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Calendar

Liberal Arts forum

The Liberal Arts Council is hosting a forum with college deans to update students on the state of the college. All UT community members are welcome to attend at 6 p.m. in UTC 2.102A.

Tour China

Learn more about a series of cultural exchanges in different Chinese cities in the first of a series of info sessions hosted by the Office of the Dean of Students at 6 p.m. in SSB 3.406.

Crazy for Best Coast

L.A. lo-fi act Best Coast will play Emo's with Wavves and No Joy. Doors open at 9 p.m. and tickets cost \$18 at the door.

SG returns

The Student Government assembly will vote on a sweeping internal reform in its first meeting of the semester at 7:30 p.m. in the Glenn Maloney room of the SSB.

Today in history

In 1924

The first Winter Olympic Games took place in Chamonix, France.

Campus watch

When it rains ...

Prather Dormitory, 305 E. 21st St. A UT student discovered an unknown subject inside his dormitory room. The unknown subject was standing at his bed watering the sheets and comforter. The subject appeared to be extremely intoxicated and confused. The subject was last seen wearing a long-sleeved green shirt. Crime Prevention Tip: There is now another good reason to keep your doors locked, even when you are inside your dormitory room.



Quote to note

"It's that mystery of not knowing what you're going to find and then hearing something that just ignites you. As a poet, what's really exciting is spitting a poem that's relevant to someone you've never met."

— **Zach Caballero**
Slam poet

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Faculty council assesses progress in gender equity

By **Matthew Stottlemire**
Daily Texan Staff

Only five of the University's 18 schools and colleges created and posted plans to address gender inequality in the faculty that a special task force reported in 2008.

The University's provost created a Gen-

der Equity Task Force in 2007. The task force based their report on examination of existing statistics and faculty surveys.

The report recommended the University create a plan with specific goals for each college or school dean to reduce faculty gender inequalities, including underrepresentation of women in administrative roles and unequal

pay. It also recommended that each college or school create and post a plan specific to its own gender inequalities.

More than 60 percent of UT faculty are male, according to the 2009-2010 Statistical Handbook.

Before the regular Faculty Council meeting Monday, Sue Heinzelman, English asso-

ciate professor and director of the Center for Women's and Gender Studies, asked in writing whether each college and school had created and posted its recommended plans on their websites.

Executive Vice President and Provost

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Shanon Kintner | Daily Texan Staff

Sgt. Goebel, Sgt. Carrion, Staff Sgt. Lamar, Pfc. Macari and Staff Sgt. Groff were commemorated at the Capitol on Monday as a part of Wounded Warrior Day.

Honoring the service of wounded warriors

By **Melissa Ayala**
Daily Texan Staff

Six soldiers who served in Iraq and are now recovering at Brooke Army Medical Center received a warm welcome on the Capitol grounds in commemoration of Wounded Warrior Day on Monday.

Gov. Rick Perry met the soldiers and thanked them for their service earlier that day. Accord-

ing to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, Texas has the second-largest veteran population in the nation with nearly 1.7 million veterans as of September 2010. Secretary of the Senate Patsy Spaw said since 2001, when Operation Enduring Freedom began, 19 percent of the 19,413 Texas service members deployed have been wounded.

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Sen. Juan Hinojosa thanks Maj. Ploch for his service overseas.

UT professors shine light on alternate fuel source

By **Victoria Pagan**
Daily Texan Staff

Two UT professors have discovered a process to harness sunlight to split hydrogen from water and use it as a fuel source.

The process could eventually lead to the creation of a clean, affordable and renewable fuel that could potentially eliminate oil dependence.

"It's certainly better for the environment," said Son Hoang, a chemical engineering graduate student working on the project. "The only product is water, as opposed to gasoline, which produces carbon dioxide."

Chemistry professor Allen Bard and chemical engineering professor Buddie Mullins lead the team of UT researchers.

The process mimics photosynthesis by harnessing the power of sunlight to split hydrogen and oxygen from water. This newly separated hydrogen can be used as a direct source of fuel, Son said.

Although researchers have made progress, there is a long way to go, Son said.

Bard and Mullins have been able to successfully complete their experiment, but there is still much work to do to stabilize it. The experiment is still very unstable and was only successful for a number of hours in lab conditions, Son said.

"The material being used is extremely unstable," Son said. "It's still not even in ideal condition."

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Tamir Kalifa | Daily Texan file photo

Students from the University Leadership Initiative prepare for a morning rally on the West Mall to support the DREAM Act on September 22, 2010. Although the DREAM Act did not pass, the ULI plans to fight more than 25 bills concerning undocumented immigration during the current legislative session.



LOBBYINGtheLEGE

Students tackle anti-immigrant bills

By **Ahsika Sanders**
Daily Texan Staff

Note: This is the second in a three-part series examining what student organizations are doing to lobby the 82nd Texas Legislature. University Leadership Initiative, a UT group that supports the rights of undocumented students, will work this semester to defeat more than 25 bills they say target undocumented immigrants.

The group will join other immigrant activist groups at the Capitol Tuesday to lobby against two specific bills.

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PRIORITY BILLS

Other anti-illegal immigration laws University Leadership will lobby against include:

- HB 113 concerning sanctuary cities
- HB 16 Relating to requiring a voter to present proof of identification
- HB 21 Relating to reporting by state agencies on the financial effect of providing services to illegal immigrants
- HB 494 Relating to the eligibility requirements for certain public benefits programs

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Shannon Kintner | Daily Texan Staff

Veterans of Foreign Wars along with Purple Heart recipients attended Monday's Senate meeting where Senate Resolution 53 was adopted, creating Wounded Warrior Day.

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"We recognize and pay tribute to members of the United States Military who have honorably served our great nation and state and join all Texans in observing Jan. 24, 2011 as Wounded Warrior Day at the Texas State Capitol," Spaw said. "We are blessed to honor today the wounded warriors who ensure our safety and security, and it is indeed fitting that all Texans honor and reaf-

firm their gratitude to these American heroes."

House and Senate members unanimously adopted the bill Monday to honor injured soldiers.

"These service members are now called to overcome new obstacles and learn how to live independently despite the many physical challenges they face," said State Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio, who

filed the bill. "They have already overcome the greatest challenge of all; fighting for our country."

Each of the guest soldiers were recognized by a member of the Senate as well as State Sen. Brian Birdwell, R-Granbury, who is a retired U.S. Army lieutenant colonel.

Wichita Falls veteran Joel Jimenez was among the guests recognized Monday for his service in 1968. He now serves as the commander of the 41st chapter of Texas Disabled American Veterans.

"My husband is a Vietnam veteran and he is being honored today," his wife Joan Jimenez said. "He served two years in Vietnam."

State Sen. Craig Estes, R-Wichita Falls, recognized three veterans of his district, including Jimenez.

"He was wounded in June 1969 and returned to his unit to complete his tour of duty as a purple heart recipient," Estes said. "Over the course of his service, he's received the National Defense Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, two Bronze

Stars and the Combat Infantryman Badge."

State Sen. Eddie Lucio Jr., D-Brownsville, remembered his father who was wounded twice while serving in the military.

"[Veterans] are the ultimate role model in our country," Lucio said. "I want to recognize those who could not join us. There are [more than] three million wounded veterans in America today, and that's significant for us to recognize today."

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ULI will focus on education issues that directly impact undocumented students in Texas. State Rep. Tim Kleinschmidt, R-Lexington, filed one of the house bills the group will target that could require undocumented students to pay out-of-state tuition, and State Rep. Debbie Riddle, R-Tomball, filed the second bill that could require public schools to take a head count of all undocumented students.

The point of the head count bill is to give clarity to how much pub-

lic education for illegal immigrants is costing the state, said Jon English, Riddle's chief of staff.

