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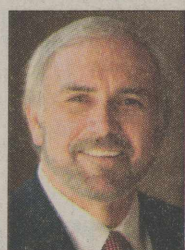
Tech President Bailey to interview with University of Alabama on Wednesday

By ASHLYN TUBBS
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech President Guy Bailey will interview Wednesday for the position of president of his alma mater, the University of Alabama.

It was announced Friday that Bailey was the finalist the university had chosen for the position, and the Board of Trustees will vote on his candidacy after his interview.

"If all comes to pass, and I think there's a good chance it will, it will all be clear this week,"



BAILEY

said Taylor Eighmy, senior vice president for research at Tech.

Eighmy said Chancellor Kent Hance and the Tech Board of Regents have been discussing the appointment of an interim and a national search process to fill Bailey's position permanently.

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Burkhart Center for Autism hosts camp for middle school students

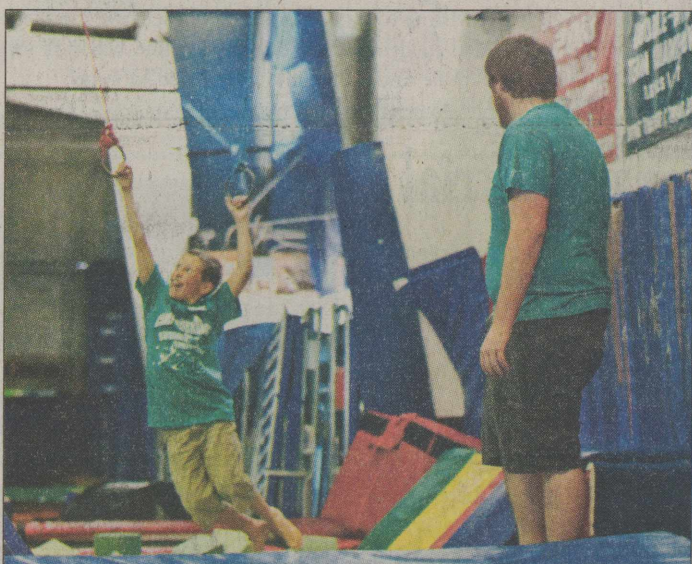


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ZACKERY WESTBROOK SWINGS from rings over a foam pit as Matthew Carroll, a senior psychology major from Lubbock, watches and cheers him on at the Ready Set Go Sport Readiness facility on Monday as part of the Burkhart autism camp.

By EFRAIN DUARTE
STAFF WRITER

Camp Burkhart is a camp for middle school-aged students entering sixth through eighth grade who have autism spectrum disorder.

The camp will last until Friday. The middle school camp will be hosted at various locations around Lubbock to give the campers a chance to interact in different settings.

Janice Magness, the director of the Burkhart Center's Transition Academy, will aid with the camp.

"The Transition Academy is set up for students out of high school who have autism, but are not necessarily planning to go to college at this time. It helps them transition from a high school situation into more independent living," Magness said.

The Burkhart Center for Autism

and Education Research has three components to its program.

"The Burkhart Center has a community outreach program and research component aside from the Transition Academy," Magness said.

The Transition Academy will have members helping with the camp this week.

The camp will include activities at the Science Spectrum, Main Event and the Texas Tech Leisure Pool.

"The main purpose of the camp is for the kids to get to go to a summer camp and to have fun and socialize," Magness said.

Along with the activities the campers will experience, the staff has other activities planned.

"We will put in some lessons on social skills, such as how to start and maintain a conversation," Magness said.

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Lubbock to London



PHOTO BY SCOTT MACWATTERS/The Daily Toreador
JASON YOUNG, A former Texas Tech student and athlete, will compete for the United States as a discus thrower in the 2012 Olympic Games hosted in London in July.

By PAIGE SKINNER
STAFF WRITER

Former Red Raider to compete in 2012 London Olympics

Texas Tech Athletics Communications hosted a news conference at noon Monday to discuss Tech alumnus Jason Young's recently secured spot on the 2012 U.S. Olympic team.

Young will represent the U.S. in London by competing in discus throwing.

Young said he is relieved to be on the U.S. track and field team and looks forward to competing for a medal.

"I'm very excited," Young said. "It's been a really long road to get here. More

than anything else, I'm really relieved to be finally on the team. It's something I've been trying to do for years and I'm just happy to be representing the U.S.A."

