomore guard Eron Harris leads the Mountaineers in scoring at 17.6 points per game on 45.9 percent from the field and 44 percent from the three-point line.

Guard Juwan Staten has turned his guard up since Big 12 play start-

ed. The junior leads WVU with 19.1 points per game in Big 12 play.

"Staten is a guy who does a great job of getting two or three guys on him," Drew said. "If you bring that then he's great at dishing out for assists. He has some experience being a transfer guy."

The Mountaineers come into the Baylor game fresh after losing to No. 11 Oklahoma State 81-75 in Stillwater Saturday.

West Virginia shoots 42.8 percent from the field in conference and allows their opponents to

shoot 48.3 percent and 40.6 percent from three.

"We haven't defended well in conference and we haven't shot well in conference, and that's been a complete flip of what it was in nonconference," Drew said. "You want to be in a great conference, because we have an opportunity to get some quality wins."

Baylor will look to win its second conference game of the season at 6 p.m. Tuesday against WVU. The game will be televised on ESPN2.

Super Bowl Sunday: Who are Baylor students rooting for?

By KENNETH CLINE
REPORTER

The Super Bowl is one of the most watched televised events every year. This year's festive activities should be no exception with the main event being the battle between the Denver Broncos and the Seattle Seahawks.

But while many football fans at Baylor try to decide on whom to root for, there are a select few who are proud and excited that their team will have a chance to take home the NFL's most coveted prize, the Lombardi Trophy.

Ft. Collins, Colo. senior Aspen Moore-Mann grew up just 65 miles from Denver. Yet her support as a Broncos fan has been strong for the past 16 years.

"I remember when I was in kindergarten, I would write my name as Elway and my mom would see this and I would say that John Elway was my dad and trying to convince people that John Elway was my dad," Moore-Mann said.

Her favorite moment as a Broncos fan was the winning drive in Super Bowl XXXII when the Broncos defeated the Green Bay Packers 31-24. It was Broncos' then-quarterback and current executive vice president of football operations John Elway's first championship as a player, as well as the city of Denver's first professional sports title. For this Sunday's game, Moore-Mann said she feels all the work that has been done over the past

two seasons will finally pay off for the Broncos.

"I think the hype around them has been really fun because it's kind of been the expectation for two years with Peyton," she explains. "So I think this year, it's been really fun because they've actually been up to it."



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Richard Sherman signals thumbs up to the Super Bowl XLVIII crowd.

But while Moore-Mann and other Denver fans at Baylor are hoping to see a third Super Bowl title, diehard Seahawks fans at Baylor are hoping to see a first for their franchise. Among Seattle's 12th Man at Baylor is Houston senior Sam Sotsuda. Although Sotsuda is proud to have a team to cheer for in the big game, he still knows a monumental task awaits the Seahawks.

"I'm pretty nervous," Sotsuda said. "Peyton Manning is a really good quarterback. Defense-wise,

I think we're fine. But on offense, Russell Wilson has been a little shaky the last couple of times. I don't know how much we'll be able to rely on Marshawn Lynch against the Broncos run D."

The Seahawks are known for their aggressive defense as well as their loud and boisterous fans at their home stadium CenturyLink Field. As a Seahawks fan, Sotsuda knows what it feels like to be inside the loudest stadium in the NFL.

"That stadium is awesome," Sotsuda said. "It's so loud. First game I ever went to, I actually wore headphones or earmuffs because it was so loud. There's so much energy and it's just like overwhelming almost. But once you get into it, it's so fun and so awesome to be a part of something like that. You can't even hear yourself half the time especially on defense."

Sotsuda said his favorite memory occurred when Seahawks cornerback Richard Sherman made the game-winning play in the NFC Championship game by tipping a pass to fellow teammate Malcolm Smith against the San Francisco 49ers. Sotsuda was so excited that he admits to watching the replay at least 30 times.

Moore-Mann and Sotsuda also agree the cold weather will not have an effect on the game since they both play in cold environments at their respective home stadiums.

When asked to make a prediction for the game, Moore-Mann

predicted an exciting double-digit victory for the Broncos.

"I think we're going to score 27 and I think we can hold the Seahawks in the teens. I think they'll score fourteen," Moore-Mann said.

Sotsuda said he thinks the game will be a tight one.

"I like to say the Seahawks win," Sotsuda said. "But I think it's going to be close. It'll probably be less than a field goal."

While these two will be watching to see who comes away victorious, there are those who watch the game for other reasons. There are the funny commercials as well as the halftime show. This year's halftime performer is Bruno Mars and for his fans, such as Lorena senior Aineta Dunn, it's an opportunity to see him perform on the world's biggest stage.

"I was excited," Dunn said when she found out about Mars playing the halftime show. "I'll be watching the Super Bowl anyways and the halftime performance had always been exciting."

