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For the third year in a row, both Baylor tennis teams win the Big 12 conference title.

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Construction blocks off Fifth Street

By JENNA PRESS
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Workers dig a drainage tunnel Monday in front of the Bill Daniel Student Center for the new fountain on Fifth Street. The construction is fenced off down most of the street.

The fences outlining the construction of the future fountain site are up on Fifth Street, one of the most highly-trafficked areas on campus, and students will need to find routes around them for the rest of the semester.

The fences will stretch all the way from Speight Circle to MP Daniel Esplanade, the street between the Bill and Eva Williams Bear Habitat and the Bill Daniel Student Union Building. Students will be able to cut through the construction area near Carroll Science Hall and Morrison Hall.

San Antonio freshman Heather Smith said the fence is somewhat inconvenient right now since it can get somewhat crowded around the area.

"There's not a lot of space to cross Fifth Street over there," Smith said.

According to an email from Baylor NewsFlash, bicycles and mopeds can no longer be ridden on Fifth Street, and bike racks will be relocated as close as possible to the original spots of Fifth Street.

Fort Worth junior Daniel Boerner said the fences were annoying because they didn't move the bike racks out of where the construction was going to be.

"Having the street fenced off also means more bikes are going to be on the sidewalks, so that will cause some frustration for people trying to walk to class," Boerner said.

The renovations will add a memorial fountain, but will still allow for homecoming floats and emergency vehicles to pass through as necessary.

The improvements to Fifth Street also include a new water line, sewer line and drainage system.

For your sake, don't fake bake

Professor studies appeal, risk of using tanning beds

By AMANDA HAYES
REPORTER

Most people would not be surprised to hear that UV ray exposure can lead to skin cancer, and skin cancer accounts for nearly half of United States cancers, according to the American Cancer Society. So why is tanning still so popular? Dr. Jay Yoo, assistant professor of family and consumer sciences, answers this question in his research of social psychological aspects of appearance.

Yoo studies fashion merchandising, apparel and consumer behavior and is vice president of academic affairs for the Texas Family and Consumer Sciences Association. His research interests are appearance-related behaviors and how they affect individual and social well-being. He has been quoted in U.S. News and World Report, Fortune magazine, Third Age and HealthDay.

What brought you to Baylor?

Originally, I am from South Korea and came to the States after finishing high school. I had a great opportunity to teach and research at Baylor, so that's why I'm here.

What inspired you to research the effects of tanning?

The popularity of tanning drove my attention. I've been investigating appearance-related behavior, and tanning is one way in which individuals improve their appearance. Tanning, relative to other appearance-related behaviors, can be more detrimental to one's health. I can do exercise, that's good. I can be on a diet, it can be healthy. I can engage in tanning, and there's no benefit.

It is common knowledge that UV exposure can lead to skin cancer. Even with this awareness, why do you think tanning is still so popular?

Tanning is so popular and prevalent that people engage in this behavior even if they see the risk. People are very optimistic about their own health, and think it is only dangerous for other people. Unless they have a family member or friend with skin cancer, it is difficult for people to adopt healthy skin care strategies.

But spray tans are OK, right?

Tanning without UV exposure, in-

cluding spray tans and tanning lotions, is the safer alternative. Spray tans have increased significantly, partially because more people are aware of the danger. U.S. consumers account for 50 percent of global tanning lotions. Spray tanning is popular for consumers who tan solely for appearance purposes.

Who is most likely to tan, and why do they do it?

White females between the ages of 18-24 is the primary group that enjoys tanning, so the college group is the target. Study after study actually indicates that the primary motivation of tanning is to enhance one's appearance. There are other motives including relaxation and just being a part of one's lifestyle. It can also be addictive, which is known as "tanorexia." Frequent tanners express an overwhelming preference for indoor tanning, suggesting addictive properties of UV rays for some individuals. Tanning can also be a social thing. Tanners want to correct their body, and it is easier to do this through tanning relative to other aspects of appearance. You can't lose five pounds overnight, but you can tan and look thinner.

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Science Matters

Tan can spell trouble later

Skin damage caused by the sun or tanning beds is cumulative, so skin cancers – including the uncommon, dangerous melanoma – often do not develop until 20 years after exposure.

Tanning beds increase danger

Ultraviolet rays assault skin

UVC is mostly blocked by Earth's atmosphere

UVB causes sunburn, makes skin tan

UVA penetrates deep, weakens tissues

High pressure sun lamps emit up to 15 times as much UVA as there is in sunlight

Men and women who used sunbeds are 15 percent more likely to develop melanoma; use before age 35 increases melanoma risk by 75 percent

Three skin cancers related to sun exposure
If detected early, almost 95 percent of skin cancers are highly treatable

Basal cell begins as non-healing scab; very common, highly treatable

Squamous cell begins as sore that never heals; can be painful, may spread

Malignant melanoma is dark, usually raised, with uneven color; must be treated; deadly if detected late

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Moped theft strikes at University Parks

By REBECCA FLANNERY
STAFF WRITER

Two mopeds valued between \$1,500 and \$20,000 were stolen from University Parks Apartments last week at 2201 S. University Parks Drive. According to the Baylor Fire and Crime log, both cases are still active.

The first moped was reported stolen to Baylor Police Department April 15, and the second on the following day. At the time of publication, the department was not available for comment.

Nashville, Tenn., senior Brette Moseley is a tenant at University

Parks and said she wasn't aware of the robberies.

"It definitely sucks they got their property stolen," Moseley said. "What bothers me though is that we weren't told as residents. I would have liked to have known to keep myself safe."

Moseley said the apartments advertise themselves as a gated community, despite the front gates not working.

"The front gates are always left open, and that's something I'd like to see changed," Moseley said.

University Parks Apartments management could not be reached for comment.



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Two mopeds were stolen out of the parking lot of University Parks apartments last week. The property is gated, but the front gates are rarely closed, said Nashville, Tenn., senior Brette Moseley, a tenant at the complex.

