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Searching for answers

Hunt continues for missing Malaysian flight

By KRISTEN GELINEAU AND NICK PERRY
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WELLINGTON, New Zealand — The plane must be somewhere. But the same can be said for Amelia Earhart's.

Ten days after Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 disappeared with 239 people aboard, an exhaustive international search has produced no sign of the Boeing 777, raising an unsettling question: What if the airplane is never found?

Such an outcome, while considered unlikely by many experts, would certainly torment the families of those missing. It would also flummox the airline industry, which will struggle to learn lessons from the incident if it doesn't know what happened.

While rare nowadays, history is not short of such mysteries — from the most famous of all, American aviator Earhart, to planes and ships disappearing in the so-called Bermuda



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An unidentified woman wearing a mask depicting the flight of the missing Malaysia Airlines, MH370, poses Monday in front of the "wall of hope" at Kuala Lumpur International Airport in Sepang, Malaysia.

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A Chinese relative of passengers aboard a missing Malaysia Airlines plane, cries as she is escorted by a woman while leaving a hotel room for relatives of passengers on March 9 in Beijing, China.

Professor explains Flight 370 technical, tangible theories

By TAYLOR GRIFFIN
NEWS EDITOR

Q&A Meteor showers, terrorism, pilot suicide, alien invasion — countless theories have surfaced surrounding the Malaysian Airlines Flight 370 that lost contact with air traffic controllers on March 8. The unexplained disappearance of this Boeing 777 aircraft, which was headed to Beijing, has dumbfounded both airline officials and the rest of the world.

As an aeronautical engineer and retired marine fighter pilot, Dick Campbell, senior lecturer and assistant chair of mechanical engineering, offers a few technical explanations to the various theories regarding this ongoing mystery.

Q: How is it possible that the aircraft has completely been lost?

A: If devices were turned off deliberately, then it's fairly easy to disappear, especially in that part of the world. There's a lot of open ocean where radar coverage is not very good, and while a large metal airplane can be tracked by a radar, it returns a very, very weak signal.

Air traffic control radars are designed more to pick up a radar response from the airplane, and that's what this box called a



Campbell

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Bulls on parade: Bovine runs amuck in South Waco

By JORDAN CORONA
STAFF WRITER

Waco police took no bull Tuesday afternoon when a begrudged bovine ran through the neighborhood behind LaSalle Avenue in South Waco around 1:30 p.m.

Police attended to the loosed livestock and tried to keep it away from the traffic along the major street until they were able to corner it in a grassy lot off Third and LaSalle Streets.

Sgt. Patrick Swanton, public information officer for the Waco Police Department, said the bull escaped from Jager Veterinary Clinic on the traffic circle at Valley Mills Drive.

Dr. Mitchell Jager has been treating animals in the community for 45 years. The bull jumped a 7-foot fence at the clinic where he was being vaccinated.

"We average 25 to 30 head of cattle a

week," he said. "It was just like an industrial accident. This sort of thing happens on the ranch all the time."

Waco police used social media to urge people to use caution if driving around 12th and LaSalle streets, where sightings of the bull were reported. Almost an hour later, the animal was subdued.

"The bull broke out and then didn't want to be messed with," Swanton said. "Officers were able to keep him away from the street and we have cowboy folks who work with us for these situations."

Brian Leathers and an associate from the Hillsboro area were called to the scene. Leathers brought his trailer, a horse and some rope to help keep the situation under control.

"We just got the call to see about a bull," Leathers said. "He wanted to put up a fight, but we roped him."



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The rogue bull that escaped from Jager Veterinary Clinic on Tuesday afternoon was cornered and roped on a lot off Third and LaSalle streets.

Drivers beware: Highway to close for work

By REBECCA FIEDLER
STAFF WRITER

Interstate 35 construction in Central Texas has resulted in the closure of main lanes for hours at a time, sometimes funneling traffic off the interstate entirely, and onto access roads.

I-35 has been under construction for improvement in different sections across Texas for years. At the end of 2013, construction projects began around the Temple area, and currently there is traffic-impeding construction between Hewitt and Temple.

The Texas Department of Transportation is monitoring traffic constantly and trying to limit the number of main lane closures on I-35, said Jodi Wheatley, I-35 information specialist for the Texas Department of Transportation.

