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WINNING TEAM Baylor Interdisciplinary Core held an award ceremony on Wednesday, awarding \$1,000 to the World Hunger Relief a nonprofit organization. Social World II students were divided into groups and were given a nonprofit to represent. The winning group from left to right included Sugarland sophomore Mitchell Allen, Chiang Mai, Thailand sophomore Caleb Huff, Corinth sophomore Dennis Knowles and Silsbee sophomore Phoebe Suy (not pictured).

## **Earning for Charity**

## Philanthropy project team receives \$1,000 for World Hunger Relief

**KALLI DAMSCHEN** 

Reporter

Four Baylor Interdisciplinary Core students won \$1,000 for World Hunger Relief through the BIC Social World Philanthropy Project Wednesday.

Phoebe Suy, Mitchell Allen, Caleb Huff and Dennis Knowles wrote a mock grant request on behalf of World Hunger Relief as part of the BIC Social World Philanthropy Project. This project was an extra credit opportunity in sophomore-level course Social World II for BIC students within the Honors College. Social World II explores the idea of contemporary social justice in areas such as economic inequality, social forces and public values.

"They learn social theory, like how a society runs and what are some different theories about the best way that society can run," said Dr. Candi Cann, one of the Social World II professors in the BIC. "In the second component of the course, we apply those theories in social justice, so we look at how those theories might apply, for example, in problems of race or problems of class or problems of gender."

Although Social World II is a preexisting course, BIC program coordinator Adam Moore said this is the first time the philanthropy project has been offered with the class, and the first time any class has done something quite like this.

"Baylor is wanting to allow more opportunities for students to engage with questions of philanthropy and nonprofit work and giving, throughout the university," Moore said.

BIC students in Social World II who wanted to participate in the BIC Social World Philanthropy Project applied by writing a brief essay. Moore said that out of roughly 160 students in Social World II, about 30 applied for the project and 12 students were selected.

"We asked the students to commit to 20 hours for this additional experience within the course, and they are getting some extra credit for that commitment," Moore said.

Roughly half of the 20 hours students spent on the project was spent in class discussions, while the other half was dedicated to researching a local nonprofit and writing a mock grant request on the organization's behalf.

Students participating in the project were divided into three groups of four. The three nonprofits researched were World Hunger Relief, Family Abuse Center and Communities in Schools.

"A lot of Baylor students do servicelearning projects and they do a lot of volunteering, but they don't necessarily get the hands-on top-down training, and that was what was really different about this program," Cann said.

Cann and Moore were two of the faculty involved with the project who were responsible for selecting the winning proposal. The other two faculty members involved were Dr. Charles McDaniel and Dr. Emily Glass.

The students' winning grant won \$1,000 from the Baylor Philanthropy and Public Service Program for World Hunger Relief.

"I was pleasantly surprised, because I know all the groups have put in a lot of work and effort, and I feel like we all had a really level playing field," said Sillsbee sophomore Phoebe Suy. "Everyone was really deserving of it."

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## Starr appoints Jones as provost

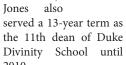
**LIESJE POWERS** 

Staff Writer

Baylor University President and Chancellor Ken Starr announced the appointment of L. Gregory Jones as executive vice president provost Wednesday.

Jones is currently the senior strategist for leadership and education at Duke University and the Ruth W. and A. Morris Williams Jr.

Professor of Theology n d Christian Ministry. He is a graduate of the University of Denver and ceived his doctorate from Duke University.



Jones was a contender in the previous provost search, and had been selected as one of the reconvened after the January resignation of Edwin Trevathan, professor of Psychology and Neuroscience in the College of Arts and Sciences, who served for just eight months.

Following a series of interviews and the presenting of Jones to members of Baylor government and staff, he was unanimously recommended to Starr for his position.

Starr expressed confidence in decision of the search committee and the abilities of the new executive vice president and provost.

"Dr. Greg Jones is a prolific and distinguished scholar much admired in American higher education for visionary leadership, creativity and wisdom. His diverse experiences at a leadership level at Duke University provide

him exceptional insight into the challenges facing higher education, and we are delighted he will bring his extraordinary gifts strategic and collaborative leadership

and clear commitment to Pro

Futuris to Baylor University and its academic enterprise," Starr said in an official press release.

In an effort to better understand and serve the finalists. The committee people he is joining at Baylor, Jones' first goal is to listen.

"I think the first task to come into a place is to really listen and learn as much as you can of what the culture is and what people are hoping Baylor might become and what drove people to Baylor in the first place," Jones

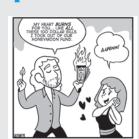
Jones was drawn to Baylor partially by the ProFuturis and holds it highly in regard to his new position.

"It will be a guiding star for me," Jones said.

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## Waco woman robbed, slashed

**KALYN STORY** 

Staff Writer

The Waco Police Department reported that a 19-year-old woman was robbed and slashed with a box cutter Wednesday afternoon at the Valero gas station on 17th Street and

Waco police Sgt. Patrick Swanton said the police determined that the woman was sitting in her car in the parking lot when a man pulled her out of her car and demanded money from

When she refused, the man pulled out a box cutter and slashed her in the abdomen. The woman dropped her money, which the man grabbed and

ran away with.