Student group performs kind, random acts

By AMANDA YARGER
REPORTER

An unchartered group on campus, TheWhatever, began work on Monday to promote caring and kindness as agents of love, as part of their mission to display acts of random kindness throughout the week.

#ArkWeek2015, the official name of the event, breaks students into five teams with names of government agencies such as the CIA, FBI, and NASA, to earn points by spreading good deeds around campus and the community. At the end of each day, the points for that day's "mission" are totaled and awarded to the winning groups.

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Don't ignore your history

Ben Affleck, Oscar-winning actor and future Batman, is yet another victim of Wikileaks. A set of private emails between Sony Entertainment CEO Michael Lynton and "Finding Your Roots" host Henry Louis Gates Jr. revealed a controversial request by Affleck.



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However, Affleck's attempt to censor his own history has caused the skeletons in his closet to become that much more public.

We do not get to decide who our fam-

ily is. If anyone gets upset with Affleck for things that are far out of his control, those people are absurd. However, it would not be out of the question to get a little upset at his attempt to mask his history. I can see why he did it, but it only made him look bad. Unfortunately, though it is 2015, racism is still a large issue. My guess is that Affleck feared his ancestry would upset his image and perhaps link him to racism. Some people may be crazy enough to do that, but losing a crazy fan or two shouldn't hurt someone like Affleck.

The whole situation boils down to two truths: we can't control our heritage and we shouldn't attempt to hide it. Would I go around bragging about my slave-owning ancestors if I had them? Absolutely not. That's nothing to be proud of. However, I wouldn't try to clean up history either.

The wonderful thing about history is that we can learn from it. Our ancestors made mistakes and committed wrongs. That's true for every human.

Knowing these mistakes and owning up to them in place of our ancestors can help us grow and keep us from repeating them.

Affleck's tiptoe routine will do neither of those.

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Include productivity in summer activities

At this point in the academic school year it seems as if summer is just within each student's reach — just past the final papers that need to be written and tests that need to be taken first, of course.

With this in mind, a groan might be the common response to my proposal for all students to strive toward a productive summer. Yes, school might be over by then but we should still set goals for ourselves on our days off.

These goals do not need to be huge and seemingly impossible, such as single-handedly building your own Fortune 500 company. They can, however, be anything as simple as learning to play a new instrument or finally building that bookcase to house the various textbooks that you hope to sell to some underclassmen next fall.

Unlike the fall and spring semester, summertime offers you the advantage of at least a chance to focus on less things at one time.

Students may not realize it, but constantly having to divide your mind between school, work and social life can be mentally draining, if not physically exhausting. The end of the school year is like a new sheet of white paper — full of opportunity and waiting for inspiration.

Another benefit to setting mini-goals for yourself this summer is that you will undoubtedly be a different person by the time you return next fall.

Perhaps not radically different, but



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nonetheless changed. Who knows, perhaps the art lessons that you decided to take over the break could prompt you to add an art minor or the kids that you decided to tutor lead you to go into mission work.

You have nothing to lose. At worst, you did not quite accomplish what you set out to do, but at least you will have a good story to tell by the end of the break.

Even though setting a goal for yourself over the summer might be a good idea, keep in mind that like anything, it should be taken in moderation.

With almost three months off, no goal is worth feeling forced to pull all-nighters or having anxiety attacks over. In the end, the whole point of a personal endeavor is for you to enjoy it.

You will not be graded on how well you achieve your goal, so relax and start looking forward to the promise of what is sure to be a good summer vacation.

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ASHER

NCAA needs schooling in supporting education

Editorial

The NCAA has long been a controversial organization, often seen as a group solely focused on limiting the opportunities of student-athletes. However, the organization has been able to stay in the good graces of the public eye by boasting its educational results.

To prove it, the NCAA requires teams to have at least half of its student-athletes on pace to graduate, forcing high school students to hold certain grade-point averages to qualify for a college scholarship and publishing reports grading each school's progress.

The NCAA website states that the NCAA embraces its "role in providing student-athletes the skills for what comes next in life. It's our commitment — and our responsibility — to give young people opportunities to learn, play and succeed."

All this rhetoric seems to place the utmost priority on education and empowering students toward the best education possible. However, the NCAA wholly con-

tradicted itself with its language in a recent lawsuit.

Last October, it was revealed that the University of North Carolina was running one of the biggest academic fraud programs ever uncovered. In response, several former student-athletes sued the NCAA, claiming they were robbed of an education by the scandal.

The NCAA responded by saying it has no legal responsibility "to ensure the academic integrity of the courses offered to student-athletes at its member institutions."

The NCAA's new position is not in the least bit surprising thanks to precedent, but it is disappointing. It seems as though this behemoth of an organization has two agendas in mind. The NCAA wants all the credit for the good work that colleges do without actually having to deal with any of the blame.

When academics are thriving, the NCAA makes sure it is marketed. When graduation rates are up, the conversation shifts to how the changes the NCAA made

are to credit. But when education dips or is a sham, the organization has no comment and rather points the blame at the institution.

The NCAA claims it exists to try and ensure students the opportunity to pursue education and employ several regulations so it can allegedly happen. If it does not actually have a responsibility, what does that say about the regulations that are in place?

Nationwide, there's a 2.3 minimum cumulative grade-point average requirement to accept a collegiate scholarship. If the NCAA does not have compelling interest in education, why should it get to employ educational guidelines? It would appear as though it does not have standing using the NCAA's own logic.

The only way the NCAA seems to want authority is preventing young, marketable athletes from having the opportunity to profit off image. If the NCAA's only job is to ensure all the money goes toward itself, then it needs to step back and stop trying to play a role in the education of student-athletes.

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Dallas Police Chief David Brown speaks during a news conference on Nov. 17, 2011 at police headquarters in Dallas. Amid the national focus on deadly police shootings, records show scores of Dallas officers remain on the job despite being punished for serious offenses such as theft and excessive force.

Records reveal Dallas officers remain on job despite multiple case offenses

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DALLAS — Records show that about 160 officers in Dallas, one of the country's largest police departments, remain on the job despite being punished for a variety of offenses, some serious such as theft, excessive force and lying.

