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No. 24 T.C. Robinson celebrates his touchdown on Friday, Sept. 2, 2011, at Floyd Casey Stadium. The Baylor bears triumphed over the TCU horned frogs 50-48.

## Bears blow early lead, save game

By TYLER ALLEY  
 SPORTS EDITOR

Baylor never made it easy on their fans, but in the end they got it done, knocking off the 14th-ranked team in the nation on national television Friday night.

With 1:04 left in the game, the score 48-47 in TCU's favor, sophomore kicker Aaron Jones was looking at a 37-yard field goal to put his team up by one point.

"I looked at [Jones] right before the placement," sophomore linebacker and holder Brody

Trahan said. "He just nodded his head and said, 'This is what I do,' and I said 'You're damn right.'"

And he nailed it. Then it was TCU's chance to make history in their favor. Sophomore quarterback Casey Pachall drove his team to the Baylor 40-yard line.

On first down, he threw an incomplete pass. Second down, his pass was nearly intercepted by sophomore nickelback Ahmad Dixon. The next play, Pachall fires a pass over the middle. Junior safety Mike Hicks intercepts

the pass, and like the old cliché, the crowd went wild.

"Those are classic games, against a really good football team," head coach Art Briles said. "I never saw any doubt on the sideline, even when it got there in the fourth quarter."

Junior Robert Griffin III took a knee, and cemented Baylor's 50-48 win. He was then bum-rushed by about 40,000 fans.

The Bears started this game off with a bang. On their first drive, Griffin threw back to senior receiver Kendall Wright, who

proceeded to fire a pass down field to junior receiver Terrance Williams for 40-yard touchdown.

"It's just plays we have when the defense is doing what we they're doing," Wright said. "They triggered. When they all came to me, it's just [Terrance] wide open."

TCU answered with a 73-yard kickoff return that led to a nine-yard TD run by Pachall. Baylor would block the extra point to make it 7-6.

Later in first quarter, Pachall made a 38-yard pass to sopho-

more receiver Josh Boyce that led to a four-yard TD run by junior Matthew Tucker to make it 13-7.

Baylor would answer with a 35-yard touchdown reception by Wright.

Wright eclipsed 100 receiving yards in the first half and set a Baylor record with 11 100-yard receiving games.

"I don't take individual awards personally like that," Wright said. "I just want to do what I can to help my teammates get better ev-

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## Student government seeks larger presence

By ANNA FLAGG  
 REPORTER

Student government at Baylor has been around since 1913, but the group still plans to raise awareness for the work it does on campus. Zach Rogers, student body president, traveled to send-off parties for future Baylor students and also represented student government at every Line Camp and orientation this summer.

"One of our goals this year has been to increase our presence on campus because through this we can be-

come more available to students," Rogers said.

Rogers is working to find new ways to poll student opinions on campus and voice them to the administration, he said. Rogers wants to determine the most pressing issues students have and the best way to combat the problems and then present them to university leaders, he said.

Rogers serves with Angela Gray, external vice president, and Michael Lyssy, internal vice president.

Gray's job is to represent Baylor students to outside entities including the Waco

community, other conference schools, alumni, and local, state and federal government.

One of her hopes for the coming year is to involve more students in the Waco community and help them get to know their city, Gray said.

"We have countless fun places to visit, unique restaurants and distinctive shops around town," Gray said. "I hope to facilitate an awareness of how great it is to live in Waco."

As internal vice president, Lyssy serves as president of the Student Senate. The Student Senate meets every 5 p.m. Thursday in Cashion 403 in order to discuss pertinent issues. Meetings are open to the public.

Lyssy said he wants to improve the efficiency of the Stu-

dent Senate and encourage more involvement by building relationships between senators and student organizations.

"Even though we aren't always in the headlines for proposing revolutionary changes around campus, I hope students realize that we are constantly working behind the scenes for them," Lyssy said. "We are continuously building upon established relations, nurturing fresh ones, and seeking out better ways and models of expressing student concerns."

One way these student government leaders get to know the students' opinions is by setting up an "Issue of the Week" table in the Bill Daniel student center (SUB). There, Student Government representatives can talk with

students, hear what they want and build relationships with them. Rogers, Gray and Lyssy say their office doors are always open and they want to hear from students.

Rogers said his favorite part of his role as student body president is "having the opportunity to get to know the movers and shakers of the university on a more personal level."

"I get to see the actual passion the people that run this university have for the students here," Rogers said. "It has infused a new passion for Baylor in me."

Freshman elections are approaching and filing begins this week. There is a mandatory candidate meeting on Sept. 15 in Kaiser Auditorium in the Hankamer Business School of Business.



Zach Rogers

## BU families feel force of wildfire

By DAVID MCLAIN  
 STAFF WRITER

The worst recorded wildfire season in Texas reached into the homes of several Baylor students over the course of the Labor Day weekend.

More than 180 fires have erupted in the past week across the rain-starved Lone Star State, and nearly 1,000 of the homes destroyed since then were lost, killing four people in one catastrophic blaze in and around Bastrop, near Austin, that raged out of control Tuesday for a third day, The Associated Press reported.

Bastrop County, north of Austin, is experiencing the brunt of the blazes having lost 28,500 acres of land to the Bastrop County Complex fire, as the Tex-

as Forest Service is calling it.

Spicewood senior Savannah Rudkin traveled home Sunday night to be with her mother in case they had to evacuate their home. Spicewood, just northwest of Austin, was threatened by a large wildfire that started this weekend.

Her father, a volunteer firefighter, got a call about the fire in Spicewood on the way back from Waco on Saturday after watching this Weekend's football game.

Rudkin, a volunteer firefighter herself in the past, was in Waco on

Sunday night when her mom called saying her father mentioned the possibility of evacuating their home.

"It was really shocking since my dad had been a firefighter for



A Baylor alumna sent in a photo of her family home in Magnolia, Texas where children and horses have been evacuated due to fires which have threatened much of central and southern Texas.

over 21 years and none of it has come anywhere near our house," Rudkin said.

Inciweb.org, an incident information website that consolidates information from various government services, lists the Spicewood fire as 80 percent con-

tained.

With the fire near Spicewood nearly abated, some of the local manpower is being sent to assist the firefighters in Bastrop County, Rudkin said.

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## AFROTC moves to new spot

By DANIEL C. HOUSTON  
 STAFF WRITER

Baylor's two ROTC programs have moved out of their longtime home on the southwest corner of campus in the old university health center into a newly renovated facility in the Speight Plaza Parking Garage.

The old building will be utilized as an engineering annex for faculty and graduate students until the Baylor Research and Innovation Collaborative project is completed, Lori Fogleman, director of media relations said.

After that point, Baylor will

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# Starr gives due credit to BU family

Wow. Just wow. I'll start with the obvious, in case you missed the game Friday night. In front of a packed house and a national ESPN audience, Baylor football knocked off 14th-ranked TCU, 50-48, in a game that can truly be described as "epic."

You can read the recaps for all the game action (take your pick: Associated Press, Waco Tribune-Herald, Dallas Morning News, Fort Worth Star-Telegram, and so on) — about how the two teams traded punches through an explosive first half, how Baylor jumped out to a 24-point fourth quarter lead, only to see TCU storm back and regain the lead, before a Baylor field goal with 1:04 left put the Bears on top and an interception in the final seconds sealed the deal.

