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The Women's Equestrian National Championships will be held all day Thursday through Saturday at the Extraco Events Center. The championship will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday and continue through Saturday with the crowning of champions at 5:30 p.m. This event is open and admission is free to the public.

### City to honor WBB

Baylor and the city of Waco will host a downtown parade along Austin Avenue starting at 5:30 p.m. Monday, moving from 11th Street and Austin Avenue down to Waco City Hall at Heritage Square. The event will allow the entire community of Waco to show their appreciation for the Baylor Lady Bears bringing home the NCAA Women's Basketball National Championship trophy.



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### Stay the course

Basketball player Quincy Miller announces his plans to stay at Baylor next year

By TYLER ALLEY  
SPORTS EDITOR

Baylor could face NCAA sanctions after a three-year investigation revealed the men's and women's basketball programs made 738 impermissible text messages and 528 impermissible phone calls to recruits.

The investigation was made public in an ESPN.com story Monday, citing an NCAA report the website had obtained.

"Regarding today's premature public reports of the matter, the institution remains committed to protecting the integrity of the totality of the case in accordance

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### Romney rises above fray

Santorum drops out of presidential race, making Romney a finalist for the Republican nomination

with its obligations under NCAA legislation and therefore the University, and its officials, will make no comment," said Nick Joos, Baylor's executive associate athletic director for external affairs, in an official statement.

Baylor self-imposed penalties following the 2008 investigation but the NCAA can now decide to add harsher penalties as it sees fit.

Men's basketball head coach Scott Drew, women's head coach Kim Mulkey and their assistant coaches were said to be involved in the calls and texts, according to the summary disposition obtained by ESPN.com.

The calls are deemed "imper-

missible" due to restrictions in the NCAA Division I Manual. For men's basketball, an institution is allowed to make one phone call per month to an individual or his parents/guardians between his sophomore and junior year and two calls per week during his senior year.

In women's basketball, an institution is allowed "one telephone call during the month of April of the individual's junior year in high school on or after the Thursday after the conclusion of the NCAA Division I Women's Final Four," as well as one the following May, two phone calls in June and three in July, according

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### Studio faces money trouble

Distributor of "Diving Bell and Butterfly," Miramax films, is being sued by producer David Bergstein

to the Division I Manual. From there, the school is allowed unlimited phone calls.

Once a school has reached its limit of calls to a prospective student-athlete, an institution may not initiate another phone call. This could be how many of Baylor's phone calls were deemed impermissible.

Text messages to recruits are prohibited.

NCAA president Mark Emmert said the NCAA would not comment on the case because it's still under review, according to the Associated Press.

"However, each member agrees to abide by the rules es-

tablished by the association and our membership expects those who do not follow the rules will be held accountable," he said in a statement.

The investigation began in 2008 during the recruitment of a current Baylor women's basketball player, junior Brittney Griner. Members of the coaching staff spoke with Griner and her father about the basketball program, academic requirements and the school in general both before and after Baylor's 2007 women's basketball elite camp, according to the article on ESPN.com. This contact is a violation of

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# Baylor teams face NCAA sanctions

By ROB BRADFIELD  
STAFF WRITER

Waco's newest downtown retail option gives students and residents an easy way to enjoy the outdoors.

Outdoor Waco, owned by Ryan Gibson and Mark Owen, opened its doors Monday, with a grand opening scheduled for Saturday.

The combination camping store, bike shop, sports equipment shop, coffee shop and equipment rental store is located on the corner of Franklin Avenue and University Parks Drive, between Baylor, downtown, the Brazos River and Cameron Park.

The store's grand opening on Saturday will feature discounted equipment rentals, appearances by brand representatives and a chance to win either a bicycle or a \$500 shopping spree.

The store has distributed fliers offering customers discounted drink prices at the grand opening, and are offering a free Outdoor Waco T-shirt with every purchase over \$20.

Outdoor Waco was originally intended to be a conveniently located bicycle and bicycle repair shop, but soon became a unique



MATT HELLMAN | LARIAT PHOTO EDITOR

After recently opening on Monday, Outdoor Waco General Manager Trinity Robb plays with a woven Frisbee while meeting and greeting store customers. Outdoor Waco offers rental and purchasable gear for many of Waco's outdoor activities, including paddle boards, kayaks, bikes, longboards and camping gear.

entity designed to help Wacoans and Baylor students get outside.

"Waco has two unique features [Cameron Park and the

Brazos River]," said Trinity Robb, Outdoor Waco's general manager. "We've seen those as being underutilized."

Outdoor Waco is the first local shop to combine a specialty camping/outdoor store and a specialty bicycle shop. It's also

the first store to offer paddle board rentals, bicycle rentals and

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# Google's art site draws BU audience

By MALLORY HISLER  
REPORTER

Seeing a great work of art from the Uffizi Gallery in Florence more clearly on your laptop than in person seems unrealistic.

But Google Art Project is hoping to make viewing art as simple as that.

"Users can explore a wide range of artworks at brushstroke-level detail, take a virtual tour of a museum and even build their own collections to share," according to the website's information.

The site, which began in 2011 with 17 collections, has grown significantly since its launch. Google announced April 3 that the Art Project now includes works from more than 151 collections.

Jamie Hill, a Google spokesperson, said she hopes a wide range of people will use the site.

"We want everyone who wants to use Art Project to be able to use it — from elementary to AP art history to art history in college," Hill said. "We are also excited for people who have an interest in art to look at it."

Google Art Project is not lim-



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Van Gogh's Starry Night is one of the many paintings featured on the Google Art project website. The website, www.googleartproject.com, offers online tours as well as galleries.

ited to one type of art, but displays many mediums, including sculptures, Brazilian graffiti and African rock art.

"Our partners cover huge ranges — not just paintings," Hill said. "There is just a huge diversity and breadth of different kinds of content."

The site provides some works in a super-high-resolution image using gigapixel technology, Hill said. Google also provided technology to the museums that allowed them to create a virtual walk-through of some parts of their collections.