Dunn, who has been a fan of Bruno Mars since attending a concert last year, doesn't believe the matchup between Seattle and Denver is taking away the hype for the show.

"I think the Super Bowl is made up of the commercials or mainly the game," Dunn said. "But also made up of other hype things like the halftime shows. I think it all comes together and makes this one big."

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Project Homeless Connect to reach out in community

By REBECCA FIEDLER
STAFF WRITER

Project Homeless Connect will provide Waco's homeless this Thursday with the opportunity to access different social services and resources from over 30 local organizations and nonprofits.

The Heart of Texas Homeless Coalition will host the event at the Waco Convention Center from 9 a.m. to noon on Thursday.

Multiple booths will be set up at the convention center for services such as

medical resources, job resources, immunizations, grooming for pets and more. Anyone wishing to participate in the event may drop off coats to the convention center, Wednesday afternoon and Thursday at the event itself.

Michael Ormsby, Vice Chair of the Heart of Texas Homeless Coalition, said people are welcome to arrive at 8:30 a.m. or 9 a.m. on Thursday morning to be trained and help out as volunteers.

"Project Homeless Connect is specifically designed to provide resources to

people who are chronically homeless," said Cheryl Pooler, homeless liaison for Waco Independent School District. "These people are often adult men, women and veterans. They are the kind of the people you see in the park, or in the alleged tent city that, depending on whom you talk to, we do or don't have."

The event has been advertized to the community via multiple organizations and nonprofits around Waco.

Annually the city of Waco uses Project Homeless Connect to conduct a "point in

time" count, which is a census of those who live homeless in the city, in order for the community to receive federal funding from the department of Housing and Urban Development.

"What Waco has decided to do, as is done in many other communities, is provide resources that may help lead homeless people out of chronic homelessness, along with counting the people," Pooler said.

Volunteers will perform a needs assessment for each homeless person.

The person will then be escorted

through booths by volunteers to receive resources specific to that person's situation.

"Essentially our goal is to engage these folks with resources that will benefit them and move them to a place out of homelessness," said Ormsby.

The turnout for the event has been approximately 160 homeless people each year for the past couple of years, Ormsby said.

Typically around 100 volunteers and workers assist each year.

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the BAA into Baylor, and would have allowed the association to continue to use the "Baylor" name in the title of its official publication the Baylor Line.

The resulting no-vote, which led to the termination of the BAA's licensing rights to the "Baylor" name, raised concerns among members about the future of the BAA's publication of the Baylor Line.

In the statement released by the BAA, Cowden said the association "will continue to publish the Baylor Line magazine," although it is not clear whether the association will change the name of the magazine to avoid infringing on copyright laws.

Member Kent Reynolds said he disagrees with the need for a revote. The agreement proposed by the vote, which required the BAA to be dissolved into the university in order to maintain Baylor's licensing rights, was "a bad agreement," Reynolds said.

"It was probably the worst compromise I have seen in my 40 years of business," he said. "It was bad because it required the BAA to void all of its existing agreements with Baylor. In my opinion, it never should've been voted on the first time, much less be brought up for a second vote."

Although the Sept. 7 vote did not pass the first time around, a straw poll could give board members an idea of whether or not members would like to conduct a second vote, or revote, on the decision. Price said this could open the door to discussions between BAA board members and Baylor regents about reuniting under the conditions of the originally rejected agreement.

In order for the agreement to have been passed during the first vote, a two-thirds majority, or 1,000 yes-votes, would have been needed.

Of the 1,499 votes cast, 830 were yes-votes. There were 668 no-votes. One vote was discounted for being in favor of both yes and no.

Reynolds said the ongoing tension between the association and the university is unnecessary and he hopes to see it worked out in the future.

"To this day, there is no reason the BAA and Baylor could not sit down and try to find a place for the BAA," Reynolds said. "A lot of us loyal and longstanding alumni want to relate to Baylor through the BAA, and it's a shame that Baylor will not allow those folks who want to relate to Baylor that way to do that."

Reynolds said if the university cannot find a place for the BAA in the university's community, he wishes to see the association move forward with its own plans.

"I would prefer to see the BAA sit down and define its own role, whatever that is, going forward," Reynolds said.

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Paul Jobson, brought Baylor's soccer team to record success in the past two seasons with 15 or more wins in back-to-back seasons. This complex, Jobson said, will help the girls on the team feel recognized by the university.

"The dream has become a reality and the excitement has started to flow," Jobson

Denver police: Student fire apparent suicide attempt

By P. SOLOMON BANDA AND STEVEN K. PAULSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WESTMINSTER, Colo. — A 16-year-old boy set himself on fire at a suburban Denver high school on Monday in an apparent suicide attempt that left him critically injured, authorities said.

The boy didn't make any threats before starting the fire in the cafeteria at Standley Lake High School at about 7:15 a.m., Westminster Police Department spokeswoman Cheri Spottke said.