"The cost of illegal immigration is obviously a central focus in the illegal immigration debate, but there are nothing but a bunch of guess-as as to how much money, in terms of tax dollars, the state of Texas is spending on services to illegal immigrants," he said.

English said the bill is not intended to affect the number of undocumented students in public schools, but to record them and make the numbers available.

"We aren't hoping to deter any-

body from attending, but we do want to know how many are showing up," he said. "The head count will give some transparency to those numbers and I think that would better inform the immigration debate."

ULI is a group of students, both documented and undocumented, who advocate civil justice and education for the immigrant community, said Daniel Olvera, a ULI spokeswoman and government senior.

"We fight not only for us but for generations of students because their future and our future is in jeopardy," he said. "All these anti-immigrant laws will just make it harder for our community to live."

Last semester, the group worked to pass the DREAM Act, a U.S. bill

that would have granted citizenship to undocumented students who completed college or joined the military. The bill ultimately failed in the U.S. Senate.

"Even though it didn't pass, we saw how it empowered our community, to be proud and to fight for our rights, so we felt successful," Olvera said.

Olvera said according to lawmakers the head count bill seems beneficial because taxpayers will know where their money is being spent, but it will be a burden to the public schools and undocumented students.

"This unfunded mandate is not logical. It seems like a harmless law but it singles out our community," he said. "I don't think it's a wise law from an economic standpoint or a social standpoint."

ULI is considering weekly trips

to the Capitol, sending out information packets to media outlets and teaming up with other immigrant activist groups across the state.

ULI President Loren Campos said the head count bill could cause undocumented students' parents to see public schools as an arm of immigration officials and cause them to shy away.

"If this bill passes, a lot of parents are going to perceive schools as immigration enforcement agencies," he said. "They are going to feel targeted and so this bill would damage the relationship between parents, teachers and students."

ULI will team with North Texas DREAM Team, *Dreamactivist.org*, South Texas Immigration Council and more than 20 other immigration rights organizations to continue lobbying throughout the semester.

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Jared Lee Loughner denies culpability on shooting charges

By Jacques Billeaud
The Associated Press

PHOENIX — The man accused of carrying out a mass shooting in Tucson pleaded not guilty Monday to charges he tried to kill Rep. Gabrielle Giffords and two of her aides.

The plea by Jared Lee Loughner marked his second court appearance since he allegedly shot the congresswoman and 18 others at Giffords' meet-and-greet event on Jan. 8 outside a grocery store in Tucson. Six people died, including U.S. District Judge John Roll and a 9-year-old girl. Thirteen others were wounded.

Loughner, 22, faces federal charges of trying to assassinate Giffords

and attempting to murder two of her aides. He will later face state charges dealing with other victims.

Investigators have said Loughner was mentally disturbed and his behavior became increasingly erratic in the weeks leading up to the shooting. If his attorney uses mental competency questions as a defense and is successful, Loughner could be sent to a mental health facility instead of being sentenced to prison or death.

Clarke has not responded to requests seeking comment. Clarke represented clients such as "Unabomber" Ted Kaczynski and Olympic bomber Eric Rudolph. She has a reputation for working out plea deals that spare defendants the death penalty.



Bill Robles | Associated Press

Jared Lee Loughner, right, makes a court appearance with his lawyer, Judy Clarke, at the Sandra Day O'Connor U.S. Courthouse in Phoenix, Ariz.



Alexander Zemlianichenko | Associated Press

A wounded blast victim is brought by rescuers to a hospital from Domodedovo airport in Moscow. A suicide bomber set off an explosion that ripped through Moscow's busiest airport on Monday, wounding more than a hundred and killing dozens of people.

Terrorists kill 35 in Moscow airport

By Nataliya Vaslyeva
The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Terrorists struck again in the heart of Russia, with a suicide bomber blowing himself up Monday in Moscow's busiest airport and turning its international arrivals terminal into a smoky, blood-spattered hall of dismembered bodies, screaming survivors and abandoned suitcases. At least 35 people were killed.

No one claimed responsibility for the blast at Domodedovo Air-

port that also wounded 180 people, although Islamic militants in the southern Russian region of Chechnya have been blamed for previous attacks in Moscow.

President Dmitry Medvedev called it a terrorist attack and immediately tightened security at Moscow's two other commercial airports and other transportation facilities.

In 2004, two female suicide bombers penetrated the lax security at Domodedovo, illegally bought tickets from airport personnel and

boarded planes that exploded in flight and killed 90 people.

Large-scale battles in Chechnya ended years ago, following two devastating wars that Russia waged with the republic's separatists, but Islamic militants have continued to carry out suicide bombings and other attacks. Most have been in Chechnya and other predominantly Muslim provinces in the southern Caucasus region, but some have targeted Moscow.

The blast came at 4:32 p.m., when hundreds of passengers and

workers were in a loosely guarded part of the terminal. They were sprayed with shrapnel of screws and ball bearings, intended to cause as many casualties as possible.

"People were panicking, rushing out of the hall or looking for their relatives. There were people just lying in blood," said Alexei Spiridonov, a car rental agent.

The attack also called into question Russia's ability to safely host major international events like the 2018 World Cup.



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Student lobbying efforts

"Our challenge, as we move forward, is trying to reverse that perception and make it clear that higher education is not an expenditure, but an investment."

— Student Government Executive Director Jimmy Talarico on the importance of changing legislators' perceptions, according to The Daily Texan.

"We technically have never taken a lead role in these kinds of initiatives, but this year, I think Student Government and Senate both realize this is probably the most important legislative session for higher education in Texas."

— Senate of College Councils President Chelsea Adler on Senate's efforts to lobby the legislature, according to The Daily Texan.

A painfully balanced budget

"You know, there's nothing in this bill that's not painful."

— State Rep. Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, on the recently proposed "Chicken Little" budget, a worst case-scenario proposal, according to the Texas Tribune.

"You're going to feel the pain. This [is] the paradigm they've created."

— State Rep. Sylvester Turner, D-Houston, to the Houston Chronicle, on the choices the leadership has made regarding budget cuts.

Give input on liberal arts budget cuts

By the Liberal Arts College Tuition and Budget Advisory Committee
Daily Texan Guest Columnist

To the Students of the University of Texas,

We are writing this letter in the hopes of establishing an open dialogue about the recent budget cuts with students, faculty and administration. We are members of the Liberal Arts College Tuition and Budget Advisory Committee (CTBAC), and our role is to bring student opinion and voice into this dialogue. CTBAC originated as a student-led initiative, proposed by the Senate of College Councils and supported by the administration.

The committee is composed of a diverse group of both undergraduate and graduate Liberal Arts students. We are confident that we can bring the diversity of the College of Liberal Arts to this complicated issue. Members of CTBAC were selected through a rigorous application and interview process, which ensured a group of students that is dedicated to contributing student opinion to budgetary process.

We are treading new ground, as this is the first time that students have had a voice in this process. The Deans have asked that we develop our own recommendations for the next round of budget issues. As we continue to work to gain more information regarding student opinion, we will hold regular meetings as a forum to facilitate the voice of students. Additionally, we will hold open meetings in order to be transparent and engage directly with students. We recognize that this will be a long and difficult process, but we are dedicated to the importance of this endeavor.

We would like to stress that we are not the Academic Planning Advisory Committee, which is the committee established to provide faculty input on budgetary issues, and that we operate independently from them. As students ourselves, we represent a different focus than APAC and we hope to bring our own perspective to the budget discussions. APAC has made recommendations on proposed cuts to liberal arts centers. However, these are their recommendations, not the recommendations of CTBAC. Our committee is working to develop our own budgetary recommendations. No final decisions have been made regarding proposed budget cuts, and none will be made without including the opinions of students. This stresses the importance of CTBAC in linking the opinions of students to the Dean's decisions.

