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Michael Wright



To students, Wright is right choice

Galvan nabs EVP post; candidates wait for **IVP** decision

By KATY McDowall REPORTER

Houston junior Michael Wright, the current internal vice president, was named next year's student body president prior to Colbie Caillat's Diadeloso performance Thursday night on Fountain Mall.

Houston sophomore Cristina

Galvan was elected as external vice president.

The announcement of internal vice president was still not made as of 11 p.m.

The electoral commission was still deliberating the results of that race at press time.

Internal vice president candidates include Louisburg, Kan., sophomore Paul Baumgardner, Falls City sophomore Michael Lyssy and Austin junior Ross

Sophomore senators were also not announced Thursday night because of constitutional reasons according to an announcement made at Diadeloso.

Wright's campaign promised to hit the ground running because he has been an active member of student government for the past three years and has already established relationships and connections with the university and university decision makers.

"I couldn't be happier," Wright said. "I'm just really excited about what the next year calls for and I can't wait to start

Wright, a pre-med Baylor Business Fellow and economics major, also promised to address issues such as financial aid, onand off-campus safety and making sure students have a voice and their opinions are heard.

"I'm going to work with Jordan [Hannah] on transitioning into the position and make sure that student government stays focused on voicing the students' true concerns and kind of re-evaluate what those are and make sure we're voicing those

concerns to the right people," Wright said.

Wright campaigned against Houston sophomore Aguinaga, whose campaign promised to "Build the Baylor bridge," building trelationships across the gap that has separated student government and the student body.

"I'm really excited about working with Cristina [Galvan]," Wright said. "She's been a great member of Student Senate and I've gotten to know her well this year in Senate. I'm really looking forward to getting to know her better."

Galvan's campaign priorities included increasing communication with the student body, helping students save money, expanding volunteer opportunities and holding student gov-

ernment accountable. "I feel very blessed and very excited," Galvan said.

Galvan, an accounting major, has served as a senator for a year and a half, and has been a

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City council grants BRIC \$2.5 million

By SARA TIRRITO STAFF WRITER

Waco City Council voted Tuesday to grant the Baylor Research and Innovation Collaboration project \$2.5 million from the Waco-McLennan County Economic Development Corporation.

"The action taken by the Waco City Council represents another major step forward in the development of the Baylor Research and Innovation Collaborative," director of media relations Lori Fogleman wrote in an e-mail to the Lariat.

"With funding of this type from our partners, the BRIC has the potential to significantly increase research and innovation within our community and, in turn, power substantial economic development in Waco and McLennan County."

With the money, the former General Tire plant in Waco will be turned into a research space for Baylor's engineering and interdisciplinary centers and in-

The plant will also be the home of work force training and development by Texas State Technical College and McLennan Community College, according to Dr. Truell Hyde, Baylor's vice provost for research.

Hyde said the Hankamer School of Business will also offer incubation support for beginning businesses at the new facility.

"It's going to provide the same caliber of space we currently have in the Baylor Sciences Building," Hyde said.

The research space will help encourage community and neighborhood development and bring more jobs to Waco, Mayor Virginia DuPuy said.

"It's been an underutilized building since they closed, and to bring new construction and new life to it will bring important business to our community," DuPuy said. "It's going to be quite a boost to the overall greater Waco area."

Wilbert Austin, a Waco City Council member, said he was

certain the vote would be in favor of the BRIC because of the economic development the project is expected to bring to Waco.

"A lot of students come to Baylor University. A lot come to TSTC [and] MCC," Austin said.

"When they finish, they leave town because there are no good jobs. With these jobs here, the lowest-paying job there is is going to be about \$60,000 a year.,' Austin said. "It'll attract students from Houston, Galveston and the joining areas. I don't

"With funding of this type from our partners, the BRIC has the potential to significantly increase research and innovation within our community."

Lori Fogelman Director of Media Relations

know how far it's going to be that we attract people to come to Waco now."

Dr. Benjamin Kelley, dean of the School of Engineering and Computer Science, said the funds show that the BRIC project's stakeholders are support-

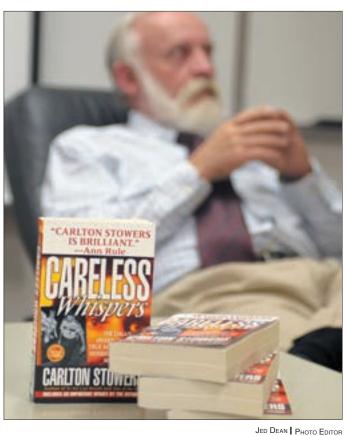
"The BRIC is a hugely important project to the future of Baylor and Waco. It's not an inexpensive undertaking, and all of the stakeholders must come to the table to assist and they have, and this is just more evidence [of that]," Kelley said. "We still have a good ways to go in fundraising." Austin said it was good to see money coming in from various supporters of the research park.

"It's just a great feeling that those entities come together to do something of this nature," Austin said. "This is the biggest project that's ever been to



Yipee Caillat

American pop star Colbie Caillat performs a live concert Thursday evening providing closure to Baylor University's Dia Del Oso celebration held in Fountain Mall.



Award-winning author Carlton Stowers speaks Wednesday to journalism students in Castellaw Communications Center on his book "Careless Whispers," which tells the tale of a 1982 triple murder in Waco.

Author's novel chronicles past Waco homicides

Carlton Stowers speaks to students on his process of writing 'Careless Whispers'

By Laura Remson STAFF WRITER

A small group of students and professors sat down with New York Times bestselling author Carlton Stowers Tuesday afternoon to discuss his book "Careless Whispers," which details the Lake Waco Murders of

Students also had the unique opportunity to hear a first-hand account of someone who was on

That night, across town, Paul Carr, student publications director, was a 22-year-old intern

on the police beat for the Waco Tribune Herald. He was headed out the door for dinner with his future in-laws when the police scanner announced that bodies had been found out at Lake

July of 1982, three teenagers - Kenneth Franks, Jill Montgomery and Raylene Rice were found murdered. Patrol Sgt. Truman Simons spent 18 months researching this case, eventually finding the murderer and solving the crime.

In the end, Simons found out that the crime had been committed by David Spence, who was being held in McLennan County Jail for another separate crime. Later, it came out that this was a case of murder for hire, but

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Waco must-sees



Leaving Waco and going into the "real world" is something that is on every senior's mind. With graduation approaching, projects being due and finals right around the corner, there are two looming questions each senior is searching for an answer to: "What am I going to do with my life?" and "What have I missed while living in Waco?"

First off, there is a theory that says some college graduates without jobs are better than most. This information was gathered from Time Magazine.

The percent of college students unemployed from the May 2009 graduating class is below 5 percent. Many of these graduates will end up going to graduate school. To some, the idea of going back to school after fours years of college may sound terrible and far from what they had originally planned.

Many who choose this path are smart and focused on making the most of their education while awaiting a job.

This path to grad school is strongly suggested within the Time article. It especially gives advice to those May 2010 graduates who are looking at new options for life after college.

Aside from this stressful searching process, the issue that some May 2010 graduates are facing is leaving Waco. For some, this move could be quite the exciting change, especially for those from big cities. For others, it may be an emotional change as they leave the place they have called their home for the past four years.

In anticipation of this change, there are a few places that are worth visiting, as part of the cultural aspect that Waco has to offer.

