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# Student charged with drug possession



Attwood

By PAULA ANN SOLIS  
STAFF WRITER

The Waco Police Department continues to investigate Leander senior Russell Allen Attwood, 21, after an elaborate marijuana growth structure was found Wednesday in his apartment, said Sgt. Patrick Swanton, the Waco police pub-

lic information officer.

Attwood was arrested Wednesday and charged with possession of more than 2 ounces of marijuana. He was released Thursday on a \$1,000 bond.

In Attwood's apartment, located less than a mile from campus in the 1900 block of South 12th Street, police

confiscated 10 hydroponic marijuana plants. Hydroponic plants use sophisticated technology and a nutrient solution rather than regular soil, according to the United States Drug Enforcement Agency.

Another 40 grams of marijuana, scales, smoking pipes, Adderall tablets and two bongs were found. Swanton said

Attwood might face further charges because the Adderall tablets were not prescribed to him.

Swanton said the Street Crimes Unit found out about the high-level marijuana growth-system after a string of leads. The unit is in charge of investigating open-air drug markets and hot spot drug ar-

reas in Waco.

Though this is the seventh Baylor student arrested on drug charges during the 2013-2014 school year, drug-related crimes near campus are not higher than expected or unusual for the area, Swanton said.

"Drug sales go on all over the area and they are not spe-

cifically related to Baylor," Swanton said. "Anytime you have a supply and demand someone is going to reach that need. People deal drugs wherever they think they can sell them."

Lori Fogleman, Baylor's assistant vice president for media

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## FEMA donates to West efforts

By REBECCA FIEDLER  
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West Independent School District was given \$20.8 million Monday from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to help repair the district's high school and intermediate school, which were severely damaged during the April 2013 fertilizer plant explosion.

Rebuilding the two schools will cost West ISD approximately \$60 million. The school district's insurance will cover around \$45 million, and the grant money from FEMA will cover the remaining expenses.

"These grants could not come at a better time, as West ISD is hoping to start construction of new school facili-

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### Seeking the Snitch

Goodman, Mo., freshman James Townsend takes a shot during a quidditch match Sunday on Minglewood Bowl during a house game. The team will play at the regional match in Tulsa, Okla., against schools such as UT Austin, Texas A&M and Texas State.

## Nutrition program gives racers head start

By JESSICA ABBEY  
REPORTER

Baylor students are leading one another toward a nutritious lifestyle while helping them train for Bearathon.

The Peer Nutrition Education group will host a free presentation Thursday evening about race nutrition for students interested in running the 5K of half-marathon Bearathon on March 22.

It will take place from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in 308 McLane Student Life Center. This will be the second Bearathon seminar hosted by the group.

Guest speaker Todd Millerd, running manager at Outdoor Waco, will be speaking about proper gear and shoes for training.

The peer educators will discuss training and nutritional preparation for Bearathon, including what to eat before, during and after the race. The program at Baylor also provides free one-on-one nutrition counseling for Bay-



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Bearathon runners take off at the starting line during last year's annual race. This year, a group of students are helping each other through nutrition to prepare for the upcoming race on March 22.

lor students.

The six student leaders for the program are all junior or senior nutrition majors. The counseling takes place throughout the semester and can range anywhere from one to five sessions.

Some common goals that previous clients have had include weight loss, weight gain, avoiding the "freshman 15" or broadening their knowledge of nutrition.

"A lot of people complain that healthy foods aren't affordable," said Houston junior

Erika Zoellner, one of the six peer educators.

The peer educators give grocery store tours to help student find the right foods that fit their budget.

They also give tours of dining halls on campus to show students which foods are healthy during the counseling sessions. Peer educators and Houston senior Emily Travis use an app called CampusDish, which provides a nutrition label for all of the foods in

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## Davis calls for school finance settlement

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ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — Texas should settle a school finance lawsuit brought by 600-plus districts and convene a special legislative session to find a permanent solution to funding public education, the Democratic candidate for governor Wendy Davis said Monday.

She said her Republican opponent Attorney General Greg Abbott has the power and an obligation to end the multimillion-dollar litigation after District Judge John Dietz declared Texas's school funding system unconstitutional last February.

"He needs to stop defending the indefensible," Davis told a press conference. "A settlement recommendation to the Legislature should be to reconvene, to look at these issues and to determine what we're going to do to fulfill our responsibility to the school children of Texas."

Abbott has the authority to settle the suit, but he would need the Legislature to implement any deal

he reaches with the school districts. The Legislature does not meet again until January 2015, and the power to call a special session rests with Gov. Rick Perry.

Abbott's campaign did not answer questions about Davis' call for a settlement, instead promising only that, if elected, he would promote local efforts to improve Texas schools. In the past, he has said his job requires him to defend laws passed by the Legislature and that he has no intention to settle.

Courts have debated for the last 30 years over how Texas finances public schools, with the Legislature only acting when under court order.

Once Dietz issues his written decision, Abbott could choose to accept the ruling, but he's expected to appeal the case to the Texas Supreme Court. That would take the issue out of the 2014 election, since the court is unlikely to issue a decision before November.

Davis said Texas has more than enough revenue to boost per stu-

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# Editorial

In fact, the organization's website shows neutrality. It states it "does not take

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member that she is the Girl Scouts of America, much more so than the people in the Girl Scouts headquarters.

