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### Music for all

Acoustic Cafe will be held from 8 to 10 p.m. Wednesday in the Bill Daniel Student Center Den. This event is held twice a semester to provide students the opportunity to share their original music or art with others.



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# Baylor makes 50 more \$100 Sweet 16 deals

By DANIEL C. HOUSTON  
STAFF WRITER

University administrators approved the sale of 50 more student travel packages to this week-end's NCAA tournament games in Atlanta after the first 100 sold out Tuesday afternoon.

The \$100 packages cover travel expenses, hotel rooms and tickets to Baylor men's basketball's Friday matchup against Xavier University, as well as the Kentucky-Indiana game and the Elite Eight matchup between the winners of the two games if Baylor advances.

The additional packages will be available for purchase at 8 a.m. today at the Bill Daniel Student Center ticket office, according to John Garrison, associate athletics director for marketing.

"The Sweet 16 is a big deal," Garrison said, "so having students at the arena in Atlanta will hopefully bring back a couple of wins

for us."

The university is offering the packages at a discounted price to students, with university sources covering the extra costs, according to Nick Joos, executive associate athletics director for external affairs.

Joos estimates about two-thirds of the cost is covered by the basketball team's donor-supported excellence fund and the athletics department.

The idea to help students cover the cost of a trip to Atlanta stemmed from a conversation between Joos, head coach Scott Drew, director of athletics Ian McCaw and President Ken Starr while returning from Baylor's win over Colorado in the second round of the tournament.

Joos said Drew was impressed with the level of support Colorado had from students during

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MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

After flooding occurred in the basement level of the Bill Daniel Student Center Tuesday morning, employees of Servicemaster Clean work to remove the 2 inches of water and dry the floors.

# Baylor Law: Not worried about drop in LSAT takers

By MALLORY HISLER  
REPORTER

A 16.2 percent drop in the number of students taking the Law School Admission Test does not scare Nicole Masciopinto, Baylor Law School's director of admissions and student recruitment.

Friday, the Law School Admission Council released the 2011-2012 LSAT data, which included the test-taking drop.

"The [applicant] pool is down nationally across the board, which will affect our office," Masciopinto said.

She added, however, that Baylor has not experienced as much of a decrease in applicants as other institutions.

After four years of seeing an increase in test-taking, the past two years together combined for a nearly 26 percent drop nationally, equating to a smaller law school applicant pool.

"We are only experiencing a low-teen decrease [in applicants]," Masciopinto said. "It was a smaller drop than we expected, and it definitely hasn't been as huge as some other offices are experiencing."

Wendy Margolis, director of communications for the Law School Admission Council, said

the drop has not gone unnoticed by her organization, which is responsible for administering tests, keeping track of the data and other admissions procedures.

"We definitely track these things, and obviously it's a concern when it drops down like this," Margolis said.

Although much attention has been brought to the current number of tests given, that number has actually been significantly lower in the past.

"When you look at the raw numbers, we are still higher than in the '90s and [the year] 2000," she said.

From 1995-2001 the number of tests given ranged from around 104,000 to close to 115,000 per year, as compared to the nearly 130,000 given this past year and the 155,000 given the year before. "It is somewhat cyclical," Margolis said.

She said she believes this fluctuation is directly related to the media coverage of law schools as well as the state of the economy.

Many of the reports on the drop have focused on its relation to the growing outcry that law schools are misleading prospective students by inflating post-graduation employment data.

"I think it's definitely been the result of the economic downturn



DAVID LI | LARIAT PHOTOGRAPHER

## Water, water, everywhere

A severe thunderstorm passed over Baylor on Monday night, lighting up the sky as students skin-boarded below. Waco received 6.2 inches of rain, causing floods throughout the area.

# SUB basement flooded

By ROB BRADFIELD  
STAFF WRITER

Heavy rains in the Waco area resulted in flooding in the Bill Daniel Student Center late Monday.

Baylor Facilities Services found nearly 2 inches of water filling the basement level of the building on Tuesday morning after the area received 6.2 inches of rain Monday night.

The high volume of water is suspected to have caused a pipe to burst in the game room area.

According to Jordy Dickey, coordinator of student union for facilities and operations, the en-

tire basement will be closed until it can be dried.

"We have already notified our individuals that [the SUB basement] will be closed one more day," Dickey said.

Workers began pumping out the water, and setting up fans Tuesday afternoon.

Dickey said the facilities received minimal damage, and the clean-up process is proceeding quickly.

"Everyone's been so on top of getting the water out it's been a pretty seamless process," Dickey said.

However, Baylor's flooding problems might not be over.

According to a city of Waco statement, the Army Corps of Engineers is expecting an 11-foot rise in the water level in Lake Waco.

In addition, areas of downtown Waco are considered at risk of flooding as more water from upstream fills Lake Brazos, which runs alongside Baylor campus.

The National Weather Service, however, is not projecting any large-scale flooding of the Brazos River in McLennan County.

"We have [the river] cresting at 3 feet below flood stage on Thursday night," a representative at the National Weather Service office in Fort Worth said.



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Firefighters work to remove a cement beam that fell from a bridge onto a public bus after an earthquake struck Tuesday in Mexico City.

# Earthquake shakes things up in Mexico

By KATHERINE KORCORAN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MEXICO CITY — A strong 7.4-magnitude earthquake hit Mexico on Tuesday, shaking central and southern parts of the country, sending a pedestrian bridge crashing atop a transit bus and swaying high-rises in Mexico City.

