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Celebrity cancellation

The NBA celebrity game scheduled for Dec. 1 at the Ferrell Center has been canceled. Players invited to attend included Kevin Durant, Josh Howard and the Dallas Mavericks' Jason Terry. For a full refund on previously purchased tickets, return to the Baylor Athletic Ticket Office.

A Christmas Carol

Chamber singers and Bella Voce will present "Carols of Christmas" at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5 and 6 in Armstrong Browning Library. Tickets are \$15 at the Baylor University School of Music box office. For tickets call 254-710-3571 or visit www.baylor.edu/music



Gift to fund new center for BU equestrian

By DANIEL C. HOUSTON
STAFF WRITER

A donation by a member of the Baylor Board of Regents has contributed more than half of the \$900,000 cost for a new equestrian building.

Baylor announced the creation of the facility for the equestrian program last week after securing a donation from Dr. Kenneth

Carlile and his wife, Celia.

The 4,500-square-foot Carlile Equestrian Building — with funding donated by the Carliles, among others — will provide the six-year-old program with a locker room, a training and treatment room, offices for the coaching staff and indoor meeting areas for the team, Nancy Post, associate athletic director for business and senior woman



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Baylor has announced a significant naming gift from Baylor Regent Dr. Kenneth Q. Carlile and his wife, Celia, of Marshall, for the Carlile Equestrian Building. The new facility will provide a locker room, coaches

administrator, said.

"For [the equestrian team] to look forward to the opportunity of having a locker room, that's just tremendous," Post said. "This building and this commitment to our equestrian program keeps us in the forefront of the sport and shows Baylor's commitment to our athletics program."

Groundbreaking on the project will take place following

the conclusion of the equestrian competitive season in April, Post said, and the project will take six or seven months to complete.

Head equestrian coach Ellen White expressed gratitude for the donations and said they will help provide Baylor with competitive facilities.

"We're very excited about

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Robbery near BU could be linked to five others

By JADE MARDIROSIAN
STAFF WRITER

Baylor and Waco police are still investigating an armed robbery that occurred before Thanksgiving break, at around 7 a.m. Nov. 21 at the Baylor Arms Apartments, located at 1500 S. Ninth St.

Baylor Police Chief Jim Doak said there is a strong chance the robbery is connected with five other robberies that have occurred over the past month in the Baylor area.

"We have to factor in that [the six robberies] are very similar in nature," Doak said.

The victim of the Nov. 21 robbery is a Baylor student. Doak said the student was walking from the laundry facilities back to his apartment when two men approached him.

"They came up next to him and asked him for money," Doak said. "He didn't have any, so they hit him and ran off."

Doak said the student did not need medical attention and attended class later that morning after reporting the incident to Waco police.

The suspects in the Nov. 21 robbery are described as two black males in their mid 20s, one about 5 feet 8 inches, wearing a white T-shirt and blue jeans, and the other 5 feet 10 inches, wearing a dark shirt and pants.

Police believe multiple menmen connected through a group or gang are responsible for the robberies.

On Nov. 17, Waco police arrested a suspect in connection with one of the five previous robberies that occurred near campus.

Tresten Robinson, 19, was charged with one count of robbery-bodily injury for the Oct. 30 robbery in the 1500 block of South Ninth Street.

Robinson is still being held in McLennan County Jail in lieu of a \$95,000 bail.

Doak said Baylor police are not aware of any robberies around Baylor during Thanksgiving break.

Starr speaker University president to talk on hope of Christ during Chapel

By GRACE GADDY
REPORTER

President Ken Starr will speak about the hope and light of Christ during the last Chapel session of the year, which will feature a special service of liturgical traditions to celebrate Christ's coming with the season of Advent.

The service coincides with not only the dawn of the Advent season, but also amid a flurry of impending final exams and projects.

Chapel coordinator Jared Slack said he hopes students, faculty and all members of the Baylor family will come together and take a few moments to slow down, experience the hope of the season and reflect on God's faithfulness.

"Advent literally means 'coming,' and so we at Chapel and at Spiritual Life want to invite our students to immerse themselves in the truly cosmic scope of Christ's coming into the world," Slack said, noting that "in the birth of Jesus, God is literally ... breaking into our world to redeem us."

But the season is not to be rushed, he said, since it celebrates a time of longing and anticipation.

It's about "waiting and hoping

and longing for the king to come and rescue us," Slack said, referencing the Old Testament accounts of the people of Israel. They longed for a Messiah to come forth and free them, to lead them out of exile.

Similarly, in the midst of brokenness and neediness, one "must learn to long for [God's] advent," Slack said, which is Jesus breaking into our own lives and "coming alongside us each day."

According to the Christian Resource Institute/Voice website, which provides biblical and theological resources for learning, the season of Advent marks a special time on the liturgical church calendar — the "beginning of the church year for most churches in the Western tradition." The season progresses with a building of anticipation, marked by the four Sundays leading up to Christmas Day.

"We want to connect the Baylor community to all that the church [around] the world is doing," Slack explained. "We already do this a number of ways by offering diverse expressions of worship on Wednesdays. We also try to teach [students] about the

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Adoption brings gift of hope in time for Christmas

By ROBYN SANDERS
REPORTER

Thanksgiving didn't look much different for the Wachsmann family this year but they were able to enjoy the holiday without worrying about where 3-year-old Jacob would be next year.

On Nov. 18, Jacob received a new middle name and his adoptive parents' last name after he was officially adopted at the Baylor Law School on National Adoption Day, following a complicated adoption process that lasted nearly four years.

Bri Wachsmann of Waco, said she and her husband, John Wachsmann Jr., decided to adopt after losing three children all shortly after birth.

"We waited and prayed about it, and really felt like God told us that we were going to foster children who didn't have families because we were a family without children," Bri said.