The list, which includes the officers' misconduct and punishment, provides a glimpse into transgressions that typically aren't released publicly. In one instance, an officer was twice cited for unnecessary use of force, in 1991 and 2000; causing a disturbance in 2000; and filing a false report in 2008. He was suspended each time, a range of two to 20 days.

Dallas police did not respond to repeated inquiries for information such as which policies guide police managers in determining whether officers should be terminated.

The Dallas Police Department's list came to light last week following a lengthy investigation by the Austin American-Statesman in

which the paper requested such information from each district attorney's office in Texas. Most denied the request, but a few complied.

The Dallas department has more than 3,500 sworn officers, and the officers on the list represent about 5 percent of the force. Numerous officers were punished for filing a false report or providing misleading statements to supervisors, while others stole, committed fraud, drove while drunk or committed some other offense. In some cases, the officer was fired but reinstated upon appeal.

Lynn Pride Richardson, chief public defender for Dallas County, said Monday that the so-called Brady list puts pressure on the department to better determine who's fit to wear a badge. Chief David Brown has fired some officers, which shows he's trying to weed out some troubled ones, she said, but there's little he can do if an officer is reinstated by a civil service board.

"If you get a bad apple, then you recognize that and you put the training in place or the mechanism

in place to correct the problem," she said.

Bob Gorsky, a lawyer who represents the Dallas Police Association, declined to discuss specific officers, but said he's reviewed the list and noticed errors that include police supervisors being omitted from it. He also argues that some officers are punished for being "untruthful," a broad criticism that can include an officer who was simply mistaken when relaying information.

"They've been labeled now on this list and it results in a very unfair perception about these officers," Gorsky said.

Named after a 1963 U.S. Supreme Court case, Brady lists are maintained by prosecutors legally obligated to provide defendants with relevant material that may be favorable to their case. The law includes informing them in any case where an officer with a checkered record may testify.

Robert Kepple, executive director of the Texas District and County Attorneys Association, said the Brady law was broadened

in Texas with the adoption in 2013 of the Michael Morton Act, named for the man who served 25 years in prison for his wife's slaying before being exonerated by DNA testing in 2011. The prosecutor at his trial was accused of withholding evidence.

"I think prosecutors today are being very careful to be over-inclusive," Kepple said. He agrees with state attorney general rulings that Brady lists don't have to be released to the public, arguing that attorneys can subpoena an officer's personnel record when they like.

Ellis County, south of Dallas, also provided records of troubled officers to the Statesman, detailing transgressions in several small police forces. But unlike Dallas, Ellis County District Attorney Patrick Wilson said the 12 on the list have "either lost their jobs or are soon to lose their jobs. So, it's a matter that tends to resolve itself."

Wilson said he released the records because he considers them public record, but understands why most district attorneys don't release their lists.

Bear Briefs

Theological discussion on ethics to be held at Truett

A lecture on Christian ethic titled, "Christian Moral Courage," will take place from 3:30-5 p.m. Thursday in the Paul Powell Chapel at the George W. Truett Theological Seminary. The event is open to all and free of charge.

Majors compete: Trivia contest offers competition

The Society of Physics Students is holding a trivia night at 7 p.m. Thursday at the A207 Baylor Sciences Building. Teams must have three to five members in order to compete. The cost is \$3 per person, to be paid at the door. There will not be any trivia related to physics. The winning team will receive "Smarter Than a Physics Major" T-shirts. For more information, email Adryanna_Smith@baylor.edu.

Sexual assault to be topic of discussion for males

The Office of Community Engagement & Service and the Title IX Office are holding a discussion on sexual assault prevention for all males on campus. The discussion will be held from 6-7 p.m. Thursday in Kayser Auditorium. Ian McRary, the guest speaker, will talk about the policies under Title IX and educate male students on methods to prevent sexual assault. For more information, email Brin_Parnell@baylor.edu.

Rehearsals set to begin for 'Ring' participants

Senior and junior women who want to participate in Ring Out will need to attend at least one of two rehearsals, which will be held from 1-2 p.m. Sunday and 12:30-1:30 p.m. April 28. Men's rehearsal will be held from 4-5 p.m. on April 30. Rehearsals will be held at the Draper Academic Building in the Bennett Auditorium. The deadline to register is 5 p.m. April 28. For additional information, visit www.baylor.edu/student_life/ringout.



Salsa, students: Event set to offer cultural experience

The Hispanic Student Association is partnering with Sigma Alpha Epsilon to host Salsafest from 6-9 p.m. Thursday at Fountain Mall. The annual event will include free food, games, prizes and a salsa competition. For more information or to sign up to volunteer, email Bryan_Tehrani@baylor.edu.

Lieberman, Starr to speak at spring On Topic event

Former U.S. Senator and 2000 Democratic Party Vice President nominee Joseph Lieberman will join Baylor President and Chancellor Ken Starr for the spring edition of On Topic from 7-9 p.m. on April 28 in Waco Hall. Tickets are free and are available at the Bill Daniel Student Center ticket booth until April 27.

Baylor outdoor adventure to take students kayaking

Baylor Outdoor Adventure is offering the experience to white-water kayak the San Marcos River. The event will place Saturday, and the deadline to register is Wednesday. The cost is \$50, which includes lunch, instruction, equipment and transportation. For more information, email Stephanie_Davis2@baylor.edu.

Husband, wife to play for audience as musical duo

Fred Edelen, assistant principal cellist of the Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra of Amsterdam and Christina Scott Edelen, his wife and freelance fortepianist and harpsichordist will perform together at 3 p.m. April 29 at Roxy Grove Hall in the Glennis McCrary Music Building. The event is free and open to the public.

Death penalty debate starts in Boston Marathon bombing trial

DENISE LAVOIE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — The guilt phase of Boston Marathon bomber Dzhokhar Tsarnaev's trial was considered a slam dunk for prosecutors, especially after his lawyers bluntly admitted during opening statements that he participated in the deadly 2013 attack.