At least one building in the capital appeared on the verge of collapse.

More than 60 homes were damaged near the epicenter in Ometepe in southern Guerrero state, though there were no reports of death or serious injury. Fear and panic spread as a less powerful, magnitude-5.1 aftershock was also felt in the capital, where there were also no reports

of deaths.

Other aftershocks were felt around the borders of Oaxaca and Guerrero states close to the epicenter.

"It was very strong, very substantial," Campos Benitez, hospital director in Ometepe said.

Police radio operator Marcos Marroquin said there were preliminary reports of 60 houses damaged in the municipality but only a report of a broken arm.

In Mexico City, frightened workers and residents poured into the streets of the capital just minutes after noon local time (12:02 CST).

Telephone service was down in the city and throughout the area where the quake was felt, and

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# Baylor placed spring break on correct week...

## Editorial

For the first time since the class of 2012 arrived at Baylor, students were able to enjoy their spring break on the second full week of March.

Normally Spring break has been on the first full week of March.

*“We thank Baylor for placing spring break alongside those of other Texas schools this year”*

Many high schools and universities, this year including University of Texas, Texas A&M University and Texas State University, place their Spring break on the second full week of March. Up until this year, Baylor students have not been able to spend their spring break with friends from other schools.

We thank Baylor for placing spring break alongside those of other Texas schools this year, and we hope the university decides to keep spring break on the second week of March, as Baylor students deserve to spend the week off with their friends. Spring break is that week everyone looks forward to during the spring semester each year because it's when old friends make plans to get together, catch up

and possibly vacation on a great beach somewhere.

It is not fair for Baylor students to be excluded from these plans. We work as hard as students from other schools (harder than students at some other schools), so we should be able to take these vacations with our friends and relax for that one week.

The other advantage to Baylor students getting the second week off as opposed to the first is for families. Many Baylor students have siblings that are still in high school, and with the spring breaks on different weeks, they were unable to spend time with their younger siblings.

With siblings having different weeks off, it's harder for families to plan vacations and spend time together. Baylor wouldn't seek to make it tougher for families to get together, so hopefully Baylor will seek to continue letting its students spend their week off with their family and friends and not force families of Baylor students to change plans.

Additionally, though a week is not a huge chunk of time, the extra seven days of planning can help students better plan their vacations.

Having spring break at the same time as everyone else can also reduce the number of absences before and after the break. How the heck, you ask?

With the breaks on different weeks, there is a three-day window for Baylor students to hang out with friends and sib-



lings from other universities or schools, so vacations could extend into the days when classes start again due to travel complications or just the unwillingness of students to abandon their plans.

With the break on the same week, students can utilize the full nine days they have off for their plans with friends and family and not sacrifice absences. This may be an optimistic view of the students' perspectives on work and

play, but take it how you will. Either way, there is less of a chance classes will be missed.

So we ask Baylor to grant students quality vacation time with friends and families.

The decision to have spring

break on the second week of March this year was a great one. Students deserve to have a fun break, too, and more time with old friends and family they have not seen in a while equals more fun.

# ...and now I only have seven weeks before the real world

Spring break is officially over and it's time for students to get back to the reality of business as usual: homework, papers, projects and exams, while also making a point to enjoy what time we have left at Baylor this year.

Due to all of the Facebook statuses I've seen, I know I'm not alone when I say spring break was a huge tease for summer. Although a part of me is ready for summer and graduation, the other half knows that I'm not ready to leave Baylor or my friends.

With only seven weeks left in the semester, I'm reminded of how fast the first three and a half years have flown by.

It seems like yesterday I was



Bre Nichols | Reporter

graduating from high school and preparing for college. Time was not a factor since I thought I would have years to prepare for

my future. What I wasn't prepared for was how quickly these years would pass and bring me to where I am today.

Recently, I was talking with my roommates about moving into our house after freshman year and how grown up and excited we felt.

One of my roommates, Dallas senior Becca Ryan, said, "I had never felt more grown up. I felt so much joy and freedom moving into a house with all my best friends, and I couldn't wait to live out the next few years with them."

We felt as if time at college wouldn't end, and now looking back on it I can't believe these are going to be our last months together.

*“We felt as if time wouldn't end, and now looking back on it I can't believe these are going to be our last months together.”*

We have shared so many memories together and were just now beginning to realize how carefree our time has been.

The reality of entering the real world in just seven more weeks is beginning to hit me harder now than it has at any other point during my college career. Friends I

made will be relocating to different states, some of them will be attending graduate school and others will begin pursuing their careers. We're at the time in our lives where we will all go our separate ways. This causes me a certain amount of sadness which overshadows the joy of embarking on a new journey.

Skype chats, Facebook comments and phone conversations will soon replace the convenience of being able to walk up the stairs or drive two minutes down the road to hang out with friends. With that being said, I'm reminded the remaining time is valuable.

While maintaining a relationship socially with friends is

important, now more than ever, especially for seniors, we need to concentrate on our main objective of maintaining good grades and getting a degree. It's easy to become distracted, so keeping a happy medium becomes essential.

I would have to agree with a new popular saying, "YOLO" (you only live once). Regardless of whether you're graduating or will be returning to Baylor in the fall, try to make the most of all your remaining time at school while staying conscious of the responsibility to finish strong.