The couple wanted to adopt

right away but were told that the adoption process would move more quickly if they fostered to adopt, so they took that route instead.

They now have three boys in their home, two of whom they've already adopted.

"You raise them for so long and then you just want to adopt them," Bri said. "You want to keep them forever because they're already part of your family."

They took in their first foster child, 4-year-old Tristan, when he was seven days old and adopted him in April 2009.

One-year-old Ashton has also been with the Wachsmanns since he was 7 days old. He will be adopted in February.

Jacob came to the Wachsmanns as a 6-week-old baby in 2008, but he was taken from them at 5 months old after his birth mother's cousin showed interest in keeping him. They got him back when he was 9 months old, but he was taken again when he was 18 months old to go live with



COURTESY PHOTO

From left: Tristan (age 4), Jacob (age 3), and Ashton (age 1) pose for a family portrait. Tristan was adopted by the Wachsmann family in 2009, Jacob was adopted Nov. 18 and Ashton will be adopted by the family in February.

his father. The Wachsmanns got him back again when he was 22 months old, and he has remained with them since.

The first time Jacob left, Bri said they weren't sure if they would ever see him again.

"We used to talk to [Jacob] at

night during our prayer time and we would tell him, 'We may not always live together, but wherever you are, Mommy and Daddy will always love you.' And it would break his heart," Bri said.

John said he and Bri had to keep themselves mentally prepared that Jacob wouldn't stay with them.

"Just with his journey, there [were] times when we thought it was over," John said.

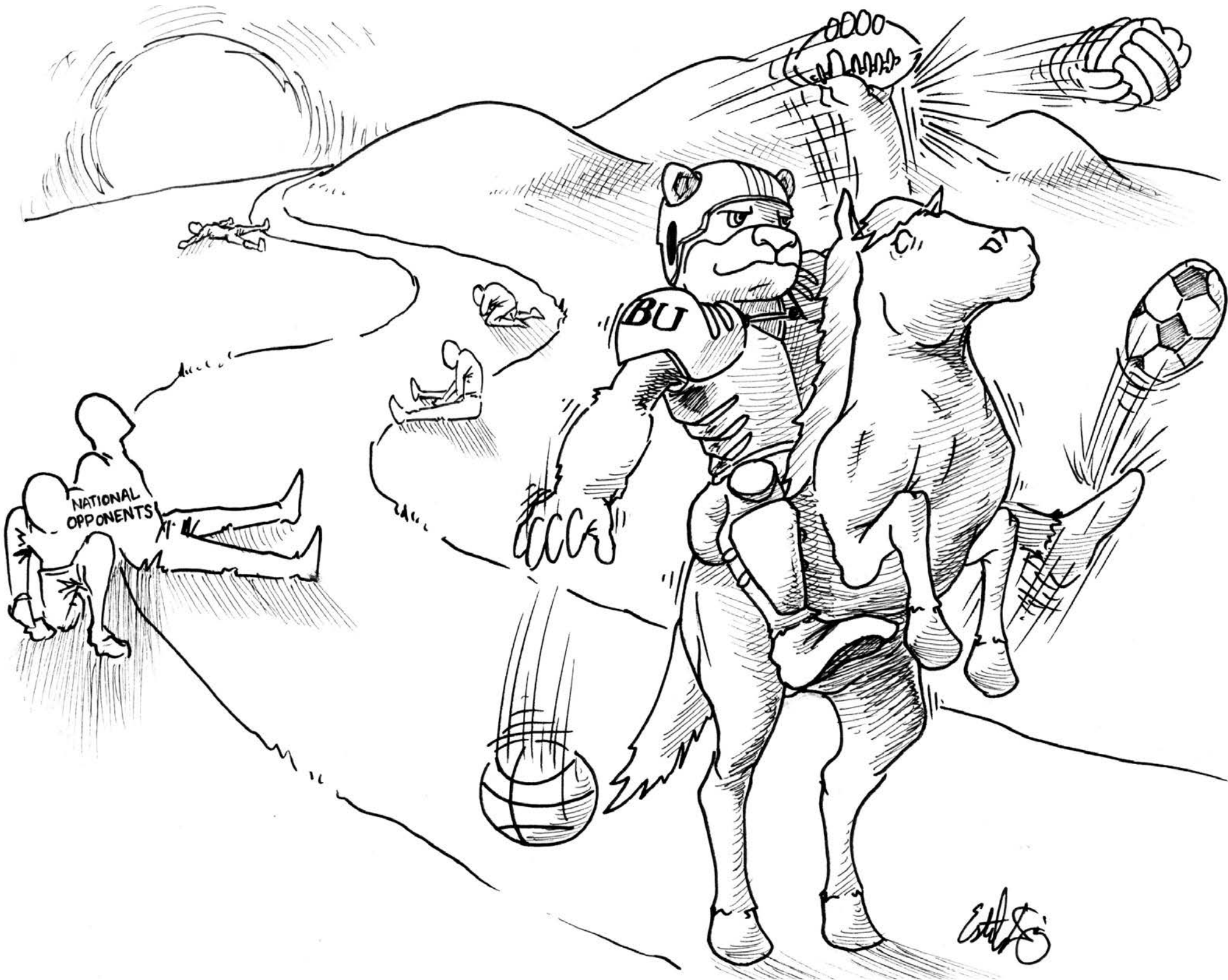
The Wachsmanns said they feel relieved that they don't have to worry about Jacob leaving them anymore.

"He's not going to go anywhere," Bri said. "He's finally a forever part of our family."

Bri said Jacob was extremely excited about getting a new last name on adoption day.

"He's like, 'I'm gonna have a new name!' and so he gets really excited about it," Bri said. "And of course our last name is not the easiest in the world to say, so he's

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Impressive performances deserve praise

In case you missed it, several Baylor athletics teams helped keep the university in the national spotlight throughout last week.