Waco has more than 18 museums and attractions, along with many unique spots to eat and places to watch theatrical productions.

There are specifically three places Waco has to offer that seniors should visit before they leave. The first is the TCV Winery. This attraction is located right outside of Waco at Tehuacana Creek. The winery offers tours around the vineyard, along with gourmet dinners, perfect for a date or a nice meal out. They also offer party rooms for events, and for future plans, this winery hopes to provide a venue for weddings and large parties or events. This winery is worth the while.

Next is Homestead Heritage, which is a craft village built across 510 acres of land. Going for miles, this village has its own farm, crops and gristmill where everything is made and then sold in the Homestead Bakery and Deli. All ingredients and items on the menu in the deli are homemade by those who work in the village. This interesting attraction also has a barn that is 200 years old and has been restored to hold the work of everyone within the village, including needlework, pottery, homemade baking mixes, quilts, natural soaps, and many other items made at the village. For a leisurely day outside, Homestead is the picture-perfect way to spend an afternoon; this unique attraction is something that should not be overlooked.

The Lake Waco Wetlands were recently reconstructed. This change was made in 2001 and has transformed the wetlands into a recreational site that many enjoy visiting. This site has greenery surrounding the area with 180 acres of plants, insects, mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians. The main reason for the 2001 project was to improve water

There are many special events that are put on at this site, along with pathways and walkways to explore and take pictures of the scenic view. Due to recent improvements on this Wetland, the beautiful area that it offers is one of Waco's finest places to

Although graduation is a stressful time, taking a step back from the busyness and experiencing one of these unique places is something that every senior should try.

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Paddling not proper discipline in schools

Twenty states in the nation still allow for corporal punishment in public schools. Texas is one of them — big surprise.

Outlawing this archaic form of punishment has been the trend for states across the country for the past decade or so. There is even push to put a federal ban on this type of punishment in schools.

Prisons across the country are no longer allowed to inflict such punishment, per federal law. If the state cannot paddle our convicted criminals, why is it still legal to paddle our children? It only makes sense that our children should not have to endure physical beatings while at school, right?

Unfortunately, this debate hits close to home. While educators and politicians are battling over this question nationwide, the Temple Independent School District recently challenged the dissenters by its testimony in an April 15 Washington Post article saying paddling has worked.

The school reinstated the

corporal punishment option last May and the principal of

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Temple's only high school said that the system has curbed discipline problems even though only one student has been paddled. Although in this instance

paddling seems to have caused a positive change, it is still no way to go about discipline at school. This instance in Temple just brought to the surface the debate that has been brewing, and sets a rather negative example for the rest of the nation.

While yes, it is a quick and easy method of discipline for school administration, it is not a method that affects children positively.

Invoking fear as a means of control should not be allowed in schools. Schools must be safe havens considering there are numbers of children being beaten at home. Human rights issues should not be overlooked by Temple ISD or any other district for the sake of discipline.

There are many more constructive ways to discipline children at school.

The American Civil Liberties Union and Human Rights Watch gave a report last year that "students of color and students with disabilities" are disproportionately subjected to school paddling, according to the report website.

Not only does this negatively affect student behavior, but it affects academic performance negatively as well, according to the report. It also can lead to mental problems and learning impediments.

The use of corporal punishment at Temple ISD is not a positive example proving the effectiveness of such discipline, as Temple's high school principal claims in The Post article. To the contrary, it shows the shortsightedness of the district when considering the ramifications of paddling. The Lariat urges the district to reconsider the mental and emotional effects that corporal punishment can have on children, especially those with disabilities.

During time of stress, be reminded of who holds the future

Every morning I am a little more on edge than the day

I go to sleep exhausted and wake up only to be exhausted once again. Spring brings long papers for classes that are about books I only skimmed to pass the daily quiz, final projects that I have been dreading all semester and the inevitable rain showers that hit only when I have plans outdoors.

This is an easy time to panic. It's our last chance to do well in our classes so that we can receive the grades we want.

I am coming to the close of my junior year and the ticking clock telling me that by this time next year I should have a real job is ticking louder every day.

As finals approach, I am

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calculating the grades I need to receive and the material that will be covered.

I wish I could just fast forward my life and already finish the finals.

I long for summer, but then remember that it will be the last true summer vacation of my life and I am on the verge of hyperventilation. I know that I tend to overreact, but I think that surely someone at Baylor is going through what I am going through. In the front of my planner

at the beginning of the year I wrote three Bible verses and a note to myself: "Don't get stressed! (Insert smiling stickfigure)." How optimistic I was back then!

However, I do look to those three Bible verses often,

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just to remind myself to breathe and relax. The first verse is Jeremiah

32:27 "I am the Lord, the God of

all mankind; is anything too hard for me?" No problem I have is to too

big, no test too hard and no project too time-consuming for God. It is funny to think sometimes that I get so wrapped up in my own little world that I forget to ask the Creator of the universe to grant me a better and more encouraged attitude.

The next verse I wrote down was 2 Corinthians 12:9.

"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made

perfect in weakness."

I am someone who loves to do things myself and rarely do I like to ask others for help. However, God comes even in our weaknesses to give us grace. He knows that we are weak and tired and that is when He says His power is perfect.

The final verse in my planner is one that I am sure many are familiar with. It is Jeremiah 29:11. "'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

I can hear this verse a million times and still forget that God already knows what grades I will earn and the weariness that I have now. He planned for everything in my life before I was even born and

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now all I have to do is follow His will. He has planned great things for those who follow

This year has been one of the hardest of my life. I have lost a loved one close to me. I learned things from my job and my classes. I have made some wonderful friends

But, most importantly, I have grown as a person. That is how I know I will make it through the stress of the next few weeks and the upcoming final year of college. God has prepared me for it and all I have to do is follow the path that he has cut for me.

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Volcano interrupts Baylor students' travel plans

By NEELY GUTHRIE

The ash from the volcanic eruptions in Iceland has severely disrupted European travel, and has not only affected Europeans but Baylor students as well.

Students studying in Maastricht this semester were scheduled to return on a Continental flight from Amsterdam to Houston on Thursday and were able to make their flight despite delays.

"We're really fortunate. A lot of people have been praying about it," said Wendy Moore, coordinator of semester abroad programs. "All continental flights were canceled up until [Wednesday]. If they had been flying out early [Wednesday] morning they wouldn't have been able to get

Tim Compton, assistant director of aviation sciences, described how a jet engine works and how the ash interferes with that.

"It's pretty simple. ... A jet engine has to breathe an extraordinary amount of air to burn the fuel. It sucks in air in the front, ignites it with fuel, and that's what propels the plane forward," Compton said. "Ash is super fine



Activity is seen from the volcano in southern Iceland's Eyjafjallajokull glacier, Wed. Geologists continued to keep a close watch on the Iceland volcano Eyjafjallajokull on Wednesday, as observers noticed a change in the eruption pattern. Instead of thick black smoke, the plume was almost white and more like steam than black

... the engine will suck in that ash and it will flame the engine out... Ash in the air starves the engine of the air it needs."

Many airlines canceled flights because of the location of the ash cloud and the danger of engines being affected by the ash.

"The ash is going to do one

of two things. First – the weight of the ash will be pulled back to earth," Compton said, "and the ash propelled incredibly high in the air gets caught in the winds aloft and it takes time for it to disperse and be found in lesser concentrations."