But the outcome of the next phase of the trial is much more difficult to predict. The same jury must decide whether Tsarnaev, 21, should be put to death or spend the rest of his life in prison. The penalty phase begins today in U.S. District Court.

Debate over whether Tsarnaev should get the death penalty intensified recently after the parents of Martin Richard, an 8-year-old boy who was killed in the bombings, urged federal authorities to consider taking death off the table in exchange for Tsarnaev spending the rest of his life in prison and giving up his rights to appeal.

"We know that the government has its reasons for seeking the death penalty, but the continued pursuit of that punishment could bring years of appeals and prolonging the most painful day of our lives," Bill and Denise Richard said in a statement to The Boston Globe last week.

A married couple who lost limbs in the attack also asked the U.S. Justice Department not to pursue the death penalty.

"If there is anyone who deserves the ultimate punishment, it is the defendant. However, we must overcome the impulse for vengeance," Jessica Kensky and Patrick Downes said in a statement to the Globe Sunday.

Kensky and Downes were newlyweds when two bombs exploded



In this courtroom sketch, Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, second from left, is depicted standing as the jury presents its verdict in his federal death penalty trial on April 8 in Boston. Tsarnaev was convicted on multiple charges in the 2013 Boston Marathon bombing.

near the marathon finish line on April 15, 2013, killing three people and injuring more than 260. They each lost their left leg. Kensky endured more than a dozen surgeries before having her severely damaged right leg amputated in January.

Others have said they favor the death penalty for Tsarnaev. Liz Norden, whose two adult sons each lost a leg in the bombings, said nothing short of execution is warranted.

"He destroyed so many families that day," she said. "I want the ultimate justice."

Legal experts differ on whether the pleas from victims will persuade the federal government to drop its bid for the death penalty.

"If the Justice Department seriously takes into consideration the feelings of the family members in this case, they have every justification to take death off the table," said Robert Dunham, executive director of the Death Penalty Information Center.

But New York Law School professor Robert Blecker said the Justice Department has to consider the larger question of denouncing

terrorism. "They'll go forward with it. It will not change the decision. Denunciation is a legitimate purpose," Blecker said.

Public opinion polls have shown that a majority of Boston-area residents oppose the death penalty for Tsarnaev.

Massachusetts abolished the state death penalty more than 30 years ago, but Tsarnaev is charged under the federal death penalty statute. The 12 jurors who will decide his fate all told a judge they would be willing to consider the death penalty if they believed the facts of the case and the law called for it. They also said they would consider life in prison.

Prosecutors are expected to emphasize the brutality of the bombings by calling more survivors to testify. During the first phase, several survivors testified about devastating injuries, including lost limbs.

Others described watching friends and loved ones die.

If one juror votes against the death penalty, Tsarnaev will get a life sentence.

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Tan

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Why is tan skin often seen as more desirable than fair skin? How do these trends start?

The trend actually began in the 1920s when Coco Chanel introduced tan models in high fashion magazine ads and runways. The use of tanning beds is relatively new, as the first tanning bed in the U.S. was introduced in 1979. People tend to be discontent with their appearance, so they will invest in changing it to feel satisfied. It is interesting how Asians have skin whitening, and Caucasians want to darken their skin. People want the opposite of what they have.

With summer approaching, what

ARK

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Austin junior Nathan Elequin, the group's founder, said their aim is to provide students with an outlet for meeting new people and explore Baylor and the surrounding Waco area.

The group officially began in late January of this semester and has already grown to nearly 100 members who "are willing to try new, childish, crazy, and hilarious things for the sake of a good time," according to their flyer.

Elequin said the primary goal of the week began with the theory of life investment.

"I believe that when you give gifts during times other than just Christmas and birthdays, it means a lot more," he said. "It doesn't have to be spending money, but doing things for other people, writing them letters and just letting them know they're special."

Acts of the week include talking to professors, taking photos with new friends and random dancing.

"A lot of these acts of random kindness are not 'clean your roommate's room and then surprise!'" he said. "A lot of them are just doing something really fun and invite someone else to be a part of it. It doesn't have to be the type of thing you feel like you're going to get a Mother Teresa award for."

The idea for ARK week came from an event the group previously hosted during spring break, The Hunt. Participants were broken into teams inspired by Nickelodeon's "Avatar: The Last Airbender."

Their sole objective was to pho-

do you want Baylor students to know about tanning?

I think students have to be aware of the danger of tanning and make an informed decision. They have to embrace their own skin color, as having healthy appearance-related behavior is an important step for college students. Apply sunscreen over the summer. You look great with tan skin now, but 30 years from now you will look older. It is idealized in the media, but people who tan frequently often get wrinkles or premature aging. The benefit appears tomorrow, but the risks appear later in life.

tograph themselves doing various assigned activities and earn as many possible points for their team.

"Everyone was home for spring break and there were a lot of fun ones like 'Turn Yourself into a Pokemon,'" Elequin said. "It was really cool seeing people come together from all quadrants of the world to really get into this game."

Although the club goes on random and exciting adventures, a crucial aspect is the excursions are Baylor appropriate and don't harm property, Elequin said.

San Angelo sophomore Isabeau Posey said club adventures like Flash Art Museums provide opportunities to be creative.

"The group creates a place to feel safe and have fun, to learn to be a kid again," she said. "It gives a way for people to be vulnerable in a positive way and that's how you really foster true kinship and make a family with people. Anyone can join TheWhatever, it's not clique-ish."

Waco freshman Annie Mathis, a member and graphic designer for the group, said another advantage of the group is its "come-and-go" nature.

"I would say just try it out and come to a meeting," Mathis said. "Even if they don't know what it is, it's just an experience you have to have. I can't really define it - if you don't like it you don't have to come again, but one of the most powerful things are the memories."



Members of The Whatever, an unchartered group on campus, display the group's hand symbol. The group is performing random acts of kindness this week in honor of its event, #ArkWeek2015.



