

# Retiring flags ceremony

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## BU freshman aspires to be first female Army Ranger

By REBECCA FIEDLER  
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When Sabattus, Maine, freshman Sara Lacroix was first stationed at Fort Hood in Killeen as a private, her sergeant major asked what her physical training score was.

“He then said to me, ‘You’re going to be the first girl to graduate Ranger School,’” Lacroix said.

This could happen soon, following an experimental trial run that determines whether or not women are physically able to meet the demands of being an Army Ranger.

Women now have the chance to volunteer for Ranger School, an Army program that has always been reserved exclusively for men because it prepares soldiers for more combat-intensive jobs.

“Ranger School focuses on leadership,” said Wayne Hall, a spokesman for the U.S. Army. “Rangers are a little more elite than your average soldier.”

Female soldiers are currently barred from serving in many direct combat positions in the military. In recent years, however, the secretary of defense and joint chiefs of staff have initiated plans to integrate women into more of these positions. By January 2016, the U.S. Army plans to open any and all positions to women unless, after studies have been performed, officials determine that women still are not qualified for certain positions.

“In other words, the Army will have to, by that date,

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KEVIN FREEMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

### Dare you in blue

Jon Foreman of Switchfoot plays guitar and harmonica as he performs in Waco Hall on Monday. Switchfoot is on tour and played in Ft. Worth before coming to Waco.

## Instadata

### McLane’s complex Wi-Fi system allows for media influx

By JON PLATT  
REPORTER

Baylor fans post about 1.8 million times to social media at each home game.

Artecia Wilson, AT&T’s solutions manager for the Waco area, said that’s an entire terabyte of data for each event at McLane Stadium.

AT&T and Baylor began a partnership two years ago to provide wireless service to the stadium. In April, they began laying 40,000 feet of fiber optic cable and 17 miles of coaxial cable, Wilson said.

This partnership brought about the first stadium in the nation to deploy three information technology services with AT&T: the wireless broadband, a transportation and security alarm system, Wilson said.

“No location in the country looks like this,” she said.

Since opening game day for the Bears on Aug. 31, over 7 million social media posts have been made over the enhanced AT&T cellular broadband network and the stadium’s free-access Wi-Fi.

“This is what we were targeting,” said Bob Hartland, the director of information technology and networking servers at Baylor, while holding up his phone in McLane Stadium.

Since most attendees will surf, post and communicate via their mobile devices, Hartland said the emphasis on providing first-rate cellular service was paramount in comparison to traditional laptops and computers.

Jason Duffin, AT&T’s senior real estate and con-

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## Baylor Round Table honors students from 73 countries

By SERGIO LEGORRETA  
REPORTER

International students, visiting scholars and their families gathered Monday evening in Mayborn Museum Complex to celebrate Baylor Round Table’s annual Thanksgiving Dinner honoring international students representing 73 different countries.

The event featured every country’s flag with the United States flag as a centerpiece.

President and Chancellor Ken Starr and First Lady Alice Starr provided the meal as a gift. Alice Starr, president of Baylor Round

Table, spoke about tradition of Thanksgiving, which dates back more than three centuries.

President Starr spoke about unity and Baylor and used the Latin phrase “E pluribus unum,” meaning “out of many, one” to describe the Baylor community.

“One people, out of so many countries,” President Starr said. “Your flag makes you feel at home, and the U.S. flag welcomes you.”

The dinner was an opportunity to introduce international students to thanksgiving and to thank them for coming to Baylor, said Melanie Smith, international student relations coordinator.

The dinner is a long-standing tradition, but it is unclear when exactly it began. Corrie Logan, Baylor Round Table member and chair of the event, said it began around the time of former Baylor President Abner McCall, who was inaugurated in 1961.

“There seems to be a lot of discussion about when it started,” Logan said.

One attendee, Kathryn Mueller, senior lecturer, said her first time attending the dinner was about 40 years ago, after becoming involved with Baylor Round Table. Mueller

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SKYE DUNCAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Students, families and faculty mingle while eating a traditional Thanksgiving feast Monday at Mayborn Museum Complex for Baylor Round Table’s annual Thanksgiving Dinner.

## Waco PD still looking into student assault

By REBECCA FLANNERY  
STAFF WRITER

Waco police are continuing the investigation of a Baylor student’s assault, which took place around 7 p.m. Saturday off-campus, said Baylor Police Chief, Brad Wigtil.

A Baylor student was assaulted by two individuals as he was walking to his car on the 900 block of Ivy Street. The student was struck to the ground as one of the assailants attempted to break into the student’s car.

After struggling with the student and failing to enter the car, the suspects left in a white sedan. According to the Baylor alert, the male suspects were wearing hooded, dark clothing and no weapons were involved in the attack.

Anyone with information about the assault or assailants is asked to call the Waco Police Department at 254-750-7500.



JON PLATT | LARIAT REPORTER

Demonstrators march past the Old Courthouse on Oct. 11 in St. Louis, Mo. Protesters have gathered in angst for the pending grand jury decision of whether or not to indict Darren Wilson, a Ferguson police officer accused of killing Michael Brown.

## Missouri governor activates National Guard in Ferguson

By DAVID A. LIEB  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon declared a state of emergency Monday and activated the National Guard ahead of a grand jury decision about whether a white police officer will be charged in the fatal shooting of a black 18-year-old in the St. Louis suburb of Ferguson.

Nixon said the National Guard would assist state and local police in case the grand jury’s decision leads to a resurgence of the civil unrest that occurred in the days

immediately after the Aug. 9 shooting of Michael Brown by Ferguson police officer Darren Wilson.

“My hope and expectation is that peace will prevail,” Nixon said. “But we have a responsibility — I have a responsibility — to plan for any contingencies that might arise.”

There is no specific date for a grand jury decision to be revealed, and Nixon gave no indication that an announcement is imminent. But St. Louis County prosecutor Bob McCulloch has said that he expects the grand jury to reach a decision

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# Active shooter drill scared kids needlessly

## Editorial

American schools have long used drills to prepare students, faculty and rescue workers to properly respond to an emergency. A fire drill, for example, is commonly used so students know where to go and how to act during a fire. However, events such as the Columbine and Sandy Hook school shootings have prompted a fairly new type of drill to emerge in many states: active shooter drills.

