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Baylor men's basketball was defeated by WVU with a final score of 66-64.

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Body of bridge worker found after fall

By Paula Ann Solis Staff Writer

Divers found what may be the body of a missing construction worker Tuesday evening in the Brazos River behind the McLane Stadium building site.

Justice of the Peace Kristi DeCluitt ar-

rived on scene at 8 p.m. and pronounced the person as dead at 8:17 p.m. The name of the man has not been released because a positive identity could not be confirmed on scene.

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Sgt. W. Patrick Swanton, the public information officer for the Waco Police Department, said two men were working on a manlift, which is a scaffold with a bucket or platform, when, for reasons unknown, it went into the water with both men tethered to it. It fell into an estimated 20 ft. of water.

The other man, whose identity has also not been released, was able to release himself from the lift and construction workers on site rescued him when he surfaced. Providence Hospital medical staff is currently treating him for hypothermia. Swanton said he suffered no other known injuries.

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> Authorities were alerted of the incident shortly after 4 p.m. The Baylor Police Department, Waco Fire Department,

East Texas Medical Center EMS and Texas Parks and Wildlife responded to the call for assistance.

Texas Parks and Wildlife game wardens are using side sonar search methods to locate the body, although Swanton said the

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In the works

Local developer to give housing opportunity to grad students

> By Jordan Corona Staff Writer

A new idea in South Waco may give a special housing opportunity to Truett and social work graduate students. Brenner Campbell is the local real estate developer who has taken up the project, citing it as a chance to practice "intentional community" and calling it Truett Village.

Campbell, who completed his master's of divinity at Truett, has been in real estate development in Waco since 2003. He's an active duty Air Force chaplain and is stationed at Beale Air Force Base in California.

Lindsay Swain is in her last year in the Baylor-Truett social work master's of divinity degree program. She's a consultant for Campbell's project, leading focus groups to get student ideas about the subject of communal living.

"Graduate students have diverse needs," she said.

After talking with graduate students who are single, married with and without families, she said she still

'Wherever and whenever'



President Barack Obama delivers the State of Union address before a joint session of Congress in the House chamber Tuesday in Washington, his sixth address since taking office.

Obama promises flexibility in State of the Union address

By Julie Pace

"opportunity for all" — while telling law-

The president's address, delivered be- economic fairness and shrinking the gap

wants more input.

"The idea is not to just have one type of student living there," she said. Truett Village may be an interesting, affordable housing option marketed for graduate students at Truett and at the school of social work, but it's not associated with the university or the seminary. Campbell said the housing development was named after George W. Truett, who he thinks, represented the teachings of Jesus well.

"Baylor University does not own George W. Truett's name," Campbell said. "There is no affiliation with the university or the seminary."

The housing development, which Campbell said is to encourage the concept of living in community, will sit on more than 140 acres, off University Parks Drive, past the Ferrell Center. Right now, the project is a privately supported endeavor. Besides the cost of land, which Campbell footed himself, the building developments are possible through investor support.

But Campbell wants to integrate a non-profit business model to benefit seminary and social work graduate students. Ideally, a trust would own the rents and financial obligations from the properties, Campbell said. The profits would be donated to Tru-

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AP WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENT

WASHINGTON — Declaring that upward economic mobility has stalled for millions of Americans, President Barack Obama is challenging a deeply divided Congress to restore the nation's belief in makers he will act on his own "wherever and whenever" he can.

"America does not stand still and neither will I," Obama was saying in his State of the Union address Tuesday night. Excerpts of his remarks were released in advance. fore a joint session of Congress and millions of Americans watching on television, marks the opening salvo in a midterm election fight that will quickly consume Washington. Democrats, seeking to cast Republicans as protectors of the rich, have pressed Obama to focus more on issues of

between the wealthy and the poor.

The initiatives Obama planned to unveil Tuesday night were tailored to fit those themes. He was to announce executive action to raise the minimum wage for

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<image>

The firing squad execution chamber at the Utah State Prison in Draper, Utah, is shown.

States consider reviving old-fashioned executions

By Jim Salter Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — With lethal-injection drugs in short supply and new questions looming about their effectiveness, lawmakers in some death penalty states are considering bringing back relics of a more gruesome past: firing squads, electrocutions and gas chambers.

Most states abandoned those execution methods more than a generation ago in a bid to make capital punishment more palatable to the public and to a judicial system worried about inflicting cruel and unusual punishments that violate the Constitution.

But to some elected officials, the drug shortages and recent legal challenges are beginning to make lethal injection seem too vulnerable to complications. "This isn't an attempt to time-warp back into the 1850s or the wild, wild West or anything like that," said Missouri state Rep. Rick Brattin, who this month proposed making firing squads an option for executions. "It's just that I foresee a problem, and I'm trying to come up with a solution that will be the most humane yet most economical for our state."

Brattin, a Republican, said questions about the injection drugs are sure to end up in court, delaying executions and forcing states to examine alternatives. It's not fair, he said, for relatives of murder victims to wait years, even decades, to see justice served while lawmakers and judges debate execution methods.

Like Brattin, a Wyoming lawmaker

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See full coverage online of the construction workers' accident and the aftermath.



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Chapel services will collect donations today for an organization started by Baylor grads.



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Go inside the helmets of this year's Grammy record of the year winners, Daft Punk.



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Xu and Yu deserve praise, not scrutiny

Editorial

When attending one of the most prestigious and expensive universities in America, it's important for students to make sure they are getting the best education possible from instructors who will meet their needs.

When Peter Xu and Harry Yu created a course and instructor evaluation website for Yale University students, more than one-third of the undergraduate population started using the site, according to the New York Times.

It was also met with hostility from the Yale administration, leading to Yale forcing the site to be shut down.