"We have guys who look into this from the Texas Transportation Institute from Texas A&M University," Wheatley said. "They work with us on this. Part of what they do is called mobility coordination. They help us keep an eye on which construction companies want to close lanes and when. Sometimes companies get permission to close lanes and sometimes they don't. We're trying to at least keep the driving delay to a maximum of 36 minutes."

There will eventually be maintenance work between South Loop 340 in Waco to North Loop 340. There will also be access road work done in the Waco area. Wheatley said she predicts this will start in about six months.

Many of the main lanes that run through Waco were build in the 1960s and are old, and the roads have been requiring constant maintenance, Wheatley said.

"It's not a quick fix to do it right," she said.

Cpl. Christopher Wilcox, public information officer for the Temple Police Department, has traveled along I-35 during multiple lane closures and been funneled onto access roads.

"One night I came in to stop by the sheriff's department in Salado and I got sent off the interstate and over on the service road," Wilcox said. "I got back on and got to Belton to stop by the sheriff's office because they were working a project in that section, and I got taken off the interstate and sent to the service road. Then, when I came through Temple, they had one lane closed and traffic was funneled into two inside lanes."

Wilcox said the construction is happening north and southbound on I-35.

"And it's generally going on at what seems like all at the exact same time," Wilcox said.

Temple police officers will be stationed at the construction, Wilcox said. Officers will sit with emergency lights on so that people coming up to construction scene will pay attention to.

"We have a contract with construction companies," Wilcox said. "They contract with off-duty officers to come out and provide what's kind of like safety security service for them."

Wheatley said the Texas Department

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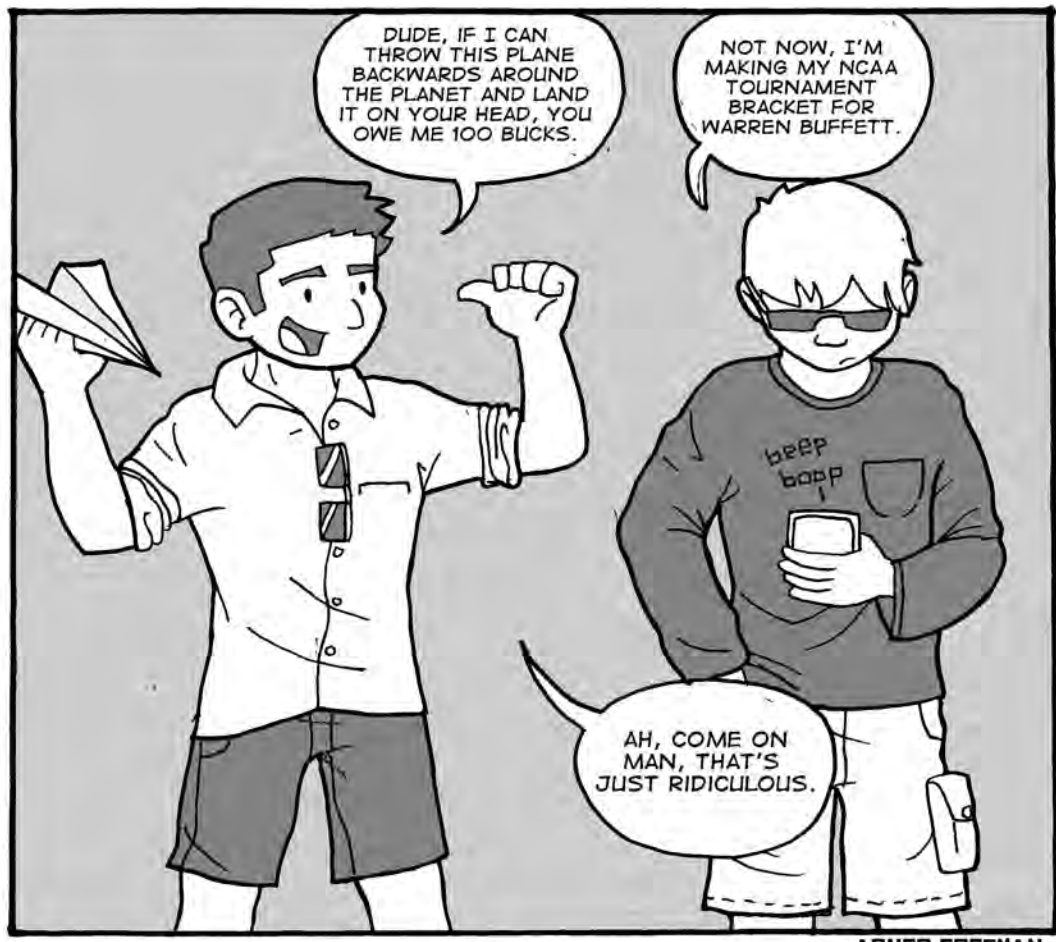
Putin rewrote the borders of Russia Tuesday to include the Crimean peninsula.



