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nounce the President's Scholarship Initiative today, which poses a goal of increasing student scholarship funds by \$100 million by the end of the 2013 fiscal year. The idea for the initiative came

from the students, Starr said.

By Sara Tirrito

Staff writer

President Ken Starr will an-

"Last spring during transition, I sat in on a meeting with the leadership of the student government, and student government described the challenges of the cost of higher education at Baylor and also reported on their unfolding effort to come forward with a specific proposal to the Board of Regents to address that problem," Starr said. "This was student driven; it came from the grassroots."

The initiative is specifically focused on increasing need-based scholarships, merit-based scholarships, athletic scholarships and out-of-classroom enrichment scholarships, which support programs such as mission trips and study abroad.

Starr announces scholarship goals

Lori Fogleman, director of media communications, said all classifications are eligible for these scholarships, some of which can be applied for now through the same application process that students have used in the past.

"There are a number of scholarships that are awarded annually that students can apply for now," Fogleman said. "This initiative is focused on increasing that support and providing for more scholarships for students."

Houston senior and Student Body President Michael Wright said he has confidence that alumni will be willing to make contributions so that the goal can be reached.

"I think when people are able to connect with students and hear firsthand stories from students that are affected by the rising costs of higher education, alumni old and young are going to be willing to contribute whatever they can," Wright said. "Whether

it's \$10 a month, \$10 a year, or more than that — that little bit will make a difference in a young person's life and help contribute to their education."

Richard Willis, a member of the Baylor Board of Regents, and his wife Karen, a Baylor alumna, are the chairs of the steering committee for the initiative. The couple has already endowed seven scholarships for Baylor students, and have committed \$1 million to

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MAKENZIE MASON I LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

### Show me what you got!

Students watch performers Tuesday during Grab the Mic, hosted by the Association of Black Students at Baylor, in the Bill Daniel Student Center Den.

## Iran releases hiker

By Brian Murphy ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEHRAN, Iran — In just a few dizzying hours, American Sarah Shourd exchanged a cell in Tehran's Evin Prison for a private jet crossing the Persian Gulf on Tuesday, after an apparent diplomatic deal to cover a \$500,000 bail and secure a release that seemed in jeopardy from the start.

Shourd was met by her mother and U.S. diplomats at a royal airfield in the capital of Oman, which U.S. officials say played a critical role in organizing the bail payment and assuring it did not violate American economic sanctions on Iran.

Shourd stepped off the private Omani jet and into the arms of her mother in their first embrace since a brief visit in May overseen by Iranian authorities — and her first day of freedom in more than

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# Inauguration events stay true to Starr's roots

By Carmen Galvan STAFF WRITER

President Ken Starr will publicly pledge his responsibilities as president of Baylor University to the community Friday at the Ferrell Center.

Lois Ferguson, facilities utilization planner and assistant to the office of the provost for commencement and events, and Chris Krause, associate vice president for campus services, are co-chairs organizing the ceremony and have been planning the inauguration and its events since February.

"We actually started talking about the inauguration the week Judge Starr was named as president," Ferguson said. "We put together committees and talked about the different events we wanted, and when he arrived we began to talk very seriously about the event that would take place."

Starr's inauguration is the largest in Baylor's history because of the number of events surrounding the ceremony, Ferguson said. While the inauguration itself will take place Friday, the inauguration events will begin at 7 p.m. today with a student dinner in the SUB Bowl of the Bill Daniel Student Center. The dinner will be catered by Vitek's Bar-B-Q and is free to students.

On Friday, students, faculty and members of the Waco community are invited to attend the morning panel discussion, "Symposium: The Role of the Supreme Court in American Society" in Waco Hall. The discussion, beginning at 9:30 a.m., will be moderated by Starr and will examine the effects of the Supreme Court in

#### **Inauguration Events Schedule** Today:

Student Dinner with the President: 7 p.m. at the SUB Bowl

Friday: **Baylor Presidential** Symposium: 9:30 a.m. at

Waco Hall

Immigration in America-Who's Really in Charge: 11:30 a.m. at the Mayborn Museum Complex

American lives, according to Dr. Karla Leeper, chief of staff to the president.

After the first symposium, there will be two break-out symPacking Heat and the Second Amendment: 11:30 a.m. at the Kronzer Appellate Courtroom in the Umphrey Law Center

Inauguration Installation Ceremony: 2 p.m. at the Ferrell Center

Reception: 4 p.m. at the Ferrell Center grounds

posium sessions, both beginning at 11:30 a.m. One will meet in the Mayborn Museum Complex to discuss immigration in America while the other will meet in the

Umphrey Law Center to discuss the right to carry a concealed handgun.

The inauguration ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. at the Ferrell Center. Keynote speaker Stephen L. Carter from the Yale Law School will speak on democratic debate in the contextual scene of

A theme of law, constitution and ethics was important while selecting the speakers for events as well as for the Baylor Presidential Symposium Series, a series of lectures that will continue into the spring and will feature a variety of speakers on law and ethics.

"[It is] not unusal for us to do a symposium that relates to an area of great interest to the president," Ferguson said.

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## Researchers examine Facebook's impact on students

By Meghan Hendrickson STAFF WRITER

Walk into any college classroom, library or dormitory and one thing is evident: Facebook is everywhere.

Since its launch in February 2004, Facebook has grown to host more than 500 million active users. According to Facebook's website, people spend over 700 billion minutes per month on Facebook.

Originally created to provide a way for Harvard students to connect, college students across the globe have caught on to the social networking giant that is

With something that con-

sumes so much of undergraduates' time, university researchers and administration are taking note of the positive and negative effects of Facebook.

Dr. Richard Beck, chair of the psychology department at Abilene Christian University, recently authored a study showing that college freshmen with a Facebook account were more likely to return to the same school their sophomore year.

"Facebook is an interesting phenomenon," said Dr. Corey Carbonara, Baylor professor of communication studies. "Starting in high school and moving forward, people's relationships are likely to be greater on Facebook

than in person. Raving Facebook users are loyal to Facebook groups. I think that finding how that alliance fits with college students is worth studying."

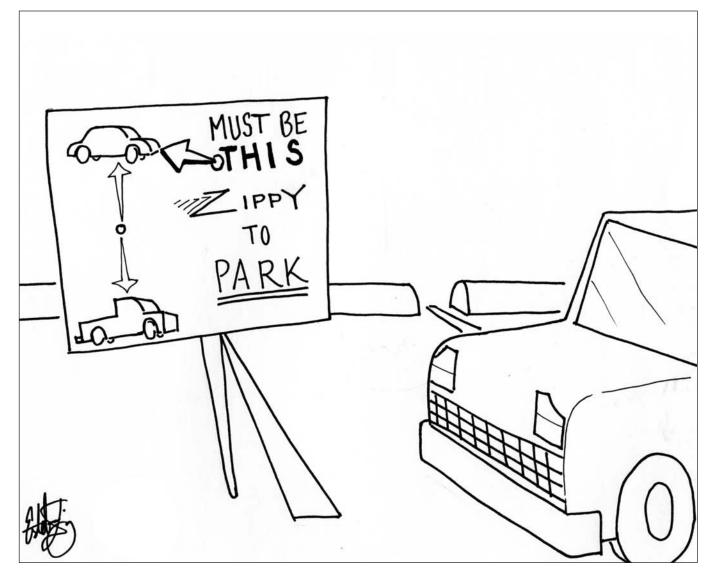
Carbonara said he thinks it would be interesting to examine the difference between alienated college freshmen versus those who openly communicate and make connections with peers via Facebook.