"Yale Bluebook +" was modeled after the Yale Blue Book course selection website owned by the university. Yale administrators said the decision to shut down the student site came from concern over the site using the Yale brand and logo, the use of an "unduly prominent" numerical rating system and the site being available to people who were not Yale students.

When Yale officials threatened to take disciplinary action, Xu and Yu were compliant with the demands set by the administrators, most notably renaming the site CourseTable to avoid using the Yale trademark. Regardless of the students' compliance, the site was blocked from the university networks and then was taken down.

After much backlash across the Web and support given to Xu and Yu from officials at Columbia, M.I.T. and Harvard, Yale officials have said they "could have been more patient" with the site developers. This small apology does not justift or fix the huge problem that the university has created for these two students.

As of the time of publication, the site has yet to be officially reinstated. According to CourseTable website, nearly 700 supporters have signed a petition to bring back the course evaluation site, which shows how successful the business has been.



While the use of the Yale trademarks is cause for Yale officials to require changes to the website, it should not have been shut down, since doing so infringes on the rights of the student creators and the students who would use the site to rate instructors and classes.

Requiring the website to be shut down wasn't right because it prevented students from using the only known course evaluation program that wasn't directly controlled by the university. Xu and Yu created an honest business and complied with the university when it had complaints.

Since the "Yale Bluebook +" site was both independent of the university and open to the public, it allowed users to freely express their opinion. It put pressure on university officials and instructors to improve their methods for future classes. Without a site like Xu and Yu created, there lacks a checks and balances system on the university.

The university also should not have shut down the site since the students met the demands of the officials by getting rid of the Yale trademarks and changing the site name.

While it is true that using the name "Bluebook" and using other Yale branding does give the univer-

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sity grounds for wanting changes to be made to the website, that reasoning alone does not warrant the university bullying Xu and Yu to shut down the site completely.

The fact that the site was shut down through threats of disciplinary action screams abuse of authority.

Though as a private institution Yale officials have every right to discipline students, it is unethical to abuse that power, particularly over students who were trying to make the class selection system better for students and give Yale's website some honest capitalistic competition.

An institution of higher education — particularly one as prestigious and historic as Yale — should support students in their endeavors to be creative and innovative, not reprimand them for doing what they have always been taught to do, which is take what they have been taught in the classroom and use it in a practical sense.

And while the university administration has since recognized the error of its ways, the situation will not be rectified until the site is reinstated. Xu and Yu should not be punished for creating an honest business. Baylor Lariat • com WE'RE THERE WHEN YOU CAN'T BE

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McLane name suitable for new stadium

Baylor Stadium or McLane Stadium, the name attached to our new football field should not be the center of a debate on whether to 'thank' the McLane family.



Nico Zulli | Reporter

As an observer sitting in the Student Senate meeting last Thursday, I was confounded as senior student senator Trenton Garza explained students' view on this move to be somewhat "controversial" on the part of our university regents. Garza essentially argued that the bill, "thanking" the McLane family for their generous donation by using the McLane moniker on the stadium, should not be passed because the use of his namesake was not a condition of the McLane family's philanthropic deed.

He also said many students were upset about the name change, and Garza believed that "thanking" or acknowledging McLane and his family in a manner which they did not designate or request could be somewhat inappropriate.

His con was followed by a pro from the bill's author, internal vice president cabinet member and public relations chair Lawren Kinghorn:

"I respect and understand the opinions of the senators on this matter, but I choose to stand by my bill. I think the McLane family deserves to be 'thanked' [acknowledged by naming the stadium after them] on behalf of Student Senate for their generous gift to the Baylor community," she said.

After hearing this debate, I felt compelled to share some thought on the subject in this column.

Drayton McLane Jr. and his family are visionaries. The McLane family has been humbly donating to our university for decades.

The amount of money that they so generously donated toward our new stadium, more than \$20 million, was not only the largest single gift in Baylor history, but an act of giving that will forever represent what it truly means to be a Baylor Bear — a servant-leader who champions shared aims with humility and generosity of spirit.

Though Drayton McLane initially requested the stadium be named a traditional Baylor Stadium and join the likes of other college stadiums around the nation that boasts conventional names like Aggie Memorial Stadium, Arizona Stadium, California Stadium, Georgia Dome, and Michigan Stadium, I believe the regents' request to name the stadium McLane Stadium was as thoughtful as it was strategic.

I believe the board of regents got it right when it identified the potential positive impact the McLane name would have far beyond the monetary value of the gift. Unlike most collegiate stadium names, Baylor's McLane Stadium runs deep with significance.

Drayton McLane's name embodies, on a national stage, the mission of our institution — "to educate men and women for worldwide leadership and service by integrating academic excellence and Christian commitment within a caring community."

Lead by example: That's Drayton McLane. Why would we miss an opportunity to showcase a magnanimous individual who is part of the very fabric of not only our state, but of our community and our university heritage?

Who you surround yourself with, where you elect to spend your time and what you choose to spend your money on defines who you are and what you value. The McLane family values Baylor.

They continue to make investments in our future. And for that, we should be proud to cheer for our team inside of a stadium that represents who we are as a community, and with an esteemed mentor like Drayton McLane, who we could be as individuals.

So, as the Student Senate brings forward issues voiced by students of the Baylor community, let us take a step back and reassess our perspectives as a whole on this stadium name change.

There is no question that the McLane family deserves all of the "thanks" we could possibly bestow on them. And may we all hope to one day be fortunate enough to be able to demonstrate, in our own way, our deep love for Baylor Nation and all those who follow.

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Winter weather shocks southerners

Clay Keith goes airborne as he slides down a hill in a kayak in downtown Tuscaloosa, Ala., on Tuesday. Though the Waco community has been feeling the chill of the same cold front, it has gone without snow or ice this week. However, areas south of Waco have gotten ice resulting in various school and road closures. According to the Weather Channel, there is no chance of snow in Waco for the remainder of the week.