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# Wait. Are we ready for life beyond graduation?

Most students complain.

We complain about homework. We complain about lacking sleep. We complain about early classes. Heck, we even complain about afternoon classes.

We complain because we're under stress. Students come to college to prove themselves. Those that do, graduate; those that don't, go home. If you can make it through the hard-learned lessons in time management, stress management, and most unfortunately, math, you receive your diploma and are suddenly thrust into a world of...

Well, most of us don't know, exactly.

As a country, we are emerging from an era that lacked confidence in the American dream, in which testimonies of joblessness and low wages were common-



Caroline Brewton | Copy editor

place, an unpleasant background hum. Housing costs are steep. Inflation is rampant. And we've been told there are no jobs.

Biology majors who work in fast-food restaurants, liberal arts students who lament their de-

grees are useless, Occupy Wall Street protesters complaining about thousands of dollars in student loans ... the hopeless climate doesn't exactly inspire our confidence. And since we don't have any real experience, we can't know what to expect.

We take many classes in college, and while we do learn many useful and fascinating things, I question how well-prepared we are to face the outside world. Most of us are only just discovering the joys of living alone.

I know I almost poisoned myself the first week I spent in my new apartment because I had never learned to wash dishes properly. Don't even ask me about laundry. I have a drawer full of pink, linty socks.

Living alone, away from family or others who act as our guard-

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- Ramen Will Kill You: Your Stove May Catch on Fire, But You Have to Cook Eventually
- Your Lack of Sleep Will Continue Throughout Your Adult Life

So while we may complain about our lives now, we live in fear of something much worse: We're waiting to take the biggest exam of our lives, totally unprepared and without a textbook or professor to guide us.

I hope there's a curve.

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## Corrections

In Tuesday's story "Former student strikes gold at AMA Awards," the Lariat misspelled trombone player Cody Ackors' last name. Ackors attended Baylor in 2011, not 2006. Quiet Company's drummer, Jeff Weathers, is a 2006 Baylor alumnus. The Lariat did not include that information about Weathers in the story, and he was not included in the photo of the band. The Lariat regrets these errors.

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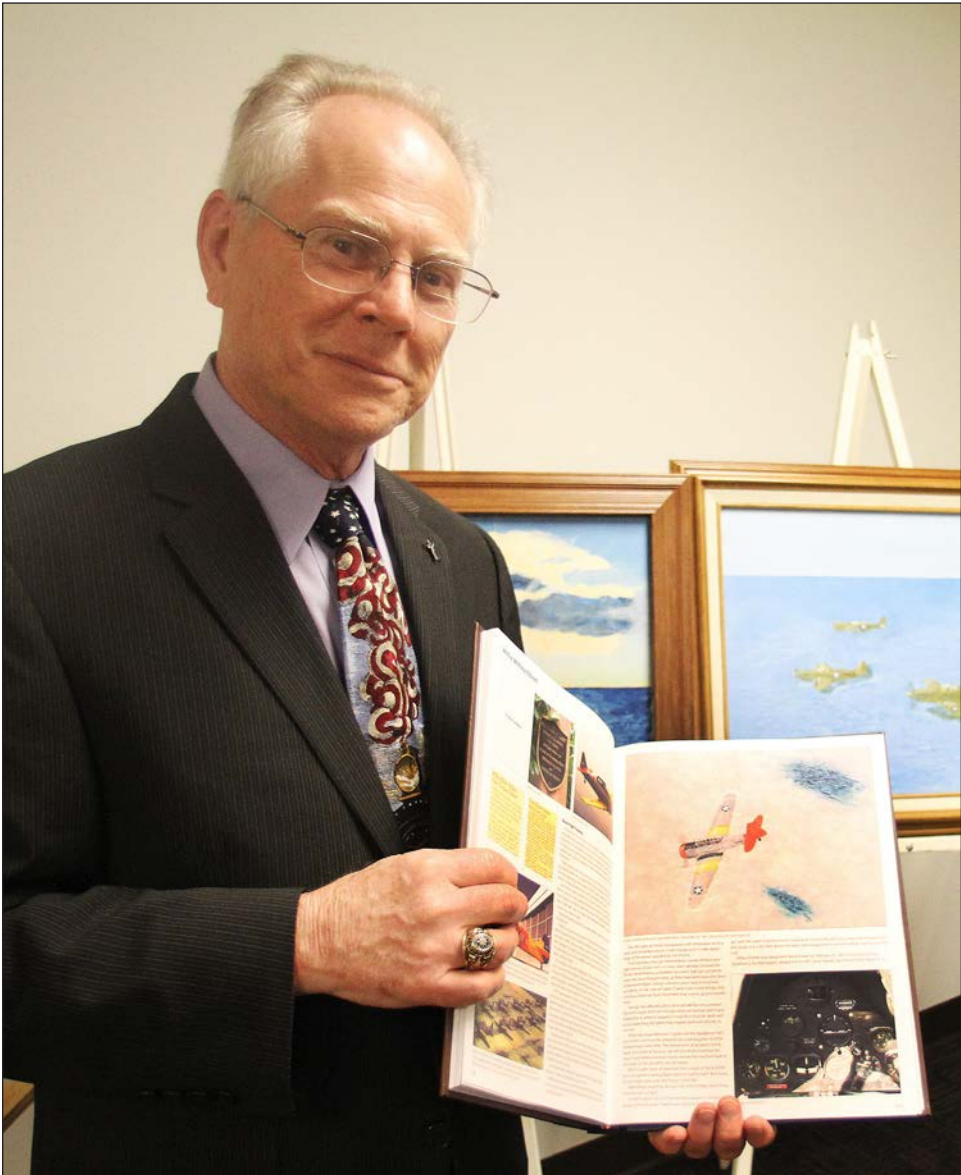
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## Honoring the ultimate sacrifice

During a ceremony to present artwork that is being sold, Baylor library book preservationist Frank Jasek displays his book. It coincides with the art, which emphasizes Baylor graduates who have died in the U.S. military.