According to the International

SOS, eruptions from Eyjafjallajökull continued on Thursday with debris emitted to approximately 13,000 feet. Furthermore, Iceland's Civil Protection Agency expects volcanic ash will not exceed 20,000 feet over the next few days; planes are currently flying at 35,000 feet to avoid the ash.

Dr. Tamara Hodges was the program director in Maastricht this semester and did not return Thursday with the majority of the group, but stayed behind because some students were unable to make it back on time. Five students still remain in Maastricht with Hodges but will be return-"Traveling was disastrous in

general," said Indianapolis junior Jenna Thompson, who is still in Maastricht. "Since all the flights were canceled, using every other mode of transportation was cha-

Moore said the train strike in France made it even more difficult for students to get back to Maastricht.

"There were hundreds of people just like us stranded everywhere," said Austin senior Angela Bunnell, who is also still in Maastricht. "They were struggling just as much to get back to their point of origin."

Bunnell and the others in her group had to take a bus through France to get back to the Nether-

"We ended up paying 150 Euros to take a 22-hour bus that ended up being 27 and a half hours of pure hell," Bunnell said. "Our bus driver fell asleep and started to run us off the road, we had to wait on a bus that broke down, we picked up people at a rundown gas station, and switched buses in Paris for no reason."

Being overcharged for alternative travel was an issue more

than one person encountered. "It was frustrating seeing how the system takes advantage of people over here," Hodges said. "My plane ticket from Brussels to Athens was 138 Euros, but when I checked after the eruption, it was over 500 Euros. To do that to people in the midst of chaos is ridiculous."

Moore emphasized how fortunate the students were to have a program director in Maastricht.

"What's great about Maastricht program is that we have a program director and graduate assistants that can stay with the students," Moore said. She also said the students and

graduate students are being really lighthearted about the whole situation.

"It's funny; we've had really good humor about it. Graduate students started writing poems

Stocks recover after Obama speech, home sales data

By Stephan Bernard AND TIM PARADIS

NEW YORK — The stock market recovered from early losses and closed modestly higher Thursday after President Barack Obama's speech on financial reform contained no unpleasant surprises. The Dow Jones industrial average rose about 9 points after being down about 108. Broader indexes also turned higher. The market fell sharply early in the day as Greece's debt problems worsened and on fears that Obama would advocate tough restrictions on banks. When he didn't, stocks recovered.

Prices also got a boost from a

authentic than local favorite Pizza

Barn, the group had decided to

moment of my life," Karl Winsey, a

friend of Danny's, recalled. "It was

like we time-warped into Italy or

"I swear it was the scariest

venture out and try a new place.

jump in sales of existing homes last month. In a speech in New York, Obama said the economy is recovering quickly but the progress needs to be felt more deeply among the millions of unemployed Americans. He has blamed Wall Street for helping push the country into recession. Obama gave a speech in support of his efforts to pass legislation that would overhaul financial markets. The Senate could debate the financial overhaul bill next week. The House has already passed its own version. Investors were rattled early in the day by news about Greece. The country's borrowing costs surged again when Europe's statistics agency found that Greece's budget deficit last year was even larger than previously thought. The findings pushed Greece closer to tapping loans from 15 European countries and the International Monetary Fund. Moody's Investor Services downgraded Greece's debt and said more downgrades could be

"It rings the alarm bell at least in the very short-term," said Steven Goldman, chief market strategist at Weeden & Co., referring to the latest problems in Greece.

Greece's debt crisis has undermined confidence in Europe's shared currency, the euro, and raised the troubling possibility that other weak European economies such as Portugal may also need to be bailed out.

Stocks have been climbing steadily over the past 13 months, and the gains in the past two months have come with very few breaks. Many analysts have been expecting a break in the market's ascent, which would be in keeping with historical patterns. As occurred Thursday, most recent drops have faded quickly as buyers step in. The Dow rose 9.37, or 0.1 percent, to 11,134.29. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 2.73, or 0.2 percent, to 1,208.67, while the Nasdaq composite index rose 14.46, or 0.6 percent, to 2,519.07. Bond prices fell, lifting yields. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note rose to 3.78 percent from 3.74 percent late Wednesday. The dollar rose

against other major currencies, while gold fell. Crude oil rose 2 cents to \$83.70 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The Labor Department reported that the number of people applying for unemployment benefits dipped to 456,000 last week, after rising unexpectedly the past couple of weeks. The drop was about in line with expectations.

Homebuilder Hovnanian Enterprises Inc. rose 25 cents, or 4 percent, to \$6.57. KB Home rose \$1.12, or 6.3 percent, to \$18.87.

Stronger corporate earnings reports in the past two weeks have brought an important signal that the economy is recovering. But not all the numbers have been as strong as investors would like. Shares of eBay Inc. fell \$1.51, or 5.7 percent, to \$24.78 after the online auction house's profit forecast fell short of what analysts had been expecting.

Profits at mobile phone maker Nokia Corp. missed analysts' forecasts. The stock fell \$1.96, or 13.1 percent, to \$12.99. Dow component Verizon Communications Inc. reported better-than-expected earnings but the stock fell after the company brought in fewer new customers than predicted. Verizon fell 28 cents, or 1 percent, to \$29.28. Two stocks rose for every one that fell on the New York Stock Exchange, where consolidated volume came to 6 billion shares compared with 5.7 billion Wednesday.

ating rental agreements for food,

tuition, back massages and

toiletries. "If I could rent all that,

I'm pretty certain I wouldn't ever

need a real job." And if he does?

"I'll probably rent a guy to do that

for me too."



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Business School hosts management conference

JOHN D. ELIZONDO

This weekend the Baylor Hankamer School of Business will host the 32nd annual Management Communication Association conference.

This will be the first time the conference has taken place in Texas and Baylor will play host to about 20 faculty members from the best business schools in America.

Dr. Anne Grinols, assistant dean for faculty development and college initiatives at Baylor, said the event is to help professors who teach management communication to MBA students share and be informed about ideas in the business communication field.

"[The event topics] are more about how to be effective in the

business having anything to do with communication," she said. "Whether it is communication in a crisis (like firms in Wall Street), communicating with the media, communicating internal and externally, and communicating eth-

Grinols is a member of the Management Communication Association along with Dr. Denny Kramer, Baylor graduate school assistant dean, said that members of the Management Communication Association must be invited into the association and the association is only for faculty at the top 20 business schools.

"Although our school is not in the top 20, people know us and know our work so they invited us to come to conferences because they feel Baylor has a top-quality management and communication [program]," Grinols said. Kramer said he and Grinols were asked prior to the conference last year if they would be willing to host the conference in 2010.

"At the end of the conference we were given the opportunity to acknowledge that we will be hosting this year," Kramer said. "We gave a small PowerPoint presentation about Baylor, the Hankamer School of Business and the city of Waco, and did it in a fun kind of way to encourage them to come this year."

Grinols said this year's con-

ference theme is "Changing Paradigms: Insights and Ethics," and because the event was being held at Baylor, some sessions will specifically concentrate on ethics.

She said that each session

would be an interactive session with animated discussion following each lecture, but she empha-

sized the event will not only be about business, but will also be a showcase for Baylor and Waco.

