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## Netflix: Full stream ahead

By AMANDA YARGER  
REPORTER

The instant media streaming service Netflix shocked analysts when it released its fourth quarter report this week.

The company showed 72 cents per share profits in the official report – almost 20 cents per share higher than the highest predictions made by polled analysts, according to a Bloomberg report.

Pedro M. Rosas, graduate student in communication studies with a focus in film and digital media, said traditional media services have already been forced to embrace the instant streaming model.

"People aren't watching television on their televisions anymore," he said. "It's an evolution. It's at a point where everyone needs to adapt to the new media and technology."

With a business model of a relatively cheap monthly subscription to countless popular shows and movies, Netflix and other in-

stant streaming services, such as Hulu and Amazon Instant Video, are rivaling traditional cable providers for price and convenience.

"If you take a step back and say, 'Is Internet video going to be in every home in America in 10 years?' that's a pretty clear yes," Reed Hastings, CEO and co-founder of Netflix, said in a live press video interview held Tuesday.

Many students opt out of traditional cable services and instead use instant streaming sites. This decision saves money, but may hinder access to media.

Students who live in apartments that provide a basic cable service have the option to purchase more channels.

Plano senior Laura Cade lives in an apartment that supplies basic cable. In addition, she also has a Netflix subscription that allows her more flexibility with her media consumption.

"If I want to stop right in the middle of a show I can," she said. "I can leave and come back to it."



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## Harlem Globetrotters trot up and down the Ferrell Center

No. 12 Ant, from the famous Harlem Globetrotters, hypes up the crowd on top of the basket Thursday night at the Ferrell Center. The Harlem Globetrotters are on their world tour with the nonprofit organization World Vision. Check out their basketball skills and dance moves online at [baylorlariat.com](http://baylorlariat.com).

## Yemen president, prime minister resign amid siege



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A Houthi Shiite Yemeni mans a machine gun atop an armored personnel carrier, seized from the presidential guards during clashes, outside the presidential palace Thursday in Sanaa, Yemen. President Abed Rabbo Mansour Hadi resigned Thursday.

By AHMED AL-HAJ AND MAGGIE  
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Yemen's U.S.-backed president quit Thursday under pressure from rebels holding him captive in his home, severely complicating American efforts to combat al-Qaida's powerful local franchise and raising fears that the Arab world's poorest country will fracture into mini-states.

Presidential officials said Abed Rabbo Mansour Hadi submitted his resignation to parliament rather than make further concessions to Shiite rebels, known as Houthis, who control the capital and are widely believed to be backed by Iran.

The prime minister and his cabinet also stepped down, making a thinly veiled reference to the Houthis' push at gunpoint for a greater share of power. Houthis deployed their fighters around parliament, which is due to dis-

miss the situation on Sunday.

Yemeni law dictates that the parliament speaker — Yahia al-Rai, a close ally of former autocratic ruler Ali Abdullah Saleh — will now assume the presidency. Saleh still wields considerable power and is widely believed to be allied with the Houthis.

There were conflicting reports suggesting that authorities in Aden, the capital of southern region of Yemen, would no longer submit to the central government's authority. Even before the Houthis' recent ascendance, a powerful movement in southern Yemen was demanding autonomy or a return to the full independence the region enjoyed before 1990. Southerners outrightly reject rule by the Houthis, whose power base is in the north. The Houthis are Zaydis, a Shiite minority that makes up about a third of Yemen's population.

Concerns were also mounting about an economic collapse. Two-

thirds of Yemen's population are already in need of humanitarian aid, according to reported U.N. figures. Iran's regional rival Saudi Arabia, which has long been Yemen's economic lifeline, cut most of its financial aid to Yemen after the Houthis seized the capital in September. The Houthis deny receiving any Iranian support.

The Houthis' recent encroachments on Sunni areas have also fanned fears of a sectarian conflict that could fuel support for al-Qaida, a Sunni movement that has links to some of the country's tribes and is at war with both the Shiites and Hadi's forces. U.S. officials say the developments are already undermining military and intelligence operations against al-Qaida's Yemen-based affiliate, which made its reach felt in this month's deadly Paris attacks.

Hadi's resignation comes four months after President Barack

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## Oil and gas lawsuit affects Baylor land

By MADISON MILLER  
REPORTER

Baylor University filed a petition in intervention in a lawsuit against Gaither Petroleum Corp., Gaither Asset Management Inc. and Orville Duane Gaither II on Jan. 12. The petition involves a Baylor-owned oil lease.

Baylor owns a tract of land in Wood County that includes around 100 acres. Gaither was given 80 percent interest in the Baylor lease.

In the petition, Baylor claims that the defendants "decided to intentionally violate lease terms."

According to the petition, if a lease is not producing oil, it expires. The Baylor lease was one of the non-producing leases managed by Gaither. Baylor alleges that Gaither decided to pool oil from

its non-Baylor producing leases and claim that it was coming from the non-producing ones. The lease terms that were allegedly violated "expressly prohibited or restricted pooling."

Additionally, Baylor alleges that the defendants committed fraud to convince Baylor to waive their terms regarding pooling.

Because it was non-producing, the petition states that Baylor's lease expired Dec. 14, 2013 and that Gaither has trespassed after that date on the Baylor property interests and caused damages.

"Baylor sues Defendants for all damages proximately caused by Defendant GPC's violations of the statutes and rules governing its actions as operator of the jointly

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## Saudi King Abdullah dies

King Abdullah of Saudi Arabia welcomes the Gulf Arab leaders as they arrive for a summit on May 14, 2012 in his capital city of Riyadh. The Saudi state television reported that Abdullah died Thursday. See page 4

## VA hospital to be renamed for Wacoan

By RACHEL LELAND  
STAFF WRITER

President Barack Obama approved a bill to rename the Waco Veterans Affairs Medical Center after the first African-American to receive the Navy Cross, Waco resident Doris "Dorie" Miller on Dec. 19.