"If your engagement is solely founded upon your ability to see one another based on both of your schedules, Facebook enables you to message someone on your way to class," Carbonara

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PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY DANIEL CERNERO



# Baylor's new Zipcar rentals aid students, environment

ot having a car can be a major handicap for a college student looking for an internship, going home on the weekend or simply wanting to shop for grocer-

Even students who do have cars can suddenly find themselves stuck without transportation if their cars are in the shop. In these situations, college students are usually dependent on the good natures and schedules of their friends.

The newest solution to this dilemma: Zipcar. The company seems to be the best of both worlds. Self-service means not having to wait in an office or worry about business hours. Designated parking spots mean no driving around campus for hours looking for a place

to park. The program is also supportive of Baylor's efforts to create a more sustainable campus.

In addition to the potential to reduce the number of cars on campus, one of the cars offered on campus is a Honda Insight hybrid. The other is a Honda Civic.

Money is naturally an issue for virtual ev-

gram is no different.

At \$8 an hour or \$66 a day, the program can get expensive quickly.

For example, renting the car seven days, plus the \$35 Baylor membership fee, adds up to \$497. A parking decal for an entire year costs \$225. On the other hand, the cost includes gas, insurance, roadside assistance and 180 miles of travel.

Baylor's move to incorporate Zipcars is an innovative step to provide easy and accessible solutions as stores around campus begin to be

With the addition of an informal intramural field in place of a Quiznos and the demoliton of Pics N Gifts and a convenient store two years ago, students must have viable options to leave campus.

There is no key or keypad instead, a membership card unlocks the Zipcar and a smart phone application can be used to make the horn honk to make finding the car easier.

This alone seems like foreshadowing into the future of rental cars, if not the entire auto-

mobile industry.

likely to be lost than car keys, especially for those who are not used to having to keep up with a set of keys other than their Baylor ID.

As Zipcar Inc. told The Lariat last week, more cars will be added to Baylor's program if

Zipcar has the potential to be a highly successful program on this campus.

If students take advantage of this opportunity, it will be one more step forward in Baylor's efforts to create a sustainable campus and solve this university's many transportation is-

Baylor is looking to make our university a residential campus. With that, administrators must begin to think of effective options for students to access the outside world.

Our campus is beautiful, but from traveling to shopping, students enjoy escaping the usual from time to time.

The addition of the Zipcar company is a move that will fight against the cons of a residential campus.

This initiative truly is a the best of both worlds and we look forward to more solutions

## Why The Lariat did not cover 'An Evening with Sarah Palin'

The Lariat had every intention of running an article covering Care Net's "An Evening with Sarah Palin" event on Tuesday. However, we met an ethical dilemma and chose not to cover the event.

The Lariat requested press passes the week before the event and was instructed that a simple application was required to get a press pass into the media section of the Ferrell Center. The hitch: We would have to buy a \$30 general admission ticket to gain ac-

It is not normal practice, nor is it appropriate, to require a media outlet to pay to cover an event.

Our refusal to cover the event is founded on ethical grounds alone, not ideological or political

When we planned to cover the event, we planned to cover a political figure's visit to Waco we weren't going to endorse Sarah Palin or her beliefs. Paying for this event would do just that.

Requiring the media to financially support any cause compromises our objectivity in the eyes of our readers.

We aren't the only ones who refused to pay to cover the event. We heard from two of the three local television stations. They told us they never pay to cover an event and would not be covering Palin's event.

Our editors consulted with the professional journalists that are now our professors. They wholly agree with our stance not to pay and confirmed our suspicions that paying to cover an event compromises our credibility.

The ethical code of the Society of Professional Journalists lays out specific guidelines for how a media outlet should operate. The code states that journalists should "refuse gifts, favors, fees, free travel and special treatment, and shun secondary employment, political involvement, public office and service in community organizations if they compromise journalistic integrity." If Planned Parenthood, an organization holding diametrically opposed beliefs to Care Net, brought a major speaker to Waco and charged journalists for access, our reaction would have been the same.

In fact, last year when Mike ing to pay.

Huckabee, a former presidential candidate, spoke at Care Net's annual event we sent a staff writer and photographer, ran an article, posted a blog and uploaded a multimedia piece.

We also weren't required to

Our refusal is not meant to advocate one set of beliefs or an-

In fact, we are trying to pursue an objective stance that nei-

#### Journalists should:

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- damage credibility. · Refuse gifts, favors, fees, free travel and special treatment, and shun secondary employment, political involvement, public office and service in community organizations
  - if they compromise journalistic integrity.
  - Disclose unavoidable conflicts.
- Be vigilant and courageous about holding those with power accountable.
- Deny favored treatment to advertisers and special interests and resist their pressure to influence news coverage.

Source: SPJ Code of Ethics

ther promotes nor ignores a set of beliefs. Our refusal is an act to maintain journalistic integrity.

The SPJ code of ethics also states that journalists should be accountable; they should "encourage the public to voice grievances against the news media" and "abide by the same high standards to which they hold others."

A newspaper has a place for supporting a cause our promoting an action — the opinion page.

The Lariat takes especial care to label all opinion pieces and to separate news coverage from commentary.

In order to cover the Palin event we would have had to sacrificed our integrity as a media outlet — a price we are not will-

## Whole-hearted commitment needed in education crisis

When I took the most recent Time magazine issue out of my mailbox this weekend I was reminded, yet again, that America's educational system is in dire need of restructuring.

"What Makes a School Great? It all starts with the teachers... and why it's so hard to find good ones" was plastered on the front of the magazine along with cheery school kids hanging out of a typical yellow school bus.

"It can't be too hard," I thought. Find smart people from college, like the many people I know that volunteer in community schools, and let them help.

Little did I know, my mentality about the teaching profession and the educational issues our country has to deal with was in need of a recalibration, too.

I'll start with the statistics that grabbed my attention. There were 3.2 million teachers in America as of fall 2009. Since 1971, our country has seen a 123 percent increase in the amount of money we spend per student. However,



there has not been an improvement in the academic performance of 17-year-olds since

And — perhaps the statistic that struck me the hardest — according to Time magazine, the Department of Education estimates that by 2014 America could need nearly 1 million more

As a profession never glorified as glamorous yet always penned

admirable, I fear a lack of teachers will be a growing trend if the mindsets surrounding teaching don't change and more people

strive to be professional teachers. Americans must rally around our nation's students before they are left alone, uneducated and responsible for more than they were taught to handle.

As a student for nearly 15 years, I have seen every type of teacher. From the ruler of the classroom to the teacher everyone takes advantage of, I have learned from every type.

It never occurred to me, and I don't think it really occurred to my mom, that my future was put into the hands of so many people other than my mother.

Not every teacher I had was great — but those remarkable few are the reasons I can write and think logically.

They are the ones that readied

education. Also, they were the ones that went to college to learn how to

me for the grueling life of higher

With widely popular programs like Teach For America (which saw more than 46,000 applications head its way last year, only 12 percent of which they accepted) our educational system has become a charity case and before doing some research — I had no problem with that.

At one time, I thought, 'If our schools are failing, who better to teach than those that have been through the entire system and know what works best for them?'

However, if we continue to treat our nation's education system as a beggar in need of a few smart 20-year-olds, we will never progress. The prescription to cure this problem requires much more than that.

After reading several articles in major publications around the nation, I see that those participating in Teach For America are being labeled as wayward college graduates who signed up to teach because they couldn't decide what they wanted from

life yet. I think that is absolutely wrong — and I know participants to prove it.