Football upset No. 5 ranked Oklahoma and snapped a 15-year losing streak to Texas Tech in convincing fashion. Women's basketball defeated No. 2 Notre Dame on Nov. 20 in Waco and won a tough road game on Sunday at No. 6 Tennessee.

Soccer lost in the second round of the NCAA tournament on Nov. 18 to national powerhouse North Carolina, but that wasn't before the team made it past

the first round of the tournament for the first time in program history.

Although volleyball suffered losses in its final two games of the regular season, the team had reason to celebrate Sunday when the NCAA tournament bracket was released and Baylor received an at-large bid.

Men's basketball won twice last week and holds the No. 9 ranking in the country despite playing its first five games without star player Perry Jones III, who returns at 7 p.m. today in Waco against Prairie View A&M.

Baylor's No. 5 ranked equestrian team

also scored an upset victory over No. 2 ranked Texas A&M.

Since Nov. 18, Baylor's varsity teams have combined for an 8-3 record with four wins over top 10 nationally ranked teams.

From rabid sports fans, casual fans and those indifferent to athletics, recognition has to go to these teams for representing the university well on a national stage.

It's difficult to receive as much publicity as Baylor has in the last week in any other way. An estimated 6.7 million television viewers, for example, saw Baylor

fans storm the field as football topped Oklahoma for the first time in program history. ESPN carried the Lady Bears' basketball game.

Last week's accomplishments on the field and court highlight the progress Baylor athletics has made in recent years. The university's athletics budget of \$59,859,235 (taken from the 2010-2011 year), or roughly 15 percent of the school's entire operating budget, has paid big dividends.

Baylor needs its students, faculty and alumni to be just as supportive as the university has to the athletics program.

You don't have to figuratively live and die with each win and loss, but simply appreciating accomplishments can go a long way.

Few would argue that storming the field with thousands of fellow Baylor students was a bad way to spend part of a Saturday night. There's a feeling of pride that comes when students tweet about the Bears' successes, even if they aren't passionate about sports.

However the Baylor family recognizes its athletes' performances isn't important – the important thing is that they don't go unnoticed.

On Black Friday, shoppers score the hottest deals or die trying

After a day set aside to show thanks and count blessings, thousands make their way to the stores to grab that shiny, new item they must have at all costs, all in the name of savings.

It seems contradictory, but Black Friday has become almost as big as Thanksgiving itself. Watching football games on Thanksgiving Day wouldn't be the same without seeing TV commercials telling you what you must have right now.

It will probably be out of style or out of date by next year, but who cares? It's on sale.

Black Friday seems innocent enough. What's so bad about wanting to save some money, es-

pecially in this economy?

But of course, lots of people have the same idea, so the malls will be crowded. It's best to get there several days before and spend the night outside the store to ensure you will be the first in line and won't walk away empty-handed.

You don't look too different from those participating in Occupy Wall Street protests, but it's ridiculous to compare. After all, your objective makes much more sense.

Stores accommodated for shoppers this year by opening their doors as early as midnight. Why wait a minute after Thanksgiving for the things you abso-

lutely must get your hands on, right?

The parking lots are packed, with cars driving up and down the rows, just waiting for someone to give up and leave so they can take their spot.

In the stores, "hot ticket" items are wrapped in plastic and put aside. Lines are formed with yellow tape in an attempt to control the "Blitz," as one Wal-Mart employee put it, that will take place as soon as the doors open.

It's the moment you've been waiting for, and you don't dare come unprepared.

You know what stores you're planning on "hitting," because you've scoured mail advertise-

ments and store websites to know where you can find that item the cheapest.

It might be wise to take a cue from the lady in the red track suits in the Target commercials and do some working out before as well. Things are known to get ugly, and in a fight to death for that thing, you want to come out on top.

This year's Black Friday took a violent turn across the nation.

One Los Angeles woman brought pepper spray and unleashed it on a crowd of shoppers in order to get some cheap electronics at a Wal-Mart. Twenty people were injured.

In San Leandro, Calif., a man

was shot by a robber outside of a Wal-Mart after refusing to give up his purchases. The victim is currently in critical but stable condition.

But violent instances such as these won't deter the true bargain hunter from returning to next year's Black Friday.

It's not materialistic. You need to save money and you need those things. It's survival of the fittest and a pure adrenaline rush. Success is better than anything Thanksgiving has to offer.

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A WacoFork banner hangs at a tailgate before the Nov. 5 Baylor Homecoming game. WacoFork.com hosts reviews of local restaurants.

Wacoans’ website dishes on local food

By ROB BRADFIELD
STAFF WRITER

Baylor students no longer have to fear venturing beyond the fast food block across Interstate 35 when searching for a place to eat.

To the casual Baylor eater, Waco’s restaurant scene can seem fairly sparse. A small row of downtown restaurants and the typical highway fast food chains are all that many visitors ever get to see. But the founders of Wacofork.com, Waco natives Chad Conine and Cory Webb, are trying to change that. Wacofork.com is a locally operated restaurant review site that gives students and residents an outlet to voice their opinions of Waco restaurants. The website launched in April and already has more than 400 restaurants in its directory.

“Wacofork is something that Waco has needed for a long time... It’s helped me find some cool new restaurants that I never would have known about,” Chicago senior Ryan Donahue said.

After a quick and free application process, patrons can add reviews and ratings to their favorite eating spots. The website operates much like the national websites Yelp.com or Urbanspoon, but the designers and reviewers have focused on local restaurants, Conine said.

“Restaurants aren’t going to get the same attention from Urbanspoon that they’re going to get from us, in the same way that the high school football team down the road isn’t going to get on ESPN,” Conine said.