An active shooter drill is used to train students and faculty, emergency responders or both how to act in the event of an active school shooter. To many, that may sound like a good thing, and it often is. However, there is such thing as a drill going too far. A drill can become so realistic and stressful that it causes more harm than good. Such is the case in the drill police officers in Winder Haven, Fla., conducted at Jewett Middle Academy last Thursday.

There are multiple reasons why this training exercise was inappropriate, but first and foremost is that students, parents and faculty were not told about the drill before or even during it. In fact, the school didn't inform parents about the drill until after it happened, through an email. At least one parent, Stacy Ray, thought her daughter was in real danger after she sent a text to Ray about how she was scared because she thought a shooter was at her school.

The drill started in the morning when the principal announced the school was going on lockdown. Lockdown drills are not uncommon and Jewett Middle Academy experienced two non-drill lockdowns over the past year. The Thursday morning training became unusual when two police officers, with guns drawn, burst into classrooms where students were huddled together in the dark.

At that point, the police told the students and teachers it was a drill, but the damage was already done. Bursting into a dark room, with guns drawn, filled with middle-school kids is enough to traumatize those children, even if you tell them it was just a drill after.

One officer, the school's resource officer, carried his loaded handgun from class to class while the other had an unloaded AR-15. The officers said they never pointed the guns at any students and that the resource officer's gun was loaded because it was required to be.

Multiple students have said they genuinely feared for their lives and many parents



ents are outraged that they were not notified about the drill. In an emailed response, Polk County Public Schools spokesman Jason Geary said, "Unfortunately, no one gets an advanced notice of real life emergencies. We don't want students to be scared, but we need them to be safe."

Winter Haven Police Chief Charlie Bird also said, "It's very important that, when you do your drill, you do it without everyone knowing that it's a drill. How you train and how you prepare is how you're going to react when everything goes bad."

The problem with Chief Bird's logic is that realistic training principles were meant for emergency workers, not middle-school students. The benefits of realistic

training for police and military are well documented in books such as "On Killing" by Retired Army Lt. Col. Dave Grossman. Grossman is a huge proponent of realistic and stressful training, the big difference though, is that the police officers and military personnel are aware that they are in training. The realistic training usually involves some sort of exercise and simulation rounds to simulate stress. But at no point do the military or police trainees believe they are in a real life shoot out.

Which leads to another question about Thursday's drill: Was it training for the kids or for the police? The children already participate in lockdown drills where teachers are responsible for securing their students

in classrooms until police show up to clear the scene. The students and faculty do the exact same thing in a lockdown and active shooter drill. The only difference is, during the active shooter training, the police are on scene to practice their role, something that could be done with no children present. In fact, officials in at least two neighboring Florida counties said their officers conduct drills when the schools are empty and usually over a holiday break. Many other schools across the nation provide an advanced notice and some even train and involve students in the drills.

To debunk Chief Bird's logic even further, schools don't simulate an actual fire during a fire drill. Some schools announce

the fire drill and some don't, but nobody stages a fire to make children believe they are going to burn alive unless they exit their school through the appropriate path.

According to a Wall Street Journal report on active shooter drills, since Sandy Hook, more and more states are requiring some sort of drill to prepare for mass shootings. Only six states, Okla., Mo., Ill., Tenn., Ark., and N.J., specifically mandate active shooter drills for schools while 26 other states require general school lockdown or safety drills. Also, many businesses started conducting their own mass shooting training and Thursday's training wasn't the first active shooter drill to receive complaints.

Last October Michelle Meeker, a Colorado nurse, was at work when a strange man approached her, presented a gun and forced her into an empty room while she begged for her life. The strange man was actually a police officer who was part of an unannounced drill. The officer eventually told Ms. Meeker who he was but she was already traumatized and confused. Meeker said she didn't know whether to believe him or not. Meeker ultimately filed a lawsuit against the officer and the nursing home's faculty, saying she was so traumatized that she had to quit her job.

James Alan Fox, a professor of criminology at Northeastern University, says mass shootings do not appear to be rising. Also, U.S. homicide rates are lower now than at almost any time in the last century and have fallen more than 50 percent since 1991. Furthermore, mass shootings, even when using a broad definition, usually make up less than one percent of homicides.

With that information taken into account, why would anyone think it necessary to risk traumatizing children in order to train police officers for an event as or even less likely to occur than a decade ago?

Making policy and acting without facts leads to this kind of irresponsible behavior. There is a difference between helping children be safe and overreacting. The Polk County School District said officers will not have weapons in their hands during future active shooter drills.

Hopefully they learned more lessons than to only correct that mistake.

Nobody teaches a child to stop, drop and roll by setting them on fire first. It is irresponsible and illogical to suggest children must experience fear in order to know how to respond to an active shooter in their school.

# Take studying for finals seriously

It's getting down to crunch time here at Baylor, and the libraries, computer labs and study corridors are becoming more populated by the second. Students are finally putting down their phones and are attempting to focus on course material that should have been mastered months ago.

The final stretch to final exams is here, and students better be prepared for it.



It seems that the fear of failure is finally hitting a majority of the student body, and studying is becoming a priority. Why isn't studying a habit throughout the entire semester? I've got to admit that I'm not the best person sometimes when it comes to studying for quizzes and tests, but I still put in an adequate amount of time to get things accomplished.

Several students put things off and wait until the last minute to study for exams, and it doesn't work out a lot of the time.

Stop wasting your time on other things. It's college; there's a lot of opportunity to have a good time and make memories, but the smartest people determine which times are for social hour and which times are allocated to school work.

Too many people make the wrong decision and blow off studying only to wake up the next morning regretting their decision. For example, I waited to start studying for my religion exam last month until 9 p.m. the night before. However, I studied for about 20 minutes before I dropped my notebooks to watch "American Horror Story" and then proceeded to Wendy's afterwards to eat. I got back to campus and studied for an hour before going to bed and thought to myself, "I can study tomorrow morning before the test."

I successfully bombed the test because of my unwillingness to sit down and study instead of giving in to all the distractions around me.