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Minnesota men charged with trying to join Islamic militants

By AMY FORLITI
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ST. PAUL, Minn. — When Guled Ali Omar made up his mind to join the Islamic State group, authorities said, he wasn't easily deterred.

The Minnesota man emptied his bank accounts last May and planned to fly to Syria via San Diego, federal officials say, but his family confronted him and he set his plans aside. In November, officials say, he tried to board a flight in Minneapolis, but was stopped by the FBI.

Even while under investigation, authorities say, Omar and five other men kept trying to make their way to Syria, coming up with a plot to secure false passports.

Omar is among six Minnesota men of Somali descent charged with terrorism-related offenses in a criminal complaint unsealed Monday. They are the latest Westerners accused of traveling or attempting to travel to Syria to join the Islamic State group, which has carried out a host of attacks including beheading Americans.

Authorities described the men as friends in Minnesota's Somali community who recruited and inspired each other and met secretly to plan their travels. They are charged with conspiracy to provide material support and attempting to provide material support to a foreign terrorist organization.

"What is remarkable about this case is that nothing stopped these defendants from pursuing their goal," U.S. Attorney for Minnesota Andy Luger said Monday. "They never stopped plotting another way to get to Syria to join ISIL."

The Minneapolis area is home to the largest concentration of Somali immigrants in the U.S. Since 2007, more than 22 young Somali men have also traveled from Minnesota to Somalia to join the militant group al-Shabab, which is also listed by the U.S. State Department as fomenting terrorism. Authorities have said a handful of Minnesota residents have traveled to Syria to fight with militants in the past year, and at least one has died.

Al-Shabab gunmen carried out an attack on a university in Kenya on April 2 that left 148 people dead, most of them university students.

The Minnesota men charged on Monday were identified as Omar, 20; brothers Mohamed Abdihamid Farah, 21, and Adnan Abdihamid Farah, 19; Abdurahman Yasin Daud, 21; Zacharia Yusuf Abdurahman, 19; and Hanad Mustafe Musse, 19.

All six are of Somali descent. Daud is a permanent resident, and Guled is a naturalized citizen. The others were born in the U.S.

Luger said that in this case, there was no "master recruiter" in Minnesota's Somali community, but rather this group of family and friends engaged in "peer-to-peer" recruiting.



United States Attorney Andrew Luger, right, and FBI special agent Richard Thornton explain the criminal complaint Monday charging six Minnesota men with terrorism at a news conference in Minneapolis

They also helped each other with funding — taking money out of their own accounts or, in one case, trying to sell a car.

They had help from Abdi Nur, another friend who was successful in getting to Syria last May and had become a "de facto foreign fighter recruiter for those in Minnesota," Luger said.

"What this case shows is that the person radicalizing your son, your brother, your friend, may not be a stranger," Luger said. "It may be their best friend, right here in town."

He said Nur, who was charged late last year, had regular contact with the men in the group and served as a source of inspiration for those who wanted to follow his path.

All six were arrested Sunday. Adnan Farah, Abdurahman, Musse and Omar were arrested in Minneapolis. They entered no plea, as is standard, during an initial court appearance Monday and were ordered held pending detention hearings Thursday.

Mohamed Farah and Daud were arrested Sunday in San Diego and appeared in court there. They were also ordered held pending hearings Friday and are expected to be returned to Minnesota to face charges.

Minneapolis FBI Special Agent in Charge Richard Thornton said the pair had gone to San Diego to pick up fraudulent travel documents with the intent of going to Mexico, then on to Syria.

An FBI affidavit says they traveled with an-

other man who was cooperating with authorities. Luger said this man was once part of the conspiracy but changed his mind and began recording conversations.

Longtime community activist Omar Jamal, who is working with families, said many Somali community members believe the young men were entrapped.

Abdihamid Farah Yusuf, the father of brothers Adnan Farah and Mohamed Farah, said he doesn't believe his sons did what authorities allege.

Guled Omar's older brother, Ahmed Ali Omar, was among those who joined al-Shabab, leaving Minnesota in December 2007, according to the FBI affidavit. Ahmed Omar remains a fugitive. The court documents also say when agents went to Omar's house in November, another brother, Mohamed Ali Omar, threatened them. Mohamed Omar was convicted.

An FBI affidavit says Guled Omar had also tried to go to Somalia in 2012 to join al-Shabab.

Three of these newest defendants — Mohamed Farah, Abdurahman and Musse — were stopped at a New York City airport in November along with 19-year-old Hamza Ahmed, but they were not charged until now.

Ahmed was indicted on charges of lying to the FBI during a terrorism investigation, conspiring to provide material support to IS, and attempting to provide material support. He has pleaded not guilty.

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Brown opens eyes

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ATLANTA — Bobby Brown's lawyer issued a statement Monday saying the singer's daughter has "opened her eyes" nearly three months after being found unresponsive in a bathtub in her Georgia home.

Attorney Christopher Brown said he issued the statement to clarify comments the singer made during a concert over the weekend about his daughter's condition. The statement goes on to say that "there has been improvement" in her condition.

However, it also adds that Bobbi Kristina Brown is just now beginning rehabilitation "and the quality of her life will not be known for years to come."



Bobbi Kristina Brown

Bobbi Kristina Brown is the only child of Bobby

Brown and the late Whitney Houston.

Houston was found face-down and unresponsive in about a foot of water in a bathtub in a Beverly Hills hotel room Feb. 11, 2012, just before the Grammys. She later died, and authorities concluded she had accidentally drowned. Investigators found a dozen prescription-drug bottles in the suite and listed heart disease and cocaine use as contributors to her death.

On Saturday night, an emotional Bobby Brown told concertgoers that Bobbi Kristina was "awake" and "she is watching me."

Bobby Brown's wife, Alicia Etheredge-Brown, added in the statement that during the concert, Brown "made an attempt to correct the negative comments he must endure on a daily basis from both family and the public regarding his daughter's medical condition."

"He is encouraged by the steps that Bobbi Kristina has made since her hospitalization on January 31, 2015," Etheredge-Brown said. "She has made it out of ICU, opened her eyes, and started a rehabilitation that will be long and hard."