Reviews from the Baylor and Waco communities are part of Wacofork’s “hyperlocal” philosophy. Conine said most reviewers on Wacofork are repeat customers at the restaurants they talk about and are less likely to write off a restaurant after one bad experience. Wacofork also gives attention to local restaurants that aren’t well known and that casual visitors to Waco might not visit. Conine and Webb said they hope that eventually everyone in Waco will use their site to the benefit of local restaurants and local eaters.

“The user should not have to think twice about coming to us,” Conine said.

Conine and Webb have grown their coverage of Waco restaurants in eight months to a website with more than 600 reviews, a daily food blog, Twitter account and a free iPhone application. In the works are an Android app, an online coupon system and similar websites for everything from local jobs to wedding services and contractors. The iPhone app, which has been online for two weeks, has already gained some popularity among Baylor students.

“I like having reviews about Waco restaurants by Waco people, and it works really well with the map app,” said Geoff Davidson, a Truett Seminary Master of Divinity student from Dothan, Ala.

One of Wacofork’s goals is increased awareness and participation in the Baylor community. Wacofork has had an active tent at Baylor football tailgating events this season and Conine’s food blog has featured on-campus eateries but the reaction from the student body has been slow, the founders said.

“Baylor students need to realize that a 10- or 15-minute drive will get them to a lot of places that they’ll be glad they went to,” Conine said.

Occupy protesters gain ground in LA

By ANDREW DALTON AND
CHRISTINE HOAG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Wall Street protesters declared a minor victory Monday when they defied a midnight deadline to leave their tent city encampment around City Hall and police withdrew after surrounding the camp for six hours without moving in.

Although four people were arrested as police cleared downtown streets to make way for morning rush hour traffic, police said the event was largely peaceful.

Police Chief Charlie Beck said it remains unclear when the nearly two-month-old Occupy LA camp will finally be cleared. About half of the 485 tents had been taken down Sunday night, leaving patches of the 1.7-acre park around City Hall barren of grass and strewn with garbage.

“There is no concrete dead-

line,” Beck told reporters Monday morning after hundreds of officers withdrew without moving in on the camp. The chief said he wanted to make sure the removal will be done “with as little drama as possible.”

Protesters chanted “we won, we won” as riot-clad officers left the scene.

“I’m pretty much speechless,” said Clark Davis, media coordinator for Occupy LA.

Police turned back after hundreds of Occupy LA supporters showed up at the camp Sunday night as the midnight deadline for evacuation neared. But as the night drew on, many demonstrators left.

Protester Julie Levine said she was surprised that police did not move in as the numbers dwindled. “We were fearful,” she said. “But we held our numbers and police were on their best behavior.”

Protesters milling about the park and streets by City Hall

seemed in good spirits following the retreat. A group on bicycles circled the block, one of them in a cow suit. Organizers led chants with a bull horn.

A police tactical alert was called that kept officers on overtime. Officers reopened the streets at around 6:30 a.m.

Though the protest was fairly uneventful, there were some skirmishes. Four people were arrested for failure to disperse and a few protesters tossed bamboo sticks and water bottles at officers, Smith said. No injuries were reported.

Both Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and Beck said Monday morning that there was no firm deadline to remove the protesters despite the park’s closure.

“We want to make sure that everybody knows the park is closed and there are services available, that there are alternative ways to protest,” Villaraigosa said in an interview with MSNBC. “By the way,

we will be opening up the steps of City Hall for protests, [the protesters] just can’t camp out.”

Villaraigosa, a former labor organizer, said earlier he sympathizes with the movement, but felt it was time to move beyond holding “a particular patch of park” because public health and safety there could not be sustained for a long period.

The Los Angeles showdown followed police action in other cities — sometimes involving the use of pepper spray and tear gas — that resulted in the clearing of other Occupy camps. Some encampments had been in use almost since the beginning of the Occupy movement, which seeks to combat economic disparity and corporate greed. The protests began with Occupy Wall Street in Manhattan two months ago.

Elsewhere, a deadline set by the city for Occupy Philadelphia to leave the site where it has camped

for nearly two months passed Sunday without any arrests. Philadelphia’s protesters have managed to avoid aggressive confrontations so far.

But eight people were arrested in Maine Sunday after protesters in the Occupy Augusta encampment in Capitol Park took down their tents and packed their camping gear after being told to get a permit or move their shelters.

Some campers packed up their tents and belongings to avoid police trouble, but said they intended to return without them in support of their fellow protesters.

Scott Shuster was one of those breaking down his camp, but he said removing his gear only served to protect his property and he planned to remain.

“I just don’t want to lose my tent,” he said.

Others moved their tents to the sidewalk so they were technically out of the park.

New menu item at Baylor: Master of Nutrition Sciences

By ANNA FLAGG
REPORTER

Hungry for higher education?

The Baylor Graduate School is launching a master’s degree program in nutrition sciences. Although courses for the program will begin this spring, the program’s first full-time students will officially start next fall.

The program is expected to enroll five or six students its first year and grow over time. Incoming students can choose between two options in the two-year program: completing 36 hours of coursework or completing 30 hours of coursework and writing a thesis.

Classes will be offered in the late afternoon and evening to accommodate working students.

Dr. Suzy Weems, chairman

of the department of family and consumer sciences, said the profession of dietitians is becoming more specialized, creating a need for students in the undergraduate program to obtain a Master of Nutrition Sciences.

“To become a dietitian, you have to go through an undergraduate program, an internship and then sit for exams,” Weems said. “What this program will do will be to provide an opportunity before an internship or before exams to earn a master’s.”

Teague junior Lindsey Winfree said she recently discovered the program and it has sparked her interest.