BaylorBears.com has all the records and notes from this barnburner — highest-ranked win since 1991, most points ever against a ranked team, career-high 189 yards receiving for Kendall Wright, career-high five TD passes for Robert Griffin III — as Wright and Griffin stepped out on a national stage. (Coincidentally, an RG3-for-Heisman site, BU-RG3.com, launched about 24 hours before kickoff. Griffin will also be on ESPN's College GameDay set Saturday.)

This was a nationally televised ESPN game, on a night where there was only one other college football game being played anywhere, and it brought national college football writers from ESPN, Sports Illustrated, The New York Times, CBS Sports and Yahoo! Sports to Floyd Casey to see this historic win. (One result of the coverage: the story received great air time on SportsCenter and immediately became the featured story on ESPN.com, SI.com and Yahoo! Sports, among many.)

More than all of this, however, what stood out most to me was the Baylor pride that billowed all day leading up to the game and exploded after the clock hit 0:00. All day long, Bear fans all over the country shared photos via Twitter (to @BaylorProud) of how they were flinging their green and gold afar on College Colors Day (watch for a Baylor Proud blog post on that next week). Baylor took over Twitter for the evening, as "Kendall Wright," "Robert Griffin III" and "BAYLOR WINS" all trended worldwide on the site. And when the final score was posted on the Baylor Facebook page, it took less than 20 minutes to gain more than 1,000 "likes."

A letter to the editor from an alum published in Friday's Lariat perfectly summed up the opportunity Baylor had Friday night. "We all need to show up early, stay late and make a lot of noise," he wrote — and the fans did (43,753 strong). "We need to show the passion, pride and love we have for our university" — and everyone did: players, fans, the band, spirit squads, everyone. "This is a chance [for the nation] to see Baylor" — and they saw our best.

The team has the week off this coming Saturday — a well-deserved, much-needed respite after a game like this — and then hosts SFA on Sept. 17 and Rice a week later. There's no reason for there to be an empty seat; if you don't have tickets already, get them now. This team could well be back in the top 25 by then, and they deserve our support. Don't stop now; we've got six more home games left — let's continue to show up early, stay late, be loud, and wear gold. (Didn't that look great?)

Sic 'em, Baylor football, and sic 'em, Baylor Nation!

Friday's attendance of 43,753 was the second-largest home-opening crowd in Floyd Casey Stadium history (1975 vs. Oklahoma, 46,000). Baylor was ranked No. 20 in Tuesday's AP Top 25 poll.



# BU takes positive step with victory

President Ken Starr called it "epic." Coach Art Briles said it was "classic," and junior Mike Hicks, whose interception sealed Baylor's 50-48 win over TCU Friday night, couldn't find the words to describe it.

It was all smiles at Floyd Casey Stadium as thousands of fans rushed the field to celebrate the Bears' first victory over a top-15 ranked opponent since 1991. The excitement wasn't limited to the stadium, however, with ESPN nationally broadcasting the game and re-broadcasting the game hours after its conclusion.

Now five days removed from the win, it's time to look back and see what the Baylor family did right, how it could have been even better, and what the victory means for the green and gold faithful looking forward.

There was plenty to commend before, during and after Friday's game. Obviously it began months ago, when the Bears accepted Briles' vision of taking the program to a level where it can compete with strong teams.

The team also handled and presented itself professionally to the media. Despite the media's best efforts to report storylines before kickoff, players never said their matchup with TCU was about revenge for last season's 45-10 loss to the Horned Frogs.

"We're not looking back; we're looking forward," quarterback Robert Griffin III

## Editorial

said on the first day of fall practice.

The program wouldn't be anywhere without the fans — the fans who showed up for both the spring and summer scrimmages, who packed the bleachers to the point of standing room only at the summer scrimmage held at Highers Athletic Complex.

On Friday, the team had every reason to carry momentum as it marched into the stadium. Players walked through a throng of tailgaters who showed up early and created as lively a gameday atmosphere as this year's graduating class has ever seen.

The icing on the pregame festivities, though, had to be the Baylor Line. This year's group of freshmen filled the ramp leading down to the field as well as the area behind the end zone, which is a stark improvement from many Baylor Lines in recent game history.

Baylor's marketing efforts deserve credit as well after selling more than 15,000 season tickets.

As President Ken Starr said in his email to Baylor students, faculty and staff, Baylor pride billowed and eventually "exploded after the clock hit 0:00." It was, in short, a great time to be a Baylor Bear.

But it doesn't stop here and can-

not stop here. If it does, Baylor athletics might not reach its full potential.

Perhaps Briles best described how Baylor is on its way to the goal but not quite there yet.

"It was a good win, great atmosphere," Briles said in Friday's postgame press

*"It's time to look back and see what the Baylor family did right, how it could have been even better, and what the victory means for the green and gold faithful."*

conference. "I hate that so many TCU people were here in our stadium."

He continued, emphasizing the shared vision for Baylor's future.

"That's the way it is. We've got to win a bunch more games and make it where it is our home stadium. So that's another goal we've got to obtain here at Baylor."

When ESPN's cameras zoomed out and panned the entire stadium, it was impossible to miss the sea of purple on the visitor's side. There were probably between 8,000 and 10,000 TCU fans, which gave Baylor the revenue from ticket sales but did not send the right message.

The Baylor family must continue to support its teams as best as possible, both students and alumni. Briles and Starr believe the visitor's cheering section at Floyd Casey Stadium can decrease in future games, and, looking at stadiums of other Big 12 teams, it is not out of the ordinary.

Baylor students have already paid for their tickets, and free transportation to home games is available. It's an easy and fun way to spend an evening, even for those not crazy about athletics. Friday's effort was excellent. The team will need that attendance for the entire season.

Support of athletic teams is even more important now, given the uncertainty of the Big 12.

The Lariat originally wanted to publish an editorial discussing Baylor's future with the Big 12, but it's not plausible to speculate on those matters at this point.

It's so unsettled that new stories are still emerging daily, sometimes directly contradicting stories published a day earlier.

All Baylor can do is continue to pour its support into its athletic teams, if not for interest in sports, then for the well-being of the university. Athletics, especially when televised, provide a great avenue for Baylor to show the country how our university can compete on the highest level.

We're getting there, step by step. There's no reason to stop.

## Green & Gold

Baylor alumni sound off after Friday's huge win

**@DraytonsBrain (Drayton McLane, BBA '58)**  
"Hey, wouldya look at that? The #Baylor Bears are ranked higher than the #Longhorns. A few more wins and we might be looking at a BCS bowl."

**@wingoz (Trey Wingo, ESPN anchor)**  
"Allow me to introduce the Heisman Voters to Robert Griffin III. Sic em."

**@mattmosley (Matt Mosley, ESPN radio host)**  
"Sleeping at Floyd Casey Stadium tonight to make sure the score remains Baylor 50, TCU 48. Knew we had it all the way..."

**@aaronbruce84 (Aaron Bruce, BU basketball alum)**  
"There is a class of Baylor freshman [sic] that know nothing but victory against ranked opponents."