"Essentially, we took street view from Google mapping technology and brought it indoors," Hill explained.

Dr. Karen Pope, Baylor senior

lecturer in art history, appreciates the site, but said important information is missing that should be provided with the images.

"The biggest shortcoming is the dimensions [not being posted with the images]," Pope said.

Hill said Google welcomes input on the project.

"We are continuing to expand and encourage feedback," Hill said.

She said users can pass along input by emailing [press@google.com](mailto:press@google.com) or give feedback through the Google+ page for Google Art Project.

Pope also said the site does not list the medium used in the works but otherwise serves as a good re-

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# Faculty Senate votes to allow 'minus' grades

By DANIEL C. HOUSTON  
STAFF WRITER

The Faculty Senate voted to recommend allowing professors to award "minus" grades — like A-minus, B-minus, etc. — in addition to the traditional plus grading system, leaving the provost's office with the final say over whether to change university grading policy.

The Senate made the recommendation during its Tuesday meeting following a presentation from Dr. Douglas Henry, associate professor of philosophy and co-chair of the University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.

"Having a minus-grade option alongside the plus-grade option first and foremost will allow faculty to more accurately represent students' academic accomplishments," Henry told the Lariat after the closed meeting. "So if you want to think about it in terms of giving credit where credit's due, having that option will allow that to happen."

The Senate, however, is still considering the implications of such a system, according to its chair Dr. Rosalie Beck, professor of religion.

Some members, she said, expressed concern about whether a C-minus grade would still grant students the 2.0 grade point average needed for credit within their major fields of study.

"We will recommend to the provost that minuses now be included," Beck said, "but we also hope to recommend GPA equivalents so that a B-plus is this many points and a C-minus is this many points if the professor chooses to give those."

Beck said the GPA recommendations will likely be determined at Senate's next meeting in May.

Henry said his committee's proposal was influenced in part by studying the grading policies of other universities around the nation.

"There is no university that has only pluses as far as we've been able to determine," Henry said. "So another good reason for considering this is observance of best practices in student assessment. We seem to be an outlier and an anomaly, so, one way or another, it seems sound academic policy to have a system that is normal."

Despite the hesitation of some

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# Multiple parties guilty in pepper spray incident

## Editorial

It's hard to turn a blind eye when, for the second time in recent memory, college students in California have been pepper sprayed.

*“When you break down the causes and effects of the protest, all the groups involved all could have handled the situation better.”*

This time it happened last Wednesday at Santa Monica College. As many as 30 protesters were pepper sprayed as they tried to confront administrators over a set of proposed courses, which would cost nearly four times the college's current tuition rate.

Administrators planned on instituting a new set of core classes, available to students after the normal set of classes fill up. The classes, however, run for \$200 per semester unit (equivalent to a semester hour), which totals roughly four times the \$46 per semester unit cost for in-state residents.

Unhappy and concerned that the new classes might create a two-tier system that favors wealthy students, students gathered outside a room last Wednesday where administrators discussed the plan. The protesters grew restless when only a few students were allowed in the meeting room, and they then forced their way into the room, prompting the administrators to call campus police.

To keep the protesters out of the meeting room, police resorted to pepper spray. Amateur video and Associated Press photos reached the Internet, and from there opinions have poured in on everything ranging from police brutality to the right to affordable or free education.

When you break down the causes and effects of the protest, the groups involved all could have handled the situation better.

We'll start with the catalyst of the protest. We agree wholeheartedly with the protesters and hope this kind of class pricing doesn't spread to other universities.

Imagine Baylor pricing its classes by semester hour, and then think about core classes being offered at two different prices. One set costs the normal \$1,197 per semester hour, and the other core classes cost twice that amount.

Yes, there are students who could afford at least a few classes at \$2,397 per hour, and they would pay that amount if it meant getting into a class that filled



earlier in registration.

The thought of that worries us as we picture Baylor split into two tiers — one group that accepts they might have to wait a semester to take a particular class, and the other group that pays double to forgo the wait and take the class when they want.

Let's also observe the method used to repel the Santa Monica protesters — it just wasn't necessary. Students in the hallway outside the administrators' meeting room also suffered from the pepper spray, and even administrators couldn't escape the spray. That's not hard to believe considering how easily pepper spray infiltrates a room and affects everyone in range.

Despite their legitimate concerns and right to protest, however, we can't let some of these students off the hook. We understand the mob mentality inherent in an emotionally charged protest, but bursting into a restricted room isn't the way to voice your concerns.

Start a petition. Contact local representatives. Take your story to media outlets always thirsty for stories dealing with injustices.

Using physical force might get people's attention, but that can be negative, especially when there are more impactful ways to convey a message.

In the three days following the pepper spray incident, Santa Monica students did find less confrontational ways to protest the administration. Students protested outside the president's office (without barging their way in) and wrote requests for an on-campus referendum.

The students' dissent might work. On Friday, Santa Monica's board of trustees voted to postpone the class pricing plan, and the board will further pursue community input before a decision is reached.

We hope Santa Monica makes the decision to keep its education priced fairly to all students. It's the right thing to do.



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Kayleigh Wade, 19, wears a T-shirt last Wednesday in protest of last Tuesday night's pepper spray incident at Santa Monica College.

# Hempstead, Prairie View deserve to exist landfill-free

## Guest Column

Take a second and imagine and an 18 story building. The Alico Building stands at 22 stories, so start there for a reference. Next, expand that building over 434 acres (just under two times the size of our campus), and imagine it is no longer a building or a huge shopping mall.

It's a landfill that has conveniently located next door.

On the way to Houston from Waco, Highway 6 meets 290 and passes, without fanfare, by the small town of Hempstead. This land lacks the allure of a big city, is home to only 5,770 and boasts only of Frazier's Concrete and the

## Your turn to rise up

You can make a difference and help keep the proposed landfill out of Hempstead:

- Visit [whitehouse.gov/petitions](http://whitehouse.gov/petitions)
- Click “view petitions.”
- Search “landfill”

The petition still needs thousands of votes.

annual watermelon festival. With an annual household income 38 percent below the Texas median, and almost a quarter of the citizens living below the poverty level, Hempstead's demographics resemble those of Waco with one notable exception: Due to the town's small size (compared to

Waco's 100,000-plus population), largely minority population and low income level, the citizens lack a voice.