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The annual Project Greenway, put on by Uproar Records, is a collaboration of Baylor music artists and "green" fashion design. The event will be from 6 – 7 p.m. Wednesday at Common Grounds, and will feature live music and a fashion show with clothing made completely out of recycled materials.

Students strut for green cause

BY ALLIE MATHERNE
REPORTER

One man's trash is another man's treasure—well, runway outfit.

Uproar Records, Baylor's student-run record label, is combining fashion and sustainability with its event, Project Greenway. This free event will include performances from Uproar artists Luke Hicks and Trannie Stevens, as well as a fashion show of "green" outfits.

The show is on Wednesday evening at Common Grounds.

"This year we're rebuilding and trying to amp up the project," said Nashville sophomore Libby Billington. "We want to create an event that everyone's friends want to watch."

Billington, one of the project managers, said a free iPad and cash prizes will be given to winners.

Dallas sophomore Erin Endress, one of the designers, said she began sketching for this event in February. She said this event is the perfect way to integrate her love for both fashion and sustainability. Endress' design consists completely of duct tape.

"Well, I've always made things out of old stuff—when I was in middle school I made a bird house out of old cans," Endress said.

The event revolves around promoting both Uproar Records and sustainability on a large scale, Billington said.

"Uproar wanted to connect more on campus and blend the green initiative with this cool event," Billington said.

In trying to get the word out about sustainability, it is important to meet students where they are and assimilate into their daily lives, said Smith Getterman, Baylor's assistant director of sustainability.

Billington said the event's message of sustainability is based on a responsibility to uphold the university's green initiatives.

"The goal is to raise awareness for Baylor's sustainable mission," Billington said. "As a believer I find it so important to take care of God's creation. How can we say we're grateful for it if we don't take care of it?"

Getterman said he agrees.

"Project Greenway is great because it's a unique event and an innovative way of bringing the message of caring for God's creation to our community," said Smith Getterman, assistant director of sustainability.

Billington said the show's designers have been working extremely hard on their final products.

"We're excited to see all the hard work come to fruition," Billington said.

Project Greenway

6 – 7 p.m. Wednesday
Common Grounds

Free event

It isn't rocket science with thesis comic

BY DANA FERGUSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MADISON, Wis. — Late last spring, a doctoral student worked late into the night. As she doodled, her chemistry thesis took on a life of its own, transforming into a comic book.

Veronica Berns, 28, was working on her Ph. D. in chemistry at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. Berns said she long struggled to explain her work to her parents and friends. The self-described comic book fan said she began drafting her thesis on quasicrystals — a subset of crystals that diverge from the usual structural characteristics of crystals. Berns quickly conclud-

ed that she would be best able to describe the oddball compounds with illustrations.

"They're not very well-polished illustrations. That's on purpose," Berns said. "I wanted it to be like I'm explaining on the back of an envelope."

And on many occasions, it was on the back of an envelope or on a napkin that she doodled sketches of the chemical bonds to better show her parents what she was working on in the lab.

Jody Berns, Veronica's mother, said their family has a history of doodling and has shared comics for years.

Berns surprised her family with her comic book "Atomic Size Matters" at her graduation last year. The book depicts car-

toons of Berns wearing various costumes and uses humor as well as simple comparisons to describe elaborate chemistry.

"We're just really proud that she can take something so complex and put it into a fun visual explanation that everyone can enjoy," Jody Berns said.

Veronica Berns' professor Danny Fredrickson said Berns was the first of his students to construct her thesis in an artistic way. He said often it is difficult for scientists to explain what they do with proper context.

"If it's worth doing, we should be able to explain it," Fredrickson said.

And he said Berns managed to accomplish that.

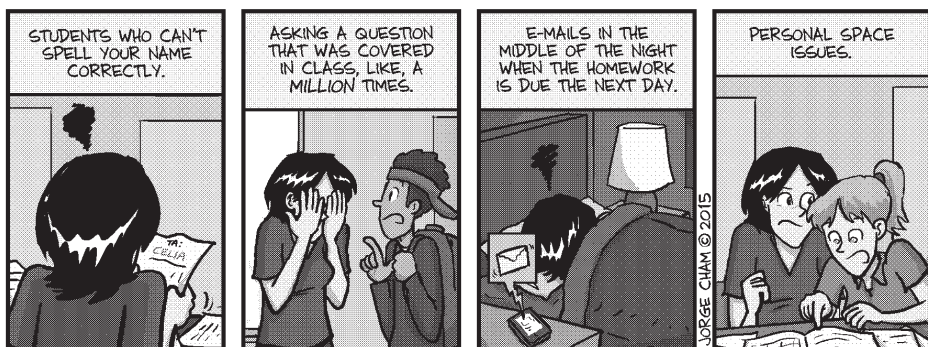


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Veronica Berns authored the comic book "Atomic Size Matters." She created the book to explain her doctoral chemistry thesis to her family.

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DAILY PUZZLES

Answers at www.baylorlariat.com

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- 1 Hackneyed
- 6 Work out ahead of time
- 10 Lily of France garment
- 13 Prepared potatoes, as for hash browns
- 14 Boxcar hopper
- 15 Campus courtyard
- 16 Unnamed news supplier
- 19 ID theft target
- 20 Used a bench
- 21 Injector for severe allergic reactions
- 22 Slice opposite, in golf
- 24 Snappy dresser
- 26 Actress Aniston, in tabloids
- 27 Automatic setting for highway driving
- 33 Nabokov nymphet
- 35 Cold draft server
- 36 Weed whacker
- 37 Wipe off the board
- 38 Tidal retreat
- 39 Take control of
- 41 Rm. coolers
- 42 Lao Tzu's "path"
- 43 Puts a gloss on, as shoes
- 44 Christmas display
- 48 Country singer McGraw
- 49 Jamaican music
- 50 Annual spelling bee airer
- 53 Understood by only a few
- 56 Portfolio part, briefly
- 58 Exceedingly
- 59 Conforms, or what each last word of 16-, 27- and 44-Across literally does
- 63 Seatback airline feature
- 64 Otherworldly glow
- 65 Actress Zellweger
- 66 "The Fountainhead" author Rand
- 67 Blue books?
- 68 Pretty pitchers

