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TODAY

Calendar

Radiohead and Other Lives

Rock band Radiohead performs with special guest Other Lives as part of their U.S. 2012 tour. They will be performing at the Frank Erwin Center, for tickets contact the Frank Erwin center. Tickets are sold out and the show is 7:30-10:30p.m.

Screening of 'Girl Model'

The Center for Russian, Eastern European, and Eurasian Studies presents "Girl Model", a documentary about the modeling industry in Siberia and Tokyo. Screening will be at 7 p.m. in BUR 106.

Sanger Center job info session

The Sanger Center is among the largest student employers on campus. Attend the info session to learn more about employment for 2012. The session will be in JES A121A 5-6 p.m.

Today in history

In 1876

Today 29-year-old Alexander Graham Bell received a patent for his revolutionary invention, the telephone.

On the Web

In Sports:

Championship week sets stage for March Madness.
bit.ly/wUTakI

Quote to note

"In general, our female students tend to be harder on themselves and think they are not doing as well in classes. We have anecdotal evidence that they leave because they think they are doing worse than their male colleagues when it is actually the opposite."

— Tiffany Grady

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ENTERPRISE

College media sees transition to Web content

By Megan Strickland
Daily Texan Staff

With a March 19 budget deadline looming, The Daily Texan is operating on a six-figure projected deficit for a third year, joining college newspapers across the nation trying to find their place in a shrinking advertising market.

The Texas Student Media Board of Trustees, which oversees the Texan as well as KVRX, TSTV, the Texas Travesty and the Cactus Yearbook, will meet today to appoint an interim director who must oversee the setting of the budget over the next two weeks.

"Traditional print media have spent almost 400 years running solely on a revenue model dependent on advertising," said James Tidwell, chair of the Department of Journalism at Eastern Illinois University. "That model is broken. We're going to have to find a new one."

Advertising revenue at the Texan has fallen from $2,326,411 for the 2007-2008 fiscal year, to $1,352,632 for the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

Mark Morrison, lecturer in the School of Journalism and TSM board member, said the newspaper

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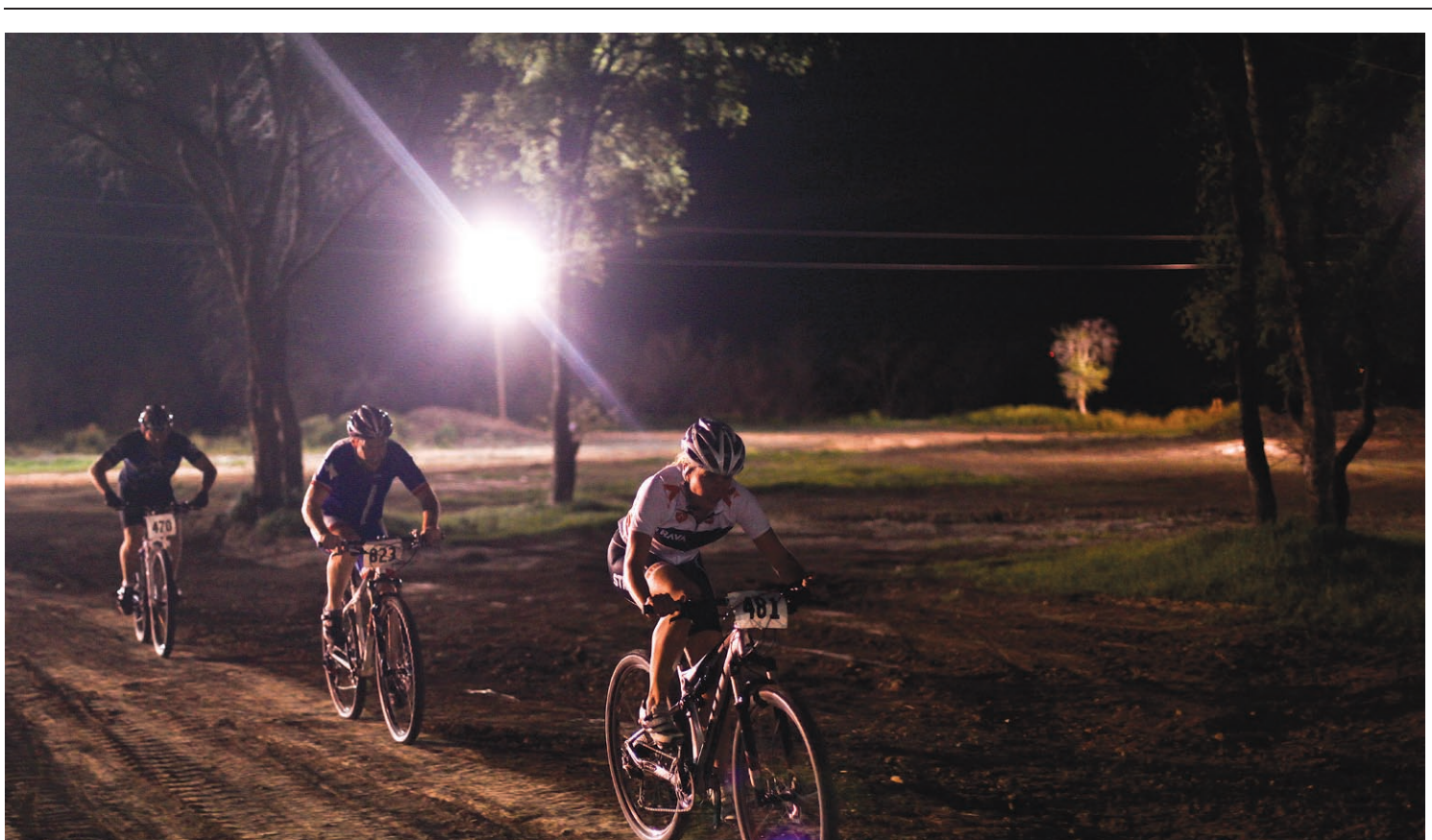

Thomas Allison | Daily Texan Staff

Nicole Marcoe (right), a mountain bike enthusiast visiting Texas from the San Francisco Bay Area, rides through a straight-away in the Peddler Dirt Derby Tuesday night.

Dirt Derby draws excitement

By Bobby Blanchard
Daily Texan Staff

With the hope of getting more beginners riding on Texas trails with their bikes, Central Texas Grassroots Cycling will be hosting four more bicycle races this spring.

The Peddler Dirt Derby, CTXGC's 2012 spring bike series, takes place Tuesday nights at the Del Valle Motorcross Park. The nonprofit organization CTXGC names the Dirt Derby series each year after its title sponsor. The Peddler, a bike shop in Austin, is this year's sponsor. The second in their series of six races was hosted Tuesday night, with about 40 racers participating.

CTXGC's president Ryan Albert said the organization's mission is to promote fitness through cycling while making it more accessible for those with a casual interest.

"We want it to be like backyard football," Albert said. "Most other sports you can just pick it up; go play with your buddies in the backyard or the park. We want to make more opportunities like that for people with cycling."

Albert said there are typically two different kinds of bicycling races: noncompetitive charity events, which can be expensive to get into and USA cycling events which are also costly and can intimidate a beginner. Albert said USA cycling events also require a license, which adds to the cost.

"Out here, you can come and try it for $5 with no license, no barrier to entry really — just show up with a bike," Albert said. "This is a good beginner level event for people who want to come out here and sample."

Albert said the reason their prices were comparatively low was because of the sponsorships they get.

"We typically sponsor with

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Chain stores more affected by bag ban ordinance

By Rachel Thompson
Daily Texan Staff

With the passage of a new city ordinance that will ban the use of disposable bags next year, some Austin grocers may have to alter parts of their stores in order to comply with the ban.

The ordinance was passed last week after several years of discussion over prohibiting paper and plastic bags and will go into effect in March 2013.

CVS manager Phil Wallace said the ban may present challenges for his store because of the integration of plastic bags in the checkout system.

"It looks like it could be an issue," Wallace said. "Our registers are set up with specific-sized plastic bag rack holders, so I'm not quite sure yet how all this is going to shape out."

While revising the physical layouts may be an inconvenience, Wallace said he believes the plastic bag ban is a positive step for customers to develop environmentally conscious habits.

"I think it's a good thing, and I think in Austin we'll see a favorable response to it in general," he said. "But there's still a lot of unknowns at this stage."

While the concept of reusable bags is relatively new to stores like CVS, Wheatsville Food Co-op has promoted the idea for a while now, said brand manager Raquel Dadomo.

"We have socially aware,

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Teenager breaks barriers in ovarian cancer research

By Jody Serrano
Daily Texan Staff

Seventeen-year-old Shree Bose can trace her passion for science back to her first science fair in fourth grade, when she suggested parents dye their vegetables blue to make them more appetizing.

Her interest in science has expanded since then and now Bose has been tackling a new issue — drug resistance in ovarian cancer patients.

Bose took part in the monthly Austin Forum on Science, Technology & Society sponsored by the UT Texas Advanced Computing Center Tuesday night and talked about her research with Alakananda Basu, a molecular biology and immunology professor at the University of North Texas. Bose said there is a lack of mentors available to high school students interested in science. She urged professors to open up their labs and give younger students a chance.

Bose said the opportunity to work in Basu's lab when she was only 15 years old helped her

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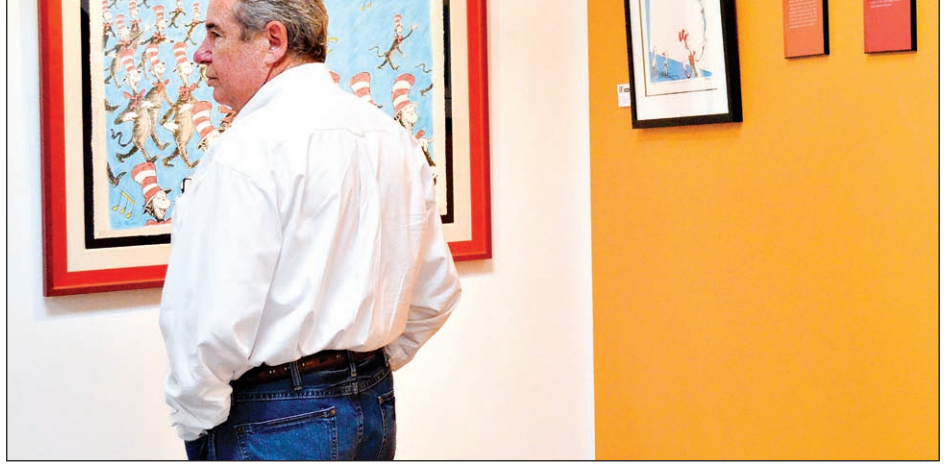
Zen Ren | Daily Texan Staff

Shree Bose, the Grand Prize winner of the inaugural Google Global Science Fair in the 17-to 18-year-old category, shared her research on ovarian cancer at the AT&T Education and Conference Center Tuesday.



Shea Carley
Daily Texan Staff

Thomas Burgess observes the original works of Dr. Seuss Tuesday afternoon at ART on 5th, the largest contemporary gallery in Austin.