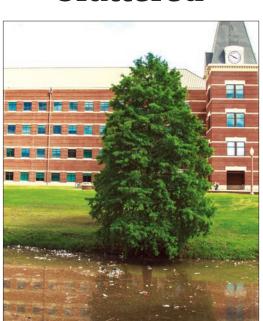
Swanton described the man as, "a Hispanic male in his late '50s, approximately 5'9, thin build with a mustache and wearing a white T-shirt, blue jeans and black tennis shoes."

After the attack, the woman went to work. Though after showing her supervisor the wound, the woman went to an emergency care clinic and police were notified of the incident.

A man who identified himself as a manager of the Valero said the store tapes show no incident occurring at the time of the reported assault. The manager explained that they have a total of 13 cameras, three of which cover the entire parking lot area.

The police are asking any witnesses to contact them with information.

#### **Cluttered**



Penenlope Shirey | Lariat Photographer Due to recent storms, debris deposits in the Brazos River shift downstream on Wednesday in front of the Baylor

Sciences Building.

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COLUMN

### Words are powerful, use them with consideration

**KARYN SIMPSON** 

Copy Editor

George Orwell, in his book "1984," wrote, "If thought corrupts language, language can also corrupt thought."

Language is spectacular. As a writer, I have

long adored analyzing semantics, playing with words, placing them in various contexts and watching their meanings change. The idea that adding or subtracting a single word from a phrase could change the meaning of the whole sentence fascinates me.



It was not until recently, however, that I realized the true extent of the effects that words, or the lack thereof, could

have on people and their mental health.

Even at a young age, I understood the power that words could carry and the necessity of choosing them carefully in order to avoid offending or hurting someone. On a base level, elementaryaged me realized that when I called my brother annoying, it could hurt his feelings, or when I spoke rudely to adults, they felt disrespected.

Now, as a quasi-adult, I am aware that words are infinitely more powerful than that. They have the power to instigate change, to incite revolution or facilitate peace. They are capable of altering someone's perception of themselves, our perceptions of ourselves.

More and more, I am becoming aware of how necessary it is to choose our words with care not only when speaking to others, but also when describing ourselves.

Lera Boroditsky, in "How Language Shapes

Thought," an article published in the 2011 Scientific American journal, writes, "Studies have shown that changing how people talk changes how they think. Teaching people new color words, for instance,

changes their ability to discriminate colors. And

teaching people a new way of talking about time

gives them a new way of thinking about it."

I understand this to mean that changing the way we use our words when speaking about sensitive subjects such as body image, intelligence or mental disabilities not only changes the way we think, but also expands our thinking regarding the concepts. Adjusting our word choice could alter our perception of usually stigmatized topics.

For example, the difference between saying, "I am stupid" and "I sometimes do stupid things," or "I am fat" and "I have fat," is marginal, but this slight alteration in word choice from absolute to conditional statements completely changes the sentence and the meaning behind it. It shifts the weight from self-deprecation to self-improvement; it gives options for change instead of stating a concrete definition.

We live in a society that honors the humble and tends to glorify self-deprecation. Personally, I find myself using absolutes as a matter of fact — and I have seen first-hand how word choice begins to

Changing our words changes the way we think, the way we view ourselves and others. Because of this, I believe that as a society, we need to be more careful in the words we use. I'm not arguing that we should sugar-coat the truth or curb criticism, but semantics matter.

Language is powerful — it can both corrupt and restore. If we choose our words with care, we can hope to do more of the latter, less of the former.

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#### **COLUMN**

### Give Central Texas a try, visit Waco's surrounding towns

**HUNTER HEWELL** 

Attending Baylor University, much like attending any university, is a formative time in a young adult's life. A large piece of that time is learning to live in a new, unfamiliar place. Learning to navigate Waco, getting acclimated to campus and finding a routine in a new place is all a valuable part of the college

experience. However, as much as learning to live in Waco is important, learning to leave Waco is crucial as well. As you grow to call Waco home, it is important to spread your wings and explore beyond the "Baylor Bubble". Whether it is



traveling abroad or taking a weekend trip to the coast with your friends, leaving Waco from time to

time is important for several reasons. College is a time when students are continually learning new ideas and methods of thinking. Occasionally, so much new material is learned at once that it can be hard to find a way to process or apply this information to every day life. However, leaving Waco can allow you to reflect on what you are learning, in a different environment. During travel to new and old places, you encounter different concepts and scenarios that allow you to think about what you have learned outside the classroom setting.

Another reason that leaving Waco is important is that it helps you form bonds with friends involving experiences beyond Baylor. Cheering at Baylor sporting events, attending the Homecoming Parade and making midnight trips to Taco Z's with your friends are all important ways in which students bond in Waco. However, traveling outside of Waco with your college peers can help create memories that go beyond the university. It takes you and your friends away from your common ground, so that you all are forced to enter completely new situations together, in turn forcing you to make unforgettable memories.

Lastly, traveling outside of Waco is important for the most obvious of reasons: it can give you a break from the hectic and demanding schedule that college can put on us all.