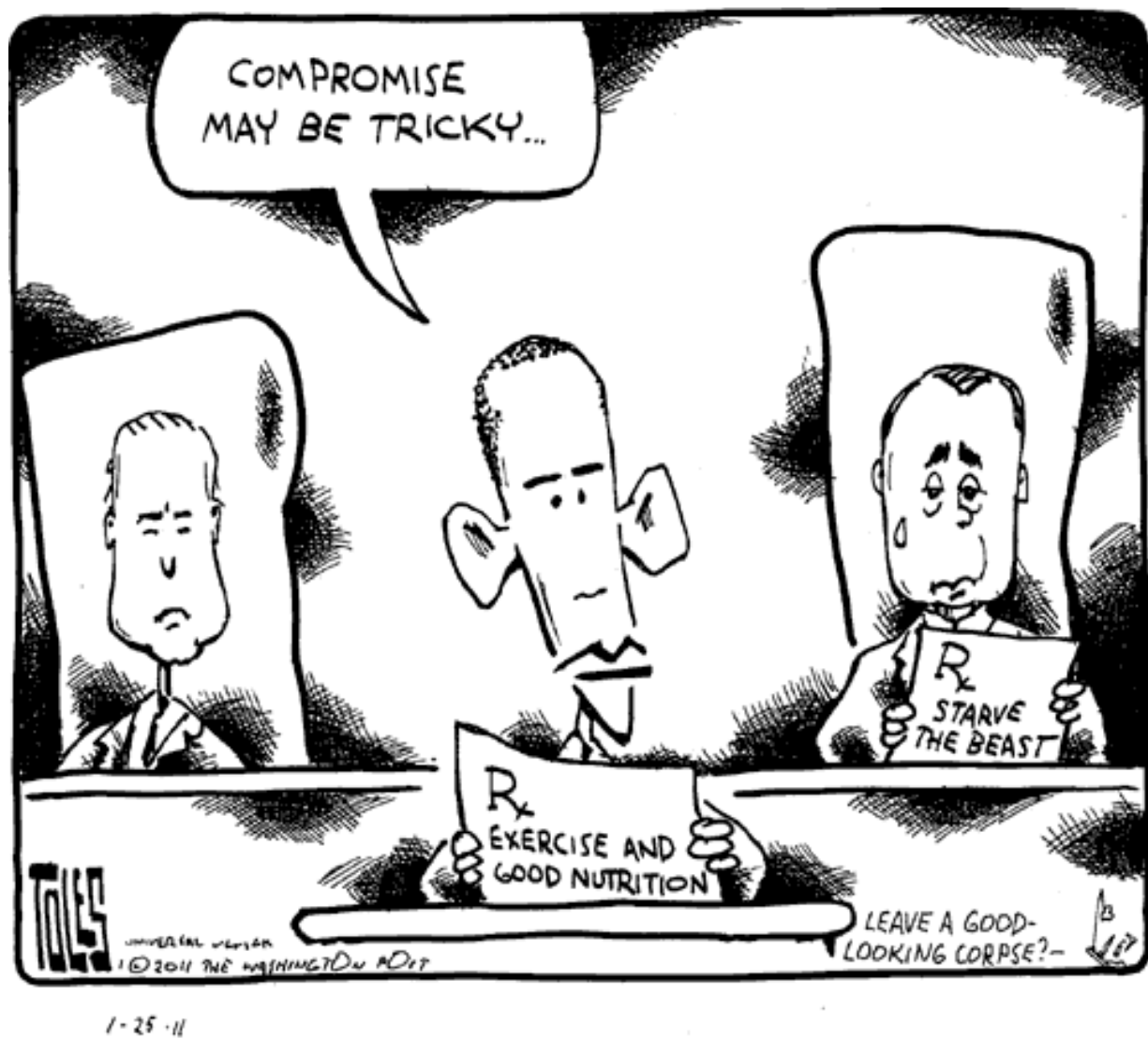
We would like to extend an invitation to all students to attend the Liberal Arts State of the College Student Forum being held today at 6 PM in UTC 2.102. The forum is being hosted by the Liberal Arts Council, and the members of CTBAC will also be present. The administration in attendance will include Dean Randy Diehl, in addition to many others. The forum will cover a variety of topics, including the new Liberal Arts building and the college budget, as well as giving students an opportunity to ask questions and voice their opinions. We hope that you can attend this forum as it will be an excellent opportunity to gain new information and insight in regard to the complex budgetary issues that face our College and University.

We will continue to work hard to bring student opinion to this process. Students have already made apparent the importance of these issues, and we hope that students will remain passionate and involved.

Sincerely,

The members of the Liberal Arts College Tuition and Budget Advisory Committee

GALLERY



Change for Student Government

By Cecilia Lopez
Daily Texan Guest Columnist

This week the Student Government assembly will vote on legislation that could substantially change how students are represented and served by SG.

In an effort to improve the structure and function of SG, President Scott Parks formed the SG Reform Task Force in May 2010. The task force spent seven months conducting research and gathering input from students. The group included 11 undergraduate and graduate students and held regular open meetings for members of the campus community to attend and offer input. After thorough evaluation, the task force released its set of recommended reforms to the SG assembly for approval.

At first glance, some of the recommendations may appear to be simple changes to the SG governing documents; however, these proposals represent the most significant reforms to Student Government in over three decades. It is critical for students to understand how these important reforms, if adopted, would change how they are represented and served by SG. They would make SG more efficient, accountable and relevant.

The task force's recommendations will ensure greater efficiency at all levels of SG by creating a streamlined, tiered leadership structure. First, the proposal reduces the number of SG agencies from 35 to 14 to eliminate budget waste and create stronger programs and events with more emphasis on student involvement. The remaining

agencies will be thematically grouped by the causes, issues and communities they represent. Secondly, the proposal creates an executive staff, overseen by members of the SG executive board, to execute important tasks such as cultivating an alumni network, developing a social media presence and maintaining historical records. Lastly, the creation of a streamlined structure creates more avenues for student involvement and diffuses power and responsibility from top to bottom.

The proposed changes restructure the defunct SG judicial branch and create a judicial court to enforce governing documents, mediate internal and external disputes and serve as an appellate court for the Election Supervisory Board. For the legislative branch, the proposal allows representatives to elect their own independent Chair of the Assembly. To assist the chair in running the often-chaotic SG meetings, the proposal allows the assembly to appoint a clerk and a parliamentarian. This creates a much-needed check and balance of power between the three different branches.

One of the most significant changes is the creation of two spots in the SG assembly for first-year representatives, elected from the incoming class of first-year students in the fall semester. On average, UT enrolls more than 7,000 first-time freshmen and more than 2,000 transfer students. Every year, these first-year students are denied a chance to vote for representatives until the general SG election in March, leaving approximately 18 percent of the student population with-

out formal representation for 80 percent of the academic year. While incoming students are represented by their respective college and school representatives in the assembly, there are issues that are particular to first-year students, such as housing, food services and new student orientation, all of which would best be addressed by the members of the incoming class. Furthermore, this creates a leadership development opportunity for incoming students, many of whom come from extensive campus involvement experience at their previous institution.

While the task force has worked diligently to evaluate SG and recommend changes to the structure and practices, it is important to note that reform is an ongoing process. The task force charges the SG leadership with continuing to identify changes to its practices and services it provides students, engaging in ongoing reform without forgetting what the organization is there for, and to be the official voice of students at the University.

After years of talking about changing SG, we are on the verge of doing just that. But SG can't change without student engagement, so I hope that we, students, continue to be a part of the conversations that will affect how our voice will be represented on campus.

To read the full report submitted by the Student Government Reform Task Force, please visit <http://sgreform.files.wordpress.com/2010/11/report-of-the-student-government-reform-task-force.pdf>.