Miller received his Navy Cross, the third highest honor at the time he was awarded it in 1942 for his service in World War II.

The bill was introduced to the House by Rep. Bill Flores, R-Texas, and passed in June.

Flores decided to introduce the legislation when some Wacoans indicated they would like Miller, who was born in Waco, to be recognized for his military service and heroism during the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor by Japanese kamikaze

pilots.

Previously a mess hall cook on the USS West Virginia, Miller manned an anti-aircraft machine gun he was not trained to operate and is said to have shot down a plane.

Local business and city leaders approached the representative in his first term and told him that they wanted formal recognition for Miller.

"They wanted to try and have Dorie Miller recognized for his service to our country and his heroism," Flores said.

Though Texas streets, schools and even a Waco YMCA also bear Miller's name, Flores thought naming the medical center after Miller would be appropriate because of Miller's heroism and military ser-

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## Don't give up grades to perform in Sing

### Editorial

Each spring, sororities, fraternities and other groups participate in All-University Sing, a Baylor tradition that has been going strong since 1953.

Presented by the Department of Student Activities, Sing is an event in which the groups perform seven-minute Broadway-like performances in hopes of being chosen as one of the top eight acts to perform in Pigskin Revue during homecoming of the fall semester.

And while this university tradition serves to bring many groups together for one purpose, students would do well to keep one thing in mind — attending Baylor is about obtaining a degree, not making Pigskin.

Mike Reimer, a previous coordinator for special performances, said Sing became really competitive in 1963 and since then countless students have invested time, money, tears and even blood into producing a show that provides entertainment to its audience, while simultaneously serving as a recruitment tool.

Because there is a large amount of time spent working to perfect the show, many groups draw closer together as a community, strengthening the organization by the end of the production. Because of the show's popularity, it is undoubtedly responsible for helping bring a large number of alumni home for

Homecoming to see the Pigskin Revue.

Despite the fact that Sing helps to bridge the gap between current students and alumni, students participating in Sing often find themselves having to choose between what they know is best for them, and what leaders of their respective organization think is best for them.

Many fraternities and sororities, especially those of a smaller size than their competitors, require that many of their members compete in the competition rather than making it optional.

While there are of course exceptions, fines are often issued for

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those who opt not to participate in the event. Those participating in Sing often see an increase in dues to cover costumes, props and choreography.

Sing can also become a financial burden for many whether they're participating in Sing or not. Because of this financial burden and peer pressure from leaders, students often feel obligated to participate despite not wanting to due to other time commitments.

Because students often have three and four practices a week in preparation for the production,

they often find themselves scrambling to find time to study and prepare for exams during the week.

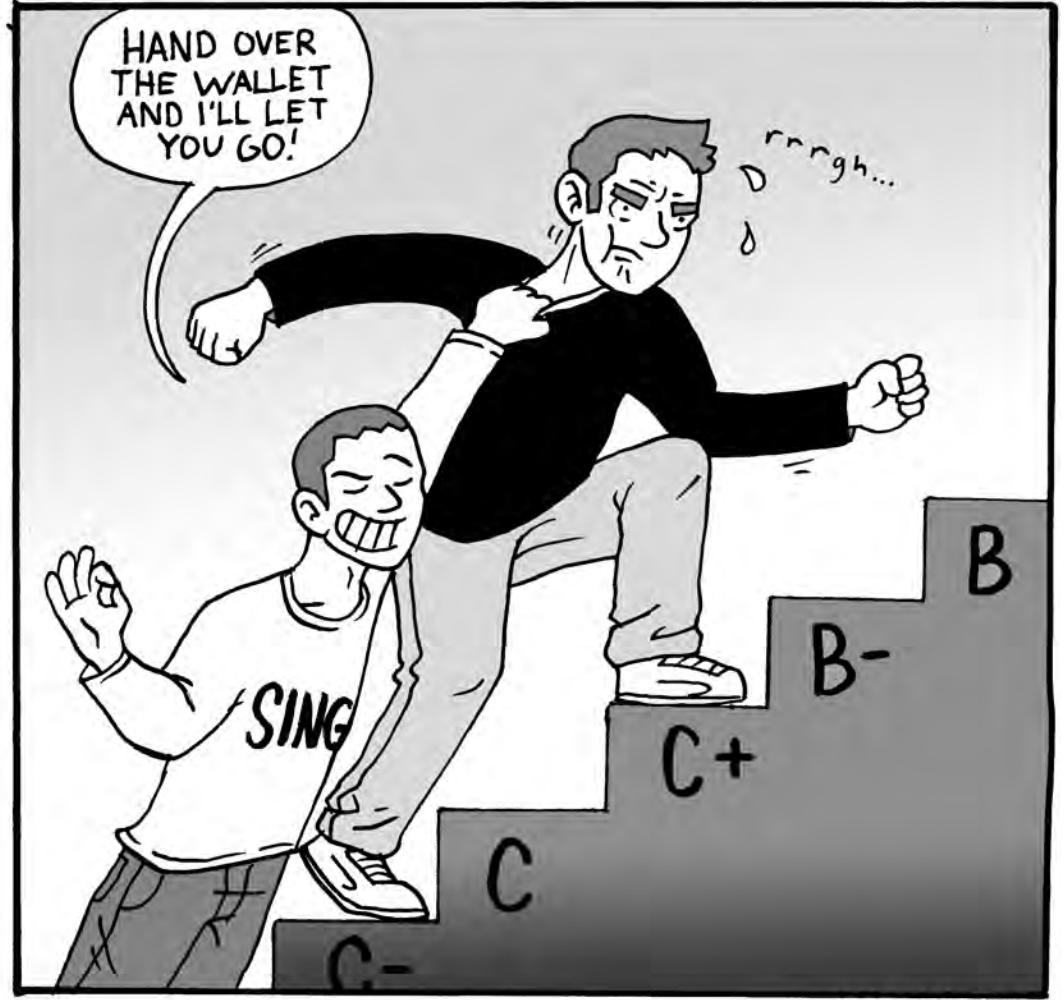
This was noticed first in the '70s when students began failing classes due to the time commitments of Sing and its perceived importance, according to the university's website on the history of Sing.