BIPI aims to give back, train students to serve

By Rebecca Flannery Reporter

The deadline for students to apply to the Baylor Interdisciplinary Poverty Initiative summer internship and fellowship programs is Friday. Only five students will be selected on Feb. 15.

"I am very proud of the students that participate in the internships," said Rosemary Townsend, the director of business affairs and community partnerships for the Initiative. "It's been extremely popular. It's a big part of what we do,"

BIPI, as it's referred to, is administered through the Division of Student Life and is a main component behind all campuswide community service projects. The program also focuses on sending students out to serve communities around the nation through internships with reputable nonprofits. BIPI is a program that was started as a collaborative effort in the summer of 2007 for faculty, staff and community members to provide a way for students to better serve the environment around them. Projects such as Campus Kitchens, community gardens and Meals on Wheels all originate from BIPI and its dedication to involve students in service projects.

The five students chosen to participate in the internship this year will have an opportunity to serve either locally or internationally, through food banks, community gardens and other non-profits.

Some students previously in the BIPI program have been selected as Fulbright Scholar nominees, as well as one Truman Scholarship nominee. Another participant, Richmond senior, Jolene Damoiseaux, has been asked to speak at Yale University this spring about her research in Kenya that was financially supported through BIPI. "They're really quite extraordinary opportunities for students that are interested in doing in-depth disciplined service," Townsend

said. Although not one of the five available positions being applied for this week, another internship available to students through the BIPI office is the Shepherd Poverty Alliance.

The Shepherd Higher Education Consortium on Poverty is an organization that exists to unite colleges and universities nationwide under the purpose of educating students on issues in and beyond

their communities. This institution recognizes Baylor as a leader among the community in exposing students to co-curricular service projects

throughout the school year.

Townsend

What being a Shepherd Scholar means to the students is determined by the work they do in their internships. Baylor alum and Shepherd Scholar, Kylie Aspegren, was chosen to partake in the BIPI internship in the summer of 2012. She was placed at the Atlanta, food bank for eight weeks, serving in its community gardens.

"Baylor gave me lots of knowledge and information to know about nutrition and eating and also poverty," Aspegren said. "But when I got the internship, it gave me context for all that knowledge."

Baylor was invited to join 18 other universities in the SHECP program because of what BIPI is doing in the community of Baylor University as well as the surrounding communities.

Along with projects, BIPI ensures that education in poverty is also a main component of its program. BIPI also partners with several non-profits throughout Waco, lending time and resources that Baylor has stipend to where they're needed most.

"It presents our students meaningful, challenging opportunities to be a part of service that impacts poverty, social justice, and human capability," Townsend said. "But it's also broader and deeper than that."

Townsend oversees many of the projects done in the department. She, along with many other faculty appointed to the BIPI board, makes sure projects under BIPI run smoothly.

"We never send students out to do service if they don't go well prepared and with a true understanding of the project they're going to serve," Townsend said. "We have a commitment to excellence in the process of serving."

The goal of BIPI is to ultimately give back to the community through service. On a personal level, BIPI hopes to train students to graduate ready for the workforce with a desire in their heart to serve wherever they go.

"I am absolutely positive that after young men and women are educated at Baylor University that they are going to graduate well trained in their chosen profession," Townsend said. "But it's also my belief that they will graduate with a heart for service ... I know they'll be excellent teachers, doctors and lawyers, but I'd also like to think they're going to be better community members and of service to whatever community they live in because of their experience at Baylor."

Seats vacant in Student Senate

By Allyssa Schoonover Reporter

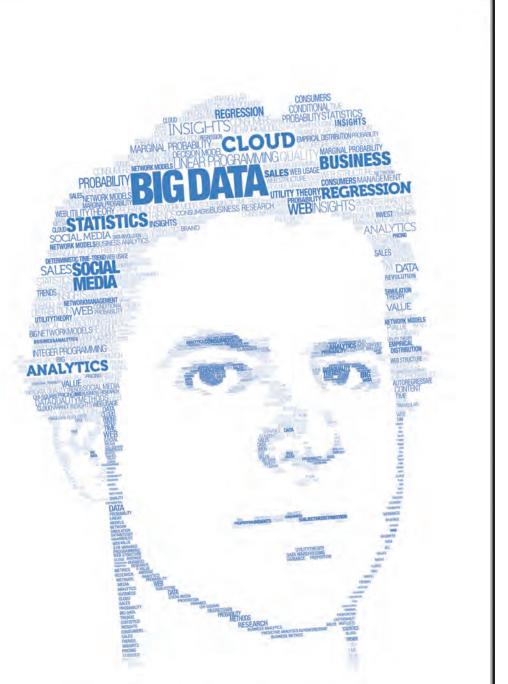
Student Senate is seeking to fill six more vacant seats this semester.

Arlington junior Dominic Edwards, student body internal vice president, said it is imperative system that we have in place, they always get filled."

The remaining vacancies are one seat in the senior class, three in the junior class and two in the sophomore class.

The process of filling these seats starts with students submitting applications to the internal vice president. He then distributes those applications to the respective class officers, who review the applications and interview the candidates. The class officers select one person per vacant seat, and a committee of student senators then confirms his or her acceptance. Finally, it is passed with a majority vote of the Student Senate. Davis, the senior class president, said they look for enthusiastic candidates with bright new ideas, not just someone who is looking to boost their resume.

"Once you're an upperclassman, people have found their niche and don't want to jump into something new, and that's when people just apply to be able to put it on their resume," Davis said.



these positions be filled so that the Student Senate can function in the way that its constitution requires.