On Saturday night in a loss to Texas Tech, Oklahoma State star Marcus Smart went into the stands

Shehan Jeyarajah | Sports Writer

Former Oklahoma State and NBA player Desmond Mason was

A 50-something-year-old man does not have the right to say whatever he wants to a student-athlete less than half his age.

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# University of Texas chancellor resigning

## Cigarroa moves on to practice medicine

By JIM VERTUNO  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

University of Texas System Chancellor Francisco Cigarroa said Monday he's resigning because he's accomplished the goals he set five years ago, not because of political turmoil surrounding the Board of Regents in recent months.

Cigarroa, a physician and the first Hispanic to lead the University of Texas System's nine academic campuses and six health centers, is returning to his medical practice full time. He will be the head of pediatric transplant surgery at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, where he served as president for eight years before being named system chancellor.

"Education saves lives on many levels and I thought I could bring value to the UT system with that perspective in mind," Cigarroa said. "Now it's time to return to saving one life at a time."

Cigarroa, 56, noted his tenure includes creation of the new University of Texas-Rio Grande Valley, a merger of the campus in Brownsville and Edinburg, which



University of Texas System Chancellor Francisco Cigarroa, left, listens to a question during a news conference where he announced his resignation Monday.

will include a medical school, and a new medical school at the University of Texas at Austin.

Residents have lobbied for years to get a medical school in the border region. Officials believe it will result in more doctors practicing on the border and have a positive impact on overall health in one of the

most impoverished and medically underserved parts of the country.

"I would say we have improved the health of Texas," Cigarroa said.

He also noted a push to get more system campuses on track to become top-tier research universities.

Cigarroa's tenure also has been marked

by tensions between the board, Gov. Rick Perry, state lawmakers and Austin President Bill Powers.

Perry, who has appointed all the system regents, has clashed with Powers over issues such as tuition rates, the roles of research and teaching, graduation rates and other issues. State lawmakers have

defended Powers and are considering impeachment of one of his chief critics, Regent Wallace Hall Jr.

In his dealings with Powers, Cigarroa was publicly critical of Powers at the regents' December meeting, saying the president had to improve trust and communication when dealing with regents and system staff.

Cigarroa said his decision to resign "is completely separate from that," adding: "I support President Powers."

Powers issued a statement thanking Cigarroa for his support of the Austin medical school, but stayed away from the fights with board and the governor.

"We are in a better place in Texas because of his leadership," Powers said.

Board Chairman Paul Foster said a search for Cigarroa's successor could take up to six months. Cigarroa will stay on the job until his replacement is hired.

Foster said the governor "doesn't have a direct role" in making the hire, but said Perry's "input will be sought and it will be certainly considered."

Cigarroa practiced medicine during his term as chancellor and was on duty this past weekend attending transplant patients at the Health Science Center in San Antonio. He said he told the board when he first became chancellor that he intended to return to medicine full time. His father and three of his brothers are doctors.

"The longer I wait to go back full time, the harder it will be to retool," Cigarroa said.

# Loving thy neighbor:

## Local church aids foreign-born adults through variety of classes, English lessons

By SHANNON FINDLEY  
AND EMILY BALLARD  
REPORTERS

Nurjahan Vagom, a 53-year-old Muslim woman who moved to Waco from Bangladesh, struggles with feeling isolated in American society.

The language barrier has been a major obstacle for her since moving to the U.S. in 2009, said Carolyn Dodson, an English instructor for Neighbors International. Vagom's story resonates with many people who have moved across the world. Every Sunday evening, she meets Dodson in a small classroom in Columbus Avenue Baptist Church, often accompanied by her 12-year-old son, Rohan. Vagom takes a seat next to Dodson, pulls out her notes and a pencil and looks eager to learn. Neighbors International is a program run by Columbus Avenue Baptist Church that helps foreign-born residents of the Waco area adapt to U.S. culture through lessons in skills such as English and technology.

The program offers an assortment of classes in addition to English, including sewing, piano, citizenship education and choir. The program educates a wide spectrum of people across the world. Despite the initial difficulties many of the international students have with the English language, the program has helped numerous program participants pass the U.S. citizenship test and go on to be successful American citizens.

"We had five last summer who got their citizenship, and we've already had several this year who passed," Dodson said.

Dodson said many foreign-born Waco residents join the program for a place of belonging because one can become easily isolated when his or her language skills are not strong.

"It begins a sense of family," she said.

Glenda Weldon, a former home economics teacher, helped start Neighbors International in the fall of 1970 and serves as the program director. Though she stopped teaching in public school to raise her children, she still wanted to teach and the Neighbors International program gave her that opportunity.

"It was an area I felt like I could be used," she said. "I feel like it's a mission field here."

Snow Gu, another Neighbors International student, moved about six years ago from Beijing when her husband got a job as a physics researcher at Baylor. Since she does not work outside of the home, she said she enjoys getting out of the house a couple times a week and taking part in the Neighbors International program's sewing, piano and painting classes. A love for painting runs in Gu's family. Her mother currently teaches painting to children in the Houston area. Gu is not a Christian, but she has been learning a lot about Jesus in Neighbors International's Thursday morning Bible lessons.