A custodian was able to use a fire extinguisher to put out the blaze before it could spread, Spottke said.

Several other students were in the cafeteria at the time, but none were injured. Investigators went through the school

with bomb detection dogs as a precaution, and no devices were discovered, Spottke said.

Investigators are also talking to students, faculty members and family members to find out what happened, she said.

"We don't have any indication that there's any threat against the high school. We do believe that this is a suicide attempt," she said.

The boy hasn't been named. Spottke didn't know how the student set the fire, which caused extensive smoke in the building. The school was closed for the day and students were sent home, Jefferson County Public Schools spokeswoman Lynn Setzer said. Students without cars were taken by buses to a local middle school, where they were picked up by their parents.

No classes will be held at the school on Tuesday either but the district will provide counseling to students there in the morning.

Monday's incident was the latest to affect a Denver-area school in recent weeks.

On Thursday, Columbine High School, where two gunmen killed 13 people in 1999, went on high security alert after receiving a series of threatening phone calls.

The alert applied to a half-dozen other schools in the area, in the same school district as Standley Lake, but was lifted the same day.

On Dec. 13, student gunman Karl Pierson, 17, fatally shot Claire Davis, a 17-year-old classmate at Arapahoe High School in Centennial before killing himself in the school's library.

Pierson reportedly had threatened a teacher and librarian who had disciplined him last year and allegedly was seeking that teacher when he entered the school, investigators have said.

Colorado state lawmakers are considering a bill to spend about \$250,000 to continue a hotline students and teachers can use to report threats and bullying anonymously.

State officials say the hotline has prevented more than two dozen school attacks since its creation in 2004. Westminster was home to 10-year-old Jessica Ridgeway, who was abducted on her way to school and killed in 2012.

Austin Sigg, who was 17 at the time of the crime, was sentenced to a life sentence plus 86 years.

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where local members of the faith discuss religious readings together.

This practice is not done in every Baha'i community, Welter said, though all Baha'i peoples celebrate something called Feast every 19 days, where there are devotional discussions, spiritual assemblies and fellowship amongst members.

Welter said she feels the Waco Baha'i community is diverse.

"It's completely diverse in the standpoint of race and culture," she said. "With age it ranges down to people who are about 20."

The Baha'is in Waco are active members of what is now the Greater Waco Interfaith Conference, Welter said.

Years ago the Interfaith Conference was called the Waco Conference for Christians and Jews, but now the group is opened up to all religions, she said.

"It just seems like people are getting more comfortable with each other," Welter said.

Van Gorder said fighting racism is critical to the Baha'i faith, which is why the Waco Baha'is are involved with the coalition of Waco.

"They're active in the community and well-respected and influential beyond their size," he said. "It's a small community with a large footprint."

Welter said generally the Baha'is' relationship with the Waco Christian community is good, though there have been instances of exclusion of the Baha'is. The coalition in Waco partners with Baylor in multiple events, and a couple of years ago, Welter said, the coalition partnered with Baylor over a church swap, where members of an African American church and white church were swapped in order to promote positive race relations.

At a Christian community event called the No Need Among You Conference, sponsored by organizations like Mission Waco and Baylor, the coalition was going to report about the results of the church swap.

Welter said she received a call from a Baylor employee working on the event, informing Welter that she



COURTESY PHOTO

The Waco Baha'i Center members meet together each Sunday to discuss readings of different religions. The center has been a part of the community for over 50 years sharing ideas in unity and equality within mankind.

would not be invited to speak at the event because she was Baha'i.

"Their tagline is 'excluding the excluded,' and yet they're being exclusive on another level," Welter said. "They want to include those who are excluded because of poverty, homelessness and things like that. It's okay to discriminate because of things like religion, but not because somebody's poor. It just seems kind of ludicrous to me."

Welter said, however, she has had positive experiences with organizations and institutions like Baylor.

Every semester she and her husband are invited to Baylor to talk to world religion classes.

"I really appreciate that about Baylor," she said. "Some of the religion professors take the time to have

the people who are practicing different religions come and share with the students."

Van Gorder said most of his students love the Welter when the couple comes to talk during his class.

"At first they're mystified," he said. "At first they don't understand. But after the presentations that Jo and her husband give, they become very interested and have a lot of questions and follow-up. They go to Baha'i services and email Jo Welter and learn more about her. She's a former Christian who converted to the Baha'i faith, and that intrigues some students. Students are very positive toward them. Baylor students, when you give them the opportunity, will jump at opportunities to learn. I don't think the problem is with the students. I think it's with the curriculum, which is certainly not to the center."

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- Recharge Worship – scripture, music and communion, short enough to do on a study break. Mondays at 8:30 p.m.

Or make the Wesley your place to study and hang out (10-10, M-F, noon-10, weekends). We're at 9th and Speight.

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