"Basically there are 52 student senators, 13 per class," Edwards said. "If someone resigns or studies abroad, or maybe just can't come back to Baylor for some reason, then they resign their seat. So then from there, we have to fill their seat via the class officers."

The class officers have five weeks to fill the vacant seats, and if they are not filled during that time frame then the responsibility is shifted to the student body president. Although the vacancies do not hinder the Senate's ability to function or vote during meetings, this does slow down productivity.

"Each year, especially around spring semester, there become vacant seats," Edwards said. "It doesn't impair our job, but with the "It's really about a balance of powers of the legislative and executive branch, that way we aren't just choosing our friends," Edwards said.

Katy sophomore Lawren Kinghorn, the public relations chair, and other officers recruit Senate candidates and spread the word around campus. Kinghorn said they rarely have trouble filling the vacancies, however it is usually a little slower for upperclassmen.

Hickory Flat, Ga., senior Haley

She also said although filling the senior senator seats has been a problem in the past, the class of 2014 is an exception.

"We almost have too many good applicants. It has never been an issue since I was a freshman until now," Davis said.

These vacancies are a regular occurrence each spring, but they are not necessarily bad.

"It's kind of just like a legislative body, in the sense that it feels like we always have new and fresh ideas because people are continuously coming in," Edwards said.

The Student Senate's responsibility is to advocate for the student body to Baylor's administration.

Students can access the application online at www.baylor.edu/ student_government.

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Common Grounds. Tickets are

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with Foreman. The doors open at

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Daft Punk: inside the helmets what's

LOS ANGELES TIMES VIA McClatchy-Tribune

By CHRIS LEE

LOS ANGELES — To the pop cognoscenti, the French dance-music duo Daft Punk exists as an ideal, modern musicdom's most consistent, influential, enigmatic trailblazer, in addition to being crowned the major winner of the 2014 Grammy Awards by scoring record of the year and album of the year trophies.

But to another section of the population - those willfully ignorant of this year's Coachella lineup, for instance — the question Sunday might have been: Who were those masked robots?

Thanks to Daft Punk's abiding silence at the awards podium, its members' identities obscured by futuristic helmets straight out of Isaac Asimov's imagination - not to mention the mystique cultivated by remaining off camera for more than half of their performance of the ubiquitous "Get Lucky" with Nile Rodgers, Pharrell Williams and Stevie Wonder - the French duo spoke volumes about their selective embrace of the celebrity spotlight.

Contrary to misperceptions, Daft Punk's Thomas Bangalter and Guy-Manuel de Homem-Christo speak fluent English. And despite rarely granting interviews, the two are hardly shy about expressing themselves.

Splitting time between Paris and Los Angeles, they operate their production company, Daft Arts, out of Hollywood's Jim Henson complex in the shadow of a giant Kermit the Frog sculpture.

Since 2001, however, they have refused to appear in public as Daft Punk without their robot disguises. Few outside of a core group of collaborators and friends could pick De Homem-Christo and Bangalter, both 39, out of a police lineup.

This correspondent interviewed Daft Punk in 2010, the year the duo abandoned funked-out Big Beat electronica to venture into symphonic music with the soundtrack for "Tron: Legacy," and can report on what the men (who collaborator Pharrell simply refers to as "the robots") GRAMMY AWARDS



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Guy-Manuel de Homem-Christo and Thomas Bangalter of the group Daft Punk arrive for the 56th Annual Grammy Awards at Staples Center in Los Angeles on Sunday.

look like beneath the helmets.

Bangalter is tall and slim with a head full of corkscrew brown curls and twodays' growth of stubble. Imagine a hipster version of Michael Richards' Kramer character from "Seinfeld" - albeit one who can speak impressionistically on the merits of Japanese anime, psych-rock and violin arpeggios — and you're on the right track

Half a head shorter, matinee-idol handsome and exuding an air of Byronic melancholy, De Homem-Christo is the more intense of the two, all pensive silences and halting remarks.

Refusing to divulge their division of labor, the group members have remained in lock step regarding Daft Punk's uncompromising artistry — its avoidance of market-driven trends (basically abandoning the EDM sound that spawned a thousand imitators) in favor of pursuing their own quirky agenda (i.e., the laborintensive, handmade disco aesthetic of their album "Random Access Memories"), rewriting the rules of mainstream pop in the process.

"We're interested in the line between fiction and reality, creating fictional personas that exist in real life," Bangalter told Rolling Stone last year, placing their disguises within a continuum of theatrical pop performers that includes Kraftwerk, David Bowie's Ziggy Stardust and KISS. "People thought the helmets were marketing or something, but for us it was sci-fi glam."

A generation older than their nonmasked contemporaries in the electronic dance music field - including Skrillex, 26, and Avicii, 24 - Daft Punk's relative anonymity remains intact in an era of rampant over-sharing and fame for fame's sake.

"Daft Punk creates music and visuals in a very pure way," the group's manager, Paul Hahn, told the Los Angeles Times in October. "It starts with self-identity. The band doesn't say to itself, 'This is avant garde so it should be underground. More, they ask, 'Why not? Why can't our music be a big event?""

On Sunday, after walking off with top Grammys honors, De Homem-Christo and Bangalter finally removed their helmets to host a lavish after-party, taking over two floors at Los Angeles' venerable club venue the Park Plaza Hotel - Daft Punk's first public celebration of "Random Access Memories" since its 2013 prerelease.

Before a celebrity-studded crowd that reportedly included Jay Z and wife Beyonce; Madonna and her teenage daughter, Lourdes; Paul McCartney; Trent Reznor; actress Ellen Page and 30 Seconds to Mars frontman-turned-Oscar nominee Jared Leto, Bangalter - or at least someone several sources identified as "the tall one with gray hair" - ascended to the DJ booth to spin choice tunes including a remix of Daft Punk's "Lose Yourself to Dance."