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## Local farm gives view of Third World life

By JORDAN HEARNE  
REPORTER



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Students can volunteer at World Hunger Relief, Inc. to experience Third World Life.

In a world filled with overpriced supermarkets that resemble shopping malls and processed snacks made with unpronounceable ingredients, a stand that sells fresh produce and organic animal products is a change from the common store shelves.

World Hunger Relief Inc. is a farm that shares food with the Waco community and works to educate residents about the benefits and economic stability of buying from local growers.

Amber Jekot, community outreach intern, works with coalition groups to form a network of shared resources.

She said she hopes the organization will show others the role farming plays in the global economy and how it influences the lives of people who depend completely on agriculture.

"We want to teach what it's like to live the life of the poor, the importance of fair trade, where food really comes from and instill the responsibility that working in the field teaches," Jekot said.

Volunteers and interns cultivate various fruits and vegetables in the fields while the farm's goats and chickens provide milk, eggs and meat.

World Hunger Relief Inc. interns have witnessed the same methods the farm uses during mission trips to places like Haiti and El Salvador.

"All practices used here are the same as what is used in a Third World country," Jekot said.

The main goal of the organization is to teach others how to use international and local food systems effectively and adopt a form of sustainable agriculture that sells

goods directly to community buyers, food systems intern Annali Smucker said.

The organization strives to create a model of successful and sustainable farming that people can copy while sharing rewards with the community.

Part of that sharing stems from World Hunger Relief, Inc.'s involvement with a Community Supported Agriculture group (CSA).

Consumer members of CSA purchase a share and in return receive locally cultivated eggs, milk and produce each week.

According to the Local Harvest website, benefits from being involved in a CSA are shared between the consumers, who get a chance to learn where their food comes from and how it is prepared, and the farmers, who receive a steady cash flow to put back into their farm's production.

World Hunger Relief, Inc. is one of the providing farms for the CSA serving the Waco area.

Consumers can also buy from the farm stand on Saturdays or shop in the village store during the week for fair trade products that give proceeds directly to the vendors.

Students looking to get involved with World Hunger Relief, Inc. have many different opportunities.

Smucker said volunteers are always needed to run the farm stand and the village store, and consistency when scheduling weekly volunteer days is key when signing up to work.

Another option for college students is a chance to live an alternative spring break at the Nicaragua House on the farm.

For a week, spring breakers learn what daily life is like in a Third World country by living with minimal modern luxuries and growing and preparing their own food.

"It's rewarding to make an entire meal that they've worked all afternoon on," Jekot said of the overall experience.

Many of the interns and volunteers live directly on the farm and spend all of their time working the field and learning new techniques.

Even with the temperature reaching triple digits, Smucker energetically kneaded dough in the farm's humid kitchen to form a Tanzanian bread known as Chapati.

As she worked, she stressed the importance of remembering that their hard work is all for the good of the community.

"We're not trying to just be an island and eat only food we produce," Smucker said. "Communities survive by giving and sharing."

## Adom guides Baylor to victory

### Sophomore leads in kills against WVU

By KRISTA PIRTLE  
SPORTS WRITER

The Bears volleyball team powered their way through West Virginia University 3-0 (25-14, 25-19, 25-20) Monday night at the Ferrell Center.

"We were really focused on reaching some milestones on our game," said Baylor head coach Jim Barnes. "We were wanting to be up 15 or more kills every set and we did that tonight."

Baylor's front totaled 52 kills on the evening led by sophomore outside hitter Zoe Adom with 13 at .211, freshman utility Adri Nora with 12 at .440 and junior middle blocker Torri Campbell with 11 at .409.

"We really wanted to get more aggressive attacking the ball," Barnes said. "When they went to our middles, our lefts were open one-on-one so Zoe [Adom] and Adri [Nora] got a lot of kills."

With their 74 digs, Baylor allowed only 28 kills from WVU. Senior libero Allison King led the way with 24 followed by senior outside hitter Qian Zhang with 13.

Even though the total number of blocks for the Lady Bears totaled four, there was more action at the net than the statistics will point to.

"Our defense definitely out-hustled them and I thought that we had more energy and momentum than them," Nora said. "In the end we came through. Our blockers are crazy. Bri [Tolbert] and Torri [Campbell] are crazy. We definitely



MATT HELLMAN | PHOTO EDITOR

No. 21 middle blocker Briana Tolbert prepares to spike the ball for another point in the game against West Virginia University on Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2011 in the Ferrell Center.

had a solid four hands up there tonight."

The opening set featured a dominating offensive performance as Baylor recorded 18 kills at .444.

West Virginia could not get things rolling as they hit .078 and recorded half as many kills as the Bears.

The second match saw athletes running all over, hustling for the ball.

Baylor had 19 kills this time but hit at .222 due to seven errors.

West Virginia still could not seem to find its groove as it was held to only six kills at .089.

The final set WVU would not relinquish easily as the two teams battled back and forth with eight ties and four lead changes, but their resiliency could not overthrow the

Bears, as they took the set to win the match.

Baylor appeared to let off the steam a little bit, recording 15 kills at .250.

West Virginia finally found some offense, as they had 13 kills at .154 for the final set.

"We battled, I thought, harder," Barnes said.

"There's times when we were good, but we were never in really good sync tonight. That was the key to not give them easy points. We're not there yet, but I saw good signs as far as moving in that direction."

Baylor takes the floor again this weekend in Beaumont, for the MCM Elegante Invitational.

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# Poor America is also working-age America

By HOPE YEN  
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WASHINGTON — Working-age America is the new face of poverty.

Counting adults 18-64 who were laid off in the recent recession as well as single twenty-somethings still looking for jobs, the new working-age poor represent nearly 3 out of 5 poor people — a switch from the early 1970s when children made up the main impoverished group.

While much of the shift in poverty is due to demographic changes — Americans are having fewer children than before — the now-weakened economy and limited government safety net for workers are heightening the effect.

Currently, the ranks of the working-age poor are at the highest level since the 1960s when the war on poverty was launched. When new census figures for 2010 are released next week, analysts expect a continued increase in the overall poverty rate due to persistently high unemployment last year.

If that holds true, it will mark the fourth year in a row of increases in the U.S. poverty rate, which now stands at 14.3 percent, or 43.6 million people.

“There is a lot of discussion about what the aging of the baby boom should mean for spending on Social Security and Medicare. But there is not much discussion about how the wages of workers, especially those with no more than a high school degree, are not rising,” said Sheldon Danziger, a University of Michigan public policy professor who specializes in poverty.

Census numbers show that out of 8.8 million families who are currently poor, about 60 percent had at least one person who was working.

“The reality is there are going to be a lot of working poor for the foreseeable future,” Danziger said, citing high unemployment and congressional resistance to raising the minimum wage.

The poverty figures come at a politically sensitive time for President Barack Obama, after a Labor Department report last Friday showed zero job growth in August. The White House now acknowledges that the unemployment rate, currently at 9.1 percent, will likely average 9 percent through 2012.

Obama is preparing to outline a new plan for creating jobs and stimulating the economy in a prime-time address to Congress on Thursday.