If you fail a test because you didn't put enough time and effort into studying for it, then you probably deserve it. Students should not expect the professor to either curve their grade or be gracious to them when the test is being graded; this isn't high school any more.

The professor will hand you the grade you deserve, and if that messes up your GPA, then tough luck. It's not fair for you to be bailed out if you didn't study.

A lot of students use the excuse that they didn't have time to study or they had too much going on in the week, but there is an easy solution to this excuse. When registering for classes, students need to keep in mind the amount of course work that goes into each class before signing up for it.

If students don't stack their semester with difficult classes with heavy course loads and instead mixes up their schedule and takes easier classes, then the amount of stress will be a lot easier to handle.

That decision isn't always possible, I understand that, especially with students majoring in science or engineering. However, it's not an excuse to throw around when you waste time not studying.

If a student doesn't know how to properly study, they need to seek help immediately. If you didn't study in high school, then studying in college is going to be almost impossible.

Students cannot put off studying and expect to get an A on a test with a 45-minute study session before class like they did in high school. I'll admit that I was one of those smart kids in high school that didn't need to study to get an A, but there's no way that can carry over for me in college. Like other students, I am being challenged more than ever to earn good grades.

I am slowly learning how to be a successful student in college like everyone else, and through my trial and error situations with studying, I'm finding out my study habits and how much time I need to be successful on exams.

Don't let your laziness, social life or inability to study affect your ability to get jobs in the future.

Let your GPA be the correct representation of the hard worker that you are. You'll thank yourself later.

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## From the Lariat blog



What's a sports conference like to the Arts editor? Find out in this week's edition of "Meanwhile at the Lariat ..."

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# Pacific Ocean’s massive starfish die-off linked to mystery virus

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Marking a major breakthrough in the mystery of one of the largest wildlife die-offs ever recorded in the world’s oceans, scientists believe they have found the cause of a disease that has killed millions of starfish since last year along California and the Pacific Coast.

The epidemic, which threatens to reshape the coastal food web and change the makeup of tide pools for years to come, appears to be driven by a previously unidentified virus, a team of more than a dozen researchers from Cornell University, the University of California, Santa Cruz, the Monterey Bay Aquarium and other institutions reported Monday.

Scientists found that the same virus that is killing starfish today is also present in museum starfish specimens dating back to 1942, indicating the disease has been present in Pacific waters for 72 years. Yet although there were smaller outbreaks in years past, nobody knows what triggered the current marine plague, which has killed up to 95 percent of starfish in some areas and spread from Alaska to Mexico.

“Something may have happened recently that caused it to go rogue, because we’ve never seen anything like the current outbreak,” said Peter Raimondi, a professor of biology at UC Santa Cruz and co-author of the study.

The outbreak, known as “wasting syndrome,” has infected at least 20 different species of starfish since it was first detected in Washington’s Olympic Peninsula in June 2013. It spread to Oregon, Monterey Bay, Big Sur and as far south as Baja California, even killing starfish in major aquariums in Seattle, Vancouver, Monterey and other cities.

When infected, starfish at first become sluggish, then develop white lesions. Within days, they curl up and parts of their arms break off, sometimes literally crawling away. Not long after, the entire starfish turns into a gooey mess and dies.

In a paper published Monday in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, the researchers concluded the disease is a type of densovirus. It is similar to viruses that affect insects, sea urchins and other invertebrates, and is distantly related to parvovirus, the cause of feline distemper in cats and canine parvovirus in dogs.



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This May 16 file photo provided by Oregon State University shows an ochre sea star on the Oregon coast with one leg disintegrating from star wasting syndrome. Scientists are pretty sure they have isolated a virus that is responsible for the disease that has killed millions of sea stars from Southern California to southern Alaska since summer 2013.

If the outbreak were a murder mystery, scientists now know the killer’s name. But the case is not yet closed.

“It’s definitely a huge breakthrough,” said Dr. Mike Murray, director of veterinary services at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. “It provides a lot of other researchers a place to start and say, ‘OK, we found this virus in lots of sea stars. What was the trigger? What started it all off? Are there other problems in other species?’”

So far, the researchers found, the virus is present in sea urchins and sand dollars, but isn’t killing them in large numbers. The virus spreads in seawater and sand, the scientists discovered, but does not affect humans. And there is no way to offer a cure to starfish populations.

“It would be nice if we could do that, but it’s too simplistic,” Murray said, comparing it to human epidemics like the Spanish flu of 100 years ago or the Black Death in 14th-century Europe.

“This is one of those natural phenomena that may or may not have a human basis behind it,” he said. “It is going to play itself out, and hopefully it will do that in a way that will allow sea stars to persist. But there are no guarantees.”

Using cutting-edge genetic tools, scientists at Cornell pinpointed the disease.

“There are 10 million viruses in a drop of seawater, so discovering the virus associated with a marine disease can be like looking for a needle in a haystack,” said Cornell microbiologist Ian Hewson, lead author of the study.

Working with 335 starfish collected on the West Coast, the researchers ground up tiny amounts of tissue from infected starfish and injected it into healthy ones in lab tanks, learning how it spread.

Now that they believe they know the culprit, the next step will be to find out why it spread so widely.

It could be something natural, like overpopulation of starfish in some areas. Or it could be related to pollution, warming waters or the increasing acidity of the oceans. If triggered by toxics, new laws could make a difference, experts say.

“It is probably part of their population cycle. But if it is driven by something linked to pollution or climate change or things like that, then we would have some responsibility to deal with it,” said Brian Tissot, director of the Humboldt State Marine Laboratory.



## Speaker to talk on social impact

By ABIGAIL LOOP  
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Baylor’s LAUNCH Innovative Business Accelerator is bringing the founder of a leading global and social enterprise organization to teach students how they can make a difference in their community.

Marlon Parker, founder of Reconstructed Living Lab (RLab) based in Cape Town, South Africa, will speak to Baylor entrepreneurship students at 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Thursday in 103 Cashion Academic Center. Later, he will speak to an assembly of high school students at University High School in Waco. All Baylor students are welcome to attend the assembly. He will also meet with Baylor and Waco community leaders Friday to discuss poverty issues in Waco.