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Baylor alumnae and Paizlee co-founders offer advice and trunk show finds today in Cashion.





Buffett the only winner in bracket challenge

Editorial

Warren Buffett is a smart man. That's part of how he became the second-wealthiest man in America according to Forbes. One of his latest moves is just another stroke of genius in the business world, and it has put him in the national spotlight.

Buffett has teamed up with Quicken Loans to host the bracket challenge and has offered \$1 billion to anyone who can correctly predict the entire men's NCAA Tournament bracket. If you happen to correctly predict all of the winners, then you have the choice of a \$500 million lump sum payment or 40 annual installments of \$25 million.

Before you start dreaming of dropping out of school and buying your own Galapagos island, you should consider the harsh reality of the matter: Warren Buffett is the only person that will make money off of his bracket challenge.

The first 15 million people to sign up are eligible and each participant must be at least 18 years old to claim the prize.

In a press release from Quicken Loans, Buffett said that he would be glad to hand out the money if someone was able to fill out a perfect bracket.

Even if he were forced to pay up, Buffett would only have to fork over about 1.7 percent of his total net worth, according to Forbes.

On the surface, it doesn't seem like Buffett has any way of making money.

After all, the challenge is free to entrants. But it all becomes clear upon looking at the entry form.

After filling out personal information, participants are asked if they currently own a home, if they plan on purchasing a home and what their estimated current mortgage rate is.

This information alone is valuable because companies want to buy it, and if Buffett has this kind of information about 15 million people, then companies will be willing to pay top dollar for it.

After the mortgage question, there are three boxes with offers that users can opt into.

The first is an offer to speak to a home loan expert from Quicken Loans, the second offers a free credit report from Quizzle.com and the final box offers a discount on purchasing a Fathead wall decal.

Getting these offers on Buffett's sign-up sheet isn't free, so this is just another way Buffett is going to profit.

His tournament challenge is also a very safe venture. Since the NCAA expanded the tournament to 68 teams, there are 63 games to

predict correctly. This, however, is no small task.

According to USA Today, the odds of correctly predicting each winner are 1 in 9,233,372,036,854,755,808.

Simply put, 1 in 9.23 quintillion, which is a number that is difficult, possibly even impossible, to fathom.

USA Today sports writer Chris Chase put everyone's chances of filling out a perfect bracket in perspective when he wrote, "The perfect bracket winner could be you, right? No, no it could not... If everyone on earth filled out 100 brackets, it would theoretically take 13 million years to get a perfect bracket."

Since there is no time to test the theory, it is best to just accept that every bracket will be flawed.

However, that doesn't mean you should abandon all hope.

The 20 most accurate brackets will yield \$100,000 each to their entrants. Compared to the chances that an entrant will win the \$1 billion, this is much more likely.

There is also a charitable aspect to Buffett's bracket challenge. Quicken Loans has committed \$1 million to help educate urban youth in Detroit and Cleveland. Because of this, participants should be glad that they have entered a challenge that helps the community. Hoping to win \$1 billion is simply unrealistic.

Putin shouldn't win Nobel

If the Nobel Peace Prize wants to save its reputation, considering Vladimir Putin for the usually prestigious award is another step in the wrong direction. While Putin is in the running to be named a "champion of peace," he is trying to forcibly annex Crimea, an autonomous republic in Ukraine.

Putin is resisting all warnings from the international community, acting purely in Russia's self-interest. According to Peace Research Institute Oslo, the Russian leader was nominated for the "averting of an air strike on Syria after the chemical gas attacks in August 2013."

Because, after all, Putin brokered a tough deal with Syria to reduce chemical weapons, making the world safe once again. It sounds plausible, except for the fact that Syria has only reduced 10 percent of the chemical weapons that were supposed to be destroyed by early February. One can imagine Putin isn't putting too much pressure on a major Russian ally.