# Food, fun and funds: goals of new Greek softball event

BY BRE NICHOLS  
REPORTER

Sigma Phi Epsilon and the Interfraternity Council will present a softball tournament for members of Baylor sororities and fraternities next weekend to support Sigma Phi Epsilon's local philanthropy, Fisher House.

Fisher House is an organization that provides a place to stay for veterans and military families receiving treatment at military medical centers at little to no cost for lodging.

The SigEp Series will begin at 9 a.m. both March 31 and April 1 at Amsler Park in McGregor, off of Highway 317. A championship game will take place Sunday, and the winners will receive a prize donation of \$200 for a philanthropy of their choosing.

Fraternities and sororities can sign up teams through Thursday by emailing [Reece\\_Beall@baylor.edu](mailto:Reece_Beall@baylor.edu).

Plano junior and Sigma Phi Epsilon president Reece Beall said he had been considering doing a philanthropy event since last year, in hopes of bringing more attention to Fisher House.

He said the fraternity hopes to create an event where Greek organizations can get together and have fun while raising money for the philanthropy.

Houston junior and IFC president T.J. Partida said the council thought the SigEp Series would be a great way to encourage interaction between Greek organizations.

"I am personally hoping the event will be a great time for everyone participating, and a chance for a lot of Greeks to mix and mingle with each other," Partida said.

Beall said he hopes the event will expand to include more organizations in the future.

"Hopefully it will get bigger and bigger each year," Beall said.

Sigma Phi Epsilon's main goal for the event is to get its name out on campus and raise funds for Fisher House, which alumni have been supporting since 2009, Beall said.

"One of our alumni died in Iraq, and so each year, our alumni come to Waco and put on a golf tournament for our fraternity members to raise money for that charity," Beall said. "This softball tournament gives us a chance to do something

for that philanthropy as well."

In the tournament, there will be a women's and a men's bracket, with each team consisting of a minimum of 10 players.

The cost to enter is \$10 per person, which includes food, drink and a baseball T-shirt with each individual sorority's or fraternity's name on the back. Each team is also guaranteed to play at least three games, with the chance to advance after each win.

"Since it's meant to be an all-day event, we will be providing ballpark-themed foods, such as hot dogs and hamburgers, water and Gatorade for the guys and girls," Beall said.

Beall said Sigma Phi Epsilon wants to encourage fraternities to bring their cookers and tailgate games, such as Cornhole and Frisbee, so everyone will be entertained.

Partida said the tournament has an importance beyond softball.

"Besides the fact that a softball tournament for Greeks is being started, the tournament sponsors fellowship among Greeks and raises money for American veterans in need," Partida said.

# Justice Department takes on bullies

BY DANNY ROBBINS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ARLINGTON — The Justice Department is committed to combating bullying and harassment based on sexual orientation and has already made strides in bringing more prosecutions in that area, Attorney General Eric Holder said Tuesday.

"I'm proud to say this Department of Justice has never been more committed to this (issue)," Holder said, touting the department's efforts during a speech at a conference at the University of Texas at Arlington aimed at promoting safe schools and communities for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals.

About 400 law enforcement officials, educators, students and community leaders registered for the one-day conference sponsored by the White House and the U.S. departments of justice and education.

It was the third in a series of events the White House has sponsored to raise awareness of LGBT issues.

Holder recounted several successful criminal prosecutions under federal and state statutes in saying the Obama administration

is stepping up efforts to make sure no one is harassed because of "who they love."

In particular, Holder cited the effect of the Shepard-Byrd Hate Crimes Prevention Act, signed into law by President Obama in 2009.

The government has secured eight convictions under the law, which expands the definition of hate crimes to include those related to gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability, he said.

The law was named for Matthew Shepard, the Wyoming college student who was tortured and murdered in 1998 because he was perceived as gay, and James Byrd Jr., the black man who was dragged and killed by white supremacists in Jasper that year.

Holder also pointed to the government's case against the school district in Tehachapi, Calif., which it says failed to stop the harassment that led to the 2010 suicide of a 13-year-old gay student, Seth Walsh.

In that case, a settlement requires the school district to take steps to prevent sexual and gender-based harassment.

"We have an obligation to protect young people who are targeted just because they are perceived as different," Holder said.

Another speaker, senior White House adviser Valerie Jarrett, told the story of an Oklahoma high school student who stood up to harassment after she told people she was gay.

"Every day, bit by bit, she changes the world around her," Jarrett said of the young woman, who was in the crowd.

Holder and Jarrett's remarks followed panel discussions on making both schools and communities safer for LGBT individuals.

The panelists included federal prosecutors who have dealt directly with those issues as well as Fort Worth Police Chief Jeffrey Halstead, whose department came under fire in 2009 after a raid at a gay bar, the Rainbow Lounge, left a patron with a severe head injury.