Dr. Gregory Leman, director of the business accelerator program, said Parker will talk about the purpose and impacts of his organization, which include community development and social innovation. Leman said he asked Parker to come to Baylor and offer ways to apply these activities and methods to the Waco community and those in need.

“I had a chance to see the work in Cape Town that was being done last summer, and it was very successful in helping young people who are coming

out of poverty and who’ve been in tough situations,” Leman said. “His approach to this worked very well and I thought about the poverty that is in Waco and asked if he would speak at Baylor whenever he came to America.”

According to Parker’s website, he was also listed as one of the 100 World Class South Africans in 2013. He is an alumnus of President Barack Obama’s Young African Leaders Initiative and was selected as a World Economic Forum Young Global Leader this year.

On RLab’s website, the organization shows the impact it has made by the number of people it has helped, with 871 jobs having been created, 185 businesses launched and 18,711 people trained for free in new fields. The organization is also present and active in 21 countries in Europe, Asia, South America and Africa.

Monica Vardeman, program manager for LAUNCH, said she believes Parker’s stories and advice will be a learning experience for students to understand what problems are significant in other people’s lives.

“It’s a great opportunity to get a perspective of what’s going on around the world,” Vardeman said. “He’s all about social transformation and students can hopefully get inspired to come do things here in Waco or in a place they care about.”

# Active Alaska volcano calms down for now after eruption

By RACHEL D’ORO  
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ANCHORAGE — One of Alaska’s most active volcanos has calmed down since spewing ash up to 35,000 feet into the air over the weekend, but scientists said Monday the volcano has a pattern of prolonged eruptions of varying intensity. They’re not ready to consider this explosion over.

Pavlof Volcano began erupting Wednesday, culminating with a major blast Saturday that lasted seven or eight hours before its seismic activity dramatically dropped.

The National Weather Service warned aircraft to avoid the area over the weekend because of the ash plume.

Some other facts about Pavlof:

### RING OF FIRE

Pavlof is in a volcano-rich, sparsely populated region about 625 miles southwest of Anchorage

on the Alaska Peninsula. The Alaska Volcano Observatory says the volcano has erupted more than 40 times in recorded history, including earlier this year and last year.

It is Alaska’s second most active volcano. The first is Shishaldin, which has had about 55 eruptions, including a low-level one that’s been ongoing for several months, said Michelle Coombs, a U.S. Geological Survey geologist at the Alaska Volcano Observatory.

Pavlof is among 52 historically active volcanos in the Aleutian arc of the “Ring of Fire” string of volcanos encircling the Pacific Ocean, Coombs said.

### PAVLOF’S TANTRUMS

Pavlof eruptions typically involve gas-rich fountains of lava that can shoot up to a few thousand feet. Its ash clouds usually are lower and less dense than the plumes of more explosive volcanos that pose a greater hazard to air-



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In this photo taken Friday by the Alaska Volcano Observatory, the Pavlof volcano’s eruption plume is seen from an aircraft. The National Weather Service warned airplanes to avoid airspace near the erupting volcano as it spewed ash 30,000 feet above sea level.

craft, according to scientists. But it could still spew out much

higher plumes, as demonstrated by Saturday’s explosion.

“That was a very unusual eruption for Pavlof,” Coombs said. “It was much more energetic than we’ve seen the last 10 years or so.”

### DANGER IN THE AIR

The volcano lies along popular international air routes connecting Europe, North America and Asia.

International jets generally fly at altitudes between 30,000 and 45,000 feet, but airlines are notified about ash plumes at all levels.

It’s up to individual carriers to decide whether to avoid areas with lower plumes, according to Nathan Eckstein, the weather service volcanic ash advisory center manager in Anchorage.

Regional airlines with smaller planes flying at lower altitudes are used to flight disruptions because of Alaska’s volcanoes. There’s no average for how many times the larger airlines are affected, though it can range from a couple to 100 days a year, according to Eckstein.

### HAZARDS FOR PEOPLE

Any kind of lava flow from Pavlof could cause mudflows, but they likely would be minor and limited to uninhabited areas.

Winds can push ash to the nearest communities, including Cold Bay and Sand Point, but Saturday’s plume drifted away from inhabited areas. Ash fall can cause scratchy throats and watery eyes, even though no more than traces have been reported from previous Pavlof eruptions.

### HOW LONG WILL THE ACTIVITY LAST?

Pavlof’s eruptions may continue for weeks or months with varying levels of intensity. The apparent pause in the eruption is part of its character.

“It tends to go through these dramatic ups and downs during an eruptive phase,” Coombs said. “It could jump up again and begin to erupt with very little notice.”

# National Fish and Wildlife Foundation announces more oil spill-related grants

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NEW ORLEANS — A national conservation agency on Monday announced more than \$99 million in projects funded through a settlement resulting from the 2010 Gulf of Mexico oil spill — including more than \$13 million for restoration work on Louisiana’s coast.

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation outlined the latest projects in a news release. It marks the second round of grants from a program funded as a result of plea agreements between the U.S. Justice Department, BP and Transocean. Alabama is receiving \$9.6 million of the latest grants, which will fund four projects; Mississippi is getting \$28.8 million for three projects; Texas, \$13 million for eight projects; and Florida, more than \$34 million.

Louisiana’s single project will involve monitoring and gathering

information on Mississippi River diversion projects aimed at rebuilding the coast, as well as barrier island restoration projects, with an eye toward making any needed adjustments as the efforts progress.

In Alabama, the projects will include an assessment of barrier islands, including a study on the future of Dauphin Island; stock assessments for Alabama fisheries; and a project to improve data collection in determining long-term threats to marine mammals from contaminants.

Texas projects include acquisition of property and easements to preserve coastal wetlands and tidal flats; and restoration and protection projects for areas including Greens Lake, Dollar bay, Egery Flats, Oyster Lake and Nueces Bay rookery. The Deepwater Horizon drilling rig exploded in April 2010, killing 11 workers and sending millions of gallons of oil spewing

into the Gulf. The rig was owned by Transocean and leased by BP.

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, a nonprofit created by Congress in 1984 to support wildlands, created the Gulf Fund 18 months ago to receive and administer funds for remedial measures agreed upon during plea deals following criminal investigations into the spill. The foundation is to receive \$2.5 billion over five years for projects aimed at repairing the oil spill’s harm to Gulf states’ natural resources.