Hempstead is fighting a battle against the Pintail Landfill and Green Group Holdings. Green Group Holdings began plans for the landfill with only the consent

of Waller County's questionable political leadership. Look up Green Group Holdings' list of paid lobbyists. They have both the money and political influence to overwhelm this community's efforts to oppose the Pintail Landfill.

The Pintail Landfill will bring in trash primarily from Houston and the surrounding area. Less than 5 percent of the trash will come from Waller County. The proposed Pintail Landfill will have a bigger footprint than the entire town and will be within one mile of Hempstead, two miles of the Waller County Courthouse, three miles of their schools and four miles of the historic Prairie View A&M University. As for the environment, there is the risk that the ground and surface water may

be contaminated. Hempstead stands to lose its small businesses, its potential for future economic growth and the creation of much-needed jobs.

On top of the potential destruction of Hempstead, Prairie View A&M stands to lose its growing reputation and draw for students in the area. Can you imagine the pain of being labeled “The Landfill School”?

Like so many of my fellow Baylor students, I love the idea of helping the voiceless. The social justice wave often carries us to fight for our neighbors abroad, but today this opportunity that is much more tangible, and much closer. Prairie View A&M already understands that and is fighting the fight I urge you to join.

On behalf of Hempstead and Prairie View A&M, I urge you to visit [stopwhy6landfill.com](http://stopwhy6landfill.com) and more importantly, sign the petition found on [whitehouse.gov/petitions](http://whitehouse.gov/petitions) (click “View Petitions” then search “landfill”) for an inquiry from the federal level that will ensure justice for the citizens of Hempstead and students of Prairie View A&M. The town of around 5,000 needs to collect 25,000 signatures by April 25 to receive this important help.

If the social justice wave sweeps through Central Texas, we can keep a landfill out of our neighbors' home.

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# Santorum drops out, freeing GOP for Romney

By MARC LEVY AND KASIE HUNT  
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GETTYSBURG, Pa. — Rick Santorum cleared the way for Mitt Romney to claim victory in the battle for the Republican presidential nomination Tuesday, giving up his “against all odds” campaign as Romney’s tenacious conservative rival.

Santorum’s withdrawal sets up what is sure to be an acrimonious seven-month fight for the presidency between Romney, the former Massachusetts governor, and Democratic President Barack Obama, with a focus on the still-troubled economy.

“This has been a good day for me,” Romney said to his supporters in Wilmington, Del., saying he believes Santorum “will continue to have a major role” in the Republican Party.

“This game is a long, long, long way from over,” Santorum said as he bowed out of the contest with Romney. “We are going to continue to go out there and fight to make sure that we defeat President Barack Obama.”

Romney has tried to ignore his GOP rivals and campaign against the president since he first entered the race last year with a pitch focused on the recovering but still frail economy. But Romney was forced to go after Santorum and former house Speaker Newt Gingrich after Santorum showed strength in Iowa and Gingrich in South Carolina early this year. Then Santorum kept on, memorably winning three Southern primaries.

Obama has turned squarely to face Romney, recently assailing him by name, as his campaign has worked to paint Romney as a rich elitist who will win the nomination only because he buried his opponents under millions of dollars in negative advertising.

In response, a Romney campaign spokeswoman insisted that “for Mitt Romney, this race has always been about defeating President Obama and getting Americans back to work.”

Now, Romney must rise to the daunting challenge of taking on an incumbent president backed by what’s expected to be one of the most sophisticated re-election campaigns in history. Longtime Republican strategist Ed Gillespie joined the Romney campaign this month to help, but the team hasn’t been able to expand much beyond the small core group of loyal strate-



Former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum turns to his wife Karen, left, after announcing he is suspending his candidacy for the presidency Tuesday in Gettysburg, Pa.

gists that waged the primary. The campaign will also need to ramp up the process to vet possible vice presidential picks.

Obama’s campaign has a sizeable cash advantage over Romney’s, having more than \$84 million in the bank at the end of February, Federal Election Commission records show. Romney’s campaign had about \$7.2 million.

Those filings show Romney has a fifth the paid staff of Obama’s campaign. He has yet to tap the resources of the Republican Party that will become available to the party nominee.

Romney trails Obama in organizing in some key battleground states such as Ohio and Florida, though Romney aides point to networks of supporters and volunteers that remain in place since his winning primary campaigns in the two

electoral prizes.

The same is true in Iowa, where Romney nearly won the January caucuses, and New Hampshire and Nevada, where he did win in the primary campaign’s early days. The five are in the top 10 most competitive since 2000, and were all carried by Obama four years ago.

Other more typically Republican-performing battlegrounds Romney is eyeing at returning to the GOP column include Colorado, Virginia and North Carolina, which Obama flipped after consecutive GOP victories.

So far, polling shows people tend to like Obama more than Romney. Yet the public’s top issue is also Obama’s biggest vulnerability.

Despite recent improvements in the public’s outlook, ratings of Obama’s handling of the economy remain in negative territory. According to a Washington Post-ABC News poll released Tuesday, Romney and Obama are about even on which candidate Americans trust more to handle the economy.

Kasie Hunt, Ben Feller, Jennifer Agiesta, Jack Gillum, Charles Babington and Thomas Beaumont contributed to this report.

# Zimmerman’s lawyers withdraw from shooting case

By KYLE HIGHTOWER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SANFORD, Fla. — The Trayvon Martin case took a bizarre turn Tuesday when George Zimmerman’s attorneys said they were dropping the neighborhood watch captain as a client, complaining they have lost all contact with him.

The lawyers portrayed Zimmerman as erratic and they expressed fear for his mental health under the pressure that has been building in the month since he shot and killed Martin, an unarmed black teenager.

