



## **2009 Phillips 66 Big 12 Men's Basketball Championship** **FORD CENTER: March 13, 2009**

### Game Notes: No. 9 Baylor 76, No. 5 Texas 70

#### **Big 12 Championship Notes...**

- With tonight's 76-70 victory, Baylor advances to its first-ever Big 12 Championship final. Prior to tonight's contest, the Bears played in the Big 12 Championship semifinals just once (2001, lost 62-76 vs. Texas). Overall, it is the third time in Southwest/Big 12 Championship history that the Bears have reached the finals (1987 and 1988, lost both times).
- Baylor becomes the lowest seeded team to reach the Championship final since No. 5 Missouri reached the final game in 2003. The lowest seed to ever reach the Big 12 Championship final was No. 10 Missouri in 1997.
- Baylor is 8-11 all-time in the Big 12 Championship and 4-4 under head coach Scott Drew.
- With its loss, Texas will not reach the final for first time since 2005.

#### **Individual & Team Notes...**

- The win represents the Bears' first-ever versus the Longhorns in the Rick Barnes era (24-1). Prior to tonight, UT won 24 consecutive matchups with Baylor and 49 of the last 56.
- The Bears out-rebounded the Longhorns 35-27. It was just the fifth time all season that UT was out-rebounded.
- Baylor extended its consecutive 3-point field goal made games streak to 545. The Bears shot 5-16 3FG from long range.
- With 13 points tonight, Baylor's Curtis Jerrells passed Brian Skinner (1,702) for third on the school's all-time scoring list. He is the fourth player in Baylor history to score more than 1,700 points in his career (1,713).
- Senior Kevin Rogers netted a game-high tying 20 points and grabbed five rebounds. It marks the second time Rogers has scored 20 or more points this season. In addition, Rogers extended his Baylor record for most career rebounds in Big 12 Championship play to 57.
- Guard Henry Dugat scored 17 points. It was the first time the senior has scored in double figures since Feb. 2 against Kansas (15 points). Dugat has scored 10 or more points 18 times this season.
- Texas senior A.J. Abrams netted a game-high-tying 20 points while shooting 4-10 from long distance. Abrams has scored 20-plus points 13 times this season. He ranks first in UT history in career 3-point field goals made (379) and attempted (955).
- Texas center Dexter Pittman was limited to just seven points on 3-of-5 shooting, seven rebounds and one block in 24 minutes. Pittman had scored in double figures in the previous five contests and over the last two contests averaged 22.5 points, 15 rebounds and 2.5 blocks in 31 minutes.