In its news release Monday, the foundation broke down that funding as follows:


- \$1.2 billion for barrier island and river diversion projects in Louisiana;
- Roughly \$356 million each for projects in the states of Alabama, Florida and Mississippi;
- \$203 million for “projects in Texas.”

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struction manager for the Waco area, said a specific feature of the networks is the built-in ability to correct most problems with software manipulation. This means that when IT detects a malfunction or notices an overload to a section, they can easily redirect the network's focus from a control room computer, instead of manually repairing the error in person.

"This stadium was designed expecting to handle floods of human masses in specific locations," Duffin said.

Pattie Orr, vice president of information technology, said having the integration of AT&T's service and the unique stadium Wi-Fi allows for seamless network experiences to game day guests.

"When it works, no one notices," she said. "You can go anywhere in the stadium and have service."

The grid system was designed to make Baylor a leader in game day technology. It is also equipped to scale as both the stadium and network capabilities expand, Wilson said.

So far, the only problem the networks have experienced was during opening day at the stadium.

While at the dedication for Robert Griffin III's statue, crowds of people utilized the connectivity to broadcast the historical event.

"Everyone around me had a phone out taking videos and pictures," Orr said. "And then you know they posted all of those to Twitter and Facebook and sent them to friends in text messages."

The IT department quickly recognized a surge of network need and redirected appropriate service to the area. While it was not a cataclysmic failure, Duffin said it was not up to the projected standard.

"It met the need, but we would like to have been able to provide more of a buffer," Wilson said.

Wilson said she looks forward to continuing the partnership with Baylor.

"Anywhere they want us, we'll be," she said. "This is a wonderful, wonderful relationship to be in."



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A family event

Take Steps, an organization that raises money for Crohn's disease and Colitis, held a walk in Cameron Park on Saturday afternoon. People of all ages showed up to walk, bike or stroll for a cause.

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request exceptions to policy from the Department of Defense on any position that they feel still should not be open to female soldiers," Hall said. "The shift in policy is to open everything up to female soldiers."

Female soldiers have until Dec. 1 to sign up to participate in an experimental trial run of Ranger School alongside male students that will occur in spring 2015. This trial run will help officials determine whether Ranger School and Ranger positions will need to remain exceptions in gender inclusion by January of 2016. Until integration decisions are made, however, none of these volunteer female students will be identified as rangers or placed in ranger units upon graduation.

Lacroix comes to Baylor this year after serving three years active duty in the U.S. Army as a combat medic. She joined the Baylor Army ROTC with plans to graduate and become an officer, though she has dreams with the military that have yet to be fulfilled because of her gender.

"I think the biggest reason women haven't been allowed to be Rangers is a reason I agree with," Lacroix said.

Lacroix said she thinks the majority of male and female soldiers can't conduct themselves correctly around each other when placed in

direct combat units together. She believes women are a distraction to a unit of mostly males, and that a woman's presence would disrupt the sense of brotherhood that binds male soldiers in a unit.

"It sounds so awful and rude, but that's the truth," she said.

Lacroix said all soldiers should have a strong enough mind to act professionally and not be distracted by a member of the opposite sex. However, she said she feels the expectation has proven too difficult to be realistic. She is hesitant to the thought of placing herself in a male combat unit, such as a unit of Rangers.

"I would feel almost guilty for those men because I would be the one throwing off the dynamic of the unit," she said. "Maybe guilty is the wrong word, but I think it's a lot to ask of them."

Lacroix said she disputes the stereotype, however, that women are all physically weaker than men, and can't run as fast or shoot as accurately as men.

"I think a lot of men have that stigma that girls can't hang," she said. "People look at me and wonder if I can carry a 200-pound guy in full battle rattle, which would make him about 260 pounds. Can I carry him off the battlefield? I can."

Standard Army physical training tests have differing requirements for men and women, such as

the number of pushups performed. The requirements and standards for Ranger School will not, however, be changed or lowered, Hall said.

"Ranger School has its own standard physical fitness test," he said. "That same standard will apply to females as it will to males."

Lacroix said if she got herself in good physical shape and was at her peak level of fitness, she could be successful in Ranger School. To receive her Expert Field Medical Badge, Lacroix said she had to perform tasks to a Ranger standard, such as a 12 mile ruck march in less than three hours. In Advanced Individual Training, she had to carry men that were twice her size over her shoulder and get them to safety. She has also worked alongside Ranger units and Special Forces units.

Lacroix said if approached again about attending Ranger School, she may accept.

"I believe absolutely, 100 percent, that women should be able to go to Ranger School and earn that Ranger tab and wear it wherever they are, no matter what unit they're in," she said. "I do not, however, think that they should be placed in a Ranger battalion. I think it's too much of a distraction."

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attends the event ever year, and she helped organize the dinner for five years, in the past while serving the organization.

For others, this year was their first time attending. Former Texas Congressman Thomas Edwards attended for the first time and said that the Baylor nation transcends borders.

"You remind me that we are Baylor world," Edwards said. "You have rich stories, traditions and cultures."

While the concept of the dinner has remained the same throughout the years, its size and location have changed. This is the third year the dinner has been held in the Mayborn Museum Special Exhibit Room.

"It used to be held at the president's home," Logan said.

"It has outgrown that. It's been at various places on campus over the years. We used to do it in Cashion, but with construction, we moved it over here."

Mueller said there are many more people attending today than when she first attended.

"We were happy if there were 125 or so," Mueller said.

Shenyang, China, sophomore Yiming Yang said he attended for the first time as a way to meet new people.

McKinney senior Janai Onguti said it's his third year attending, and he's made many friends over the years.

The dinner included a Roll Call of Nations where attendees stood to represent their country, as countries were called in alphabetical order. China was called at

the end as a surprise, to show how many students are from China. Chinese students make up 50 percent of all international students, Smith said.

In addition to the ceremony, traditional Thanksgiving foods were served, including turkey, potatoes and pumpkin pie.

The dinner marks the start of the United States' 15th International Education Week, a week dedicated to promoting international understanding, according to the U.S. Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs website. This year marks the 110th anniversary of Baylor Round Table, made up of professional women at Baylor, including active and retired faculty and their spouses.