The volunteers are exactly what we need at this moment educated people with a desire to fix what is broken. However, in the long run, what we need are more professional teachers those that have been training for years to help our system.

We need the people that have a personal motivation to improve children's lives through educa-

We need college graduates that have spent four years building a set of skills that will benefit every child that teacher comes in contact with.

The "volunteer teachers" from programs like Teach For America are a godsend.

They are a step in the right direction; they are integral players as we wait for an army of professional educators to begin battling the dragon of a system we currently have.

According to Time magazine,

half of America's teachers are in the baby boomer generation. They are fleeing in a mass exodus toward retirement after years upon years at the blackboard.

The stigmas of low pay and no respect have plagued the teaching profession for years, and now we are seeing the consequences. If we do not increase our gratitude for teachers, we cannot expect to improve our situation.

We must be intentional in our development of new programs that foster true teaching professionals because they are the warriors we will need to win the war on educational chaos.

Meanwhile, we should not label the one- to-two-year "volunteer teachers" as egocentric or self-interested. Rather, their hard work should be seen as clear and beneficial progress in our nation's

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# Conservatives and Democrats agree — vote

By Samreen Hooda REPORTER

With the upcoming election, the Baylor chapter of the Young Conservatives of Texas and Baylor Democrats weigh in on the political scene and urge students to vote—regardless of their political preference.

"Our mission here is not only to come together and provide an opportunity to educate students on discussion and political action," said Shreveport sophomore Ashby Davis, fundraising officer of Baylor's chapter of Young Conservatives of Texas. "We're a full time conservative movement on campus to educate students so they can

effect real change."

This year the group plans to work on Bill Flores' congressional campaign along with other local campaigns battling the incum-

While many critique the Republican Party as having nothing new to offer, Young Conservatives of Texas disagree.

"I think it's pretty simple," said Sugarland sophomore Cody Orr, chairman of the Baylor chapter. "The Republican Party needs a new strategy. They need to start enforcing conservative beliefs that draw people to the party, and in doing so, they'll be able to go from turning down legislation to providing alternative legislation."

Davis said it won't be a single person who enacts such changes.

"It doesn't need to be one leader," Davis said, "because it's not about one person or one party... It's about the beliefs and values of the people and the Republican party is the most viable vehicle."

Young Conservatives of Texas think this will be proved in the upcoming round of elections.

Kingwood senior Lizzy Joyce, president of the Baylor Democrats, disagrees with this prediction.

"A lot of political pundits say that it is typical for the president to lose the majority in midterm elections," Joyce said. "I don't think it's going to be this storm of Republicans and conservatives that the other side is hoping for."

Both Baylor's chapter of the Young Conservatives of Texas and the Baylor Democrats have won Chapter of the Year awards, defeating organizations at other college

Baylor Democrats, though a minority group on campus, won against schools such as the University of Texas, where Democrats are in the majority.

"We may not be the biggest organization or have 100-plus in our database, but the members we have are committed," Joyce said. "So we are here to stay and here to work." The upcoming local elections are where both organizations aim to further their cause.

"Every vote does count," Davis said. "This upcoming election we have a vulnerable election where we have Chet Edwards (congressional Democratic incumbent) who has been in power for 20 years and this is our chance to say we want to reverse that trend. We believe he has somehow won year after year, a very skilled politician who we don't believe is the best candidate.'

Being in office for 20 years means Edwards must be doing something right, Joyce said.

"Look at everything he's done for the Waco community," Joyce said. "Whether or not you agree with his policies, you have to look at his record and everything he's

By Sara Tirrito

Staff writer

student athletes and the other af-

fecting faculty members' academic

journals, were put in place at Tues-

low faculty members who use

Blackboard to choose to have stu-

dents' athletic advisers function as

"observers" who oversee studentathletes attendance. This will keep

student athletes from having to ask

their professors to fill out forms

when grade and attendance re-

ulty Senate and professor of math-

ematics, said the policy would also

benefit faculty because students

often need the forms at the last

minute, but faculty members don't

always have the necessary records

filling out paper or the athlete hav-

ing to come up after class," Can-

non said. "Also, if someone starts

missing, the observer can find

out quicker than waiting a month

that was created will allow Baylor

to sponsor electronic academic

journals by faculty. The definition

of a journal was also clarified so

that faculty members' blogs do not

Senate member and associate pro-

fessor of religion, said affirming

future because more and more

print media is moving to electron-

ic," Beck said. "Baylor is moving

the policy was a step forward.

Dr. Rosalie Beck, a Faculty

"[This] is a good look into the

The academic journal policy

when the report is due."

"This way, it doesn't require any

Dr. Ray Cannon, chair of Fac-

ports are needed.

The "Observer Policy" will al-

day's Faculty Senate meeting.

Two new policies, one affecting

done for this area."

From fighting the shutdown of the local hospital to gaining greater percentage of funding for local veterans, Joyce said Edwards is a politician who keeps his promises.

"I've met Chet Edwards multiple times and he has to be one of the most approachable politicians I've met," Joyce said. "Yes, he's a Democrat, but he's a moderate conservative."

Though they may disagree on the politics, both Baylor student chapters agree that the first step to voicing opinions is to vote.

Voter registration will be held on campus 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., today through Sunday at the Bill Daniel Student Center.

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world in the classroom and in

scholarly participation, so this is a

good, good step. We already have

faculty members who are very ex-

cited about starting needed jour-

at the meeting, covering topics

such as the new President's Schol-

arship Initiative, affordability for

students and the upcoming inau-

with Starr was important because

it helped the faculty to start build-

a good working relationship with

the administration, and you get a

better working relationship when

you know people," Cannon said.

"It's easy to characterize people

you've never met. It's easy to think

of 'us' and 'them,' and when you

find out we're all 'us,' it's better. A

lot of places you have conflict be-

tween faculty and administration.

We've had that in the past here.

Nobody wants that, so having con-

versation is a good way to commu-

nicate in the future when problems

discussed at the meeting included

preregistration and faculty sum-

Cannon said dialogue is ongoing

address concerns about the fair-

ness of allowing certain groups of

students to register early. Policy

changes are also being looked into

so that low student enrollment

in summer courses will not be so

harmful to faculty salaries, Can-

mer compensation.

Old business issues that were

Neither issue was resolved, but

ing a relationship with him.

Cannon said the conversation

"I think it's important to have

President Ken Starr also spoke

nals in their areas."

Faculty Senate adds

policies for athletes,

faculty journals

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said. "This form of social bonding is definitely an adhesive. Facebook also fosters finding something in common. When freshmen meet new people at Baylor, they are then able to find out on Facebook if they share any common interests with others, therefore making it easier to develop a friendship."

Though there are many benefits tied to Facebook, there are also negative consequences that devoted users may encounter, said Dr. Eric Darr, vice president and provost of Harrisburg University of Science and Technology in Pennsylvania.

This week, students and faculty

at Harrisburg are experimenting with a social media blackout to reflect on the different uses of social

"The idea for focusing on social media was mine," Darr said.

"However, this is a collaborative effort to ban social media from our campus network for the week. We consider the blackout innova-

Today, there will be a series of panel discussions with 20 representatives from government agencies and other relevant participants. The panel participants were put together by the faculty of Harrisburg. Several surveys will be taken to collect feedback about the weeklong social media fast.

Though it appears that Darr is anti-Facebook, he said he actually believes that social media adds great value to Harrisburg and its students, faculty and staff.