“I like that the program will be small, especially starting out, because a lot of people won’t know about it yet,” Winfree said. “It would be nice to be able to stay at Baylor to get my master’s.”

Weems said Baylor will offer something that other programs do not.

“What makes our program unique is that it will be housed in family and consumer sciences, and within this department there are five very distinct programs,” Weems said. “We feel that Baylor will be able to provide a better balance of the other aspects that also affect and are affected by nutrition.”

Advanced study in nutrition sciences will also create more re-

search opportunities for Baylor faculty and students and will help keep the college on par with its peers, as there are many existing nutrition programs at other universities across the state. Colleges such as the University of Texas, Texas A&M and Texas Woman’s University all have programs in place already.

Jessica Theimer, a 2009 Texas Tech University graduate who teaches nutrition classes in McLennan County, said she was surprised when she moved to Waco and found out Baylor did not have a graduate program for nutrition sciences. She said she was excited to hear about the upcoming program.

“Having both an undergraduate and graduate program at Baylor

will be easier on students because they can keep the relationships with their professors and they do not have to move,” Theimer said. “It will be so much more convenient!”

Theimer said she wants to get her Master of Nutrition Sciences, though she isn’t sure when she will make the attempt. She emphasized the importance of obtaining a master’s.

“You will be more competitive and specialized in your field of work with a master’s degree,” Theimer said. “Nutrition is one of the best fields to get into right now because there are so many opportunities, such as working in hospitals, schools and food research centers.”

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In this Nov. 25 photo, Customers shop at a Best Buy store in Burbank, Calif. “Black Friday,” the day after Thanksgiving, became known as the day merchants turn a profit or operate “in the black.”

Incidents widespread on latest Black Friday

By JESSICA FOREMAN
REPORTER

Saving money is on the minds of most Americans these days in a recovering economy, but how far is too far when it comes to seeking Black Friday’s slashed price tags? The day-after-Thanksgiving shopping extravaganza is becoming increasingly infamous and increasingly violent as shoppers used elbows, line-cutting and this year, even pepper spray to make sure they left with the items they came for.

Even for a holiday weekend all about overconsumption, first with turkey and later with shopping, the 2011 shopping weekend ended with record numbers. With store openings as early as Thanksgiving night, this year’s Black Friday had an estimated \$11.4 billion in total sales, a rise of 6.6 percent from last year, according to the retail-data consultant ShopperTrak. While ShopperTrak also reported a rise in foot traffic at shopping malls, the site said that Cyber Monday, the Monday after Thanksgiving weekend, is expected to see a growth in sales this year as well.

Cyber Monday is more reserved for those looking to avoid the long lines and claustrophobia of the holiday weekend shopping by going online for purchases. After the physical incidents of Black Friday, the virtual Cyber Monday is a safe haven. Experts are saying more consumers are warming up to the idea of shopping with a computer instead of shopping with the thousands.

In light of the past weekend, this may be a good idea.

Arguably the most widespread commotion from this year came in the form of pepper spray. A mother of three had her eye on an Xbox 360 at a Walmart in the Los Angeles area.

Once employees uncovered a crate of game systems, the woman then began shooting pepper spray to clear a path to her prize. Twenty people suffered minor injuries. The Associated Press reported Saturday that the woman later turned herself in, and authorities are discussing if battery charges may be applicable.

Michael Summers, a Baylor freshman from San Francisco went with his family to San Francisco’s Union Square for shopping on Friday. Occupy Wall Street protesters also shared Union Square with Summers, adding an interesting element to an already chaotic shopping scene.

“Black Friday was absolutely crazy, especially with the Occupy Wall Street people there,” Summers, a business major, said. “They occupied a Macy’s and they were protesting in the streets. Black Friday I wouldn’t do again because there are too many people.”

Black Friday ferocity continued all over the country with reports of fights breaking out over Victoria Secret yoga pants in Pennsylvania, Walmart’s \$1.88 bath towels in several locations, and \$2 waffle makers in Little Rock.

In San Leandro, Calif., a man was critically wounded after being shot for not giving up his purchases, and in Rome, N.Y., a woman was shoved down and kicked in the face over a Walmart smartphone.

However, one of the most wrenching images from Black Friday was of an elderly man laying in his own blood after being tackled by police in a Phoenix, Walmart on Thursday evening. According to Jared Newman, 54, and his 8-year-old grandson, the duo was out shopping for a video game. According to the arresting officers, Newman was attempting to shoplift.

The tearful grandson, Nick, told ABC News that his grandfather had no intention to steal.

“I only got one game and people were trying to take it away from me and [Newman] put it under his shirt so no one would take it,” Nick said.

CNN citizen iReporter David Chadd witnessed Newman being taken down by police and said it appeared he was unconscious for several minutes.

“It was like a bowling ball hitting the ground, that’s how bad it was,” Chadd told online magazine The Week.

For others, Black Friday operations ran more smoothly. The Waco Sam’s Club on E. Waco Drive opened its doors at 5 a.m. for almost 200 excited customers. Sam’s Club staff gave free breakfast for early bird shoppers and had pull tickets for electronic sale items that could be given to the cashier upon checkout. Many local retailers and restaurants reported that they experienced the same ease.

Still for others, Black Friday is something never to be experienced.

“There’s no way I’d ever go Black Friday shopping,” said El Paso senior Alex Bell, “I’d probably rather pay double online than go out then. People are crazy.”

Johnston album is personal experience

By RACHEL AMBELANG
STAFF WRITER

Technology has generated a new era in the music industry. Today anyone with a computer can become a musician by using their computer as an instrument or simply as their recording studio. Chad Thomas Johnston is using the Internet and his personal website to spread the music he has created in his melodic journey thus far.