This isn't the first time the Nobel Peace Prize has been heavily criticized. Last year, the winner was the European Union. No, not a leader of the EU — the entire 17-country organization itself. At the time, unemployment was more than 25 percent in some EU countries, and the union itself was in a state of political turmoil.

Ironically, as millions of their own citizens were rioting in the streets due to the disastrous European financial crisis, EU leaders were busy bickering about who got to accept a prize lauding their achievements of peace.

Or think back to 2007. Irena Sendler was re-



Danny Huizinga | Guest Columnist

portedly nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize. Sendler, a Polish social worker, risked her life every day to smuggle Jews out of the Nazi-controlled Warsaw Ghetto during World War II.

The Los Angeles Times reported, "She and her friends smuggled the children out in boxes, suitcases, sacks and coffins, sedating babies to quiet their cries." She is believed to have rescued more 3,000 people.

Though she was captured and brutally tortured by the Nazis several times, she never revealed her mission.

So why didn't Sendler win the prize in 2007? A PowerPoint

on global warming convinced the committee that former vice president Al Gore had done more to fight for peace. The \$1 million in prize money he received was pocket change for the man worth more than \$200 million already.

In 2009, just a few months after President Barack Obama took office, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

"Thanks to Obama's initiative, the USA is now playing a more constructive role in meeting the great climatic challenges the world is confronting," said the Norwegian Nobel Committee at the time. Right.

There are several superbly qualified candidates in the running this year. Let's hope the commission awards the Nobel Peace Prize to someone worthy, rather than repeating some of the mistakes of the past.

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Don't abandon our children

Who speaks for Ghanson Debrosse?

Before he was born, many people did. Anti-abortion groups did. Churches did. Protesters did. And lawmakers did. Florida, for instance, requires that a woman undergo an ultrasound before getting an abortion, and the provider must offer her the option of viewing the image.

Ghanson was not aborted. He was born, Oct. 26, 2010, to a teenage mother, Fafane Caze. During his short stay on this Earth, he endured enough pain for a lifetime. Police say that when he wet the floor, his mother burned his genitals with a lighter, and when he soiled his diaper, she beat him with a broom handle. They say she once hurled him across a room where he crashed into a table. And that in a fight with the boy's father, she used him as a weapon, trying to throw him at the man.

Ghanson died on Jan. 21. He had burns on his face and fingers. He had scars in the shape of belt buckles.

The Florida Department of Children & Families knew Ghanson was in trouble. It received three reports on its hotline. But the agency concluded there was no reason to remove him from that house.

So the answer is obvious. Who speaks for Ghanson? No one did.

In "Innocents Lost," a report by Audra D.S. Burch and Carol Marbin Miller published this week by the Miami Herald, we learn that the number of children dying has spiked since DCF made a deliberate decision almost a decade ago to sharply reduce the number of children taken into state care and to slash "services, monitoring and protections for the increased number of children left with their violent, neglectful, mentally-ill or drug-addicted parents."

Money was saved. Children were not. And there is an irony here too acute to ignore.

We have these great debates over children who are not yet born. We have marches and shouting



Leonard Pitts | Miami Herald

matches and legislative protections for children who are not yet born.

But what about the children who are already here? How is it they can groan in hunger, how is it they can be shaken to pieces, slammed into walls, mashed under car tires while those who should protect them do not, yet there are no marches, no demonstrations, no placards lifted or lawmakers making speeches?

"Abortion stops a beating heart," goes an old anti-abortion slogan. But so does a skull fracture.

Not that it is only abortion foes who are indicted here. The indictment extends to all of us who watch with complacent silence as budgets are balanced on the backs of the voiceless and vulnerable.

Somehow, there is always enough money to give another billionaire another tax break. Somehow, we always find a way to build the new stadium to keep the team in town.

But who speaks for Shaiunna Hare, 2, crushed by a python kept, barely secured, by her drug-addled mother and the mother's boyfriend?

Who speaks for Kaleb Cronk, 1, run over by a pickup truck in his mother's driveway after she went inside and left him unattended? Who speaks for Logan Hancock, 2 months, who died of a skull fracture? His second. Who speaks for Emanuel Murray, 3 months, allegedly thrown from a moving car by his mother's boyfriend? Who decries the fact that we had the chance to intervene and did not?

The implication is as clear as it is appalling. We will argue, protest and legislate over a child's right to be here before she arrives.

Once she gets here, though, she's on her own.