Halstead drew applause when he said that 90 percent of the officers under his command now have advanced training in how to deal with hate crimes, which he said should be standard for all in law enforcement.

"June 28, 2009, is going to come your way at some point," he said, referring to the date of the Fort Worth incident, which prompted widespread changes in his department as well as the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

BY LINDA WILKINS  
STAFF WRITER

A new discipline-based internship will be offered by the National Campus Kitchens Project in Washington, D.C., this summer, giving a Baylor sociology major the opportunity to participate in undergraduate research.

The Baylor Interdisciplinary Poverty Initiative is supporting the internship along with The Campus Kitchens Project.

The Campus Kitchens Project is a national organization that coordinates food rescue and redistribution on college campuses by giving the leftovers to those in need. The project is designed to encourage students to facilitate the movement of unused food from dining halls to local groups.

Baylor's Campus Kitchen is the only Campus Kitchen in Texas and was established four years ago. The group picks up food from Memorial and Penland dining halls five days a week and delivers it to Salvation Army.

The internship will take place over eight weeks this summer and will involve researching the learning outcomes of working as a Campus Kitchens volunteer, Dr. Maureen Rouché, national director of The Campus Kitchens Project, said.

Learning outcomes are the skills and experiences volunteers gain from working with Campus Kitchens.

Rouché will oversee the intern, whose main goal will be to design a measurement tool assessing the skills learned by volunteers.

The tool will be used to assess whether what a volunteer expects

to learn is what is actually learned from their experience. The measurement tool could be a survey, but it might be another instrument, Rouché said.

One example would be a survey Campus Kitchens volunteers take before volunteering about what they expect to learn from the project. Then, when the project is

*"Having a student prepare the tool will open up insight to why students [work in a] service and what they are actually getting out of serving."*

Maureen Roche |  
national director of  
The Campus Kitchens Project

finished, they would take another survey to determine whether expectations were met, Rouché said.

Rouché said she wants the intern to have the opportunity to design his or her own tool, however, that will be easy for student volunteers to use in documenting their experience.

Roche said she likes the idea of a student designing a tool for other students to use because that will allow students to take more ownership of it.

"Having a student prepare the tool will open up insight to why students [work in a] service and what they are actually getting out of serving," Rouché said.

Other colleges and universities in addition to Baylor will be able to

measure learning outcomes of volunteering with Campus Kitchens by using the new tool created by the intern, Rouché said.

In addition to designing the tool, the intern will research the current experiences Campus Kitchens volunteers are getting, which will help the organization improve those experiences, Rouché said.

Rosemary Townsend, dean of student life development at Baylor, said this internship gives the student intern major-related experience and a chance to research.

The instrument the intern develops will also allow Baylor to compare its Campus Kitchen experiences to those of other colleges and universities, Townsend said.

"This internship gives us a star in our crown in leading the way for a common measurement tool," Townsend said.

The intern will be compensated for working through a dual stipend paid by Baylor and the National Campus Kitchens, Townsend said.

Townsend said the idea for the internship was developed almost a year ago and The Campus Kitchens Project and the Baylor Interdisciplinary Poverty Initiative were able to coordinate the internship for this summer.

She said she proposed the idea and wanted the internship to focus on service learning for the Campus Kitchens Project.

"This is an extraordinary opportunity for the right person who gets the internship," Townsend said.

Those who wish to apply can email Mary Katherine Leslie Van Hook at [MaryKatherine\\_Leslie@baylor.edu](mailto:MaryKatherine_Leslie@baylor.edu).

# Romney goes national after win

BY DAVID ESPO  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — A confident Mitt Romney is shifting toward the general election as his grasp on the Republican presidential nomination tightens with a win in Illinois, saying Tuesday that he would work with Democrats to solve the nation's problems — or "die trying."

Over the past two days, the GOP front-runner has focused almost entirely on President Barack Obama while campaigning in the Democrat's home state ahead of Tuesday's Republican primary. Now, he's emphasizing his willingness to compromise with the opposition party if elected — a message aimed squarely at the center of the electorate rather than at GOP loyalists.

He said Obama clearly recognizes he must work across the political aisle but hasn't been able to do so as president.

"I've had that experience. And I will either get that done or I will

die trying," Romney said before Illinois Republicans weighed in on the nomination fight. "I'm going to do everything I can to bring people together to accomplish what has to be done."

Romney may be overstating his bipartisan credentials. Massachusetts Democrats report that the former governor grew increasingly partisan once he began to eye the presidency.

But his focus was clearly elsewhere, as he chatted via video conference with a handful of pre-selected supporters from Google's Chicago headquarters.

Ignoring his Republican rivals altogether, he addressed issues likely to play prominently in a general election campaign against the incumbent president, like bipartisanship, China, health care and gas prices.

Romney also appealed directly to young voters, a voting bloc that overwhelmingly supported Obama four years ago.

"I don't see how young people

could vote for an administration that keeps putting in place trillion dollar deficits," Romney said. "The growth of government is smothering dreams in this country."

Also Tuesday, he raised more than \$1.3 million at a luncheon fundraiser.

Romney's general election focus comes as his campaign intensifies calls for his Republican opponents to give up what has become a near-mathematical impossibility.

Romney has already captured more delegates than his opponents combined, and is on pace to win the 1,144 needed in June.

