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St. Louis keeps Latin mass tradition alive

By Kate Boswell
Opinion editor

To the outside eye, it looks like an ordinary day at Waco's St. Louis' Catholic Church. The church entryway is crowded with worshipers. Little girls whisper and giggle while mothers chat about coordinating soccer schedules.

But when the Rev. David M. Leibham, pastor of the church, lifts his hands to begin mass in a few minutes, the first words out of his mouth will not be, "In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost," but "In nomine Patris, et Fili et Spiritus Sancti."

Welcome to the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, more commonly called "the traditional Latin mass."

For centuries, the Roman Catholic Church held its services in Latin, but in 1962, the Second Vatican Council called for the liturgy to be revised and translated into the vernacular.

However, the older liturgy was never abolished and priests were allowed to hold masses in Latin with the permission of their bishop.

"Unfortunately, many bishops were unsympathetic," said Dr. Michael Foley, an associate professor in the Honors College who also serves as the altar server and liturgical expert for the Latin mass at St. Louis.

The increasing desire for Latin masses among the laity, combined with the difficulty of finding local masses outside of



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Dr. Michael Foley serves as an altar server for Rev. David Leibham during an Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, or traditional Latin mass, that is held on the first Friday of every month and feast days at St. Louis' Catholic Church in Waco. The pastor performs this mass with his back to the rest of the congregation in order for the pastor and the congregation to worship God together.

large cities, led Pope Benedict XVI to announce in July that the Latin mass should be made available to any stable group of Catholics that requests it. The mass is usually held in addition to the

churches' vernacular services. Foley and a group of Waco residents calling themselves the St. Gregory Society petitioned Leibham in August, and the first Latin mass at St. Louis was held

Sept. 14.

Though the first mass was only advertised in a parish bulletin, Foley said almost 150 people came to participate, some from as far away as Dallas or Austin.

Pearson's wife, Angela, said the solemnity and reverence of the mass were emphasized for her because of the choreography and intentionality of each of the priest's gestures.

Foley said the mass is tightly scripted so that parishioners can see the priest as a representative of Christ rather than focusing on the individual's quirks or personality.

"It is Christ's show," he said. "The priest is merely an instrument."

The central act of the Latin mass, as with any mass, is the celebration of the Eucharist, or communion. For Catholics, who believe that the bread and wine are literally the body and blood of Christ, this act is not just a reminder of Christ's forgiveness but something far greater and more mysterious.

Foley said he thinks many younger Catholics are drawn to the traditional mass because it evokes this sense of awe and mystery.

"Many people aren't looking for something novel," he said. "Christian revelation is a mystery."

He said this sense of something greater going on behind the words and gestures of the service was what first drew him to the Latin mass back in graduate school.

"I didn't know Latin, but the things that the Latin was pointing to drew me. The words and

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Small fire breaks out in Brooks

Lee Ann Marcel
Reporter

Brooks Flats in Brooks Village was evacuated Monday night because of a kitchen fire that started at 7:30 p.m. on the second floor.

A student accidentally turned on the stovetop and left the room before the fire started, said Don Bagby, director of facilities management, in an e-mail interview. The oven then ignited the items that were on the stove.

"I was coming back from running when I smelled smoke in the hall," Houston senior Andrew Arnold said. "Smoke was coming from the top of

the door, and it sounded like someone was inside cooking."

Arnold said he banged on his neighbor's door shouting the occupant's name.

His roommate, Douglasville, Ga., junior Mark Bailey, said he heard Arnold's banging. Soon the two heard the crackling of fire inside the kitchen.

Arnold and Bailey found the front desk clerk. They got a spare key and opened the door, Arnold said.

"There was so much smoke in the room. It was pitch black," Arnold said.

The smoke poured out into the halls and set off the Brooks Flats alarms.

"There was a bitter taste to the smoke because it was burning plastic," Bailey said.

The fire department was dispatched, and residents evacuated quickly.

Arnold said he grabbed a fire extinguisher from the hallway and put out the fire prior to the fire department's arrival.

"Damage was minimal due to the quick action of the neighbor and the operation of the smoke alarm/notification system," Bagby said. "There was a small amount of damage to the cooktop. The microwave above the cooktop was destroyed and a small amount of cabinetry was scorched."



Courtesy photo

Pictured is what remains of the stovetop and microwave in Brooks Flat after a fire broke out Monday when the stovetop was accidentally turned and left on by a student.

Law students sort out cases of wrongful conviction

By Christina Kruse
Staff writer

"Innocent until proven guilty" is an adage that reigns throughout the courts of the American justice system. However, are those who are proven guilty in a court of law, in fact, unmistakably culpable? Law schools across the state are responding to letters from inmates proclaiming their innocence and investigating to see if the imprisoned are actually guilty.

More than 31 individuals have been exonerated, or proven innocent since 2001 after being incarcerated in Texas through DNA testing, according to the Innocence Project of Texas Web site.

There are several different factors contributing to wrongful convictions including a trial lacking DNA evidence, prosecutors withholding information during a trial, witnesses inaccurately identifying a suspect or police suggesting a particular suspect in a line-up, said Natalie Roetzel, executive director of the Innocence Project of Texas.

However, steps are being taken within the legislature and the police department to correct these problems, Roetzel said.

First, the testing material used for DNA identification is purchased at the expense of the police department.

"A few hundred bucks is nothing in my opinion," Terrell law student Tray Gober said, comparing the cost of DNA testing to the cost of someone's innocence.

Anything that is sent to the Department of Public Services lab does not cost the police department, said Sgt. Melvin Rosenborough, Waco police department spokesperson. For example, alcohol testing, drug comparison or a test to see if a piece of metal matches a car used in a crime is not an expense. However, DNA testing must be outsourced to another lab, which costs the Waco police department \$900, Rosenborough said.

All 31 exonerated individuals were previously convicted of murder or rape, in cases that use DNA evidence to convict or prove someone's innocence.

Also, prosecutors might withhold exculpatory

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Military service taught Hanks to engage is to learn

By Lynn Ngo
Reporter

What would you do if your ship was sinking and the rescue boat can only take 14 out of the 15 people?

This is the kind of question that Dr. Tom Hanks, Jr., English professor, likes to ask students over a cup of coffee at Common Grounds each Friday afternoon.

Hanks has taught English at Baylor for almost 31 years.

His office is a testament to his love of literature. A scan of the room reveals works by Sir Thomas Malory and Chaucer, and, of course, a couple of Gilgamesh masks, which Hanks dons for his World Cultures I class in the Baylor Interdisciplinary Core.

Hanks is a notable figure on campus. This motorcycle-riding professor has received numerous awards commemorating his excellence in teaching, including the Cornelia Marschall Smith Teaching Award, the Centennial Professor Award and the Collins Outstanding Professor Award. There's even a drink named after him at Common Grounds. Yet this is a man who once seriously doubted his teaching abilities.

After more than four decades dedicated to teaching, Hanks admits that he is in the latter stage of his career. Sitting in his office with coffee in

hand, Hanks recalled instances that have made him who he is today.

Hanks didn't always have ambitions of becoming a teacher.

"I thought I was going to be a career Air Force officer," he said.

He had previously taught as a teacher's assistant at Washington University.

"I wasn't very good, and I knew it," he said.

After teaching for two years, Hanks decided to join the Air Force in 1966. His decision was partly influenced by his dad.

"My dad was in the Army Air Corps in World War II, and we were still in the midst of the Cold War at that time," he said. "It seemed to be anything that my dad had done was probably something I wanted to do."

Another reason Hanks said he joined was because he thought it was patriotic.

While serving in the military, Hanks volunteered to go to Vietnam. He was deployed for six weeks on temporary duty to write an enemy historical report. The time that he spent in Vietnam changed him as a person.