Lopez is the chair of the Student Government Reform Task Force.

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Judith Langlois addressed the question, saying each college and school is in different stages of completing and posting their plans.

There is no deadline to complete the process, but Faculty Council Chair Dean Neikirk said the plans should be completed soon.

“The question was these were supposed to be made available, and everybody’s supposed have one. Has that been done yet? And the answer was, well it’s partially done and hopefully it will all be done very shortly,” said Neikirk, a computer and electrical engineering professor.

Only the Colleges of Education, Fine Arts, Liberal Arts and Natural Sciences and the School of Architecture have posted plans and fulfilled the recommendations in the gender equity report.

Neikirk said to promote gender equity during the state budget crunch, academic units will have to apply funds strategically as new hires and raises will be difficult.

“There’s a real attempt to try to be strategic about where to look for savings, not look across the board,” Neikirk said. “Similarly, if we’re to enhance something, that should be strategic, not across the board. Gender equity has a direct impact on the quality of faculty. We don’t want to lose our best faculty, certainly not because they think they aren’t being treated equitably.”

After the gender equity discussion, the discussion was shifted to a new survey that will be conducted this year to assess the undergraduate experience.

The University will send each of its more than 35,000 undergraduates a survey developed and conducted by the Center for Studies in



Peter Jiang | Daily Texan Staff

Sue Heinzelman, director of the Center for Women’s and Gender Studies, takes notes at the faculty council meeting that focused on gender inequalities in the UT community.

Higher Education at the University of California, Berkeley. UT conducted a pilot version of the survey last year but only received about a 20 percent response rate.

Gale Stuart, director of assess-

ment for the Office of the Dean of Students, said current undergraduate surveys only sample enough students for colleges up to around 8,000 students. By surveying the whole undergraduate population,

the Berkeley study captures statistically viable data with enough responses.

Executive Vice President and Provost Gretchen Ritter said the survey will give administrators,

down to the department level, a picture of how effectively professors are connecting with students.

“It’s an important survey in that it’s helping us get a better handle on how well prepared students

are when they come in and their own sense of the academic challenges they face here, so that we can do a better job in supporting their academic success on campus,” Ritter said.

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The team must find a material to split hydrogen from water that allows the process to go as smoothly as possible.

Chemical engineering graduate student Hoang Dang said in order for their experiment to continue to grow, they must find a sunlight-capturing material high in efficiency and in abundance that is stable enough to withstand the experiment for lengthy periods of time.

Converting to hydrogen as the main source of fuel would help reduce our carbon footprint by 30 to 40 percent, said Raymond Orbach, director of UT’s Energy Institute and the U.S. Department of Energy’s first Under Secretary for Science.

Orbach said when he thinks about the progress of the researchers, he is very hopeful and excited.

Although Bard and Mullins have received funding through the energy institute from ConocoPhillips

and other private organizations, they still need much more to continue and complete their research, Orbach said.

The team received \$2.5 million in grants from the National Science Foundation and U.S. Department of Energy to research methods to convert water into hydrogen fuel.

Orbach said the ultimate goal of the team is to receive \$5 million in grants for the next five years. He said if that happens, the development of the new source of fuel will not be far off.

The California Institute of Technology, the University of California, Berkeley and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology are also working on similar experiments of their own, Orbach said. He said the competition creates a healthy challenge to be first and the best.

“I personally believe we have the best staff,” Orbach said. “I put my money on Al Bard and Buddie Mullins.”

BIG 12 EXCHANGE

Students borrow more to pay for college

By Hallie Davis
The Daily Toreador

A recent Pew research study showed the number of students who borrow money for college is on the rise.

The study showed that as of 2008, 60 percent of graduates had borrowed money, and the average loan was about \$23,000.

The study compared these results to graduates in 1996, of which 52 percent had borrowed money and loans totaling an average of \$17,000, adjusted to 2008 dollars in terms of inflation.

Leann Drauss, the Wells Fargo ambassador to Texas Tech, said she believed one of the main reasons students ended up taking out loans was because of not knowing about costs other than tuition. She said many parents plan for college but do not understand how much living expenses will be for

the student.

She said students and parents could focus more on being fully prepared, and a loan could be a part of the plan from the start.

not sell their loans to other banks.

However, Drauss said there are not too many lenders like this, and they require more from the students taking out the loan.

“Loans are a good way to get yourself in debt.”
— Andrew Trevor Slaton Freeman, Texas Tech freshman

“Students need to seek out all options,” Drauss said. “Look and see which ones will fit you best.”

Of the choices, she said private lenders like Wells Fargo were a good choice because they do

For Wells Fargo, Drauss said 98 percent of the loans had cosigners.

“People are starting to realize very quickly that they need to have their finances in order,” she said.

Freshman Andrew Trevor Slaton

Freeman said he did not take out any loans because it would be too easy for them to add up.

“Loans are a good way to get yourself in debt,” he said.

As for the statistic, Slaton Freeman, an undeclared premed major from Austin, said it showed students are not entirely opposed to banks like some might think in the current economic climate, and that they obviously needed the loans.

“But people still aren’t big fans of financial institutions,” he said.

Slaton Freeman said he knew he was lucky to not have to borrow any money to pay for college. However, if it were to come down to an education or not being in debt, he said he would, of course, pick getting an education.

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JUST KEEP SWIMMING



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University software developer David Cohen swims laps in the outdoor pool at Gregory Gym on Monday afternoon.

McCombs site expands to social media

By Donovan Sanders
Daily Texan Staff

A Red McCombs School of Business publication that features faculty research about big ideas in business recently started using social media to reach a wider audience.

The editors of *TexasEnterprise.org*, a website that includes long-form stories about a range of business topics, expanded the website to incorporate Twitter and short blog posts.

“Our goal is to present the research that is being done here by

faculty and staff and make it more accessible to the public,” said Renee Hopkins, Texas Enterprise senior editor. “We really want to broaden the audience because there really is so much going on that we want people to know about.”

The website emphasizes every department of the school. Categories range from accounting and entrepreneurship to technology and sustainability, said David Wenger, McCombs director of communications. Wenger said the website tries to make a connection between faculty members, who research the top-

ics, and the outside world, who apply the information.

Bloggers from outside the University can contribute to a specific portion of the website. In many cases University alumni or business professionals who have certain areas of expertise publish blog posts or stories. The website is a place where participants will be able to comment and discuss important business issues and policies, Wenger said.

“There is a whole segment of the business world that we are trying to get in touch with,” Wenger said. “The social media outlet is a great way to

get knowledge into the world.”

Texas Enterprise is a great new publication for the community to actually see what research and innovative ideas are going on within different outlets that they aren’t normally going to hear about, Wenger said. It provides detailed publications that give the reader a vivid picture of everything going on in the business world today.

“We are building a community that we see growing overtime,” Wenger said.

University professors regularly contribute to the publication. For example, Orlando Kelm, associate professor of marketing administration, writes a blog about intercultural communication called “Let’s Talk.”

“[Texas Enterprise] was made to give people a slice of a different life,” Kelm said. “It shows that cultural problems do occur when you go around the world and why people see things so different. Different people have different ways of preparing for negotiations with us Americans, and it’s a nice vantage point of how people from all over the world prepare to work with North Americans.”

Fresh candidates prepare platforms for SG campaigns

By Donovan Sanders
Daily Texan Staff

A new group of student leaders is preparing to run for Student Government after election filing began Jan. 18.

To file for a position, students must pick up and turn in a filing packet in the SG office, turn in a \$20 filing fee and \$20 deposit, get their picture taken and go to the Feb. 15 candidate seminar, where candidates will learn about campaigning and funding regulations.

Bernadette De La Cruz is up for re-election to represent Fine Arts. De La Cruz said she spent her first term getting student input on issues that matter to them.