As a member of the Baylor Riding Association, I take part in a bi-annual trail ride in Valley Mills. Each semester we, as a club, go to C-Bar Ranch and help the owner host and manage the trail ride. Although it is only 35 minutes away from Waco, we get to camp out for a whole weekend away from the hustle and bustle of the city. While we help with the chores around the ranch, we mostly just hang out, eat, and ride horses. Despite being a busy weekend, trail rides always ends up being a refreshing time away from Waco.

Trips like these allow students to take a small mental break away from tests and deadlines. This gives students an opportunity to make memories with their friends that involve experiences completely unrelated to school, which can be refreshing when school consumes your every day

Going to Baylor and living in Waco are both experiences unique to themselves. Each provides young adults with the opportunity to learn, grow and challenge themselves. Together, they help form lasting relationships and experiences that students carry with them forever. However, in order to take full advantage of living in Waco, from time to time,

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**EDITORIAL** 



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## **Carats vs Caring**

#### Price of ring should not be used as love measurement

When asked the question how much should someone spend on an engagement ring, many people might already have a preconceived price tag. Some believe the special number is somewhere around \$5,000. Others might be bargain shoppers and find a ring for a few hundred dollars without breaking the bank.

Meanwhile, there are some who have a standard in mind when it comes to the amount someone should spend on an engagement ring. Maybe parents or older

generations have influenced this decision.

According to the most recent data from a 2013 report by Jewelers of America, couples spent an average of \$4,000 on an engagement ring in 2012.

For a Baylor student, this may seem like quite a bit of cash when thinking about groceries, rent, Greek life events and the numerous other things that cost money to do these

Approximately 90 percent of Baylor undergraduate students receive student financial assistance, according to Baylor's Institutional Research and Testing Therefore, many Baylor students are obviously in need of money to even finish school, let alone, go out and search for a ring that is worth several grand.

Nearly four out of five students across the United States — including those in high school, community college, online college or traditional university — work while in school, a survey by Citigroup and Seventeen magazine found. The average working student put in 19 hours a week during the school year. While some of this money may have gone into savings, but it is likely that the average working student is expending effort to pay for rent and

For many Baylor students, Ring By Spring is an obvious time of the year to propose. The problem is many might be trapped between time and cost. For students that try to plan ahead and pay off future student debt, some have to take out loans from their parents in order to pay for the "standard cost" of an engagement

So, here is a solution.

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Anyone who is looking to get engaged should do what they are capable of doing. There is no right or wrong answer here, there is only what is affordable, what is liked and what works for both purchaser and partner.

again couples seem to be under the stress of a ring and forget the whole beauty of the engagement altogether. A proposal should be exciting from the

Time and time

aspect of looking forward to spending life together, not from the amount of bling.

There should not be a stigma that if your partner loves you enough he or she will spend more on you. Some people are just not financially stable enough to make that happen.

Many individuals, if capable, would spend everything they had on the person they love, even if it was just to make them

When it comes to the ring, ultimately, there should not be a question of how much someone loves you. Someone wouldn't waste the time, money or effort to go through an engagement if they didn't care about you.

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## **Officials** charged in Flint water crisis

#### MIKE HOUSEHOLDER **AND ED WHITE**

**Associated Press** 

FLINT, Mich. — The Flint water crisis became a criminal case Wednesday when two state regulators and a city employee were charged with official misconduct, evidencetampering and other offenses over the lead contamination that alarmed the country and brought cries of racism.

"This is a road back to restoring faith and confidence in all Michigan families in their government," state Attorney General Bill Schuette said in announcing the first charges to come out of the disaster, blamed on a series of bad decisions by bureaucrats and political leaders.

He warned there will be more charges — "That I can guarantee" — and added: "No one is off the table."

For nearly 18 months, the poor, majority-black city of 100,000 used the Flint River for tap water as a way to save money — a decision made by a state-appointed emergency manager — while a new pipeline was under construction. But the water wasn't treated to control corrosion. The result: Lead was released from aging pipes and fixtures as water flowed into homes and businesses.

Gov. Rick Snyder didn't acknowledge the problem until last fall, when tests revealed high levels of lead in children, in whom the heavy metal can cause low IQs and behavioral problems.

Michael Prysby, a former district engineer with the state Department of Environmental Quality, and Stephen Busch, a supervisor in the department's drinking water office, were charged with misconduct, conspiracy, tampering with test results and misdemeanor violations of clean-water law. The felonies carry maximum penalties of four to five years in prison.

Among other things, they were accused of failing to order anticorrosion chemicals added to the water to coat the pipes and prevent them from releasing lead.

Flint utilities administrator Michael Glasgow, who oversaw day-to-day operations at the city's water plant at the time, also was charged Wednesday with tampering with evidence for allegedly falsifying test results and with willful neglect of duty.

Busch and Prysby pleaded not guilty and were released on bail. Both were suspended without pay. Their attorneys did not immediately return calls seeking comment.

Glasgow was also placed on leave and awaited a court appearance. A telephone number for him could not be found, and it wasn't known whether he had a lawyer.