"Some of them are already Christian, but of course it's not a requirement," Dodson said. "We just want to love them and let them know we care about them."

Classes meet on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays at CABC and are open to foreign-born men

and women of all ages. People who graduate from the program are able to apply to colleges and jobs, and are better able to communicate with English speakers at their current places of employment, Dodson said. Some successful graduates of the program have even been international Baylor students and their spouses.

Dodson said the program at CABC has represented 30 countries, with nearly 160 members in Thursday classes.

In Vagom's lesson, Dodson held up images of food items and Vagom named and categorized them. Dodson then quizzed Vagom over prepositions. For Vagom, fine-tuning her English skills enables her to complete every day tasks such as grocery shopping. Vagom's limited English vocabulary has required her to have a member of Neighbors International accompany her every time she goes to the grocery store.

Vagom said she is going back to Bangladesh to visit her grown children this summer. When she returns to Waco in the fall, she will take her U.S. citizenship test and must be able to communicate orally in English.

"Reading, writing is OK," Vagom said. Talking is very hard. English very hard."

In a booklet full of testimonies of former Neighbor International participants, one Chinese woman reflected on the program's impact on her life: "Later on, I know the true meaning of the neighbors program that is the biggest commandment from our loving God: 'Love your neighbors as you love yourself.'"



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## Bringing the heat on ice

Joji Kato of Japan, front, and South Korea's Mo Tae, back, compete in the first heat of the men's 500-meter speedskating race at the Adler Arena Skating Center during the 2014 Winter Olympics, in Sochi, Russia. Tae placed fourth and Kato placed fifth.

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### Playing Cupid

The Honors Student Advisory Council is selling flowers, candies and serenades until Friday at Memorial Cafeteria. All orders will be available for pick-up on Valentine's Day. For additional information, contact Marcie\_Persyn@baylor.edu.

### Black Heritage Banquet

The Association of Black Students Presents Black Heritage Banquet is being held at 7 p.m. today on the fifth floor of Cashion Academic Center. Actress Tamera Mowry-Housley will speak. For more information, contact abs@baylor.edu.

### Farming for the famished

Representatives from Waco's World Hunger Relief Farm to speak at 7 p.m. on Thursday in Draper 349. Sigma Iota Rho has invited rep to members and guests about internship opportunities. For additional information, contact Melinda\_Zanner@baylor.edu.

### Serenade on V-Day

The Union Board Presents Valentine's Day Karaoke at 7 p.m. on Friday at the Bill Daniel Student Center. Karaoke Kim will provide lyrics of songs of your choice. Free snacks and drinks will be provided. For additional information, visit @BaylorUS on Twitter.

### Presidents Day Shirts

The Freshman Class Officers are presenting t-shirts to wear on Monday, February 17, in honor of Judge Starr. Shirt are available for \$12 in the Bill Daniel Student Center and Penland Dining Hall until Sunday, February 16.





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Stan Wojciechowski and his family have opened Spin Connection, a record store that sells vintage vinyl records, at 3703 Franklin Ave in December. The store offers a variety of rock, jazz, and pop albums popular in the mid 1900s.

# Spin Connection brings vintage flair to Waco

By Ashley Altus  
Reporter

With music playing as soon as customers walk in, and album art from Deftones to Taylor Swift covering the walls, Spin Connection attracts music lovers of all genres and pop culture enthusiasts. Stacks of vinyl records ranging from classical to comedy line the tables in bins along with books, CDs and even record players for sale.

Spin Connection, a music and vinyl store, is just getting started selling music and has future plans already in the works. The store opened in December and is located at 3703 Franklin Ave.

Although Stan and Chris Wojciechowski, father and son, have just started up their family business, Stan has been collecting vinyl records for more than 50 years and has thousands of LPs and 78s. LPs are 33.33 revolutions per minute microgroove vinyl records. 78s are phonograph records that vary in diameter at 12, 10 and seven inches.

The store hasn't been able to put out all of its music because of issues with space, but Stan said he plans to get a couple of show-cases and display units to show more of their merchandise. Spin Connection will be more than just a store selling music. It plans to sell collectibles, antiques and other pop culture items such as music memorabilia and movie posters.

"We're going to have early 1990s pop culture and pop culture from all different eras - things that were great in American in the '50s and '60s and growing up," Stan Wojciechowski said.

*"Everyone is our customer base, all walks of life."*

Stan Wojciechowski  
Spin Connection co-owner

The father and son said they both have interest in incorporating live acoustic music in their store.

"We have to do some remodeling and make sure stuff is up to code, but it'd be acoustic bands," Chris Wojciechowski said. "When big bands come to town, on the day of their concerts, they could do signings and question and answer sessions, and those things they do."

Spin Connection also wants to support local bands and artists by giving them a place to sell their merchandise.

"Local bands that have CDs — we would like them to sell here," Chris Wojciechowski said.

Stan Wojciechowski said he expected customers who grew up in the time when

vinyl records were popular would come in the store, but instead he said he has been surprised by the number of high school and college students buying music from the '50s and '60s.

Brett Christenson, marketing lecturer, said he thinks college students are the demographic market making vinyls more popular.

"Specifically about Waco and the shop opening up here, the first thing that comes to mind is hipster college students that want to go buy records," Christenson said. "Whether or not there are enough of them to sustain the business, I'm not sure."