Young began throwing discus in high school and realized in his mid-20s he wanted to compete in the Olympics.

"I don't even know if I have words to describe that (making the Olympic team)," Young said. "Discus has been more than half of my life. I don't even have a word to describe how good it feels."

His goal is to throw more than 65 meters and would like to win a medal, he said.

"Right now, I'm showing up at the Olympic games just like everyone else," Young said, "trying to get one of those medals."

Texas Tech's track and field coach Wes Kittley said he is incredibly proud of Young and his accomplishments.

"It's been a life dream for him," Kittley said. "Nobody studies the game more than he does."

Kittley said he knew Young had a chance to make the Olympic team in 2004 and is hopeful Young will make it past the first round of competition.

It is enormous for Red Raiders to be in the Olympics, Kittley said. Tech athletics plans to use the information for future recruiting.

"It's all over our website," Kittley said.

Young said his wife plans to travel with him to London to watch him compete.

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Tech names new Red Raider assistant basketball coach

By **SCOTT MACWATTERS**
PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

Throughout the month of July, the newly announced Red Raider basketball assistant coach Jeremy Cox and coach Billy Gillispie will be recruiting new players from across the country to play for Texas Tech.

June 4 was Cox's first day on the job. He was hired to fill a gap left by former assistant coach Jeff Kidder.

Gillispie said that he disliked the loss of Kidder, but was excited Cox was willing to jump in and fill his shoes.

"We hated to lose Jeff," Gillispie said, "but we couldn't have found a better replacement than Jeremy."

"He's the guy that — if he wanted to be here, we definitely wanted him here," Gillispie said. "And I think it went both ways in that respect."

This isn't the first time Gillispie has worked with Cox. Previously, they worked together at Texas A&M and the University

of Kentucky.

"I don't know when exactly the first time we ever met was, but it was probably around 16 or 17 years ago," Cox said. "I think he was at South Plains College the first time we met and the relationship has just evolved and developed over the years."

Cox has 21 years of experience coaching basketball, and he has been recruiting for 20 of those.

"Twenty years, I've been out chasing players around and getting them," Cox said. "I feel like we've got good experience especially in the area of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana and into the junior college ranks."

When looking for players to recruit, Cox says it is not only important that potential players have the physical qualifications that are needed for Big 12 basketball, but it is important that they have the character that fits the personality of the team and of the head coach.

"You've got to have the size and speed first of all, and you've got to have the great skills," Cox said. "And, most importantly, you've

got to have that character. We need character instead of characters and that's what we look for."

Cox said the players he and Gillispie like to work with have a great work ethic, among other traits.

"(Gillispie) likes to work with a guy with great spirit," Cox said. "And a guy that treats people right, and comes to work everyday with a great work ethic, with a great desire to be better and to win."

"We both believe in coming to work every day working hard and trying to work harder than everybody else; treating people right and doing the right things on a day in and day out basis," Cox said.

Along with recruiting, Cox will be responsible for taking care of the current Red Raider basketball team.

"We've got to take care of the guys we have," Cox said. "We've got to continue to develop them, both athletically and making sure we're staying on top of them academically."