Local exhibits feature 'The Lorax'

By Alexa Ura
Daily Texan Staff

Austin has been the home of Dr. Seuss' "The Lorax" since the 1970s, and two local exhibits are celebrating the historical connection this month.

ART on 5th is hosting the largest Dr. Seuss gallery exhibition in the country and features a collection of Dr. Seuss' "The Lorax" drawings that launched March 2. The exhibition is a retrospective look at the life and art of Theodor Geisel, otherwise known as Dr. Seuss, said Joe Sigel, owner of ART on 5th.

"Our permanent gallery goes through all the aspects of Geisel's career," he said. "This month we are highlighting 'The Lorax' which is one of the major parts of his art and his books."

ART on 5th is the largest contemporary art gallery in Austin. It is the home to multiple collections of "The Secret Art of Dr. Seuss" that have been permanently on display at the gallery for 15 years.

The 40,000 square foot exhibition also includes 40 historical panels about Dr. Seuss and his career in children's literature and art.

The original drawings of "The Lorax" were donated to the Lyndon B. Johnson Library & Museum after Liz Carpenter, press secretary of President Lyndon B. Johnson, met Geisel at a benefit dinner in 1970.

Carpenter suggested that President Johnson should ask Geisel for the artwork of the environmentally friendly book that matched Lady Bird Johnson's efforts to beautify America in the '60s.

When Geisel was handed a phone with LBJ on the other line, the former president simply thanked Geisel for his donation to his presidential library.

"That's the way LBJ did politics," Sigel said. "And that's why

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discover a passion for learning and research. She said many kids often lose focus of the things they are capable of as they go through middle and high school.

"High school and middle school students need mentors," Bose said. "Where else are we going to learn? It's where we all get started, and we were all little kids once."

Bose won the grand prize at the Google Science Fair in 2011 for discovering a link between cisplatin, a chemotherapy drug used to treat ovarian cancer, and the AMPK protein.

One of the main problems with cisplatin is the development of tolerance in cancer cells to the drug over time that reduces its effect. While working in Basu's lab, Bose found that by blocking this protein, a cancer cell was more likely to respond to cisplatin.

Basu said she accepted Bose into her lab partly because of her past experiences in mentoring and her belief that mentors can make an impact on young people.

She said engaging young individuals in science requires building a bridge between high schools and research facilities, hands-on experience and teamwork.

"High school science is very different than lab science," Basu said. "You have to make a bridge between the students and the lab, then let them do it."

Rosalia Arellano, Texas Advanced Computing Center external relations coordinator, said the center strives to get the word out on the importance of outreach efforts for students in grades K-12. She said many efforts, including the Austin Forum, speak to the need for diversity in science, technology, engineering and math fields.

Julie Shannan, deputy director of the science outreach program, said the Girlstart educational program was proud a female won the Google Science Fair because it brings awareness to the potential that girls have in science fields.

"This opens the doors for girls to have mentors," Shannan said. "For women in STEM careers to give back and engage girls in STEM."

Bose has recently been accepted to Harvard University, but has not made a decision on where she wants to attend school. She said she plans to major in cellular and molecular biology and that her experience working in a research lab makes her feel more prepared for college. She said her advice to all students is to never give up.

"I've had so many points along the way where it would be so much easier to go another way, to not email 20 professors and get rejected by all of them," Bose said. "But I chose to do this."

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partners we believe in, and we try to find sponsors that have a little bit of a coolness factor or a local favor," Albert said.

Tom Mahnke, a local real-estate agent, is one of the current sponsors. He joined in the races Tuesday evening and said the event had a friendly atmosphere.

"Everybody is very friendly and it is just a great way to hang out with friends on Tuesday night," Mahnke said.

Jacob Dodson, 2010 UT alumnus and CTXGC board member, said he joined the program during its fall series of 2008 when he was still a student. He said children can always race for free and the group hosts events like 'Ladies' Night,' when women can race for free.

"We are a nonprofit, so we are not out there for making gobs of cash," Dodson said. "We are just out there to provide a good night of racing and promote fitness through cycling."

The Dirt Derby started in 2006 as a for-profit business that hosted races. Albert changed the races into nonprofit events in 2008, which he said helped in several ways.

"I shifted the flavor to what it really is and that made it easier to get sponsorships and volunteers," Albert said.

Albert said they have gotten a lot of UT students as participants in the past, mostly in the fall.

"We've had a lot that have just come spectate," Albert said. "They don't know if they want to do it, they just come out here and hang out and drink a beer with us, and that's cool. We don't charge for spectators."

However, Albert said they could always use more students in attendance.

"I think we're missing the boat on UT students," Albert said. "I think we could get a lot more."

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environmentally conscious customers who are already in this mindset to begin with, so it's not too huge of a leap," Dadomo said. "I think it's going to be a big deal for other retailers, but not so much for us."

Wheatsville also has a system that rewards customers for bringing their own reusable bags, Dadomo said. Each customer who brings a reusable bag receives a nickel which can go toward their purchase or toward a nonprofit organization the store is sponsoring that particular month, she said.

This reward system encourages shoppers to use recyclable bags, she said, and the donation program raised around $1,000 last year. Wheatsville's policy helps customers give back to the community and also reflects the store's environmentally conscious ideals, she said.

"It's more about a sustainability measure for us," she said. "We try to make sure that we're really accessible. For us, it's an overall measure to take care of the planet."

Dadomo said Wheatsville customers are also in support of the bag ban. The store has conducted surveys through its Facebook and Twitter pages to gauge how the community is feeling about the bag ban, and the store has received much positive feedback about it, she said.

"Our customers are saying it's about time," she said. "People seem to embrace it."

Advertising freshman Jennie Lee Gruber, a frequent Wheatsville shopper, said she sees reusable bags as a good habit and not as an inconvenience.

"I'm a big recycling person, so it's part of my routine to always take a bag," she said. "I think that once you get in the habit, it's just like taking your wallet."

Gruber also said recyclable bags are an easy-to-use container for college students who don't have as many groceries or a whole family to support.

"I really think it's more convenient because it makes you shop for what can fit in our bag, and for a college kid, you only need one," she said. "I think it would be harder on moms shopping for their whole family."

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must develop its Web presence to stay relevant.

"The audience is moving very quickly to emphasizing online media and social media," Morrison said. "This is the same challenge media is facing nationally. We're behind where we need to be not because of what's happened in the last couple of days or last couple of months, but because we have been slow to adopt the multimedia platform overall."

In 2011, the Texan launched its new website but has been without a multimedia adviser for five months after the six-month employment of Jennifer Rubin ended in October.

Web advertising revenue for the paper fell to $52,363 last fiscal year from $67,108 for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.

In contrast to the Texan, Web advertising sales have almost tripled since fall 2011 for the University of Georgia's independent student newspaper, The Red and Black, said faculty sponsor Harry Montevideo. The paper had previously been published daily, but decided to drop to a weekly print production and publish online content daily.

While Montevideo said it is too early to say exactly how much revenue will be made this year, he said he expects the publication to remain profitable and retain 75 percent of last year's total revenue, despite a 30-35 percent decline in national advertising.

"We're expecting to generate 95 percent of the local advertising revenue [The Red and Black] brought in last year," Montevideo said.

As The Red and Black has moved away from daily print, The Daily Tar Heel at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has emphasized the importance of maintaining a profitable print product while incorporating the Web platform, said general manager Kevin Schwartz.

The publication has worked for the past five years to develop multimedia facets including an online housing search and a dining guide on the newspaper's website. Every advertiser can reach the Tar Heel's audience through a print, Web or mobile app, Schwartz said. In addition, the paper has partnered with vendors to employ student staffers that create mobile apps for retail chains and manage social media for private companies.

Even with the development of online advertising, Schwartz said Web-based revenue cannot replace the printed newspaper. All of the Web revenue for The Daily Tar Heel totals approximately $150,000 annually while revenue from the print product totals $1.3 million, he said.

The printed newspaper is essential to The Daily Tar Heel's success and making a fast transition to an all-digital platform is not a viable option for the newspapers, Schwartz said.

"You cannot flick a switch and convert the print product into digital streams to monetize," he said.

Schwartz said maintaining a print product and developing Web advertising takes something the Texan does not currently have — leadership. The Texan has had three directors in the past three years, the same number of years since the paper posted a profit. It's not so much a declining market base, but this lack of leadership that has likely affected the Texan's ability to remain profitable, he said.

"There's no reason The Daily Texan should have a deficit," Schwartz said. "The Daily Texan, if properly run, will be just fine. You are sitting on a market of 600,000 people in one of the liveliest and most vibrant downtowns in America. The advertising potential is there."

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I really don't mind vomit. I find it interesting.

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'The Lorax' lives in Austin."

The LBJ Library & Museum is also displaying Dr. Seuss' work this month. The museum has 10 of the 80 original "The Lorax" drawings on exhibit.

"President Johnson and Lady Bird were very dedicated to preserving the environment, conservation of energy and protecting the wild lands of America," said Anne Wheeler, spokesperson for the library and museum. "The message in the book 'The Lorax' is to urge everyone that one person and one seed can help improve the environment."

Both art exhibits were timed to coincide with the March 2 release of the film adaptation of "The Lorax."

William Dreyer, curator of "The Art of Dr. Seuss" collection, said the collection at ART on 5th is a series of reproductions of Geisel's originals that were created after his wife Audrey Geisel decided to replicate his work for private collections and public exhibitions.

"This is a way for people to become aware of Geisel's artistic legacy," he said. "Austin is the home 'The Lorax,' and it's important to tell the story locally."

Dreyer said Geisel's message was intended to fight pollution and greed by promoting personal and corporate responsibility in maintaining the environment.

"He was one of the forerunners in pushing the concept and idea of personal responsibility in terms of natural resources," he said. "The book has been teaching this message to children since the early 1980s and now it is being delivered through a movie."

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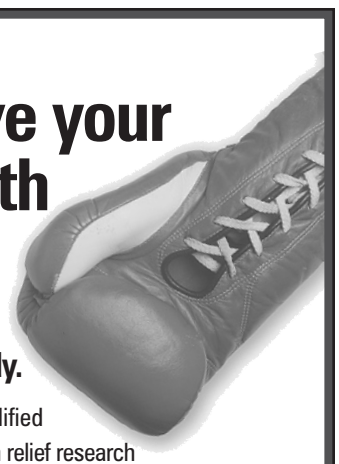

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NEWS BRIEFLY

Truck driver strike has Brazilians lining up at empty gas stations

SAO PAULO — Sao Paulo's 2,000 gas stations are rapidly running out of fuel as a strike by truck drivers who haul gas in South America's largest city entered a second day Tuesday, according to business representatives.

Truckers are protesting the city government's attempt to restrict where big trucks can drive in a metropolis infamous for streets that are congested at all hours.

Local media reported drivers were forming lines at some gas stations, but in central Sao Paulo there were none to be seen: it appeared most stations had run out of gas so there was nothing to line up for.

The vice president of the Sao Paulo Truck Drivers Union Claudinei Pelegrini said all 800 of the city's tanker truck drivers joined the strike.

Fuel deliveries for all emergency services are guaranteed by the union, Pelegrini said.