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Ferguson

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in mid-to-late November.

The U.S. Justice Department, which is conducting a separate investigation, has not said when its work will be completed.

Before the shooting, Wilson spotted Brown and a friend walking in the middle of a street and told them to stop, but they did not. According to a St. Louis Post-Dispatch report based on sources the newspaper did not identify, Wilson has told authorities he then realized Brown matched the description of a suspect in a theft minutes earlier at a convenience store. Wilson backed up his police vehicle and some sort of confrontation occurred before Brown was fatally shot. He was unarmed and some witnesses have said he had his hands up when he was killed.

Brown's shooting stirred long-simmering racial tensions in the St. Louis suburb, where two-thirds of the residents are black but the police force is almost entirely

white. Rioting and looting a day after the shooting led police to respond to subsequent protests with a heavily armored presence that was widely criticized for continuing to escalate tensions. At times, protesters lobbed rocks and Molotov cocktails at police, who fired tear gas, smoke canisters and rubber bullets in an attempt to disperse crowds.

Nixon also declared a state of emergency in August and put the Missouri State Highway Patrol in charge of a unified local police command. Eventually, Nixon activated the National Guard to provide security around the command center.

This time, Nixon said the St. Louis County Police Department would be in charge of a unified police command in Ferguson. The St. Louis city police and Missouri State Highway Patrol will help.

The governor did not indicate how many National Guard troops

would be mobilized, instead leaving it to the state adjutant general to determine. Nixon said the National Guard would be available to carry out any requests made through the Highway Patrol to "protect life and property" and support local authorities. If the Guard is able to provide security at police and fire stations, then more police officers may be freed up to patrol the community, Nixon said.

St. Louis Mayor Francis Slay said Monday that he supports Nixon's decision to activate the Guard. He said the Guard "will be used in a secondary role" and could potentially be stationed at places such as shopping centers and government buildings.

"The way we view this, the Guard is not going to be confronting the protesters and will not be on (the) front line interacting directly with demonstrators," Slay said.

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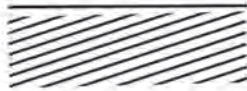
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At last  
Hippodrome draws crowds

By JON PLATT  
REPORTER

As local bands played and crowds gathered in front of the Waco Hippodrome on Saturday evening, Melissa Green and her team put final touches in place to give Wacoans exactly what many are asking for: the reopening of the historic downtown theater. Unlike the Hippodrome's original grand opening 100 years ago in February 1914, Saturday's entertainment did not include a five-piece band, a magic show or a performing seal act. Instead, local artists put on an outdoor concert, while inside the theater country group Restless Heart and artists Lorrie Morgan and Mel Tillis performed for an audience of about 700, theater programming director Green said. Green, who grew up in Waco seeing shows at the venue, said being a part of the monumental task was a dream come true. "It's so great to be on the ground floor of building this theater back up again," she said. "The Hippodrome made a huge impact on me as a kid, and I want to do the same for future generations." This reopening will be the tipping point for reawakening downtown Waco, said Blake Batson,

owner of Common Grounds. In July, the coffee shop opened a portable trailer, called the Container, at Sixth Street and Franklin Avenue, because of the potential Batson saw in downtown, he said. Kyler Griffith, a native of Waco, worked the Container's evening shift at its relocated perch on Ninth Street. The move was intentionally made for Saturday's concert and events. Griffith said he thinks having the theater open will only bring good fortune to downtown. "The more that's around you, the more you'll draw in," he said. "I think everything they've done here is going to move downtown forward. This is awesome. It's definitely the coolest thing to happen here in a long time." Both Griffith and Batson said they see the theater as a hub for further development downtown. "We would like to be a part of every event with the Hippodrome," Batson said. "Anything Waco is doing is special, especially downtown." Batson grew up in Lorena and attended events at Waco's theater throughout his childhood. He said he has eagerly watched the movement toward a strong nightlife in downtown, and he does not think he is alone. "People in Waco are itching

for something like this," he said. "They're ready for it." In a stroke of luck, Batson said he and his wife were the first to purchase tickets to the Hippodrome's opening concert. As a business owner and as a Wacoan, Batson said this is something he will brag about for ages. Along with regular concerts, live bands and production entertainment on weeknights, Green said the theater also plans to show first-run screenings of new movies on the weekends. After retiring from the Austin real estate market, Carole Player-Golden moved back home to Waco to find the city in a completely different state than when she had left. But major changes have been made in the 12 years since her return. "I am so thrilled to see downtown Waco coming back," she said. Player-Golden said she remembers frequenting the theater when a quarter would buy both the show and a dessert from the store next door. However, her ties run deeper than a mere regular of the venue. Her mother performed and sang with country western groups years ago in the downtown Waco auditorium. Now Player-Golden is a part of



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Guests attended a grand opening street celebration and concerts at the Waco Hippodrome Saturday evening. The event concluded with performances from country group Restless Heart, Lorrie Morgan and Mel Tillis inside the theater. reopening that very theater. "Waco is fixing to bust loose," she said with a grin. "When I walked outside to leave last night, seeing all the lights on in downtown and seeing all the stores open and the people walking around, well, I just – there was an excitement I felt that gave me goosebumps." Over the years, Waco's playhouse has seen many great attractions and entertainers, including Elvis Presley and John Wayne. Therefore, no expense was spared in reviving the century-old building, Green said. She also said bringing back that tradition of excellent entertainment and flair to downtown was a major goal of the restoration team. "What's happening now is the beginning of a whole new city dynamic," Batson said. "I'm so glad to be a part of it." Upcoming events include two showings of "The Hunger Games: Mocking Jay – Part 1," a performance by The Gladsome Lights and Joel Sprayberry; and a special replaying of the 1954 American classic "There's No Business Like Show Business," which starred Ethel Merman, Marilyn Monroe and David O'Connor. For more information on future shows, visit www.wacohippodrometheatre.com. Currently, no performing seal acts are scheduled.

Atari games buried in landfill bring fortune in eBay auctions



One hundred Atari game cartridges dug up from a New Mexican landfill in April have been sold on ebay for \$37,000. About 700 games from the collection have yet to be sold.