"As we head into the second

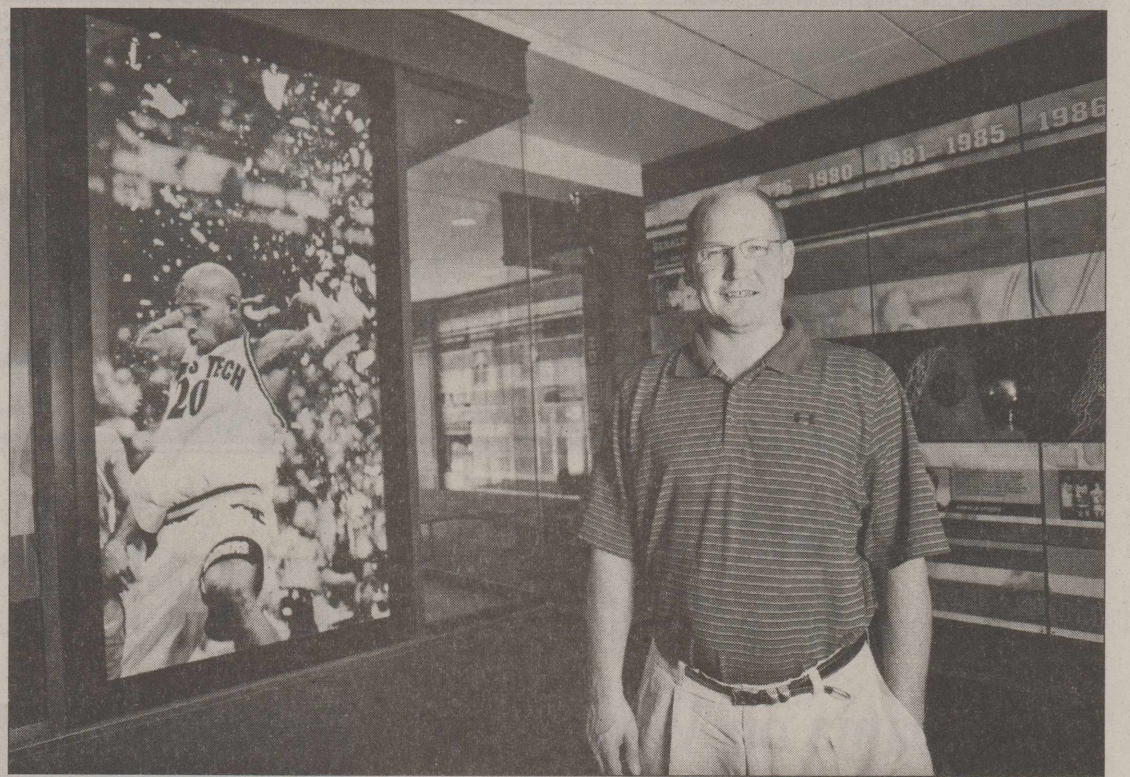


PHOTO BY SCOTT MACWATTERS/The Daily Toreador
JEREMY COX WAS hired as the new Red Raider basketball assistant coach on June 4 and will be recruiting throughout the month of July.

summer term, we'll get the rest of the guys in here and keep develop-

ing them and working on the culture that coach is building,"

Cox said.

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Camp

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Campers come from all over the Lubbock area, as do the volunteer requests.

"We get volunteer requests from all over the area from people who want to help with the camp," Magness said.

Workers and volunteers also come from different backgrounds in dealing with autism as well.

"We have people trained in dealing with students with autism who are going to be our camp workers," Magness said.

There will be approximately 12 campers and there will mostly be a 1:1 ratio of campers and workers at Camp Burkhart.

"The campers will be going to the

Science Spectrum one day and will see a film at the Omnimax about coral reefs and will have a lesson to go along with it," Magness said.

With one of the main purposes of Camp Burkhart being socialization, that component of the camp's goal for the campers is being stressed.

"A lot of our students who have autism are nonverbal, and a lot of them who are verbal don't speak much. We are trying to get them to socialize," Magness said.

Another aspect of the camp is to get the campers to interact with each other in a camp setting and be able to develop friendships.

"Be able to make friends and learn how to get along with each other in a camp situation," Magness said.

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Perry tells feds Texas won't expand Medicaid

DALLAS (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry said Monday that Texas won't establish an online marketplace for patients to shop for insurance or expand Medicaid, two key elements of the federal health care overhaul.

In a letter sent to U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, Perry said both elements "represent brazen intrusions into the sovereignty of our state."

"I will not be party to socializing health care and bankrupting my state in direct contradiction to our Constitution and our founding principles of limited government," Perry said in a statement.

The Supreme Court upheld most of the federal health care law last month, although it said the federal government can't withhold states' entire Medicaid allotment if they

don't expand Medicaid, the health insurance program for the poor and disabled. If states choose not to set up a health care exchange, an online service for people to compare shop for insurance, the federal government will establish one for them.

About 6.2 million Texans — a quarter of the state's population — are uninsured.

Expanding Medicaid would add millions of people "into the already unsustainable Medicaid program, at a potential cost of billions to Texas taxpayers," said Perry, a Republican. The Texas Health and Human Services Commission has estimated the Medicaid expansion would cost the state \$27 billion in the first 10 years, a number many Democrats dispute.

The state has estimated about

2 million people would be added to the Texas Medicaid rolls in the first two years if it went ahead with the expansion.

Texas House Speaker Joe Straus, another Republican, said he hoped voters would address the issue by electing Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney, who has promised to repeal the health care law. He would not say what he thought the state would do if President Barack Obama is re-elected.