"The strike does not affect deliveries to airports, hospitals and police and fire stations," he said.

After Anonymous-LulzSec split, some leading hackers arrested

NEW YORK — Top members of the computer hacking group LulzSec have been arrested and will face charges in New York, a law enforcement official said Tuesday.

Five people with the group were either under arrest or being sought, the official said. The details of the allegations weren't immediately available, but were expected to be made public in court documents being unsealed Tuesday morning.

The group also goes by the full name Lulz Security. Hackers associated with the group have claimed to be responsible for a variety of cyber attacks on big companies, law enforcement and government agencies.

LulzSec is a spin-off of the loosely organized hacking collective Anonymous. Its members attained notoriety last May by hacking *PBS.org* and posting a story claiming that Tupac Shakur was alive and living in New Zealand.

US, China finalize agreements to bring food aid to North Korea

BEIJING — U.S. envoys are finalizing arrangements for the first U.S. government food aid shipment to impoverished North Korea in three years.

Special envoy Robert King and senior aid official Jon Brause said talks Wednesday would aim to ensure proper procedures and safeguards are in place to make sure that nutritional aid for about 1 million North Koreans gets to those who need it most. The program is focusing on vulnerable groups such as children, pregnant women, nursing mothers and the elderly.

An agreement was reached last week for a resumption of shipments in exchange for North Korea agreeing to freeze nuclear activities and allow the return of U.N. nuclear inspectors.

The last handouts ended abruptly in 2009 when North Korea expelled U.S. food monitors.

Houston financier sentenced to 20 years for Ponzi scheme

HOUSTON — Texas tycoon R. Allen Stanford spent more than 20 years charming investors, who handed him billions of dollars they had spent their lives accumulating.

Stanford promised them safe investments, all the while, he was pulling their money out of his Caribbean bank to pay for a string of failed businesses and a jet-setting lifestyle.

Stanford, once considered one of the wealthiest people in the U.S., with a financial empire that spanned the Americas, was convicted Tuesday on charges he bilked investors out of more than $7 billion.

Prosecutors said his business acumen was nothing more than an old-fashioned Ponzi scheme, and jurors convicted him on 13 of 14 charges, including conspiracy, wire and mail fraud. The most serious charges against Stanford carry up to 20 years in prison, and if Hittner ordered him to serve his sentences consecutively, the 61-year-old could spend the rest of his life behind bars.

—Compiled from Associated Press reports

Romney, Santorum split Super Tuesday victories

Georgia	25%	20%	6%	**48%**
Vermont	**41%**	23%	25%	8%
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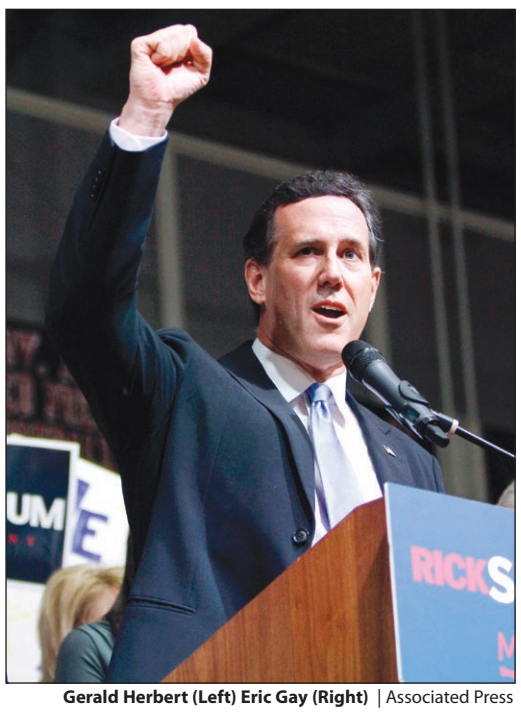

Gerald Herbert (Left) Eric Gay (Right) | Associated Press

Republican presidential candidates Mitt Romney and Rick Santorum shared victories in yesterday's Super Tuesday contests, dueling in Ohio with a virtual tie of 37% each. No Republican has ever won the White House without securing a victory in Ohio.

By David Espo
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Rick Santorum and Mitt Romney split six states and dueled in an almost impossibly close race in Ohio on a Super Tuesday that stretched from one end of the country to the other in the most turbulent Republican presidential race in a generation.

A resurgent Santorum broke through in primaries in Oklahoma and Tennessee and in the North Dakota caucuses, raising fresh doubts about Romney's ability to corral the votes of conservatives in some of the most Republican states in the country.

Romney had a home-state win in Massachusetts to go with victories in Vermont and in Virginia, where neither Santorum nor Newt Gingrich qualified for the ballot. He also led in early Idaho caucus returns and padded his lead for delegates to the Republican National Convention.

On the busiest night of the campaign season, Ohio was the marquee matchup, a second industrial state showdown in as many weeks between Romney and Santorum. It drew the most campaigning and television advertisements of all 10 Super Tuesday contests and for good reason— no Republican has ever won the White House without carrying the state in the fall.

After trailing for much of the night, Romney forged ahead in a count that stretched toward midnight. With votes tallied in 91 percent of the state's precincts, he led by about 5,000 votes out of 1.1 million cast.

Gingrich had a victory in his column — his first win in more than six weeks. The former House speaker triumphed at home in Georgia, but a barrage of attack ads by a super PAC supporting Romney helped hold him below 50 percent and forced him to share the delegates.

Texas Rep. Ron Paul pinned his hopes on Idaho and Alaska as he scratched for his first victory of the campaign season. As of print deadline, results in Alaska had not been called.

Whatever the outcome in Ohio, Romney was on track to pad his lead in the hunt for delegates to the Republican National Convention. Not surprisingly, given his mixed night, he focused on the delegate chase.

Yet Santorum's multiple victories, coupled with Gingrich's win, provided fresh evidence that Romney's conservative rivals retain the ability to outpoll him in certain parts of the country despite his huge organizational and financial advantages.

In Ohio, Romney's campaign purchased about $1.5 million for television advertisements, and Restore Our Future spent $2.3 million. Santorum and Red, White and Blue, a super PAC that supports him, countered with about $1 million combined, a disadvantage of nearly four to one.

While the day boasted more primaries and caucuses than any other in 2012, it was a shadow of Super Tuesday in 2008, when there were 20 Republican contests.

There was another big difference, a trend away from winner-take-all contests to a system of allocating delegates in rough proportion to a candidate's share of the popular vote.

Sen. John McCain won eight states on Super Tuesday in 2008 and lost 12 to Romney and Mike Huckabee combined. But six of McCain's victories were winner-take-all primaries, allowing him to build an insurmountable delegate lead that all but sealed his nomination.

Eastern Libya splits from government

By Rami Al-Shaheibi
The Associated Press

BENGHAZI, Libya — Tribal leaders and militia commanders declared oil-rich eastern Libya a semiautonomous state on Tuesday, a unilateral move that the interim head of state called a "dangerous" conspiracy by Arab nations to tear the country apart six months after the fall of Moammar Gadhafi.

Thousands of representatives of major tribes, militia commanders and politicians made the declaration at a conference in the main eastern city of Benghazi, insisting it was not intended to divide the country. They said they want their region to remain part of a united Libya, but needed to do this to stop decades of discrimination against the east.

The conference declared that the eastern state, known as Barqa, would have its own parliament, police force, courts and capital — Benghazi, the country's second largest city — to run its own affairs. Foreign policy, the national army and oil resources would be left to the central government in the capital Tripoli in western Libya. Barqa would cover nearly half the country, from the center to the Egyptian border in the east and down to the borders with Chad and Sudan in the south.

Mustafa Abdul-Jalil, head of the Tripoli-based interim central government known as the National Transitional Council, warned the declaration "leads to danger" of eventually breaking up the North African nation of 6 million. But he also said it was to be expected, because the east played a pivotal role in ending Gadhafi's rule.

The interim leader has not in the past blamed any Arab nation for meddling, while praising Gulf nations like Qatar, which was supportive of the rebels fighting Gadhafi.

Abdul-Jalil appealed to Libyans for patience and resolve in the face of the country's mounting problems.

Fadl-Allah Haroun, a senior tribal figure and militia commander, said the declaration aims for administrative independence, not separation.

"We are not talking about changing the flag or national anthem. We are talking about different administration, a parliament and managing the financial affairs," he said.

The east was the cradle of last year's uprising and civil war that ousted Gadhafi. In the early days of the revolt, the entire east came under opposition control and remained that way until Gadhafi fell in August. The eastern rebels set up the National Transitional Council, originally in Benghazi, which then moved to Tripoli and became the central government.

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Libyan men, one waving a pre-Gadhafi flag, attend a funeral in Benghazi, Libya on Monday for victims buried in a mass grave.

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VIEWPOINT

The Longhorn Not-work

The half-year birthday for the network that was supposed to change all networks came and went without the celebration many had anticipated back in August.

At that time, the biggest concern on the campus was whether Matthew McConaughey was comparing Longhorn culture to "pride and heat" or "dried meat" — both legitimate claims — in his iconic network-launching promo.

Instead, UT head athletic directors DeLoss Dodds and Chris Plonsky felt compelled to release a joint statement last month. In it, they said that the attention to the lack of distributors willing to pick up the network is "[overshadowing] the network's many positive aspects and impact."

They also tote ESPN's track record of launching seven other networks, which — though meant to be assuring — at least chronologically leaves open the possibility for a failed Longhorn Network to be turned into ESPN 8, "The Ocho."

Additionally, UT athletics released an updated fact sheet on Monday reminding curious wanderers about the six student internships and six endowed faculty chairs the network made possible and that all costs fall on the shoulders of ESPN. A link to the fact sheet is even featured on the UT System's website.

Despite the groundbreaking and transformative aura attached to a network dedicated to a single school, The Longhorn Network's early developmental struggles lie in a timeless reality: No matter the fans, stadiums or courts, you have to win in the big sports.