According to the latest census data, the share of poor who are ages 18-64 now stands at 56.7 percent, compared to 35.5 percent who are children and 7.9 percent who are 65 and older. The working-age share surpasses a previous high of 55.5 percent first reached in 2004.

Lower-skilled adults ages 18 to 34, in particular, have had the largest jumps in poverty as employers keep or hire older workers for the dwindling jobs available. The declining economic fortunes have caused many unemployed young Americans to double up in housing with parents, friends and loved ones.

Douglas Besharov, a University of Maryland public policy professor and former scholar at the conservative American Enterprise Institute, says that expansions of the federal safety net including Social Security retirement and disability payments have been important in reducing poverty.

The current poverty level was set at \$10,956 for one person and \$21,954 for a family of four, based on an official government calculation that includes only cash income, before taxes. It excludes capital gains or accumulated wealth, such as home ownership, as well as noncash aid such as food stamps.

Preliminary census estimates released this summer show a decline in child poverty based on the new measure and a jump in the shares of poor who are working age — from 56.7 percent to nearly 60 percent. In all, the child poverty rate decreases from 20.7 percent under the official poverty measure to 17.9 percent, according to estimates. But the senior poverty rate jumps from 8.9 percent to 15.6 percent after including out-of-pocket medical costs, and working-age adults see an increase in poverty from 12.9 percent to 14.9 percent.

Food banks say they see a shift to a new working poor.

“Americans from all walks of life are now finding themselves in need of help for the first time in their lives,” said Vicki Escarra, president of Feeding America, a national network of food banks that is based in Chicago. She noted that demand has increased by 46 percent since the recession began in late 2007, with more than 1 in 3 families who get their assistance having one or more adults working.

“The reality is we all know someone who has lost a job or a crisis that has caused financial concern. In fact, some people who used to be donors to our Feeding America food banks are themselves now turning to us for help,” she said.

Demographers expect next week’s poverty report to show a rise in working families who are low income, to nearly 1 in 3. “Low income” is defined as those making less than 200 percent of the poverty threshold, or about \$43,000 for a family of four. The report is also expected to show Blacks and Hispanics disproportionately hit, based on their higher rates of unemployment. In addition, a possible widening of the income gap between rich and poor, at least by some measures, due partly to last year’s stock market rebound while the job market languished is expected as well.

Timothy Smeeding, a University of Wisconsin-Madison professor who specializes in income inequality, called the outlook for younger adults in the U.S. especially troubling. He pointed to youth discontent in other parts of the world, such as England, where he says high unemployment and widening inequality contributed to recent rioting.

“We risk a new underclass who are not able to support their children, form stable families, buy houses and reach the middle class,” Smeeding said.



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## Students study outside thanks to cold front

Little Rock, Ark., freshman Ashley Mullen takes advantage of the slightly cooler weather and studies outside on Tuesday next to Fountain Mall. Students enjoyed a much needed break from the 100+ degree temperatures on Tuesday.

# Postal Service going under, begs congressional action

By RANDOLPH E. SCHMID  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Postmaster General Patrick Donahoe warned that the Postal Service is on “the brink of default” as he battles to keep his agency solvent.

Without legislation by Sept. 30, the agency “will default on a mandated \$5.5 billion payment to the Treasury,” Donahoe said.

And with no congressional action, a year from now, next August or September, the post office could run out of money to pay salaries and contractors, hampering its ability to operate, Donahoe said.

Donahoe noted that the post office supports a \$1.1 trillion mailing industry employing more than 8 million people in direct mail, periodicals, catalogs, financial services and other businesses.

Sen. Tom Carper, D-Del., said several proposals have been put forward to improve postal operations and said that Congress needs to work on areas where agreement

can be found. Both Carper and Collins have introduced bills to reform postal operations, and measures have also been introduced in the House.

Donahoe and his predecessor John Potter have warned for months that without changes in the law governing postal operations the Postal Service will be unable to make advance payments to cover future retiree medical benefits.

Staggered by the economic downturn and the massive shift from first-class mail to email, the post office lost more than \$8 billion last year and is facing losses at least that large this year, despite having cut 110,000 jobs over the last four years and making other changes, including closing smaller, local post offices.

The Postal Service, which does not receive tax money for its operations, is not seeking federal funds.

Instead, postal officials want changes in the way they operate, including relief from the requirement that it prefund medical costs. No other federal agency has to

prefund retiree health benefits, but because of the way the federal budget is organized the money counts as income to the government, so eliminating it would make the federal deficit appear larger.

When Congress restructured postal operations in 2006 it ordered the agency to establish a separate fund to begin covering those benefits, instead of using money for the post office’s general fund, starting in 2017, and to make annual advance payments to that account. The payment due Sept. 30 would be \$5.5 billion.

Also, the post office wants to reduce mail delivery to five days-a-week; close 3,700 offices, further cut the workforce by up to 220,000; and to withdraw from federal retirement systems and set up its own. It also seeks the return of \$6.9 billion it overpaid into retirement funds.

Contracts with its employee unions currently strictly limit layoffs and closing post offices riles local communities who complain to their members of Congress.

# Coming soon: freshman retreat

By BRITTNEY COULTER  
REPORTER

Spiritual Life has promised a weekend of relaxation and spiritual growth to new students Friday and Saturday at Freshman Retreat.

The retreat is designed to help first-year students transition into college spiritually while making new friends.

“Our theme for the retreat is connecting to God in your new community,” said Nancy Page Lowenfield, a graduate apprentice for the Formation Department. “We want it to be a relaxing time for students but also a time that they really get to talk about and explore what it means to be a Christian on a Christian campus.”

Worship, relaxation and small-group sessions led by upperclassmen are some of the activities students can expect at the retreat, which is being held at Pine Cove: Outback Camp.

“We have different worship planned and different breakout sessions which are opportunities for them to delve deeper into different topics,” Lowenfield said.

Students will also be given the opportunity to learn about different ministries Spiritual Life offers, as well the opportunity to get to know their resident chaplains.

Houston junior Samuel Prillaman attended the 2009 retreat as a freshman.

“Coming in freshman year it was a lot of fun and it was a great time to just calm down after the first two hectic weeks of school,” Prillaman said. “I met a lot of great people that I still keep in touch with.”

Prillaman recommended that first-year students attend the retreat not only to make new friends, but also to grow spiritually.

“The spiritual component is really nice because they have a lot of different types of activities that are supposed to stretch traditional worship experiences, and get you to try some new stuff that you haven’t done before, and you end up having a lot of fun doing it,” he said.

The retreat is gearing up to be the biggest one Spiritual Life has ever had.

“We have over 200 students enrolled,” Lowenfield said. “It’s the largest retreat we’ve taken, so that’s really exciting.”

Due to the high number of registered students, Spiritual Life is no longer accepting applications for this year’s retreat.

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# Westfest offers Czechoslovakian culture in heart of Texas

By JESSICA FOREMAN  
REPORTER

Labor Day weekend's 36th annual Westfest offered a wide range of various ethnic entertainment, cultural foods, Czechoslovakian dancing and costumes, competitions and one of the largest parades in Central Texas.