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- 1 Dumpster fill
- 2 Classic Unilever laundry soap
- 3 Religious rebel
- 4 Bowling pin count
- 5 Frozen custard brand
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- 8 Crunched muscles
- 9 Bit of cosmetic surgery
- 10 Dinner table faux pas
- 11 Kentucky Derby, e.g.
- 12 Yemen's Gulf of
- 15 One of five in a maternity ward delivery
- 17 Criminal group
- 18 Ready for business
- 23 Singer Kristofferson
- 25 Auto parts chain
- 28 Sport—: off-road vehicle
- 29 Chicago ballplayer
- 30 Fake diamond
- 31 Move like honey
- 32 Dregs
- 33 Low in fat
- 34 Aquatic predator

- 38 Grab a bite
- 39 "___ Loves You": Beatles
- 40 One, in Dresden
- 42 "Used to be ..."
- 43 Frighten
- 45 Sicily's country
- 46 Sicily's wine
- 47 Headgear on the slopes
- 51 Strength
- 52 Botanical connecting points
- 53 Mennen lotion
- 54 One of the Gilmore girls
- 55 Killed family
- 57 Land measure
- 60 Total amount
- 61 Capote nickname
- 62 Opposite of fast fwd.



No. 8 Baylor women's tennis throws a Sic 'Em on the court after winning its ninth Big 12 Championship in the last 10 years at the Hurd Tennis Center on Sunday.



No. 2 Baylor men's tennis poses after capturing its 12th Big 12 Championship trophy in the past 14 seasons after a dominating 4-1 win against No. 16 Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Back-to-back-to-back

Both Baylor tennis teams win Big 12 for third straight year

By CODY SOTO
SPORTS WRITER

WOMEN'S TENNIS

No. 8 Baylor women's tennis claimed an outright Big 12 championship after sweeping unranked Kansas State and No. 72 Kansas 4-0 last weekend at the Hurd Tennis Center. The Lady Bears were tied with Texas Tech for the top spot, but were able to take sole possession of the crown after the Red Raiders' loss to TCU on Saturday.

The Lady Bears (22-6, 8-1 Big 12) blew past the Wildcats in doubles play when junior Rachael James-Baker and freshman Theresa Van Zyl won 6-3 at the No. 3 spot. Freshmen Leolia JeanJean and Kelley Anderson clinched the doubles point with a 6-2 win on court one for the Bears.

Senior Ema Burgic was resting, so sophomore Blair Shankle took over at the top of the lineup. She defeated KSU's Carolina Costamagna 6-3, 6-3 for the match-clinching point and the outright title. Anderson and Van Zyl also won their respective singles matches for the 4-0

shutout on Sunday.

"It is a challenge to win the Big 12 every year," head coach Joey Scrivano said. "I am thankful that this team has been really coachable and that has made this year really enjoyable."

On Friday, the Lady Bears battled the Kansas Jayhawks both at the Hurd Tennis Center and the Hawkins Indoor Tennis Center after rain forced the match inside for singles play. Before the delay, Shankle and junior Kiah Generette blanked Kansas' Maria Jose Cardona and Alexis Zsapinski 6-0 at the bottom of the lineup. Quickly after that, JeanJean and freshman Kely Putri claimed a 6-2 win on court two to give Baylor the doubles point.

After the match was moved indoors, Van Zyl made quick work of her opponent as she blew past Lauren Pickens to win 6-1, 6-0 for the quick 2-0 Baylor lead. No. 104 JeanJean followed suit with a 6-1, 6-0

win at the No. 4 spot, and Shankle delivered the final point with a hard earned 6-2, 6-3 win on court three.

With a team consisting of mostly underclassmen, the Lady Bears were able to capture their 11th regular season title and ninth out of the last 10 years.

"Anytime we get a newcomer on the team, I want them to hold that trophy and experience success, especially team success," Scrivano said. "In tennis, it is all a little too individual and this is an opportunity for them to experience how hard it is for them to win as a team, so I'm really proud of them. The freshmen have come a long way."

No. 1-seed Baylor hosts the Big 12 Championships this weekend. The Lady Bears face the winner of No. 8-seed Iowa State and No. 9-seed Kansas State at 3 p.m. on Friday at the Hurd Tennis Center. If Baylor advances, the semifinals and finals will be played Saturday and Sunday.

By CODY SOTO
SPORTS WRITER

MEN'S TENNIS

The second-ranked Bears topped No. 16 Texas Tech 4-1 on Saturday night in Lubbock to claim a share of the championship title with top-ranked Oklahoma. The Bears won their 13th Big 12 regular season title with the win, their 12th trophy in the last 14 years.

Baylor (20-4, 4-1 Big 12) lost to the Sooners 4-3 on April 10 in Waco, and it seemed as though a Big 12 trophy was out of the question. However, two days later, Oklahoma dropped a 4-3 decision to the Red Raiders in Lubbock and gave Baylor another chance at finishing conference play with a title.

"I'm happy for the team," head coach Matt Knoll said. "They've worked so hard so far this year, and they did a great job of coming through in a tough environment today. I'm really proud of them."

On Saturday, Baylor extended

its impressive doubles record to 22-1 as the Bears swept courts one through three to start the match. The No. 25-ranked duo of junior Julian Lenz and senior Diego Galeano upset No. 16 Felipe Soares and Hugo Dojas 6-4 at the top.

Knoll switched up the normal lineup against the Red Raiders, and senior Tony Lupieri sat out during singles action. No. 67 sophomore Max Tchoutakian moved up to the No. 2 spot, followed by Galeano at the No. 3 spot.

Rios trampled over Francisco Zambon on court five and pulled away for a 6-1, 6-2 win for the first singles point of the night. No. 112 senior Mate Zsiga earned his 102nd singles career win as he upset No. 106 Jolan Cailleau 6-1, 6-2 on court four, and he put Baylor on the brink of another title.