This precious time students invest in Sing is time that they cannot retrieve at a later date, and can sometimes mean an entire letter grade drop due to the time commitments of competing in Sing.

The university has taken steps to decrease the strains that Sing often places on students such as limiting the amount of money students can spend on the event to placing time restrictions.

According to Sing policies and procedures, students cannot be required to rehearse more than eight hours during the week, and six hours during the weekend. Practices also cannot be held past midnight.

By placing time restrictions on rehearsals, placing a cap at midnight and limiting the amount students can spend on the production has proved to be somewhat effective as it has limited the amount of time and money students are required to invest in the show. But overall, student leaders should take into account that inadvertently forcing students to participate in Sing by imposing fines on those who wish not to, and furthermore,



Asher F. Murphy

holding practices at inconvenient times throughout the week, they are jeopardizing the academic lives of students.

Realizing this would help alleviate the tensions caused during Sing by those participating against their will, a move that would ben-

efit the overall health of the organization and the university.

### From the Lariat blog



"This blog is illegal in Saudi Arabia. For writing these words, I would be thrown in jail. Or worse."

— Jonathon S. Platt, news editor

Check out the Lariat's new blog "From the Wire." Kilgore junior Jonathon S. Platt, news editor and author of the weekly "How I see It" column, will provide commentary on current news, critique current politics and shed light on stories you may have missed.

## Based on a somewhat-true story

Sometimes it is difficult to separate fact from fiction. This is especially true when it comes to movies that are supposedly "based on a true story."

The recent release of "Selma" brought with it criticism of President Lyndon B. Johnson's portrayal in the film. According to the film, Johnson constantly pushed aside Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s concerns about voting in the South, coming across as an almost insurmountable barrier for King and his supporters. Johnson seems harsh and unrelenting for the majority of the movie, insisting that he will address voting laws later, but not now.

According to some moviegoers, this portrayal is inaccurate. Johnson was not so annoyingly aggressive in his supposed struggles with King. The director, Ava DuVernay, said she did not want the movie to portray Johnson as a white savior. It's possible DuVernay over-corrected.

However, the criticism of the movie's accuracies raises questions for other movies based on a true story. How much leeway does the phrase "based on a true story" give the director of a film?

It's true that movies have to be edited for length and some creative license exists. However, what do we give up when we alter facts in movies?

Consider "The Blind Side" and "The Butler." While based on true stories, there were some scenes that



as historical fiction. Take Disney's "Pocahontas." It would be one thing if the characters had different names. In the movie, Pocahontas is a gorgeous Native American who rescues a rugged, yet likeable, mercenary from death. Some people claim history was wildly skewed. Depending on who's interpreting history, this story comes across differ-

ently.

Overall, filmmakers should be careful to classify their movie accurately, so as to not mislead their consumers. In addition, they should take the time to research carefully and understand every aspect of an event they're portraying, so they can tell the viewer as a true story as possible.

But when it comes to wildly inaccurate films, "Selma" does not seem to be one of them. Moviegoers should still be cautious when they hear that a movie is based on a true story. While many of the events may be factual, they are still someone else's interpretation of history.

Everyone approaches different stories with their own biases. It's best to remember that when watching movies, and for filmmakers to acknowledge it when deciding how to make a movie based on a true story.

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## Don't hold yourself hostage with a major you despise

The college years mark one of the most important — if not the most important — points in our lives. The college experience provides, for many of us, a multitude of firsts; first time living away from home, first time being financially independent, first job, first time failing a class. With the overwhelming number of new experiences we must navigate and manage, the conviction that the decisions made in college determine the greater part of our lives can prove daunting.



Many of the students who come to Baylor change their major once or more than once. The fact that our college years go by fast does nothing to help calm unsettled nerves about choosing the best path. I came to Baylor having more confidence than self-reflection in my planned field of study. I knew that I wanted to choose a career that would contribute to my community and that when it ended would leave me with the conviction that I had made use of my life. That was about all I knew. With these two navigators to guide me, I chose a rigorous and time demanding path in environmental health.

My first semester, I dove head first into research by approaching a professor I didn't even know. The work was enjoyable some days, but every day I worked I felt more insecure about my choice to study environmental health. Although it became clear to me that I was in the wrong major, I already felt the pressure of time. Recovering from a "wasted semester" seemed impossible. In fact, I almost considered staying in the major so as to not lose any time, even if it meant pursuing

a degree in something I no longer felt passion for. I believed that if I left the security of a major with a very rigidly planned course load to explore other disciplines, I would never have the time to finish school on time or even graduate.

For me, there was no middle ground; either I would stay in my field or drop out of school. While I may sound like a drama queen, I can assure you that I am not. What I, and many others, are hindered by is called dichotomous thinking. A dichotomous thinker only looks at problems in black and white. Usually perfectionists, they see the choices they make leading to a pass or fail end. This kind of thinking paralyzed me to the point where I chose to stay in an unsatisfying major for an extra semester. Last summer, I took a risk by volunteering with an organization I knew little about to do work I was unfamiliar with. I loved the work and skills I developed at that internship. That path, though uncertain, led me to choose the major I now love, journalism.

The problem with dichotomous thinking is that the best way to correct it is to abandon it completely. For me, this meant taking a plunge into a major that was completely different from the one I had previously studied and to accept that while there might be consequences to doing so, those consequences could not be worse than my life as a hostage of self-prescribed fear.