A hipster is a term often associated with alternative music and non-mainstream lifestyles.

"Everyone is our customer base, all walks of life," Stan Wojciechowski said. "It tends to be the 20s to 30s market. There's been quite often Baylor kids come in here."

Stan said many people seemed excited about the store opening.

"There are a lot of outstretched arms introducing themselves to us," Stan Wojciechowski said. "Besides music playing in here, there's a lot of conversation. It's light. It doesn't get to be heavy topics. That's what it should be."

More information about Spin Connection can be found at facebook.com/Spin-Connection or on Twitter at @SpinConnection.

# Fred Armisen to lead 'Late Night' band on NBC

By Patrick Kevin Day  
Los Angeles Times  
via McClatchy-Tribune

With two weeks to go before Seth Meyers' "Late Night" premieres on NBC, the new talk show host has revealed his old "Saturday Night Live" colleague Fred Armisen will be joining him as bandleader.

On Monday, Meyers tweeted a first look at the new band, the 8G Band, with its leader, Armisen. Yes, the photo is slightly out of focus. Maybe it was an artistic choice?

Meyers wrote, "Fred will curate and lead the band, and continue to run it even when he's off shooting Portlandia."

Armisen and Meyers both appeared on "Saturday Night Live" before Armisen left the show at the end of last season. The comedian-musician returned to join Meyers on his final "SNL" on Feb. 1.

The fourth season of Armisen's



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Fred Armisen of "Portlandia" will lead the "Late Night" band, reuniting Armisen with his "Saturday Night Live" colleague Seth Meyers.

sketch comedy series "Portlandia" will begin airing on IFC on Feb. 27.

Meyers' reign on "Late Night" begins Feb. 24 and his first guest will be another former "SNL" colleague, Amy Poehler.

# Fox halts 'X Factor' after three seasons

By Joe Flint and  
Yvonne Villarreal  
Los Angeles Times  
via McClatchy-Tribune

LOS ANGELES — Fox has X'd out "The X Factor."

Once seen as the next "American Idol," Fox has canceled the "The X Factor" after three seasons of shuffling judges and low ratings for the musical talent show.

Simon Cowell, who left "American Idol" for "The X Factor," will now focus his efforts on the U.K. version of the show.

"Last year, for a number of reasons, I had to make a decision to return to the U.K. version of 'The X Factor' in 2014," Cowell said in a statement.

That would seem to contradict what Cowell said two months ago, when he told reporters that "The X Factor" would return for a fourth season.

Fox Entertainment President Kevin Reilly said, "Unfortunately,

there is no 'X Factor' without Simon Cowell, but we understand and support his decision to focus on the international formats and on the next phase of his personal life. We wish him the very best, and it's our sincere hope that we work together again soon."

The singing competition series has played musical chairs with its judging panel since its launch.

Its original panel included Cowell, his former "American Idol" pal Paula Abdul, veteran record label executive L.A. Reid and British pop star Cheryl Cole. The latter was dropped a few days into the job, replaced by singer Nicole Scherzinger.

That lineup would last just one season, with Abdul and Scherzinger out, replaced by young songstress Demi Lovato and pop vet Britney Spears.

As it headed into its third season, Spears and Reid had made their exit, with former "Destiny's Child" member Kelly Rowland and Paulina Rubio filling up the seats.

## DAILY PUZZLES

Answers at [www.baylorlariat.com](http://www.baylorlariat.com)

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- 1 Class with numbers
  - 5 One making a coffee run, say
  - 10 Spot to shop
  - 14 Lot measurement
  - 15 Skip over, in speech
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  - 17 Bil Keane comic strip
  - 20 Briny
  - 21 Buzzing homes
  - 22 Tree houses?
  - 23 Journalist Sawyer
  - 25 Chess pieces
  - 26 Chess piece
  - 28 Bygone Honda CR-V rival
  - 34 Teacher's Apple
  - 35 Expansive
  - 36 Gardner of Hollywood
  - 37 Strip of latticework
  - 38 Low card
  - 40 "It's Your Space" rental company
  - 41 Gobbled up
  - 42 "The Clan of the Cave Bear" author Jean
  - 43 Diet label word
  - 44 Flier's upgrade
  - 48 Fruity quenchers
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  - 52 Like an enthusiastic crowd
  - 55 Guiding principle
  - 57 Sub sandwich dressing item
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  - 64 Dance studio rail
  - 65 Actress Fey
  - 66 Winter transport
  - 67 Prints and threads, to detectives
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  - 3 Stay afloat in place
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  - 5 Zodiac's Twins
  - 6 Martini garnishes
  - 7 Store in a folder
  - 8 Ice cream brand
  - 9 TiVo button
  - 10 Multitalented Rita
  - 11 Basic lessons
  - 12 Big oaf
  - 13 Not as much
  - 18 "Figured it out!"
  - 19 Unmoving
  - 24 Creep (along)
  - 25 Source of inspiration
  - 26 Rice dish
  - 27 Vintage violin
  - 29 Throat dangler
  - 30 Tween heartthrob Efron
  - 31 "Life on Mars?" singer
  - 32 Online party notice
  - 33 Desert retreats
  - 38 Conduit for tears
  - 39 Slippery swimmer
  - 40 Oscar winner Arkin
  - 42 Arcade pioneer
  - 45 Out of the sun
  - 46 Region of influence
  - 47 Cuts for a sandwich
  - 51 Commonly injured knee ligament, for short
  - 52 Deadly snakes
  - 53 Genuine
  - 54 A single time
  - 55 List finisher: Abbr.
  - 56 No \_\_\_ traffic
  - 58 Travelers' stops
  - 59 Future D.A.'s hurdle
  - 61 "The Voice" network
  - 62 Gambling letters