“I started out talking to students in the art building last semester about campus safety,” she said. “While most students felt a little safe, there were some art students that felt the building wasn’t safe enough. I am working on getting proximity card readers installed in the building just like the ones in the architecture school.”

University-wide representative Natalie Butler also filed to run for president and said she is ready to begin work on her plans.

“I have been involved in Student Government for several years,” said Butler, who has been with SG for four years. “I want to continue the work I started to connect students to shape and improve our University.”

University-wide representative and Butler’s running mate

Ashley Baker said the plan is to ensure students’ voices are heard in the budget-making process and in improving transportation for students who live off campus.

Andrew Nash, current chair of the Texas Union’s Board of Directors, filed to run for SG president for the 2011-12 school year. Nash said he would like to see the SG president fo-

cus on helping current students rather than looking too far into the future on issues such as tuition costs.

“I am running because I feel that somebody needs to take steps to getting things done and focus on tangible differences that will leave a lasting impact on the students’ college experience,” Nash said.

Campaigning for elections doesn’t start until Feb. 16 and Nash said he is anxious to get started.

“We have all kinds of ideas to get students excited not necessarily about voting and getting in-

involved, but also get students excited about going to the University of Texas,” Nash said.

Eric Nimmer, chair of the Election Supervisory Board, said he expects the candidates to work as tirelessly as they did in the past.

“I also hope and expect a more streamlined and less confrontational election process from last year considering that the candidates now have some idea of precedent and understanding of the Board’s role,” said Nimmer, who served on last year’s board.

— Andrew Nash, Chair of the Texas Union’s Board of Directors

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NEWS BRIEFLY

Voter ID bill, Texas Senate budget proposal highlighted

The Texas Senate’s draft budget proposal calls for a 10.1 percent reduction in general revenue spending.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst unveiled the plan Monday. It largely mirrors what was introduced by the state House last week.

Senate Bill 1 is the companion to the House budget proposal. Both chambers of the Texas legislature will debate and amend the baseline budget, then meet later in conference committee to pass a final budget.

The Senate bill calls for \$73.8 billion in expenditures, exactly what the state comptroller says Texas will earn in revenues over the next two years. The total is \$27 billion less than what experts say is needed to maintain current state services. The proposal does not increase state taxes or tap into the state’s \$9.4 billion Rainy Day Fund.

Voter ID

Texas Democrats are trying to delay a bill that would require voters to show photo identification before casting ballots.

Gov. Rick Perry, a Republican, declared the legislation an emergency priority last week and it is expected to pass the Senate this week. The Senate is expected to begin taking testimony on the bill on Tuesday.

Democrats say that doesn’t give them enough time to bring opponents to the Capitol to testify against it.

Republicans are making stronger voter ID laws a top priority because they say it will prevent fraud. Democrats say it’s a partisan bill designed to increase GOP margins at the ballot box.

Democrats blocked a similar bill in 2009, but it is expected to pass this year with Republicans holding commanding majorities in the Senate and House of Representatives.

— Compiled from Associated Press reports

NCAA BASKETBALL



The UT Tower, located in the heart of campus, remains its usual shade on Saturday. Following wins by the Texas football team, the tower is lit burnt orange.



Derek Stout
Daily Texan file photo

Men’s basketball fails to get Tower lit orange despite topping Jayhawks on road



By Dan Hurwitz
Daily Texan Columnist

A tradition of the Jewish people involves the youngest person at the Passover Seder to sing “The Four Questions.” As the youngest person in my entire extended Jewish family, every year I have the honor of performing this tradition.

The basis of “The Four Questions” revolves around the lyric “Mah nishtanah ha-lahylah ha-zeh mi-kol ha-layloht?” In other words, “Why is this night different than all other nights?”

It is different for many reasons, including eating matzah — thin, bland sheets of cardboard (I mean unleavened bread).

At Texas, the University has some nights that are different than other nights. These are honored by lighting the Tower burnt orange.

In addition to other occasions, it is lit when a class

graduates, on the University’s birthday and every time the football team wins — even if it’s against Florida Atlantic. According to the University, Saturday was just like every other night.

But it wasn’t.

The Longhorns men’s basketball team beat then-No. 2 Kansas in Lawrence in possibly the biggest regular season win in Texas history. And the University landmark remained bathed in its normal white light.

In the words of the ESPN NFL analysts, “C’mon man!”

Texas is becoming a basketball school. It’s about time to recognize it.

Yes, football is and always will be king here, but basketball is becoming much more relevant in Austin.

Don’t believe me? Then you haven’t been to the Frank Erwin Center recently. In the Longhorns’ last three home games, “the drum” has been bumping. Exciting games against UConn, Oklahoma and Texas A&M have all been sold out.

Students with a Longhorn All-Sports Pass

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TEXAS NOTEBOOK

Coach congratulates former Longhorn, hopes for all-star bid

By Will Anderson
Daily Texan Staff

Rick Barnes, coming off one of the biggest regular-season wins of his career at Texas, reached out to one of his former players.

The Texas coach gave his praise for former Longhorn La-Marcus Aldridge and hopes that he is named to the Western Conference all-star team.

Aldridge is currently not in the top 10 amongst Western Conference forwards in the ballot returns released on Jan. 13. Online voting concluded Jan. 23 with lineups to be announced Jan. 27.

“One thing I wish could happen more than anything is that the fans could really vote for him and get him on that all-star team because he’s having a great year,” Barnes said.

Aldridge was named the league’s Western Conference player of the

week on Monday after averaging 28.3 points and 10.3 rebounds for the Portland Trail Blazers over a 4-0 streak. Overall he’s averaging 21.4 points and 8.9 rebounds per game this season. The No. 2 overall pick in 2006 is now

the top offensive threat on a team that seems play-off bound.

Aldridge’s mother, Georgia, was diagnosed with cancer in the off-season and the Dallas native has said her strength in fighting the disease is added motivation for him to earn an all-star spot.

“I know it’s been a really tough year on him,” Barnes said. “The fact that he got some recognition today is a really good thing for him and we’re happy for him.”

At Texas, Aldridge averaged nearly

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BIG 12 NOTEBOOK



Derek Stout | Daily Texan file photo

Texas A&M’s Khris Middleton guards Jordan Hamilton in the Aggies’ loss to Texas last week. Middleton and the Aggies are off to the team’s best start since 1920.

Aggies bounce back against Kansas State

By Austin Laymance
Daily Texan Staff

Texas A&M got back on the winning track Saturday, fighting off Kansas State 64-56 at home. The Aggies got their groove back against the Wildcats after an embarrassing 21-point loss to Texas in their previous outing.

Sophomore forward Khris Middleton led Texas A&M with 18 points, draining eight free throws in the final two minutes to secure

the victory. Kansas State cut the A&M lead to two with just under a minute to play, but the Aggies went 9-for-10 from the line during the final 45 seconds to fend off the scrappy Wildcats. The win improved Texas A&M to 17-2, the best start for the Aggies since they began the 1919-20 season 19-0.





Texas A&M sits behind Texas atop the Big 12 standings, the Aggies’ 4-1 conference start matches the best in school history. Texas A&M will be looking to hand

Nebraska its first home loss of the season when the two face off Saturday in Lincoln. The Aggies’ loss to the Longhorns was their first since a two-point defeat against Boston College on Thanksgiving. But the Aggies won’t have long to wait before getting another shot at Texas. the rivalry resumes Monday when the Longhorns invade College Station.

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TRIVIA TUESDAY

How many combined Longhorns are on the Super Bowl rosters of the Pittsburgh Steelers and Green Bay Packers?