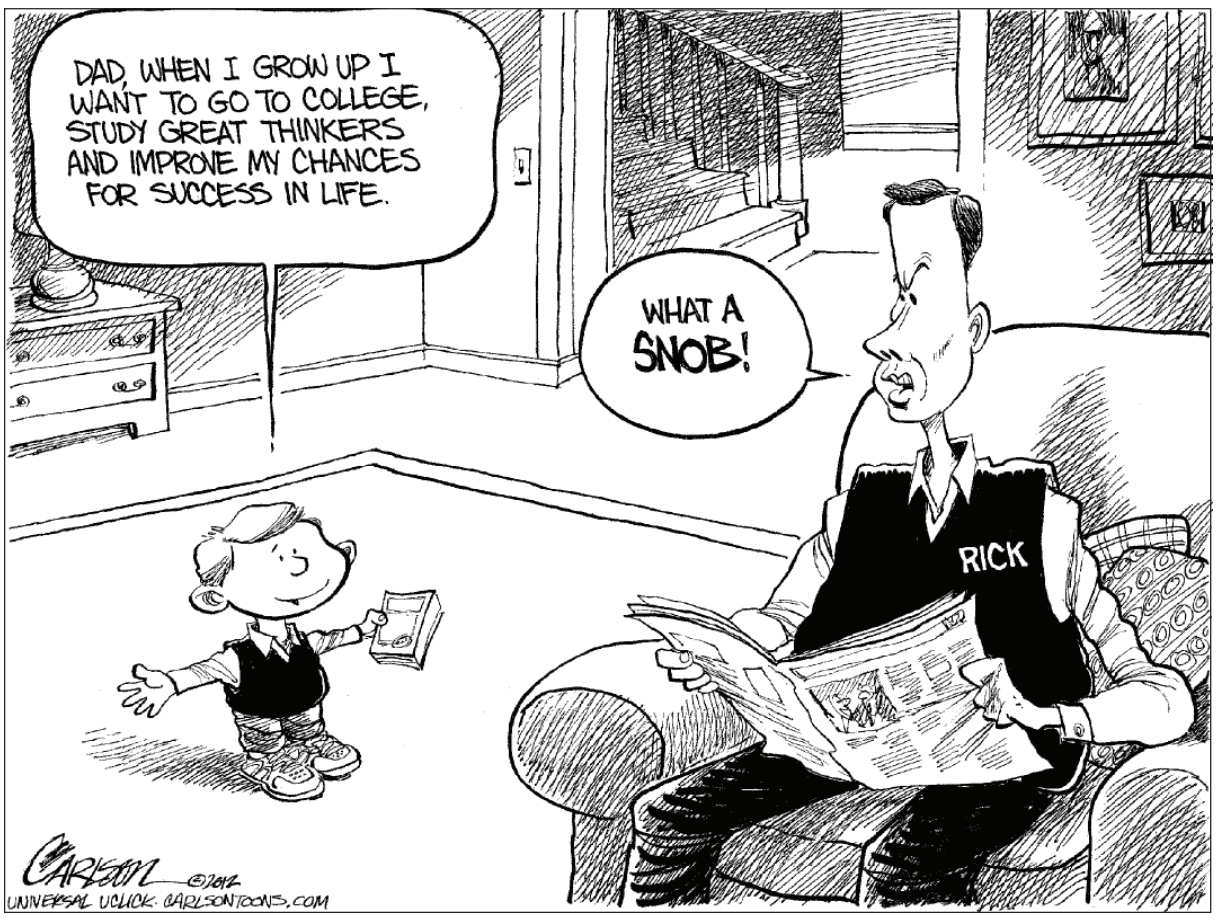
And for UT, a 7-5 football team and two basketball teams with outside shots at making their respective NCAA Tournaments simply do not make the cut. Even with the exposure of a surfeit of under-appreciated sports such as volleyball, baseball, softball and swimming, the real value drivers remain fixed.

Implementing a new network, like a new business or new university program, comes with its growing pains and challenges. After all, the UT-ESPN partnership is a two-decade experiment, and no stakeholder seems outwardly panicked or distraught.

But when the network launched six months ago, it was near the center of a heightening, nationwide conversation that called the educational and moral foundations of college athletics into question. The public began to criticize the men and women in high places who are reaping unparalleled sums off the backs of unpaid student-athletes.

The network itself may not be doing well, but the University, the coaches and the administrators are still reaping the financial benefits of the deal. Meanwhile, student-athletes are operating in an environment of higher stakes but are still not getting compensated for it.

Dodds and Plonsky are right: All the attention given to television distributors steering clear of Bevo is overshadowing the real impact of the network. But the impact is not something they want to be dealing with.



Forging unique paths to philanthropy

By Heba Dafashy
Daily Texan Columnist

We all have a purpose. Whether it is to discover the cure for cancer or to teach a high school class, everyone was created to make a difference. Oftentimes, we underestimate the difference that we, as students, could be making.

In a recent column, New York Times columnist Nicholas Kristof describes his travels to the Nuba Mountains in Sudan where he met Ryan Boyette. The mountains are the tragic location of the Sudanese government's recent attempt to exterminate the Nuban people.

The Sudanese government, under the leadership of President Omar Hassan al-Bashir, has prevented information on the situation from leaving the area and has also prevented humanitarian relief from entering the area. Last June, aid workers were forced to flee the nation for their own safety. However, Boyette chose to stay in the turmoil.

Boyette, now 30 years old, was 21 years old when he first chose to put his career path on hold, move to the Nuban Mountains and work for an aid group. As the years went by, he fell in love with the Nuban people. He later met and fell in love with his wife, a local Nuban woman. As the violence last June forced many humanitarian workers out of the nation, Boyette was told to flee. With a brave and honorable heart, Boyette chose to remain in the Nuba Mountains armed only with his camera, which he uses to document the human rights atrocities that occur around him.

At 21 years old, Boyette made the decision to leave everything he had ever known to go out and make a difference somewhere. Here at UT, students learn subjects and receive degrees to ultimately make a difference in the world. However, is our idea of "making a difference" limited to certain criteria within our comfort zones?

The University encourages students to see needs around them and create programs or campaigns to solve them. We organize Longhorn Runs, fundraising campaigns and toy drives. These initiatives make great contributions, but in a way they actually encourage the idea of staying within comfort zones while helping others.

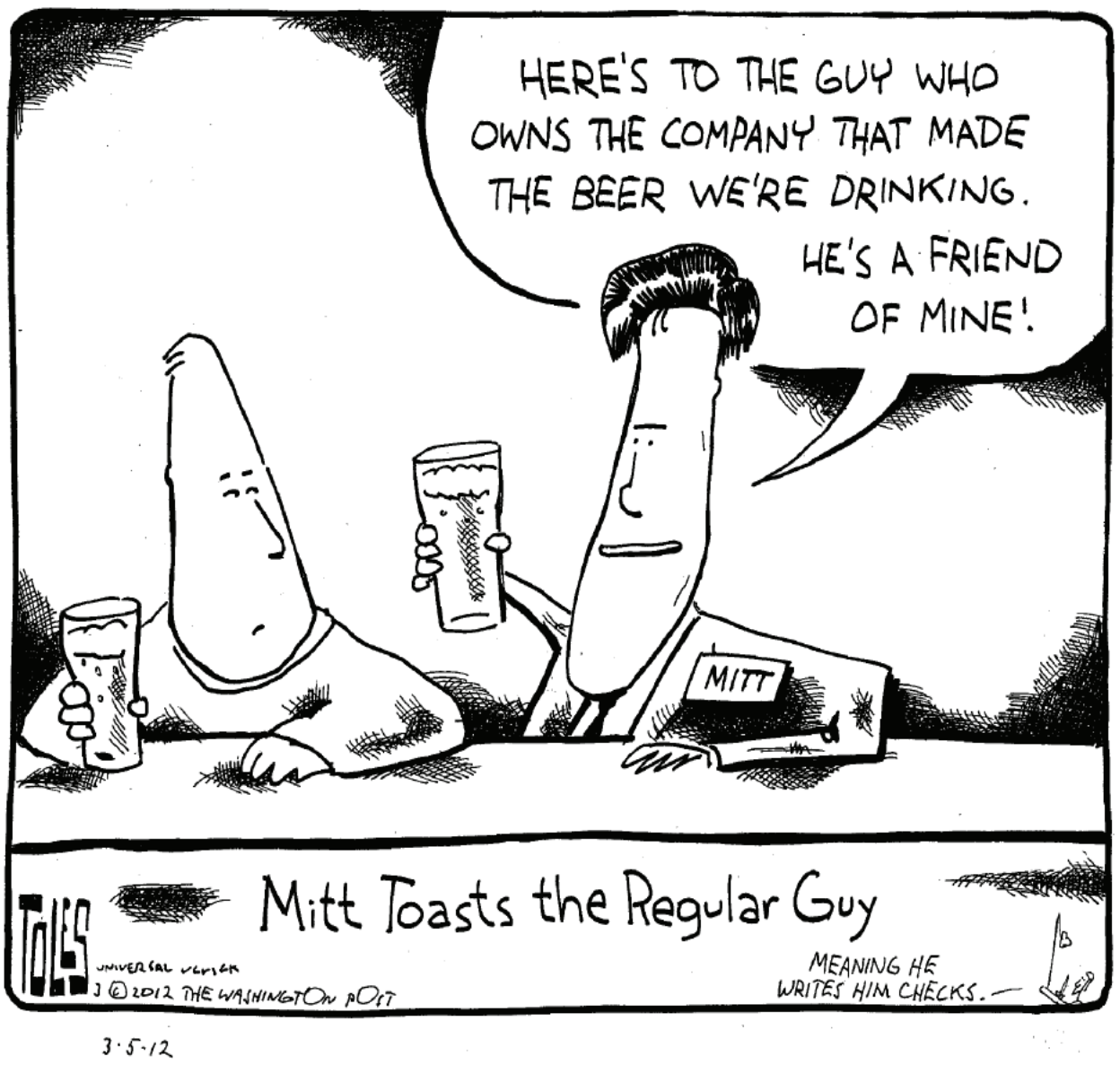
The University breeds students to follow a specific path to make a difference. This path may be through medicine or the arts or even law. However, students do not seem to consider ways they can change the world other than these well-trodden paths.

But what can the University do to promote a nontraditional way of thinking when it comes to philanthropy? One thing it can do is to connect students with stories such as Boyette's to promote a other ways of thinking. Professors need to share stories of inspiration in their lectures to encourage this style of thinking.

One model for this kind of classroom inspiration can be found at Harvard University, where an undergraduate engineering class group project inspired four students to develop the "sOccket", a soccer ball that collects and stores energy with every kick or throw of the ball. This unique invention now brings electricity to many parts of the globe. UT classrooms also need to challenge students to connect their disciplines with the world around them in new and innovative ways.

Boyette's story is truly inspirational. Whatever our purposes may be, avoiding predetermined paths in favor of forging our own would better equip us to fulfill them.

Dafashy is a Plan II senior.



Shelling the stigma of a science education

By Stephanie Taylor
Daily Texan Guest Columnist

"What do you do?" A woman was making conversation with me as we waited in a line.

"I am pursuing my Ph.D. in biochemistry," I said, responding as I normally do to this common question. The woman's eyes grew large. She laughed and replied, "I could never do that!"

She meant her words as a compliment, but they just sadden me. Never. She could never do science.

Why does she think science is so out of reach? Why do I now feel obligated to talk about shoes or the weather? And how many of you did I lose after the word "biochemistry?"

What is it about science that makes some people automatically turn their brains off? Somewhere in that high school chemistry class, some people decided that they were not smart enough — untrue — or good enough — never true — to get it, so they quit trying. They went back to memorizing whatever they could to get through the class and pass. But the concepts they glossed over are ones that everyone can grasp. It often just takes another explanation, a different viewpoint or one more analogy to drive the point home.

And that is why we graduate students get frustrated. It's not about memorizing which formula goes with which situation. If you stop and think it through, you can memorize less, think more and learn more. I admit, this can take more effort. Understanding requires more than memorizing.

Watching the light go out and the apathy roll in is the hard part. The mere mention of my field seems to throw up a brick wall between my audience and me. Ask me what I do, and I am proud to tell you. As a representative of my field, it is my duty to give an answer simple enough to understand. It is my job to communicate.