Texas Tech got its lone point of the night when Connor Curry

topped Schneider 6-3, 6-2 at the bottom the lineup. Schneider had not played a singles match since March 29, and he's lost three out of his last four matches. Second-ranked Lenz exerted his dominance on court one as he took a 6-4, 6-4 win over No. 33 Soares to claim the 4-1 victory.

"I think we grew us a team today, and I thought the team really got a lot out of it today," Knoll said. "It's one of those days where you don't walk out there expecting to play your best tennis, but you just want to be competitive and gritty."

Baylor returns home to host the Big 12 Championships this weekend at the Hurd Tennis Center. The No. 2-seed Bears face the winner of No. 3-seed TCU and No. 6-seed Oklahoma State at noon on Saturday. If the team wins, Baylor will play in the championship match at noon on Sunday.

Track wins nine titles in home meet

By JEFFREY SWINDOLL
SPORTS WRITER

The weather cut the party short, but Baylor track and field claimed nine titles at the 2015 Michael Johnson Classic on Saturday at Clyde Hart Track & Field Stadium before officials canceled the end of the meet.

With 2,655 fans packing the stands at the first MJC hosted at Clyde Hart, it was an entertaining event before inclement weather ruined the fun. Despite the weather issues, Michael Johnson was there.

"It's always fun to come back," the former Baylor sprinter and four-time Olympic gold medalist Johnson said. "Certainly, this year, it's special with the new facility. The new stadium is just phenomenal. I keep pinching myself going, 'Is this really a Baylor

track?"

Sophomore Brandon Moore and Junior Olicia Williams helped Baylor sweep the 800-meter event on the men and women's side. Williams blew away Baylor's eight-year school-record (Nicole Jones, 2:04.69, 2007) in the 800-meter with a time of 2:03.32, good enough for third best in the NCAA. Moore earned a personal best time of 1:48.53.

Senior long-distance runner Rachel Johnson dominated in the 3,000-meter steeplechase. Johnson finished nearly 48 seconds ahead of the competition.

Baylor also swept the 110-meter hurdles on the men and women's side after senior Tiffani McReynolds and junior Bryce Grace thrilled the home crowd with their performances. McReynolds beat her competition by

.26 and finished with 12.93 seconds.

"I feel like I was able to push out of the blocks and go ahead and get a head start over hurdle number one," McReynolds said. "From there I just carried and built my momentum."

Junior Bryce Grace surpassed his personal record this season with a 13.70 time on Saturday, ranking him at seventh in the NCAA this year.

"I knew once I got out [at the beginning of the race], I looked into the crowd and everybody was just silent, and that's when my heart started beating fast," Grace said. "It shocked me because I don't usually get out in front. I started picking up speed and I knew once I had a gap, all I had to do was stay clean."

Sophomore Cion Hicks nearly claimed the shot-put and the discus titles on Saturday. Hicks threw a per-

sonal best 16.69-meter throw in the shot-put, winning the event.

Sophomore sprinter Trayvon Bromell continued his winning ways in the 100-meter race. Bromell ran a 10.02, tying the fourth-best time in school history.

"While I feel like I could've set it up at the start a little better, I was happy come out with a time and a win," Bromell said.

Sophomore George Caddick claimed the 400-meter title with a personal best time of 46.10 seconds.

Junior Brianna Richardson had already claimed her title in the women's triple-jump before sophomore Felix Obi was unable to finish his event. Obi, last year's triple-jump national champion, was leading the competition before it was stopped with 15.64-meter jump.



Juniors Bryce Grace and Felix Obi compete head to head in the 100-meter dash preliminary round. Teammate Trayvon Bromell won the event.

Equestrian falls in national semis

By JEFFREY SWINDOLL
SPORTS WRITER

Baylor equestrian's chance at its second national championship were nixed Saturday after the three-seed South Carolina Gamecocks thwarted Baylor 10-6 in semifinals of the NCEA national championship at the Extraco Events Center in Waco.

"All good things must come to an end," head coach Ellen White said. "They rode well. Our western riders just made mistakes and they finally caught up to them, and [South Carolina] didn't make those mistakes. At the end of the day, close doesn't count. We have to bring it all the way, and that just didn't happen. We were good, but we just weren't good enough."

Baylor fell behind for its second-straight meet, but managed to keep it close enough for a final event with the match win still on the table. South Carolina led 8-6

in the last event and needed only two points to secure a spot in the championship meet. The Gamecocks wasted no time, winning the first two points of the event, and sealing the meet two heats early. South Carolina went on the defeat one-seed Georgia 10-6 to win the national championship on Sunday.

After barely edging out Big 12 rival Oklahoma State in a last gasp 8-8 effort on Thursday's quarter-final, decided by a tiebreaker, the Bears had some concerns going into the semifinal against USC.

"[The meet against Oklahoma State] was a nail biter, and I'm so glad we pulled that out," White said. "The fact that we did it against a strong Western team is pretty phenomenal. We definitely dug ourselves in a hole, we needed every point to make it happen."

The Bears found themselves down 6-2 at the halfway point of the OSU meet. Baylor scratched out two points, but Oklahoma

State extended its lead to four once again. Down 8-4, Baylor needed to score all four remaining points in horsemanship to have even a shot at winning the meet. Senior Gillian Chant, sophomore Lacy Watson, senior Parris Rice and junior Mary Brown claimed the four points Baylor needed in succession.

Against South Carolina, the Bears put themselves in a similar situation to the one against Oklahoma State. Only this time, the Bears were pitted against a much stronger team in South Carolina.

"They've had a rough year of trial and testing, so now they're ready for next year. We've got some great freshmen coming in, but unfortunately, we're losing some wonderful seniors," White said. "It's a phenomenal group of seniors and a great group of leadership. But I feel like they have set the bar for our juniors to step up and be leaders too. I'm ready to challenge them to do that and move up to the plate."

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