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## Softball wins 4 of 5 games in Las Vegas

By SHEHAN JEYARAJAH  
SPORTS WRITER

After dropping their first game to Washington, the Bears won four straight against San Diego, UC Davis, UNLV and Arkansas as No. 16 Baylor softball opened its 2014 season this past weekend with the five-game UNLV Sportco Kick-Off Classic in Las Vegas.

The Bears kicked things off with a double-header against Washington on Friday with senior left-hander Whitney Canion on the mound facing off against Washington pitcher Bryanna Walker.

The Bears let Washington jump on them with a quick 3-0 lead in the first inning off an RBI single from Washington second baseman Kelli Suguro and a two-RBI double from sophomore shortstop Jennie McNeill.

Baylor's junior right fielder Kaitlyn Thumann responded with a solo homer to cut the Washington lead to 3-1 after three innings.

Washington took a commanding 6-1 lead over Baylor with a three-run home run from third baseman Kylee Lahners that drove in pitcher Kaitlin Inglesby and pinch-runner Rylleigh Zbarschuk.

Baylor sophomore left fielder Linsey Hays slammed a home run with two strikes to cut the Washington lead to 6-2, but that was the only hit the Bears mustered in the fourth.

"You can't dig a deep hole and expect to come out of it against the No. 3 team," Baylor head coach Glenn Moore said. "However, we battled back and gave ourselves the opportunity on a couple of occasions to get back in it, and I was proud of them battling back. I'm

happy with Liz Paul's performance in the circle, and that we had nearly 20 hits on the day. We know where we are and what we need to work on. That's why we schedule strong opponents."

Baylor moved on to face the University of San Diego in the second game of a double-header with sophomore right-hander Heather Stearns on the mound facing off against USD senior right-hander Cassidy Coleman.

Baylor jumped on USD right from the first inning. An illegal pitch set up runners on second and third for Canion. The senior knocked in a single to score Thumann and give Baylor a quick lead. USD scored after a throwing error by Baylor sent senior outfielder Dana Prelsnik all the way to third base, where she was batted in on a sacrifice hit from third baseman Chloe Kaneko.

Baylor took over in the second inning. Senior first baseman Holly Holl was batted in on a double from Stearns. Thumann walked to set up a bases loaded situation for Baylor with no outs. Freshman infielder Lindsey Cargill hit a single for her first RBI. Smith hit a sacrifice fly that batted in Hawkins to give Baylor a 3-1 lead. Canion was then by a pitch to load the bases again and set up a grand slam by junior infielder Jordan Strickland to give Baylor an 8-1 lead. The Bears scored one more time after sophomore Robin Landrith tripled to drive in Holl again.

Baylor allowed one hit for the rest of the game to San Diego and the game was called thanks to the five-inning-rule to give Baylor a 9-1 win.

Sterns was credited with the win after allowing only two hits

and no earned runs in four innings. Colman got the loss after allowing nine earned runs and eight hits in one and two-thirds innings' work.

Baylor brought its momentum in to a Saturday matchup with UC Davis. Canion once again took the mound for Baylor, while sophomore left-hander Leah Munden took the mound for UC Davis.

Baylor exploded out of the gates with three runs in the first inning and continued scoring in the second. With two outs on the board, a series of doubles from Canion and Strickland drove in two RBIs each. Hosack added a double of her own for another RBI. Hawkins singled to drive in Hosack and push the Baylor lead to 9-0.

When the dust cleared, Baylor destroyed UC Davis 17-1 in only five innings. Hays and leftfielder Christy Lisenby each had three RBIs for Baylor in the win. UC Davis' only hit in the game was a solo home run from Amy Nunez.

"I was proud of the way our team continued to battle after two big innings," Moore said. "Yesterday against San Diego, I felt we got complacent with our large lead, but today the girls kept battling throughout the game."

Canion earned the win after throwing four innings and allowing only one hit and three strikeouts. Munden took the loss after allowing six earned runs in one and two-thirds innings' work.

Baylor took on host school UNLV later that day with Stearns on the mound to face off against the Running Rebels' senior right-hander Amanda Oliveto. No runs scored in the first two innings, but Baylor got the offense going in the third. With runners on first



TRAVIS TAYLOR | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

Senior left-handed pitcher Whitney Canion goes through her wind-up to deliver a pitch on April 23, 2013, against Houston at Gettman Stadium. Canion is Baylor's career leader in shutouts pitched, with 31.

and third, Smith hit a home run to right-center field to put Baylor up 3-0.

The offense kept going in the fourth when Strickland hit a solo home run to start off the inning. On the very next throw, Landrith hit a home run of her own to give Baylor a 5-0 lead.