Then there is my favorite way to see science in action: through food. If you have not seen a YouTube video or better, a live demonstration of the Diet Coke and Mentos reaction, you are missing out. You do not need to know why it is Diet Coke and Mentos instead of Sprite and Skittles, but thanks to MythBusters, you can discover this for yourself.

I hate it when people assume that biochemistry is out of their reach. If you have cooked an egg, you have seen biochemistry in action. Ever thought about why the egg starts out runny and then, with heat, becomes firm? Inside the egg are proteins, rolling around each other like balls of yarn. As you heat the egg, those balls begin to unravel. Then, once unraveled, the proteins/balls of yarn tangle around one another and form a solid mass. They cannot roll around anymore, and you have a solid breakfast.

It is the simple things in science we see every day that excite me. Yes, new technology is sleek and sexy, but the principles that describe our world have been around a long time, and they are not difficult to learn. You just have to be willing to try.

Taylor is a biochemistry graduate student.

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APD to install two security cameras on Fourth Street

By Sarah White
Daily Texan Staff

The Austin Police Department plans to place two new security cameras downtown, increasing the number of cameras in the area to 29, said Lt. Patrick Cochran.

The two cameras will be placed on Fourth Street near the road's intersection with Sabine Street and Trinity Street, Cochran said. APD officials have been monitoring the cameras since they were first put up in September and all gathered film is stored.

"The program is called HALO, which stands for High Activity Location Observation and it is based off of the Denver system," Cochran said. "Basically, it is a surveillance camera system. It is overt, not covert, which means that all of the cameras are in the open and visible to citizens."

Cochran said the two new cameras are part of an initiative to give APD representatives access to more surveillance cameras.

"The city has cameras at almost every intersection, and we are looking at bringing them into our system," Cochran said.

He said HALO was funded in part by a Justice Assistance Grant from the federal government and by a $250,000 contribution from the Downtown Austin Alliance.

"The only part of HALO's expenses which comes from APD's budget is staffing," Cochran said. "We have nine officers on staff responsible for monitoring the cameras 24/7."

Cochran said funding HALO costs APD less than $900,000 per year.

Bill Brice, director for security and maintenance of the Downtown Austin Alliance, said the original Justice Assistance Grant would only allow APD representatives to place three surveillance cameras downtown. He said the extra funds contributed by the alliance allowed department officials to erect 24 additional cameras.

"We think these cameras are especially important because they will leverage APD's resources and make officers more efficient," Brice said.

Representatives of the alliance began researching the benefits of placing cameras downtown in August of 2007, he said.

American studies senior Taylor Metting said she disagrees with the principle behind the security cameras.

"Instead of being out to protect us, it creates this mentality that we are all threats and need to be monitored all the time," Metting said.

She said she thinks putting more surveillance cameras downtown seems like a good idea on paper but will not be effective and will only result in a breach of privacy.

"I do not feel safe downtown considering I've had two friends assaulted by APD and I know over 10 people arrested downtown for filming cops," Taylor said. "The cops can watch us but we can't watch them. It's a form of doublethink."

> *These cameras are important because they will leverage resources and make officers more efficient.*
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> *— Bill Brice, director of security*

Maria Arrellaga | Daily Texan Staff

Lisa Lippe, a computer science junior, works on a project for her Intro to Operating Systems class Tuesday afternoon. The number of women pursuing degrees in computer science has declined in the past two decades as society's perceptions of computer professionals has shifted.

UT faculty explores gender swap in computer sciences

By Alexa Ura
Daily Texan Staff

America's perception of computer scientists has shifted from the 1960s computer girl to the modern IT guy because of a masculinization of the industry and sexist advertising content, said Nathan Ensmenger, assistant professor of information.

Ensmenger spoke on Tuesday about the history of the declining number of women in computer science. He said his research showed that the qualifications of a computer programmer have been skewed to match male characteristics.

"Women were the first computer programmers but were slowly ousted from their position as the sociological aspects of computer science moved toward a male-dominated environment in the late '80s," she said.

Even when compared to other male-dominated fields, like engineering and physics, the number of women working in computing positions and pursuing computer science degrees has declined since the 1990s because of the perceptions about the industry provided to them through advertising and in society, Ensmenger said.

There is a culture of computer science that focuses on the narrative of a young, white adolescent learning to use a computer. Success in the industry is framed as being dependent on expertise when it is actually highly gendered, he said.

"The best way to address the problem is by addressing this culture and redefining what computer science is," Esmenger said. "We need to look at the culture of men's rights that is dismissive to addressing these issues."

Associate director of academics for the Department of Computer Science Tiffany Grady said there is a declining trend of women in the department at the University, but there is a greater need to retain female students past their first year.

Grady said female students often leave because of general reasons that affect students of both genders, including lack of preparation in high school. She also said the decline of women in the major is sometimes attributed to the fact that they feel alienated in classes.

"In general, our female students tend to be harder on themselves and think they are not doing as well in classes," she said. "We have anecdotal evidence that they leave because they think they are doing worse than their male colleagues when it is actually the opposite."

There are usually only two or three females in [a] computer science class, said Joanna Smith, computer science senior and president of Women in Computer Sciences.

Smith said the idea of a computer scientist is attached to men, but there is also an extreme stereotype of what women in the field look like.

"The first thing someone thinks about when they think of a computer scientist is a male," she said. "But the stereotypes of women in computer science usually fictionalize us as geeks or unfeminine women."

The under-representation of women in the field creates an advantage for female students in terms of scholarships, and the male-dominated classroom model encourages female students to do better in the end, Smith said.

"It turns into the idea of having a lot of brothers and wanting to prove that you can throw the ball harder," she said. "You want them to know that you are different, but that you are better."

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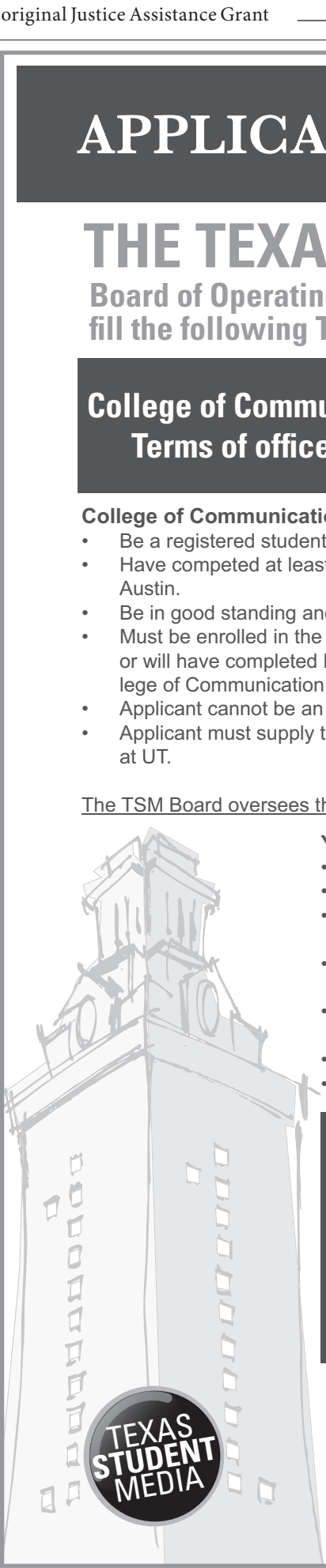

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TEXAS 8 — 0 TEXAS TECH

Texas begins Big 12 play with convincing win

By Sara Beth Purdy
Daily Texan Staff

Based on the outcome of the game, you would not know Big 12 conference play had begun.

The No. 6 Longhorns easily shut out Texas Tech with a final score of 8-0 in their Big 12 conference season opener on Tuesday night. Like many games earlier in the season, the Longhorns ended this contest early when sophomore Brejae Washington's RBI double brought junior designated player Taylor Hoagland home and the Texas point total to eight, inducing a run-rule.

The win against the Red Raiders brings the Longhorns to a record of 18-1 on the season and 1-0 in Big 12 conference play. The two conference foes will face each other again this afternoon at 4 p.m. for the second game of the two game series.

"We really did not talk about it," said Texas head coach Connie Clark about starting conference play against Texas Tech so early in the season. "We really just come out and focus on what we need to do regardless of who the opponent is or regardless if it is conference

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Nathan Goldsmith | Daily Texan Staff

Sophomore Brejae Washington tripled to right center in the sixth inning last night, allowing Taylor Hoagland to score. Washington has had a hit in each of the last six games. The Longhorns scored at least one run in each inning during their win over Texas Tech.

Craig improves, leads offensive surge

By Garrett Callahan
Daily Texan Staff

Senior Courtney Craig has stepped up to be one of strongest offensive attackers for the Longhorns as they continue to muscle their way through the season.

On Tuesday, Craig was flawless from the plate and knocked in a run. Craig, a native of California, was recently named the Big 12 Conference Player of the Week after she led the Longhorns to a 5-0 win last week. She batted .592 with a .941 slugging percentage. The outfielder tallied a double, two home runs, 10 RBI's and four stolen bases as Texas beat in-state rivals Texas State and Sam Houston State in the five games.

Over the weekend, Craig hit two home runs in Sunday's game against Sam Houston where the Longhorns took the 14-0 victory. Although it was one of her best games yet, it was no surprise to head coach Connie Clark.

"She has been like that from day one, since we've had her at Texas," Clark said. "Just a model of consistency, amazing player."

While that was Craig's second Big 12 honor in her career here at Texas, she is on track to have one of her best seasons yet. So far, she is batting .380 on the season with three home runs and 17 RBIs.

The versatile athlete is one of the key leaders on the No. 6 Texas team. Being one of the three senior captains, Craig is a great example for the younger players. She has always worked hard

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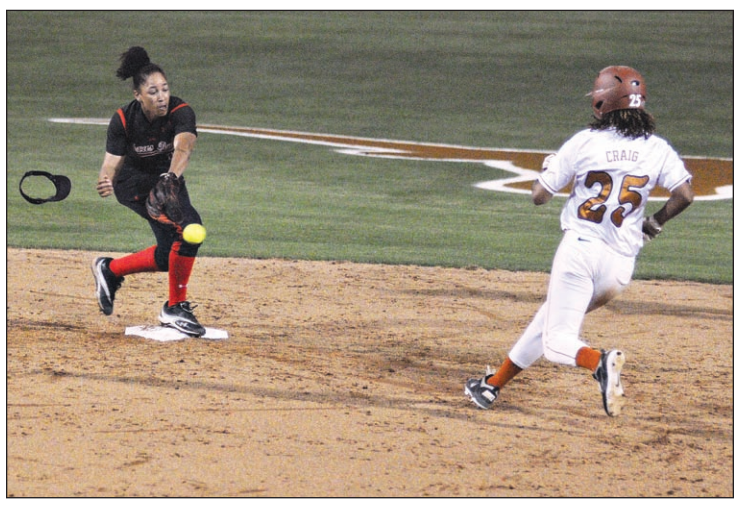

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Courtney Craig (25) was 2-2 with one RBI on Tuesday night. She has been a strong offensive threat for the Longhorns all season.