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Opinion



Putin signs treaty to add Crimea to map of Russia

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MOSCOW — In a gilded Kremlin hall used by czars, Vladimir Putin redrawn Russia's borders Tuesday by declaring the Crimean Peninsula part of the motherland — provoking a surge of emotion among Russians who lament the loss of empire and denunciations from Western leaders who called Putin a threat to the world.

In an ominous sign, a Ukrainian serviceman and a member of a local self-defense brigade were killed by gunfire in Crimea just hours after Putin's speech, the first fatalities stemming from the Russian takeover.

While Putin's action was hailed by jubilant crowds in Moscow and cities across Russia, Ukraine's new government called the Russian president a threat to the "civilized world and international security," and the U.S. and Europe threatened tougher sanctions against Moscow.

Vice President Joe Biden, meeting with anxious European leaders in Poland, denounced what he called "nothing more than a land grab."

"The world has seen through Russia's actions and has rejected the flawed logic," Biden said.

In an emotional 40-minute speech televised live from the Kremlin's chandelied St. George hall, Putin said the time has come to correct a historical injustice and stand up to Western pressure by incorporating Crimea.

"In people's hearts and minds, Crimea has always been an integral part of Russia," he declared.

He dismissed Western criticism of Sunday's Crimean referendum — in which residents of the strategic Black Sea peninsula voted overwhelmingly to break off from Ukraine and join Russia — as a manifestation of the West's double standards.

"They tell us that we are violating the norms of international law. First of all, it's good that they at least remember that international law exists," Putin said, pointing at what he called the U.S. trampling of international norms in wars in Serbia, Iraq, Afghanistan and Libya.

"Our Western partners led by the United States prefer to proceed not from international law, but the law of might in their practical policies," he said.

Only hours after Putin boasted that the Russian takeover of Crimea was conducted without a single shot, a Ukrainian military spokesman said a Ukrainian serviceman was killed and another injured when a military facility in Crimea was stormed Tuesday by armed men.

Thousands of Russian troops had overtaken Crimea two weeks before Sunday's hastily called referendum, seizing some Ukrainian military bases, blockading others and pressuring Ukrainian soldiers to surrender their arms and leave. Putin insisted the Russian troops were in Crimea under a treaty with Ukraine that allows Russia to have up to 25,000 troops at its Black Sea fleet base in Crimea.

"It was only when Crimea suddenly ended up in a different country that Russia realized that it had not simply been robbed but plundered, Putin said.

Despite the massing of thousands of Russian troops on Ukraine's eastern border, Putin insisted his nation had no intention of invading other regions in Ukraine.

"We don't want a division of Ukraine. We don't need that," he said.

"If Ukraine goes to NATO or the EU, Putin will do everything so that it goes there without the east and south," said Vadim Karasyov, a Kiev-based political analyst.

"Putin basically told the West that Russia has the right to veto the way Ukraine will develop. And if not, then

Crimea is only a precedent of how pieces of Ukraine can be chopped off, one by one."

Putin insisted the months of protests in the Ukrainian capital, Kiev, which prompted President Viktor Yanukovich to flee to Russia, had been instigated by the West to weaken Russia. He cast the new Ukrainian government as illegitimate, driven by radical "nationalists, neo-Nazis, Russophobes and anti-Semites."

"Today's statement by Putin showed in high relief what a real threat Russia is for the civilized world and international security," Ukrainian Foreign Ministry spokesman Evhen Perebinis said on Twitter. Annexation of Crimea "has nothing to do with law or with democracy or sensible thinking."

For his part, Putin accused the West of cheating Russia and ignoring its interests in the years that followed the Soviet collapse.

"They have constantly tried to drive us into a corner for our independent stance," Putin told the gathered lawmakers and top officials. "But there are limits. And in the case of Ukraine, our Western partners have crossed a line. They have behaved rudely, irresponsibly and unprofessionally."

Following the speech, Putin and Crimean officials signed a treaty for the region to join Russia. While it must still be endorsed by Russia's Constitutional Court and ratified by both houses of parliament, Valentina Matviyenko, the speaker of the upper house, said those steps could be completed by the end of the week.

"It is completely unacceptable for Russia to use force to change borders, on the basis of a sham referendum held at the barrel of a Russian gun," British Prime Minister David Cameron said. "The choice remains for President Putin: Take the path of de-escalation or face increasing isolation and tighter sanctions."