"There are a lot of stakeholders we'd need to hear from before we could make a decision on that," Straus said.

Texas Medical Association survey given to The Associated Press over the weekend found that the number of Texas doctors willing to accept government-funded health insurance plans for the poor and

the elderly has dropped dramatically amid complaints about low pay and red tape.

Only 31 percent of Texas doctors said they were accepting new patients who rely on Medicaid. In 2010, the last time the survey was done, 42 percent of doctors were accepting new Medicaid patients. In 2000, that number was 67 percent.

Texas Democratic Party spokeswoman Rebecca Acuna called Perry's announcement "both cruel and negligent."

"Rick Perry's Texas solution is to let Texans stay ill and uninsured," Acuna said. "That is not a health care plan. Once again Perry is putting partisan political pandering in front of the interests of Texas."

A message left seeking comment from Sebelius' office was not immediately returned Monday.

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Opening statements set stage for Texas ID trial

WASHINGTON (AP) — The state of Texas and the Justice Department gave opening statements Monday in a trial over Texas' new voter ID law, setting the stage for a legal battle over the federal Voting Rights Act.

At issue is a 2011 law passed by Texas' GOP-dominated Legislature that requires voters to show photo identification when they head to the polls. The state argued Monday that the law represents the will of the people and does not run afoul of the Voting Rights Act, passed in 1965 to ensure minorities' right to vote.

"Texas Democrats, like their

national counterparts, have been wholly out of step with their constituents," said Adam Mortara, a lawyer representing Texas. "Voters want photo ID."

Mortara said the state's new statute is in line with similar laws that have cleared legal challenges in Indiana and Georgia. He also said the Justice Department would not be able to prove that any voters — and particularly minority voters — would be hindered by the law.

"It's really quite difficult to find anyone who's registered to vote who doesn't already have a photo ID," he said during Texas' opening statement.

Lawyers for the Justice Department strongly disputed Texas' view.

Elizabeth Westfall, in her opening for the Justice Department, said the evidence would show as many as 1.4 million voters lack any form of acceptable identification under Texas' new law. She also stressed Texas wouldn't be able to prove there was no intent to discriminate against minority voters when it passed the law.

"Texas will be unable to meet its burden," she said.

Westfall noted the law was passed in the Texas Legislature under "the uniform objection" of minority lawmakers and that the Justice Depart-

Bailey

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Bailey began serving as the 15th Tech president on Aug. 1, 2008, according to Tech's website.

Eighmy said he believes the time Bailey spent at Tech had a profound, positive effect on the institution. He said Bailey's legacy has four important components to it: his resolving the accreditation issue with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, his effective work in enrollment management and wisely growing enrollment at the undergraduate and graduate level, obtaining National Research University Fund eligibility, and his laying the foundation for Tech becoming a great public research university by 2022 or thereabouts.

He also said Bailey's business plan he presented to the Board of Regents in March, which has been widely supported by the board, will raise a clear path forward for Tech.

"We will miss him, but this is a wonderful opportunity for Dr. Bailey to return to his alma mater and the state he was born in, and a chance to lead a fine institution," Eighmy said. "We wish him the very best in his new endeavors."

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PEOPLE SIT AND watch the city of Lubbock's Fourth on Broadway, July 4 fireworks show at Mackenzie Park. PHOTO BY SCOTT MACWATTERS/The Daily Treador

Armstrong sues to block doping charges

AUSTIN (AP) — Lance Armstrong filed a federal lawsuit Monday aimed at preventing the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency from moving ahead with charges that he used performance-enhancing drugs during his record-setting career.

Armstrong's lawsuit says USADA rules violate athletes' constitutional right to a fair trial, and that the agency doesn't have jurisdiction in his case. It also accuses USADA's chief executive, Travis Tygart, of waging a personal vendetta against the cancer survivor who won the Tour de France every year from 1999 to 2005.

The lawsuit is an aggressive — and expected — move as Armstrong seeks to preserve his legacy as one of the greatest cyclists ever and an inspiring advocate for cancer survivors and research. Armstrong wants a judge to bar USADA from pursuing its case or issuing any sanctions against him.

Armstrong asked the court to issue an injunction by Saturday, the deadline he faces to formally challenge the case in USADA's arbitration process or accept sanctions. He could receive a lifetime ban from cycling and be stripped of his Tour de France victories if found guilty.