Johnston is a singer/songwriter who recently put together a free 35-song anthology called “Source Materials and Sorcerer Materials.” The anthology consists of some of his best self-produced music. Johnston has created as many as a hundred of his own songs throughout his many years of prolific writing and decided that at least some of his creations are worth sharing.

Eclectic is the best word to describe Johnston’s ensemble of songs. The first section is composed of his more recent works, ranging from 2000 to 2011. Songs such as “Like Friends Become Lovers” and “All Her Colors” have a Simon & Garfunkel vibe, which is probably due to the sound of Johnston’s voice mixed with the kind acoustic rhythms he chose for the songs.

Interspersed throughout these acoustic songs are “You Destroy Me (Drill ‘n’ Bass ‘n’ Ritalin Remix)” and “(So Primitive) I Hunt Heads,” which contain computer-generated drum beats along with other unrecognizable technologically produced sounds.

The second section of Johnston’s collection consists of his earlier music and is much easier to categorize. This assortment is mostly acoustic with a few soft rock songs thrown into the mix. While the rhythms seem relaxing and light-hearted enough, the lyrics that go along with it are often filled with laments of failed relationships and the woes of self-pity that often coincide with the heartbreaks of young adulthood.

Being that Johnston is now married and has a young daughter, he openly pokes fun at the honest, yet sometimes overly dramatic, lyrics of his younger years.

Johnston’s music is intriguing, particularly because it is so different and touches on so many genres. While it is clear that he likes to play with the techno sounds that are ingrained in music today, Johnston is also a musician and a vocalist that seems comfortable enough with his craft to venture into any category of music.

His lyrics have a depth to them that show his skill as a writer, and his ability to pull inspiration from anything, including the buzz of a cicada, is a clear sign of his artistic ingenuity.

The greatest thing about “Source Materials and Sorcerer Materials” is the window it gives into the development of a person. The listener gets to literally listen to Johnston grow up as both his lyrics and his musical taste evolve over the years of his recordings.

Reviews in the Lariat represent only the viewpoint of the reviewer and not necessarily those of the rest of the staff. Please send comments to lariat@baylor.edu.

How to download “Source Materials and Sorcerer Materials” for free:

Chad Thomas Johnston has put his album “Source Materials and Sorcerer Materials” online for anyone to download for free. Anyone interested in downloading the album can visit the direct

download link at noisetrade.com/chadthomasjohnston.

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20 Country singer Gibbs
21 Ostrich cousins
23 Quick swim
24 Before, before
25 *Indigent's request
29 Nine-digit ID
30 Ready
31 Not a good area for non-swimmers
32 Rehab woes, briefly
34 Also-ran
35 Little demon
38 *Wizard's game in the rock opera "Tommy"
41 B'way sellout sign
42 Shearer of "The Red Shoes"
44 ID checker's concern
45 An original Mouseketeer
48 Séance sound
50 Make a choice
53 *Street urchin
55 "To Kill a Mockingbird" author Harper —
56 AOL chats
57 California wine valley
58 Church chorus
60 Playwright Simon
62 *Chain for plus-size women's fashion
65 Automaker Ferrari
66 "What's in ___?": Juliet
67 Orchard grower
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4 Lion's den
5 Taoist Lao-___
6 "Well, lookee here!"
7 Road repair worker
8 Future doc's undergrad concentration
9 Smarten (up)
10 "Well, ___-di-dahl!"
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No. 24 running back Terrance Ganaway carries the ball for a first down Saturday at the Texas Shootout in the Cowboys Stadium. The Bears celebrated their victory over Texas Tech with a final score of 66-42. Ganaway had a school record 42 carries in the game.

Ganaway, Florence step up after RG3 kept out of half

BY TYLER ALLEY
SPORTS EDITOR

Senior running back Terrance Ganaway rushed a school-record 42 times for 246 yards and two touchdowns Saturday, leading Baylor (8-3, 5-3) to a 66-42 win over Texas Tech at Cowboys Stadium and earning him Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week.

The big story come Monday, however, is the level of doubt on Heisman-candidate junior quarterback Robert Griffin III being able to play against Texas this Saturday.

“Zero. He is cleared. He is 100 percent ready to go,” head coach Art Briles said. “The doctors said he is OK It does not go by what I say; it goes by what they say. He will be playing Saturday.”

Griffin took a hard tackle face-first in the first half and did not return to the field in the second half after suffering an apparent concussion. Junior quarterback Nick Florence stepped in to lead the offense, giving up his redshirt for the season. Florence had 151 passing yards and two touchdowns in the second half.

“It’s huge,” Florence said. “Ultimately, when your star guy goes out, there could be a lot of head drops. I don’t think I saw any guy drop his head at all Saturday night, not even the defense. I told them in the huddle, ‘Hey, believe in me and we can do this.’ And they were like, ‘we believe,’ and you could see it in their eyes. This team this year, something special is going on. We’re a team that believes.”

The victory ended what is now being called No. 17 Baylor’s “November to remember.” The

team went 4-0 in November. From 1996 to 2010, Baylor won four total November games.

The win streak came on the heels of a two tough double-digit losses to Texas A&M and Oklahoma State.

“I can look back on it because I really think the key for us was the way we responded after the Oklahoma State game,” Briles said. “We went up there and did not produce like we felt like we could have or should have on either side of the ball. We did not allow ourselves to hang our heads and get despondent and feel like we aren’t capable, and that is the whole thing. If you don’t believe in yourself, nobody else will.”

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Art Briles | Head Coach

The defense has stepped up over the span as well. While each of the four opponents in November gained more than 400 yards and at least 30 points, the defense has come up with stops at key points and big turnovers, including sophomore cornerback Joe Williams returning an interception 90 yards for a touchdown against Tech.