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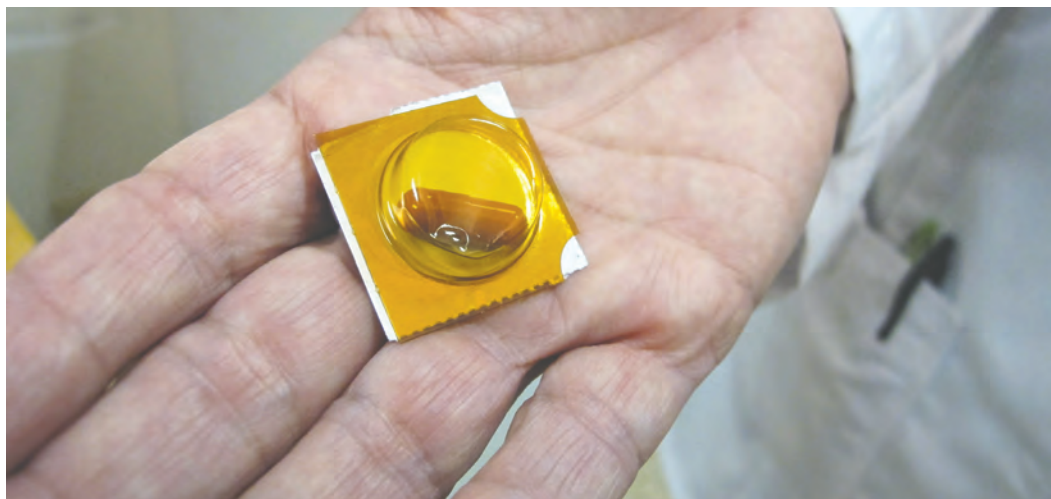
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Nurse Norissa Honea holds a cancer drug that is being tested at Phoenix's Barrow Neurological Institute in this. This is all part of the institute's initiative to test brain tumor drugs on patients before surgery takes place.

## One dose, then surgery: A new way to test brain tumor drugs

MARILYNN MARCHIONE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lori Simons took the bright orange pill at 3 a.m. Eight hours later, doctors sliced into her brain, looking for signs that the drug was working.

She is taking part in one of the most unusual cancer experiments in the nation. With special permission from the Food and Drug Administration and multiple drug companies, an Arizona hospital is testing medicines very early in development and never tried on brain tumors before.

Within a day of getting a single dose of one of these drugs, patients have their tumors removed and checked to see if the medicine had any effect. If it did, they can stay on an experimental drug that otherwise would not be available to them. If it did not, they can try something else, months sooner than they normally would find out that a drug had failed to help.

"They don't lose any time," said Dr. Nader Sanai, the doctor leading the study at Phoenix's Barrow Neurological Institute.

Time is everything for people with glioblastoma, the most common and deadly type of brain tumor. Even when surgeons think they got it all, the cancer usually grows back and proves fatal. The few drugs to treat these tumors have little effect — median survival is about 14 months.

"We've had an endless string of failures" to find better ones, Sanai

said.

His study is for people whose cancer came back. Doctors use a stored sample from the original tumor to see if its growth is driven by any genes or pathways targeted by one of the experimental drugs in development. If so, they give that single dose of the new drug before surgery to remove the new tumor.

Then, the tumor tissue is examined under a microscope to see if the drug had its intended effect on the genes or pathways.

So far, the study has tested one drug from AstraZeneca PLC in four patients. Another drug, from Novartis, will be added soon.

"We're trying to develop a portfolio of these" so there are many possible drugs available for new patients under a single "umbrella" study, Sanai said.

It is called a "phase zero" clinical trial because it comes before the usual three-phase experiments to determine a drug's safety, ideal dose and effectiveness.

"We view this as a great thing, as something that will produce better drugs that have greater chance of working," said Dr. Richard Pazdur, cancer drug chief at the FDA.

Finding treatments for brain tumors is "a huge unmet medical need" that justifies trying a new approach, Pazdur said.

Dr. James Doroshow was involved in the only previous studies like this, done at the National Cancer Institute.

In the past, "if you had a new

drug, you'd give it to a patient, you'd measure the blood levels, but very rarely would you have a way to know whether the presumed method of action was working in the patient," he said.

The Arizona study gives a way to check that, because the tumor is removed right after the first dose is given. And if the drug does not work in any or few of the people who get it, the study could spare others a futile treatment, and limit the time and money a drug company invests.

"If you're going to fail, you want to fail early and fail fast before you put thousands of patients into randomized trials," Doroshow said.

The experimental drug did not appear to help Simons, a 55-year-old former pharmacist from Gold Canyon, an hour's drive east of Phoenix. Doctors decided to try an older drug, Temodar, after her surgery in late October.

"The real interest in these kind of trials is not necessarily putting patients on these drugs but keeping them off drugs that aren't going to work," said Sanai, who treated Simons.

The patient said she had no regrets about participating.

"It's a revolutionary trial. I think it will open up a pathway for many other drugs to be studied in this manner," Simons said. "I go into this with no motive for me. It's just for the future, people who have cancer like I do, and see what kind of treatments they can have."

## A lesson on comedy: Professor discusses racial joke sensitivity

SHANNON BARBOUR  
REPORTER

Dr. Samuel Perry, assistant professor of the Baylor Interdisciplinary Core and Honors College, and Waco community members gathered at 5:30 p.m. at St. Alban's Episcopal Church to discuss the effects of laughing at culturally and racially sensitive jokes.

The Community Race Relations Coalition's crowd of nearly 50 participants welcomed Perry to its quarterly meeting.

"Comedy provides a way to talk about things that remain difficult to understand," Perry said during his discussion on navigating how to react to hearing culturally and racially sensitive jokes.

Perry welcomed comments and questions from the diverse audience, which included questions about how to educate someone after they have made a joke with an intention to harm others.

The Southeast Texas native stressed the importance of knowing the intention and context of jokes as a way to be mindful of what someone is truly laughing at.

While Perry's lecture was a lesson on comedy, it was not a dictation on what one is allowed to laugh at. This was all in an attempt to avoid limiting a person's free speech.

"One of our goals is to make it comfortable for people to talk about race," said chair of the Community Race Relations Coalition board Jo Welter.