“As of the last couple days he has not returned phone calls, text messages or emails,” attorney Craig Sonner said at a news conference outside the courthouse. “He’s gone on his own. I’m not sure what he’s doing or who he’s talking to. I cannot go forward speaking to the public about George Zimmerman and this case as representing him because I’ve lost contact with him.”

The split came as a special prosecutor neared a decision on whether to charge Zimmerman with a crime in the Feb. 26 shooting.

Sonner and colleague Hal Uhrig said they had not spoken with

Zimmerman since Sunday. Since then, they said they learned he spoke to special prosecutor Angela Corey’s office and to Fox TV host Sean Hannity without consulting them in an attempt to give his side of the shooting. They said Corey refused to talk to Zimmerman without his attorneys’ consent and Hannity wouldn’t tell them what was discussed.

Zimmerman also set up his own website, even as the lawyers were creating one for him at his request.

Sonner and Uhrig said that they still believe in Zimmerman’s

innocence and that they would probably represent him again if he contacted them and requested it. They said Zimmerman is in the U.S., but wouldn’t say where because they fear for his safety.

“This has been a terribly corrosive process. George Zimmerman, in our opinion, and from information made available to us, is not doing well emotionally, probably suffering from post-traumatic stress syndrome. We understand from others that he may have lost a lot of weight,” Uhrig said. “To handle it this way suggests that he may not be in complete control of what’s going on. We’re concerned for his emotional and physical safety.”

Ben Crump, an attorney for Martin’s family, said they are worried that Zimmerman might flee if he is charged.

“We’re just concerned that nobody knows where he is at. Nobody knows how to get to him,” Crump said.

Kendall Coffey, a former U.S. attorney in Miami who is now in private practice, questioned the way the lawyers publicly cast doubt on Zimmerman’s mental stability.

“The lawyers have every right to withdraw, but it’s highly unusual, and it will be controversial, for counsel to describe their client’s erratic behavior,” Coffey said. “In the court of public opinion, the press conference was not helpful for George Zimmerman.”

In a case that has stirred a furious national debate over racial profiling and self-defense, Zimmerman, 28, shot Martin, 17, after he spotted the teen walking through the gated community in Sanford.

Zimmerman said Martin attacked him, claiming self-defense under Florida’s “stand your ground” law, which gives people

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# World War I hangar to serve as memorial

By SCOTT HUDDLESTON  
SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS-NEWS

SAN ANTONIO — Brooks City-Base officials unveiled a plan Monday to restore a rare wooden World War I aircraft hangar as the centerpiece of a memorial plaza honoring pioneers of military aviation and space travel.

Rudy Purificato, a longtime military historian who is producing a public television documentary series on Brooks to air this year, called the plan a "grand design" for the historic Hangar 9 and adjacent Sidney Brooks Memorial, where the base's namesake is buried.

"It's a wonderful design and concept for one of the unique historical sites in the United States," said Purificato, who has collected stories and interviews from the base's long, colorful past.

Others, such as Tommy Green,

a World War II veteran who served in the Army Air Corps and the Air Force, were relieved to see that Brooks officials are committed to preserving the hangar and surrounding area for posterity.

"My mind is at ease now, as far as what's going to take place," said Green, 89.

The cost of needed rehabilitation to the hangar and repairs and improvements to the memorial is estimated at \$2 million to \$3 million, officials told nearly 100 people at a community meeting.

"And I promise we're going to get that done. We have to," said Don Jakeway, president and CEO of the Brooks Development Authority.

A larger scheme envisions tree-lined paths, spacious lawns and a modern community center near the historic hangar, with the Brooks Memorial in the middle,

creating a visual axis similar to the National Mall in Washington. Those additions would cost an additional \$2.5 million to \$7 million, depending on the level of community support.

The hangar, said to be the last remaining wooden hangar in the nation still in its original location, is the last of 16 hangars built as temporary structures at Brooks Field in 1918. By the late 1960s, when the Air Force announced plans to demolish Hangar 9, it was the only one still standing. Hangar 14 at Brooks had been destroyed by fire in 1962.

The Bexar County Historical Society raised money for a 1969 restoration of Hangar 9. It was named the Edward White II Museum of Aerospace Medicine, in memory of the astronaut from San Antonio who was one of three killed in an Apollo 1 fire during

a practice countdown in 1967 at Cape Kennedy.

A study of the 8,700-square-foot, 30-foot-tall hangar revealed a need for foundation and window repairs, a new roof and siding, updated electrical and plumbing systems, and upgrades for disability access.

Green said he was among a number of people who attended the meeting out of concern.

"It would be a cold day in hell before I'd allow that hangar to fall into decline and be demolished. A lot of people feel that way," he said.

To many, the hangar symbolizes the spirit of such famed aviators as Claire Chennault, Charles Lindbergh and Jimmy Doolittle, who trained there and made up America's leading aviation corps of World War II.

Brooks later became a center for research on the effects of flying, as-

tronaut training and development of equipment for space missions. The day before he was assassinated in 1963, President John F. Kennedy spoke there about the wonders he saw ahead with the space program.

Hangar 9 now stands as the cradle of Brooks' aviation history. When it was built, the Army was quickly growing its aviation force in response to World War I. It initially housed primitive machines of canvas and wood that were flown by early aviators.

Sidney J. Brooks Jr., whose remains are entombed at the memorial, died at age 22 in a 1917 crash at Kelly Field. He was the first San Antonian killed in an aviation accident during the war.

Jakeway, of the Brooks Development Authority, said Monday's meeting was the first of many to get feedback on priorities for the project. The hangar, which could

be used for receptions and public events, is the "linchpin" in redevelopment of Brooks as a research and technology center, he said.

He noted that the San Antonio Conservation Society has nominated the hangar for the National Trust for Historic Preservation's annual list of the nation's most endangered historic sites.

Jakeway vowed to work more closely with preservation groups, and he disputed rumors that the development authority ever intended to raze the building or let it decay.

Manuel Palaez-Prada, chairman of the BDA board, reaffirmed the authority's commitment to be "stewards of historic tradition" while redeveloping the base as a center for health care, energy, technology and related fields.