“It’s exciting to see what we’re capable of doing,” senior inside linebacker Elliot Coffey said. “We have made big plays that we needed to make. Joe’s pick-6 was

the backbreaker of the game, the absolute turning point. It’s great to see guys that I’ve seen work, guys that I’ve seen grind, get yelled at by Coach [Phil] Bennett, go out there and make those plays. It just shows these guys are working, but they can make plays.”

Griffin managed to still score three touchdowns against Texas Tech despite only playing one half. Though he said he felt like he could have gone back in, Griffin was happy to see to the team do well without him.

“I think it was huge,” Griffin said. “When I was told that I couldn’t go back in, a lot of the guys, both offense and defense, told me that they’ve got it. It makes you feel good when your team can go out there and win a game even when their leader can’t be out there with them. We’ve experienced it before where I couldn’t play and the story was a lot different. It gives those guys a lot of confidence. I’m glad that we are a confident team right now. We’re on a roll and looking to stay on that roll.”

Griffin was named a finalist for the Davey O’Brien Award, given to the most deserving quarterback of the year.

He currently ranks third on ESPN.com’s Heisman watch list and first on Sporting News’ Heisman watch.

“I seen him do stuff that most player and quarterbacks can’t do,” Wright said. “I’ve seen it with my own eyes. I hope he wins it. It would be great for him and the program.”

Baylor’s five Big 12 wins are its most ever. The Bears look to add a sixth at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Floyd Casey Stadium against Texas.

Lady Bears defeat legend

BY KRISTA PIRTLE
SPORTS WRITER

The No. 1 Baylor Lady Bears continued to live up to their hype over the weekend as they defeated Pat Summitt’s No. 7 Lady Volunteers on the road in Knoxville 76-67.

The Tennessee defense contained junior Brittney Griner in the first half, sending Baylor to the locker room trailing 31-33.

In the second half, Griner finally found her rhythm and went to work scoring 17 of her 26 points.

“I was just listening to my coaches and getting on myself, ‘Get deep, get deep, get the ball and go up strong,’” Griner said.

Following Griner on the scoreboard were sophomores Odyssey Sims with 23 and Jordan Madden with 11.

Besides the paint, the Lady Bears usually dominate the boards as well.

Baylor is undefeated in three consecutive seasons against Tennessee, even though it has been outrebounded in every matchup.

Despite Tennessee shooting just 29.3 percent on the afternoon, the Lady Bears were outrebounded 55-42, allowing Tennessee to grab 28 offensive boards while Baylor grabbed only nine.

“We took their best shot,” head coach Kim Mulkey said. “How many games are you going to get outrebounded as much as we did, particularly on the offensive end, and win?”

Defensively the Lady Bears did not have their best effort, swiping the ball only five times, but blocked shots were double that thanks to seven from Griner and three from Madden.

Free throw shooting was almost impeccable for Baylor as 22 points came from the charity stripe at 91.7 percent, missing only two on the afternoon.

Baylor shot just 34.5 percent in the first half but hit 48.4 percent after the break as Griner seemed to relax and compete.

The Tennessee loss snapped a 38-home game winning streak.

The Lady Bears have cleared through ranked com-



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

No. 0 point guard Odyssey Sims scores against the University of Notre Dame during the WNIT Championship on Sunday, Nov. 20 in the Ferrell Center.

petition so far this season.

On Nov. 20, Baylor defeated then No. 2 Notre Dame 94-81 to clinch the preseason Women’s National Invitational Tournament.

Griner scored a double-double with 31 points and 14 boards in that game, earning her MVP honors.

Baylor returns to the Ferrell Center at 7 p.m. Wednesday to take on Texas Southern.

Volleyball earns berth to tourney

BY KRISTA PIRTLE
SPORTS WRITER

Despite losing its last three conference matchups, the Baylor volleyball team received a bid to the NCAA tournament, the fourth ever for the program.

“We were pretty confident, having four top-50 wins, of getting in,” head coach Jim Barnes said. “This team has worked so hard all season and the girls are just very enthusiastic. We are excited to represent Baylor University, and we fought hard to get to this point. Anyone

can win in this tournament and we are going to go give our best shot.”

Baylor is one of seven teams from the Big 12 to earn a bid, including national seeds No. 1 Texas, No. 4 Iowa State and No. 16 Texas A&M. Each of those three teams will host the first and second rounds. Kansas State, Oklahoma and Missouri each earned bids as well.

On the season, the Bears split matches with the latter three Big 12 teams.

Baylor travels to California to face Michigan in the first round.

Michigan is 20-12 and tied for eighth in the Big Ten Conference.

It was also ranked 22nd in the most recent release of the AVCA Coaches Poll on Nov. 21.

“We are excited to be in the tournament and to be matched up with Michigan,” Barnes said. “It is a great opportunity for us to go back out to California, where we had a lot of success in ‘09.”

Friday’s winner of the Baylor/Michigan will face the winner of the Stanford/Sacred Heart match in the second round at 9 p.m. on Dec. 3.

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always stuttering over it.”

The Wachsmanns said that now Jacob gets excited whenever he gets to say his new last name.

“He’s super excited to be called a Wachsmann now,” John said.

Bri said that although the adoption didn’t necessarily change her family, it still solidified it.

“Everybody’s always seen them as our children,” Bri said. “They’ve always been a part of the family as long as they’ve been with us.”

The Wachsmanns said they feel a huge sense of relief now that Ja-

cob’s adoption has been finalized.

“It’s absolutely amazing knowing that he’s forever going to be there in our home,” Bri said. “This just signs, seals and delivers it. It’s done.”

According to the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, there are 6,148 foster children waiting to be adopted in Texas, but the Wachsmanns are thankful that their 3-year-old son is no longer one of them.

“It just feels like a burden’s been lifted,” John said. “He’s ours.”

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Christian calendar.”