Hosack drove in two runs with a double to score Hawkins and Thumann. The Running Rebels responded with a scored run by senior first baseman Tayler Van Acker off a Baylor error to cut the lead to 7-3. Van Acker drove in another run in the seventh, but Baylor held on to win 7-4.

Stearns earned the win after striking out six allowing only one

earned run in five and one-thirds innings. Baylor closed the tournament against the University of Arkansas on Sunday. The game faced Baylor ace Canion against junior lefthander Kimmy Beasley.

Baylor got on the board in the second inning when Linsenby got a sacrifice hit to drive in freshman infielder Riley Browder. They continued the momentum with a two-run homer from Cargill to give Baylor a 3-0 lead. Strickland homered to score two runs and give Baylor the 5-0 lead it would take for the win. Canion got the win after throwing her 31st shutout, a new Baylor record. The senior allowed only two hits in a dominating performance.

"I'm proud of the way the girls finished the tournament, playing an early morning game after finishing really late last night," Moore said. They brought a very good game against a very good team in Arkansas, it was a high RPI game, we needed to play well and I thought we did. Whitney really threw a great game, and I couldn't be happier with our offense. I thought we put a complete together in the final day of the tournament."

The Bears left the UNLV Sportco Kick-Off Classic with a record of 4-1. The Bears return home this weekend for the Gettman Classic in Waco with a five-game slate against UAB, Drake, Lipscomb, Iowa and East Carolina.

## Bears win three events at Texas A&M Invitational

By TORI JACKSON  
REPORTER

The Bears returned to Waco with three event wins and a new school record this weekend at the Texas A&M Aggie Invitational at Gilliam Indoor Track Stadium.

Senior Hunter Brook won the heptathlon with a personal record in the 60-meter hurdles to lead him to a new school record of 5,154 points in the heptathlon.

"It feels great," Brook said. "Henry [Vildosola] and I have broken the school record before. [Assistant head coach Danny] Brabham always told us to stay focused on working each event one at a time. When you put it together, you can get a good enough score to do well at a meet."

Coming in second in the heptathlon competition was teammate

Vildosola, who recorded 5,128 points. Both Brooks and Vildosola earned more points than the previous school record set by Eric Bostick at the 2012 Big 12 Indoor Championships. Bostick tallied a total of 5,017 points.

"They did a great job," head coach Todd Harbour said. "It was the first multi of the year. I'm really proud of them. Henry is still competing with no ACL and that makes it even more impressive."

Freshman Trayvon Bromell won the 60-meter dash. Bromell holds the second best time in the Big 12 Conference and 13th-fastest in the nation. Bromell recorded a time of 6.65 seconds.

"It feels good," Bromell said. "It's good to have it under my belt. I know I can run faster, so that's motivation. I know what I have to fix."

Junior Rachel Johnson earned a first place finish for the second time this indoor season. Johnson recorded a personal best of 4:49.63 in the mile.

"All of my work from the past two years has built up until now," Johnson said. "Mariah Kelly and I have been training together and encouraging each other. It helps to have a teammate and training partner there for me"

Johnson and Kelly will travel to Seattle, Wash., this weekend to compete in the Husky Classic. They hope to qualify for the NCAA Nationals.

The Baylor men and women placed fourth at the Aggie Invitational. The men tallied a score of 64 points and the women earned 88. Among the three event wins, Baylor had numerous top five finishes for the men and women.

Freshman George Caddick placed fourth in the 400-meters with a time of 46.78.

Caddick then helped the 4x400-meter relay team place top five. Blake Heriot, Caddick, Karrie Butler and Isaiah Duke recorded a time of 3:09.07 for a third-place finish.

Felix Obi finished third in the long jump competition with a mark of 23-11.50 [7.30m].

"He did a great job," Harbour said. "It wasn't his best day, but Felix is always solid. It's impossible to PR every meet in our sport"

Olicia Williams finished second in the women's 800-meters with a recorded time of 2:08.26.

Mariah Kelly finished fourth with a personal best of 2:09.43.

Freshman Maggie Montoya finished second in the 3,000-meter distance. Montoya set a new per-

sonal best with a time of 9:41:68. Peyton Thomas also finished top five in the 3,000-meter distance with a fourth place finish and a time of 10:05.45.

Senior Kehri Jones set a career best in the 60-meter dash.

Jones was timed at 7.52, which led her to a third place finish.

Jones has set new personal bests in all three indoor meets this season.

"Kehri is continuing to improve and get better," Harbour said. That's what you want to see. Athletes improving each week."

Freshman Annie Rhodes had a mark of 13-0.75 [3.98 m] to take second in the pole vault competition. Rhodes holds the program's top-two marks of all-time.

Erin Atkinson placed fourth in the weight throw with a mark of 63-4.25 [19.31m]. The last time

Atkinson competed at the Gilliam Indoor Track Stadium, she won the event with a throw of 65-1.5 [19.85m], which placed her No. 11 in the NCAA.

Atkinson still holds the school record for the weight and hammer throw.

Freshman Cion Hicks placed third in the shot put event.

Hicks recorded a mark of 47-10.0 [14.58m].

"This is the last tune up before the Big 12 Indoor Championships," Coach Harbour said. "I hope to get more people qualified for nationals."

The Bears will travel to Fayetteville, Ark., this weekend to compete in the Tyson Invitational.