Was it really a member of Daft Punk? Whoever the disc jockey was, he let the music do the talking.

Motley Crue calls it quits, announces farewell tour

By Gerrick D. Kennedy LOS ANGELES TIMES VIA MCCLATCHY-TRIBUNE

LOS ANGELES _ "All bad things must

er, Vince Neil, Nikki Sixx, Tommy Lee and Mick Mars unveiled plans for a last hurrah. They even sat behind tombstone markers for an additional morbid flourish.

The Final Tour, as it's aptly titled, kicks

The band even had its attorney on hand to present a formal agreement that, effective at the end of 2015, bars any of the band members from using the Motley Crue trademark _ which they all signed.

farewell tour is when a band does (one) and then gets back together and does another (one) and breaks up and gets back together until there's no milk left in the ... and it's a rip-off to the fans.' '

"We feel there's a lot of bands out there that don't have dignity. We started this band, and we want to call it a day and be proud."

As for any chances of them collectively changing their minds to come together

come to an end." That's how Motley Crue broke the news it was calling it quits.

The influential, and infamous, L.A. rock band turned Beacher's Madhouse in Hollywood into a circus Tuesday morning as more than 100 media outlets packed the hot spot to hear the band's announcement of a 72-date farewell tour.

After more than three decades togeth-

off July 2 in Grand Rapids, Mich., and will head overseas next year. Alice Cooper will join the Live Nation-produced trek.

Unlike countless other rock bands and pop stars who have announced farewell tours to only return to the road for one reason or another _ or set up shop in Las Vegas _ Motley Crue's members insisted that when this run of shows ends, that's it.

Lee smiled and pounded the table with his fist after signing his name on the document, and Mars shouted "R.I.P." into a microphone.

The plans had been in the works for a few years. Sixx said, "We started talking about how we want to go out. We don't want to hobble off into the sunset.

Tommy said it best when he said, 'A

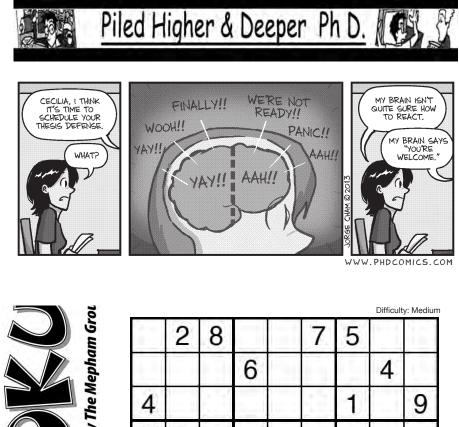
"We don't want to be one of those bands that maybe have one guy left in it, or somebody's brother. We wanted to go out with the four founding members ... and go out on top," Neil added.

"It's because we are on top, we are holding it together, we are playing better and sounding better. We want to leave a legacy and have some dignity," Sixx continued.

again, Sixx vowed that band members were "going to stick to our word."

As for any chances for new music before going on the road, Sixx said fans will "just have to see."

Tickets go on sale to the public on Friday through Ticketmaster, and the band announced that it had priced seats as low as \$15 to \$25 to keep shows affordable.



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The Baylor Lariat

Bears fall to WVU, drop to 1-6 in Big 12

By Shehan Jeyaraiah SPORTS WRITER

Baylor looked like one of the best teams in the nation a few weeks ago. Baylor's only loss coming into conference play was against Syracuse, a team now ranked No. 2 in the nation. Baylor is falling right out of the conversation for the NCAA Tournament and that was accentuated Tuesday night in Waco.

Baylor basketball (13-7, 1-6) fell to conference rival West Virginia (12-9, 4-4) for its fifth consecutive loss and sixth in the last seven games after the 66-64 loss to the Mountaineers. This was the first Baylor loss to West Virginia.

Baylor opened the game with a three-pointer from senior guard Brady Heslip, but immediately gave it back to West Virginia on a three-point play to West Virginia forward Devin Williams. Baylor would score four straight, but then allowed five right back.

Sophomore forward Taurean Prince scored seven straight points to cut the lead to 17-16, but Baylor subsequently allowed eight straight points to junior forward Remi Dibo and West Virginia pushed its lead to 25-20.

Baylor fought back to cut the lead to 27-26 after a Heslip threepointer. Baylor once again let its chance at the lead slip away by fouling junior forward Kevin Noreen and giving him two easy points. Sophomore center Isaiah Austin hit a three-pointer, but Baylor took a 36-33 deficit into halftime.

Sophomore forward Rico Gath-

ers grabbed eight rebounds in the first half, compared to nine for the whole West Virginia team. After finishing with only three assists in the first half against Texas, the Bears had eight in this one.

Once again, Heslip opened things up with a three-pointer. Sophomore forward Rico Gathers received the ball in transition and slammed down a SportsCenter Top 10 worthy dunk to get the crowd on its feet. Junior forward Cory Jefferson followed with an authoritative slam dunk of his own.

That sparked a seven-point Baylor run that ended with Jefferson making a basket to tie the game at 47-47. Baylor and WVU traded baskets for the next couple of minutes.

Trailing 64-60 with 2:48 left, Baylor forced a shot-clock violation on West Virginia and then forced a turnover that led to a nailed three from Heslip to cut the WVU lead to 64-63.

"When we went to the threeguard lineup, I thought our defense was incredible," Heslip said. "We forced a shot-clock violation and a turnover. We had opportunities."

Junior guard Juwan Staten missed two free throws for West Virginia and Gathers knocked down one of two free throw attempts to tie the game at 64-64 with less than a minute left. Staten earned redemption by hitting a game-winning layup with 3.1 seconds left to give West Virginia the 66-64 victory over Baylor.