BASEBALL
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Pu Ying Huang | Daily Texan Staff

Senior outfielder Tim Maitland celebrates with teammates after hitting the game winning walk off single in the bottom of the 12th inning. The Longhorns had just three hits in the first 11 innings.

Horns find victory in extra innings

By Chris Hummer
Daily Texan Staff

Despite a stretch where 23 out of 24 Texas batters failed to reach base, the Longhorns managed to pull off a 2-1 win in 12 innings over Dallas Baptist.

It wasn't pretty, but for a team that has been struggling to get into the win column, they will take what they can get.

"Winning becomes so important when you're losing, and I don't care what anyone says; winning is mandatory," said head coach Augie Garrido. "You can teach so much better when you're winning because the players have confidence, and you can talk to them about what's going wrong. As a coaching staff, we have to be extremely positive during these periods of time; it's the only way out."

The bottom of the 12th started off very similarly to how the rest of the game had been going with a bloop single off the bat of designated hitter Alex Silver that just managed to fall between the second baseman, the shortstop and the center fielder.

From there, hustle and a dose of Texas' small ball eked out the win.

Freshman Taylor Stell came into the game to pinch run for Silver and immediately advanced to second base on a sacrifice bunt from Kirby Bellow. Senior Jordan Etier, who was 2-4 on the day, stepped into the box and was intentionally walked to set up the double play.

"That might be the first time he's ever been walked intentionally," said Garrido with a grin.

Then the top of the order came up and Mark Payton hit a slow grounder to the shortstop that looked like a sure double play, but Payton hustled up the line and beat the second baseman's throw to first to keep the inning alive. This brought Tim

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Defensive effort leads team to low scoring win at home

By Christian Corona
Daily Texan Staff

Last Tuesday, six different Texas pitchers combined to throw a three-hit shutout in one of the Longhorns' most dominating pitching performances of the season.

A week later, they nearly topped it. Once again, Texas sent out half a dozen hurlers and thanks to their efforts, two runs were enough to pick up a win. This time, the Longhorns (5-7) beat Dallas Baptist, 2-1, in a 12-inning pitcher's duel at UFCU Disch-Falk Field Tuesday evening.

Freshman Dillon Peters allowed a leadoff double in the first frame, going two innings and surrendering one run in his first career start. Then, sophomore Nathan Thornhill, junior Hoby Milner, freshman John Curtiss, freshman Parker French and sophomore Corey Knebel combined to throw 10 consecutive scoreless innings. While the Texas offense, which had 16 consecutive batters retired at one point, struggled to put runners on base, much less push them across the plate, the pitching staff was superb.

"The pitchers got back within themselves," said Longhorns head coach Augie Garrido. "They learned something from the weekend that was really valuable about how to pitch to the mitt and getting back into a groove and not worrying about the hitter."

After struggling to stifle opposing offenses in last weekend's Houston College Classic, where Texas allowed 20 runs in three

> *"[The pitchers] learned something from the weekend that was really valuable about how to pitch to the mitt and getting back into a groove and not worrying about the hitter."*
> — Augie Garrido, Head Coach

games, the Longhorns returned to their stingy selves. After RJ Talamantes' leadoff double to start the game, Texas allowed only two hits in the next 39 plate appearances by Dallas Baptist batters. In their last two Tuesday contests, the Longhorns have allowed only eight hits, half of them infield singles, and one run in 21 innings.

All three of the pitchers that began the season as weekend starters — Thornhill, Milner and Curtiss — set foot on the mound. Even Corey Knebel, the All-American closer who suffered from stiffness in his throwing arm last week, picked up his first win of the year by throwing a scoreless 12th inning.

"These Tuesday games when we throw the whole staff, I don't think anybody can beat us," said sophomore designated

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SPORTS BRIEFLY

Manning to be let go by Colts, news conference expected today

INDIANAPOLIS — The Peyton Manning era in Indianapolis is expected to end Wednesday, according to a report.

Citing anonymous sources, ESPN reported Tuesday that the Colts plan to hold a news conference to announce the long-expected decision. Manning is expected to attend.

Team owner Jim Irsay and Manning's agent, Tom Condon, did not immediately respond to messages left by The Associated Press.

Manning turns 36 later this month, and missed the entire 2011 season after a third neck surgery. Before that, he'd never missed a game in his 13 NFL seasons.

He is owed a $28 million bonus, and with the Colts holding the top draft pick, they apparently have decided it was too risky and pricey to keep the four-time league MVP.

— *The Associated Press*

Texas players earn Big 12 honors, guard Fussell named to first team

Four Texas women's basketball players were named to the Phillips 66 All-Big 12 teams. Sophomore guard Cassidy Fussell was named to the All-Big 12 First team and senior post Ashley Gayle was named to the All-Defensive team. Fussell is the sixth player in Texas history to be named on the first team and the first since 2007.

Fussell was the second leading scorer in the Big 12 this year with 17.1 points per game.

Gayle had 2.9 blocks per game — ranking second in the conference. She is ranked ninth in shots blocked in the NCAA. She had her 290th career block, which made her Texas' all-time leader in blocked shots.

Senior guards Yvonne Anderson and Ashleigh Fontenette were named to All-Big 12 Honorable Mention.

— *Lauren Giudice*

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Freshman left handed pitcher Parker French pitched four shutout innings, allowed two hits and had one strike out.

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hitter Alex Silver, whose bloop single to begin the 12th inning sparked the game-winning rally. "We have six or seven pitchers that are all on their 'A' game because they're only throwing one or two innings. They're one of the best pitching staffs in the country. I wouldn't want anybody else out there."

With four scoreless frames between the eighth and 11th innings, French lowered his ERA from 5.11 to 3.86 and kept Texas in the game during the most crucial stages of the contest. He only allowed two hits and didn't issue a walk on the night, churning out what might have been his best outing of the young season.

"Being in the back of the bullpen, I see all those zeros being put up by guys like Nathan, [Dillon Peters], Hoby and John, it makes you motivated to want to put up a zero, too," French said. "Coach [Garrido] is always telling us to live in every pitch and live in every moment. I think I took that philosophy to heart."

French's performance was a much-needed considering the troubles the Texas lineup was having producing runs. The Longhorns were walked twice before Tim Maitland was hit by a pitch — for the second time of the game and sixth time this year — with the bases loaded, forcing home their first run. Patriots starting pitcher Jordan Staples struggled getting the ball over the plate but Andrew Elkins threw 4 1/3 scoreless innings while Michael Smith tossed five perfect frames before allowing the game-winning run. All five of Texas' hits were singles, with Jordan Etier, who was intentionally walked in the decisive 12th inning, leading the way with two base hits.

"That might have been the first time he's ever been walked intentionally," Garrido said. "The left-handed kid [Elkins] was good. He was throwing strikes, he was getting his breaking ball over. He made it tough on us. Only Etier figured him out."

And it only took 12 innings for the Longhorns to figure out how to push enough runs across the plate.

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Maitland to the plate and he delivered, hitting a sharp grounder into the hole between short and third. The shortstop fielded the ball but couldn't get the ball to the first in time for the out, allowing Stell to score and end the marathon of a game.

The bats were quiet all day for both teams, with the only other runs scored in the game coming in the first inning for Dallas Baptist and the second inning for Texas.

However, Texas' defense and pitching shined, allowing the team to get away with a poor showing at the plate.

Texas used six pitchers for the second Tuesday outing in a row, and the group performed beautifully. As a staff, they combined to allow only five hits in 12 innings of work and never really allowed the Patriot hitters to get comfortable in the box.

But it was the defense that really carried the team with a solid, all-around errorless effort. This is only the second time all season the Longhorns didn't commit any errors in a game, and there were a couple of spectacular efforts made by infielders to save a hit here and there throughout the game.

"That's how were going to have to play to play consistently on defense," Garrido said. "That was probably our best performance defensively all year."

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or nonconference. I think it was certainly on the back of the players' minds, but we are not focusing on it."

The Texas offense had 12 hits on the night including a home run by sophomore first baseman Karina Scott. Senior outfielder Courtney Craig, who was named Big 12 Player of the Week for her performance against Sam Houston State University this past weekend, went 2-for-2 and had one RBI.

Five different Longhorns ended the night with at least two hits each. Along with Scott and Craig, junior left fielder Torie Schmidt went 2-3 on the night and had a team high two RBIs.

"It was a good team effort," Clark said. "I thought we made quick adjustments at the plate so I thought we looked very solid offensively ... They have applied things they have learned early in the season and that is what I am most excited about."

In the circle, junior All-American Blaire Luna pitched a solid six innings without giving up a run. Luna, along with battery mate sophomore catcher Mandy Ogle, gave up just three hits while fanning eight. Luna extended her season record to 8-0 and lowered her season ERA to 0.71, which is the team low.

Luna's success comes in spite of a minor nagging injury that occurred a few weeks ago to her arm.

"She is just getting better and better," Clark said of Luna. "She's been able to get some consistency in her workouts over the last week and I think that really showed up tonight. If she can stay healthy, she is as good as anyone in the country and we are lucky to have her."

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for the team and has been a key asset. Last season, she suffered a broken bone in her left hand on the first day of spring practice and was out until mid March. But, she came back with a great offensive strike finishing second on the team with a .382 batting average.

Craig has been working on offensive assaults and trying to get the team to focus on each at bat.

"As a team, we have been working on individual things," Craig said. "Personally, I've been working hard on getting my hands inside. I think I've just been seeing the ball great lately."

As Texas started conference play Tuesday night, she continued her great performance. Craig went 2-2 with an RBI as the Longhorns easily beat the Texas Tech Red Raiders 8-0. The 505 in attendance saw Craig get the Longhorns started as she knocked in the first run for them in the bottom of the first. This also increased her season-long hitting streak to six games where she is tied with teammates Brejae Washington and Taylor Hoagland.

While there is still a long way to go in the season, Craig is on her way to one of her best seasons yet here at Texas. While Big 12 play has started, the Big 12 Player of the Week is looking to continue the team's success and lead her team on another championship run.

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Hip hop duo G-Side will make their return to Austin during South By Southwest. The group was well-received when they performed at last year's Fun Fun Fun Fest.

other although you both have different styles of rhyming. Do you feel that contributes a lot to your growth as rappers?

Harris: There would be times when [Clova] would kill me, and I would have to go back and write a new verse. There's definitely competition, but it helps in making the music better.

DT: How was working with producer Block Beattaz on your latest release, iSLAND?

Harris: We've basically been working with Block Beattaz exclusively. I think on this one we had a little bit more fun. Sometimes the albums come across as being too serious, or us being bitter at the industry. This time I think we just tried to have fun with it. We know our fans are going to stick with us, and we're just trying to give them a high quality product.

DT: How do you feel you guys have improved since your earlier releases?

Clova: I've really been trying to just step it up. I'm trying to get more lyrical. You don't just want to say anything on the mic you know?

Harris: I've been trying to step my hook game up, just doing them myself instead of always depending on other people.

DT: You all performed at Fun Fun Fun Fest and the Pitchfork Music Festival this past year, and now you're performing at South By Southwest. Do you see these festivals as a challenge, considering the diverse selection of artists they offer?