Five, Pittsburgh: Casey Hampton, Tony Hills, Jonathan Scott, Limas Sweed, Green Bay: Jermichael Finley

TWEET OF THE DAY



Tristan Thompson
@realtristan13

Never settle for what you got, always strive for more. G2G

BIG 12 PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Jordan Hamilton #3



Position: Guard
Height: 6’7”
Class: Sophomore
Hometown: Compton, Calif.

Hamilton averaged 22 points and 8.5 rebounds last week in wins against Kansas and Texas A&M.

BIG 12 ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Tristan Thompson #13



Position: Forward
Height: 6’8”
Class: Freshman
Hometown: Brampton, Ontario

Thompson averaged 15 points and 6 rebounds and added nine blocks last week in wins against Kansas and Texas A&M.

AP RANKINGS MEN’S BASKETBALL

1	Ohio State
2	Pittsburgh
3	Duke
4	San Diego State
5	Connecticut
6	Kansas
7	Texas
8	Villanova
9	Syracuse
9	Brigham Young

FOOTBALL



Trent Lesikar | Daily Texan Staff

New Texas offensive line coach Stacy Searels answers questions from the media on Friday.

Staff complete with Searels on board



By Jon Parrett
Daily Texan Staff

After one of the most tumultuous offseasons in recent memory, Texas finally has its coaching staff in place. While some expected the Longhorns and head coach Mack Brown to rapidly fill the vacancies on staff, they instead took their time, handpicked their guys and only finished the hires last week. Seven new faces will pace the sidelines next year at Texas and here's a look at some of them.

Manny Diaz

Will Muschamp shocked the Longhorn nation by bolting for Florida in December, leaving fans and recruits wondering what would be next.

Enter: Manny Diaz. Diaz was the biggest hire and the very first Mack locked down. He has only one year of experience as defensive coordinator of a BCS school, but his Mississippi State Bulldogs finished third in the SEC in scoring defense last season and fourth in rushing defense. Diaz likes to show opposing quarterbacks mixed looks,

which should work well in a pass-heavy league such as the Big 12. Diaz might not show as much energy as Muschamp on the sideline, but his results should be as good, if not better.

Major Applewhite

Major Applewhite was the biggest surprise. It was rumored that Applewhite would follow Muschamp to Florida to become the offensive coordinator, but it seems Applewhite's ties to Texas were too deep. The former Texas quarterback gets the co-offensive coordinator tag slapped on to go with his promotion after working with the team's running backs for the past three seasons. He and Bryan Harsin will combine to improve an offense that only managed 24 points per game, and develop junior quarterback Garrett Gilbert, who struggled during his first year as a starter.

Jerry Gray

Mack's most underrated hire this offseason had to be former Longhorn cornerback Jerry Gray as defensive backs coach, who re-

turns to the college ranks after coaching in the NFL for 15 years. Adding someone with NFL experience helps recruiting immensely, and Gray's experience with Texas — he grew up in Lubbock and coached at SMU — will add to the Longhorns' recruiting prowess. Gray will be a hit with the players and should help add to the play in the secondary that over the years has garnered Texas the nickname DB University.

Stacy Searels

Searels replaces Mac McWhorter as offensive line coach and was a last-ditch hire. Searels was the final member of the staff to be hired and hasn't been in Austin for more than a week. Texas was pursuing Auburn offensive line coach Jeff Grimes, but couldn't lure him away from the Tigers. In turn, top offensive line recruit Christian Westerman selected Auburn over the Longhorns. Still, Searels develops good relationships with his players and comes from a great coaching pedigree in the SEC, having coached four years at Georgia and won a national championship with LSU.

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Freshman tearing up Big 12

Baylor freshman Perry Jones continued his dominant play in conference Saturday with a 24-point, eight rebound performance to lead the Bears past visiting Oklahoma State 76-57. It was Jones' fourth 20-point game in five Big 12 outings.

The Duncanville native, a sure top-five NBA draft pick should he become Baylor's first one-and-done player, is averaging 19.8 points per game against conference foes while shooting a blistering 71 percent from the field.

On Saturday, Jones displayed the athleticism and skill that has pro scouts drooling. During a span of 71 seconds, the freshman scored seven points. Jones took a pass from A.J. Walton and slammed it home in time to beat the shot clock, then buried a step-back jumper before getting out on a fast break and finishing an

alley-oop pass from Walton with a monster dunk while being fouled — Jones made the free throw to extend Baylor's lead to 13.

Jones hasn't wasted any time getting acclimated to play in the Big 12. In his conference debut, the 19-year-old shot 8-for-9 from the field and finished with 20 points. He followed with a 25-point outburst against Oklahoma. Jones also proved he can play against top competitors, scoring 20 points against Kansas.

Big 12 among basketball's elite

Traditionally, the elite basketball conferences include the Big East, Big Ten, Pac-10 and ACC. But with four schools ranked in the top 15 of the AP poll, the Big 12 is making a case for the best basketball division top to bottom.

This season, the Big 12 has posted its best non-conference winning per-

centage (.805) in league history. Since Jan. 1, Big 12 teams are 18-1 against non-conference opponents — Texas' one-point overtime loss at home to Connecticut being the lone blemish. Big 12 schools have also won 62 of 73 non-league games since Dec. 8. The Big 12 is second in the nation in non-conference wins (140), only the Big East — which has four more teams — has more. But Big 12 teams aren't just scheduling weak non-conference opponents — the conference has the nation's best record against top-25 non-league foes.

But it isn't just the league's top ranked squads (No. 6 Kansas, No. 7 Texas, No. 11 Missouri, No. 13 Texas A&M) that justify the conference's elite status. The Big 12 has 10 teams with 13 wins or more, including nine schools with at least a .700 win percentage — both totals that are tied for the most of any conference in the country.

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a double-double for his entire sophomore season. He became the highest draft pick in Longhorn history when he went second overall in the 2006 NBA draft, a record matched by Kevin Durant a year later.

Now Aldridge is having the best run of his professional career and is averaging more than 20 points per outing for the first time since joining the league.

"I don't think they are going to pick me," Aldridge told Yahoo! Sports' Marc J. Spears over the weekend. "I think this will be the first year they take guys with losing records."

Defensive satisfaction

Texas' defensive prowess was on display when the Longhorns held Kansas, the nation's best field-goal converting team, to 26.7 percent shooting in the second half of Saturday's win at Allen Fieldhouse.

"Our defense really set the tone," said senior Matt Hill. "We got a lot of stops, which led to our offense."

But the team's defense has been a crucial ingredient to success all season, especially in conference play, where not a single Big 12 opponent has shot better than 41.5 percent from the field. The Longhorns have also held Big 12 op-

ponents to a combined 13-of-59 from beyond the arc.

Freshman Tristan Thompson also leads the conference in blocks with 2.21 per game. That isn't always a good thing, as the rest of the team must rotate when Thompson leaves his man to stop a shot, but luckily guards Cory Joseph and Dogus Balbay are playing lockdown on individual defense.

"I'm just trying to make him feel me," Balbay said about his defensive strategy. "I don't want anybody to get the ball comfortably and bring the ball down and see the court well."

Parting shots

Texas swept the weekly conference awards announced on Monday. Jordan Hamilton averaged 22 points per game last week in wins over No. 13 Texas A&M and No. 6 Kansas to be named conference player of the week, while Tristan Thompson was named conference rookie of the week for his 15 points and 4.5 blocks per game.

Texas jumped to No. 7 in the most recent Associated Press poll. It's the highest the team has been ranked all season after starting the 2010-11 campaign outside of the Top 25. The Longhorns are the highest ranked three-loss team.

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were being turned down at the door an hour before the A&M game. Scalpers were outside selling tickets for good money.

Following the win against Kansas, there was plenty of buzz throughout Austin about the Longhorns.

It's easy to get excited about this basketball team. If the football team's poor season doesn't bring extra enthusiasm, the team that Rick Barnes has compiled will.