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Master of the tightrope

A white-handed gibbon walks across a rope bridge on March 12 on Gibbon Island in Waco's Cameron Park Zoo. White-handed gibbons, which are native to Thailand, Burma, and Malaysia, have arms that are twice as long as their bodies.

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Paizlee entrepreneurs: Follow dreams, don't be afraid of mistakes

By KAT Worrall
Reporter

It all started with a \$10 purchase of a domain name – paizlee.com.

From there, Baylor alumnae Katie Henry and Emily Rawls built their online fashion site, Paizlee, and at 6 p.m. today in 403 Cashion Academic Center, they will be giving entrepreneurial advice on how they did it.



The event is free and open to the public. Henry and Rawls' talk will be followed with a trunk show full of Paizlee merchandise.

The event is presented by Baylor Business Women.

The 2008 graduates did not think they would own their own shopping site. Henry, a business major, and Rawls, a communication studies major, worked together at Common Grounds as students.



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Paizlee models show some of the many apparel merchandise available at paizlee.com. Henry and Rawls launched their website in 2012 and within three days made back their original investment.

After graduation, they were both in jobs that, Rawls said, left them wanting more.

"We both were kind of in jobs that left us a bit unfulfilled," Rawls said. "I think Katie and I like to be in charge. We wanted to be our own boss."

With the domain purchase, it began. Both Henry and Rawls invested \$2,000 into the company and after six months of planning, the shopping site was launched in August 2012.

Within three days, they had made back their original investment.

Starting small, rather than putting all of your savings into a startup business, is one of the tips Henry and Rawls said they would give students.

"Once you test it and see that you enjoy it and have a following, you just build it each day," Henry said. "You're not stuck with forms of debt and overwhelmed if it doesn't take off."

Soon after the launch, most of Paizlee's merchandise was sold out, and they had to quickly order more.

"The biggest thing that I recommend to people is to just attempt it and do it at a low cost," Henry said. "You can really test the market and see if there is something out there without breaking the bank."

Henry and Rawls created their business without any outside help, besides contracting a graphic designer for their logo and the occasional photographer.

Learning as they go, with a mistake every now and then, is another key factor



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Alumnae Katie Henry (left) and Emily Rawls (right), co-founders of the online fashion site Paizlee will speak about their experiences as apparel entrepreneurs at 6 p.m. today in 403 Cashion Academic Center.

Rawls said led to their success.

"The best way to learn what's right is by doing what's wrong," she said. "You're going to make mistakes, and you can't be afraid of them."

As Paizlee continues to grow, Henry said she believes their success isn't the de-

ciding factor, but rather doing something both she and Rawls enjoy with a person they enjoy working with.

"When you're happy in what you do, it really makes all the difference over the financial benefit of a high-paying salary," she said.

Good grief: Charlie Brown gets 3-D treatment

By STEVEN ZEITCHIK
Los Angeles Times
via McClatchy-Tribune

LOS ANGELES — Everything else is going 3-D and computer generated. Why not Lucy, Snoopy and the rest of the "Peanuts" gang?

At least, that's what those behind a November 2015 release starring Charlie Brown and his beloved canine are hoping.

Directed by "Ice Age: Continental Drift" helmer Steve Martino, "Peanuts," which uses various 21st century technologies, looks to tap into the interest we typically have for "Peanuts" around the holidays, this

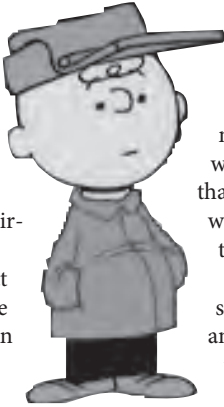
time on the big screen.

Blue Sky and Fox's "Peanuts" reboot unveiled a teaser Tuesday on ABC's "Good Morning America" after debuting images in USA Today.

There wasn't much in the teaser, a quick "2001" nod followed by Snoopy getting overly affectionate with his less-than-hirsute owner.

The USA Today piece also revealed that Charlie's lightly seen love interest, "the little red-haired girl," will have a prominent role in the film.

But more important than the what is the



how — specifically, how a computer generated Charlie Brown looks. The answer? Slick and a little strange.

Apparently aware of how some purists might react, Charles Schulz's son Craig, who's involved in the film, tells USA Today that he's "way more protective than my father would have been. Our No. 1 goal was always to be authentic to his work and legacy."

