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many other positions, including associate dean of the College of Science at A&M.

"He is an extraordinary physicist," Newton said. "Rather than sitting in his office and doing theoretical calculations, he actually builds devices."

From 1980 to 1982, McIntyre was a Sloan Foundation Fellow and in 1989 he was awarded the Governor's Citation of Merit for his leadership in proposing the Texas siting of the superconducting super collider.

"This new role is going to be an engaging experience and I look forward to it," McIntyre said.

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exterior," Hoover said. "(The new McDonald's) will also be expanded (in overall area)."

Mike Doyle of the McDonald's Corporation said that, instead of a Play-Place, they are looking to put in a game room with video games, foos-ball tables and Wi-Fi computer access. It would be one of few similar McDonald's around the nation, he said.

"We would like a game room with many age groups in mind," Doyle said. "The details are still being sorted out."

Hoover said the crew working on the construction likes the plans and so will the customers. The building will also be safe and well-lit, he said.

"The new building will be very nice," Hoover said. "The streetscape and overall presentation will be a great change for the city."

Rob Rinn, a senior wildlife and fisheries science major, said having to drive to the other McDonald's on George Bush Drive to get his Big Mac and fries is a hassle, but that he is confident it will be worth the wait.

"Being able to chat (online) with my friends and eat McDonald's in the same place will be awesome," Rinn said. "I just hope I don't get the keyboard all greasy."

NEWS IN BRIEF
Security worries just another hurdle for Iraqi Olympians

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Haidar Ali Lazem doesn't fear much on the mat. Iraq's Olympic hopeful in judo has won 13 championships and dreams of winning a medal at the Athens Games.

Off the mat is another story.

While other Olympic athletes worry about eating right, getting enough rest and fine-tuning their training regimens, Lazem and the 30 other Iraqis who will compete at the games spend much of their time worrying about getting shot, or worse.

"We're athletes," said Lazem, who was working out alongside a few boxers at an indoor basketball court. "If it was easy, then there would be no challenge."

Even getting to Athens could be an ordeal for Lazem. To catch a flight to Japan, where he will complete his training, he left Tuesday on a 620-mile drive to Amman, Jordan, a route filled with roadside bombs, mines, bandits and kidnappers.

"I don't like to complain," Lazem said, "but things could be better."

Israel hits militant headquarters with two airstrikes, five wounded

By Mark Lavie
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

JERUSALEM — Israeli missiles twice hit a house in a Gaza refugee camp on the beach, wounding a militant Palestinian leader and four other people, a spokesman for a Palestinian group said.

The two airstrikes, one on Monday afternoon and the other after midnight on Tuesday, targeted the same house in the Shati refugee camp next to Gaza City on the Mediterranean, according to witnesses and a spokesman for the Popular Resistance Committee.

White smoke rose into the sky from the building, and a large crowd quickly gathered around the house at the Shati refugee camp next to Gaza City after the afternoon strike, which wounded three people, including the committee's leader, Abed Quka. Two more people were wounded in the second airstrike, hospital workers said.

The Israeli military refused to comment on either attack. During four years of conflict, Israeli helicopters have targeted dozens of Palestinian buildings and vehicles in Gaza, aiming for militant leaders, headquarters and weapons workshops.

In Gaza City, the Popular Resistance Committee spokesman Abu Abir said the airstrike was aimed at a house used by Abed Quka, the group's leader in northern Gaza. He was wounded in the attack, but his condition was not known. There was no word on the identities of the others wounded.

The Popular Resistance Committee is an umbrella group of militants who left other Palestinian factions. Its militants do not answer to outside authorities and often carry out attacks against the wishes of others.

Some believe the group was responsible for killing three American security guards in a diplomatic convoy in the Gaza Strip last October. No arrests have been made in the bomb-



ing, and the U.S. government has expressed dissatisfaction with the Palestinian inquiry.

In Tel Aviv, the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades, an militant group linked to Hamas in the West Bank, claimed responsibility for killing a district court judge late Monday. Justice Minister Joseph L. said it was the first time Israel's history that a judge had been killed.

Baylor president defends record

By Angela K. Brown
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bill Carden, president of the committee, a nonprofit organization with about 1,000 members including alumni and former regents.

WACO, Texas — Amid critics' repeated calls to oust him, Baylor University's president said Tuesday that he remains confident in how he is leading the world's largest Baptist university.

"I am president of the university and I intend to continue to serve in that capacity ... at the will of our board," Robert Sloan Jr. told The Associated Press on Tuesday. "I have a sense of calling about the work I do. I wake up every morning excited about seeing Baylor go forward."

He said he did not want to speculate about what university regents might do when they meet Wednesday through Friday on the Waco campus.

But the Committee to Restore Integrity to Baylor says more than half of the 36 regents are ready to fire Sloan, the subject of two no-confidence votes by the faculty senate in less than a year. Critics say Baylor is suffering from a nearly \$250 million debt, tuition increases and enrollment decline.

"It's a lack of administrative integrity and leadership ... and financial irresponsibility," said

Sloan sentiment has grown that three of the board's regents have changed since May.

A vote on Sloan's future is on this week's agenda, but Baylor regents chairman Will D. Davis said a member could call for a vote during the board's business meeting Friday.

Davis said he does not know how many regents oppose Sloan but that he supports him.

"He has a great vision of what he wants the university become," Davis, an Austin attorney, said Tuesday.

Sloan has faced harsh criticism over 2012, his 10-year reform plan for the school. The school issued \$247 million in bonds in 2002 for several building projects, including a new \$103 million science building, three parking garages and a \$33 million residence hall, the first dorm built on campus in four decades.

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John Cunningham, who is known for his spider-like sculptures, Jurewicz said.

Blitt, who is from San Francisco, said she is influenced by dance and motion of the body and draws upon influences from Eastern European and Asian cultures.

Blitt is a painter and sculptor, who said she previously had a workshop at A&M, and

decided to lend the University the two large sculptures.

Unlike other statues on campus, such as the victory eagle at Cain Park, the sculptures the Visual Arts Committee are bringing to campus are more abstract, Jurewicz said.

"I think that it beautifies the campus and makes it unique," said Katrina Amos, a senior art journalism major, in reference to the sculptures on campus.

Novak said he estimates the visual arts gallery will have more than 20,000 visitors this year.

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