KEVIN FREEMAN | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

Dr. Samuel Perry, assistant professor of the Baylor Interdisciplinary Core, speaks at St. Alban's Episcopal Church about racial humor on Thursday.

Perry's discussion included examples of cultural and racial humor from popular culture that related to diverse audiences, such as Richard Pryor, Dave Chappelle, "All in the Family" and "The Cosby Show."

"I live in a diverse neighborhood, which means I need to be in these conversations," said Chateaugay, N.Y., graduate student Hannah Hanover.

The event was held in an effort to make the community more empathetic, understanding and educated about how race relations infiltrate humor and daily discourse.

"Because we're an us -against- them society, we sometimes still laugh at people," Welter said. "But we will achieve being able to laugh with people."

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# Decade-long reign of Saudi king ends

By AYA BATRAWY AND ABDULLAH AL-SHIHRI  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia — Saudi Arabia's King Abdullah, the powerful U.S. ally who joined Washington's fight against al-Qaida and sought to modernize the ultraconservative Muslim kingdom with incremental but significant reforms, including nudging open greater opportunities for women, has died, according to Saudi state TV. He was 90.

More than his guarded and hidebound predecessors, Abdullah assertively threw his oil-rich nation's weight behind trying to shape the Middle East. His priority was to counter the influence of rival, mainly Shiite Iran wherever it tried to make advances. He and fellow Sunni Arab monarchs also staunchly opposed the Middle East's wave of

pro-democracy uprisings, seeing them as a threat to stability and their own rule.

He backed Sunni Muslim factions against Tehran's allies in several countries, but in Lebanon for example, the policy failed to stop Iranian-backed Hezbollah from gaining the upper hand. And Tehran and Riyadh's colliding ambitions stoked proxy conflicts around the region that enflamed Sunni-Shiite hatreds — most horrifically in Syria's civil war, where the two countries backed opposing sides. Those conflicts in turn hiked Sunni militancy that returned to threaten Saudi Arabia.

And while the king maintained the historically close alliance with Washington, there were frictions as he sought to put those relations on Saudi Arabia's terms. He was constantly frustrated by Washington's failure to broker a settlement to the Israel-Palestinian conflict. He also pushed the Obama administration to take a tougher stand against Iran and to more strongly back the mainly Sunni rebels fighting to overthrow Syrian President Bashar Assad.

Abdullah's death was announced on Saudi state TV by a presenter who said the king died at 1 a.m. on Friday. His successor was announced as 79-year-old half-brother, Prince Salman, according to a Royal Court statement carried on the Saudi Press Agency. Salman was Abdullah's crown prince and had recently taken on some of the ailing king's responsibilities.

Abdullah was born in Riyadh in 1924, one of the dozens of sons of Saudi Arabia's founder, King Abdul-Aziz Al Saud. Like all Abdul-Aziz's sons, Abdullah had only rudimentary education. Tall and heavyset, he felt more at home in the Nejd, the kingdom's desert heartland, riding stallions and hunting with falcons. His strict upbringing was exemplified by three days he spent in prison as a young man as punishment by his father for failing to give his seat to a visitor, a violation of Bedouin hospitality.

Abdullah was selected as crown prince in 1982 on the day his half-brother Fahd ascended to the throne. The decision was challenged by a full brother of Fahd, Prince Sultan, who wanted the title for himself. But the family eventually closed ranks behind Abdullah to prevent splits.



Now deceased King Abdullah of Saudi Arabia, right, speaks with U.S. President Barack Obama, during arrival ceremonies on June 3, 2009 at the Royal Terminal of King Khalid International

Abdullah became de facto ruler in 1995 when a stroke incapacitated Fahd. Abdullah was believed to have long rankled at the closeness of the alliance with the United States, and as regent he pressed Washington to withdraw the troops it had deployed in the kingdom since the 1990 Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The U.S. finally did so in 2003.

When President George W. Bush came to office, Abdullah again showed his readiness to push against his U.S. allies.

In 2000, Abdullah convinced the Arab League to approve an unprecedented offer that all Arab states would agree to peace with Israel if it withdrew from lands it captured in 1967. The next year, he sent his ambassador in Washington to tell the Bush administration that it was too unquestioningly biased in favor of Israel and that the kingdom would from now on pursue its own interests apart from Washington's. Alarmed by the prospect of a rift, Bush soon after advocated for the first time the creation of a Palestinian state alongside Israel.

The next month, the Sept. 11, 2001 terror attacks took place in the United States, and Abdullah had to steer the alliance through the resulting criticism. The kingdom was home to 15 of the 19 hijackers, and many pointed out that the baseline ideology for al-Qaida and other groups stemmed from Saudi Arabia's Wahhabi interpretation of Islam.

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When al-Qaida militants in 2003 began a wave of violence in the kingdom aimed at toppling the monarchy, Abdullah cracked down hard. For the next three years, security forces battled militants, finally forcing them to flee to neighboring Yemen. There, they created a new al-Qaida branch, and Saudi Arabia has played a behind-the-scenes role in fighting it.

The tougher line helped affirm Abdullah's commitment to fighting al-Qaida. He paid two visits to Bush — in 2002 and 2005 — at his ranch in Crawford, Texas.

When Fahd died in 2005, Abdullah officially rose to the throne. He then began to more openly push his agenda.

His aim at home was to modernize the kingdom to face the future. One of the world's largest oil exporters, Saudi Arabia is fabulously wealthy, but there are deep disparities in wealth and a burgeoning youth population in need of jobs, housing and education. More than half the current population of 20 million is under the age of 25. For Abdullah, that meant building a more skilled workforce and opening up greater room for women to participate. He was a strong supporter of education, building universities at home and increasing scholarships abroad for Saudi students.



Former King Abdullah, right, holds his sword as he takes part in the traditional Arda dance on March 23, 2010.