"I went over chiefly because here we are, involved in a war, and I wanted to find out what it was like," he said. "I asked everyone that I ran into if it would make a difference being there, and the answer was almost uniformly,



Courtesy photo

Dr. Tom Hanks, Jr., visits with his students at Common Grounds, where the English professor is so popular that he even has a drink named after him.

"No, it won't."

Hanks' experience in Vietnam, which included being shot at during an air strike and witnessing civilian deaths, made him value life even more and influenced his view of American military involvements.

When Hanks came back from Vietnam, he decided to get his doctorate. He was told by a neighbor that he was going to have to be very humble to his instructors as he was going for a Ph.D. This advice represented a defining

moment in Hanks' outlook on life.

"My private thought was I've been to Vietnam and I've been shot at, and I'm not going to be humble to anybody," he said.

Hanks carried this attitude into his graduate studies.

"His comments just carried over because I just wasn't willing to take any put-downs from anyone," Hanks said.

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Soldiers' sacrifices should color civilian lives

"What makes the grass green?" "Blood, sergeant, warm red blood!" shouted a platoon of Army boot-camp graduates in my memory as I learned the U.S. military death toll is now more than 4,000 since the beginning of the Iraq war, with over 29,600 soldiers seriously wounded.

I began to remember my brother's boot camp graduation ceremony, where he and his platoon recited what they had learned during their nine-week stay. They taught me what makes the grass green. For some reason, I had always thought it was water.

The memory of his platoon and the announcement of a rising death toll throw me into a

wild ride of feelings.

I'm upset because the number of deaths will only go up. I'm sad because one day that death toll could include my brother. I'm excited because, compared to other wars, the number is not that big. I'm confused because I wonder if that even justifies anything. I'm pumped because when I graduate, I'd like to be out there with them.

Most of all, my heart is broken because every single person who died in this long-time massacre we call a war had a mother, father, wife, husband, sister, brother, son or daughter that was at home waiting for them. They were waiting on their daddy, their honey, their pride

point of view

BY JESSICA BELMARES



and joy to return to their warm, wide-open arms. Unfortunately, it's just wasted space, because all they need is their five fingers to carry a cold piece of paper, telling them their loved one will not return home breathing.

As we carry on with our daily lives and stress over the final exams approaching, remember that you are not taking those exams with an infidel shooting

at you and your close friends. You are not studying and staying up overnight while keeping watch for possible threats to your life and your home. And you're certainly not doing so over periods of one to two years.

My brother is currently serving in Afghanistan, a place I like to call the other, forgotten war. He has been there more than a year, and the stress and worry that it puts our family through is ridiculous.

We are never told what he is doing for the infantry, and we don't know what his responsibilities are. He doesn't want us to worry, but the absence of such information worries my family even more.

I want my brother to return home to me and my family, especially my mother. I want him here alive, breathing, walking and sane.

The importance of school takes on a new meaning. School is no longer a matter of life or death. The success or failure of my performance here at Baylor does not determine if I will live to see tomorrow.

The success or failure of my brother's performance determines if he shall live to see tomorrow, let alone his family and friends back in the United States of America.

United. Remember that word as you debate over the reasoning of our current war. Always

remember that no matter what, you are a civilian of this country, and if our war was to make the grass green or political pockets green, our brothers and sisters are still out there in the dreary, dusty desert and mountains, needing our support and encouragement.

It doesn't matter if our military is fighting for a good cause or not, because we still have family out there that we do not need to forget. If your college life is making you depressed, stressed, worried or just putting you in a bad mood, remember that your life you could be worse. You could be my brother.

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Editorial

Q&A offers dissatisfying first step

Campus has been abuzz for the last few weeks with rumors of lost traditions, tenure denials and an assortment of the usual student complaints about the university.

That's why President John Lilley met with about 200 students Monday night in Bennett Auditorium to answer questions from the student body in an effort to improve the lines of communication between students and the administration.

He put some of the rumors to rest — Dr Pepper still reigns in campus vending machines — and fueled more, especially about the already confusing tenure situations. However, after all was said and done, not many questions seemed to have been answered.

The effort by the administration to reach out to students (and faculty, who met with Lilley before the student session) is laudable and a much-needed step.

It is important for the president to connect with students and offer a sense of transparency for the administration. We commend and appreciate Lilley's willingness to sit in front of a bunch of somewhat antagonistic students who seemed ready to pounce on what they viewed as the administration's shortcomings.

The students at the session also deserve praise for caring enough about the university to show up and pose questions. The students asked questions about a number of relevant issues, from potential financial advice counseling to the living wage campaign, with a vigor and enthusiasm that Baylor can be proud of. The students' demonstration of genuine interest and concern for the state of the university and particular issues and controversies was overwhelmingly evident.



The topics at the forefront of the Q&A session were tenure and tradition. Outraged students expressed concern and posed questions about the tenure decisions and denials to President Lilley. They were only answered with frustration, since he shut down one after another when he explained that he was legally prevented from discussing tenure decisions.

The air of frustration was exacerbated by Lilley's repeated explanation of Baylor's decision to switch the BU on the football helmets to now read "Baylor."

Though Lilley demonstrated thorough knowledge of the frames of legality around his discussion of the tenure decisions and Baylor's marketing

campaign, his lack of clear answers for other questions raised poses a concern.

When asked about the potential of a student representative on the Board of Regents, Lilley seemed to skirt the issue by saying that he didn't "know if it would hurt," but didn't "know if it would help" either. On other topics, he often shifted questions to Dub Oliver or other members of the administration.

To be fair, the president's job isn't to know the answer to every university-related question, but students seemed disappointed by what was perceived as a lack of preparation, which may reflect the administration's disconnect with a student body that really does care about

campus issues.

Definitive answers to questions were hard to come by, and Lilley seemed unprepared to deal with the issues that students brought. The session was the perfect opportunity for Lilley to move the university forward and clear up confusion by providing concrete answers, but it was unfortunately disappointing in these areas.

When students have taken the time to be informed and concerned about Baylor issues, the least Lilley can do is come prepared to meet them with honest answers.

This is something that needs to be addressed in the future — and hopefully will be, if sessions like these can continue.

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Texas transplant slowly succumbing to passion for Lone Star State

I lived 18 years of my life without knowing my defect: born beyond the border. I never knew it was a problem until I came to Texas.

I remember my naive self getting excited about coming to college at Baylor. I was ready to branch out, break free from Arkansas and embrace the world.

I drove through Arkansas' forests and over Arkansas' hills. As soon as I hit Texas soil, I could see clear to El Paso. Texas is so glorious, why wouldn't you want to see the entire state from any one point?

I was only here for a few weeks when Texans began to drill the motto into my head. Everything's bigger in Texas. Of course, bigger's better. I was so blessed to experience four years in a place that is far superior to any other state place on earth.

When freshmen took the Strengths Finder test, I'm pretty sure my Texan friends all had "state pride" in their top five.

Faithful Texans are heroes here. The room erupted in cheers when one student declared his favorite shape was the shape of Texas, even louder when he boasted that his heart was in the

point of view

BY HEATHER FOGT



shape of Texas.

I've heard of a military wife who carries around a cup of Texas soil so she can say all of her children were born on Texas soil no matter where they are.

Some even say they had more Texan pride than American pride. Who wouldn't? Texas is very consistent: one season, all

year long, I only need one coat to wear a handful of days.

Soul-riveting country music reigns over the radio stations. The twang of "Honky Tonk Badonkadonk" rings in my ears as I take tests.

I was amazed when I met several people who could sing the Texas state song and name chili, bluebonnets, mockingbirds, longhorns, armadillos and Pleurocoerus as state symbols.