"There will be a concert at Armstrong Browning Library by the Early Instruments and the Chamber singers, a tour at Armstrong Browning, a tour at the Mayborn Museum, a tour at the Mammoth site and we are going to have a Texas-themed dinner at the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum Friday night [tonight]," she said.

The prestigious conference will include attendees such as the Management Communication Association's founding member Mary Munter, and the keynote speaker will be Cornell's Brian Wansink. Grinols, who used to work with Wansink at the University of Illinois in the late 90s, said Wansink is a prolific and dynamic speaker who will be taking

the time out of his busy schedule to speak at the conference.

Wansink, who once was the executive director of the USDA's Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion, developed the research that created the 100-calorie food packets, Grinols said.

After Wanisk gives his speech about "Research ripples from journal to general impact," he will speak to marketing students at Kayser Auditorium at 10 a.m. Friday, and Grinols strongly encourages other students to come hear him speak. Also giving the closing speech at the conference will be Baylor management professor Dr. Blaine McCormick, who said that although he finds it intimidating speaking to communication professionals, he feels his unique speech focusing on Ben Franklin will be impactful for those who listen.

"We all remember these little things that Ben Franklin once said over 250 years ago, so I am going to be talking about the life long value of good advice," Mc-Cormick, who has a recuring segment on KWBU, said

"I will be using Franklin, some of the things that he taught, what we can learn from him and how can we be the voice in people's heads at life's crucial junctures and be the one that they will remember," McCormick said.

Those involved with the twoday event, especially Grinols, hopes the event will be very beneficial to Baylor and will be a great showcase for the university.

"It is an honor to be invited to host. It is a lot of work but it is worth it because people will leave here with [lasting] impressions of Baylor, Waco and Texas," Grinols said.

Arizona presses for Obama's birth certificate

House passes bill that could keep the president off 2012 ballot

By Jonathan J. Cooper Associated Press

PHOENIX — Arizona lawmakers expressing doubt over whether President Barack Obama was born in the United States are pushing a bill through the Legislature that would require the president to show his birth certificate to get on the state's 2012 ballot. The House passed the measure Wednesday on a 31-29 vote, ignoring protests from opponents who said it's casting Arizona in an ugly light and could give the elected secretary

of state broad powers to kick a presidential candidate off the ballot.

"We're becoming a national joke," Rep. Chad Campbell, a Phoenix Democrat who opposes the measure, said Thursday.

The measure's sponsor, Republican Rep. Judy Burges of Skull Valley, said she isn't sure Obama could prove his eligibility for the ballot in Arizona and wants to erase all doubts.

"You have half the population who thinks everything is fine, and you have the other half of the population who has had doubts built up in their mind," Burges said.

So-called "birthers" have contended since the 2008 presidential campaign that Obama is ineligible to be president because, they argue, he was actually born in Kenya, his father's

homeland. The Constitution says that a person must be a "natural-born citizen" to be eligible for the presidency.

Hawaii officials have repeatedly confirmed Obama's citizenship, and his Hawaiian birth certifi-

"We've become a national joke."

Rep. Chad Campbell

Phoenix Democrat

cate has been made public, along with birth notices from two Honolulu newspapers published within days of his birth in August 1961.

Courts have rebuffed lawsuits challenging Obama's eligibility, but the

issue hasn't gone away. Lawmakers have introduced similar bills in a handful of other states. The states include Oklahoma, where a measure passed the House but failed in the Senate, and Missouri, where a bill was withdrawn before any action was taken.

Eleven U.S. House Republicans have signed on to a federal bill, but it hasn't received a hearing in the Democrat-controlled House.

Arizona's measure would require U.S. presidential candidates to submit documents to the secretary of state proving they meet the constitutional requirements to be president. The secretary of state could then decide to keep a candidate off the Arizona ballot if he or she had reasonable cause to believe the

candidate was ineligible.

Arizona Secretary of State Ken Bennett opposes the bill, arguing it gives his office too much power, according to his spokesman, Matthew Benson. Benson said Bennett, a Republican, has no doubts about Obama's citizenship.

The bill now goes to the Senate, where supporters are trying to pull together enough votes to pass the measure. If they do, it's unclear if Republican Gov. Jan Brewer will give it her support. Her spokesman, Paul Senseman, said the governor won't comment on pending legislation, but he added she doesn't have doubts about Obama's citizenship.The measure comes amid a string of controversial proposals in Arizona that have garnered national attention, including a sweeping illegal immigration crackdown awaiting action by the governor and a measure allowing people to carry concealed weapons without permits. The governor signed the gun bill last week. Rep. Tom Chabin, D-Flagstaff, pleaded with his colleagues to oppose the birth certificate measure Wednesday.

"When you undermine

mine our nation, and it makes us look very ugly," Chabin said Thursday. But some supporters insist the bill isn't aimed at Obama, it's just common sense.

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"It's our ballot," said state Sen. Jack Harper, R-Surprise, who believes Obama has proven his citizenship. "The parties need to prove that their nominee is eligible to hold the office of president to be on our ballot."













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Students get real-world taste of film industry

CONTRIBUTOR

The excitement of being invited to the 2010 Dallas International Film Festival, April 8 to 18, meant a great opportunity to explore the realm of films through many different perspectives from around the globe.

As college film and digital media majors on the verge of graduating, Brett Waltemath, Alexander Kushneir and I experienced first-hand feeling of working among the press and interviewing the latest Hollywood directors, producers, screenwriters and actors.

Among these top contributors in cinema, we had the privilege of interviewing Baylor alum and Oscar nominated director/ writer, John Lee Hancock ("The Rookie," "The Blindside"). Other stars included writer/director and three-time Academy Award nominee Frank Darabont ("The Shawshank Redemption." "The Green Mile" and "The Mist"). We also interviewed director, animator and screenwriter for Pixar. Peter Hans Docter, ("Monsters Inc.," "Up," "Toy Story" and "WALL-E"). As you can imagine, the overwhelming feeling that arose within us was exhilarating.

Grabbing our camera equipment, notepad and microphone, we began questioning each director one-on-one about their views on cinema and how they got where they are today.

A graduate of Baylor University and the Baylor University Law School, Hancock worked for several years as a lawyer when he realized his real dream was to make films.

"The academia at Baylor prepared me for my future and helped me shape my career as a writer," Hancock said. We emphasized to Hancock how much of an inspiration his role has been to film students at Baylor and the contributions he's made among the cinematic industry. Hancock's next film, "The Goree Girls," is currently in pre-produc-

We also had the honor of having interviewed chairman of the board of the Dallas Film Society, Michael Cain. Graduate of the American Film Institute in Los Angeles, Cain was previously the founder and executive director of the non-profit organization Deep Elum Film, Music, Art and Noise. We walked around the Trammell & Margaret Crow, Asian Art Collection Center in Dallas talking with Cain about classic films and

his next film festival appearance in San Francisco, Calif.

Among the independent filmmakers, we had the honor of having met Farah White, executive producer of the movie "Hold." The movie starring Robby Storey (Alan) and Stephanie Rhodes (Laura) is about a young couple's marriage and the dramatic twist of an intruder breaking into the couple's home and raping Alan's wife. The couple faces emotional dilemmas and leaves the viewer glued to their seat. After the film, White invited us to her private party, where we interviewed cast and crew and discussed the roles of each character.