Those who remember Schulz's sly, sweet hand-drawn cartoons from the page and the screen may nonetheless be a little taken aback to see their beloved characters so digital and crystalline, rather than with

the minimalist, rough-around-the-edges look favored for decades.

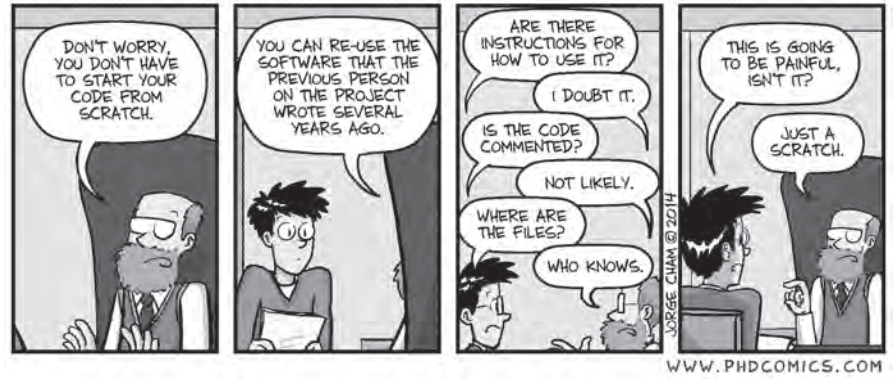
The handmade quality, and the resistance to new trends in animation and technology, is, after all, exactly what has made "Peanuts" so timeless.

Then again, this may also divide along generational lines.

School-age viewers are already so conditioned to seeing animation in computer generated imagery, and may primarily have been exposed to Peanuts characters through an occasional holiday special as well as those Met Life ads on their parents' shows, and who sheds tears over changes to those?

The film is scheduled to hit theaters Nov. 6, 2015.

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- 26 RR stop
- 27 "That's disgusting!"
- 28 Montana neighbor
- 29 Ready to skinny-dip
- 30 Prestigious prize
- 32 City in upstate New York
- 33 Asian menu assurance
- 34 Cyberjotting
- 37 Turning back to zero, as an odometer
- 40 Smear campaign commercial

- 41 Satirist Mort
- 44 Duracell size
- 48 Shortened wd.
- 49 Least plausible
- 50 Truckers' competition
- 52 Career soldier
- 54 One way to store pics
- 55 "Grab this"
- 56 Title of respect
- 58 Mama's mate
- 60 Sitar music
- 61 Get ready for the OR
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Bears cruise to 9-3 win over Houston Baptist



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Baylor junior outfielder Adam Toth rounds second base in Baylor's 9-3 victory over Houston Baptist on Tuesday at Baylor Ballpark.

By JEFFREY SWINDOLL
SPORTS WRITER

Baylor baseball's offense came to life against the Houston Baptist Huskies in a 9-3 blowout Tuesday at Baylor Ballpark. The Bears (12-9, 2-1) start a weekend series with conference rival Oklahoma State (15-6, 0-0) on Friday at home.

"Clearly Houston Baptists' pitching was up against it," head coach Steve Smith said. "They had a 15-inning game on Sunday, and that's more than just a starter. That's a couple of arms. So, we caught them at the right time."

The Bears opened the floodgates already in the first two innings with nine hits and eight runs. HBU had to play catch-up as its pitchers were put under high pressure from the Bears' hitting. HBU's pitching posed no outstanding threat to the Bears who seemed to get on with base hits or walks, regardless of who was on the mound.

Baylor's hitting was on point Tuesday, but HBU gave the Bears plenty of freebies.

Smith said HBU's pitching was not necessarily as poor as the score indicated, but it was simply a matter of finishing two-strike counts and turning them into strikeouts that bit the Huskies early on. Nine runs is a tough scoreline to come back from. On the other hand, the nine-run lead gave Baylor a massive boost in confidence on Tuesday.

"We've been in so many close games, and the way the Texas Tech game kind of fell apart on us Sunday, I think [the eight-run start to the game against Houston Baptist] just helped everybody relax a little bit and just play," Smith said.

The eight runs to start the game put Baylor in comfortable position in this one-off midweek game. The huge lead enabled pitchers to settle in with less pressure.