My school required an Arkansas history class. But we also learned about other states in my classes and the seemingly good things they had to offer.

Clearly, we should have spent all our time learning about how God blessed Texas.

My Texan friends and classmates have proved to be a good accountability group.

Any time I slip up and think that I miss the colors of fall or the taste of Feltner's Whatta Burger, they gently remind me how far I've come.

It's my fault if I have class during the 30 minutes the leaves turn orange. And Texas has Whataburger.

Of course, it's bigger than that eclectic family-owned restaurant in Russellville. Whataburg-

er waits alongside almost every Interstate 30 exit. Bigger's better, my friends tell me.

Bigger's better: the everlasting theme.

My immersion in Texas culture has taught me that to be a better person, you must have the bigger pride.

I don't think I've reached "better" status yet. Who knows, maybe it will sneak up on me.

The next time I go to the doctor, I'll have to ask him if my heart is in the shape of Texas yet.

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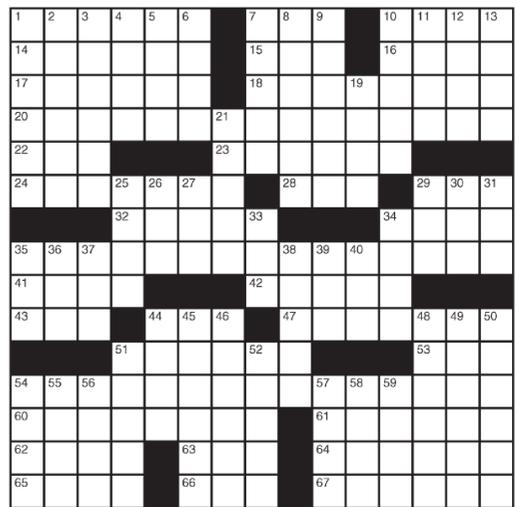
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Fiesta theme: take it, taste it, live it

By Sommer Ingram
Staff writer

When students step into the Vera Daniel Plaza tonight, they will be stepping into a cultural extravaganza. The Hispanic Student Association is holding its 21st annual Fiesta in conjunction with Campus Programs from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

"It's a chance for students to take a break from class and come together as a community to enjoy fellowship before all the stress from finals hits," said Mike Reimer, associate director of student activities. "It's intended to be culturally informative as well so people can see something they may have never been exposed to."

The theme "Tomala, Pruebala, Vivela," which means "take it, taste it, live it," will encourage students to taste the food, take in the cultural aspects, and live the various aspects of the Hispanic culture for a night.

"The Hispanic culture is definitely one that celebrates all five senses," said Houston sopho-

more Kimberly Silva, upperclassmen representative for the Hispanic Student Association. "There will be authentic food and music so students can really get a good taste of what this culture is all about."

Students will be able to partake in the outdoor festivities including cultural dance, food and games.

The Latin Dance Society will hold dance workshops, the Baylor Ballet Folklorico will present a dance, and the University of Texas Pan American will perform a traditional folklorico Mexican dance.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon is also hosting a salsa-making competition. Teams will enter their salsa product to be judged, and the top team will win a prize of \$500 to donate to the non-profit organization of their choice. Second and third place will win \$250 and \$100, respectively.

"We wanted to come up with an idea to raise money for our national philanthropy, which is the Children's Network," said Southlake junior Ryan Thomas, a member of Sigma Alpha Epsi-

"Fiesta celebrates and emphasizes Hispanic culture as a whole."

Kimberly Silva
Hispanic Student Association

lon. "We wanted to do something attractive to the student body and get Baylor a little more involved with our philanthropic efforts. It's a fun way to get people interested and get the money we wanted to raise."

Fiesta was once called Fiesta on the River, modeled after the San Antonio weeklong celebration. It began 21 years ago as an event hosted by Campus Living & Learning, and is now sponsored by the Hispanic Student Association and Campus Programs.

"We try the best we can to represent all cultures here at Baylor by working with students who know best how to represent cultures we may not be familiar with," Reimer said. "We want to

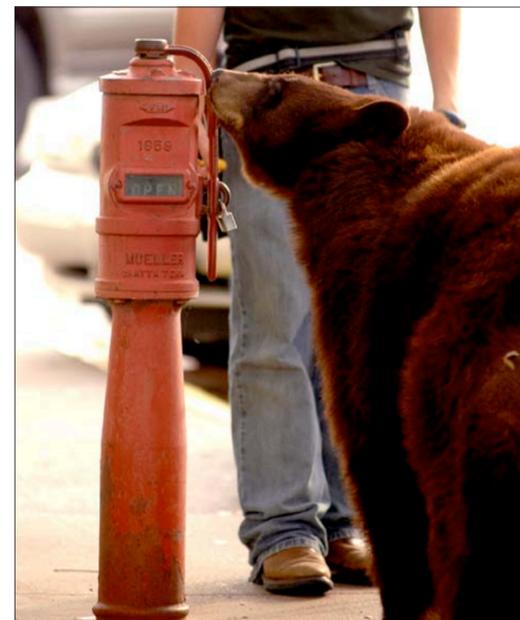
get as close to the experience as we can."

Reimer said that since the Hispanic student population makes up the largest percentage of minorities at Baylor, events like the Fiesta are particularly important to celebrate on campus.

"It's important that we have cultural events to celebrate the diversity of heritages we have," he said. "It is important as a community to take the opportunity to understand each other because it's difficult to have conversation, much less relationships, if there is no base-level communication or understanding."

Members of the Hispanic Student Association encourage the entire Waco community to participate in this event.

"Everyone should attend Fiesta because being exposed to different cultures is important," Silva said. "It's one of the reasons Baylor supports us. Fiesta celebrates and emphasizes the Hispanic culture as a whole, and will be a fun and exciting event."



Alex Song /Lariat staff

The nose knows

One of the bears gets some exercise walking around near the Bill Daniel Student Center Wednesday.

Power plant security, environmental issues reason for grant

By Shannon Daily
Staff writer

Three professors in the engineering department have started researching a more efficient way to handle environmental and security issues surrounding power plants.

Through applying computational intelligence to the plants, the researchers hope to provide a better way to control them, said Dr. Robert Marks, a distinguished professor in the engineering department.

The National Science Foundation awarded the men a

\$330,000 grant on Friday for their research to begin June 1.

"Power plants need to be controlled and the idea is to make it more automatic, more distributed," he said.

Marks will be working with Dr. Ian Gravagne, an assistant professor, and Dr. Kwang Lee, chairman of the engineering department, on the project.

Lee is the principal investigator for the project.

"The buzz on it is that it has to do, of course, with the energy crisis and, too, there's an element in there of anti-terrorist sort of things," Marks said.

The problem the researchers are working to solve lies in the ways different parts of a plant's computer network communicate.

The project will focus on how to control large-scale power plants so they can better adapt to changing conditions on the power grid by creating a network of intelligent agents, Gravagne said in an e-mail to *The Baylor Lariat*.

"These are essentially computer programs that receive data from the plant or the grid, adjust conditions at the plant if necessary, and talk to each other when

necessary," he said.

Because these intelligent agents could physically be far apart from one another, he said, they must be able to coordinate their efforts over sometimes unreliable computer networks.

"This is called 'distributed control,' and an interest of my current research is how distributed control systems can be made reliable and robust," Gravagne said.

One thing power plants must deal with is the demand on power. When an area needs more or less power, the power grid must adjust so that the volt-

age and frequency remain consistent.

"However, it is not simply a matter of turning a knob. The adjustment process is complicated and sometimes fails spectacularly," Gravagne said. "We are searching for ways to make it more reliable."