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Obama cited Yemen as a terrorism success story in a September speech outlining his strategy against the Islamic State group in Iraq and Syria, which involves targeted U.S. strikes on militants with the cooperation of a friendly ground force. Obama called it an approach "that we have successfully pursued in Yemen and Somalia for years."

In Washington on Thursday, a senior State Department said the U.S. Embassy remains open and will continue to operate as normal, although with reduced staff. The official says the U.S. is continuously reassessing the situation on the ground.

The official spoke on condition of anonymity because the official was not authorized to publicly discuss embassy security.

The resignations mark the collapse of an internationally backed transition that compelled Saleh, who ruled for three decades, to resign in 2012 following months of Arab Spring protests.

Hadi's rule was deeply undermined by Saleh loyalists who retained posts in state institutions and the security apparatus. Last year the U.N. Security Council imposed targeted sanctions on Saleh and two top Houthi leaders, accusing them of obstructing the

political transition.

Despite widespread fears, some observers said Thursday's resignation of the elected president could encourage Yemenis to take to the streets just as they did in 2011 in against Saleh.

"The coming hours will be decisive for Yemen for decades to come. Either they will usher in a new path, new openings, or we say our death prayers," said Yemeni writer Farea Al-Muslimi.

Shortly after Hadi's resignation, the Supreme Security Committee, the top security body in Aden, the capital of the south,

issued orders to all military bases, security bodies and popular committees composed of armed civilians to be on a state of alert and take orders only from Aden central command.

It was not immediately clear how much mandate the security authorities have over the southern region, and analysts predicted that internal conflict among southern secessionist leaders would probably delay action toward a split with the north.

"We are not talking here about split of north and south, but the fracture of the state," said Al-Muslimi.

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vice.

"I wanted to have some federal recognition for him," said Flores.

Sen. John Cornyn R-Texas introduced similar legislation to the Senate, which unanimously passed the bill in December.

There is no date set to rename the medical center, but a ceremony will be held when that is decided. Flores, who visited the Waco Veterans Affairs Medical Center as recently as December, said he plans to attend the ceremony.

"This ceremony should honor Doris Miller," Flores said.

## LAWSUIT Page 1

owned wells and leases," the petition states.

The trial is set for June 1 with a pre-trial hearing on Feb. 20. Baylor has demanded a trial by jury.

Pioneer Royalty, Inc., the plaintiff, originally filed the lawsuit against the Gaither defendants April 27, 2012.



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## Museum brings frizzled fun to BU campus



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The Mayborn Museum opened the Magic School Bus Kicks Up a Storm exhibit Saturday. The attraction, which runs through April 12, features Ms. Frizzle story time and interactive stations for children to help them learn about weather.

By ALLIE MATHERNE  
REPORTER

Ms. Frizzle's curly red updo and over-the-top wardrobe are enough to make any Baylor student nostalgic. The "Magic School Bus" icon has made her way from the TV screen to campus, thanks to a new exhibit at the Mayborn Museum.

The museum is hosting a traveling exhibit called The Magic School Bus Kicks Up a Storm. The exhibit, which is geared toward families, features three components: a classroom, a weather center and a weather observatory stationed in the magic school bus.

Rebecca Tucker Nall, the museum's assistant director of communication, said the exhibit is drawing in both school tours and a large family crowd.

"We are always trying to look for exhibits that will appeal to various age groups," Nall said.

The exhibit is bilingual and centered on helping kids learn more about the weather through a series of interactive activities. The most popular station is the weather center, where kids can read scripts, dress up in costumes and report the weather.

The retired show has surfaced on Netflix, allowing kids to watch the show and understand references in the exhibit, Nall said.

"I watched it with my little sister growing up and now I get to experience it with my kids," said Ela Nelson, a mother attending the exhibit.

Nall said during the exhibit's three-month run, the Mayborn will host guest visitors such as a magician and local meteorologist.

*The Magic School Bus Kicks up a Storm is on display through April 12 at the Mayborn Museum. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under.*

## Five immediate results of forming good exercise habits

By BEN RUBIN  
GREATIST.COM (TNS)

By now, we all know that getting our sweat on does wonders for our physical and mental health. But that doesn't make it any easier to get us off the couch, pause our Netflix marathon and get our blood pumping – especially when six-pack abs don't happen overnight.

When asked, people give lots of reasons for why they work out: to gain more strength and endurance, manage weight and look better.

Those motivators – the model-hot looks and health impacts – are the long-term benefits. But the reality is that it's hard to get excited about long-term benefits. We struggle with delayed gratification in all parts of life, not just when it comes to achieving our fitness goals.

In economics, researchers have found that when people are offered \$50 now versus \$100 a year later, most will opt for the instant reward.

While the long-term benefits of breaking a sweat are definitely worth the wait, there are also some powerful perks you'll experience right away. And for many of us, those are much more likely to convince us to head to the gym right now (or at least after finishing this article).

### 1. Boost your mood

You don't need an hour-long, high-intensity workout to trigger a grin. Just 20 minutes of jogging has been found to elevate mood – and surprisingly the intensity doesn't matter.

In fact, there's reason to believe that pushing yourself too hard delays or reduces the lift in your mood. So choose a workout you're comfortable with and ride that exercise high for hours.

### 2. Sleep like a baby

The secret to a better night's sleep could lie in a visit to the



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The long-term benefits of exercise are worth the time and effort spent in the gym. However, working out also offers immediate benefits such as more restful sleep and increased brain function.

gym. In an Italian study, folks who worked out in the morning fell asleep quicker, slept longer and woke up less frequently. If you're looking to maximize your zzzs, stick to cardio. While strength training helped study participants

have a good night's sleep, cardio impacted sleep quality even the next night.

Other research has shown that exercise leads to more deep sleep, which is not so surprising when you consider that growth hormone

– the thing that repairs tired and torn muscles – spikes during deep sleep.

### 3. Increase your self-esteem

We all want to feel like we're on top of the world, and working out can be just the thing to boost your confidence. Researchers in Norway found that children who exercised regularly showed signs of improved self-esteem in the short term after working out.