Santorum's unforced errors likely hurt him as well. On Monday, he suggested that neither the economy nor the unemployment rate was his top concern. He later explained his comments as being about freedom, not the economy.

The original comments sparked a rash of criticism that Romney picked up on at his final campaign stop of the day at Bradley University in central Illinois.



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Marcus Mumford, left, and Winston Marshall, of Mumford & Sons, perform with the Austin High Marching Band at the Myspace Big Easy Express concert at SXSW in Austin, Saturday. "Big Easy Express," a documentary about Mumford & Sons, was screened at the festival before the band and others performed.

# 'Big Easy Express' rides perfectly into Austin

By ROB BRADFIELD  
STAFF WRITER

★★★★★

"Big Easy Express," documentary director Emmett Malloy's rail-riding music documentary, made its first stop in Austin on the final day of SXSW.

The film tells the story of British-based folk group Mumford & Sons, Los Angeles indie band Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros, and Nashville bluegrass band Old Crow Medicine Show as they travel from Oakland, Calif., to New

Orleans by train.

"At the core of it, it's this amazing journey," Malloy said.

In the past, Malloy has worked on documentaries with such artists as Jack Johnson and the White Stripes.

"Big Easy Express" follows Mumford and Sons' Railroad Revival Tour as they play at different venues across the country, including stops in Marfa and Austin. It features footage of live performances, as well as the almost constant impromptu music on the train as it traveled.

As the journey progresses, the different styles and characteristics of the groups seem to blend and enhance each other. Magnetic Zeros frontman Alex Ebert dancing barefoot in a night shirt doesn't seem out of place next to the country boy look of Old Crow Medicine Show. It's as if during the time on the train, three different bands turn into one huge supergroup.

One of the high points of the film is the performance with the Austin High School marching band. When performing in Austin in 2011, the three bands picked up a chorus of young musicians to play with them at their show.

Professional and high school

musicians all had a look of sheer joy plastered on their faces as crowds raved during a performance of Mumford & Sons' "The Cave." Some of the same musicians were even brought back later that night for the public screening at the LBJ Library.

This film's premiere also featured a special question and answer session with Malloy and Mumford & Sons front man Marcus Mumford.

Mumford, who has played in front of huge audiences including President Barack Obama, almost looked small and sheepish when speaking to the packed theater.

"I feel much more self-con-

scious now than we ever did on the train," Mumford said.

Mumford did express a sense of wonder and camaraderie that was echoed by all the musicians in the film. When Mumford & Sons took the stage with Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros after the performance, their effect on each other was immediately apparent.

According to Mumford, the musicians back stage were getting emotional remembering the trip they took, and that came through in their music. Mumford & Sons' performance of their new song "Where Are You Now" conveyed a slight sadness at leaving something, as if it was remembering

fondly the good times that were had on the train tour.

Through Malloy's film, those feelings were shared with the audience in that theater. We shared the fun, and the beauty of a musical train tour across some of the most awesome scenes in America.

The excitement of the audiences and the unbridled happiness of the musicians gave the film an infectious energy that shone brighter whenever there was music playing.

Even though no outsider could really comprehend the enormity of the tour, Malloy's movie made you feel, even if just for a second, that you were part of that wonderful experience.



MATT HELLMAN | PHOTO EDITOR

## Counting Crows take over Auditorium Shores

Headlining the stage at Auditorium Shores, the lead singer of Counting Crows, Adam Duritz, practices songs before the band's Friday evening show during the South by Southwest Music Festival in Austin.

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# Gators cannot reach Lady Bears

By Noah Trister  
Associated Press

BOWLING GREEN, Ohio — Brittney Griner took a pass from a teammate, stepped toward the basket, stretched out her right arm and slammed the ball through.

Then the Baylor star reacted in typically modest fashion.

“I think my team got fired up a little bit more than me. I got a little bit more fired up, I think, on one of the blocks I had,” Griner said. “But it definitely felt good throwing it down.”

Griner became the second woman to dunk in an NCAA tournament game Tuesday night, and top-seeded Baylor rolled to a 76-57 win over ninth-seeded Florida. The 6-foot-8 junior phenom went nearly 12 minutes without scoring at the beginning of the game, but she finished with 25 points.

The highlight, of course, was Griner's dunk early in the second half.

“That wasn't just a barely-over-the-rim type of dunk. That was a monster dunk,” Baylor coach Kim Mulkey said. “I think Brittney is so conscious of people writing good or bad about the dunk that she's scared to get excited sometimes and celebrate a dunk, because she's been written about in a negative way. I said, ‘Honey, if I could dunk it, I'd do backflips down the floor.’”

Odyssey Sims added 14 points for Baylor (36-0). Azania Stewart led Florida (20-13) with 14.

Candace Parker of Tennessee dunked twice in an NCAA tournament game in 2006 against Army. Griner's dunk was her first of the season and sixth of her career. Parker holds the career record with seven.

Baylor led 35-26 at halftime,

but Griner was only beginning to assert herself.

She scored eight points in the first half, including six in the final 3:56.

“It was hard to get her touches,” Mulkey said. “I go back to what I've said all along. I don't care how you guard Griner. We've seen it all. If you guard her with two and three, the other positions are going to be exposed and we will score. If you guard her with one — you saw what happened tonight when they guarded her with one.”