"I hope that our students become better at critically thinking about technology," Darr said.

"We are a science and technology-oriented university and we hope our students will create new technologies someday. We want our students to go out into the world and think critically about the technology they use and expe-

Carbonara said he thinks the social media fast may only encourage students to use Facebook more.

"Universities can ban social media, but all that does is raise more fuel for one's appetite to have it," Carbonara said. "I personally think the ban is extreme, but it does raise awareness of addiction. There is a temptation to always be engaged in Facebook."

Something that both Darr and Carbonara agreed upon is the fact that both strengths and weaknesses are associated with social media.

"Technology is a tool, neither good nor bad, until application comes in," Carbonara said.

# Federal judge to deliberate over health care lawsuit brought by states

By Melissa Nelson ASSOCIATED PRESS

A federal judge said he will likely dismiss only parts of a lawsuit by 20 states challenging the Obama administration's health care overhaul as unconstitutional. He did not specifically say what portions of the lawsuit he will dismiss.

The Obama administration had asked U.S. District Judge Roger Vinson to dismiss the entire law-

The states and the administration disagree over whether people should be required to have health insurance, and whether states should pay additional Medicaid costs not covered by the federal government.

The judge said he will issue a ruling by Oct. 14. The lawsuit is likely to wind up before the U.S. Supreme Court. If Vinson upholds the states' challenge, he would overturn decades of law enforcing the federal government's power to regulate interstate commerce, said Ian Heath Gershengorn, deputy assistant attorney general.

"This court is free to disagree with Congress' policy judgments but it is not free to overturn 75 years of Constitutional law," he said.

Administration attorneys also argued that the section requiring health insurance doesn't take effect until 2015 and it's up to an individ-

ual taxpayer — not the states — to challenge the law then.

But David Rivkin, an attorney representing the states, argued the law will destroy the state's Constitutional sovereignty by burdening them with uncontrolled Medicaid

The federal government is over reaching its taxing authority by penalizing people for not taking an action — not purchasing health insurance, he said.

"By imposing a mandate on inactive individuals they are eviscerating state sovereignty," he said.

The judge questioned whether the administration was correct in arguing that all Americans are active participants in the health care system regardless of whether they choose to have health insurance and are therefore subject to penalties under the government's authority to regulate commerce.

Health insurance is the mechanism to regulate the health care market, Gershengorn said.

"The healthiest individual can be hit by a bus. He cannot keep himself out of the health care market," Gershengorn said.

But Rivkin likened the health care law to the subprime mortgage crisis."If this cost shifting is allowed then it would let the government demand that people buy a prescribed package of mortgages,"

Florida's Republican Attorney



Attorneys General Bill McCollum, of Florida, left, Mark Shurtleff, of Utah, and Troy King, of Alabama prepare on Tuesday to enter the U.S. Federal Courthouse in Pensacola, Fla., for a hearing to have all or portions of the Affordable Care Act dismissed as unconstitutional. A decision is expected by Oct. 14.

General Bill McCollum filed the lawsuit just minutes after President Barack Obama signed the 10-year, \$938 billion health care bill into law last March.

McCollum chose a court in Pensacola, one of Florida's most conservative cities. A similar case is unfolding in Virginia.

There, the Obama administration also tried to get the lawsuit dismissed, saying Virginia lacked

standing to sue, but a federal judge has allowed it to continue, ruling that the overhaul raises complex constitutional issues.

The other states that are suing are Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Georgia, Indiana, Idaho, Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas, Utah and Washington.

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# Elaborate e-mail fraud case goes to trial

#### Son of scholar accused of defaming father's rival through detailed Internet impersonation

By Jennifer Peltz ASSOCIATED PRESS

The dispute was about ancient history. But the tactics someone used to cast aspersions on a prominent Judaic studies scholar couldn't have been more modern.

New York University professor Lawrence Schiffman's students and colleagues started getting panicked and confessional e-mails, in his name, that pointed them to blog posts accusing him of plagia-

Prosecutors say the e-mails and website posts were a hoax created by a lawyer on an idiosyncratic mission: to champion his father and discredit Schiffman in a debate over the origin of the Dead

The attorney, Raphael Golb, went on trial Tuesday on criminal charges of online impersonation and harassment for the sheer sake of coloring opinion.

The case is a rarity: While impersonation claims have generated civil lawsuits, prosecutions are few unless phony identities are used to steal money, experts have said.

Golb, 50, has pleaded not guilty to identity theft, criminal impersonation and other charges. He hasn't acknowledged crafting the messages, but his lawyers say the plagiarism allegations are true, and the writings amount to typical blogosphere banter — not crime.

Manhattan prosecutors say Golb mounted an elaborate, carefully cloaked effort to promote his father's side in a rarefied but vigorous scholarly dispute over which ancient Jews wrote the more than 2,000-year-old scrolls.

Found in the 1940s in Israel, the scrolls include the earliest known version of portions of the Hebrew Bible and have shed important light on Judaism and the beginnings of Christianity.

Many scholars say the scrolls were assembled by a sect known as the Essenes. Others — including University of Chicago professor Norman Golb, Raphael Golb's father — say the writings were the work of a range of Jewish groups and communities.

Schiffman told a Manhattan jury Tuesday that he and Norman Golb have long disagreed, but cordially, about the issue.

But prosecutors say the argument so angered Raphael Golb that he crossed the line from commentary into crime by crafting the blog posts and e-mails to tarnish

The posts, written under various names, accused Schiffman of stealing from Norman Golb's scholarship.

Schiffman denies it and says the material in question is common knowledge.

The e-mails, which appeared to come from Schiffman, asked the recipients to help cover up the supposed plagiarism: "This is my career at stake," read some.

Assistant District Attorney John Bandler called the electronic whisper campaign "a disturbing pattern of conduct," involving about 70 phony e-mail accounts and hundreds, if not thousands, of hours of work.

weeks responding to inquiries from colleagues, students and NYU officials. "I was beginning to feel myself

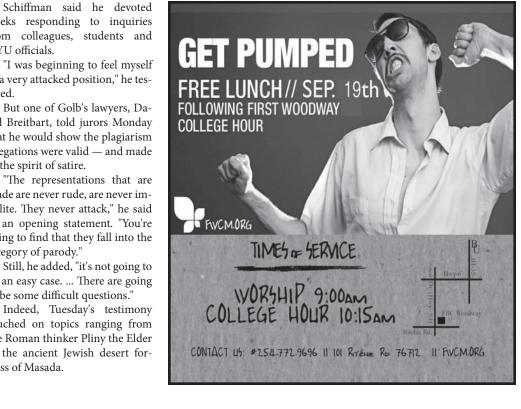
in a very attacked position," he tes-

But one of Golb's lawyers, David Breitbart, told jurors Monday that he would show the plagiarism allegations were valid — and made in the spirit of satire. "The representations that are

made are never rude, are never impolite. They never attack," he said in an opening statement. "You're going to find that they fall into the category of parody."

Still, he added, "it's not going to be an easy case. ... There are going to be some difficult questions."

Indeed, Tuesday's testimony touched on topics ranging from the Roman thinker Pliny the Elder to the ancient Jewish desert fortress of Masada.



# Home cooking healthier, saves money

By RACHEL STOBAUGH REPORTER

How can food taste so good and be so bad for you?

The foods we consume are based on taste preference, but our taste buds may be leading us down a path to bigger hips and thighs.