With competitions like horse-shoe pitching, tractor pulls, the Kolache 5000 race, and the kolache baking contest, the festival in West attracts visitors from as far as Germany, Czechoslovakia, Russia and Japan, officials said.

The event kicked off Friday, with a preview party that featured Texas country artist Kyle Park, Johnny Lee & The Urban Cowboy Band and the Miss Westfest contest.

Saturday morning began with the annual parade. The West Fair & Rodeo Groups fairgrounds provided visitors with cultural

entertainment, food, vendors and carnival rides until after midnight. The festival featured polka bands The Harvesters, Brave Combo and several others.

The Brazos Valley Cloggers from Waco and Csardas Hungarian Dancers from Austin performed Saturday under the fairground pavilions, along with several other acts. The parade of costumes, a colorful and cultural Westfest tradition, showcased original, handmade Czechoslovakian costumes.

Sunday included the morning Westfest Polka Mass, which featured hymns sung to polkas and waltzes. Finally, the crowd favorite, the Zorya Ukrainian Dance Ensemble from Dallas, performed the last dance.

Westfest originated in 1976 when former Dallas Cowboy Bob Lilly purchased the Coors distribution center in Waco. Lilly needed a means to promote and to sell his product.

Lilly's idea for the first, now retired, event at Westfest was donkey baseball, a game with all the same rules as regular baseball, except that all players ride donkeys.

Lillian Pustejovsky Filer, West Charter member and one of the initial members of the McLennan-Hill Czech Heritage Society of Texas, said Heritage Society members are responsible for many components of Westfest, including coordinating the parade, setting up the grounds and providing nine immigration books with records of Czech families traveling to America.

"We are the backbone," said Pustejovsky Filer in regard to organizing Westfest. "It's a lot of work, but we enjoy meeting people."

The McLennan-Hill Czech Heritage Society of Texas also sponsors the Czechoslovakian Christmas tree during Baylor University's Christmas on 5th Street, and has provided the cultural tree for the past several years.

Miss Westfest, a definitive staple of the festival, is the annual competition for single women of Czech descent ages 15-21 who live in West.

Contestants are required to perform a series of interviews to participate. This year's 2011 Miss Westfest, West High School senior Heather Kraemer, said she was "completely in shock" when her name was announced, but was also pleasantly surprised.

"My favorite part of Westfest is family and tradition," said Kraemer, who is involved in several extra-curricular activities with West High School and her community youth group. "Being [Miss Westfest] is mostly about being with family, and representing my family and town."



JESSICA FOREMAN | REPORTER

Westfest is a Czech Polka Festival held each Labor Day weekend in the Central Texas town of West to celebrate Czechoslovakian dance, food, and culture. This Westfest sign greets visitors from as far away as Russia, Japan, Czechoslovakia and Germany, as well as many central Texas residents. Westfest began in 1976 as a means to celebrate the large Czech population that resides in the community.

Kraemer's Miss Westfest responsibilities include signing autographs, taking pictures with fans, participating in the 2012 Westfest parade, and being the public face of Westfest.

Nita Gerik, Westfest director, said an emphasis on family is mostly what Westfest is about.

"I'm a people person," Gerik said, who has been a part of Westfest since its beginnings. "I like to get the people involved. They love their music, they love their food, their dancing...It's got the

whole family involved. That's what makes it a success. It's very family-oriented."

Gerik said Westfest generates \$20,000 to \$25,000 of revenue for local nonprofit organizations, and the income allows for five scholarships for West High School students.

Mark Hoelscher with Main & Broadway Beverages Co. in West looks forward to the festival as "a place to see familiar faces."

"[Westfest] is so well-established, we know what to expect,"

said Hoelscher, who played the tuba with the West High School band during the first Westfest parade in 1976. "It's like a city wide homecoming."

This year's Westfest brought in crowds of more than 20,000 and was a family-fun event for all who attended. More information about future Westfest celebrations can be found at westfest.com, where festival organizers feature a running countdown to next year's event. Next Westfest is only 358 days away.



JESSICA FOREMAN | REPORTER

This year's incarnation of Westfest brought in a crowd of more than 20,000 people and offered attendees the opportunity to experience elements of Czechoslovakian culture, including authentic music.

# 'Watch the Throne' features strong performances from Kanye, Jay-Z

By JOSHUA MADDEN  
A&E EDITOR

## ALBUM REVIEW



ground on Jay-Z's song "Renegade" than what was present in Kanye West's "All of the Lights".

"808s and Heartbreak" was, in many ways, a forerunner to "Watch the Throne". While many saw that album as a disappointment, I think that the inclusion of Jay-Z in the verses makes everything seem a little better on "Watch the Throne".

I may be a little biased because I enjoyed "808s and Heartbreak" in a way that many listeners did not, but that's partially because "808s and Heartbreak" was a departure from the usual Kanye West sound. In the same way, "Watch the Throne" is also a departure from that sound, although elements of "My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy" are clearly present here.

One of the strongest aspects of this album are the additional collaborators who are brought in for the album. I personally enjoyed Beyonce's contribution to the song "Lift Off", which brought more of an up tempo flair to the album than can also be found in other songs.

Otis Redding, however, is the one who really shines in the album with the song "Otis", which was performed at this year's VMA ceremony. There's a reason it was performed at the VMAs: other than "No Church in the Wild", it is probably the strongest song on the album. Vaguely reminiscent of "Heart of the City (Ain't No Love)" off of Jay-Z's "The Blueprint", the song simply works and has a surprisingly catchy tune.

The other song I mentioned as being one of the best on the album, "No Church in the Wild", features Frank Ocean and has more of a Kanye-centered feel in contrast to the Jay-Z centered "Otis". "No Church in the Wild" sounds much like "Lost in America" from Kanye West's "My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy" album and is a terrific beginning to the album.

When it comes down to it, there's just very little to complain about with "Watch the Throne." I was initially a little skeptical of the two rappers collaborating on album. The two have very distinct sounds and I was curious if the two could mesh well enough to produce an entire album.

I'm happy to report that they did so successfully. "Watch the Throne" is awarded five stars out of five and I would highly recommend that rap and hip-hop fans pick up the album.



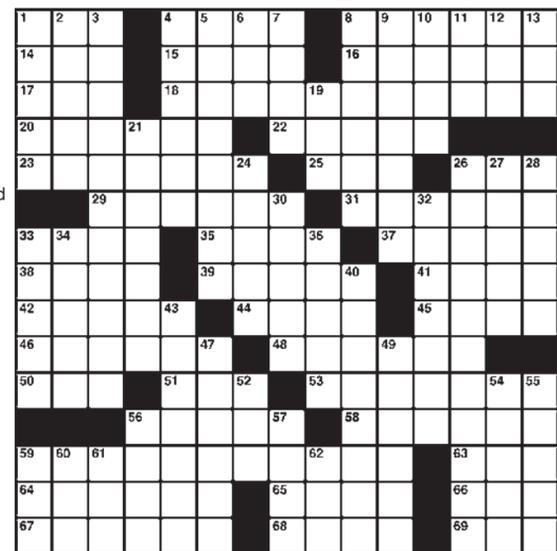
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Kanye West and Jay-Z performing July 18, 2008. The two artists have collaborated previously to "Watch the Throne," although it marks their first album produced entirely as a joint effort.