This is especially true in an age of renewable resources, he said. A wind farm may produce a lot of power one minute, and nothing five minutes later, leaving traditional power plants to adapt to very large changes on the power grid.

"The volatility, or unpredict-

ability, of power grids is one problem that makes them susceptible to failure, but obviously we want to do everything possible to encourage the growth of renewable electricity generation," Gravagne said.

In terms of security, the researchers are working to distribute control of a plant to many parts of a network, rather than just one computer, that way it can lose one part without losing the ability to function, he said.

"Think of a swarm of ants: you can kill one or even many of them, but the colony will still function," Gravagne said.

BEAR BRIEFS

The Baylor ONE Campaign will have a table in the Bill Daniel Student Center through Friday for Global Education Action Week. There will also be fact signs around campus to educate students.

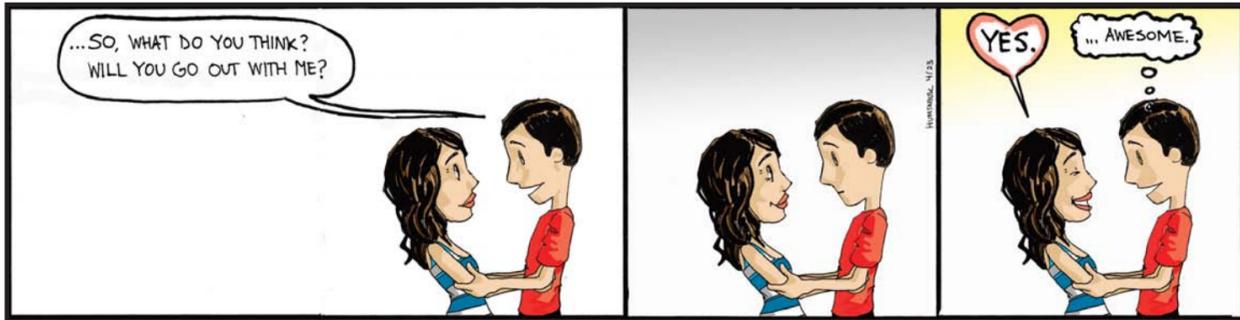
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Waco airport granted \$700,000 to lengthen runway

Victoria Mgbemena
Staff writer

The Waco Regional Airport is slated to see improvements after the United States Department of Transportation awarded a \$700,000 grant to be used towards the runway safety area.

Congressman Chet Edwards announced the news Tuesday.

In 2003, Edwards supported more than \$4 million toward transportation funding for the airport.

Josh Taylor, Edwards' public relations spokesperson, said that Edwards had advocated for earmark spending of the funds to go toward statewide transportation.

According to the *Washington Post*, an earmark is generally defined as a congressional spending bill that allots money toward federal, state or local spending for a specific project.

"In this case the earmark functions to return taxpayer dollars to promote transportation to enhance local economy," Taylor said.

The airport is small compared to some other airports in Texas, but it serves as a connection to larger cities.

American Airlines and Continental Airlines are the two larger airline services that transport people to the Dallas/Fort-Worth Airport and Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston.

The Waco airport operates

on two gates: one for incoming flights and the other for outgoing flights.

Edwards said in a press release that the improvements would bring about an improved economy while enhancing safety features with airline travel from Waco.

Making improvements to Waco Regional Airport would help improve the local economy, which can enhance quality of life for McLennan County families, Edwards said.

"Through federal grants such as this, the Waco Regional Airport is able to keep meeting the same high safety and performance standards as those airports in larger metropolitan areas."

Dallas senior Geoffrey Nelson said that the improvements to the runway are especially needed, as he has flown out of and to Waco and questioned the way that the planes landed.

"I definitely think they need a longer runway," Nelson said. "That's been a long-running joke. When the plane is taking off the pilot has to go from zero to 70 miles per hour in seconds. The landing is the nerve-wracking part. The second you hit the ground the plane brakes unusually hard and you feel it."

Nelson said that in light of the urban growth potential for Waco, the airport would need to expand in the future.

The Waco Regional Airport Web site cites the problems the

airlines industry has faced as of late, which include increasing fuel prices.

The climbing prices are causing some companies to decrease travel capacities by grounding, or not using, a number of their aircrafts and reducing seat capacities, causing travelers to endure flight cancellations and delays.

San Antonio sophomore Erin Newton said that although the small size at the Waco airport has not given her notable problems, funds for airport transportation should be used toward service improvements, even though airlines are not federally owned companies.

"I've flown out of Waco to larger cities in Texas and I expe-

rienced flight cancellations at the larger airports," Newton said. "I know a girl who has had to miss school because she has been unable to fly back due to cancelled flights. Some people wait hours at gates because there is something wrong with the flight. If anything, the airline companies should be investing in improving their services."

Edwards said that the airport is taking needed steps toward appealing to larger airlines.

"By making needed improvements, Waco Regional Airport maintains its ability to attract major airlines, which also ensures that Central Texans maintain their freedom of choice when they decide to fly," he said.

Delta, Northwest lose combined \$1.5 billion on fuel, charges

By Harry R. Weber
Associated Press

ATLANTA (AP) — Delta and Northwest, seeking to combine to create the world's largest airline, posted losses Wednesday totaling \$10.5 billion for the first three months of the year due to exorbitant fuel prices and write-downs of their companies' value.

Southwest's chief executive, meanwhile, indicated that the carrier wasn't interested in a merger and said the very thought of it was daunting.

The figures from Delta and Northwest follow large losses at other carriers, such as United Airlines parent UAL Corp., which earlier this week reported a \$537 million first-quarter loss on higher fuel costs, and likely rank among the industry's largest quarterly losses ever.

That red ink puts into focus the enormity of the challenge the industry faces to become profitable again amid \$120-a-barrel oil — even with the benefits that consolidation can bring.

"All airlines are in the same boat," said Calyon Securities analyst Ray Neidl. "The industry cannot make money at the current ticket fare levels. Seats have to come out of the market. To cover higher fuel costs, air fares have to go up."

Atlanta-based Delta Air Lines Inc., the nation's third-largest carrier, said its loss widened in the first quarter to a whopping \$6.39 billion. A few hours later, Eagan, Minn.-based Northwest Airlines Corp. reported a \$4.1 billion loss for the period.

Delta's results badly missed Wall Street expectations, despite a 12 percent increase in sales.

Excluding special items — pri-

marily a \$6.1 billion non-cash charge relating to the drop in Delta's market value due to sustained record fuel prices — the airline lost \$274 million in the first quarter. A spokeswoman said Delta would have recorded the charge regardless of the tie-up with Northwest.

Northwest took a \$3.9 billion charge of its own related to its market value decline. Its loss came despite a 9 percent increase in sales, and Northwest, too, missed analysts' earnings expectations.

Excluding the accounting charge and losses from some fuel hedges, Northwest said it would have lost \$191 million in the quarter.

In a memo to Delta employees Wednesday, Ed Bastian, Delta's president and chief financial officer, said the airline expects some of its peers to record similar accounting adjustments.

John Heimlich, chief economist for the Air Transport Association, said the industry is now likely to report a "multibillion loss" this year.

"When all the results are in, this will be one of the worst quarters for the industry in its history," he said.

The airline industry's biggest annual loss came in 2002, in the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks, when carriers reported a combined loss of \$11 billion, according to the ATA.

More recently, airlines have been hampered by the steep rise in fuel prices. Delta recorded a \$585 million year-over-year increase in the cost of fuel in the first quarter, while Northwest's fuel costs increased \$445 million from a year earlier.

When it emerged from Chapter 11 protection a year ago,

Delta projected its stock would be worth \$9.4 billion to \$12 billion in all, but that was assuming crude oil would cost \$70 per barrel. Delta's current market value is roughly \$2.6 billion.