"Aim for a plate of rainbow," Dr. Jacquelyn Duke, lecturer in the biology department, said. "A meal at Bush's [Chicken] is all the same color, and that's not what we are shooting for."

Bright, colorful plates with meat, fruit and vegetables are balanced, healthy meals.

As college students, it can be hard to afford healthy meals eating out on a daily basis.

"I love eating out, but it's so expensive. I've learned to really enjoy cooking, especially with my roommates," Corpus Cristi senior Stephanie Hemmert said. "It's a great bonding experience for us, and it's cheap when we split the ingredients four ways."

Cooking at home can not only save money, but also can be beneficial to students' health.

Duke suggested that students are simply not aware of how bad trans fats are.

Fats should only be about 30 percent of our daily diet, and most Americans often double or triple

The type of fats consumed is everything. Trans fats are dangerous and are a hefty addition to most

From margarine, frozen foods and cake mixes at 2-4 grams of trans fat per serving, to a medium order of french fries at 14.5 grams, there are large amounts of trans fat

According to the American Heart Association's website, the intake of trans fat should not exceed one percent of total calories each

What can we do?

Duke recommends checking nutrition labels. Just because a package says it is healthy doesn't mean it is. It takes two seconds to flip the package over and see how much trans fat is contained in each serving.

"If it contains trans fat or hydrogenated fat, throw it away," said Dr. Mark Taylor, associate professor in the biology department.

The effects of trans fats can outweigh other unhealthy ingredients.

"We are better off eating a stick of butter than using the margarines packed full of trans fats," said

Fats are essential for brain function, hormone production and cell metabolism, said Duke, but getting the sufficient nutrients out of our foods is important.

"Go for a balanced week. Don't beat yourself up over a soda or candy bar," Duke said. Resources are available online

to help students balance their dietary needs. One such site is www.MyPyra-

mid.gov, sponsored by the Division of Nutrition at the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

### Baking for yourself and your roommates? Here are some ideas:

**Easy BBQ Sandwiches** 

2-3 boneless skinless chicken breasts, boiled

• 1 cup of your favorite BBQ

Wheat buns or tortillas

Boil chickens on high for about 10 minutes, until done. Drain water. Shred chicken (using two forks, tearing in opposite directions helps with shredding). Add BBQ sauce to shredded chicken, mix well, and serve on buns or in tortillas for BBQ wraps. Serves four

Recipe from Rachel Stobaugh, reporter

Garlic Chicken with Parmesan

• 1/2 cup butter

• 4 cloves chopped garlic • 3-4 boneless skinless

chicken breasts

• 1 cup grated Parmesan

Melt butter and add the chopped garlic to it. Lay the chicken breasts in a single layer in a baking dish. Cover them with grated Parmesan cheese and pat it down a bit, then pour the butter and garlic over them.

Bake at 350 for 30 minutes or so, until done. Serves three to four people.

Recipe from www.cheapcooking.com

#### Stephanie's Meatloaf

- 1 lb. ground hamburger
- meat, thawed • 2 tablespoons of ketchup
- 1 tablespoon of Worces-
- tershire sauce • 1/2 sleeve of Ritz crackers
- crushed • Dash of salt & pepper

Combine all ingredients

place in pie plate or pan. Bake at 350 for 50 minutes. Serves four people.

Recipe from Corpus Christi senior Stephanie Hemmert.

Author Jeff Guinn speaks to journalism students at Castellaw Com-

### munications Center. Guinn was on campus both Monday and Tuesday. Guinn's works include both fiction and nonfiction books. Bestselling author

# offers writing advice

By Jenna DeWitt ARTS AND ENTERTIANMENT EDITOR

Bestselling author Jeff Guinn spoke to five journalism classes this week as well as meeting with faculty, students and staff to discuss writing and his sixteenth book. The book, titled "The Last Gunfight," tells the story behind the legendary OK Corral and is

scheduled to hit retailers in May

**Q:** With the developments in media and the effects of technology, the world of writing is changing. What do you see for the future of writing?

A: There's always going to be a future for writers. More and more, we are going to have e-books and newspapers being read online. You have to remember, before newspapers, travelling bards would go from town to town singing the news. Storytellers will always be around.

Q: What type of books do you

A: I write fiction and nonfiction, but all of my books are about real history and the way it is mythogized. It's fun.

Q: How many hours a day do you spend writing?

hours a day writing, but I am thinking about what I'm writing every waking minute. Even though only a small portion of my time may be spent writing, thinking takes up a lot more time. For example, on my way home today I will be thinking about what I am going to write while I am driving, composing in my head.

young writers?

All of us get stories turned down or

lor students specifically?

quality of faculty here. My publisher is Simon and Schuster, I have one of the best editors, but to this day. I send all of my books to Mike Blackman [Baylor's Hartman Chair in journalism and media arts]. I hope all of you take advantage of these opportunities. You are being taught the right things.

**Q:** What is the next thing in your future?

A: I want to get better as a writer ... to write the best book I can. From the time I was 8 years old, I have wanted to do this.

A: I usually spend about five

**Q:** Do you have any advice for

A: Always be curious. If you are excited to write about things, it is always an adventure. Another thing is, you can't get discouraged.

Q: What would you say to Bay-

A: I'm truly impressed by the

# Country duo makes no apologies for new album's honky-tonk sound

By IENNA DEWITT ARTS AND ENTERTIANMENT EDITOR

"Album Number Two" by Joey and Rory starts out with a very honky-tonk flavor musically and lyrically. The sassy words address the potential for "sophomore slump" and critical failure, as well as a shameless plug: "The Critics all are waiting, but it's really up to you/We'd sure appreciate it if you bought album number two/They say it's either sink or swim with album number 2."

The slow, gentle "That's Important to Me" speaks of priorities and family life. The lyrics center on home-cooked meals and limiting time spent around a TV set, as well as lifelong love as they sing about being buried next to each other underneath a "big old tree." Musically, it is sweet and simple with piano and guitar adding a strong rhythm so that it is soft without getting sleepy or sad.

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Picking up the pace a bit, "All You Need Is Me" details the elements of a good cowboy, complete with Stetson hat and King Ranch pickup truck, while musically incorporating the country fiddle tradition to make a surefire favorite of western-style dance halls.

The next track slows the record down considerably again. "Born to Be Your Woman" is a steel-guitar ballad of true love between soul

The fiddling comes back for "Baby, I'll Come Back to You." The song drastically contrasts the others thematically as a rejection song, with references to Toby Keith, George Strait, Dolly Parton and numerous other stars in the genre, along with another not-so-subtle shameless plug for the album.

"God Help My Man" adds the token songs about a man cheating on his woman, while she tries to stick it out because she still loves



Allison DeMarcus interviews Joey and Rory for The Insider at the Academy of Country Music Awards on April 15 in Las Vegas. The married couple hit the top of the charts in 2008 with their single "Cheater, Cheater" and recieved three CMA nominations, one for Duo of the Year and two songwriting nominations for Rory's "A Little More Country Than That."

him. It wouldn't be a country album without at least one.

Just when it couldn't get any more country, the couple throws in "The Horse Nobody Could Ride" with a classic independent-woman-tamed horse metaphor. Or it could honestly be all about a horse. This duet is so authentic in sound, I would believe it.