Almost every team Barnes has put together since coming to Texas in 1998 has been one worth watching. He is responsible for making Texas basketball relevant not only in the Big 12 but on the national level as well.

He has done this by not just bringing in top recruits from Texas, but also stretching into every corner of the country and even internationally. He gets players who are also being recruited by Connecticut, Villanova, Duke, Kentucky, North Carolina, Syracuse, Kansas and more. In addition, he has developed these players and created one of the top basketball programs in the nation.

In 12 years at Texas, he has taken the Longhorns to the NCAA tournament 12 times with a 13th only a couple months away.

Barnes has had 13 players drafted since 1999 and could possibly add three more following this season. Only four Longhorns were drafted from 1990-98.

Every Texas basketball game is now on television.

The facilities are known as some of the best in the country.

And how about those new uniforms?

Big things continue to loom for Texas basketball. Barnes' job, which some call the best in the country, is his until he is ready to leave.

Prior to the Barnes era, Texas basketball never saw days like this.

A collapse similar to last year's seems unlikely. Even if some of the underclassmen choose to go to the NBA, the Longhorns will be restocked with four four-star recruits and one five-star recruit on board for next year. Earlier in the month, the Longhorns secured the top center in the 2012 class.

Maybe by then, they will begin lighting the Tower orange for the basketball team and make big wins a little bit different than all other nights.

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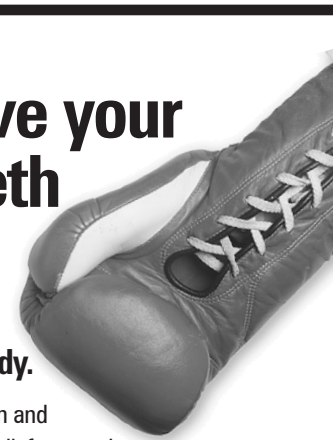
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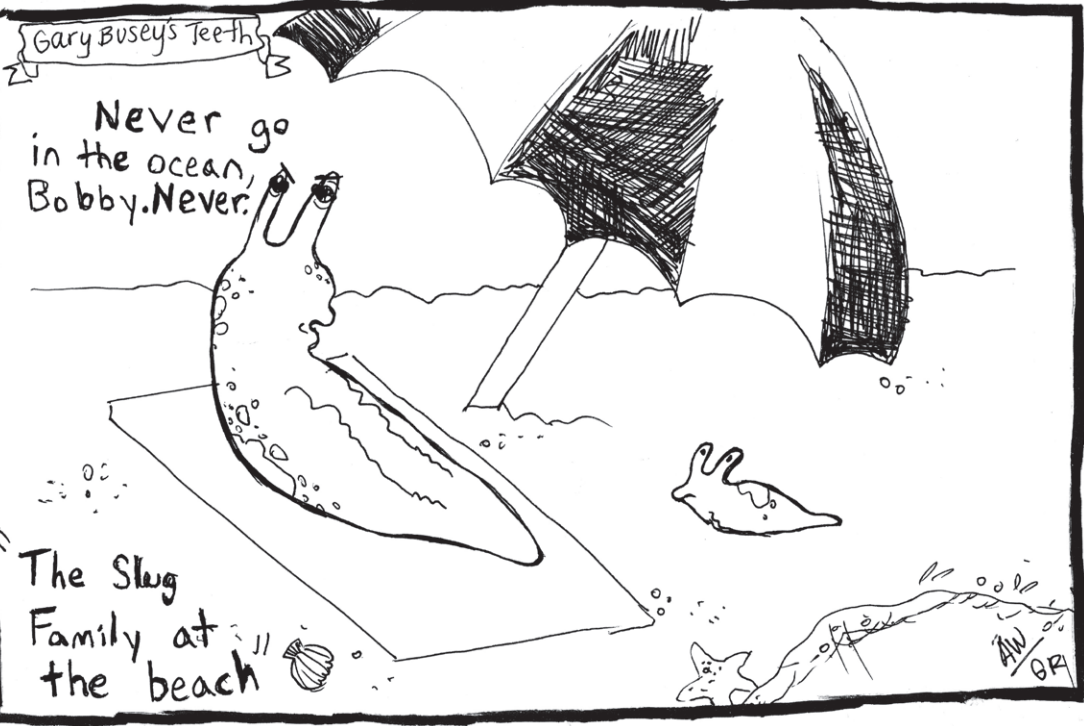
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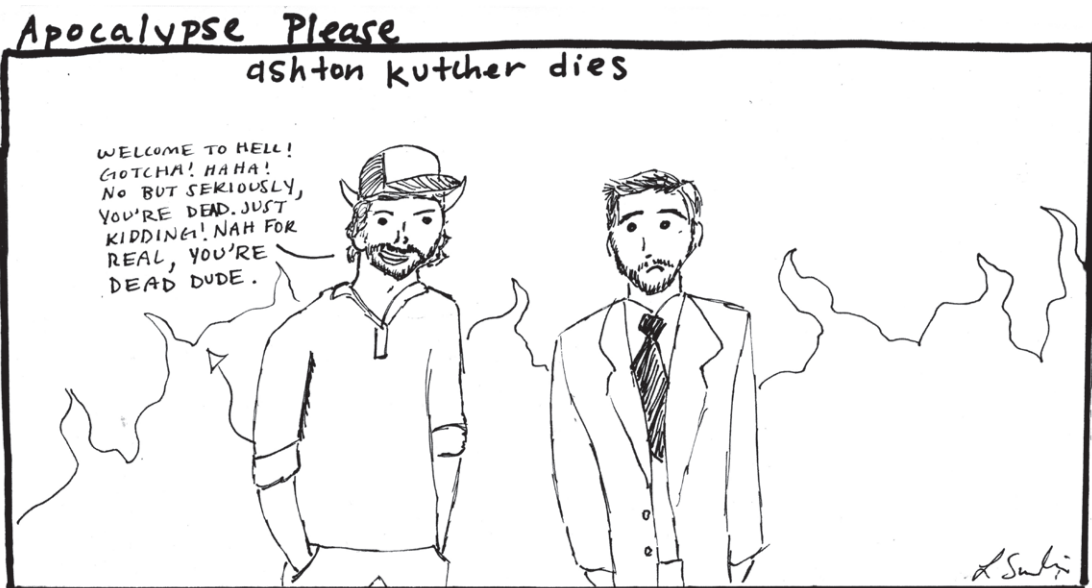
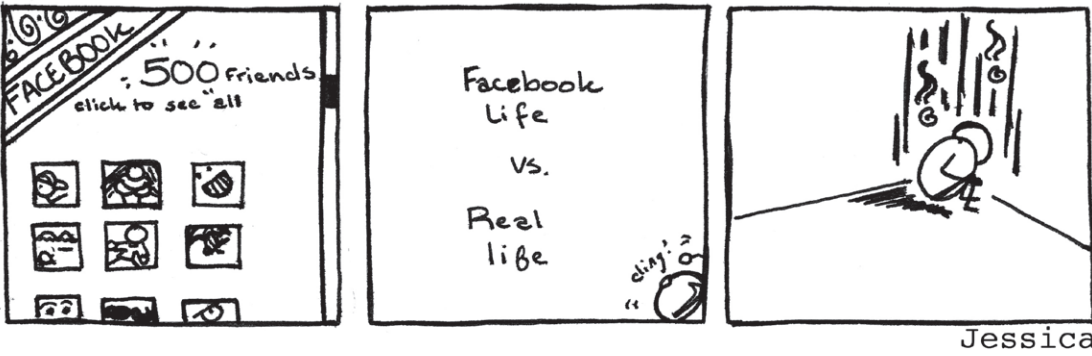
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- 14 God, to Muslims
- 15 Gaucho's plain
- 16 "Six Feet Under" network
- 17 F.A.A. supervisors?
- 19 Belief suffix
- 20 Start of a countdown
- 21 Jerome who composed "Ol' Man River"
- 22 Dolts
- 24 Object to online commentary?
- 27 Cosine's reciprocal
- 30 "Waiting for Lefty" playwright
- 31 It's walked on pirate ships

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- 2 Totally absorbed
- 2 Vogue competitor
- 3 Shepard in space
- 4 Pink-slip
- 5 "Lola" band
- 6 Start of grace, maybe
- 7 Fallback strategy
- 8 Subject of a cigarette rating
- 9 Shut down
- 10 Prescription measure
- 11 "You're right"
- 12 "The Wild Duck" playwright
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- 24 Gershwin's "The ___ Love"
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Haddington's garde manger Melissa Moss checks an order before it is given the OK to be served.