Harris: That's kind of our lane; we're not so urban. We get love from Pitchfork and stuff like that. So it's not that we choose the festivals, but that these festivals chose us.

Clova: I think it has a lot to do with the beats too. We might take a Madonna sample, put some 808s in there and slow it down a little bit, and it'll be the same song that everybody listens to, but we do it in our own way.

G-SIDE AT SXSW

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her signature red lips that go with each outfit."

It makes sense that Placek notes Alexa Chung and Francoise Hardy as her style icons. Like Chung and Hardy, Placek's style can be described as vintage mixed with modern elements. She attempts to avoid looking like she is in costume by adding modern pieces that balance out her outfits.

Local style blogger Natalie Garza of Closet de Natalie is an avid reader of Placek's blog.

"I've been following Veronika since before I started blogging," Garza said. "I really admire her classic, timeless style and often try to recreate it with my own outfits. She combines great vintage finds, thrifted treasures and low-cost retail purchases for a totally unique look."

Not only does Placek have an interesting style, but she also gives her blog readers a bit of insight to her personal life, something not all style bloggers let their readers see. This allows her readers to get more of a sense of what Placek's personality is like.

So, when Placek is feeling bogged down with work or happy because of a recent vintage find, the readers feel as if they are a part of her daily journey. In April 2011, Placek left the corporate office and got a teaching job. She writes of the ups and downs of being a third grade teacher on a regular basis. Like her full-time job, style blogging has its own pros and cons.

"The only real negative about blogging is the time is takes up. I have a full time job outside of blogging and sometimes I get really swamped with all of the things I need to do," Placek said. "But I've absolutely loved meeting lots of awesome gals through blogging, and the constant inspiration that I get from such stylish ladies."

Placek will get a chance to meet and mingle with her favorite fashion bloggers at the upcoming style council. She said that she is looking forward to listening to the panelists speak about interesting topics such as thinking locally, informative writing and collaborating with brands.

If you see Placek this weekend walking down the streets of Austin wearing her signature vintage look, you may mistake her for a true Austinite. This will mark Placek's first trip to Austin, and she's sure to be entranced by its quirkiness as well as all of its vintage shops.

"I can't wait to see what Austin is like," Placek wrote on her blog. "I've heard really great things about Austin and am really looking forward to what the city has to offer."

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that you can continue through it. If you're a doctor and your patient is coming in and they're newly diagnosed with Parkinson's disease, often times they'll walk up fine and then they'll just freeze in the doorway. This is because our brain needs a little squirt of dopamine to switch to a different motor program when walking through the door. When we go through life, we switch through these programs very smoothly, and we take for granted we can do it, but without dopamine you can't.

DT: So, the worms and humans kind of use dopamine in the same way?

Pierce-Shimomura: Yes. It looks like this neuronal logic for using dopamine to switch between motor program was hardwired over a billion years ago, even in tiny nematodes, and once evolutions comes up with an answer it doesn't usually change. Both human and simple creatures like sea slugs, leeches and lampreys use dopamine to switch between motor programs

DT: So how are you applying this discovery to Parkinson's research?

Pierce-Shimomura: Now we study neural mechanisms for switching between gaits. There are two main strategies we used to try to figure out how to repair the worms. One idea is to treat them with drugs and see if they can move again. It doesn't take a genius to do this. Parkinson's disease is a huge problem. There are over a million people with Parkinson's disease in the U.S. right now, and there is no effective long term treatment or cure.

The next step is, what do you do once the neurons are already dead? What do you do for those people? That's something that were now investigating. The idea here is that we have these Parkinsonian worms that become rigid when they try to come out of some puddle, so we pre-treat them drugs and see if the drug-treated worms cam move once they come out of puddle. If we're lucky, we will find a solution that will be applicable to mammals or humans, and we'll pass the baton to our friends that work with mice and see if it works there.

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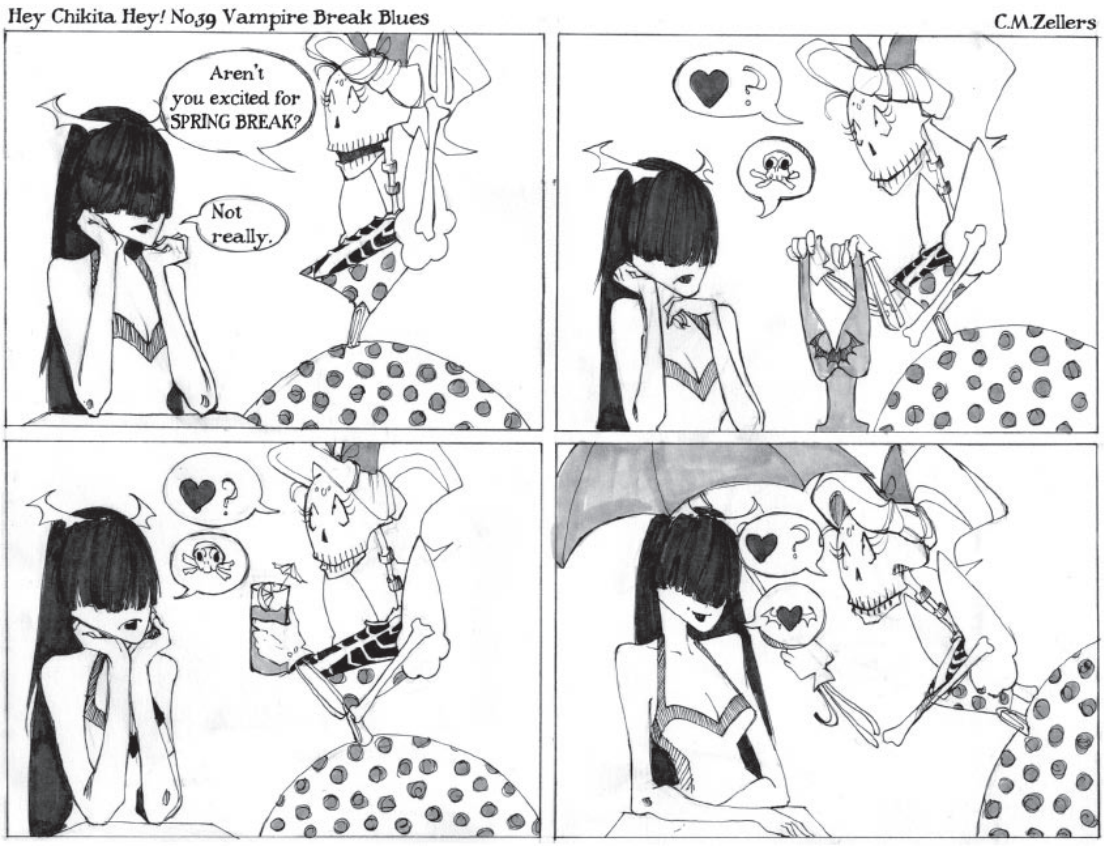

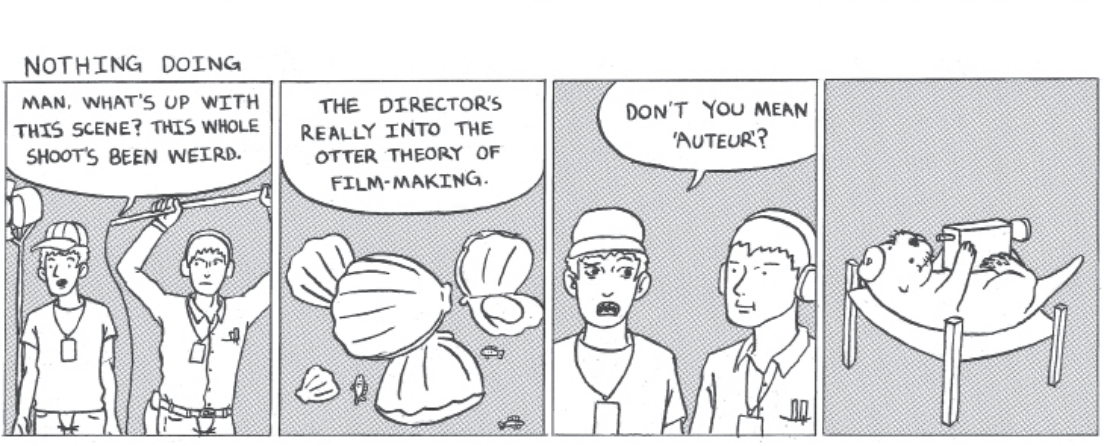

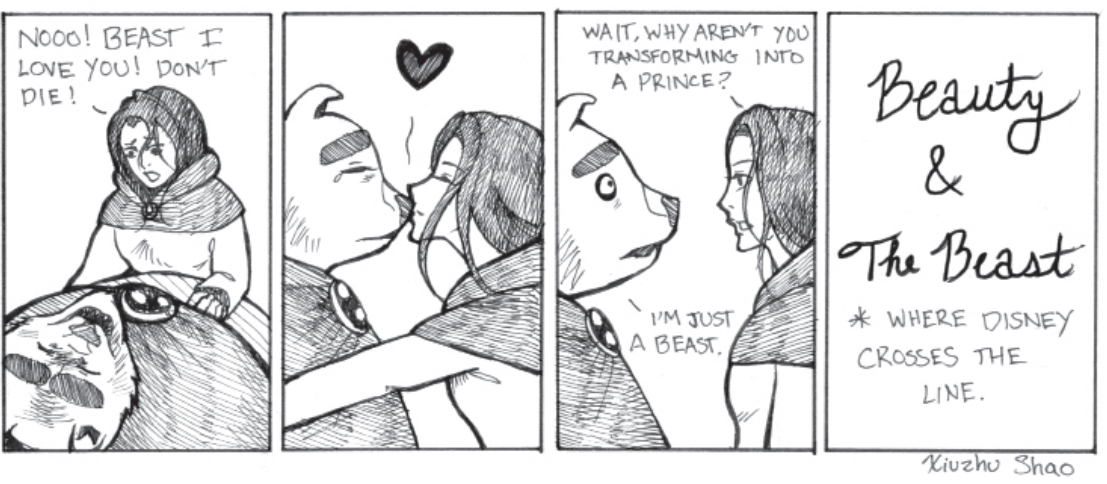

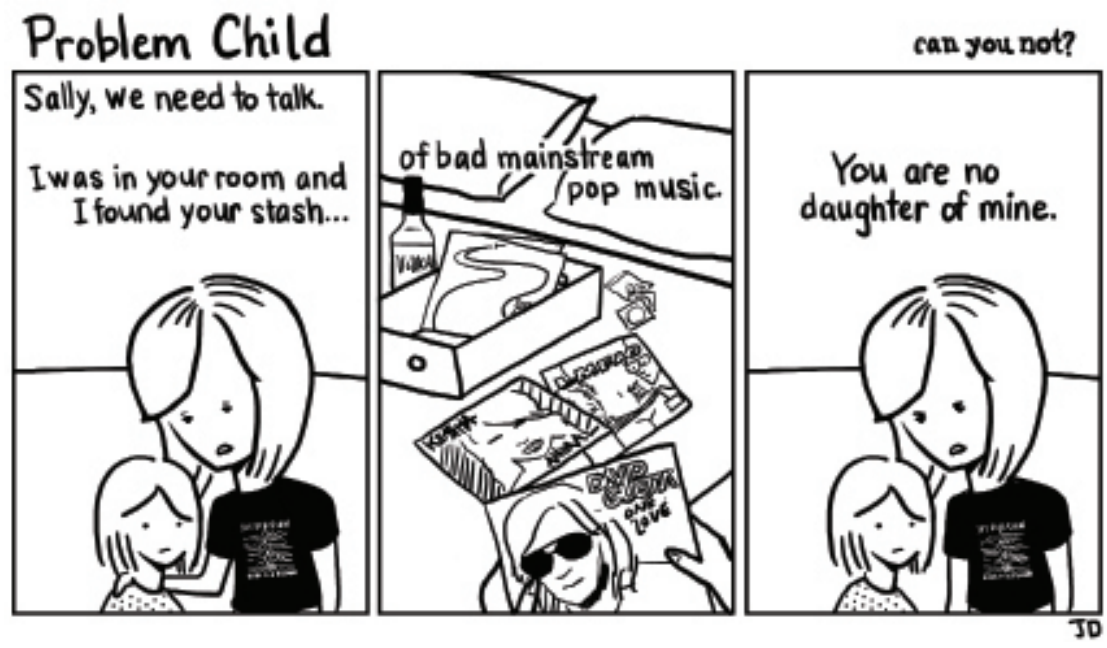

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Yesterday's solution

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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0201

When this puzzle is completed, the 10 circled letters, read from top to bottom, will spell a name associated with 39-Across.