The company announced last week that it would acquire Northwest in a stock-swap deal, which still must be approved by regulators and shareholders.

During an appearance in Boston on Wednesday, Southwest Airlines Co. Chief Executive Gary Kelly cited industry pressures as he suggested that a merger isn't appealing right now to the Dallas-based carrier.

"My own view is that with the current fuel outlook that we have and the near-term economic outlook, the thought of acquiring another airline is just daunting because of the complexity involved and the investment that's going to have to take place up front," Kelly said.

Against that backdrop, as well as labor integration issues and the length of time it will take to get the full cost savings expected, Kelly questioned the merits of the Delta-Northwest combination.

"The implication of the combinations are pretty dire as to whether or not they'll actually be successful," Kelly said.

Delta and Northwest have been trying to sell their deal to the public, employees, federal regulators and Wall Street. Delta executives said Wednesday they believe the deal will help create long-term value for shareholders. So far, investors appear unconvinced.

The stock declines since the deal was announced have shaved roughly \$1.4 billion off the value of the deal to Northwest shareholders. The initial



Associated Press

Delta and Northwest Airlines planes taxi before takeoff at Logan International Airport in Boston April 15. Delta Air Lines Inc., Wednesday said Wednesday its loss widened in the first quarter to \$6.39 billion because of soaring fuel prices and the steep decline in the company's market value.

value was \$3.6 billion.

The carriers have not committed to cut a specific number of U.S. flights beyond what they have disclosed separately. Analysts say that limits the cost savings or higher fares the airlines could reap from the deal.

Delta and Northwest haven't ruled out further capacity cuts in the future. Delta is already cutting jobs, and both airlines are grounding some planes.

Northwest has been successful in charging passengers more for international flights. But many of the domestic fare increases attempted by North-

west and other airlines have been rolled back in recent months after one airline or another decided not to match it.

Meanwhile, pilots at Delta and Northwest are looking to resume talks on merging their work forces.

The Air Line Pilots Association said negotiators will aim to work out a joint union contract before the two airlines combine.

Once that is done, the chairmen of the two unions say they want to negotiate a seniority agreement.

The lack of a seniority agree-

ment is what kept them from making a deal before Delta and Northwest announced plans to join.

Northwest pilots had vowed to kill the tie-up because they were left out of contract talks at the end. They say they still oppose the combination, but that a joint contract with Delta pilots would be a step in the right direction.

Northwest suggested Wednesday that it may lose money for the full year. Bastian said Delta expects to be slightly profitable in the second quarter.

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Picasso, Einstein provide wit for new BU Theatre play

By Crystal Hernandez
Reporter

A \$10 cover charge will get you into the best bar on campus: the Lapin Agile, currently located in Mabee Theatre. At this Parisian bistro more than a century ago, there's drinking, smoking and liberal conversations between Pablo Picasso and Albert Einstein about cussing, art, life, love and sex.

Picasso At The Lapin Agile, a

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play written by comedian Steve Martin, opened Tuesday in the Mabee Theatre.

The play is directed by Beki Baker and will run until Sunday.

Picasso said for one moment, the whole world will stop to hear our conversation.

The play opens with the bartender and a quirky old man in the bar when a 25-year-old Einstein walks in.

Houston senior Joey Melcher portrays the genius at an early age with wild hair, a nerdy voice



Luis Noble/Lariat staff

Picasso At The Lapin Agile, a play written by comedian Steve Martin, opened Tuesday in the Mabee Theatre. Picasso is played by Jeff Wisnoski and Albert Einstein is played by Joey Melcher.

and bizarre tendencies.

The characters casually converse until the suave Spanish sensation Pablo Picasso makes his entrance.

Houston senior Jeff Wisnos-

ki plays the wandering, cocky, and womanizing but passionate painter.

Picasso and Einstein exchange theories that reveal artists and scientists may not be

that different.

Picasso provides insight to the science behind art and Einstein emphasizes the art of science and how society should think outside the box.

The bistro helps Picasso defeat his predominantly blue life and discover what will become cubism.

Einstein, on the verge of revealing his new book, accidentally rambles parts of his unrecognized theory of relativity to his new friends.

The rational bartender's wife is played by Mansfield junior Louise McCartney, and the sultry Suzanne is played by Center senior Lindsey Christian; both offer a voice to all underappreciated and unpredictable women.

The romantic set, charismatic characters, costumes and accurate accents all contribute to the success of the play.

The script is sprinkled with several random asides where the characters interact, touch and even hit on audience members.

The play offers answers to previously unanswered life questions. For example, it explains why people say "cheese" when taking a picture and why a classroom dunce wears a tall, pointy hat.

The director incorporates

famous paintings, historical figures, an old giant camera, a time-travel device and a smoke machine into the set.

The plot seems plausible until the very end when an unexpected visitor drops into the play from the future.

The smoke machine and change in scenery and lighting take the play from possible to implausible.

There are a few parts in the play that drag but are eventually reeled in with a laugh, and most of the characters are relatable, charming and funny.

Many pleased faces piled out of the performance buzzing about their favorite parts of the comical account of a genius, an artist and the king all toasting the next century.

From start to finish the play runs about an hour and a half. For tickets or times visit www.baylor.edu/theatre.

With a dry movie selection at the theaters this week, take a date to see *Picasso at the Lapin Agile* instead for some live entertainment.

Grade: A-

Career services advice students on job search

By Crystal Hernandez
Reporter

Finding a job is like a job. Begin with the end in mind.

"It's not our parents' world anymore," career services adviser Nicole McAninch said. "They gave us the idea that a college degree equals a well-paying job. It's not that simple."

Careerbuilder.com suggests recruiters hiring for any job are looking for one thing: the best-qualified candidate.

McAninch said a strategically crafted résumé and cover letter can transform you into a well-qualified candidate and get you an interview. An authentic interview can land you the job.

Online job postings and searching provides the most amount of information from the widest array of sources. According to Careerbuilder.com, some

companies have employed computer software that browses the hundreds of applications received each day for incorporation of keywords listed in the job post.

Career Services has many brochures filled with studies showing employers are adamant that college students must have an internship or relevant work experience to be considered for employment. One brochure said on average employers fill more than 50 percent of their openings with interns.

"The boss wants proof you can do the job, and all experience is proof," McAninch said.

McAninch said many majors aren't career paths. A major broadens understanding and basic skills. She said employers want viable experiences and a well-rounded person.

"What students have to understand is it's internships, experi-

ences and networking that will get the job. It's not a benefit to change the major, unless you're looking at something targeted and narrow like accounting," she said.

Many students start looking for a job and realize their majors don't benefit them.

"It took me almost four months to get a good job in the oil business. It was kind of depressing to realize I won't even be using my film and digital media degree," said David Belek, a recent Baylor graduate from Pearland.

Rob Brumfield, a recent graduate from Houston said three things helped him land a competitive job in accounting.

"My grades, my major, but I think it was the name on my diploma that helped me the most," he said.

Some employers place heavy emphasis on verifiable skills like major and grade point average,

especially in technical fields.

One thing many employers agree on is the need for "soft skills" such as communication, interpersonal and teamwork skills.

"Technical skills are important, but each company wants to train you to do it their way. Soft skills show if you're trainable and if you're adaptable and flexible," McAninch said.

The National Association of Colleges and Employers conducted a survey, and employers came back saying they want new hires to possess strong work ethic, honesty, integrity, flexibility, adaptability, self-confidence, analytical skills, verbal and written communication skills, leadership skills and motivation.

"You don't want to be in the position where you're resting only on a piece of paper. You want more than that," McAninch said.



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Offering shelter

Media and press gather in front of the Waco Methodist Children's Home Wednesday. The home is prepared to house children taken from the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints compound of polygamist leader Warren Jeffs in Eldorado, Texas.