The Advent service is an example of this, contributing to students’ education as well as to Baylor’s commitment to faith and learning.

The program will observe celebrated church traditions of the Advent season, such as the lighting of the candles in the Advent wreath, Slack said.

There will also be a time for inspired readings and hymns of worship, all in observance of Christ’s birth.

Marshall freshman Ross Tarpley will contribute to that observance, giving listeners a chance to transcend the moment by his singing of the hymn “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.”

“I feel honored to be a part of the service,” Tarpley said. “I like the song because it provides this hope

that the Messiah is here, and it says, ‘O come, O come, Emmanuel and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear’. . . And so it’s this sense that Israel has been waiting a long time for the Messiah to come, and now they have a reason to celebrate.”

Tarpley called the Advent season a time of excitement, a time to rejoice in the fulfillment of Christ’s coming.

Slack said he hopes the entire campus will attend the service, describing it as “an invitation to anyone and everyone.”

“Please come and hear from our president,” Slack said. “Let’s celebrate together, and let’s spend some time in worship together. [It’s] really for us [to] finish our semester well, and then start off the season of Advent well.”

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having these facilities,” White said. “I really think it’s going to make us have the best equestrian facilities in the country . . . We have everything we need for us to win a national championship, and we are prepared to go do it.”

Students participating on the 80-member equestrian team, the only Baylor athletic program without its own locker room, have no convenient place to change

between practice and classes, a problem this new facility is intended to rectify.

White said the new facilities will help recruit future students and encourage a stronger team identity.

“Recruits are going to come and see that we have the best facilities in the country,” White said, “and then the girls are going to have that camaraderie from having a locker

Woman alleges long affair with Cain

By HENRY C. JACKSON
AND RAY HENRY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

In an explosive allegation, a Georgia woman said Monday she and Republican presidential hopeful Herman Cain had a 13-year extramarital affair that lasted nearly until the former businessman announced his candidacy for the White House several months ago.

"Here we go again. I didn't do anything wrong," Cain said in a pre-emptive denial that lumped a detailed claim of a consensual affair in with earlier allegations of sexual harassment.

But the woman, Ginger White, said in an interview with Fox 5 Atlanta that over the years, Cain bought her airplane tickets so she could join him in cities as far-flung as Palm Springs, Calif., and Atlanta.

"It was fun," the 46-year-old White said. "It was something that took me away from my sort of humdrum life at the time. And it was exciting."

Although Cain flatly denied the affair, his lawyer issued a public statement that included no such denial and suggested that the media — and the public — had no business snooping into the details of consensual conduct between adults.

After the initial report and Cain's denial, White told The Associated Press that Cain was not being truthful when he said there

had been no affair.

"That would be false," White said. "What I said in the interview was true."

Cain's candidacy was soaring in the polls until he was hit less than a month ago with accusations that he sexually harassed several women and groped one while he was a high-ranking official at the National Restaurant Association. He has since fallen back in the public opinion surveys, and been eclipsed by former House Speaker Newt Gingrich in the race to emerge as the principal conservative alternative to Mitt Romney.

At her apartment in Dunwoody, Ga., White declined to elaborate on her statements during a brief interview with the AP. "I can't make any comment on this," she said. "We're trying to be slightly sensitive."

In its report, the television station said White had Cain's name in her cell phone contacts, and when its reporter sent a text message to the number, he called right back.

"He told us he knew 'Ginger White' but said these are more false allegations," the station reported. Cain said that White had his number because he was trying to help her financially.

In a written statement released immediately after the story aired, Cain's campaign said detractors were trying to "derail the Cain Train with more accusations of past events that never happened."

Later, at a fundraiser in the Virginia suburbs of Washington, D.C.,

Cain avoided reporters' questions.

In his initial denial, televised on CNN, Cain vowed to remain in the presidential race, as long as he has the support of his wife, with whom he said he had discussed the most recent allegation.

In her interview, White said she decided to come forward after seeing Cain attack his other accusers in an appearance on television.

"It bothered me that they were being demonized, sort of, and being treated as if they were automatically lying, and the burden of proof was on them," she said. "I felt bad for them."

White told the Atlanta TV station she expects to be scrutinized by Cain and the media.

Georgia court records show a series of judgments against White for not paying rent in Atlanta area apartments, including one filed about two weeks ago.

In the interview, she said she first met Cain in the late 1990s in Louisville, Ky., when he was president of the National Restaurant Association. They had drinks and he invited her to his hotel room, she recalled.

She quoted Cain as telling her, "You're beautiful to me and I would love for us to continue this friendship," then produced his personal calendar and invited her to meet him in Palm Springs.

In this case, unlike the others, Cain took the unorthodox step of issuing a denial in advance.

"I did not have an affair, and

until I see and hear exactly what's going to be, what accusations are going to be made, let's move on," he said.

Asked if he suspected his accuser had emails, letters, gifts or other possible evidence of an affair, he replied, "No."

In a statement provided to AP, Cain's lawyer, Lin Wood, said the former businessman has no obligation to "discuss these types of accusations publicly with the media and he will not do so even if his principled position is viewed unfavorably by members of the media."

The statement drew a distinction between "private alleged consensual conduct between adults" and a case of harassment. It did not include an explicit denial of an affair along the lines that Cain himself provided in his television interview.

Contacted by AP, Wood added, "If any candidate wants to publicly discuss his private sex life, that is his or her life. But I don't believe that there's an obligation on the part of any political candidate to do so."

White has been accused of lying before. A former business partner, Kimberly Vay, filed a libel suit as part of a larger business dispute with White.

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St. James Place

TRES
Grande

THE
ALAMO
APARTMENTS

SPEIGHT-JENKINS
APARTMENTS

Cottonwood
Townhouses

BROWNING SQUARE
APARTMENTS