"Farm to Fame" presents a Cinderella tale of working hard in the dirt to becoming country star through a lucky break. The song is a bit humbling for the artists themselves, however, as it deals with the effects of popularity and the fickleness of fame. Throughout the album, they seem to communicate that they know being famous doesn't last forever and that they will produce the music they want to without concern for what the

world tells them to do. The sole reason that there is not a country sub-genre of Christian music is that mainstream country itself is so comfortable with religion. Joey and Rory are no different with the worshipful "Where Jesus Is." The song concentrates on how steeples and pews are not the only places where Jesus can be worshipped. The song even references scripture: "I guess that it's true/if even two are gathered in your name/that's where Jesus is."

If there is a song about Jesus, guaranteed there is a following song about a messed-up, cheating drunk, using plenty of Southern catchphrases like "bless your heart" and "a few screws missing" to describe him. "You Ain't Right" evokes the image of those people who are not just imperfect like the rest of us, but truly have problems with what they consider decent ways to live their lives. Unfortunately, this humorous song is probably relatable for those of us who grew up in quirky small towns with their requisite outlandish oddball.

For the first time on the album, Rory gets a chance to shine vocally on "My Ol' Man," honoring his father. With memories of "learning to drive on the pastures of our land" and leaving for Nashville to become a musician, the mysteriously sad mood of the song is explained through the last lines, ending in his father's funeral and how he is proud to be like his "old man."

well they know their audience with their song "This Song's For You," performed with the Zac Brown Band. Describing a stereotypical country audience: hard-working, church-going, patriotic and nostalgic for music that "you don't get to hear much anymore," they demonstrate exactly why they have not wandered into the pop or rock scene like other country artists. They believe there is an audience out there for pure boot-scootin' country with deep roots in farming, drawl and twang-filled accents and the rural South. Forget what corporate Nashville thinks about it; they're from the country and they like it that way.

The duet states flat-out how

If this couple is as genuine as they say they are, this could mark a return to country music's unique identity as a separate genre, not just Southern-style rock or pop sung in a Southern accent. The artists have learned a valuable lesson about marketing - find something you do well and pursue it without worrying about what everyone else

In this case, Joey and Rory do traditional country very well, though it does get entirely too predictable to really be called a great album. They dutifully fulfill all the requirements of a country album, but the end result is just that - a stereotypical country album written for the stereotypical country listener who might have bales of hay in the back of his trailer or a horse in her backyard.

The overall album can come off either as proud and identityconfirming or as too overdone and cliché. Listen with discernment. If you already love pure country, you will love this album. If you are not typically a country fan and don't identify with the farm and ranch lifestyle, you probably won't find much appeal in "Album Number

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Grade: B+

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Lariat sports writer Matt Larsen's take on the Big 12 South teams, each in 100 words or less

**Baylor** 

Baylor (2-0) found more consistency through the air last weekend against Buffalo, as redshirt sophomore quarterback Robert Griffin III went 20–35 for 297 yards and 2 passing touchdowns.

Most notably, Griffin and junior wide receiver Kendall Wright showed signs of finding the connection they had two years ago as Wright hauled in five receptions for 128 vards.

The Bears did not struggle running the ball but will most likely depend more on senior running back Jay Finley's ability to establish a ground attack this weekend against TCU. Meanwhile, Baylor's young, speedy defense has not yet allowed a touchdown.

Oklahoma

The Sooners (2-0) bounded back of-

fensively from the all-too-close Utah State game (31-24) to score touchdowns on their first four drives against No. 17 Florida State.

Sophomore quarterback Landry Jones threw for 380 yards and four touchdowns.

His favorite target was junior Ryan Broyles, who caught 12 passes, one a touchdown.

He also avoided throwing an interception, an important statistic after tossing two in the first game.

With its quarterback and receivers clicking, the Sooner offense seems to have all its weapons performing in full form as running back DeMarco Murray ran for two more touchdowns against the Seminoles. Jerrod Johnson



Oklahoma State (2-0) entered this season with some question marks regarding a new quarterback and new offensive co-

ordinator. The Cowboys enter game three still having some questions on the offensive side of the ball, just maybe not the same ones they started with. Brandon Wheedon

proved he can produce as he threw for 348 yards and two touchdowns against Troy.

The question for the Cowboys offense now is how to reduce turnovers. The Trojans hung around last Saturday thanks to five Cowboy turnovers. Wheedon will need to trim his two picks down as the competition picks up.

Oklahoma State

The Longhorns (2-0) have had a quiet first two wins. In their first matchup against the Rice Owls, they allowed 17 points and sophomore quarterback Garrett Gilbert was not responsible for any of the Longhorns' scores.

In game two against Wyoming, Gilbert notched just one touchdown. Fortunately the Longhorns running game added the finishing touches to drives, and in some cases those runs sustained the drives.

Johnson Cody found the endzone twice against Wyoming while Tre Newton punched in three touchdowns against the

The Longhorn defense looked more solidified against Wyoming, giving up just one touchdown.

Texas A&M

The Aggies (2-0) have seen all they asked for and more out of junior quarterback Jerrod Johnson. He has thrown for 322 yards and 349 yards respectively in matchups against Stephen F. Austin and Louisiana Tech.

It's pretty hard to criticize any other part of the Aggie offense either as four of the touchdowns have been running and receiver Jeff Fuller has TD grabs.

Coach Mike Sherman will still need to answer the biggest question in Aggieland, which revolves around the defense. The defense has allowed 11.5 points per game but have seen nothing resembling a Big 12 offense yet either.

**Texas Tech** 

It appears that Raiders (2-0) first-year head coach Tommy Tuberville made the right quarterback decision. Taylor Potts has thrown for 652 yards and seven touchdowns.

Senior Baron Batch has yet to break out, though. He scored twice against the Lobos, but none against the Mustangs and has totaled just 84 yards in 25 carries this season.

Luckily for the Raiders' defense (which has given up 44 points to two unranked opponents), they face Texas this weekend while Garrett Gilbert seems to still be searching for his breakout game.

They just hope it's not against them.

Photos by the Associated Press

# Wright, multifaceted Williams among Griffin's talented 2010 targets

By RACHEL ROACH SPORTS WRITER

After Baylor's 34-6 win last Saturday over Buffalo, the Bears are 2-0 for the first time since 2005.

However, this wasn't the only record broken Saturday. Receivers Kendall Wright and Terrance Williams each set new career statistics for themselves and the team.

The junior inside receiver and two-year letterman, Wright now ranks seventh in Baylor history with 124 career receptions. He also moved up three spots to eighth for receiving yardage with 1,516 yards and became the eighth 1,500-yard receiver in Baylor history.

"Kendall has really worked hard to get where he is now and it was good to see that it paid off for him. He is our most experienced offensive player," said Coach Art Briles about Wright.

On Saturday, Wright also maintained his record of catching a pass in all of his 26 career games. He also received his longest career reception against the Bulls for a 61yard touchdown to give Baylor a 14-point lead before halftime. Fellow teammate Robert Griffin III said Wright is a valuable player to have on the field.

"He has good hands. He's reliable. Whenever I scramble he moves with me. He's just a really aware football player,"

Last year Wright was named an honorable mention All-Big 12 player by both Big 12 coaches and the Associated Press. He

also saw limited action on Baylor's basketball team in 2008-2009.

Another heavily involved Baylor receiver is sophomore wide receiver Terrance Williams. As a redshirt freshman in 2009, Williams played both receiver and kick returner in 12 game appearances.

He had the most impact as kick returner, however, and was ranked third in 2009 in the Big 12 with a 24.1-yard kick return

"There's probably not a more critical position than your punt return guy because you have to be alert, confident and under control. Terrance has all of those qualities," Briles said.