Griner began the second half with a turnaround and a layup. Then Kimetria Hayden came up with an offensive rebound near the basket and passed to an open Griner, who dunked for the first time since Feb. 19, 2011, at Texas Tech.

The Lady Bears led 41-28, although Florida didn't exactly crumble.

“We talked about it in the locker room. We know she's capable of doing that. She's does it in warmups,” Stewart said. “We said that if they make a big 3 or she dunks, we have to get the ball in and out quickly. It didn't affect us, I don't think. It's a great play — most women can't do that.”

Baylor hasn't lost since falling in the quarterfinals of last year's NCAA tournament. The Lady Bears will face fourth-seeded Georgia Tech in the round of 16 on Saturday in Des Moines, Iowa.

Griner began this tournament quietly, playing only 22 minutes in Baylor's first-round rout of UC Santa Barbara. She delighted the crowd Tuesday with her dunking display in warmups, at one point throwing down a two-handed effort and pulling herself up toward the rim.

When the game started, Gri-



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Brittney Griner, center, dunks over Florida's Azania Stewart, left, and teammate Jennifer George, right, on Tuesday in Bowling Green, Ohio. Baylor won 76-57.

ner was called for an early charging foul when she tried to dribble coast to coast following a defensive rebound. She didn't attempt a shot until about midway through the half and didn't score until a layup with 8:18 remaining.

The Gators used a zone defense to deny Griner the ball inside, and although Baylor led 26-11 at one

point, Florida answered with a 9-0 run. Griner then scored six quick points for the Lady Bears — two free throws, a putback and a shot from out near the free throw line. The Gators kept answering for the rest of the half, but that stretch was a sign of things to come for Griner.

Griner went 8 of 14 from the field with nine rebounds and six

blocks. Florida beat Ohio State in the first round, defiantly holding off the Buckeyes in front of a partisan crowd in northwest Ohio. The Gators didn't back down from Baylor either. At one point in the second half, Deana Allen lost her left shoe while going to the basket. She hustled back and played an entire defensive possession without it.

# Tennis comes back down 3-0 against Clemson

By Kasey McMillian  
Reporter

Baylor's No. 12-ranked women's tennis team defeated the Clemson Tigers 4-3 Tuesday at the Hurd Tennis Center.

Baylor is 13-5 and the Tigers are ranked No. 24 with a 9-6 record for this season.

In doubles, Clemson's Klara Vyskocilova and Monika Kochanova beat freshman Nicola Kosakowski and freshman Megan Horter 8-3 on Court 3.

Then Clemson's Romy Kolzer and Gumulya defeated senior Sona Novakova and senior Diana Nakic 8-5 on Court 2.

Baylor's 46th-ranked duo of senior Nina Secerbegovic and freshmen Ema Burgic earned the

only doubles win for the Lady Bears, with an 8-7(4) but Clemson started off in singles leading 1-0 after doubles point.

Baylor then dropped its first two singles matches.

Horter and sophomore Abby Stainback lost their first two matches 6-1, 6-2 on Court 1 and 6-1, 6-1 on Court 6, respectively.

Baylor was now behind 3-0 but kept fighting. No. 54-ranked Novakova got Baylor its first match win 6-4, 6-3 over Clemson's No. 112 Nelly Ciolkowski. Baylor received its next two wins from No. 13 Nakic with a 6-2 6-3-match win against Clemson's Josipa Bek.

The second win was from Burgic with two 6-4-match wins defeating Clemon's Beatrice Gumulya.

“We dug ourselves into a humongous hole, but we showed some character today and that's the most important thing,” head coach Joey Scrivano said. “The last few practices we've started to show more of that. Diana (Nakic) had a really nice win, and I'm really proud of her coming out and playing the way she did. From right here, I feel like we are on the ground floor, and we are just going to start building from here for the rest of the season.”

The teams were tied, leaving it all up to the last match with No. 27 Nina Secerbegovic.

“I haven't been the clinching point since my freshman year,” Secerbegovic said. “Since then I've always been the first one off the court.”

Secerbegovic had won her first set but was down 5-3 in the second set against Clemson's top-ranked player, No. 47 Keri Wong, when Nakic had tied the match up.

Under the pressure she managed to carry the team and get the final match-clinching point with a 6-2, 7-6 comeback win to give Baylor the overall victory.

“It was really wonderful to actually win then because we really needed to win,” Secerbegovic said.

Scrivano had high praise for the senior.

“When Nina puts her mind to something it's amazing what she can do,” Scrivano said.

Baylor will next play No. 75 Kansas State at 11 a.m. Saturday in Lawrence, Kan. to begin conference play.

Follow the new Lariat sports feed @bulariatsports for live game updates.

## Sports Briefs

### McCaw nominated for national award

Baylor athletic director Ian McCaw is one of five nominees for Athletic Director of the Year, according to SportsBusiness Journal and SportsBusiness Daily. McCaw is the only nominee from the Big 12 conference.

### Baseball's game pushed back 24 hours

Baylor's game against Sam Houston State has been moved to 6:30 p.m. today due to weather. It was originally scheduled for the same time Tuesday.

### Friday's baseball game moved due to basketball

Baylor's game against Kansas has been moved to 3:05 p.m. Friday at Baylor Ballpark to avoid conflict with men's basketball's Sweet 16 game at 6:15 p.m. The game was originally scheduled for 6:35 p.m.