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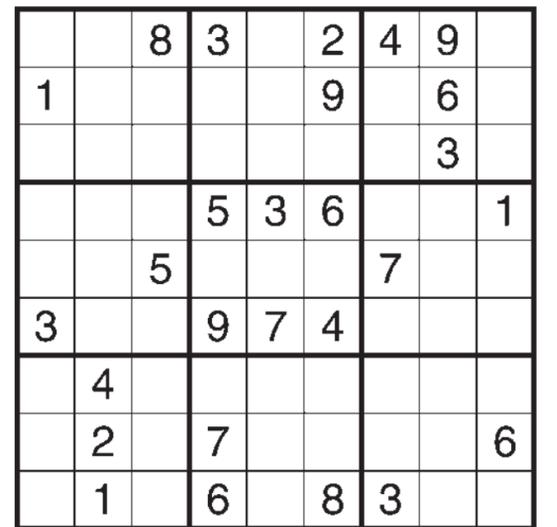
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# Baylor aces local weekend tournament

By KRISTA PIRTLE  
SPORTS WRITER

The Baylor Lady Bears volleyball team swept the competition at the Fairfield Inn North Baylor Classic at the Ferrell Center last weekend.

Their first foe of the tournament was McNeese State, which they swept 3-0 (25-10, 25-16, 25-22).

“Our service game was great,” head coach Jim Barnes said. “We put them on their heels. We set the tone early, especially since we were setting our second options throughout this match. We weren’t going to Torri Campbell and senior middle blocker Briana Tolbert. We were going to our right side, Alyssa Dibbern, and our outsides, and Qian did a great job on the left side. It was good to see us go to our second options and still patrol the match.”

Late in the third set, fifth year Melissa Jones recorded her first kill for her career. The crowd loved it.

“We were just waiting for it the entire time,” Tolbert said. “It was awesome. It was so fun to see [Jones] in there, to get that kill, to

be on the volleyball court in here, and not the basketball court.”

Jones ended one match with a kill and started the second against the University of Texas Pan-American, where the Lady Bears came out on top 3-0 (25-9, 25-19, 25-19.)

The Bears recorded 43 kills, led by Tolbert with 11 at .579, followed by No. 16 freshman utility Adri Nora with eight at .353 and No. 5 freshman outside hitter Nicole Bardaji with her career high of eight as well at .538.

“We have a strategy where we try to set the pins more in these games,” Bardaji said. “We were just trying to stay more consistent and hit it high. Today was really playing together when things got tough.”

Baylor held UTPA to only 20 kills for the match. No. 8 senior libero Allison King led the way defensively with 17 digs and No. 10 sophomore defensive specialist Kayci Evans followed with 12.

The underclassmen stepped up and gained the experience they needed.

“We got some good performance out of Nicole,” said Barnes. “She has been playing very well in

practice. I thought Kayci came out and played real well. She doesn’t get to play a whole lot. Adri is one we keep waiting to see. She could possibly be a real special player.”

The final game of the tournament was the first five game set the Lady Bears have played thus far. They fought back from a 2-1 deficit to win 3-2 (25-20, 22-25, 18-25, 25-18, 15-9.)

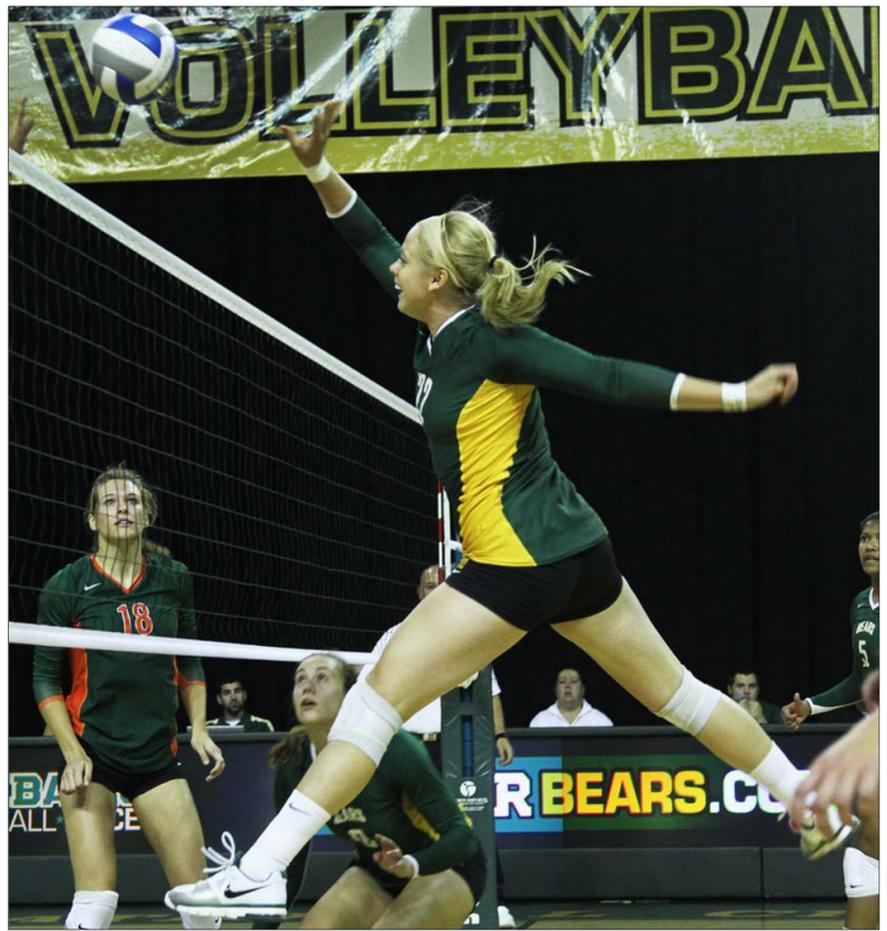
“This game we had to come back and fight so it really showed our heart,” No. 1 senior setter Brit-tany Ridenour said.

Ridenour garnered All-Tournament MVP while No. 3 sophomore outside hitter Zoe Adom and No. 23 senior middle blocker Briana Tolbert earned All-Tournament honors.

For the match, Baylor finished with 61 kills at .233 and Northern Colorado had 60 kills at .193.

Adom led the way for the Lady Bears offensively with 19 kills at .308, followed by Tolbert and No. 7 junior middle blocker Torri Campbell with 12 each at .320 and .310 respectively.

Baylor plays another tournament this weekend in Beaumont.



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No. 22 middle blocker Melissa Jones hits the ball during the lady bears' second game against Texas-Pan American on Saturday in the Ferrell Center. The Lady Bears celebrated with a 25-21 victory over the Broncos.

# Baylor soccer splits weekend series against two Kentucky teams

By DANIEL WALLACE  
SPORTS WRITER

The Baylor soccer team played two games this weekend in Louisville, Ky., and returned to Waco with one win and one loss. On Friday, the Bears (4-1-1) used three second-half goals to fly past Louisville (1-3-1), 3-0. In Sunday’s match against Kentucky, the Bears fell 2-1, despite outshooting the Wildcats (5-0-0), 20-9.