"I think that all three of us recognized throughout the festival that we were experiencing something that few people get to be a part of," Waltemath said. "More than anything else, we appreciated having the opportunity to give praise to those in the film industry, whose work we so greatly admire."

Besides the excitement of having interviewed these A-list directors and producers, my colleagues and I networked with other actors, such as Bill Paxton of "Apollo 13," Clint Howard of "Waterboy" and other screenwriters and sponsoring organiza-

Brett Waltemath, Alexander Kushneir and Brian Martinez are three film and digital media majors who were invited to work at the Dalls Film Festival where they met Michael Cain, festival's Chairman of the Board.

Over the week and a half span, I referred to us as "The Three Amigos," venturing into the Dallas city limits, representing Baylor film and digital media students. We grasped as much guidance as we could from all the press and Dallas Film Society staff among us. We didn't want to miss a single day. As soon as

classes were over we sped our way to Dallas, later arriving home in Waco at 5 a.m. each morning, a cycle that wore us out but kept us motivated. We fully enjoyed the pampering of the press lounges and Gala Centerpiece screenings, but overall the hands-on experience we had was riveting.

"Attending the D.I.F.F. was a remarkable experience, and as a student, I happen to have networked with many people within the film and entertainment industry," Kushneir said. "I highly encourage other students to consider opportunities like this dur-

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Senior fashion show to display 'A Reflection of Time'

By RACQUEL JOSEPH

About a year ago, fashion design majors began to dream up themes for their senior collec-

At 2 and 7 p.m. on May 1, Barfield Drawing Room will be transformed into a runway show showcasing the seniors' work.

However, the designers will not be alone in presenting the products of their sweat and tears. Visual merchandising majors have created the show itself as part of their course work.

Dr. Rochelle Brunson, fashion merchandising lecturer, is directing the show as minimally as possible.

"This is a student project where they make the decisions. I'm doing a whole lot but this is not a Dr. Brunson kind of thing at all. This is for my class and I'm here for guidance," she said. "They're doing the lighting, sound, commentary. They put the runway together."

The theme of the show, "Going Vogue: A Reflection of Time," was also conceived by the visual merchandising students.

"We were kind of playing off Sarah Palin's 'Going Rogue'," Abilene sophomore Anna Morrison said.

Though the theme is based on current events, designers will explore the past, present and fu-

experience gained, Brunson said, is invaluable to the

"In the visual merchandising field, part of the job obviously is doing displays, styling and merchandising. But they might also do fashion shows," Brunson

— McClatchy-Tribune

Morrison said she did not realize how many details would arise and how many decisions had to be made in order to produce a show.

One of the more difficult challenges was organizing and timing models. "There's about 40-something models and some are in more than one show. You have to make sure they have time to change," Morrison said.

Both Morrison and Brunson look forward to giving the designers an avenue to showcase

Atlanta senior Ariel Clarke will

present her collection, "Southern Soul," in a week. The collection reflects the sunsets, sunrises, and open fields and cowboys of Texas. Clarke is working hard to finish. "All of us stay in sewing lab...

literally 24 hours sometimes," she said. "We make jokes about moving in up there." A new challenge was intro-

duced for the design students befitting the show's theme.

"Each of the senior girls made futuristic garments. We did research on what we think garments will look like in 3010," Clarke said.

The challenge also let students get a taste of international

"I got to design and then get it produced in a factory in China," Clarke explained.

Both Clarke and Morrison are looking forward to seeing the final products of their hard work experienced by an audience.

Attendees must pay \$10 for the 2 p.m. show and \$15 for the 7 p.m. show. The admission fees will cover the cost of the show with remainder being contributed to the family and consumer sciences department fund.

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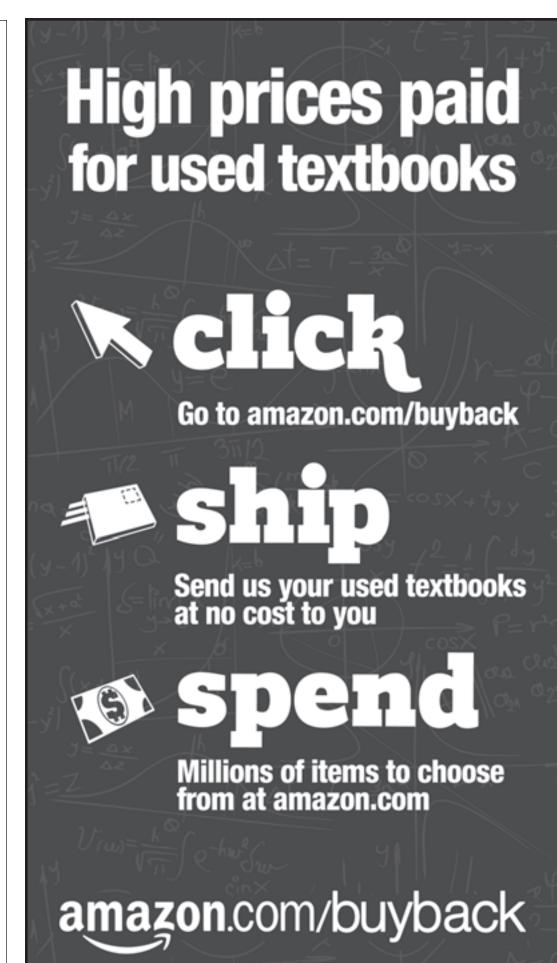
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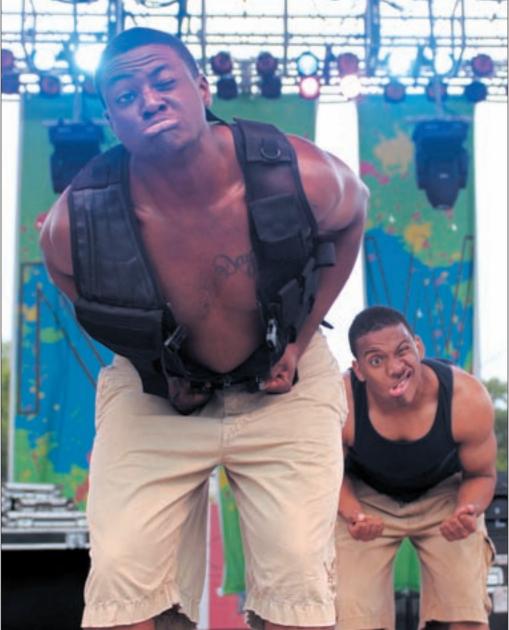


Waco natives Kramer Amos and David Moffatt compete to see who can lunge the farthest Thursday during Diadeloso.

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Spring sophomore Devin Culberson and Port Arthur senior Stetson Olaye step with Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. in the Diadeloso step show on Fountain Mall.





Baylor Chamber of Commerce member and Austin freshman Kristina Murphy fights through the pain in Chamber's tug-of-war face-off against Alpha Delta Pi.



Daniel Cernero | Staff Photographer

Chaplain Burt Burleson receives a pie to the face during Diadeloso on Fountain Mall.



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Edmond, Okla., senior Sean Kim twirls into the air while performing a kick during Diadeloso on Fountain Mall.



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Members of the Asian Student Association and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. perform in the Diadeloso step show.



MATT HELLMAN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Baylor's men's basketball team parades around in the Baylor Basketball golf cart Thursday during the Dia Del Oso celebration held in Fountain Mall.