"The frustration is definitely there," Gathers said. "If I make that free throw, I would have fouled Staten down on the other side and sent him to the line. He had just missed a couple the time down before, maybe it's a different game."

Similar to the game against Oklahoma, Baylor failed to get a shot off in the final 3.1 seconds.

"If you watch the replay, Cory was wide open under the basket for a dunk," Drew said. "But we didn't execute. Let's credit West Virginia pressuring the ball. I'll take our chances of Cory making a dunk anytime."

Heslip led the Bears in scoring with 13 points on four three-pointers to go along with three assists. Junior guard Kenny Chery added 10 points, four assists and three rebounds.

The frontcourt of Austin and Jefferson struggled to get anything going offensively. The duo finished with a combined 12 points on 5-for-12 shooting and five turnovers.

Staten led the Mountaineers in scoring with 15 points and nine assists

Baylor struggled in its two weakest categories once again, free throw shooting and turnovers. The Bears had 17 turnovers on the night, including 11 in only the first half. Baylor shot 61 percent (14for-23) from the free-throw line.

"We knew that they play pressure defense coming in, and we thought we had a great gameplan for it," Heslip said. "The turnovers hurt it. It's so difficult to stop a live-ball turnover. You have to give Staten credit, he's really fast."

Baylor will look to turn things around at 1 p.m. on Saturday when the Bears travel to Stillwater to take on No. 8 Oklahoma State.



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Senior forward Cory Jefferson elevates for a slam dunk over a West Virginia defender. The Bears lost 66-64 to West Virginia on Tuesday night and fell to 1-6 in Big 12 Conference play.



Lady Bears host Tech

By Jeffrey Swindoll SPORTS WRITER

Coming off a big road victory against Oklahoma State, Bayloi

coaching the Lady Raiders, will face Baylor for the first time in her seven-year career.

di Whitaker, in her first season led all scorers in the game with 18 points.

Freshman forward Nina Davis was named the Big 12's Freshman Texas Tech lost in overtime of the Week on Monday after earn-

TRAVIS TAYLOR | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Senior point guard Odyssey Sims drives to the basket in Baylor's 71-48 win over Kansas State on Jan. 22 at the Ferrell Center. Baylor (16-3, 6-1) is first in the Big 12 and Texas Tech is in last place (6-13, 0-8)

jumps back into conference play against Texas Tech at 7 p.m. today at the Ferrell Center.

Although Tech's record (6-13, 0-8) may indicate it is an inferior team to Baylor (16-3, 6-1), the Lady Raiders are a team with grit and determination.

"If you just look at [Texas Tech's] record, you'll be misled," head coach Kim Mulkey said. "If you look at the games, you'll see they're battling. Our players understand that Texas Tech is not going to come in here and just lay down."

The Lady Bears have outscored opponents 281-175 this season but continue to struggle in maintaining that margin in the second half, tying opponents 236-236 in total.

Mulkey admitted her team has not yet put together two productive halves against Big 12 Conference opponents.

Mulkey stressed Texas Tech's record is not a representation of the team's ability and overall production in conference play.

"They are working hard, and they're running some good stuff," Mulkey said. "I really like what they're doing on the out-of-bounds plays."

Texas Tech head coach Can-

85-76 against Iowa State, another game the Lady Raiders came up just short, but Baylor is well aware of the mental and physical preparation a conference game demands.

"We're going into this game like we go into every other conference game," senior guard Makenzie Robertson said. "They're big games, and we know from the Kan-

"We're going into this" game like we go into every other conference game. They're big games, and we know from the Kansas game that anyone can pull out a win."

Makenzie Robertson | guard

sas game that anyone can pull out a win. So we know we've got to come into this with the right mindset."

Robertson posted an impressive outing against OSU, converting six out of 10 three-point attempts and

ing her fifth straight double-double in the OSU game.

Davis averages 13.5 points a game and leads the team with 8.2 rebounds a game, and has developed into one of the most consistent freshmen for the Lady Bears this season.

"I think it gives me more confidence," Davis said. "I feel like I've earned more of the team's trust."

The Lady Bears have struggled with taking the open look shots in the past. Robertson said the team improved in that area in the past few games, which saw senior guard and league leader in points per game, Odyssey Sims uncharacteristically struggle.

"We've all got to step up and take the shot when it's there," Robertson said. "We need to help [Sims] and alleviate some of that pressure from her."

Sims' points per game average has dropped from 34 to 29.7, but Mulkey said it is simply a rough patch in the season.

"Sometimes players just go through that wear-and-tear in the season," Mulkey said. "I'm glad she's missing the shots now rather than later."

The game will be televised on Fox Sports Southwest.



News

Texas schools struggle with provision of health-care law

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HOUSTON - Texas schools are scrambling to meet a provision of the federal health care overhaul that compels them to offer health insurance to employees who work at least 30 hours a week, according to a newspaper report published Tuesday.

Substitute teachers, bus drivers and others already are eligible for health coverage but tracking compliance is proving difficult for administrators. Compared with traditional employers, school systems rely on more variable-hour workers and follow a different calendar.

"It's kind of a nightmare. It's extremely complex," said Holly Murphy, senior attorney for the Texas Association of School Boards.

Some systems may cap parttime employees' hours, while others may create new full-time positions to ease the demand from hourly workers, the Houston Chronicle reports (http://bit.ly/ MqFkiD).

For instance, the Fort Bend Independent School District posted job openings for 74 educational assistants, one at each campus, who will essentially be full-time substitutes eligible for benefits. Those positions should help

take pressure off the district's pool

of 1,000 part-time substitutes,

administrators said, although the

district would still face the in-

creased cost of providing benefits

considering creating co-ops that

could share and provide benefits

for full-time substitutes, Murphy

said. The most common solution

will likely be to limit the variable-

hour workers to 29 hours, or three

workdays a week, she said. That

won't necessarily mean that sub-

stitutes and other employees will

lose access to insurance, however.