Friday’s win kept the Bears undefeated in the first five games for the first time since 2009. It was

also the first time since 2007 that the team had four wins in the first five games. Sunday’s game was a match-up against two undefeated teams, but the Wildcats prevailed. Overall, head coach Marci Jobson said she was pleased with the team’s performance this weekend.

“I thought we did great,” she said. “I thought we had a really good weekend. It’s just a tale of two different games.... Friday we finished all of our chances and scored and played very well. Sunday we played really well but didn’t finish our chances and gave up a set piece

goal in the end. We dominated the game and we just didn’t win.”

On Friday night, the Bears went into halftime tied scoreless against the Cardinals. Freshman forward Natalie Huggins said the team came out of halftime wanting to prove themselves and “put them away early.” In the 47th minute, just the second minute of the second half, the freshman started the scoring on a shot that beat the keeper to the far post from 12 yards out. The goal came on assist from senior midfielder Bethany Johnston. “It was a great ball by Beth,”

Huggins said. “Basically, there were just some holes in the defense we could see. She played the perfect ball in; it was easy to score off that. Basically, I found the hole and beat the keeper and got it in.”

Junior midfielder Lisa Sliwinski’s header made it 2-0 in the 68th minute. With two minutes left, fellow junior midfielder Hanna Gilmore knocked in a header of her own to seal the 3-0 victory.

On Sunday, the Bears found themselves heading into halftime tied once again. The Wildcats struck first but in the 27th minute,

freshman forward Justine Hovden notched her second goal of the season. In the second half, the Bears outshot the Wildcats 15-2, including five shots in the final five minutes. But one of the two shots Kentucky took in the second fell in; Arin Gilliland scored on a header off a corner kick in the 84th minute. Senior goalkeeper Courtney Seelhorst said that the team had many chances in the second half to come away with the victory, but the shots just would not go in.

“I think it was more that we weren’t able to capitalize on our

shot opportunities,” she said. “We played good, came out, and were fighting. I think they just weren’t falling. We had our chances and it just didn’t happen.”

Coach Jobson summed up the weekend saying it was typical of the way soccer sometimes goes. “They are doing the right things,” she said. “When you play good teams, sometimes you are going to win; sometimes you are going to lose.”

The Bears will host Texas State on Friday and North Texas on Sunday at Betty Lou Mays Soccer Field.

# Men’s golf starts year with victory as freshman shines

By LAUREAN LOVE  
REPORTER

The Baylor men’s golf team won the Turning Stone Tiger Intercollegiate tournament in Verona, N.Y., by 11 strokes Monday.

“It rained the last 12 holes, but we continued to play well all day long,” head coach Greg Priest said in a press release. “With Mikkel (Bjerch-Andresen’s) 2-under-par and two other even-par rounds, we couldn’t have asked for better play in tough conditions.”

Freshman Mikkel Bjerch-An-

dresen led the Bears with three under. Freshman Kyle Jones and senior Joakim Mikkelsen both finished at 1-under-par. All five of the Baylor golfers finished in the top 15.

“Both did what I expected them to do and more,” Priest said. “Mikkel posted the low score of the final round and played really well. Kyle played great the first two rounds and, unfortunately, Monday wasn’t his best day.”

“Playing in the final group of his first college tournament, Kyle had never been in that type of situ-

ation,” Priest said. “Next time, he’ll be able to better handle it, but this tournament was a great way for both to start their college careers.”

The win in Verona is Baylor’s first season-opening tournament win since September 2008. TCU finished second behind Baylor at with even-par. Purdue and Missouri finished third at 2-over-par and Bowling Green finished fifth at 17-over-par.

Baylor returns to the road for the Wolverine Intercollegiate in Ann Arbor, Mich., Monday and Tuesday.

# Baylor women’s cross country finishes first, men’s takes second

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Baylor cross country began the season well, with the women coming in first and the men finishing as runners-up.

The Baylor cross-country team had its first of three home meets at the Heart of Texas Soccer Complex Thursday as host of the Bear Twilight Invitational.

The meet started with the women running a 4,000-meter loop and the men a 6,000-meter loop.

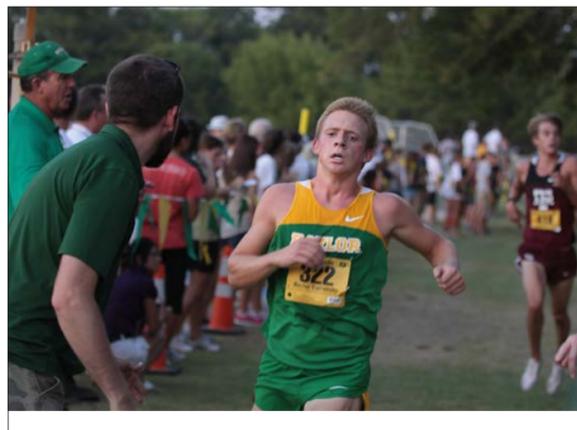
Senior Cate Westenhover, previous NCAA championship qualifier, led the women’s team to their first-place title with a time of 14:06.3, while the men’s team finished second.

“It was a really good meet on both sides,” head coach Todd Harbour said. “I’m proud of the way our men and women came out and competed.”

Westenhover was followed by three freshmen: Rachel Johnson, Bree Schrader and Erin Hegarty. Johnson, 2010 Nike national champion, had a time of 14:13.1.

The Lady Bears got 17 points total which gave them a 58-point lead over Texas State followed by Texas A&M and Dallas Baptist.

“We wanted to win, but this



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Freshman Brad Miles, Hatfield, Pa., participates at the Bear Twilight Invitational, Thursday.

isn’t a big-deal meet yet this one does not count for nationals,” Westenhover said. “Just to get the legs going and good effort.”

Senior Kristen Hanselka rounded out the top five with an eighth-place finish, turning in a time of 14:45.1.

The BU men took second place overall behind Texas A&M with a total of 40 points.

Sophomore Brad Miles placed fourth with a time of 18:57.8.

Junior Taylor Jackson, 19:19.3, and freshman Derwin Graham,

19:20.5, also finished in the top 10. For much of the men’s team, this was their first collegiate meet.

The weather was an obstacle for the men and women to overcome; when the race started it was 101 degrees.

Miles jokingly said, “It’s not this warm at 6:30 in the morning.”

Baylor continues the season with its first meet on the road at UT-Arlington Saturday.

Cross country returns to Waco Saturday, Sept. 17, with the Baylor Invitational. Events starts at 8 a.m.

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Molly Rivers, a senior from Bastrop County, has family friends that were immensely affected by the Bastrop County Complex fire.

"They lost everything, their whole entire home in the fire," Rivers said.

The family has three daughters and the father has been diagnosed with terminal cancer, Rivers said. "I have been asking my sorority for distributions of clothes and donations."

Her local church has already started searching for temporary housing for the family, and she has received donations in Waco.

"This is a heartbreaking situation for this family and a lot of people didn't even realize the fires were going on," Rivers said. "But instead of giving stuff to Goodwill, I'm actually helping people I

know."

The effects of the fires could be seen without stepping off campus Tuesday. A light haze dimmed the blue of the afternoon sky with the smell of smoke slightly in the air. Three fires have started in the area surrounding Waco since August 31, according to Inciweb.org.