"It is important to make sure we respect history," he said.



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This image provided by The International Group for Historic Aircraft Recovery and displayed at a U.S. State Department news conference on March 20 could soon help uncover the fate of American aviator Amelia Earhart.

## Explorer hunts Earhart remains

By RAMIT PLUSHNICK-MASTI  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Jon Thompson has traveled the world collecting art and artifacts for museum exhibits, seen the remains of the Titanic on the sea floor and participated in two unsuccessful missions to find Amelia Earhart.

Now 72 and battling prostate cancer, Thompson is convinced he and a team from deep-sea exploration company Nauticos will finally be successful in finding the Kansas-born aviator's plane, which disappeared with Earhart and navigator Fred Noonan in July 1937. He's among the researchers looking for Earhart as the 75th anniversary of her disappearance approaches, and competition between search parties is fierce.

"Admittedly, it's a needle in a haystack, but with the technology we have employed and the brains we have involved, if we don't find it, no one will," Thompson said.

Theories about what happened to Earhart and Noonan are varied. They disappeared while flying from New Guinea to Howland Island as part of the adventurer's attempt to become the first female pilot to circumnavigate the globe.

Last month, the International Group for Historic Aircraft, headed by longtime Earhart seeker Ric Gillespie, said a U.S. State Department analysis of an image off the remote island of Nikumaroro, in what is now the Pacific nation of Kiribati, looks like it could be aircraft landing gear. Gillespie's team will return in July to renew its search.

A few months later, Thompson will be a sonar operator on a ship headed by David Jourdan, a deep-sea explorer who used high-tech equipment in 1999 to find the Israeli submarine, the Dakar, which went missing in 1968.

"It seems to be the greatest unsolved mystery of the last century," Thompson said.

Thompson and Jourdan are among the many historians and researchers who believe Earhart's plane crashed into the ocean, which they say explains why extensive searches shortly after the disappearance failed to uncover remains or debris.

Gillespie's group believes Earhart and Noonan may have managed to land on a reef abutting the atoll, then known as Gardner Island, and survived for a short

time. They surmise the plane was washed off the reef shortly after landing and that the wreckage may be in the deep waters nearby. That is what they will look for during their 10-day expedition in July.

Conspiracy theories that Earhart and Noonan were U.S. government agents captured by the Japanese before the World War II have been largely debunked.

Thompson and his group plan to spend two months searching a 400- to 600-square-mile area within 20 miles of Howland Island. It's the final section of an area where research from three institutions suggests the plane could have crashed. Thompson's two previous missions searched about 2,200 square miles nearby.

Before fall, Thompson will complete proton therapy treatment for prostate cancer at Houston's MD Anderson Cancer Center. He will also work with students at the University of Texas' Cockrell School of Engineering to analyze two theories about Earhart.

One investigates how far the plane would glide before sinking based on ocean drifts and other aspects of crashing on water. The other looks at where the aircraft could have flipped and broken on impact if Earhart were too exhausted and weak to operate the machine.

Vishnu Jyothindran, a senior studying aerospace engineering who is leading the research, is excited by the uncertainty.

"In class, you expect you'll get a question that you can solve with data in the textbook," he said in a statement. "We don't have that guarantee here and that's unfortunate, but it's also just reality."

If artifacts are found, Thompson already knows what the exhibit would look like. The artifacts would travel on a three-story barge and dock at dozens of North American cities. It would be called "Patience, Persistence, Passion." Visitors would enter an area that looks like Earhart's childhood home, go through a portion showcasing technology that helped find the crash site, and finally go into a place where the aircraft — or a replica of it — would be displayed.

Human remains and any wood would have disintegrated at 18,000 feet, Thompson said. But Earhart's jewelry, helmet and even her leather jacket could still be found.

"I hope we still find it strapped in the seat belt," he says, grinning.

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**At a Glance**

*A quick recap of last weekend's action and upcoming events*

**Catching fire**  
No. 8 baseball increased its winning streak to 15 as the Bears swept their three-game series with Missouri in Columbia, Mo., marking their fourth consecutive Big 12 series sweep. Baylor won its first game 3-1 on Thursday, its second game 5-3 on Friday and the final game 12-7 on Saturday. Home runs by senior catcher Josh Ludy and senior outfielder Dan Evatt propelled the Bears Saturday.

**Two out of three wins**  
No. 23 softball swept its Friday doubleheader against Kansas with a 3-0 and 6-1 win, utilizing 15 hits and three home runs. The Lady Bears then fell to Kansas 6-1 on Saturday after Kansas scored all six runs in the first two innings.

**Lucky number seven**  
No. 12 women's tennis defeated Texas A&M 5-2 Thursday at the Hurd Tennis Center and then beat No. 18 Notre Dame 6-1 Saturday at Hurd to increase its winning streak to seven games. Baylor swept doubles against the Irish and lost all but one of its singles matches.

# Miller returning for his sophomore season

By GREG DeVRIES  
SPORTS WRITER

Freshman Quincy Miller has decided to return to Baylor.

"I talked to my mother. My mother thought I needed to come back," Miller said. "I definitely prayed about and I feel like this is the best decision for me."

Miller said that he learned from sophomore Perry Jones III's decision last year.

"We talked about it and he gave me his best advice. His best advice was [to] come back," Miller said.

With Miller returning, Drew is optimistic about next season.

"Baylor Nation is used to good basketball teams," Drew said. "I know expectations will be high. That's a good thing. That means our program is where it needs to be."

Miller talked about his personal goal of becoming a leader next year.

"I was a leader on this year's team, but I think I can be the leader on next year's team," Miller said. "I think we have all of the pieces again to make a tournament run to the Final Four. Cut down some nets."

After his press conference, Miller walked to the announcer's booth at Baylor Ballpark to tell everyone in attendance about his decision. The news was met with much applause.

The news comes on the heels of Jones III's decision Monday to forgo his junior and senior years of eligibility and enter the 2012 NBA Draft. Jones III averaged 13.5 points and 7.6 rebounds per game.