### Softball games postponed, game times changed

Friday's softball game at Gettysman Stadium has been changed to 3 p.m. to avoid conflict with the men's basketball Sweet 16 game. Also, Tuesday's doubleheader against Stephen F. Austin was postponed due to rain.

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# NASA considers space station for Mars dry run

BY MARCIA DUNN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — The International Space Station may provide the setting for a 500-day pretend trip to Mars in another few years.

NASA said Tuesday that consideration is under way to use the space station as a dry run for a simulated trip to and from Mars.

It would be patterned after Russia's mock flight to Mars that lasted 520 days at a Moscow research center. Six men were involved in that study, which ended late last year. They were locked in a steel capsule.

NASA's space station program manager Mike Suffredini said before astronauts can fly beyond low-Earth orbit, they'll have to spend more than six months aloft at a time. That's the typical stint for space station crews. Five hundred days is more than 16 months.

The human endurance record of 14 months was set by a Russian cosmonaut aboard the Mir space station in the mid-1990s. Only two others — both Russians — have spent as long as a full year in space.

No NASA astronaut has spent more than seven months in space on a single mission.

Suffredini doesn't expect any such Mars simulation aboard the space station to occur any sooner than two to three years. Physical as well as psychological questions will have to be addressed before anything of that sort is attempted, he said.

Steps are under way, however, for such an effort, and scientists and flight surgeons already are working on it. The goal would be to have all the data in hand so the space station can be used as a Mars test bed before its projected demise in 2020 or thereafter.

Suffredini said he expects the consensus ultimately will be to simulate "at least the first leg of a trip to a distant planet."

NASA's future for manned exploration is up in the air as the debate drags on as to where astronauts should head in the decades ahead: the moon, asteroids and/or Mars.

The cost promises to be a major factor, along with the development of rocketships big enough to travel so far.



This May 23, 2011, photo released by NASA shows the International Space Station at an altitude of approximately 220 miles above the Earth. The International Space Station may provide the setting for a 500-day pretend trip to Mars in another few years.

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## Collision on campus

A car accident near the Cashion Academic Center caused a traffic jam on Tuesday as emergency crews cleared the situation.

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some neighborhoods were without power, according to Mexico City Mayor Marcelo Ebrard, who set up a hotline for people to report damage.

About 40 passengers were stranded for a short time on the Mexico City airport air train, but later released.

The airport closed for a time but officials said there was no runway damage and they resumed operations.

Samantha Rodriguez, a 37-year old environmental consultant, was evacuated from the 11th floor on the Angel Tower office building.

"I thought it was going to pass rapidly but the walls began to thunder and we decided to get out," she said.

The quake was felt strongly in southern Guerrero state, where the epicenter was located about 15

miles (25 kilometers) from the city of Ometepec. Neighboring Oaxaca state also shook heavily.

Governors in both states and civil protection reported strong shakes and some building damage but no casualties.

In Huajuapán, Guerrero, near the epicenter, hotel owner Marco Antonio Estrada also reported shaken-up guests but no major damage.

He said it was the longest and strongest earthquake he had ever felt and people ran out of their homes and cars.

"It was very strong, but we didn't see anything fall," said Irma Ortiz, who runs a guesthouse in Oaxaca. She said their telephones were down, and that the quake shook them side-to-side.

The U.S. Geological Survey set the preliminary magnitude of the

first quake at 7.4 and said the epicenter was 11 miles underground. The survey set the aftershock at 5.1.

U.S. President Barack Obama's oldest daughter, Malia, was reported safe while on vacation with a school group in Oaxaca.

Groups of women hugged and cried at Mexico City's Angel of Independence monument, where hundreds of people evacuated from office buildings said they had never felt such a strong earthquake. Others typed ferociously on their Blackberries.

Mexico City's airport was closed for a short time but there was no damage to runways and operations were returning to normal.

In Oaxaca, Sylvia Valencia was teaching Spanish to five adult students at the Vinigulaza language school when the earthquake hit.

"Some of us sat down, others

ran out," she said. "It was hard, it was strong and it was long."

After the shaking stopped, however, she said they found no damage in their own classrooms, nor outside in the historic center of the city, so they went back to class.

Celia Galicia, who works at the U.S. consular office in Oaxaca, had just flown in from Mexico City when the temblor hit.

She said there was panic in the airport, and a dash for the doors. But she said that she saw no damage at the airport and no one was hurt. She says one building in downtown Oaxaca appears to be damaged and has been evacuated.

She added that they felt two strong aftershocks, and that in downtown Oaxaca most people were out on the street.

"It started shaking badly," she said.



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that game and wanted that student presence to be a factor for Baylor going forward.

"I think that the students when they come to our games bring great energy," Joos said, "and I think that any energy we can have in the building [will help the team] get from the Sweet Sixteen to the Elite Eight."

Houston sophomore Chad Reeter purchased one of the pack-

ages Tuesday.

He said the discounted cost made it much more convenient for him to make the trip and attend the games, considering the plane ticket alone would have cost him three times the price of Baylor's offering.

Although he was exploring the possibility of going to the games either way, Reeter thinks having the extra 150 students will further inspire the basketball team to excel

on the court.

"I think it would get a lot crazier, a lot more wild if there's a bunch of kids going," Reeter said. "There's going to be a little student section there. I think it will help."

The buses for the trip will leave at 5 p.m. Thursday and return Saturday in the event of a loss or Monday if Baylor advances. Class absences during the trip will be unexcused.

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