Two of those fires have damaged over 1,000 acres, with one still burning just 20 minutes east of Waco, near Mart, Texas.

A separate fire located across Montgomery, Waller, and Grimes counties northwest of Houston blazed across the front yard of the aunt of Baylor alumna Rachael Gilbert just outside of Magnolia, Texas. It nearly engulfed the evacuated farmhouse across the street as of yesterday evening. Gilbert's aunt has not been allowed back yet

to visit her home.

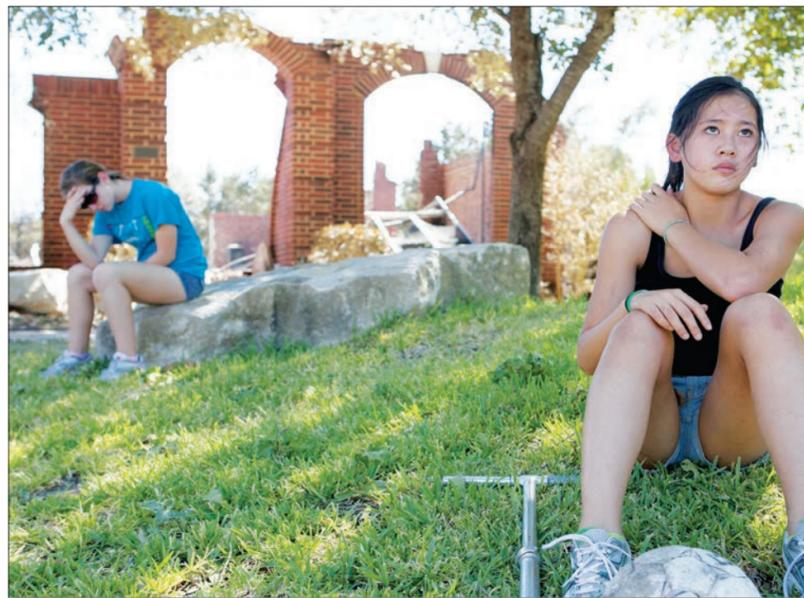
"They're assuming that theirs is gone also, but they have no idea," Gilbert said. "Their area is still up in flames and they keep evacuating more and more neighborhoods."

The neighbors across the street had evacuated their horses as well as their family.

"All of Magnolia has a lot of cattle, horses and barns," Gilbert said.

"They were in an emergency asking for help to get all the horses out in a hurry yesterday."

As the Spicewood fire slowly subsides the Bastrop and Montgomery counties continue to face the brunt of this summer's Texas flames.



A freshman at Vandergriff high school, Paige Welch, right, waits at the burnt remains of her best friend's outside Steiner Ranch Tuesday.

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ery week."

TCU would hit a field goal before the end of the quarter to make it 16-14.

In the second quarter Baylor caught fire, scoring three touchdowns. Wright caught a 28-yard pass for a touchdown, and Griffin later found sophomore tight end Jordan Najvar for a 14-yard touchdown.

Terrance Ganaway added a two-yard rushing touchdown to make it 34-23 in the Bears' favor. Ganaway made his debut as he starting tailback this season with 120 yards rushing and the touchdown.

At the end of the third quarter, Baylor looked to have this game in hand. Junior receiver Lanear Sampson caught a 64-yard pass from Griffin for the touchdown. The extra point would be blocked.

Griffin would also hit T. Williams on a 42-yard pass to extend the lead to 47-23. Griffin hit four different receivers, including his tight end, for touchdown passes.

In the fourth quarter, TCU reminded Baylor why they were ranked 14th in the nation. Pachall threw three touchdowns to three

different receivers to bring the score to 47-45, and cut the Bears' lead to two.

On Baylor's next drive, Griffin took for a 10-yard run before the ball was knocked loose and TCU recovered.

*"Every single defensive player said 'go win the game,' because this is how legends are made."*

Robert Griffin III | Junior Quarterback

With 4:27 left in the game, TCU's kicker, senior Ross Evans, netted a 27-yarder to give the Horned Frogs the lead for the first time in the second half.

"After my fumble, [my teammates] all came to me," Griffin said. "Every single defensive player said 'go win the game,' because this is how legends are made."

On the next drive, Baylor had a 3rd-and-10. Once again, Kendall ended up with the ball in his hand, looking to pass. This time, he hit

Griffin for a 15-yard pass and a first down. Griffin took a shot on the play, stayed down for a bit, but got back up and kept the drive going.

"[I thought] I am about to get hit real hard," Griffin said. "It hurts, but I needed to make it happen to make up for what I did on the previous drive. I couldn't talk for two plays. Ganaway had to call the plays."

Griffin would throw two more passes and even rush for seven yards on the drive. Ganaway also contributed with 10 rushing yards.

Then Jones hit that field goal, and Baylor took their lead.

"It was great," Jones said. "It's something, as a kid, that you dream of. That's your goal in life, to be the piece on the team that makes it all happen."

On the night, Griffin had 359 passing yards and five touchdowns, along with 43 rushing yards.

Wright would total 189 yards and two touchdowns. Terrence Williams finished with 126 yards and two touchdowns.

Baylor outgained TCU 564 yard to 466.

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evaluate the future of the health center, which could result in its demolition.

Fogleman said the new facility, which used to house the School of Social Work until it moved to its new offices in downtown Waco, has roughly double the space of the previous facility.

"Facilities services knew that both ROTC programs were in dire need of space really to accommodate their growth," Fogleman said. "When the School of Social Work had moved, Baylor was able to address the space needs of those programs."

For Lt. Col. Carl Wooten, commander of the Baylor Air Force ROTC program, the new facilities represent a substantial upgrade over the previous building, especially regarding classroom size and quality of the offices in which the ROTC personnel work.

"The facility is fantastic," Wooten said. "Baylor's done a tremendous job in setting us up

for success."

Fogleman said moving the two programs closer to the center of campus gives cadets the opportunity to socialize with one another and be further incorporated into campus life.

"It does provide a location for veterans to be able to gather and to get to know one another," Fogleman said, "and it's not on the edge of campus now, but it's right in the middle of everything."

Helotes senior Joshua Rangel, who serves as the Detachment 810 inspector general, said the new location and investment signify Baylor's appreciation for the ROTC programs.

"It gives us the feeling that we have an even more legitimate program here at Baylor," Rangel said.

Although Wooten considers the additional space the facilities provide a welcome improvement, he said the changes were not brought about as a result of a growing Air Force program

at Baylor, the membership of which has "ebbed and flowed" over the past few years.

"In fact, we're in a slight decline [in membership] due in at least some part to lack of scholarship money," Wooten said. "Our funding is obviously getting tight just as it is in the entire nation. We just don't have the money to put toward scholarships that we have in the past."

But Rangel is optimistic about the future of the program, which he describes as "exceptional," and believes it will continue to improve as the facilities themselves change.

"I go by a quote," Rangel said, "and the quote is, 'Adapt and conquer.'"

You adapt to your environment and you just do what you gotta do to get the job done. So to us military, it doesn't really matter what's given to us; we take what's given to us and make it into what we need it to be."



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