The crisis — and the state's slow and dismissive response to complaints about the water from experts and residents led to allegations of environmental racism, became an issue in the presidential race during Michigan's Democratic primary in March, and sent other U.S. cities rushing to test their water, particularly in older neighborhoods with lead

"They failed Michigan families. Indeed, they failed us all," Schuette said of the men charged. "I don't care where you live."

The governor filled a few jugs of filtered Flint tap water this week and pledged to drink

it for 30 days to show it's safe. "It's a good first step, but it's a small step," Flint resident Melissa Mays said of the

criminal charges.



**NEW TRADITIONS** This image provided by the Library of Congress shows Harriet Tubman, between 1860 and 1875. A Treasury official said Wednesday that Secretary Jacob Lew has decided to put Tubman on the \$20 bill, making her the first woman on U.S. paper currency in 100 years.

## U.S. currency gets new female portrait

**Associated Press** 

WASHINGTON — Harriet Tubman, an African-American abolitionist who was born a slave, will stand with George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and Benjamin Franklin among the iconic faces of U.S. currency.

The \$20 bill will be redesigned with Tubman's portrait on the front, marking two historic milestones, Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew announced Wednesday. Tubman will become the first African-American on U.S. paper money and the first woman to be depicted on currency in 100 years.

The leader of the Underground Railroad will replace the portrait of Andrew Jackson, the nation's seventh president and a slave owner, who will be pushed to the back of the bill.

Lew also settled a backlash that had erupted after he had announced an initial plan to remove Alexander Hamilton, the nation's first Treasury secretary, from the \$10 bill in order to honor a woman on the

Hamilton will remain on the \$10 note, Lew said. Instead, the Treasury building on the back of the bill will be changed to commemorate a 1913 march that ended on the steps of the Treasury building that featured suffragette leaders Lucretia Mott, Sojourner Truth, Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Alice Paul.

# What's : Happening Campus?

Hang out with your friends and get connected by attending these fun and free\* events

\*Unless otherwise noted



#### Thursday, April 21 | Campus Kitchen Garden Shift

1 p.m. Volunteer at the Baylor Community Garden, located at 9th and James, with the Baylor Campus Kitchen. Water, harvest, plant and prune vegetables that will be used to make meals for individuals in need at Mission Waco, the Family Abuse Center and Salvation Army.



#### Thursday, April 21 | Fiesta

6 p.m. Join the Hispanic Student Association for an evening of celebrating Hispanic heritage and culture with street tacos, paletas and aquas frescas on Fountain Mall.



#### Thursday, Friday & Saturday, April 21 - 23 **Free Bowling Weekend**

8 p.m. Enjoy free bowling and billiards in the basement of the Bill Daniel Student Center until close.



#### Friday & Saturday, April 22 & 23 | Baylor Salsa Invasion

All day. Join the Baylor Latin Dance Society at Calvery Chapel Waco for Salsa lessons and performances by professionals and Baylor students. For more information, visit baylor.edu/baylorconnect.



#### Friday & Saturday, April 22 & 23 Free Movie at the Hippodrome

All day. Enjoy Star Wars: Episode VII - The Force Awakens free with your Baylor student ID. Snack packs, which include popcorn, candy and a drink, will be available for \$5. View showtimes at wacohippodrometheatre.com.



#### Friday & Saturday, April 22 & 23 | Baylor Softball

6:30 p.m. Friday and 5 p.m. Saturday. Support Baylor Softball as they take on Kansas at Getterman Softball Stadium.



#### Monday, April 25 | Black Glasses Film Festival

**7-10 p.m.** View the best student work in filmmaking and screenwriting at this annual festival sponsored by Baylor Film & Digital Media. This year's event returns to the Hippodrome Theatre, and students can enjoy the showcase for a reduced price of \$3.



STUDENT ACTIVITIES

## Nebraska allows state licenses for immigrants

**GRANT SCHULTE** 

**Associated Press** 

LINCOLN, Neb. - Nebraska will allow thousands of immigrants brought to the U.S. illegally as children to work in at least 170 professions that require state licenses including health care and education after lawmakers overrode conservative Republican Gov. Pete Ricketts' veto of the measure on Wednesday.

Senators took the vote on the last day of their legislative session, five days after Ricketts called it unfair to immigrants who followed the legal pathway to citizenship. Young immigrants and other supporters erupted in applause from the gallery of the chamber following the 31-13 vote.

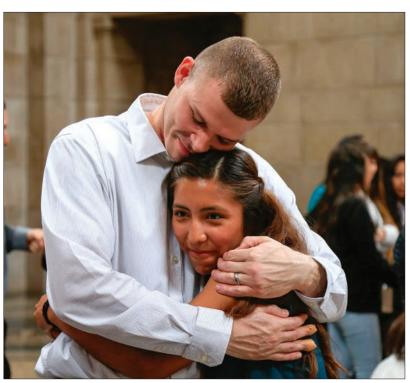
The new law applies to immigrants who received lawful status under President Barack Obama's executive action in 2012 that allowed them to stay. Nebraska had nearly 5,200 youths who qualified as of December, according to the latest data from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

Supporters touted the Nebraska plan as a way to fill jobs in a state with an unemployment rate of only 3 percent and a skilled worker shortage in fields such as manufacturing and nursing. Ricketts referred to the proposal as an "amnesty bill" and tried to pressure lawmakers with press conferences, open letters and personal phone calls to senators.