Armstrong insists he is innocent. "The process (USADA) seek to force upon Lance Armstrong is not a fair process and truth is not its goal," his lawsuit says, calling the USADA process a "kangaroo court."

Tygart said Armstrong's lawsuit is "aimed at concealing the truth" and predicted a judge will rule in the agency's favor.

"USADA was built by athletes on the principles of fairness and integrity," he said in a statement. "We are confident the courts will continue to uphold the established rules which provide full constitutional due process and are designed to protect the rights of clean athletes and the integrity of sport."

USADA, created in 2000 and recognized by Congress as the official anti-doping agency for Olympic sports in the United States, formally charged Armstrong in June with taking performance-enhancing drugs and participating in a vast doping conspiracy on his Tour de France winning teams, some of which were sponsored by the U.S. Postal Service.

The charges came after a two-year federal criminal investigation into doping allegations against Armstrong ended

in February with no charges filed against him. The anti-doping agency says up to 10 former teammates and associates are willing to testify against him and that it has blood samples from 2009-2010 that are "fully consistent" with doping.

Armstrong, who retired in 2011, says he has passed more than 500 drug tests in his career and was never flagged for a positive test.

Armstrong's lawsuit amplifies public complaints he made about USADA and Tygart in recent weeks and makes several arguments. It says:

— The agency's rules and arbitration are designed to find athletes guilty. Athletes are not allowed to subpoena documents or compel witnesses to testify in a hearing. USADA has so far withheld the names of most of the witnesses against Armstrong, saying it is protecting them from potential intimidation.

— The International Cycling Union, cycling's governing body which licensed Armstrong to ride professionally, should have jurisdiction over the allegations. Armstrong says allegations of doping by him and his team that were first raised by admitted drug-user Floyd Landis in 2010 should be addressed by UCI.

Williams wins 5th Wimbledon title

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Serena Williams is back, and she looks almost as good as ever.

The 30-year-old American won her fifth Wimbledon title Saturday on Centre Court, beating Agnieszka Radwanska of Poland 6-1, 5-7, 6-2 to claim her 14th major championship.

"It's been an unbelievable journey for me," said Williams, who has battled health issues since winning the 2010 Wimbledon title. "I feel amazing out there. This whole tournament I felt really great physically. So I think it's definitely the beginning of something great. I hope it is."

After hitting a backhand winner on match point, she fell onto her back to the grass. She then rose with a grin as big sister Venus — another five-time Wimbledon champion — smiled and applauded, along with the rest of the crowd.

After shaking hands with Radwanska, Williams climbed into the box where her family was seated.

She hugged her father, Venus, their mother and others.

"I think when you go through a lot of tough things you just kind of let down your guard a little bit and just be yourself," Williams said. "I love being me. I'm a normal person. I like it when people get to see that side of me."

Out on court, Williams had little trouble at the start, using her hard serve and powerful groundstrokes to win the first five games and run Radwanska all over the grass.

Radwanska, who was playing in her first Grand Slam final, has been ill with a respiratory problem, making it difficult for her to speak. In the second set and already down a break, the third-seeded Pole was coughing and blowing her nose during a changeover.

But she broke Williams in the next game to even the score at 4-4, and then broke again to win the second set.

"She started playing really, really well," Williams said. "She started playing excellent grass court tennis, getting a lot of balls back, and I panicked a little bit and I shouldn't have."

Williams responded in the third set, taking the last five games of the match. She finished with 58 winners to 13 for Radwanska, including a 20-3 edge in the final set. Williams lost only eight points on her first serve.

"I really had my chances, and I took the second set," Radwanska said. "Then I think she was just too good in important moments in the third set, so it was too hard for me to come back."

The match was played with the Centre Court roof open, and it was delayed by rain for a short time after the first set.

Radwanska would have taken over the No. 1 ranking with a win. Instead, Australian Open champion Victoria Azarenka will reclaim the top spot from Maria Sharapova.

Roger Federer wins 7th Wimbledon trophy

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Once the Centre Court roof was closed, nothing could stop Roger Federer from winning his record-tying seventh Wimbledon title.

The 30-year-old Federer finally equaled Pete Sampras' record at the All England Club, and won his 17th Grand Slam title overall, by beating Andy Murray 4-6, 7-5, 6-3, 6-4 Sunday.