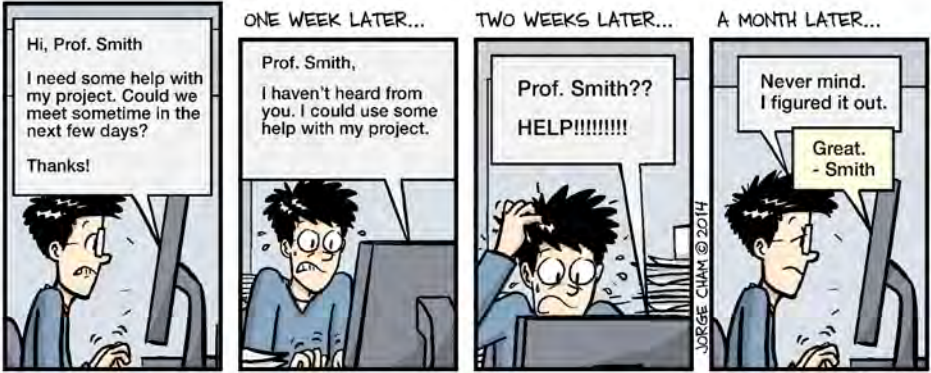
ALAMOGORDO, N.M. — What some have called the worst video game ever made has fetched thousands of dollars for a New Mexico city. An old "E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial" game cartridge drew the highest bid among 100 Atari games auctioned on eBay by Alamogordo officials. The games were part of a cache of some 800 Atari video games buried more than 30 years ago in a landfill and dug up in April. Joe Lewandowski, a consultant for the film companies that documented the dig, says the online auc-

tion, which ended Thursday, generated \$37,000. "It's really gratifying to see that happening because again to everybody it was a bunch of garbage in the landfill. You're kind of nutty to go dig it up," Lewandowski told KRQE-TV. The "E.T." game, still in its original box, sold for \$1,537 to a buyer in Canada. The interest in the games has gone global. According to Lewandowski, online bidders from other countries including Germany and Sweden snapped up items. Earlier this month, a museum in Rome opened an exhibit on the dig that includes dirt from the landfill. "I keep getting messages from

people around the world asking me if there's any more left, it's crazy," Lewandowski told the Alamogordo Daily News. "The people that lost the bids are demanding more but I keep telling them they have to keep checking." Reports that truckloads of the game were buried in the landfill have been urban legend since the early '80s. The "E.T." game's poor reception when it came out in 1982 was seen as a factor in Atari's demise. City documents show that Atari consoles and more than 1,300 games were found, including "E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial." Some of the other discovered titles include "Centipedes," "Warlords" and "Asteroids."

After months of planning with state and local regulators, crews discovered numerous game cartridges on April 26. The dig cost more than \$50,000, Lewandowski said. LightBox Entertainment and Fuel Entertainment pursued the dig for a documentary that is due to come out Thursday. Alamogordo owns the cartridges because they came from the city's landfill. The revenue will go to the city and the Tularosa Basin Historical Society. Both groups will meet Dec. 1 to discuss how to spend the money. The remaining game cartridges will be sold on eBay over the next few weeks.

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# Lady Bears fall to Kentucky

By JEFFREY SWINDOLL  
SPORTS WRITER

The No. 8 Lady Bears picked up their first loss of the season after No. 11 Kentucky's 50 points in the second half to overpower Baylor 74-64 Monday night in Lexington, Ky.

Last time the Lady Bears played Kentucky in the regular season, the game went to quadruple-overtime. Baylor head coach Kim Mulkey took her team to the Elite Eight that year, beating that same Kentucky team in the Sweet 16. It's a bit early for them to sound the alarms, but, just like last season, their performance against Kentucky revealed both the potential and shortcomings of this Lady Bears team.

Kentucky guards Jennifer O'Neill and Makayla Epps combined for 34 of their team's 74 points, leading the Wildcats to a 14-point comeback victory over the Lady Bears. O'Neill scored 18 of her 22 points in the second half. Kentucky's bench outscored Baylor's bench 15-8.

Poor free throw shooting continued to pester the Lady Bears from their 101-60 victory against Oral Roberts last week. Over the span of the first

two games in the regular season, Mulkey's team is shooting under 64 percent from the foul line. The Lady Bears similarly struggled from the line in their two preseason exhibition games.

Mulkey said her team must take care of the basketball against Kentucky, meaning the Lady Bears must limit their turnovers against the Wildcats if they plan to come out of Lexington with a win. The Lady Bears turned the ball over 24 times, three times as much as they did against Oral Roberts.

Baylor enjoyed sharing the ball and spreading the points across the lineup against Oral Roberts. All but one player scored in that game against the Golden Eagles, but it was a completely different story against the Wildcats on Monday.

Only seven members of the team scored points against Kentucky. The Lady Bears totaled just eight assists and made 20 of their 52 field goals in 40 minutes of play. Forced shots and lack of connectivity between the Lady Bears put them in a hole against Kentucky.

Sophomore forward Nina Davis earned her second straight double-double this season with

18 points and 13 rebounds, leading her team in both categories. Despite that, Davis was responsible for four Baylor turnovers and shot 6-for-16 against Kentucky and also shot 6-of-7 from the free throw line.

Junior guard Niya Johnson underperformed in comparison to last week's game against Oral Roberts. Johnson, the offensive playmaker of the team assist leader, crippled the Lady Bears with eight turnovers, which was her highest statistic from Monday night. Johnson made just six points and completed three assists against Kentucky.

Second to Johnson in turnovers was freshman guard Kristy Wallace with five turnovers against Kentucky. All six of Wallace's points came in the first half.

The Lady Bears led for most of the game in a hostile, away environment Monday night. It was in the final eight minutes that Kentucky took the lead for the first time since early in the first half. A bad night at the line and careless turnovers eventually came back to snare the Lady Bears.

Baylor returns to action at 7 p.m. Nov. 28 against Utah State at the Ferrell Center.



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Junior guard Niya Johnson dribbles up the court during Baylor's 101-60 win over Oral Roberts on Friday. Davis finished with 18 points and 13 rebounds in Baylor's loss to Kentucky on Monday.