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information from a case on trial, known as a Brady violation, and there are few repercussions for not explicitly telling defense attorneys about evidence that might prove the defendant innocent," Roetzel said.

However, prosecutors are also required to put all of their evidence in a folder available to the public, Gober said. Defense attorneys are capable of looking at this information. Gober, along with other law students, is working on reversing the conviction of Ed Graff, a Hewitt man convicted of killing his two sons by burning them alive in a storage shed.

Furthermore, witnesses to the crime might not accurately identify the suspect from a line-up, or police informants could give false accounts of the crime.

Cross-racial identification, where a victim of one race tries to identify the perpetrator of another race in a line-up, has proven to produce false identifications, Roetzel said.

In a photographic line-up, six photos are displayed for the witness to look and identify a suspect. The suspects in the photographs must be similar in description, such as skin color or facial hair, Baylor campus police chief Jim Doak said.

Police officers use similar pho-

tographs in order to avoid inadvertently suggesting one person in a photograph over another, Rosenborough said.

Both the Waco police department and the Baylor police department use photographic line-ups. Using photographs are a lot more accurate, Rosenborough said.

Police officers may sift through thousands of photographs from a database, closely matching similar height, weight and facial features, Rosenborough said.

Before using photographs, police departments used an in-person line-up. The persons used for the line-ups may come from the local jail or off the street, and they might not always be similar to the witness' description of the accused, Rosenborough said.

"We don't do standing line-ups—that's television," Rosenborough said.

Also, legislation has taken steps to ensure that defendants are receiving more protection from false testimony.

In September 2001, Gov. Rick Perry passed a law that prohibits a defendant from being convicted solely on a special investigator's testimony. This law was passed after a 1999 drug bust in Tulia, where 10 percent of the town's black residents were arrested based on an undercover investigator's testimony.

There are a few different ways that an inmate could have his or

her case reviewed, Roetzel said. First, an inmate may only be considered if he or she has exhausted all appeals. A questionnaire is then sent to the inmate; once it is filled out, the questionnaire will be put on file.

"It could be up to two years before (the case) is investigated," Roetzel said. Currently, there are about 750 cases waiting to be investigated by the Innocence Project of Texas network.

Lawyers within their region may review an inmate's case even though the inmate did not write a letter. Lawyers are also working with law students to review these cases.

Several different Texas colleges, such as Sam Houston State, Texas Tech, and University of Texas at Arlington, have banded together under the Innocence Project of Texas to investigate cases. Baylor Law School is not a part of the Innocence Project of Texas.

"There was a need for a unified presence," Roetzel said.

Despite the best efforts of legislation and police departments, she said there are still several inmates that claim they are innocent.

"There are hundreds of people falling through the cracks, I'm certain," Roetzel said.

Perhaps with the advancement of technology within DNA and arson investigation, the number of wrongful convictions will diminish, Roetzel said.

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gestures point to realities of the faith," Foley said.

Leibham concurred, and cited the longing for quiet and reverence in modern life as one reason people attend the traditional mass.

"The world is fractured and chaotic because of sin," Leibham said. "The harmoniously constructed nature of the mass begins to give you a sense of internal balance."

However, the carefully constructed nature of the mass meant its implementation was no easy task. Mastering it took months of practice for Leibham and Foley.

Leibham said he began studying the mass in the summer of 2006 with the intention of being able to celebrate it in private. However, he said there was a strong feeling among Catholics that the Latin mass would be revived on a larger scale.

"It wasn't a surprise," he said. As a native Texan, Leibham said he struggled to learn the "high ecclesiastical Latin." He joked that that feat in itself was nothing short of miraculous.

Another difficult portion of the Latin mass is the music. Dr. Matthew Hejduk, an adjunct professor in Great Texts, provides musical direction for the service.

"The bread and butter of the mass is (Gregorian) chant," he said.

Though not a music major, Hejduk studied medieval music

extensively in college and has worked with singing groups for years.

"Gregorian chant is very simple," he said. "Its purpose is to make present the text... to align itself to the thoughts of the text. Because of this, it's hard for it to come across as sappy and maudlin. At the same time, it's so different that it will necessarily help set liturgy apart from our daily actions."

Another Baylor participant who came to the service with previous experience is David J. White, a permanent lecturer in classics.

White has been a member of a men's singing group, or schola, for several years. The group regularly sung Latin chants at one of St. Louis morning services, so it was a natural move for its members to provide music for the Latin mass.

"I've been singing at Latin masses for over 10 years now," White said. "After a while, you get familiar with the style."

Foley said one of the reasons of the Latin mass has gone so smoothly at St. Louis is because of Baylor participants.

"We're very lucky because of Baylor," he said. "We have a lot of talent there that we can use. I don't know what would have happened otherwise, especially with the music."

Foley pointed out that St. Louis has always had close ties to Baylor, since it was founded by Monsignor Mark Deering. Deering was given the W.R. White Meritorious Service Award in

1997 for outstanding service to the university and was elected one of Baylor's Alumni By Choice.

Participants concede that the Latin mass may not be for everyone, but many emphasize the beauty of it and the importance of it in their own lives.

"The Catholic Church is a big tent. There is room for a lot of different things," White said.

Hejduk described the Latin mass as "very anti-modern," and lacking in "immediate appeal."

"These days, the idea of participation on a mental frame is an unusual notion," Hejduk said. "You have to come to terms with that before you can understand it. You have to take time to be prepared."

Because of this, he said, the Latin mass will probably remain "the purview of the few" for some time. However, he said he hopes this revival will lay the groundwork for future generations.

Despite criticism, the Latin mass has stood the test of time, and Leibham and his parishioners say that they are hopeful for what the future will bring as they face it together.

"One criticism of the mass is that the priest has his back to the people," White said. "But another way to look at it is that the priest and the people are facing the same direction. The priest, together with the congregation, is focused on God."

The next Latin mass at St. Louis will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 1 for Ascension Thursday. All are welcome.

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Though Hanks took the comment negatively, it did have a somewhat positive effect in shaping his actions.

"It made me determine ... that I was not going to let anyone step even an inch into my self-respect," he said.

Another defining moment in Hanks' life came in 1982, when he was denied tenure at Baylor. The decision was ultimately reversed by President Herbert H. Reynolds after he determined that procedures hadn't been followed.

Hanks didn't receive support from some of his colleagues who thought that he should have published more than one article.

"Since that time, I have published about 25 articles," he said.

He has also helped edit three books and write another.

"I am absolutely certain that part of the impetus, a great part of the impetus was being denied tenure," Hanks said. "It also made it very clear to me that I wanted to do things like the summer faculty institute or like talking to my colleagues here, where I could make sure that people knew just what they needed to do to get tenure."

Hanks credited an Air Force lieutenant colonel for helping to make him the teacher he is today.

He said the colonel taught him that people don't retain lecture, but they retain things that they are engaged in, such as discussion and question-and-answer.

"Colonel Gary Grady made a major difference in my life because he taught me how to

teach," Hanks said. "Teaching has been my profession ever since."

Pineville, La., junior Jenny Howell is in Hanks' English class this semester and described his teaching style as different from anything she has ever experienced.

"It's more non-traditional," she said. "He almost never answers a question from us."

Howell said he doesn't hand out answers because he wants the students to search for them and then come to their own conclusions.

"It's hard because it forces you to think, but it's also effective," she said.

Dr. Mona Choucair, senior lecturer in the English and education departments and the recipient of this year's Collins Outstanding Professor Award, was a student of Hanks' and remembers him fondly.

She described his teaching style as very personable and very interactive.