He was also named Baylor's Co-Special Teams MVP for his work as kick and punt returner. During the game against Buffalo last Saturday, Williams established career highs with his six receptions and 68 receiv-

'He's done well and will continue to do well," Briles said.

In addition to Wright and Williams talents as receivers, freshman Tevin Reese and starting sophomore Lanear Sampson have contributed to the Bears' offensive ef-

In the game against the Bulls, Reese had three receptions for 23 receiving yards. Despite the fact that Sampson had just one catch Saturday, he looks to play a large role in this year's offense. Receiving the fourth most receptions on the team last year as a redshirt, Sampson was also named an All-Big 12 freshman in 2009.



No. 2 wide receiver Terrance Williams makes a cut to avoid a tackle by Buffalo's defensive back Davonte Shannon in the Bears' 34-6 victory Saturday at Floyd Casey Stadium. Williams caught six passes for 68 yards and returned four punts totaling 52 yards.

The Bears have been working hard and their dedication has manifested in their success so far this season. The support from fans hasn't gone unnoticed or unap-

preciated.

"Coach Briles tells us to take our headphones off and get off the bus and we get to walk through a huge crowd of people,"

Wright said of March of the Bears.

The Bears return home Oct. 2 to face Kansas, who beat No. 15 ranked Georgia Tech last weekend in Lawrence, Kan.

## Cross country strong despite schedule change; men win at UTA meet

By Krista Pirtle REPORTER

The last-minute meet cancellation at Texas A&M didn't faze the Baylor men's cross country team as it went on to win the UT Arlington season opener last Saturday. Baylor's women's team finished fourth.

Freshman Brad Miles led the Bears, finishing third overall with a time of 20:51.33 over the four-mile course at Vandergriff Park. Sophomore Gavyn Nero was close behind Miles in fifth at 21:06.72. Senior Ben Haby and junior Brandon White finished sixth and seventh, respectively.

Junior Zach Flowers kept the top five Bears finishers in the top 10 with a time of

"Within the first mile, there were five to six Baylor guys together. We ran really strong," freshman Brad Miles said.

The men dominated the meet, totaling 31 points, followed by TCU with 62, UTA with 87, Texas A&M Commerce with 101 and UNT with 122.

"We just need to keep focused on the path to nationals," Miles said. "This team is working incredibly together. I couldn't imagine a better team coming into my freshman year. We've just got to keep

working hard and stay healthy."

The team has maintained its focus while staying loose."We couldn't do it without me," joked senior Michael Williams as Miles talked about the season.

Williams ran unattached, or without school affiliation, in the Bear Twilight Invitational and crossed the line in 62nd place. He did not compete at UT Arlington.

The women ran Saturday without their top five runners.

"We were supposed to race Friday night [in College Station]. They told us Thursday night that we were going to run at UTA. So instead, we ended up running Saturday

morning, which meant we left at 5 a.m. So that was rough trying to wrap your mind around that. Sometimes you got to adjust in life, but it doesn't change the fact that we've been training hard," Canyon senior Lauren Simpson said.

Simpson led the Lady Bears with a 15th-place finish with a time of 11:51.29 on the two-mile course. Lindsey Warner followed in 19th.

Sophomore Ruby Tellez came in 25th, and junior Samantha Allen rounded out the Lady Bears top five with a 26th-place

"Coach Harbour (Baylor head track

coach) believes in us so much. He sees what we do on a daily basis, what we go through at 6:30 a.m.," Simpson said.

The Lady Bears placed fourth with 111 points. Winning the meet for the women was TCU with 32 points, followed by SMU with 37, UTA with 90, Baylor with 111 and UNT with 144.

This weekend, the Baylor cross country teams travel to Houston for the Justin F. Cooper Rice Invitational.

The following weekend, they travel to one of the biggest cross country meets in the nation, the 25th Annual Roy Griak Invitational in Minneapolis.

### Bush forfeits Heisman Trophy amid allegations of NCAA violations, hopes others avoid his mistakes

Associated Press

METAIRIE, La. — Reggie Bush issued a statement Tuesday to say he is forfeiting his 2005 Heisman Trophy.

The full text reads:

"One of the greatest honors of my life was winning the Heisman Trophy in 2005. For me, it was a dream come true. But I know that the Heisman is not mine alone. Far from it. I know that my victory was made possible by the discipline and hard work of my teammates, the steady guidance of my coaches, the inspiration of the fans, and the unconditional love of my family and friends. And I know that any young man fortunate enough to win the Heisman enters into a family of sorts. Each individual carries the legacy of the award and each one is entrusted with its good name.

It is for these reasons that I have made the difficult decision to forfeit my title as Heisman winner of 2005. The persistent media speculation regarding allegations dating back to my years at USC has been both painful and distracting. In no way should the storm around these allegations reflect in any way on the dignity of this award, nor on any other institutions or individuals. Nor should it distract from outstanding performances and hard-earned achievements either in the past, present or future.

For the rest of my days, I will continue to strive to demonstrate through my actions and words that I was deserving of the confidence placed in me by the Heisman Trophy Trust. I would like to begin in this effort by turning a negative situation into a positive one by working with the Trustees to establish an educational program which will assist student-athletes and their families [in] avoid[ing] some of the mistakes that I made. I am determined to view this event as an opportunity to help others and to advance the values and mission of the Heisman Trophy Trust.

I will forever appreciate the honor bestowed upon me as a winner of the Heisman. While this decision is heart-breaking, I find solace in knowing that the award was made possible by the support and love of so many. Those are gifts that can never be taken away."

## Morgan now eligible for BU hoops

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WACO — Former UCLA player J'mison Morgan has been granted an NCAA waiver that will allow him to play at Baylor immediately without sitting out

Baylor coach Scott Drew said Monday that the 6-foot-10 junior center from Dallas will be eligible to play once he completes the necessary NCAA paperwork. Morgan is already enrolled in classes at Baylor and will have two seasons of eligibility remaining.

Morgan was dismissed from UCLA's team in March after being suspended a game for missing a team meeting and didn't play in the Bruins' two Pac-10 tournament games. He also missed seven games recovering from a partially torn quadriceps.

In his 40 games as a reserve and two seasons at UCLA, Morgan averaged 2.1 points and 1.1 rebounds a game.

Morgan transferred to Baylor to be closer to his ill grandmother, who is his legal guardian.

Baylor applied for Morgan's waiver request following his transfer in April. He enrolled in the school's first summer ses-

sion before taking fall classes. The addition of Morgan could be a boost for Baylor, which lost two starting post players after making it to the NCAA South Regional final last season before a loss to eventual national champion Duke.

Before going to UCLA, Morgan played at South Oak Cliff High in Dallas, where as a freshman (2004-05) he was a teammate of former Baylor player Kevin Rogers.



## Starr emphasizes unity, beauty at interfaith gathering

By Jade Mardirosian STAFF WRITER

The Center for Jewish Studies hosted an interfaith gathering Tuesday to mark the time between the Jewish holidays of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The event featured President Ken Starr and Rabbi Mordechai Rotem of Temple Rodef Sholom in Waco as guest speakers.

Starr spoke on the beauty of the High Holy Days and emphasized unity in the university. He also thanked the Center for Jewish Studies for creating a context for fellowship of the Abrahamic faiths of Islam, Judaism and Christianity. Rotem spoke on the themes of self-reflection, confession of transgressions, forgiveness and getting closer to God. Toby Singer from New York was the canotorial soloist for the event and also took part in the religious service by leading the group in prayer through song. Dr. Marc Ellis, director of the Center for Jewish Studies, said it is important to host interfaith events like this one in order for attendants to learn about and encounter other faiths and communities.