# Baylor basketball wins home opener against McNeese State

By CODY SOTO  
SPORTS WRITER

New faces sparked excitement at the Ferrell Center on Friday night as Baylor men's basketball rolled to a 80-39 win over McNeese State in the team's season opener.

Baylor fans saw a glimpse at a new team that returned only two starters from last season's Sweet 16 team. While seniors Royce O'Neale and Kenny Chery didn't produce a majority of the points for the Bears, the newcomers stepped up and made a big impression.

Junior forward Deng Deng said to go play your game. It was a good experience for my first game at this level."



Deng

Junior guard Lester Medford also shined in his first game for the Bears as he recorded 13 points with three three-pointers, including a buzzer beater to give the Bears a 39-17 halftime lead.

"The shots were there and my team did a very good job moving the ball," Medford said. "We made

the extra pass and I knocked them down. Kenny [Chery] and I learn from each other every day and he makes it more comfortable me."

Freshman forward Johnathan Motley had a strong showing after redshirting last year to add 10 points and four rebounds in the win. Motley gained over 20 pounds since last season after former Baylor players Cory Jefferson and Isaiah Austin left for the NBA Draft.

The Bears controlled the boards 55-28 and used a 51.7 percent shooting percentage to take their

first win of the season.

The Bears limited the Cowboy offense to a 21 percent shooting percentage during the game and only allowed 39 points, the least amount of points allowed against a Division I opponent since 1958.

"I give credit to Baylor; they rebounded well and hit their shots, and that was the difference in the game for me," McNeese State head coach Dave Simmons said. "Baylor has some long wings, so that altered our shots."

Many questions were answered Friday night, but a lot still has to be

answered, Drew said.

"It's a great way to start the season any time you hold a team to 39 points and a 21 field goal percentage," Drew said. "There were a lot of positives but we have a long way to go and things to work on. Our schedule will show us more after we play South Carolina on the road."

The Bears will have their first road test this year as they face South Carolina as part of the Tip-Off Marathon on ESPN. Baylor defeated the Gamecocks 66-64 last season.

# No. 1 equestrian stays unbeaten

By CODY SOTO  
SPORTS WRITER

No. 1 Baylor equestrian took a big 13-7 win over No. 2 Kansas State Saturday afternoon to keep its perfect season record untouched at the Willis Family Equestrian Center.

The Bears (7-0, 3-0 Big 12) won equitation over fences to start the meet but fell 3-2 in equitation on the flat to the Wildcats (5-2, 0-2 Big 12) to tie 5-5 in hunt seat. The western team dominated the rest of the meet and took two 4-1 wins in horsemanship and reining to finish the meet strong.

"We won and that's good. It's always good to win. I feel like western really stepped up and rode beautifully today. Hunt seat probably needs to push on it a little bit," head coach Ellen White said. "[Kansas State] is a good team; they're No. 2. We're ranked No. 1, but we probably could have pulled off a little bit more than what we did. We had a few mistakes."

Baylor swept all four Most Outstanding Player honors in every event on Saturday. Senior hunter seat rider Sam Schaefer was named Most Outstanding Player for her 87-point performance in equitation on the flat, beating out Kansas



CARLYE THORNTON | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

A Baylor equestrian rider performs during Baylor's 13-7 win over No. 2 Kansas State on Saturday. The Bears have now won seven straight meets.

State's Madison Wayda.

Sophomore hunter seat rider Alicia Gasser won MOP honors after beating Kansas State's Henley Adkins 93-79 in equitation over fences Saturday morning. Gasser's 93-point performance was the highest score of the meet.

Senior western rider Gillian Chant scored 77 points in her win in horsemanship to earn MOP honors in the event. Senior western rider Parris Rice took the final MOP award with her 69-point performance over Kansas State's Kara Guy to finish the sweep for Baylor.

The win for Baylor was the seventh consecutive win at home this

season, and the cold weather did not affect the riders and horses' performances, White said.

"All in all, I think it was a good job," White said. "It was cold, so we just did some quick cold snaps and the horses were a little bit more awake and fresh. The girls did a good job of adjusting to that and making it happen."

The top-ranked Bears hit the road for the first time this season and face off against Delaware State in Dover, Del. Friday afternoon. The meet will be their last contest before hosting New Mexico State on Jan. 29 in Waco.

# Volleyball loses on Senior Night

By CODY SOTO  
SPORTS WRITER

Baylor volleyball couldn't close out its Big 12 contest against No. 23 Kansas State Saturday night and dropped three straight sets to lose the match 3-2 at the Ferrell Center.

The loss was the first time this season that the Bears (14-14, 4-9 Big 12) were up 2-0 in a match and dropped a five-set decision. Baylor had previously defeated the Wildcats in five sets to start out conference play in Manhattan, Kan., on Sept. 27.

"We hit the ball out. If we would just keep the ball in the court we'd win the game," head coach Jim Barnes said. "On the first two sets, we did a good job of taking care of the ball. We are a very talented team, but when we hit the ball out, we miss our shots, and that's what happened on sets three, four, and five."

Junior outside hitter Andie Malloy led the team with 21 kills and 14 digs in the loss, followed by freshman outside hitter Katie Staiger with 15 on a .250 hitting percentage.

Senior libero Hope Ogden recorded 19 digs in the

match while usual starter Jana Brusek sat out due to injury.

The Bears dominated the first two sets with 18 and 16 kills, respectively. Baylor's .393 attack effort in the second set forced the Wildcats to play from behind the entire match, and the Bears headed into the locker room with a 2-0 lead in the game.

Kansas State limited Baylor to 28 kills and forced 16 errors in the final three frames and scored 39 kills of their own. The Wildcats took control of the fifth set with 14 kills with only one error to take the win in Waco. The Bears only had five kills in the final frame to drop its ninth Big 12 game this season.

"[On Saturday], we played two really good sets where we kept the ball in play, but we had three really bad ones of hitting it out," Barnes said. "The girls fight hard, but we just had too many errors."

The Bears host their final home match at the Ferrell Center on Wednesday night against No. 5 Texas before going on the road to face West Virginia and Iowa State to wrap up conference play.


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