"It really helped to get that lead early," freshman pitcher Dan-

iel Castano (2-0) said. "After that I could just settle down, throw strikes and let the defense work. We're kind of a home team right now, which we kind of need to change when we go on the road. I think the win can give us momentum after the series win against Tech. Hopefully, we can keep it rolling and get a sweep or a series win against Oklahoma State."

Although four pitchers saw the mound for the Bears, all turned in solid shifts. It was only in the ninth inning that the Huskies were able to rake in a couple runs. Baylor already rotated in a secondary lineup of substitutes by that time. Young players such as freshman Lane Kelly and freshman Ben Carl earned valuable innings on the defensive side.

"As the whole [game] panned out, it gave us an opportunity to clear the bench and get a lot of guys in there," Smith said. "Everybody will go home tonight with a pretty good taste in their mouth."

Baylor's all-time record against the Huskies is 3-1. All games between the two programs have been played at Baylor Ballpark. Baylor is tied atop the Big 12 Conference after the series win over Texas Tech last weekend. Baylor was predicted to finish sixth in the Big 12 previous season.

"I think it's good to get these midweek games, and get ahead early," sophomore second baseman West Tunnell said. "That way, guys can get in a rhythm and get confident in the box and feel comfortable. That kind of carries [the team] into the weekend."

This weekend will be OSU's opening Big 12 series, and it will have to start on the road against the Bears.

Baylor holds a 10-2 record this season at Baylor Ballpark. First pitch of game one will be at 6:35 p.m. Friday, game two at 3:05 p.m. Saturday and game three at 1:05 p.m. Sunday. The series will be televised on Fox College Sports.

No. 12 softball tops Texas State 2-0 with one-hit pitching effort

By SHEHAN JEYARAJAH
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For a while, Whitney Canion could do no wrong. The sixth-year senior pitcher has been one of the best pitchers in collegiate softball since arriving in Waco, including being named an All-American in 2011. On Tuesday at Getterman Stadium, Canion displayed complete dominance on the mound.

Canion struck out 10 of 19 batters faced, and No. 12 Baylor softball defeated Texas State 2-0 to move to 23-4 and 6-1 at home.

Canion struck out three straight batters to open the game, and Baylor took advantage. Junior right fielder Kaitlyn Thumann led off with a walk for Baylor. Freshman second baseman Ari Hawkins sacrificed Thumann to second in the next at-bat. Down 0-2 in the

count, senior catcher Clare Hosack blasted a home run to give Baylor an early 2-0 lead.

"You always want to get ahead in the first inning," Hosack said. "Doing that takes a little pressure off the pitcher and gives us a little more room to have fun and just play."

Canion threw 3.2 innings of perfect baseball before allowing a walk to first baseman Kendall Wiley in the fourth. Over that stretch, Canion faced 11 batters and struck out eight.

Canion's no-hit bid was broken up in the sixth inning by right fielder Bianca Prado's single.

"It's very frustrating to lose it that way," Canion said. "Rarely do I come off the field in a good mood, but I know if it's meant to be then it's meant to be."

Canion threw 5.2 innings and

allowed one hit and one walk against 19 batters. She added 10 strikeouts, or a strikeout every nine pitches. To put that into perspective, losing pitcher Rayn House threw 105 pitches over six innings and struck out a batter every 35 pitches.

"You want to get a pitcher on a positive incline," head coach Glenn Moore said. "She felt she's in the zone for the first time in a couple of years probably. She wasn't even just looking at a no-hitter, but a perfect game for a while too. Ari made a great play almost saving it for her."

Sophomore pitcher Heather Stearns earned the save after throwing 1.1 innings of hitless softball.

Despite the win, Moore was displeased with the lack of offense after the first inning.

"I think it's a mentality," Moore

said. "We were going to take tomorrow off and do conditioning, now we're coming back and practicing offense because we need it."

With the win against Texas State, Baylor moved to 23-4. The Bears have won 11 straight games, including a perfect 5-0 in the USF Spring Break Invitational in Florida.

"Fans like to talk about peaking early," Moore said. "As a coach, you want this team to peak as early as you possibly can. I want them playing well the second they hit the field. You're going to stay at a higher place whenever you're coming out of the blocks hard. That's the way we want to play every time we step on the field."

Baylor will play a two-game series against Texas on Saturday and Sunday at Getterman Stadium in Waco.



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Baylor senior pitcher Whitney Canion throws a pitch in Baylor's 2-0 win over Texas State on Tuesday at Getterman Stadium.

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