The Big 12 Indoor Championships will commence on Feb. 28 at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa.

## Equestrian defeats Delaware State 16-4

By CAROLINE LINDSTROM  
REPORTER

The No. 2 Baylor equestrian team defeated Delaware State 16-4 Saturday at the Willis Family Equestrian Center in Waco. The Bears record improved to 3-2 overall in their first meet of the spring semester.

"Not only did we get the win but our girls received MOP [most outstanding player] in each event of the meet," said Head Coach Ellen White.

Sophomore Jenny Mitchell, junior Samantha Schaefer, junior Parris Rice and freshman Jessica Leach earned MOP honors for Baylor.

The Bears dominated all four events: horsemanship, flat, fences and reining with a score of 4-1 in each. White said it was nice to "knock the rust off" because the team hasn't competed since be-

fore Thanksgiving when Baylor fell 10-9 to Auburn.

"Everyone started off strong at the Delaware State meet but we have a lot ahead of us," Schaefer said, "With four consecutive road meets after TCU, it is important for us to prepare that much more."

White said the team saw what they need to work on and knows their homework for this next week. The Bears take on No. 8 TCU at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Willis Family Equestrian Center.

"One of our two losses was to TCU in the Fall when our freshman weren't quite ready to compete," White said, "We are a different team now and our freshmen are ready to whip up on them."

The Bears have a 2-1 record this season in Big 12 Conference competition. The equestrian team competes in conference against TCU Saturday at the Willis Family Equestrian Center in Waco.

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# Religious groups join, fight gay marriage in court

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SALT LAKE CITY — A coalition of religious organizations has come together to urge a federal appeals court to uphold same-sex marriage bans in Utah and Oklahoma, saying unions between a man and woman are best for children, families and society.

The argument was made in a 42-page brief filed Monday afternoon to a Denver-based court reviewing cases that could reverse gay-marriage bans in Utah and Oklahoma.

Lawyers for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops wrote the brief, which was signed by the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

"Our respective religious doctrines hold that marriage between a man and a woman is sanctioned by God as the right and best setting for bearing and raising children," it says. "We believe that children, families, society, and our nation thrive best when husband-wife marriage is upheld and strengthened as a cherished, primary social institution."

The coalition struck back at the notion that opposing gay marriage makes one anti-gay, irrational or bigoted.

"The accusation is false and offensive," it says. "It is intended to suppress rational dialogue and democratic conversation, to win by insult and intimidation rather than by reason, experience, and fact."

They say they have no ill will toward same-sex couples, only "marriage-affirming religious beliefs," supported by sociological facts, saying holding on to the man-woman definition of marriage is essential.

The "friend of the court" brief was one of several submitted Monday by groups, professors and state attorneys general supporting Utah and Oklahoma in their efforts to persuade the Denver-based 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to reverse recent rulings by federal court judges.

Shannon Minter, legal director for the National Center for Lesbian Rights, said Monday that religions will always be free to choose which marriages they perform.



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Opponents for gay marriage show their support during a rally at the Utah State Capitol on Tuesday in Salt Lake City. A little more than a month after a surprising federal court ruling overturned this conservative state's ban on gay marriage, the battle over the issue reached the Capitol building Tuesday as hundreds of opponents and supporters of same-sex marriage held twin rallies.

But in a statement, Minter added that "the state cannot exclude any group of people from a fundamental right based on religious views held by some. Our society is strengthened when the law both supports all families and protects the freedoms of conscience and belief."

The organization is teaming with a pair of Salt Lake City attorneys to represent the pro-gay marriage case.

Utah state attorneys filed their opening argument in support of banning gay marriage last week, saying the optimal environment for raising children is with a mother and father.

The state contends that redefining marriage poses "real, concrete risks to children" because not having a mother or father leads to emotional damage. The state said its duty is to look out for the long-term interests of children who can't defend themselves.

Attorneys for three gay and lesbian couples in Utah who brought the lawsuit

against Utah will file their response by Feb. 25. Organizations who want to send in arguments in support of the couples have until March 4.

The couples' attorneys have scoffed at the notion that gay and lesbian couples make inferior parents, saying there is no scientific evidence to back that claim.

They also have pointed to the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling last summer striking down part of the federal Defense of Marriage Act as backing in this case.

In that decision, the justices wrote that limiting marriages to a man and a woman relegates gay marriages to second-class status and "humiliates tens of thousands of children now being raised by same-sex couples."

A hearing has been set for April 10 in Denver.

The court will then decide if it agrees with a federal judge in Utah who in mid-December overturned the 2004-voter passed ban, saying it violates gay and lesbi-

an couples' rights to due process and equal protection under the 14th Amendment.

The appeals court also is reviewing a similar decision about Oklahoma's ban, and a hearing on that case has been set for April 17.

The arguments in support of Utah's gay-marriage ban, passed by two-thirds of voters in 2004, trickled in Monday.

Attorneys general from Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Indiana, Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma and South Carolina filed a brief that said same-sex marriage is not part of the country's roots and traditions.

"Traditional marriage is too deeply imbedded in our laws, history and traditions for a court to hold that more recent state constitutional enactment of that definition is illegitimate or irrational," Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller wrote.

The Institute for Marriage and Public Policy argued in court papers submitted Monday that the federal government

doesn't have the right to tell states how to regulate marriage.