Other research has found that achieving a goal (whether it be doing a few push-ups or learning to do a handstand) has a positive benefit on the way we view ourselves. And we don't even have to be aware that we have that goal in the first place. Meeting unconscious goals – like that vague intention to work out that you're feeling right now – also gives a self-esteem boost.

### 4. Think more clearly

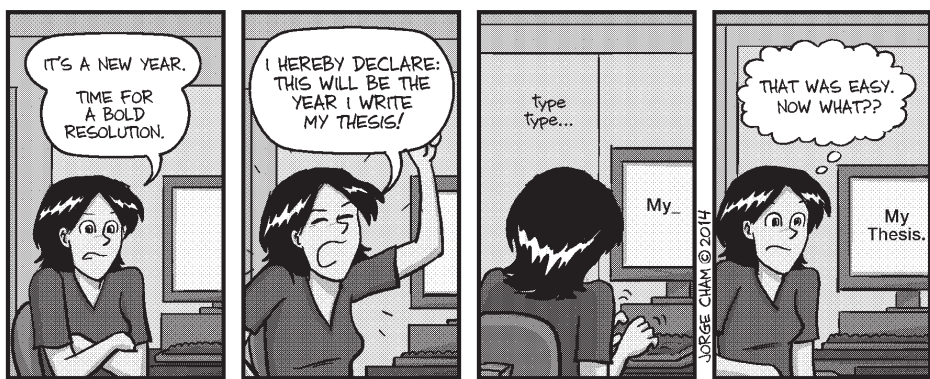
Moderate aerobic exercise (like running or cycling for 30 minutes) can make us ninja-like with our reaction speed and improve our problem solving abilities – just the things you need for a productive day at the office. But try not to push too hard too fast. High-intensity interval training has been found to cause physical fatigue that also makes your reactions slower.

### 5. Have fun! (And forget whatever's looming on your to-do list)

The days of aching, sore muscles that inevitably follow a return to the gym can make it hard to remember one of the best parts of working out: It can be a lot of fun.

Research has found that minimizing pain (or perceived pain) from working out can be as simple as thinking about the activity as something you'll actually enjoy. After all, liking a specific workout is a strong predictor of whether you'll return again.

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- 7 Ann's sister
- 11 Extras may comprise one
- 14 Tennis star Gibson
- 15 The real thing, so to speak
- 17 Riddles
- 18 Regretting a wild night, maybe
- 19 "Beginning
- 21 Field of study
- 24 "We \_\_\_ Family": 1979 hit
- 25 Tamper
- 26 "They carry remainders
- 31 Org. where weight matters
- 32 Without \_\_\_: risky
- 33 On a streak
- 36 Capp and Capone
- 37 Syr. neighbor
- 38 Jueves, por ejemplo
- 39 Natural resource
- 40 Tease
- 42 Vibrator in a wind
- 43 Like Gen. Powell
- 44 "Bike safety device
- 47 \_\_\_ Men: "Who Let the Dogs Out" band
- 49 Edible Asian shoot
- 50 Greek mount
- 51 "The rest
- 56 Burns poem that starts, "Wee, sleekit, cow'rin, tim'rous beastie"
- 57 Time of your life
- 61 Marching band instrument
- 62 Mill around
- 63 Passing stat.
- 64 Egyptian symbols of royalty
- 65 Both words in each answer to a starred clue begin and end with the same one

### Down

- 1 Keep time, in a way
- 2 Symphonic rock gp.
- 3 Cadillac sedan
- 4 Store to "fall into," in old ads
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- 10 Safecracker
- 11 Some Cannes films
- 12 They have hoods and racks
- 13 Cold-water hazards
- 16 Was impending
- 20 Perp subduer
- 21 Egyptian dam
- 22 100 kopecks
- 23 Parts opposite points
- 27 First name in women's boxing
- 28 Racing family name
- 29 Bay window
- 30 Aptly named novelist
- 34 Easily crumbled cookies
- 35 Betta tankmate
- 38 "Colonel Jack" novelist
- 41 "Oh, my!"
- 42 Uses, as credit card rewards
- 45 Amasses
- 46 Work on together, in a way
- 47 LPGA great Rawls
- 48 Stay clear of
- 52 "The boy you trained, gone he is" speaker
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## No. 3 Baylor set to take on Kansas State Wildcats

By JEFFREY SWINDOLL  
SPORTS WRITER

An impressive 16-game winning streak and a perfect record in the Big 12 is on the line for No. 3 Baylor at 11 a.m. tomorrow against Kansas State at the Ferrell Center.

The Lady Bears (17-1, 6-0) have a perfect 11-0 record at home this season, three of which were conference games. Baylor's latest result sent a resounding message to the rest of the conference that the Lady Bears, led by head coach Kim Mulkey and stud sophomore forward Nina Davis, mean business. Baylor trounced No. 8 Texas 75-58 at the Ferrell Center on Monday. The team that was predicted to have an average season in the conference is now tied for the lead with an undefeated Big 12 record.

"It was just outstanding the way my teammates and I kept fighting to the very end," Davis said after the Texas game. "[Texas] had a huge advantage over us, but size does not really matter when you have heart and we just grinded from the beginning to the end."

Kansas State (11-6, 1-5) and Baylor met just over two weeks ago in Manhattan, Kan., and it was not pretty. The Lady Bears destroyed the Wildcats 74-44. The odds are

stacked quite high against the Wildcats for their second game against the Lady Bears. Baylor can beat teams on the dribble, on the glass, from the perimeter...you name it, and the Lady Bears could probably run it. In their first meeting this year, the Lady Bears were successful with perimeter shooting against the Wildcats.

"When you play against a zone that is good, and [Kansas State head coach Jeff Mittie's] zone defense is very good, they cut off angles," Mulkey said. "They lead the conference in steals playing a zone, so that tells you that it is outstanding. You are going to have to knock down some perimeter shots."