The bill's sponsor, Democratic Sen. Heath Mello of Omaha, said the law's intent is to keep educated youth in Nebraska so they can contribute to the economy.

The bill divided Republican lawmakers, pitting staunch opponents of illegal immigration against those who cast it as a business opportunity.

"To me, it's baffling that we would not support these young people," said Republican Sen. Kathy Campbell.



Associated Press

LAWMAKER OVERRIDE Helen Estanislao and Antonio Perez celebrate on outside the Legislative Chamber on Wednesday at the State Capitol in Lincoln, Neb., after Nebraska lawmakers overrode Gov. Pete Ricketts veto of a bill that would allow certain immigrants to get professional licenses.

Republican Sen. Les Seiler said he came to support the bill after learning that some immigrant youths in Omaha were getting educated in Omaha and taking their skills to Iowa because they couldn't get licensed in Nebraska.

"Council Bluffs (Iowa) ought to be down here opposing this bill," Seiler said. "They're the beneficiaries of our stupidity."

Opponents countered that the measure condones the actions of parents who came to the country illegally with their children.

"No president can simply proclaim that there is a consensus on an issue or deadlock on an issue and then proceed to take matters into their own hands," said Republican Sen. Lydia Brasch, the daughter of Ukrainian immigrants.

After the vote, Ricketts said he believes most Nebraska residents oppose giving professional licenses to the immigrants.

'Certainly I had made my opposition to this bill known to individual senators," he said. "I think the senators ought to be talking to their constituents as well.

The legislation won support from an array of business and religious groups, the Nebraska Cattlemen Association and Omaha Mayor Jean Stothert. The new law applies to at least 170 professions, from electricians and pharmacists to tattoo artists and mixed martial artists.

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"All five of the emphasises spoke to various aspects of work I've done and commitments I have. I still admire the clarity of the vision."

During his time at Duke, Jones interacted with teachers and students who have been connected with Baylor. "I've consistently

admired the character of the people I've known [from Baylor], the vision of being a Christian research university, where all three of those words interact in really rich ways," Jones said. "And the bold vision that always is looking to the future with a sense of hope and confidence that God is leading the university to brighter days, even building up a strength that already exists. That sense of

confidence and hope is very exciting and contagious to want to be a part of."

Jones' wife, Sudan Pendleton Jones, current associate dean for ministerial formation at Duke Divinity School, will be joining Baylor as a senior fellow in the Institute for Faith and Learning.

"My wife and I have both developed a great affinity for all the people we've met," Jones said. "We look forward to becoming a part of that community and being able to work together for a common cause."

Jones will be succeeding current interim Executive Vice President and Provost and Dean of Truett Seminary, Dr. Todd Still, beginning May 16.

#### **CHARITY** from Page 1 ——

Suy said that her group was really happy to win, because after they got to know the hearts of people working for World Hunger Relief, the students wanted to win them this funding.

"They created a vision that was articulate and really well thought out, but really, the most important thing was their vision was sustainable over the long term," Cann said. "They didn't just create a project that would meet shortterm goals, but rather long-term goals could be built on top of those short-term goals. It was a project where \$1,000 will eventually turn into \$10,000 that will turn into \$100,000."

Cann said in addition to helping students learn how to write a grant, the project also helped them learn how to tell what makes a successful nonprofit organization and to develop leadership skills.

"I would like to see them become leaders in the community, as opposed to just servers," Cann said. "I think those are two different skill sets. Lots of the Baylor community is very good at serving. They have servant-hearted attitudes, but I guess I want to help them become leaders and become leaders of change, to take more pivotal roles in the Waco community."

## **High Court sides with families** of'83 Beirut bombing victims

MARK SHERMAN **Associated Press** 

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court on Wednesday cleared the way for families of victims of the 1983 Marine barracks bombing in Beirut and other attacks linked to Iran to collect nearly \$2 billion in frozen Iranian funds.

The court's 6-2 ruling directly affects more than 1,300 relatives of victims, some who have been seeking compensation for more than 30 years. They include families of the 241 U.S. service members who died in the Beirut bombing.

Other families who are not covered by Wednesday's decision also could benefit because they now stand to reap a larger share of a governmentadministered fund intended for victims of state-sponsored

The decision, issued amid a warming in relations with Iran, is important because it is the first time Iran is being made to feel the sting of its past support for terrorism, said Notre Dame law professor Jimmy Gurule, a former Treasury Department

"Hopefully, it's also going to have a deterrent effect, or least cause Iran to think twice about supporting terrorist activity going forward," Gurule said.

The ruling also comes as controversy swirls over pending legislation Congress that would allow families of the Sept. 11 attacks to hold the government of Saudi Arabia liable in U.S. court.

The Obama administration, which supported the families in the Supreme Court case, opposes the bill. President Barack Obama met with King Salman in Riyadh Wednesday at the start of a brief trip to the country.

Justice Ruth Bader



HIGH RULE Aid workers deal with the aftermath of the bombing of the U.S. Marines barracks on Oct. 23, 1983 in Beirut, Lebanon. The Supreme Court upheld a judgment Wednesday allowing families of victims of Iranian-sponsored terrorism to collect nearly \$2 billion.