"At the event we try to share the Jewish tradition with Baylor University, its students and faculty," Ellis said. "People are very respectful of that and want to learn more."

This type of event is held almost every year at Baylor during the Days of Awe, or High Holy Days. The Days of Awe are the ten days of introspection, confession and reflection between Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year and Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the year for Jews.

Yom Kippur will be observed from sundown Friday to sundown Saturday with repentance, prayer and fasting.

About 45 faculty members

and students, including Dr. Larry Lyon, dean of Baylor's graduate school, attended the event. Lyon said the the event was very impressive and appropriate.

"I think that for those who attended, it provides us a deeper understanding and appreciation of different religious traditions," Lyon said. "It provides a view of Baylor that shows an admirable tolerance of people from different

Ellis said it is important for students to be exposed to various faiths and traditions.

"We are in a Christian university, but for students to learn about the world they need to encounter other faiths and communities," El-

"We live in a diverse world and students should know about the diversity of faith so that they can learn more about the world and

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The steering committee includes more than 20 families who will help guide the initiative and encourage others to give. Each family is also making a monetary contribution.

"[Within the committee] I think you could find somebody who's been involved in every school and probably every program within the schools at Baylor," Willis said. "Within the committee we're also each making a commitment. We're standing behind the

Diversity among the committee members is important because it will enable the committee to better meet the needs of Baylor's various colleges and programs, Willis said.

"A lot of time when you talk about needs for a particular school, there's not a lot of people that have been involved in it," Willis said. "We're trying to make sure we have people that understand what the needs are within each college so we can fill the need the right way."

Willis said he believes the 2013 goal can be reached because the importance of and need for scholarships is well-known.

"I think the good thing is people understand and believe in scholarships," Willis said. "Churches, institutions, businesses - everybody can get behind the scholarship initiative."

Although Baylor is still considered a 'best buy,' Starr said he hopes the whole Baylor family will come together to help reduce students' debt loads.

"Baylor University remains a best buy and we're thankful for that," Starr said. "At the same time it's on our hearts to care about our students and to care about the families and to care about the debt loads students leave Baylor University with, and we want to address that. We want to call the entire Baylor family together to help address it."

Starr said he plans for the increase to exceed \$100 million by 2013, but whether it happens will depend on the alumni's actions.

"The metaphor I keep using is the little engine that could, but that will depend on our alums," Starr said. "Will our alums rally around? We can only ask and encourage. We don't have the power of taxation. This has to be a labor of love and a gift out of love by our 144,000 alums."

Endowed gifts given now will also help future students, Starr said. This is because funds for endowed scholarships are invested, and a portion of the money gained through the investment is given as a scholarship each year, while the rest is saved and invested again so that the endowed funds will grow and scholarships can continue being given out.

"We are asking you [alums] to give and to give now and to give as much as you can over these next several years to help our students,"

"When I say help our students, this is helping our students in perpetuity. It's helping students who are here now, but [also] future members of that old Baylor Line that's the beauty of a gift to endowment."

Unrestricted gifts designated for scholarships are the best because they allow the financial aid office to have flexibility with and make maximum use of the funds, although restricted gifts are also appreciated, Starr said. Restricted gifts are those with stipulations on what the money can be used for,

such as scholarships designated for students in specific programs.

"We recognize that some, perhaps many, donors will have a special heart for one school or one major, and we obviously welcome and honor that," Starr said, "but the ideal gift is one that simply provides flexibility to the university so that it can address the needs of all our students."

Starr and his wife, Alice, made a \$100,000 pledge to begin an unrestricted endowed scholarshipthe Ken and Alice Starr Endowed Scholarship Fund.

"I felt it was the right thing to do first and foremost, and secondly that there was symbolic value to the entire community of Baylor alumni, parents and friends that we need to jump in and all pitch in to the fullest extent that we can," Starr said. "I wish the scholarship were more, but we hope to add to it as the years go by. We knew that that would provide for a meaningful scholarship to a student, and so we felt called to be supportive."

On Tuesday, Robert Beauchamp, a member of the board of regents, and his wife Laura made a \$100,000 gift to the Starrs' fund.

"We wanted this to be an example, but I could not be more thankful to Bob and Laura Beauchamp,"

Wright said the Starrs' pledge to the initiative shows that they want to help students. "I'm a big believer in practic-

ing what you preach and leading by example, so I'm just very, very impressed," Wright said. "It just goes to show that he and Mrs. Starr truly do believe that this is a need and concern among students, and that they clearly want to make a concerted effort to help out with this solution."

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The theme also stays true to the spirit of Constitution Day, a day dedicated to the signing of the United States Constitution on Sept. 17, 1787.

"[We were] very fortunate that when we looked at the dates available in September, the weekend that worked just happened to be Constitution Day," Ferguson said.

A reception immediately following the ceremony will be held on the Ferrell Center Grounds until 5:30 p.m., during which those in

13 months. Shourd smiled broad-

ly as they strolled arm-in-arm

through the heat of the late summer night along the Gulf of Oman.

"I'm grateful and I'm very humbled by this moment," she said before boarding the plane in Tehran for the two-hour flight to

The whirlwind departure of the 32-year-old Shourd brought little change for two other Americans — her fiance Shane Bauer and Josh Fattal — who remained behind bars while authorities moved toward possible trials on spy charges that could bring up to 10 years in

The three were detained along

the Iraq border in July 2009. Their families say they were innocent hikers in the scenic mountains of Iraq's Kurdish region and if they

did stray across the border into Iran, they did so unwittingly.

home, too," said a statement by the

could soon move into the courts,

Ki-moon said he welcomed Shourd's release "and I appreciate the flexibility of Iranian govern-

U.N. Secretary-General Ban

"At the same time, as secretary-

general of the United Nations, I would sincerely hope that Iranian government will again very fa-

vorably consider releasing the remaining two American hikers so that they could join their families

as soon as possible," he said in an interview in New York with AP

Any other scenario could bring

more unwanted attention to the growing rivalries inside Iran's Is-

and AP Television News.

with Shourd tried in absentia.

Iran, however, has shown no hints of clemency for the two 28-year-old men. Indictments on espionage-related charges have been filed and Tehran's chief prosecutor has suggested the cases

three families.

"All of our families are relieved and overjoyed that Sarah has at last been released, but we're also heartbroken that Shane and Josh are still being denied their freedom for no just cause ... They deserve to come

prison if they are convicted.

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attendance may mingle and congratulate the president.

Also listed on the calendar of events is the "Baylor Presidents Past and Present" exhibit that will open in the main foyer of the Jesse H. Jones Library. The exhibit will display rare artifacts from past and present Baylor presidents, including personal articles such as photos, Bibles and gavels.

"I think this is going to be a great week," Leeper said.

"The inaugural events will

come together to celebrate who we are and who we stand for [as Baylor University], and beginning a new president's term is something to celebrate."

Both Ferguson and Leeper encouraged the public to take part in the historic moment.

"We really want students to understand that this is not a closed event. It is open to them and we encourage them to be a part of this chapter in Baylor's history," Fergu-

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lamic leadership. Even the gesture to release Shourd on health grounds — first

raised as an act of Islamic benevolence last week by President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad — turned into a spectacle of high-level political bullying and sniping over who controlled her fate and the overall

wisdom of letting her go. The open bickering seemed to harden the divisions that have been developing since the brush

with chaos after Ahmadinejad's disputed re-election last year.