The vast majority are already

Groups of school districts are

to more employees.

ment System of Texas, she told the Chronicle. Gayle Fallon, president of the Houston Federation of Teachers, said limiting hours isn't in the spirit of the law and wouldn't even be an option in the Houston Independent School District, which struggles with substitute shortages.

eligible under the Teacher Retire-

"That's the sort of shoddy behavior we were worried about," she said.

She applauded the Houston district's move to begin offering this month a basic \$5-a-month health insurance plan to employees earning less than \$25,000 a vear

"HISD did very early compliance," Fallon said. "We have paraprofessionals and clerks and food service and custodial (employees) who can afford insurance for the first time, and we got told instantly it was the Affordable Care Act that did this.'

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like an endowment and to fund scholarships. "It would not be owned by

Baylor or the seminary," Campbell said.

The non-profit trust would be made up of seminary and school of social work graduates to make sure the funds get to the seminary and the school of social work.

"It's been a desire of mine to do a student housing development specifically for Truett and social work graduate students," Campbell said.

Baylor owns Browning Square and the Quadrangle for graduate student housing, but not specifically for those at the seminary.

"As a real estate developer, I said ' hey, I know Baylor's not going to be doing any housing for the seminary, so I'll just do it myself,"

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TRAVIS TAYLOR | PHOTO EDITOR

Sgt. W. Patrick Swanton of the Waco PD answers questions regarding the construction workers' accident near the site of the new stadium during a press conference held Tuesday.

possibility still remains that the man swam to shore elsewhere. A dive team from Austin's Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is on its way to assist in the search, Swanton said.

Waco Police Department is classifying this incident as an industrial accident, Swanton said. It is unknown at the time if wind was a factor in the collapse of the manlift.

The Brazos River ranges in depth from 15 to 20 feet and

Swanton said the manlift is believed to be 20 feet below the surface.

Several Baylor law students said they heard reports of the incident around 5 p.m. and could see the search crews along the riverbank from inside their classrooms.

Houston first-year law student Taylor Giusti said he was in a review session when news began to spread around the law campus that a man was in the river.

He said from the window he could see a man being pulled out and covered with a blanket.

The identities of the two men have not been released as authorities are waiting to contact their families.

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OBAMA from Page 1 -

new federal contracts, help the long-term unemployed find work and expand jobtraining programs. He also planned to renew his calls for Congress to expand the minimum wage increase to all workers, pass a sweeping immigration overhaul and increase access to early childhood education programs — all initiatives that stalled after Obama first announced them in last year's State of the Union address.

While unemployment is falling and financial markets are soaring, Obama acknowledged that many Americans have yet to see effects of any broader economic recovery.

The cold, hard fact is that even in the midst of recovery, too many Americans are working more than ever just to get by, let alone get ahead," Obama says. "And too many still aren't working at all."

Obama's go-it-alone strategy, with modest steps for now, is aimed both at jump-starting his stagnant second term and prodding a divided Congress to take additional action to boost economic opwoman in Congress, Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers of Washington state. The GOP wants to empower everyday Americans and not the government, she said in remarks prepared for delivery after Obama's address. And Obama's policies on the economy and health care are making life harder for those Americans, she said.

"Our mission — not only as Republicans, but as Americans — is to once again ensure that we are not bound by where we come from but empowered by what we can become. That is the gap Republicans are working to close. It's the gap we all face, between where you are and where you want to be," said McMorris Rodgers, who ranks fourth in the House leadership.

As the president prepared to make the short trip from the White House to Capitol Hill, lawmakers and an eclectic array of guests were filing into the House chamber. Among those sitting with first lady Michelle Obama were two survivors of the Boston Marathon bombing and Jason Collins, an openly gay former NBA player.

in the House gallery, too, courtesy of a Republican congressman.

Keenly aware of Congress' slim record of recent accomplishments, White House officials see a robust rollout of executive actions as the most effective way to show the public that Obama still wields power as the clock ticks on his presidency.

Yet much of what the president can do on his own is limited, as evidenced by the minimum wage proposal officials previewed ahead of Tuesday's prime-time address.

The executive order will increase the minimum hourly payment for new federal contract workers from \$7.25 to \$10.10. But because the measure affects only future contracts, its immediate impact will be minimal.

"The question is how many people, Mr. President, will this executive action actually help?" Boehner said. "I suspect the answer is somewhere close to zero."

The White House says the wage hike uld most benefit janitors and construction laborers working under new federal contracts, as well as military base workers who wash dishes, serve food and do laundry. But officials did not say how many people would fall into those categories.

to pass a minimum wage increase for all American workers, a proposal that gained little traction after he first announced it in last year's State of the Union address.

But White House officials feel somewhat optimistic that they could get backing this year given that some Republican lawmakers have also indicated an interest in working on income inequality and economic mobility issues.

Washington's current focus on inequality comes as many parts of the economy are gaining strength. But the soaring financial markets and corporate balance sheets stand in contrast to the millions of people still out of work or struggling with stagnant incomes that don't stretch as far as they used to.

Seeking to address those issues, Obama will also announce executive actions on job training, boosting employment opportunities for the long-term unemployed and expanding retirement savings for low- and middle-income Americans.

The retirement savings proposal

posal with the administration. Those people weren't authorized to discuss the plan ahead of the announcement and insisted on anonymity.

Obama will also tout an initiative to secure commitments from big corporations not to discriminate against the long-term unemployed during hiring. Representatives from major companies will join the president at the White House on Friday to promote the effort.

Some Republicans have warned that the president's focus on executive orders could backfire by angering GOP leaders who already don't trust the White House.