"I want to thank Baylor Nation for an unbelievable two years," Jones III said. "Baylor will always be a second home to me and I look forward to spending a lot of time in Waco and working towards finishing my degree."

This past season, Jones III was an Associated Press All-American honorable mention, All-Big 12 third team according to the coaches, All-Big-12 second team according to the AP, ESPN.com and the Kansas City Star. He also received accolades from United States Basketball Writers Association for his performance in the NCAA Tournament.

From the time he was a high school player in Duncanville, Jones has been highly touted. In his freshman year, Jones III averaged similar numbers — 13.9 points and 7.2 rebounds per game.

In his first season as a Bear, Jones III was named Freshman All-American first team by CollegeInsider.com, and second team by Basketball Times and USBWA. The coaches and Dallas Morning News named him All-Big 12 second team, third team by Waco Tribune-Herald and Yahoo! Sports, and an honorable mention by the AP.



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Freshman Quincy Miller announces he will return to Baylor for his sophomore season in lieu of entering the NBA Draft on Tuesday at Baylor Ballpark.

Despite criticism, he is still projected to be selected in the top half of the NBA Draft. Few people understand Jones' value to a team like head coach Scott Drew. The only other lottery selection in program history was Ekpe Udoh in 2010 when the Golden State Warriors picked him sixth overall.

"It was an honor and a privilege to coach Perry Jones III," Drew said. "Everyone knows what a great player Perry is, but as I have said before, he is even a better person and teammate. We will all miss not having him around, but we look forward to him having a very long and successful NBA career."

# Women score win, men finish top five in golf's weekend

By SAVANNAH PULLIN  
REPORTER

Baylor's men's and women's golf teams both found success over the Easter weekend.

The No. 17 Lady Bears captured their third tournament win of the season Sunday at Bancorp South Rebel Intercollegiate in Oxford, Miss.

Leading the pack was senior Jaclyn Jansen, who captured her

third career tournament title, second of the season, with a career-low 6-under 210.

"Like I said all week, Jaclyn (Jansen) wants to finish her senior year strong," first-year head coach Jay Goble said in a press release. "She's definitely shown that so far in the spring through her work ethic. Her hard work has definitely paid off. She was pretty awesome on the course all week."

Baylor shot a final-round

6-over 294, but it was still strong enough for the team to capture the win by eight strokes.

"Everything we do is working towards the postseason," Goble said. "We have one more spring event left at Ohio State and that will give us a chance to work on our weaknesses. To get a win this late in the year before the postseason is a momentum-booster."

The Lady Bears will close out their spring schedule April 21-22

as they compete at the Lady Buckeye Spring Invitation in Columbus, Ohio.

The 27th-ranked men's team finished fifth in The Woodlands All-American Intercollegiate in The Woodlands on Monday and Tuesday, the team's eighth top-five finish this season.

Entering the second day of play, the Bears were tied for seventh place.

They finished with a 3-under

861, one of six teams to shoot under-par in the final round.

"I thought the guys played well Tuesday," head coach Greg Priest said. "We had a lot of birdies, but the thing[s] that hurt us the most were the big numbers. We had too many triple bogeys. We had a really good round, but we let it slip away."

The men will conclude their spring schedule the same weekend as the women in College Station at The Aggie Invitational.


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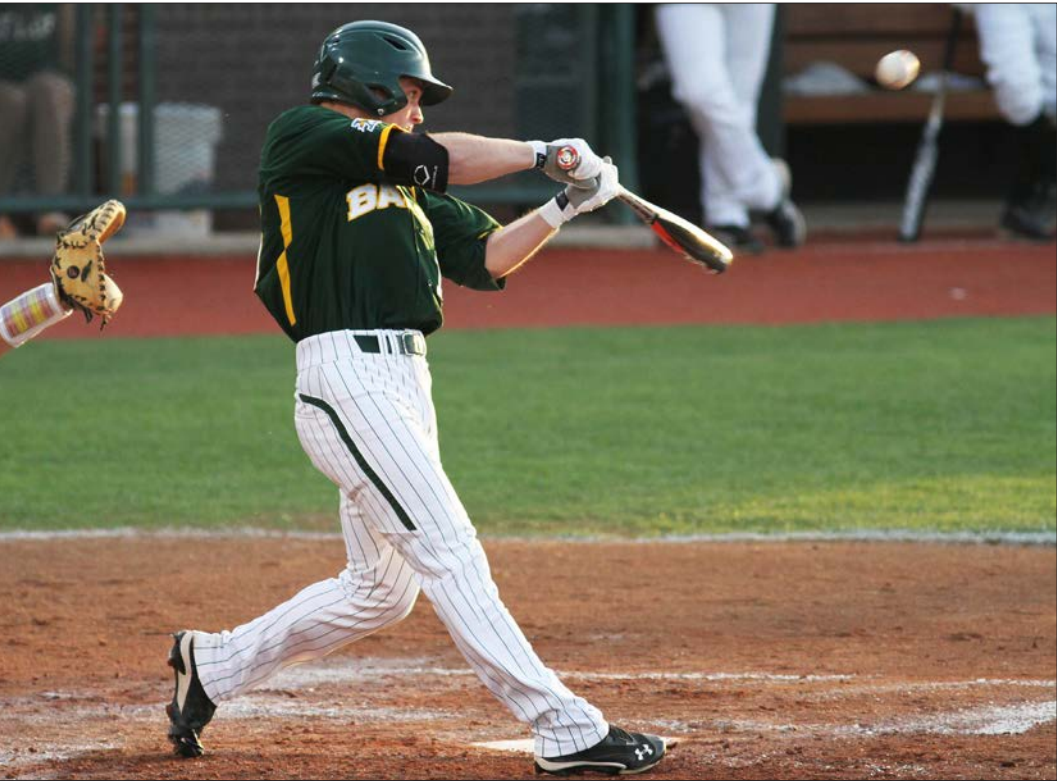
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No. 15 freshman outfielder Adam Toth hits the ball for the first run of the game against UL-Monroe on Tuesday at the Baylor Ballpark. The Bears won 7-5.