Ginsburg wrote the opinion for the court rejecting efforts by Iran's central bank to try to stave off court orders that would allow the relatives to be paid for their losses. The money is sitting in a federal court trust account.

Iran's Bank Markazi complained that Congress was intruding into the business of federal courts when it passed a 2012 law that specifically directs that the banks' assets in the United States be turned over to the families. Obama issued an executive order earlier in 2012 freezing the Iranian central bank's assets in the United States.

The law, Ginsburg wrote, "does not transgress restraints placed on Congress and the president by the Constitution."

Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Sonia Sotomayor dissented. "The authority of the political branches is sufficient; they have no need to seize ours," Roberts wrote.

Congress has repeatedly changed the law in the past 20 years to make it easier for victims to sue over statesponsored terrorism; federal courts have awarded the victims billions of dollars. But Iran has refused to comply with the judgments, leading lawyers to hunt for Iranian assets in the United States.

The Supreme Court case involved \$1.75 billion in bonds, plus accumulating interest, owned by the Iranian bank and held by Citibank in New York.

The plaintiffs in the lawsuit included relatives of the victims of the Marine barracks bombing in Beirut, the 1996 bombing of the Khobar Towers in Saudi Arabia which killed 19 service members, and other attacks that were carried out by groups with links to Iran.

The lead plaintiff is Deborah Peterson, whose brother, Lance Cpl. James C. Knipple, was killed in Beirut.

extremely are pleased with the Supreme Court's decision, which will bring long-overdue relief to more than 1,000 victims of Iranian terrorism and their families, many of whom have waited decades for redress," said Theodore Olson, the former Bush administration Justice Department official who argued on behalf of the families at the Supreme Court.

Liberal Democrats and conservative Republicans in Congress supported the families in the case. "The court made the right decision today. Families of Iranian terror victims have had to wait far too long to recoup these payments. While we can only provide so much comfort to those who grieve, I hope this ruling will help bring justice," said House Speaker Paul Ryan.

Late last year, Congress separately created a fund for terrorism victims who have been unable to enforce court judgments against Iran and other countries. The money comes from an \$8.9 billion settlement agreed to by the French bank BNP Paribas for its role in helping Iran and other countries evade international sanctions.

The fund has \$1 billion that must be distributed by the end of the year, said Stuart Newberger, a partner at the Crowell & Moring law firm in Washington who represents roughly 500 people in claims against Iran for embassy bombings in Kenya and Lebanon.

Wednesday's Supreme Court decision will reduce the number of people who are eligible to collect from the new fund, Newberger said.

The case is Bank Markazi v. Peterson, 14-770.

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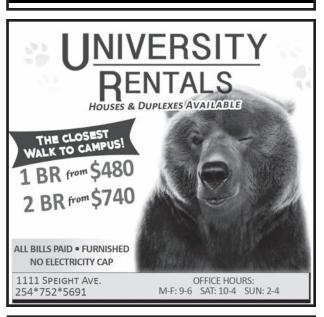
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## Week in Waco:

#### >> Today

5 p.m. — Reception for BFA Senior Exhibition at Martin Museum of Art.

**6 p.m.** — Hispanic Student Association presents Fiesta! at Barfield Drawing Room. Free.

**7 p.m.** — Musician Jackie Johnston at Dichotomy. Free.

**7:15 p.m.** — Third Thursday Open Mic at Tea2Go. Free.

**7:30 p.m.** — Baylor Men's Choir at Jones Concert Hall. Free.

**7:30 p.m.** — Poppers, Lockers and Breakers Annual Hip Hop Dance Showcase at the Bill **Daniel Student Center** SUB Den. Free.

#### >> Friday

#### Starting at 8 a.m. —

International Justice Mission's Stand for Freedom at Fountain Mall.

**7:30 p.m.** — Symphonic Band at Jones Concert Hall. Free.

**8 p.m.** — One of These Nights: The Eagles Tribute Concert at The Backyard Bar, Stage and Grill. \$10 in advance, \$15 day of.



Charlene Lee | Lariat Photographer

TWO HANDS UP Sandra Lee, assistant professor of film and digital media, shows off the 4K and 2K drives of her film "River House Inheritance," which she filmed last summer with her feature film production class. The drives can be plugged into any 4K-capable theater to project the film.

#### **HELENA HUNT**

Arts and Life Editor

Hollywood is both an industry and a place. Though the iconic white sign might represent the place where movies-and dreams-are made, the industry can really be anywhere.

Baylor film students have learned that firsthand over the last year as they worked with Sandra Lee, assistant professor of film and digital media, on a feature-length and a short film. The students shot both films up to Hollywood's standards, with all the equipment and crew that would be at home on a Los Angeles backlot.

Thirty students shot the feature film "River House Inheritance" for their feature film experience class last summer, and 25 worked on the short film "It's Teatime" for an independent study with Lee. From conception to execution, Lee entrusted the students with most filmmaking responsibilities. She wrote the script for "River House Inheritance" at the same time that she taught a screenwriting class, and from that point she shared the filmmaking with her preproduction, feature film and independent studies

"It was cool because Sandra really showed us how it would be in real life. I wasn't just a student under someone, being told what to do by someone else," said Eudora, Kan., senior Emily Durkin, who worked as a producer on both films.