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Garland junior Ali Garzon, member of the team Monstars, goes for the kill shot at the sand volleyball court in Russell Field.

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Baseball welcomes Nebraska for pivotal Big 12 series



Sarah Groman | Staff pho

Senior second baseman Raynor Campbell sprints around the basepath Tuesday night against Sam Houston State University. Campbell and the Bears, who are currently in eighth place in the conference, will try to climb up the Big 12 standings this weekend against Nebraska.

By Chris Derrett Sports writer

Baylor looks to rebound from a midweek loss and regain ground in the Big 12 with a three-game weekend series at home against Nebraska

The Bears (22-15, 5-8) suffered a three-game sweep at Kansas State last weekend, defeated Sam Houston State on Tuesday and lost to a top-50 RPI team at Texas State the following day.

A rough outing from starter Crayton Bare proved too much for the Bears to defeat Texas State, as the Bobcats pulled away for a 9-3 win. Bare walked two batters, threw wide on a pickoff attempt, gave up an RBI single and tossed a wild pitch before handing the ball to Tom Filip without retiring a single batter.

Filip entered with no room for error and allowed a bases-clearing double. A sacrifice fly gave the Bobcats five runs in the first inning.

"At some point guys have to

turn the corner. We'll keep running them out there and giving them opportunities when we can and see if they will do it," coach Steve Smith said.

Offensive struggles led to Baylor's demise against the Wildcats, as the Kansas State hurlers held the Bears to a combined six runs on 13 hits in the three games.

"I believe in this team offensively," Smith said after Sunday's 3-2 loss at Manhattan. "It just had a bad weekend. The game will humble you very quickly."

Despite dropping all three games, Baylor turned in solid innings on the mound. After Friday's starter Shawn Tolleson allowed four runs in a third of an inning, Craig Fritsch tossed 5.1 scoreless innings, and Kolt Browder surrendered a run in the final 2.1 innings.

Logan Verrett and Willie Kempf, Saturday's and Sunday's starters, combined for four earned runs in 12 innings.

Baylor's bats finally awakened in a 9-5 win over Sam

Houston State. The Bears manufactured two early runs against starter Brandon Kimbrel, a 2006 Baltimore Orioles unsigned draft pick, and pummeled Kimbrel's relievers in the victory.

Much of the production actually came from non-weekend starters, as freshman Cal Towey drove in three runs on a double and a triple, and sophomore Dan Evatt knocked in two with a two-run homer. Towey and Evatt had combined for 17 starts in the team's 35 games entering Tuesday's matchup.

"It feels good to show that we can put up runs like that. It is always good to get a win too in midweek games," Towey said.

Evatt, whose blast was his first of the season, echoed Towey's sentiment.

"It feels good, but we know we can do that so it's not like it is a huge surprise for us. It was nice to come back hitting tonight after a (bad) weekend," Evatt said.

This weekend, Baylor welcomes the 18-19, 5-10 Cornhusk-

ers to Waco. Verrett and Fritsch will likely take the first two starts on 6:30 p.m. today and 3 p.m. Saturday.

Nebraska is expected to send junior right-hander Michael Mariot to the mound today and freshman righty Tyler Niederklein the following day. Freshman right-hander Tom Lenke should take the final start, while Baylor's Sunday starter is yet to be determined.

Verrett, second in ERA among all Baylor pitchers who have tossed at least 20 innings, has yet to start the first game of any conference series this season. But with Smith's team sitting in eighth among the 10 Big 12 clubs, the 16th-year skipper aims to start strong in a key conference series.

"This is a series we can try to downplay all we want, but this is a big series and a series we need to win, so we are going to run Logan out there the first day and see what happens from there," Smith said.

Bradford chosen first; slew of Big 12 players selected early in draft

Associated Press

The Big 12, led by Oklahoma, kicked off a big party for itself at Radio City Music Hall in the first prime-time NFL draft Thursday night.

The Rockettes would have ved it.

Starting with quarterback Sam Bradford going to the St. Louis Rams, five of the top six picks were from the Big 12—three of them Sooners.

The Oklahoma junior became the eighth quarterback since 2001 taken atop the draft. He was immediately followed Thursday night by defensive tackle Ndamukong Suh of Nebraska, the AP Player of the Year; DT Gerald McCoy and OT Trent Williams, Bradford's teammates with the Sooners.

"That's pretty cool because I know the Big 12 has been getting a lot of slack lately," Bradford said. "People for some reason didn't think that we played much football in the Big 12 and sure didn't think we played much defense, so for two defensive tackles to go in the first three picks is a credit to the Big 12."

And what about the Sooners' run at the top of the festivities?

"It's insane isn't it?" Mc-Coy said with a huge smile. "We can't play football in the Big 12, but the first four picks went out the Big 12? Mm-mmm — three of 'em from Oklahoma, by the way."

Bradford, the 2008 winner of the Heisman Trophy, joins a Rams team that was 1-15 last season and scored a league-low 175 points. The Rams cut incumbent Marc Bulger in the offseason.

Bradford appeared in only three games in 2009, his junior year, before undergoing right

shoulder surgery. His recovery has been so complete that the Rams didn't hesitate to make him the future face of the franchise.

An hour before the draft, Bradford, looking dapper in a gray suit, admitted he was nervous.

"The butterflies are flying around right now," he said.

A little while later, he could relax — at least until he gets on the field behind the Rams' weak offensive line.

Detroit then chose Suh, considered the best defensive tackle prospect in more than a decade. He won the Lombardi, Bednarik and Nagurski trophies in 2009 and comes off a dominant Big 12 title game in which he had 12 tackles with 4.5 sacks.

He was greeted by "SUH, SUH," as he walked onto the stage holding a Lions jersey.

McCoy should boost a Tampa defense that once was feared but flopped last season when it yielded 400 points. He displayed his Buccaneers jersey to the crowd and pumped his fist high in the air as "Pirates of the Caribbean" played on the loudspeakers.

The Big 12 bonanza kept rolling when Washington took Williams, an All-America, to fill a huge hole at tackle left by the retirement of Chris Samuels. Williams engulfed commissioner Roger Goodell in a hefty bear hug onstage.

Tennessee safety Eric Berry, also an All-American, went fifth to Kansas City, breaking the Big 12 strangle-hold. Berry, noted for his versatility, also has the potential to play cornerback.

Then it was back to the Big 12 for Oklahoma State OT Russell Okung, who went to Seattle, where perennial Pro Bowl blocker Walter Jones might retire.



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Former University of Oklahoma quarterback Sam Bradford smiles as he holds up a jersey after he was selected as the No. 1 overall pick by the St. Louis Rams in the first round of the NFL Draft Thursday night at Radio City Music Hall in New York City.

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Softball suffers pair of losses to No. 13-ranked Oklahoma

By MATT LARSEN Sports writer

The Baylor softball team dropped both games of its doubleheader Wednesday night at Getterman Stadium to the University of Oklahoma, 6-1 and 3-1.

The Lady Bears fell to 4-8 in the Big 12 and 24-19 overall despite a seventh-inning threat and a solid outing by freshman Courtney Repka in the second match.

"I've challenged the team for several weeks now," head coach Glenn Moore said. "I think Courtney on a lot of other Big 12 teams could possibly be a candidate for an all-conference pitcher, but we're not giving her the support she needs to even get a few 'Ws' here and there."