# Baseball keeps streak going

By GREG DeVRIES  
SPORTS WRITER

No. 8 Baylor baseball reached 15 wins in a row after beating the Louisiana-Monroe Warhawks 7-5 Tuesday.

The Bears moved to 26-7 overall with the win. Freshman right-handed pitcher Ryan Smith earned the win for Baylor.

The Warhawks tallied three runs in the top of the second inning to jump out to an early lead.

The Bears responded with three consecutive singles by senior left fielder Dan Evatt, junior third baseman Cal Towey and sophomore shortstop Jake Miller to load the bases for freshman right fielder Adam Toth. Toth's sacrifice fly to left field scored a run and advanced Towey to third.

Freshman right-handed pitcher Smith took the mound for Bremer in the top of the third inning. Smith struck out two batters in the inning and did not allow an earned

run until the sixth inning.

"Early, my fastball [was working]," Ryan Smith said. "Later on, I just kept throwing breaking balls and they were getting themselves out. It was a lot of fun."

Smith pitched 4.1 innings and allowed two runs on four hits.

"His pitch count was nothing. He was very efficient. I didn't go into this game thinking that anybody was going to throw four-plus innings," head coach Steve Smith said. "The thing I thought he was really good at was locating fastballs down."

Senior catcher Josh Ludy singled to start the bottom of the third. Junior center fielder Logan Vick hit his Big 12-leading 15th double of the season. With runners on second and third, Louisiana-Monroe pitcher Alex Hermeling balked to score Ludy and advance Vick to third, cutting the lead to 3-2. With two outs, Towey singled to right field to score Vick from third and tie the game at three.

The Bears loaded the bases again in the top of the fourth inning. Junior first baseman Max Muncy broke the tie on an RBI fielder's choice that gave the Bears a 4-3 lead.

The Warhawks tied the game after Toth committed an error in right field. The next batter was able to score the runner at third, giving Louisiana-Monroe a 5-4 lead.

With the bases loaded in the sixth, Muncy singled up the middle to score two runs and help the Bears regain the lead. Ludy hit a deep sacrifice fly ball to center field that scored a run, giving Baylor a 7-5 lead.

"[We] are treating it as a game and [we] not getting worked up about being down early," Towey said. "[The scoreboard] doesn't matter until it's over."

Sophomore left-hander Brad Kuntz closed out the game in the ninth inning. Baylor will next take on Louisiana-Monroe at 4:05 p.m. today at Baylor Ballpark.

# Softball falls 3-0 in Waco's final Battle of the Brazos

By KRISTA PIRTLE  
SPORTS WRITER

The Baylor Lady Bears hosted the Battle of the Brazos for the final time as conference foes, falling to the Texas A&M Aggies 3-0.

For the seniors, this was the first time the Aggies have left Gettnerman Stadium victorious.

The Lady Bears only recorded four hits while Texas A&M hit 10.

"Ten hits to four hits," Baylor head coach Glenn Moore said. "I'm very disappointed in our effort. We had mental breakdowns this late in the season, and that shouldn't happen. It doesn't allow you to play your best. I still don't think this team had thrown in the towel, but we aren't talented enough to make the mistakes we made. We got outplayed again tonight. Outplayed."

Mel Dumezich for Texas A&M threw a complete game shutout with eight strikeouts and a walk.

"She's the most underrated pitcher in the Big 12," senior Kayce Walker said. "We couldn't execute. I feel like if we could have gotten one run across we could have started passing the bat, but we couldn't do it."

Sophomore Liz Paul for Baylor pitched most of the game, allowing seven hits and one earned run.

Courtney Repka took the circle in the fifth inning and gave up three hits and two runs before Paul re-entered.

"She throws some good ball at times, but the consistency is very frustrating to me or the lack thereof," Moore said.



No. 9 outfielder Kathy Shelton goes for the catch during the Texas A&M game on Tuesday at Gettnerman Stadium. Baylor fell to Texas A&M 3-0.

The Aggies took a 1-0 lead in the top of the fourth off a blooper between shortstop and left field. Earlier in the inning with runners on first and second, Baylor sophomore pitcher Liz Paul threw a wild pitch, advancing the runners to second and third.

The bases were loaded off an Aggie advancing to first off fielder's choice, hitting a slow roller to Turk at third, who could only stare down the runner at third.

After the run was scored, sophomore first baseman Holly Holl threw a runner out at first and senior center fielder Kathy Shelton caught a fly ball in center field to end the inning.

"She's a warrior," Moore said. "She's having trouble getting the rest of the team to follow her. All she can do is play hard and hope the rest of the team jumps on the wagon. She's going to be a warrior no matter what."

The top of the fifth was not friendly for the Lady Bears either. With runners on second and third, Texas A&M hit a shot to shallow center field, one that a diving Kayce Walker could not keep in front of her, scoring the two base runners, making the score 3-0. To end that inning, Turk jumped and snagged a blazing line drive.

The bottom of the fifth looked promising for the

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# Vulnerability in Java exposes thousands of Macs to hackers

By KAYLA REEVES  
REPORTER

A vulnerability has been discovered for Java users that could give hackers complete access to your computer.

Java is a software package that allows users to run different programs on the computer, said Carl Flynn, director of marketing and communications for Information Technology and University Libraries.

Some of these programs are standalone applications, and others run in the browser, he said.

Once it is activated, the malware allows someone else to have the same access to our computers.

“Most of us have administrator access, which means we can do anything and everything on that computer. If you’re only logged on as a user, the exploits can only do what a user can do, and usually that’s not very much,” Flynn said.

The “Flashback trojan” can affect Mac OS X computers, which are known for their supposed immunity to viruses.

Apple intentionally stopped making their computers come with Java preinstalled because of issues like this, Flynn said.

The users have to choose to install any third party software and risk getting hacked.

Also, Flashback is malware and

not a virus. Viruses typically attack machines on their own, while this has to be invited by visiting a malicious website, said Adam Sealey, senior information security analyst.