Durkin did everything a producer would normally do, making sure her actors were where they needed to be, maintaining good relations with the owners of the house where "River House Inheritance" was shot and keeping the set running smoothly.

Professionals such as sound mixer John Pritchett, production designer Lynne Mitchell, gaffer Greg Travis and sound mixer Nikki Dengel also stepped in to help on the project, but they too took the student filmmakers under their wings to show them how to do the best jobs they could.

Richardson senior Cory Ewing, the cinematographer for both projects, said each student had the chance to fully inhabit his or her

role on the set. Everyone, from set design to hair to makeup, was important, and everyone had to collaborate to complete the films on time and on budget.

"I learned that this is what I want to do for the rest of my life, no matter what," Ewing said. Bellaire senior Andy Sharp, on the other hand,

said working with Lee helped direct him to what he really wanted to do in film.

"Before this film, I really thought I wanted to be an editor. But there was a moment when I was working on color and Sandra Lee looked over and said, 'I think you're a colorist.' And that's when it all clicked," Sharp said.

Sharp had the opportunity to work with the colorists at TBD Post in Austin, a post-production house that is among the best in the industry.

Lee said working with the highestquality technology throughout the project was particularly students just the same way important. The crew was actually the first that they learn from me. at Baylor to complete

films using lenses donated to the project by Canon and Alura. Lee said working with such cuttingedge technology was one of the most exciting parts of the experience for her, as well as the best possible learning opportunity for her students.

"We finished them both in 2K and 4K, which is the highest resolution you can finish in," Lee

While the Baylor Film and Digital Media department owns the camera both films were shot on, Ewing said it would have cost thousands of dollars to rent the lenses if Canon and Alura had not donated them for the project. Most of the budget was dedicated to technology to ensure that the students were making authentically high-

"It was back to the idea of seeing how much of this film we could make like in the industry,"

While Lee wanted to bring the film up

to the industry's technical standards, each project actually counteracts some of the industry's worst tendencies. Lee said both "River House Inheritance" and "It's Teatime" feature predominately female casts, an unusual phenomenon for Hollywood films.

"I think it's important as a female filmmaker to put your feminism where your mouth is and make female movies," Lee said. "The men that read the script [for "River House Inheritance"] couldn't stand that. They really noticed. They gave me notes on the male characters, and I'd be like, 'Yeah, no. It's not about the male this time."

"River House Inheritance" features two sisters who compete over a home left for them on the Brazos River. "It's Teatime," whose script has already won prizes at the European Independent

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Film Festival, Beverly Hills Film Festival and Vail Film Festival, features a relationship time between a mother and daughter. In the short, completed by Lee's students in February, a young girl

sets up her tea party and waits for her mom to join her. When she never does, the girl loses the sense of imagination that once made teatime so

"It's about how you can kill your children's dreams and imagination if you don't play with them at a young age when they need you," Lee

Lee has submitted both films to a range of festivals, and now she and her students can only wait to see where they go next.

In the meantime, Lee, unlike the mother in "It's Teatime," will continue to encourage her students' creativity, whether in Waco or in Hollywood.

"I think why I like the way I teach the best is because I really make it a set where the students are actually doing the role, and I literally treat them in that role," Lee said. "I learn to make movies from my students just the same way that they learn from me."

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51 Later years

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56 Weakness

59 Look over

60 Sherlock Holmes enemy Colonel Sebastian

61 \*Fast pace

65 One in Paris

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6 Name of more than 5,000 U.S. streets

7 Sign of forgetfulness

8 Kept in reserve

9 Western defense gp.

10 Neckwear denoting affiliation

11 Zoo sight

12 Latin 101 word 13 UCLA Bruins coach Jim

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# Rise above the rest

#### Acro stars make difference in national championship season

#### **BRAUNA MARKS**

Reporter

With a total of 38 athletes, the Baylor acrobatics and tumbling team competed for four days straight during the 2016 NCATA Championship. Just as every team has their highlighted bunch, a few from Baylor A&T earned high recognition and praise throughout.

Competition began on Saturday with individual events and ended with awards as three Baylor athletes, including sophomore base Shayla Moore, junior top base Kiara Nowlin and junior base Kaelyn Cowan, earned All-American honors.

"They're spark plugs. If they're having a great day, everyone has great day," head coach Felecia Mulkey said about the All-Americans. "You can see that from the stands, and they're just so much fun to work with."

These athletes continued their "great days" throughout the tournament, helping the Bears to an advantage over each team including No. 8 Gannon University and No. 4 Hawaii Pacific University all the way to repeating a National Championship over No. 2 Oregon.

Coming into the competition, Nowlin and Mulkey both emphasized the team's phrase for the road to the championship: "Never Settle." It was printed on the backs of t-shirts for the Bears.

Nowlin displayed this mentality during her perfect score in the tumbling 6-Element event on both the second and third day of team competition versus Gannon and HPU.