Puzzle by Elizabeth C. Gorski

Across

1 *Peddle
5 Prefix with "mom" in 2009 news
9 Bay State sch.
14 Tommie of the Miracle Mets
15 *Christmas carol starter
16 Soil enricher
17 Gorillas and others
19 Manhattan's ___ Place
20 "No joke!"
22 *Storied also-ran
23 January 1 sound
26 Intersected
27 Grapefruit choice
29 *Managed ___
31 Coeur d'___
33 Vietnam-era protest org.
34 Meriting a "Q.E.D."
37 Article in rap titles
39 Classic novel of 1,000+ pages … or a hint to the word ladder formed by the answers to the starred clues
42 Columnist Hentoff
43 Earring shape
46 45 ___
49 Contrarian's retort
51 *Center
52 Brown in the funnies
54 Best Buy buys
57 "___ who?"
58 *Place to moor
59 "Give me an example!"
62 Oscar winner Tatum
64 "You're fired!" speaker, informally
68 Slowly, on a score
69 *Valentine sentiment
70 "___ it my way"
71 Test for quality
72 River of Flanders
73 *Chocolate brand

Down

1 Broomstick rider
2 Cabinet dept.
3 Elfin
4 New Zealand parrots
5 Midway Airport alternative
6 Napoleonic leader?
7 Palm product
8 "Why not?!"
9 Thurman of "In Bloom"
10 Overly romantic
11 Places for rites
12 Wrote for an orchestra
13 Tatters
18 Pro ___ (for now)
21 Drink brewed naturally
23 Angel dust
24 Item in a thole
25 Ship's christening spot
28 Joy of "The View"
30 Olympic skating champion Lysacek
32 Resulted in
35 Run out of town on ___
36 Drives home, as runs
38 "Back in Black" band
40 Personal bugaboo
41 Bow-toting god
44 Prospector's find
45 Brand of movable collectibles
46 Soda brand since 1905
47 7-Down and others
48 Whizzes
50 Without muss or fuss
53 Ranch in "Giant"
55 Java or C++ whiz
56 Hostess ___ Balls
60 Units now called siemens
61 Queen Wheat City of Oklahoma
63 Myrna of film
65 Hubbub
66 Tyler of "Jersey Girl"
67 Presidential monogram

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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Ensure an enjoyable spring break with these tips for hassle-free sex

HUMP DAY

By Elyana Barrera

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The main goal of spring break is to kick back, get rid of stress and simply relax. But there's another goal that's pretty popular this time of year — finding a spring break fling to get steamy with during that short week of freedom. Whether you're on a beach, camping or just kicking it back in your hometown, here are some tips on how to make your spring break hookups happen without a hitch.

O It's the beginning of swimsuit season, and if you happen to get the urge to play some "underwater activities" with your partner, make sure you've got a silicon-based lube handy. Unlike water-based lubricants that will wash away underwater, silicon-based lubes are water-resistant and most are also safe to use on latex condoms.

O If you're going back to your hometown, you may be interested in hooking up with the one from high school that got away. If you're staying with your parents, though, the last thing you want is to get caught in the act. Know your parents' and siblings' schedules and plan accordingly. Or if you're feeling particularly adventurous, revisit places from your childhood with your partner such as old swimming holes or even a backyard treehouse.

O If you happen to be camping with your special someone on private property, try having sex in the daytime outside. The warmth of the sun on your back and the closeness to nature can be a very enjoyable and exciting experience.

O If you're going somewhere out of the country, chances are that alcoholic drinks will be cheaper and easier to obtain. While you may want a little liquid courage to talk to the fox on the dance floor, remember to pace yourself and always watch your drinks. If you get too sloppy, you'll probably do something you regret, or you may not remember your night at all.

O While Chris Isaak's music video for "Wicked Game" made caressing on the beach look especially hot, what it didn't show was the irritation aftermath caused by sand and friction. Make sure to lay down a towel before you decide to play rough on sandy surfaces.

Whether you're going to be with your hookup or if you already have a partner, the biggest tip you can get is to always use protection. Don't forget to pack condoms, and if you'll be in a secluded area, pack extras. Pick some up from University Health Services on the West Mall today from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. They will be giving away free safe spring break kits that include condoms, lube, information on emergency and other spring break necessities.

Research on worms may provide insight to Parkinson's disease

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Professor Jon Pierce-Shimomura's research on C. elegans worms has made it possible for scientists to study Parkinson's disease in a more time-and cost-efficient way.

> *When we go through life, we switch through these programs very smoothly, and we take for granted we can do it, but without dopamine you can't*
>
> — Jon Pierce-Shimomura, Professor

Editor's note: This is part of a biweekly series showcasing some of the many fascinating projects undertaken by UT faculty.

By Clayton Wickham
Daily Texan Staff

Professor Jon Pierce-Shimomura's discovery in the area of Parkinson's disease research suggests that, as humans, we have more in common with the world's simplest worms than we might think. By figuring out how C. elegans worms exhibit the symptoms of Parkinson's disease, Pierce-Shimomura has made it possible for scientists to study Parkinson's with the worm for the first time. Research with C. elegans is extremely time and cost efficient, as well as simpler compared to current Parkinson's test subjects like mice.

The Daily Texan: So, historically what role have C. elegans worms played in scientific research?

Jon Pierce-Shimomura: In the 1960s, scientists decided to use this tiny worm called C. elegans to study the genetic basis for development of an organism in general. They were interested in how nervous systems and brains are wired to compute behavior and wanted something simple to work with, so they tried to think of the simplest animal, and they came up with this tiny worm that's only a millimeter long.

DT: So, what's happened to make Parkinson's research possible with the worms?

Pierce-Shimomura: Since I've arrived at UT, we've been studying the way worms switch between what we think are the equivalent of "gaits." Most animals have at least two gaits. Humans can walk or run. Horses actually have more than two; they gallop, walk, trot ... Even simple animals have two gaits, so I had faith that these critters were more sophisticated than people gave them credit for.

We discovered that the worms have a swimming gait. People hadn't studied them swimming before. It turns out the worms that lack dopamine can crawl fine and they can swim fine, but when they try to switch from swimming to crawling they freeze up for about a half hour, much like how a person with Parkinson's would freeze up when they try to switch between a motor program.

People with Parkinson's disease have a problem with initiating or switching between motor functions. When you walk to this doorway here, you take for granted

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Eclectic rap duo G-Side discuss album, origins and SXSW

SXSW 2012

By Elijah Watson
Daily Texan Staff

Following their 2007 debut, Sumthin 2 Hate, G-Side, a duo consisting of members Stephen "ST 2 Lettaz" Harris and Yung "David Williams" Clova, are hoping to bring something new and refreshing to hip-hop. Their production is eclectic: Some songs are filled with laid-back, spellbinding chord progressions, while others ooze with Dirty South energy and abrasiveness. Harris and Clova compliment each other well with their contrasting delivery. Harris is more lyrical, while Clova maintains a more mainstream, relaxed flow, resulting in a near-flawless union between the two.

The two rappers spoke with The Daily Texan about how they originally met, their latest release, iSLAND, and performing at festivals such as Fun Fun Fun Fest and the Pitchfork Music Festival.

The Daily Texan: You guys are originally from Huntsville, Ala., and you often touch upon your experiences in your songs. Was hip-hop at first an escape from those bad experiences, or was it always a goal to become a group?

Stephen Harris: It definitely started as just a thing, and then when I saw Master P and what he did with it, I felt I could [do] that or something similar. I wanted to make something for my people.

Yung Clova: I was pretty much the same way, man. At first, I wasn't really focused on the music until I graduated, and that's when I really got focused on music. I'm trying to do something positive: I've got little brothers and sisters, so I'm just trying to lead by example.

DT: You both provide a little friendly competition for each

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Vintage fashion blogger set to speak at Texas Style Conference

Editor's note: This is the first of two profiles on fashion bloggers who will be part of this weekend's Texas Style Council conference. Look for the second profile in tomorrow's issue.

By Jessica Lee
Daily Texan Staff

Veronika Placek is no stranger to the camera. Everyday she heads outside and poses pretty while wearing the outfit she picked out that morning.

A few years ago, Placek was sitting at desk at a corporate job office in Philadelphia wishing for bigger and better things. She decided to start a style blog as a means of escape, and thus, Tick Tock Vintage was born in April 2010. The website now gets over 100,000 views a month.

Placek will be attending Texas Style Council, which will be running concurrent to South By Southwest, this weekend as a speaker. Texas Style Council is a conference devoted entirely to female bloggers and shop owners that will take place March 9-11. Placek will address issues such as balancing one's life and blog, as well as finding your blog's content niche.

As a thrifter, Placek loves to show off her vintage finds, noting where she makes adjustments of her own to pieces.

"I don't really go into the thrift store with specific pieces in mind; I generally just pick things up that appeal to me," Placek said. "I always look for high quality materials like wool, leather and silk, and pieces that aren't damaged."

Placek suggests that those who have never thrifted before look though every section of the store. She notes that areas outside of your particular size section might include pieces that can be altered in such a way as to fit.

"Don't forget to check the boys section, too," Placek said. "I found the perfect fitted navy blazer for $5.99."

UT alumna and recent Marie Claire Front Row Challenge winner Diya Liu of the blog In Her Stilettos praises Placek's unique style.

"I love how Veronika skillfully combines vintage and modern aesthetics into looks that are all her own," Liu said. "I also love

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Veronika Placek, the blogger behind Tick Tock Vintage, will be speaking about issues such as blog content at this weekend's Texas Style Council conference.

Photo courtesy of Veronika Placek