Others weighing include college professors offering their opinion on whether the U.S. Constitution grants gays and lesbians the right to marry.

The conservative Sutherland Institute of Utah argued in its brief that families led by mothers and fathers are an integral part of "ordered liberty" that allows children to be raised with "social constraint" and "moral character."

The members of religious coalition said in their paper they have unequaled practical experience that offers proof of the benefits from mother-father parenting.

On the flip side, the coalition says, "we deal daily with the devastating effects of out-of-wedlock births, failed marriages, and the general decline of the venerable husband-wife marriage institution."

The actions of the Utah-based Mormon church have been closely watched since the surprise ruling from the federal judge on Dec. 20.

The faith's stance on homosexuality has softened considerably since it was one of the leading forces behind California's Proposition 8 ban on gay marriage.

A new website launched last year encouraged more compassion toward gays, imploring them to stay in the faith and clarifying that church leaders no longer "necessarily advise" gays to marry people of the opposite sex in what used to be a widely practiced Mormon workaround for homosexuality.

Also last year, church leaders backed the Boy Scouts' policy allowing gays in the ranks. Some gay Mormons who left or were forced out of the church say they are now being welcomed back — even though they remain in same-sex relationships.

But the church has left little doubt how it feels about same-sex marriage in the last month.

As hundreds of gay and lesbian couples married in Utah after that ruling, the church told local leaders that same-sex wedding ceremonies and receptions were prohibited in their churches.

That same day, church leaders reminded members that civil law or trends in society cannot change the "moral law that God has established."

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relations, said Attwood is still enrolled at Baylor. The policy statement on alcohol and drugs states any student found on or off campus in possession of drugs is subject to disciplinary action ranging from warning to expulsion.

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ties in the near future," said Texas Rep. Bill Flores in a press release Monday. "With the help of these grants, the students will soon be able to leave their current environment in temporary facilities for permanent classrooms and facilities."

This past year FEMA had initially denied Individual Assistance grants to individuals and households affected in West. FEMA expanded its funding in May 2013 to cover these areas once Gov. Rick Perry spoke out about the issue.

"The day of the West memorial service, President Obama stood in front of a grieving community and told them they would not be forgotten," a statement from Perry in June 2013 states. "He said his administration would stand with them, ready to help. We anticipate the president will hold true to his word and help us work with FEMA to ensure much-needed assistance reaches the community of West."

President Barack Obama declared a state of disaster in August 2013 to the state of Texas. He had previously declared it a state of emergency in April 2013, which authorized FEMA to provide 75 percent federal funding in relief assistance. FEMA had sent relief personnel to West for weeks after the explosion, and obligated nearly \$2.8 million to West ISD in August 2013.



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dent spending. She pointed to her history as a Fort Worth state senator filibustering school budget cuts in 2011 and then trying to pass fundamental school finance reform in 2013.

Since Texas does not have a state income tax like most states, schools are funded using property taxes, which creates inequalities between poor and wealthy school districts. To solve this, Texas uses what is called the Robin Hood system, taking some tax money from rich districts and give it to poor ones.

Facing a \$27 billion budget shortfall in 2011, state lawmakers rewrote the school

funding formula to cut \$5.4 billion in education funding. Lawmakers restored \$3.4 billion in 2013, but district lawyers told Dietz in arguments last week that the system still underfunds schools and creates a higher tax burden for residents living in poor communities.

Davis said Texas has the revenue to fund schools, and lawmakers need to prioritize it by using oil and gas revenues and the state's rainy day fund.

"We left \$6 billion in the rainy day fund when we made these cuts, and at the same time we had a comptroller who misestimated what our revenue would be," Davis said.

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the dining halls, to help her clients.

These educators also emphasize a system called MyPlate, which replaced the food pyramid in 2011.

It divides the plate up into grains, protein, fruits, vegetables and dairy.

Zoellner said students who are doing long-distance running need to maintain a well-balanced diet, but add more carbs and protein in order to compensate for fuel lost during training.

Both Zoellner and Travis said anyone could benefit from the Peer Nutrition Education program.

"It's free and it's not an obligation," Travis said. "It's a great way to talk to someone who knows the field instead of believing the stuff you read on the Internet."

Zoellner and Travis said some of their clients' most common misconceptions concern fad diets such as the Paleo Diet.

According the diet's website, The Paleo Diet "is based upon eating wholesome, contemporary foods from the food groups that our hunter-gatherer ancestors would have thrived on during the Paleo-

lithic era." This means that grains are eliminated from the diet completely.

However, Zoellner said a diet should be 60 percent carbohydrates, of which grains are composed.

"Your brain runs on straight carbs," Travis said, which is why she said it is so important for college students to have carbohydrates in their diets.

Travis said another common misconception is that peer nutrition educators have an extremely healthy diet.

"I know the right things to eat, but contrary to popular belief, I still eat brownies and cookies," Travis said.

She said it's OK to eat unhealthy foods as long as there is portion control.

"God created all foods for a reason," Travis said. "I don't think it's good when people try to completely cut out one food."

Travis and Zoellner said the Peer Nutrition Education program is personalized for each client's needs. Students can sign up in 305 of the McLane Student Life Center or email bupeernutrition@gmail.com.

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