Moore met her with a chest bump at the end of the mats each time. It was the third time this season she had earned a perfect score.

"It's really hard to judge how you're going to land coming out of that skill," Nowlin said. "So I smile when I do the landing that I want to do."

Moore and Cowan were a part of several high-scoring events throughout the tournament including a perfect scoring Pyramid against Gannon, a nearly perfect 9.95 against HPU and a 9.90 against Oregon. Moore also was a part of the Acro 5-Element and Pyramid event that won the national title during individual competition on Thursday.

A breakout athlete was sophomore Lauren Strum, who blew away the crowd during her Open and Duo Tumbling event, alongside Freshman Kaylee Adams. The duo took the national title in the indvidual championships on Saturday, while outscoring Gannon 9.75 to 8.05 on Sunday.

"It felt really well to hit [duo] again. It just reassures that we're consistent," Strum said.



Penelope Shirey | Lariat Photographe

**THRILL OF VICTORY** Sophomore Shayla Moore (left) and junior Kiara Nowlin (right) celebrate during the Bears' meet against No. 2 Oregon in the NCATA national championships final at the Ferrell Center. The Bears went on to win the meet and their second consecutive national title.

"They picked the right people, and we're doing

Strum scored a 9.875 in Open against Gannon and further improved with 9.925 against HPU to edge both teams. She also edged Oregon with a 9.90 while also hitting a 9.95, a season high, in Duo with Adams.

"It was so amazing and probably the best feeling I've ever had," Adams said. "It was just so amazing doing it next to Lauren Strum. I knew we had hit it."

The Ferrell Center erupted during the Team Routine against Oregon as Baylor closed the four-day long competition with their second-straight championship, winning 286.275-282.305.

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## Softball tops TSU

#### MEGHAN MITCHELL

**Sports Writer** 

The Baylor softball team's late effort pushed them past Texas State Wednesday night at Getterman Stadium, 3-0.

"We had to really fight. I thought we had quality at bats. We were able to use the short game, but we had some balls hit hard. We had some good things happen offensively tonight," said head coach Glenn Moore. "I know it only came together in the fifth inning, but we had some really good things happen. I think it certainly prepared us for this weekend."

The Lady Bears (36-12), who set a season high record of 13 strikeouts on the night, knew they were going to have to battle against the Bobcats (27-18).

Senior pitcher Heather Sterns, the starting pitcher for the Lady Bears, came out in the first attacking, getting three strike to start the game.

Although Sterns continued to strike batters out, the Lady Bears struggled to capitalize on the offensive end.

"That first pitcher really challenged us; I believe she is No. 4 in the country in strikeouts," said senior Linsey Hays. "We just really had to stay focused and play our game and hit good pitches. I feel like we did that well."

The Lady Bears saw a glimmer of hope in third with two runners on base and only one out, but they were unable to convert anything.

"I was really pleased," Moore said. "Heather threw so well you don't want to pull her, but if you take a pitcher out of there without a hit, you feel like you are jinxing your team a little

The Lady Bears made a pitching change in the fourth, and freshman pitcher Gia Rodoni

came in for Sterns.

Rodoni came out shaky, forcing a walk on her second batter, but settled in to throw pitches that allowed the defense behind her to make the plays to get the outs.

Senior third baseman Sarah Smith got things going for the Lady Bears in the fourth with a double to left center, but, once again, efforts to get two girls on base was to no avail as Texas State got the remaining two outs.

A double play in the fifth for the Lady Bears got the crowd cheering.

With bases loaded in the bottom of the fifth and two outs, the Bobcats made a pitching change to try and stop the Lady Bears' momentum, but it led to a wild pitch that allowed the Lady Bears to steal home and take the lead 1-0.

A double to right field by Hays drove in two runs, giving the Lady Bears a 3-0 lead heading into the top of the sixth.

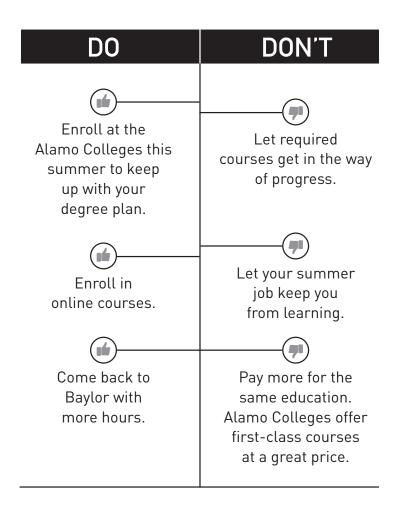
"I feel like we are playing really well and that we are going in the right direction," Hays said. "We are getting in sync for post season, and that is what it is really all about."

Sophomore pitcher Kendall Potts came in the sixth to replace Rodoni at the mound, and although the Bobcats got two on base, Potts remained focused to get the third out at first and ultimately get the save for the Lady Bears.

"I think we felt sorry for ourselves a little bit after Oklahoma and we weren't playing our best ball, but I think we are getting back on track now," Moore said.

The Lady Bears lost a heartbreak to Oklahoma in their last conference series.

The Lady Bears' next test will come at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Getterman Stadium where they host Kansas in a three-game weekend series.



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