Perhaps the one blemish on Baylor's convincing win over Texas on Monday was their poor night of three-point shooting. The Lady Bears did not make a single basket from three-point range (0-8).

Junior guard Niya Johnson is having a phenomenal season as a distributor. She exemplified her talent last season with an outstanding feel for the game, finding spaces for her teammates on a dime. This season, Johnson is being tested a scorer as much as she is tested as a passer. Texas dared Johnson to shoot by leaving her open and she took advantage of that chance.



No. 2 junior guard Niya Johnson drives into the paint against the Longhorns. She posted a double-double with 15 points and 12 assists.

"Kansas did the same thing by leaving me open and I knew I had to hit the shot, because they were leaving me open," Johnson said. "We spread the offense and our team likes to get open shots, so me shoot-

ing the ball was to spread the offense and we got more open shots."

Johnson has seven double-digit scoring games in her collegiate career and three of those have come this season. Her total as-

sists on the year currently sit at 147, more than four times the amount of any other player for the Lady Bears. Johnson is critical to Baylor's attack. If the Wildcats keep her to a quiet night, K-State may just have a chance.

The Wildcats have a young team this season. Just three players on their roster have played more than 75 career games and none have played more than 100 games. They are a much improved side from last season, though. Kansas State is just one win away from surpassing its conference wins total from the 2013-14 season.

Senior forward Ashia Woods and sophomore forward Breanna Lewis are the driving force for the Wildcats. Woods is the leading rebounder of the team with 6.7 per game. Woods also averages 8.6 points per game. Lewis is the team's leading scorer 11.9 points per game with a 49.4 percent field goal success rate.

The Lady Bears have proven this season that stopping just one of their players is not good enough for a victory. Only one team has beaten Baylor this season - Kentucky. That was a different Lady Bears team, and they have a chance to prove that fact on Saturday against Kansas State at home.

## Big 12 WBB: No. 3 Lady Bears and Oklahoma sit on top early

By JEFFREY SWINDOLL  
SPORTS WRITER

### No. 3 Baylor (17-1, 6-0)

The Lady Bears are without a doubt the hottest team in the conference. Baylor is young, but that has not stopped Baylor head coach Kim Mulkey and her crew in winning 16-straight games this season. The sophomores are showing up big for the Lady Bears. Sophomore forward Nina Davis leads the team with 21.7 points and 8.6 rebounds per game, sophomore post Khadijah Cave follows with 12.8 and 6 rebounds per game and sophomore Imani Wright scores 10.4 per game.

### Oklahoma (12-5, 6-0)

The Sooners are tied with the Lady Bears and are a bit under the radar, but they have managed to pull off some big wins, including over the top-10 ranked Texas Longhorns. Gioya Carter, Kaylon Williams and Peyton Little are the Sooners' trifecta, collectively averaging more than half of the team's points per game.

### Iowa State (13-4, 4-2)

The Cyclones are true to form, when their three-point shooting is on par, they are a tough team to beat. When they are lacking in three-point field goal percentage, they are nearly weaponless. Against conference opponents, the Cyclones are .338 from three-point range (48-142). ISU's defense allows 67.2 points per game.

### TCU (11-6, 3-3)

The Horned Frogs are off to a better start than their last season, which ended with an 8-10 record in the Big 12. Chelsea Prince and Donielle Breaux carry the load of the team's defensive rebounding. Zahna Medley leads the team with 16.7 and 4 assists per game, shooting .432 from the field.

### No. 8 Texas (14-3, 3-3)

Texas' season started so full of expectation with the conference coaches' picks to finish first in the Big 12 and an undefeated record before conference play that included a stunning win over highly-ranked Stanford. The Longhorns have faced some trials and tribulations, though. They are still ranked in the top 10 and still not ruled out from winning Big 12 title. However, Texas head coach Karen Aston called for a time of "soul-searching" after a crushing loss to Baylor in Waco, suggesting that the Longhorns have found

themselves in a bit of rut.

### Texas Tech (12-5, 2-4)

The Red Raiders are little better off than they were at this point last season, but their only two conference wins are against two teams that are struggling to score recently. Amber Battle leads the team in her scoring and rebounding averages per game.

### Oklahoma State (12-5, 2-4)

Oklahoma State, like many other teams in the league, depends on select players to carry the team on a consistent basis. Junior guard Brittney Martin, who has some Big 12 player of the week honors to her name, has not given the performances needed to jet her team to victory. OSU head coach Jim Littell, after his team's limp effort in the loss to Oklahoma on Monday, said his team is "not equipped to cover those points" when Martin and Liz Donohoe are failing to score.

### West Virginia (12-6, 2-4)

Just two wins in six games is nowhere near the standard the Mountaineers set for themselves on their road to a share of the Big 12 title with the Lady Bears last season. WVU has had some close games this year though, including one that went down to the wire against Baylor. The Mountaineers were unable to climb past the Lady Bears in that game though. Bria Holmes and Avereé Fields are carrying the Mountaineers on their back as the only players averaging double-digit scoring. Much of the Mountaineers' success is dependent on how Holmes and Fields perform.

### Kansas State (11-6, 1-5)

It's a race to the bottom between the two Big 12 school from Kansas. At this point, K-State, just as much as KU, functions as a spoiler team for the rest of the league. The Wildcats actually led at halftime against West Virginia on Wednesday, 25-22, but the Mountaineers answered with an 18-5 run to start the second half. The Wildcats never regained the lead after poor shooting and six turnovers in the second half.

### Kansas (1-5, 9-9)

Other than Chelsea Gardner, one of the best players in the league, and Natalie Knight, the Jayhawks do not have much going for them. Knight and Gardner are top contributors in both scoring and rebounding, but there is a huge dropoff after them. Gardner currently boasts 38 blocks on the season. The Jayhawks picked up their first win in the conference on Wednesday after beating Texas Tech 68-66.

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