It uses a vulnerability commonly known as CVE-2012-0507 in some Java versions.

The hackers try to trick people into visiting websites that run a Java code to attack that vulnerability, Flynn said.

“They’ll make it look like they’re Wells Fargo Bank and they need you to update some information, so you click the link, but really it takes you to a site that’s set up to deploy,” he said.

Java versions five, six, and seven are all vulnerable, and the malware has reportedly affected more than 600,000 Mac computers worldwide, with a higher percentage in North America, Sealey said.

“I have tested this vulnerability in my lab and managed to obtain full control of a victim computer,” he said.

All users should ensure that they have the latest updating system installed and the latest Java version installed on their personal machines, and they should be protected, Flynn said.

He said students can go to <http://flashbackcheck.com/> to see if their computer has been infected or go to <https://github.com/jils/>

FlashbackChecker/wiki, a downloadable application for Mac OS that tests for infection.

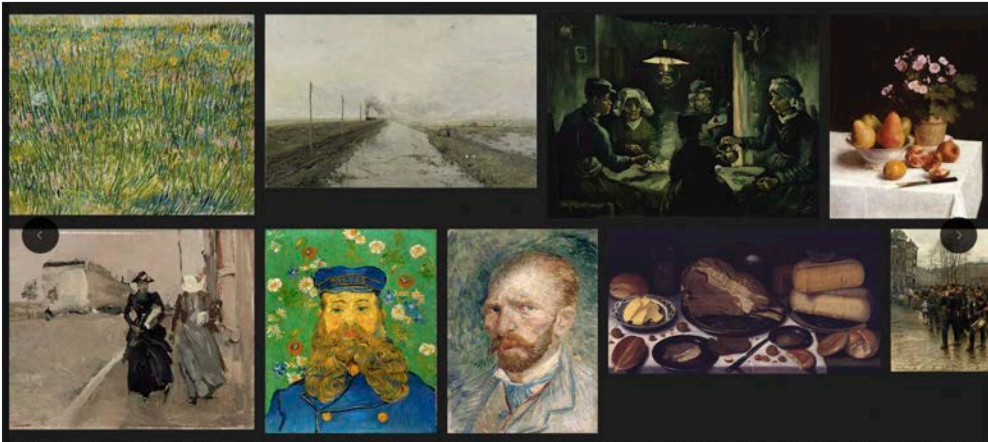
To see which version of Java you have, visit [javatester.org/version.html](http://javatester.org/version.html). If the version reported by this tool is 1.6.0\_31 or higher, then it is up to date.

“There is one loophole here, and it’s pretty huge,” Flynn said. “Mac users still running Mac OS X 10.5, which was two updates ago, and have Java activated in their browsers should disable Java immediately. There’s no patch available for that one yet.” However, this version is relatively old, and not likely to be common, he said.

The public computers on campus are not likely to be affected because they use a particular package that minimizes vulnerability, and they have antivirus software installed, he said.

Information Technology Services will send notifications soon about how updates on Baylor-owned computers are handled.

It is too early in this malware’s development to determine who is behind it or what they plan to do with the infected computers, Sealey said, but once someone has control of your computer, they can do pretty much anything they want including identity theft, fraud, or release of sensitive information.



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## Art made accessible to all

This gallery from the Kroller Muller museum is another example of the kinds of art that can be accessed by those using the Google Art Project website.

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source for art historians.

“The first thing that I saw on it was Botticelli’s ‘Birth of Venus’ — and wow,” she said. “I could see her eyelashes, strands of hair, each imperfection. It’s got an awful lot of material at a very high quality.”

She said she believes the project is a great opportunity to get more insight to the artist as well as the painting. “It gives you the closest chance to seeing inside an artist’s head,” she said.

Grapevine senior Alexi Riggins,

an art history major, said she has browsed the site but has not used it much in class.

“I have perused the site, and the quality is great,” she said. “I think it’s way better [quality] than ArtStore [an art database that Baylor subscribes to], but ArtStore is quick and sufficient.”

Still, Riggins said she believes any image on a screen cannot be compared to the real thing, citing Van Gogh’s “Starry Night” as an example. “There are just things that

you cannot see in 2D that are there in 3D,” she said.

Pope, however, said the images the site uses and the walk-throughs of the museums are a special thing to look at.

“These images are beautiful. They are crystal clear,” Pope said. “Being able to show them in the context of the museum today is something that would be of value.”

The website can be found at [www.googleartproject.com](http://www.googleartproject.com).

## NCAA

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NCAA rules.

Jason King, writer of the ESPN.com article and Baylor alumni, said in an interview with ESPN Central Texas Radio Monday that he thought Baylor had done a good job self-imposing the penalties.

“Taking Kim Mulkey off the road for the entire month of July this coming summer for recruiting,” King said. “That’s big. Dock-

ing two scholarships last year was certainly significant even though it didn’t hurt them too bad since they won 40 games.”

The men’s team lost one scholarship for both this season and next season, and the number of official visits has been reduced from 12 to seven.

King said the NCAA can now decide whether Baylor’s penalties

are fine and close the case or can add harsher penalties, such as further scholarship reduction or the suspension of Drew and Mulkey for a few conference games.

The NCAA report found 405 additional impermissible phone calls and texts in nine other Baylor sports, ranging from football to equestrian.

## FACULTY

senators to fully support the proposal as offered, Beck said Henry’s proposal was well researched.

“The University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee that Dr. Henry chairs did a superb job of collecting information and talking through the variations, and they

represented the university in a very very fine way, I think,” Beck said. “They did really good work.”

Although the Senate only came to a consensus on the plus-minus grading policy, they also discussed for future consideration making the Undergraduate Research and

Scholarly Achievement initiative (URSA) a standing committee.

Results from the Faculty Senate elections were finalized Tuesday, although they will not be publicized until today at earliest, Beck said.

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product information.

The store will eventually expand to include more footwear, climbing gear and more bicycle options. For now the store’s focus is on the rentals, camping equipment and bicycles.

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Hoff said.

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