"He asked a lot of thought-provoking questions," Choucair said. "It was not a dry lecture by any means."

Hanks said he enjoys teaching English and literature and thinks that it's good for other people to take interest in analyzing literature because it can expand moral horizons and sharpen thinking abilities at the same time.

"I'd even go so far to as to say that it's one of those things that moves humans a little closer to the truth," he said.

If the time ever comes for Hanks to leave teaching, he would like to go further into the ministry. He serves as a college youth minister at Lakeshore Baptist Church and was ordained

almost four years ago. He wanted the blessing of the church for his work at the church and at Baylor.

"I don't say this to a lot of folks, but it does seem to me that when you're teaching and helping people think better and maybe helping them get in touch with more truth, what you're doing is godly," Hanks said. "The more I thought about that, the more I thought, 'Well I'd like to be ordained as a college minister.'"

Though he may have other choices, Hanks said he would prefer to keep teaching for as long as he possibly can. Sitting in his office, Hanks is surrounded by a plethora of books, notes and papers to grade, which are only further proof that his teaching days are far from finished.

Teaching has surprised Hanks in many ways. When children of former students started showing up in his classes, Hanks said he was particularly surprised.

"I hadn't realized that I was about to be teaching the children of former students," he said. "That first one was a shock, a surprise, and a delight too, but it was a little of a shock to realize—my gosh I'm getting old."

Throughout the generations, Hanks has noticed key similarities.

"If something is easy, and thus boring, they don't like it," he said. "If a course is interesting to them, if it stimulates them, even if it grinds them down they like it; that was the case with their parents as well."

Hanks is hopeful that his graduating students are able to see themselves as capable individuals.

"As you leave here, know that you can do much more than you think you can do," he said.

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Track to travel to Drake Relays with high expectations

By Justin Baer
Sports writer

With a Baylor-record 30 NCAA Regional qualifying marks set at the Hart-Patterson Track and Field Complex Saturday, the Bears have placed themselves in prime position heading into the back stretch of the spring season.

It will be hard to duplicate last weekend's magnificent display of athleticism exhibited by the Bears in which the team also raced to seven top-10 national

times. Head coach Todd Harbour and company are ready to show the folks in the Midwest at the Drake Relays this weekend why Baylor was recently ranked No. 9 in the nation by the United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association rankings.

"We're hoping that we can do it again," Harbour said of matching last weekend's efforts. "Drake is the probably one of the funnest meets for us. The people of Des Moines, Iowa, appreciate

track just as much as anyone in the country and they really love us. We are kind of like their hometown team."

Last season at Drake Relays, the Bears exceeded all imaginable expectations.

Baylor won all four sprint relays, tying a meet record that had not been accomplished since the University of Illinois did it in 1944.

"You always try to beat what you have accomplished," said Waco sophomore LeJerald Betters, who was a critical member

of the men's 4x400-meter team that won last year at Jim Duncan Track and Johnny Bright Field. "This year we have some injuries holding us back, but the events we are participating in we plan to take first place."

The relay team is in the midst of a 25-meet win streak, but it is not the only part of the track team that has blazed past the competition this season.

Lake Charles, La., sophomore Trey Harts sped to the second-fastest 200-meter time in the nation at the Michael Johnson

classic with a time of 20.44. "I was really excited about the 200 this past weekend," Hart said. "I was waiting for a few years for a big drop in my time, but I still feel like I have some more in me to shave off my time."

Maybe the biggest advantage to traveling to Des Moines this weekend is the fact that the Bears will get to test the track where the NCAA Nationals will be held in just under two months.

However, the Bears know they cannot get too overconfi-

dent. As much as Baylor's track team has been successful this season, it still has quite a bit of work to endure until the NCAA Nationals arrive.

"We are coming off of a pretty big high from our weekend at home," Harbour said. "This time of the year, you don't want to take a step back. We just need to perform at a high level, and this is the perfect stage to do so."

After traveling to Des Moines, the Bears will travel to Fayetteville, Ark., to participate in the Razorback Invitational.

Softball smashed by Texas, 6-0

By Will Parchman
Sports editor

A pitching duel turned into a Longhorn rout as the University of Texas pounded the Baylor softball team 6-0 on a warm and breezy Wednesday evening at Getteman Stadium.

A disastrous six-run fifth inning broke open a 0-0 tie and put the game out of reach for Baylor's fourth straight Big 12 loss and its fifth loss in its last six games.

Baylor (21-18, 4-10) will likely need to win the Big 12 tournament in two weeks to reach its fifth straight post-season.

"It's frustrating to know that we're doing our job and that each person knows what their job is, and we're working together to get something accomplished and it just doesn't happen for us," said sophomore Nicole Wesley, who was 2-3 from the plate Wednesday.

On a night when the leading strikeout artist in Baylor softball history, Cristin Vitek, threw out the first pitch, Baylor's current pitching staff couldn't withstand Texas' late offensive barrage.

Head coach Glenn Moore said that seeing Vitek was the highlight of the night. The only bad part was that I couldn't put her in a uniform and put her in the game."

Baylor starter Kirsten Shortridge (5-8) hummed along nicely for the game's first four innings, allowing three hits and no runs and fanning five batters.

After mowing through Texas batters in the game's first four innings, Shortridge couldn't get out of the fifth inning, surrendering two earned runs and watching two errors bring in four more, all with two outs. Texas brought 12 batters to the plate in the inning and clubbed four hits.

Moore lauded Shortridge after the game for her performance, even though the Lady Bears couldn't scratch out any run support to back her.

"This is the first time in a long time she gave us a chance to win the ball game," Moore said. "She pitched to batters she shouldn't have. She made some batters look really bad out there."

Texas starter Megan Denny



Jeff Leslie/Lariat staff

Tiffany Wesley hits the ball in Wednesday night's game against the University of Texas Longhorns at Getteman Stadium. Baylor lost to the Longhorns, 6-0.

(18-6) posted her 17th complete game of the year and struck out five to earn the win.

The Lady Bears actually out-hit Texas 8-7, which only provided Moore with another layer of frustration.

"That's the ironic thing, is that our batting average stays up there so high," Moore said. "I keep defending our offense because I really think that if we find a comfort zone a little bit that we weren't going to have to score seven runs to win a Big 12 game."

With Texas runners on second and third, and the Longhorns already holding a 2-0 lead, Baylor second baseman Megan Weldon bobbled a routine grounder with two outs, bringing home two unearned runs to stretch the lead to 4-0.

After Shortridge issued a walk to Brittany Barnhill to load the bases for a second time on the next at-bat, Brette Reagan bobbled another routine grounder at third base to bring home another run and keep the bases full of Longhorns.

After Shortridge walked home Texas' next batter to plate the Longhorns' sixth run, Shaina Brock entered the game in relief to end the inning with a strikeout. Brock pitched 2-and-a-half scoreless innings and surrendered just one hit.

The Bears threatened to score several times but failed to push a runner past second base all night.

"As a team we try and focus on getting the little things right," Wesley said. "But sometimes a lot of little things can add up to one big thing like this game happened to be. We're going to keep working hard to make sure that those little things don't happen."

Changing homes, positions nothing new for Campbell

By Brian Bateman
Sports writer

Sitting still was never in his plans — whether he wanted it or not. "Home" moved from Europe to the bayous of the Deep South to the Texas Gulf coast. His role on his teams changed, too, moving farther from or closer to home based on the coach's decision.

Home plate, that is. Meet Raynor Campbell, Baylor's do-it-all player from Katy. In his short career with the Bears, Campbell has played second and third base, short stop and center field.

"He is what I would call a real baseball player," head coach Steve Smith said. "I said it a year ago: he can play anywhere on the field except first and pitch. I think he could even catch."