"It has worked out so many times over the years here at Wimbledon that I play my best in the semis and the finals," Federer said. "I couldn't be more happy. It feels great being back here as the winner."

Once Murray's forehand landed wide on match point, Federer collapsed to the grass with tears welling in his eyes. He got up quickly and shook hands with Murray at the net.

Up in the players' box, Federer's wife and twin daughters cheered and smiled as he took his seat to await yet another Wimbledon trophy presentation.

"When the roof closed, he played unbelievable tennis," Murray said.

Federer is now 17-7 in Grand Slam finals, including 7-1 at Wimbledon.

Murray dropped to 0-4 in major finals, with three of those losses coming against Federer.

"It's amazing. It equals me with Pete Sampras, who's my hero," Federer said. "It just feels amazing."

Besides Sampras, 1880s player William Renshaw also won seven Wimbledon titles, but he did it at a time when the defending champion was given a bye into the following year's final.

Sunday's match was the first Wimbledon singles final to be played with the roof closed. The roof was first used at the All England Club in 2009.

Britain has been waiting 76 years for a hometown men's champion at the All England Club, and the expectations on Murray were huge. Thousands of fans watched the match on a huge screen on "Murray Mount," but left the grounds still waiting for a British winner.

Inside the stadium, Prince William's wife, Kate, sat in the Royal Box along with David Beckham, British Prime Minister David Cameron and a slew of former Wimbledon champions.

Many of them left a bit disappointed

as well.

"Everybody always talks about the pressure of playing at Wimbledon, how tough it is," Murray said. "It's not the people watching. They make it so much easier to play. The support has been incredible, so thank you."

With his victory, Federer regained the No. 1 ranking from Novak Djokovic, allowing him to equal Sampras' record of 286 weeks as the top-ranked player.

"I never stopped believing. I started playing more, even though I have a family," Federer said. "It all worked out. I got great momentum, great confidence and it all came together. So it's a magical moment for me."

Murray is coached by eight-time Grand Slam champion Ivan Lendl, the only other man who lost his first four major finals.

At the start of the match, Murray was the one dictating play and winning the tough points. He broke Federer in the first game of the first set, and then broke again late before serving it out. It was the first set Murray has won in his four major finals.

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Don't come to college to get a degree, get an education

By TRENT CASON
OKLAHOMA DAILY (U. OKLAHOMA)

How do you get an English major off of your porch? Pay for the pizza.

I see this idea constantly in articles, cartoons and blogs, and it drives me crazy: "A liberal arts degree is useless in this job market."

I don't know if the intended purpose is to scare away potential liberal arts students or to pressure universities to focus more on vocation-specific types of training or just to make people like me furious.

The liberal arts, as I understand it, are a field of academic studies meant to develop the intellectual abilities of the student, as opposed to occupational training, which prepares the student for a specific job.

I'm 30. I've been out there in the job market since I was 18, doing everything from working behind a counter to construction to working on a fishing boat to serving on the ground in Iraq. I don't mind manual labor — I never have — and as such, I will forever have a Plan B that I know won't kill me.

I'm not in college to obtain a degree; I'm in college to obtain an education.

If, after grad school, I find myself back on a building site or back in a uniform, so be it. If that happens, I know I'll have

the wherewithal to make the most out of any situation life throws at me. And believe me, life can throw a curveball.

The obsession with the liberal arts degree and the downplay of the education gained is a big problem right now, I think — the idea that it is the degree and not the education that gets a person where they want to be in life. For some professions, the degree is certainly important, but it's the quality of learning that takes place while earning the degree that seems to generally determine how successful one is likely to be.

Of course I want my physician to have a degree from a reputable institution, but more than that, I want him to really know what he is doing. If you haven't had a bad doctor experience, please trust me: Graduation from medical school alone isn't enough. If it was, people wouldn't have the wrong limbs occasionally amputated, or in my case, the wrong medicine prescribed (almost fatally).

The bachelor's of arts today is the vestigial remnant of the once mighty Trivium (grammar, rhetoric, logic) and Quadrivium (arithmetic, geometry, music, astronomy). Since classical antiquity, this education model has created citizens as opposed to strictly workers. Most of the notable minds we encounter in our studies at the university level had such an education,

including almost all of those credited with founding this country, though most of them had law degrees as well.