Repka (16-13) struggled in the first outing as the Sooners compiled five earned runs during her four innings of work.

She bounced back in the second game, giving up one earned run in a complete game of work.

"I collected myself, came back and had the drive to go through that second game," she said. "When you give up big hits, you just have to put them behind you and go at the next batter."

The Lady Bears seemed unable to put their struggles at the plate behind them, though, only notching five hits over the two games.

Moore expected more from his hitters, especially facing Oklahoma's No. 2 pitcher, Michelle Gasciogne, during the second game.

'We've made No. 2's look like No. 1's for a while now," Moore said. "I know we're fighting like heck to get back to that team we saw earlier in the year, and it's just been an uphill battle."

It's an uphill battle made even steeper by the injury of senior left fielder Tiffany Wesley. Wesley broke her hand this past weekend against Nebraska and will undergo surgery Tuesday. She will be available only as a pinch runner for the remainder of the season.

"Tiff going down, for me as senior, for the rest of the senior class, it's a real killer because we have been together forever," senior catcher Courtney Nieten said. "It's pretty devastating knowing that we came in together, and we may not finish, if you will. "

Wesley's injury puts the Lady Bears' second-hottest bat (.360 average) on the bench beside sopho-

more Big 12 Pitcher of the Year Whitney Canion.

Their injuries beg for younger talent to rise up to places of lead-

"We have a very talented athlete in Kathy Shelton," Nieten said. "She is going to do everything she can to get the job done. She is going to get those late inning hits, and she is going to work hard to make the plays that come her way.'

Shelton showed a hint of her potential in the seventh inning of the second game, coming away with an RBI double with two outs and two strikes in the count.

The Lady Bears were unable to finish the rally stranding Shelton at second and junior Jordan Vannatta at third.

'We seem to be running out of time," Nieten said as her team stares at a tough finish to conference play that includes away game against Missouri and Texas A&M and a home contest against No. 6 Texas.

"But the thing is, when you're running out of time, there is still time left. It's just a matter of taking that and doing something with



Sophomore Kayce Walker, shown during an April 12 game against Oklahoma Christian University, and the Lady Bears were limited to five hits in two games against the University of Oklahoma. Walker had a hit in

Women's tennis shuts out UT-Arlington, 4-0, on senior night



Seniors Lenka Broosova and Csilla Borsanyi embrace one another after winning their match against UT-Arlington, 4-0, on Wednesday night at the Baylor Tennis Center.

By Daniel Cernero

On an emotion-filled day, the No. 2-ranked women's tennis team recognized its seniors while shutting out UT-Arlington 4-0 Wednesday evening at the Baylor Tennis Center.

After earning wins on the No. 1 and No. 2 courts to give the Lady Bears the doubles point, Baylor recognized three seniors - Lenka Broosova, Csilla Borsanyi and Hannah Brandt - during its last regular season home match of the

"Senior day is one of those days that when you have seniors like this, you don't really look forward to it," head coach Joey Scrivano. "They've meant a lot to the program, and I'm just thankful we have some tennis in front of us

and our ultimate goal right around the corner."

With a 1-0 lead heading into singles play, the Lady Bears looked to grab three quick points to lock up the victory.

After two players from UT-Arlington withdrew due to injuries, No. 5-ranked Broosova sealed the deal for Baylor, winning in straight

"Lenka is playing some great tennis this year," Scrivano said. "What's so impressive with her is that even when she's not playing well, she's able to find her range, make adjustments and then play really well again. That's the sign of an experienced player."

The day was extra special for the Slovakian senior, because she was able to have her older brother watch from the stands.

"It means a lot to have him

here," Broosova said. "Because every time I go home, I talk about Baylor, and I talk about how it is hard for me to go home. I don't want to leave; I just want to stay here (at Baylor).

"They just don't understand why I feel like that, why Baylor is my home right now. But finally he came here and he understands. He told me yesterday, 'Now I get it. I get why you love it here and why you feel at home."

Aside from the numerous records she's broken since arriving at Baylor, Lenka has brought to the team intangibles that have proven to be invaluable.

"She has innate leadership qualities that have only matured every year," Scrivano said. "And it's rubbed off on the whole team. On top of that, she's the most competitive person I've ever met."

Scrivano added, "When you bring in a player and on her first day on campus she sees an NCAA trophy and says, 'We're going to win one of those,' that is pretty special. That shows the confidence she has.

"She came in with a swagger, and at the time, the program needed that. As a coach, you can have all of the swagger you want, and it doesn't matter. If the players don't have it, it's not going to translate into wins."

The Lady Bears look to remain undefeated as they finish out their Big 12 schedule this weekend against Kansas State and Kansas.

'We don't have to motivate our players this weekend," Scrivano said. "They know what's at stake, and they know that they have to finish the job. It's going to be an exciting weekend for us."

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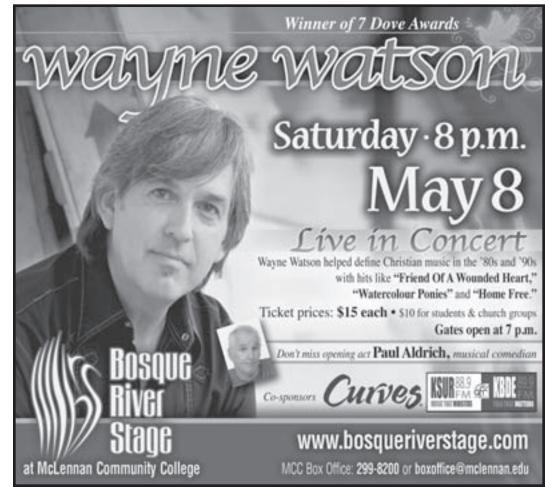
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Irish bishop resigns in Vatican move against abuse

By The Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — Heads are starting to roll in the Catholic Church's child abuse scandal.

Weeks after Europe awoke to reports of clerical sex abuse in its own backyard, Pope Benedict XVI accepted the resignation Thursday of an Irish bishop who acknowledged failing to report abuse to police, while a German bishop also offered to step down.

The developments appeared to be part of a new strategy by the Vatican of getting rid of bishops who sought to protect the church from scandal rather than safeguard children.

Bishop James Moriarty of Kildare is the third Irish bishop to step down since December; two more Irish bishops have offered to resign and the pope is expected to agree. There are also mounting calls for the country's top prelate, Cardinal Sean Brady, to leave because of his handling of the case of a notorious child rapist.

The German prelate, Bishop

Walter Mixa of Augsburg, was accused of hitting children decades ago when he was a priest, as well as financial irregularities at a Catholic orphanage where he served — allegations he denied for weeks before admitting he may have slapped children.

Although he was not accused of sexual abuse, the case against Mixa, a prominent member of Germany's Bishops Conference, focused more negative attention on a German church already shaken by scandal.

Hundreds of people have come forward in recent months, including in Benedict's native Germany, accusing priests of raping and abusing them while bishops and other church higher-ups turned a blind eye.

Victims advocates were not impressed with Thursday's actions, saying a handful of resignations of low-level bishops carries no moral weight when the senior Catholic leadership, including Benedict, has been complicit in cover-ups but has never taken re-

"When both the pope and Cardinal Brady have been implicated in protecting sex offenders, does the resignation of individual bishops contribute to the protection of children?" asked Maeve Lewis, director of One in Four, an Irish lobbying group for childabuse victims.