"The more he tries to do it alone and do confrontation, the less he's going to be able to get cooperation," said John Feehery, a former top House Republican aide.

The president will still try to score a few legislative victories this year, namely an overhaul of the nation's broken immigration laws.

The Senate passed landmark legislation st summer but the effort stalled in the

portunity for millions of Americans.

But there's little indication lawmakers are ready to follow along, particularly as the nation barrels toward the midterm elections.

Republicans offered their vision in a response from their party's highest-ranking

Republican House Speaker John Boehner brought business owners from his home state of Ohio who say Obama's health care overhaul is hurting their companies.

Willie Robertson, a star of the television show "Duck Dynasty," scored a seat

Obama will seek to build on the executive order by renewing his call for Congress geared toward workers whose employers don't currently offer such plans.

The program would allow first-time savers to start building up savings in Treasury bonds that eventually could be converted into traditional IRAs, according to two people who have discussed the proRepublican-led House. Conservatives are pushing back against the president's call to create a pathway to citizenship for the 11 million people living in the U.S. illegally.

And some Democrats would prefer to use the unresolved issue to mobilize Hispanic voters for this year's elections.

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this month offered a bill allowing the firing squad. Missouri's attorney general and a state lawmaker have raised the notion of rebuilding the state's gas chamber. And a Virginia lawmaker wants to make electrocution an option if lethalinjection drugs are not available.

If adopted, those measures could return states to the more harrowing imagery of previous decades, when inmates were hanged, electrocuted or shot to death by marksmen.

States began moving to lethal injection in the 1980s in the belief that powerful sedatives and heartstopping drugs would replace the violent spectacles with a more clinical affair while limiting, if not eliminating, an inmate's pain.

The total number of U.S. executions has declined — from a peak of 98 in 1999 to 39 last year. Some states have turned away from the death penalty entirely. Many have cases tied up in court. And those that carry on with executions find them increasingly difficult to conduct because of the scarcity of drugs and doubts about how well they work.

European drug makers have stopped selling the lethal chemicals to prisons because they do not want their products used to kill.

At least two recent executions are also raising concerns about the drugs' effectiveness. Last week, Ohio inmate Dennis McGuire took 26 minutes to die by injection, gasping repeatedly as he lay on a gurney with his mouth opening and closing. And on Jan. 9, Oklahoma inmate Michael Lee Wilson's

final words were, "I feel my whole body burning."

Missouri threw out its threedrug lethal injection procedure after it could no longer obtain the drugs. State officials altered the method in 2012 to use propofol, which was found in the system of pop star Michael Jackson after he died of an overdose in 2009.

The anti-death penalty European Union threatened to impose export limits on propofol if it were used in an execution, jeopardizing the supply of a common anesthetic needed by hospitals across the nation. In October, Gov. Jay Nixon stayed the execution of serial killer Joseph Paul Franklin and ordered the Missouri Department of Corrections to find a new drug.

Days later, the state announced it had switched to a form of pentobarbital made by a compounding pharmacy. Like other states, Missouri has refused to divulge where the drug comes from or who makes it.

Missouri has carried out two executions using pentobarbital -Franklin in November and Allen Nicklasson in December. Neither inmate showed outward signs of suffering, but the secrecy of the process resulted in a lawsuit and a legislative inquiry.

Michael Campbell, assistant professor of criminal justice at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, said some lawmakers simply don't believe convicted murderers deserve any mercy.

"Many of these politicians are trying to tap into a more populist theme that those who do terrible things deserve to have terrible things happen to them," Campbell said.

Richard Dieter, executive director of the Death Penalty Information Center in Washington, D.C., cautioned that there could be a backlash.

"These ideas would jeopardize the death penalty because, I think, the public reaction would be revulsion, at least from many quarters," Dieter said.

Some states already provide alternatives to lethal injection. Condemned prisoners may choose the electric chair in eight states: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Kentucky, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia. An inmate named Robert Gleason Jr. was the most recent to die by electrocution, in Virginia in January 2013.

Missouri and Wyoming allow for gas-chamber executions, and Arizona does if the crime occurred before Nov. 23, 1992, and the inmate chooses that option instead of lethal injection. Missouri no longer has a gas chamber, but Attorney General Chris Koster, a Democrat, and Missouri state Sen.

Kurt Schaefer, a Republican, last year suggested possibility rebuilding one. So far, there is no bill to do so.

Delaware, New Hampshire and Washington state still allow inmates to choose hanging. The last hanging in the U.S. was Billy Bailey in Delaware in 1996. Two prisoners in Washington state have chosen to be hanged since the 1990s Westley Allan Dodd in 1993 and Charles Rodman Campbell in

1994.

In recent years, there have been three civilian firing squad executions in the U.S., all in Utah. Gary Gilmore uttered his famous final words, "Let's do it," on Jan. 17, 1977, before his execution, which ended a 10-year unofficial moratorium on the death penalty across the country.

Convicted killers John Albert Taylor in 1996 and Ronnie Lee Gardner in 2010 were also put to death by firing squad.

Utah is phasing out its use, but the firing squad remains an option there for inmates sentenced prior to May 3, 2004.

Oklahoma maintains the firing squad as an option, but only if lethal injection and electrocution are deemed unconstitutional.

In Wyoming, Republican state Sen. Bruce Burns said death by firing squad would be far less expensive than building a gas chamber. Wyoming has only one inmate on death row, 68-year-old convicted killer Dale Wayne Eaton. The state has not executed anyone in 22 years.

Jackson Miller, a Republican in the Virginia House of Delegates, is sponsoring a bill that would allow for electrocution if lethal injection drugs are not available.

Miller said he would prefer that the state have easy access to the drugs needed for lethal injections. "But I also believe that the process of the justice system needs to be fulfilled."

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