The result of this kind of educational worldliness, obviously, is the ability to ask and begin to answer questions that are bigger than ourselves and even our societies. The really big ideas don't just occur to people — they are sought out, historically, by people who took the time to train their brains to do the work. Not to say that getting a liberal arts degree will make you John Adams or Thomas Jefferson, but at least you will be able to read their work and follow along.

While degrees shouldn't matter as much as the quality of education, they do in many cases, and a sad reality is still reality: Your bachelor's of arts might not be enough. The same goes for the business majors and the biology majors and everyone else, really.

To be competitive in a non-entrepreneurial setting, it's a good idea to go beyond the four-year degree, even if you have to work while you do it. A minor in

a business or computer science field also can help widen your job-searching net. Give yourself as many tools as you can to succeed, but the last thing you want to do is graduate from college having learned to do a job but having failed to learn how to live and what it is that you love.

It's a scary world out there, and graduating into it can be overwhelming. Don't let the fear of not owning a yacht stop you from pursuing what you are passionate about. This country desperately needs many more people capable of thinking on their own, drawing their own conclusions and acting on those instead of what is popular or partisan.

Don't let public opinion convince you that critical thinking and knowledge of humanity are unnecessary and frivolous. On the contrary, you can use those skills and knowledge to adapt to any work or living situation, which in this ever-changing modern economic landscape will be more useful in the long run.

CERN research finds evidence of Higgs boson

By JULIA CLARK-RIDDELL
DAILY CALIFORNIAN (U. CALIFORNIA-BERKELEY)

The European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN) announced at a conference early Wednesday morning that they have evidence to support the existence of the Higgs boson and are on their way to a major scientific breakthrough.

While the existence of the Higgs boson — the fundamental particle of the hypothetical Higgs field that explains why some particles have mass and others do not — was not definitively proven at the conference, CERN's highly anticipated report on the findings from its two experiments, ATLAS and CMS, showed a particle that could be proven to be the Higgs boson after further testing. Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory researchers contributed to the ATLAS experiment.

Joe Incandela, CMS spokesperson and UC Santa Barbara physics professor, described the breakthrough discovery of a new particle that could be the Higgs boson in his presentation at the conference.

"This historic milestone is only the beginning," said CERN director Rolf Heuer to cap the presentation. "It has global implications for the future."

Ian Hinchliffe, senior physicist at the Berkeley Lab and head of the lab's participation in ATLAS, said CERN will need much more detail on the properties of the Higgs boson to prove its existence. The organization will test the properties of the Higgs boson outlined in the Standard Model, the well-tested 20th century theory that most physicists today believe describes the fundamental particle.

CERN will also continue to collect data using the Large Hadron Collider — a particle accelerator with a 27-kilometer circumference on the Swiss-French border near Geneva and the testing site for ATLAS and CMS

— in order to accumulate the data necessary to more exactly determine the Higgs boson, according to Incandela. The experiments will also continue to increase the amount of data they collect, according to Hinchliffe.

"Imagine (the Higgs field) like honey or molasses," said Beate Heinemann, Berkeley Lab scientist and campus physics professor. "Instead of it just being some random molasses, it's a lot of little Higgs (boson) particles."

According to Heinemann, if a particle is slowed down by the Higgs field, it has mass, but if it is not slowed down by the Higgs field, it has no mass.

The Berkeley Lab has been extensively involved with the ATLAS experiment, representing one of the largest U.S. contingents with 40 students and postdoctorates working in Geneva, according to Hinchliffe. The lab developed the pixel detector, which serves as the innermost layer of the collider that accurately tracks the particles, designed the software that detects the more interesting collisions and has helped build and operate the ATLAS detector.

"It's always a very stimulating environment with so many intelligent people around you ... to have your ideas questioned by very smart people while you're questioning the ideas of other very smart people from around the world," Hinchliffe said.

Although there are currently no hypotheses for practical applications for the Higgs boson, its discovery could provide the foundation for a larger understanding of physics and the universe, according to Paul Preuss, a science writer at the Berkeley Lab's public affairs office.

"It's really the keystone to how we understand how the world works," Preuss said. "It's a beginning point for where we can explore down other fascinating corridors to find extra dimensions of space, or miniature black holes, or find out what dark matter is made of or any more future unknowns."

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- New Guinea
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- Des Moines native
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- Reunion attendee
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- Ultimate degree
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