The most prominent resignation to date in the United States was Cardinal Bernard Law as Boston archbishop, who stepped down after the U.S. scandal exploded in 2002.

On Wednesday, Benedict promised "church action" to confront the scandal, and the Vatican has said it will do everything in its power to bring justice to abusive priests and implement "effective measures" to protect children.

The Vatican recently posted guidelines on its website instructing bishops to report abuse to police when civil laws require it. The Vatican insists that has long been church policy, though it had never been explicitly written be-

Victims groups have pressed for more, including a wholesale gutting of the ranks of complicit bishops and an admission from the Vatican that it encouraged a culture of secrecy that let abuse fester for decades unchecked.

While that may not be in the offing, clearly the pressure is having an effect.

On Wednesday, Cardinal Dario Castrillon Hovos bowed out from celebrating a Mass this weekend in Benedict's honor at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, the nation's largest Catholic church, after advocates for abuse victims objected to his presence there.

The cardinal wrote a letter in 2001 congratulating a French bishop for shielding a priest who was convicted and sentenced to 18 years for sexually abusing 11 At the time, Castrillon Hoyos

headed the Vatican's Congregation for the Clergy.

The Survivors' Network for

Those Accused By Priests, or SNAP, which had complained about Castrillon Hoyos' presence at the Mass, has been at the forefront in pushing for the Vatican to crack down on abuse and fire the bishops who enabled it.

Moriarty, the Irish bishop who resigned Thursday, said he was stepping down because he realized that "renewal must begin with accepting responsibility for the past."

Moriarty, 73, acknowledged in December he didn't challenge the Dublin Archdiocese's practice of concealing child-abuse complaints from police. He served as an auxiliary Dublin bishop from 1991 to 2002.

"The truth is that the long struggle of survivors to be heard and respected by church authorities has revealed a culture within the church that many would simply describe as un-Christian," Moriarty said in a statement. "This has been profoundly dispiriting for all who care about the church."

Two auxiliary Dublin bishops, Eamonn Walsh and Ray Field, have also offered to resign; their resignations are expected to be accepted in coming weeks, two church officials told The Associated Press in Dublin.

All three bishops were identified last year in an Irish government-ordered investigation. The report found that all bishops until 1996 colluded to protect scores of pedophile priests from criminal

In March, the pope accepted the resignation of Irish Bishop John Magee, who was accused of shielding child-abusing priests from prosecution in his southwest Irish diocese of Cloyne.

In December, the pope accepted the resignation of Bishop Donal Murray of Limerick, who was accused of particularly poor handling of abuse allegations while serving as a bishop in Dub-

Brady, Ireland's only cardinal, has said he would resign if he was found to have endangered

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Spence got the wrong people, a case of misidentification. Stowers spent two years re-

searching, investigating and following this story in preparation for his book. He drove to Waco every day for eight weeks to attend Spence's trial.

"Long before the eight weeks had passed, I knew that this was the kind of story I was looking for," Stowers said. "Because of not so much the crime itself ... but the cast of characters, the victims of this crime was just amazing. I tell people that it's a little like tossing a marble into a really still pool of water and watching as the circles expand outward. That's what happens with a crime like this. It takes in more and more victims, more and more people. The effect of this one senseless act is enormous and it was that that I felt would make a good story."

It was these "characters" that Stowers discussed. He said the most fascinating was Simons, the police officer who was on the scene that night.

"In less than two months after the murders, the Waco police department had put the case in the cold case files," Stowers said.

Stowers explained that Simons became obsessed with solving the case, even leaving his job at in the police department. Instead, he got a job as a jailer for the sheriff's department so he could continue investigating.

"Truman Simons left the police department after 14, 15 years he'd been there a long time and had had quite a career – but the fact that this case got to him in the manner that it did and that he was willing to give up a lot to pursue it," Stowers said. "It was a professional gangplank walk. But I respect what he did."

Carr detailed his experience that night.

"By the time we got out there and found [the crime scene], a

couple TV reporters were already out there ahead of us," Carr said. "When we got there, they had decided to stop letting anybody else in until they could do a little more investigation. So they were running people out of the woods.

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member and secretary of the diversity committee and a member of both the finance and community affairs committees.

Galvan said the first thing she is going to do in office is start establishing relationships with the people she will be working with, including Wright.

"I've had the experience of working in Senate where Michael [Wright] leads the meeting and he does such a good job," Galvan

"I know he'll be such a great student body president with his experience and his genuine commitment to students."

Galvan campaigned against Thousand Oaks, Calif., junior Kate Williams.

Williams, who served as student government director of communications this year, promised to continue BoxTops for Education and reading programs at J.H. Hines Elementary, to promote tax-free textbook legislation and to expand Baylor's presence in Congress.

For updates on the IVP election and to see the other election results, visit www.baylorlariat. We didn't know that; we were trying to get in. They wouldn't let us down the road, so we decided to cut through the grass on foot, knee-high grass, and I ended up with about 35 chigger bites that kept me up that night. When we got back in there to see what was going on - they did eventually walk us back in - the boy... was leaning up against the tree as Carlton documents in his book. He was leaning up against a tree and just sitting there dead, had

Carr remembers the night viv-

"It was traumatic for me as a 22-year-old," Carr said. "I was only a few years older than these kids and I kept thinking that could have been me and my friends out there. And then as the investigation unfolded in the coming months and years, and it came out, what I remember the conclusion was, it may have been a case of misidentification."

Carr still hasn't read "Careless Whispers," though it was published in 1986.

"It really affected me, being close to their age. When your book came out," Carr told Stowers. "I didn't want to read it. I still haven't read it. ... At the time, I was so closely identifying with them, I was like, I can't, this is just too horrible.'

Lillyan Baker, a Burnet senior, bought "Careless Whispers" with the intention to read it after leaving Waco.

"I wasn't going to read it until I graduated because I didn't want to read it while I was in Waco," Baker explained. "I don't know if I can handle reading the book."

Stowers seconded this, noting that he had heard that same message from a number of mothers who made their daughters read the book before attending Baylor as a freshman.

"It was the kind of story, where if you worked hard enough, you knew it was going to be good," Stowers said. "If not, it was going to be my fault not the people involved in this story. It was a story that obviously interested a lot of people. Not just in Waco."

Wis. cops nab woman wielding blow-gun

STEVENS POINT, Wis. (AP) – A 41-year-old woman was jailed after police say she went on a blow gun spree. The Stevens Point Journal reported that police got a report at 9 p.m. Wednesday from a 25-year-old woman who said she was walking downtown when she felt something hit her chest. In the next half hour, three more people made similar reports. None were seriously in-

One of the victims reported she saw the dart shot from a pipe sticking out the window of a black minivan. Police pulled the vehicle over at 9:30 p.m. and found a blow gun, a slingshot and a bucket of rocks inside.

Police arrested the van's driver, Paula Wolf, and said she eventually admitted to shooting the pedestrians. She allegedly told an officer that she "liked to hear people say ouch."

Wolf has been charged with recklessly endangering safety. She could not be reached for

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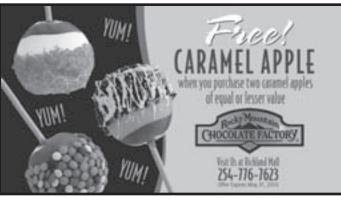
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