A center fielder in high school until his sophomore year, Raynor's position as deep safety lasted until his coach moved him to short stop, a position he soon favored.

"He was a legitimate threat every time at the plate," said Cinco Ranch head coach Kevin Hildebrand, a district rival of Campbell's team. "You couldn't throw him anything over the plate. He

was all over the place, taking charge of the team physically and verbally."

Upon his arrival at Baylor, however, he found himself toe-to-toe with three incoming freshman and a unanimous Big 12 selection at the position.

"I wasn't expecting to start," he said. "I ended up at third base and I was fine with that."

His performance at third base and his 13-game hitting streak helped him to earn pre-season honors from Baseball America, but again the traveling Bear switched positions.

He moved from third to second, then second to the bench.

The change caught Campbell by surprise, who suffered an injury to the thumb on his throwing hand. Stuck on the bench for four weeks after surgery, he watched as Chandler, Ariz., freshman Landis Ware stepped into his position.

"I knew Landis was a good player and that

he was going to be able to hold his ground," he said. "I told him before the first game to play this game like you know how to play. That's what he did, and ended up hitting a home run in his first game."

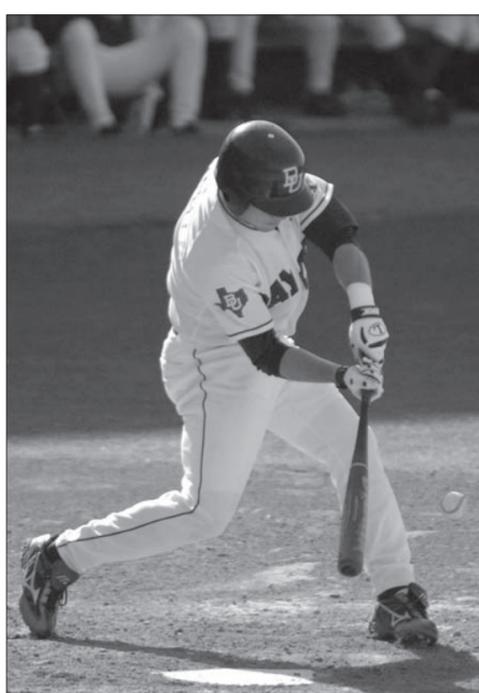
However, changing locations is hardly new for Campbell, who has called Louisiana, a Houston suburb and even Norway home.

Stavanger, Norway, to be exact. "I have no idea how to spell it," he said. "I started my baseball there, and I lived there for three years."

His mother, who worked for an oil company, transferred twice. Learning little league tactics in Lafayette and high school ball in Katy, Campbell had all the makings of a college star. Texas Baseball News ranked him the No. 21 recruit in the state of Texas for his .495 career batting average and .822 slugging percentage.

His strong performance caught the eye of Smith and the Baylor coaching staff, who worked to bring him to the Bears.

"I liked the coaching staff; I thought it was a good distance from



File photo

Katy sophomore Raynor Campbell is what head coach Steve Smith calls a "real baseball player," able to play anywhere except first and pitch.

home," he said. "I didn't really feel comfortable at a big school like (the University of) Texas or (Texas) A&M (University)."

Last summer, Campbell moved again, joining teammates Craig Fritsch, Reed Woytek and Shaver Hansen for a summer league in Rochester, Minn. He hit .391 in the league — his highest average since high school.

"It was a good experi-

ence," he said. "It was the first full-time wood bat season."

Currently, Campbell boasts a slugging percentage of .429, a .333 on-base percentage, and just two errors on the year. However, his .294 batting average is .027 lower than his .321 average last year.

"I don't go up there looking to walk. I think that if it's a strike I should be able to hit it anywhere," he said.

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one campus's trash

Story by
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With so many numbers and so few answers, trying to decide whether plastic No. 2 or No. 7 is recyclable can be one of life's little mysteries.

Recycling efforts are becoming a more common practice, and Baylor's involvement with Sunbright Paper Recycling and Disposal Services is helping the effort.

Sunbright sales representative David Cortes said the company has been around for more than 50 years and started out recycling rags and mattresses. It was not until later that it became a paper recycling company.

"We're pretty much the main recycler in the Central Texas area for paper and plastic products," Cortes said. "We currently are recycling close to 3,000 tons a month of materials, and that includes paper, plastic, aluminum and tin."

That's 3,000 tons a month that aren't taking up our landfills.

Baylor has partnered with Sunbright for more than 10 years, Cortes said. Baylor's recycling efforts began with a paper recycling program in a few select places but has grown this year to include more locations on campus that accept plastic and aluminum in addition to paper.

Recycling bins on campus are single stream, meaning that no sorting is necessary and all materials can be disposed of the same bin.

Sunbright sales representative Kristopher Riley said Baylor used to only recycle about 10 or 12 tons a month, but now it fluctuates between 25 and 26 tons.

"(Recycling) is definitely up for sure, especially for the past two or three months for RecycleMania," Cortes said. "Towards the end of last year it started turning up because of some of the efforts they put in, and people are just more aware now."

RecycleMania, a 10-week nationwide recycling competition among colleges, sparked a greater recycling efforts on campus. Baylor came in third in the Big 12 in number of pounds of material recycled.

A fundamental part of recycling education, and sometimes the most confusing, is understanding the requirements for recyclable materials.

The general rule of thumb is if it has a recycling symbol, it can be recycled.

With plastics, Sunbright accepts No. 1 through No. 7, but mainly focuses on No. 1 and No. 2. Aside from that, the crucial next step is ensuring the materials are in a condition that permits recycling.

"The main concern that we have right now, since we are recycling plastic and aluminum, is that the Coke bottles and water bottles are all the way empty before they are thrown in (recycling containers)," Cortes said.

Riley explained that it is vital that all paper material be free from any type of residue, particularly liquids, because there is potential for contamination. Soda bottles in particular should be empty in order to prevent other materials from getting wet.

"It's not necessarily so much a problem for us as much as it is for the mills that we provide the materials to," Riley said. "When they melt down the product, it can get in their machines and really halt their service, which slows them down. If we keep sending them material like that, they're not going to pay us as much for it, and in turn we can't pay Baylor or help Baylor as much if it continues to come that way."

The recent efforts made to become a more sustainable campus and programs such as RecycleMania are making a significant impact, which isn't going unnoticed.

"The strides that (Baylor) has taken in the past year are awesome," Cortes said. "They are tripling the amount of incoming material, that means they are saving a lot of space in what's going to the landfills."

A look inside the Sunbright recycling plant and the process that has helped Baylor become greener



Steps in the Recycling Process

- 1 Curbside trucks drop off their mixed recycling materials at Sunbright to be sorted. It would be more helpful if people didn't put recycled materials in bags because the workers have to break the bags open to get the materials out. By the end of the day all of the recycled materials have to be gone from this area.
- 2 The loader drives all of the single stream materials and dumps them into the conveyor. Single stream recycling doesn't require sorting by paper, plastic or aluminum. Everything can be thrown into one container.
- 3 Workers sort the materials into different piles, including newspaper, office paper, plastic, cardboard and trash that people may have mixed in with recycling. The workers then go back and sort the different grades of plastics and types of paper: colored, white, cardboard, etc.
- 4 The recycled materials are compacted into bails weighing about 2,000 pounds each. A wire is automatically wrapped around all of the bailed materials, creating a large compacted block of material. Plastic materials will be shipped out, melted and later made into things like outdoor decking, backing for carpet, recycled containers, insulation for housing and even fleece fabric.
- 5 The final step is shipping the materials to other factories that specialize in recycling that specific material. Bailing the materials into compacted blocks is important because it allows Sunbright to fit more recycled materials per truck. Sunbright ships six to seven trucks a day on average.