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States Art Authority is the new venue for the weekly slams that 501 Studios once hosted. The first two slams at the Art Authority drew more than 150 audience members each, and Strack expects an even better attendance tonight. The show is pirate-themed, "The Flying Pirate Riot," a tribute to THAT Damned Band whose songs revolve around pirate antics, with titles including "The Drunken Pirate's Hymn" and "Whiskey and Beer." Though the poetry does not need to be related to the theme, the most appropriately dressed audience member will win a spoken word CD by Austin Poetry Slam.

The emcee for the event is Christopher Michael, second place winner in the individual National Slam Competition. He will host a line-up that includes national champion poet Big Pop-pa E and Lacey Roop, an Austin Poetry Slam member.

"You can expect some amazing word poets entertaining with their joy and pain," Michael said.

Cover charge for the event is \$5 and the majority of the proceeds will help fund the Sky Can-

WHAT: Austin Poetry Slam Competition
WHERE: United States Art Authority
WHEN: Every Tuesday, 8 p.m.
TICKETS: \$5

dy Collective's aerial dance teaching projects. THAT Damned Band will provide the score for Sky Candy's aerial performance, which involves trapezes, silks and aerial hoops called lyras. The band will also play during breaks between poets.

Zach Caballero, an English freshman and devout slam fan for more than four years, plans to attend tonight. He is also a member of the Texas Youth Word Collective, a local youth spoken word group. Zach said there's something magical in the formula for events like these.

"It's that mystery of not knowing what you're going to find and then hearing something that just ignites you," he said. "As a poet, what's really exciting is spitting a poem that's relevant to someone you've never met."

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hefty pile of prize money.

The premise doesn't seem overly offensive at first glance. Depending on the viewer's opinion of child pageants, "Toddlers and Tiaras" might even seem like a fun and frivolous way to spend an hour. But those inclined to consider child beauty pageants a harmless hobby may change their minds after watching an episode.

Take 2-year-old Mia Grande, for example. Mia's routine, featured on a recent episode of "Toddlers and Tiaras," involves her walking out on stage in a white robe and angel wings to Madonna's "Like A Prayer," which she soon strips to reveal a gold bustier complete with a pointy cone bra.

The audience, far from finding this blatant sexualization of a 2-year-old horrifying or offensive, responds with a round of rapturous whoops, laughter and applause (especially when Mia, who is obviously overwhelmed, confused and clueless about what she's being forced to do, pauses to look down and play with the ridiculous cone bra).

The situation only becomes more uncomfortable when Mia tries to run offstage, only for her mother to pull her back in front of the scream-

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"Orange Juice" is delightful and more complex than plain old orange juice. It's a pleasant medley of clementines and tangerines, a semi-sweet and tangy mellow citrus. Though delectable, it is a tad expensive at \$3 a glass.

Staying true to their American-yet-British theme, Haddington's offers entrees like Bangers and Hash (\$10), two spicy pork and lamb links atop a festive bed of textured potatoes with a mincing of onion, red pepper and fennel. Their British Feast (\$8), is a less inspiring plate of eggs, bacon, baked beans, toast and a poached tomato.

The favorite at brunch, however, was the un-British but gastronomically intriguing Banana Nut French Toast. French toast is customarily made with bread (usually white bread), dipped in a milk and egg mixture and fried to a golden-brown crisp, served with syrup, jam or powdered sugar. Haddington's French toast is instead a thick, toasted slab

of banana nut bread with an internal sprinkling of nuts, crowned with light syrup, a whipped cream cheese topping and baked apples. Texturally appealing and delicious, for \$9 their Banana Nut French Toast is a hit.

Haddington's portions are well parceled and those with shallower pockets may prefer their brunch cheese menu. For \$7, one may sample an order of gourmet cheese from Wisconsin or local Texas cheeses with a few slices of toast and honey. Haddington's also has a pleasing variety of other breakfast staples as side-dishes, such as yogurt and honey, bacon and steel-cut oats.

Although the British Feast lacked "wow factor," all of the dishes were well executed. The only negatives of Haddington's are its prices. Brunch is a reasonable price for a college student, but a full course meal for two is pricey, with drinks and tip averaging around \$100.

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Peter Bjorn and John, "Breaker, Breaker"

Clocking in at just 1:37, this single from the Swedish group's upcoming sixth album, *Gimme Some*, doesn't sacrifice any punch for brevity; you'll forget all about their inescapable 2006 pop hit "Young Folks" after hearing this lo-fi, rhythmic jam. A violent re-buff to what sounds like a heated exchange ("I'm gonna break your nose and sing about it"), this new guitar-led direction, like the song, doesn't seem like an idle threat and might finally break the group of that infamous whistling.

Tennis, "Marathon"

The married couple that makes up Tennis (whose debut is a concept album about their sailboat trip across the East Coast) go for charming in "Marathon," where a sea expedition goes awry in bad weather. Alaina Moore's voice is as breezy and bright as a sunny day at the beach and keeps this harmless ditty from being too cute. It sounds tailor-made for the plaintive trailer of a romantic comedy, but the '60s girl group sound feels genuine.

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Cosentino, will be playing at Emo's tonight alongside boyfriend Nathan Williams, who heads up the San Diego noise pop outfit Waves. The pair's relationship has been the subject of music tabloid fodder since they began dating early last year, hilariously documented in the popular blog Hipster Run-off: "What should the relationship nickname of Waves + Best Coast?" blog author Carles asks, before recommending "Waves on the Coast," "Best Wave," and "Waves crashing against the Coast." All funny business aside, the show should be spectacularly hazy; Best Coast recently released her debut full-length *Crazy For You* to critical acclaim and No Joy is fresh off a UK tour with like-minded artists Young Prisms and Surfer Blood.

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By DAVID OUELLET

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Austin Poetry Slam organizer Danny Strack, center, surrounded by slam participants Jacob Dodson, Gretta C., Winnie Hsia and Ruff Draft, will take part in tonight's weekly slam at the United States Art Authority. Tonight's slam will feature the punk group THAT Damned Band and aerial arts collective Sky Candy.

Slam Poet Society

By Clayton Wickham

Slam Poetry competitions are far from your average coffee shop poetry reading. Poets stand alone at the microphone in front of strangers spitting poems that are raw, controversial, often personal and rarely boring. Bragging rights and \$100 are at stake, \$50 for the winner, \$30 for the runner-up and \$20 for third place. For the people involved, the slam poetry experience means a lot more than winning or losing. There's a saying in the slam poetry world: The point's not the point, the point is the poetry.

Austin Poetry Slam has served as a forum for spoken word artists since 1995. Poets are given three minutes and 10 seconds to

spit their poem while five randomly selected audience members judge their efforts based on the quality of their poetry and performance.

Tonight at their weekly slam, the group reaches outside of the spoken word genre to feature aerial arts collective Sky Candy and the accordion lead punk group THAT Damned Band.

"I thought it would be interesting to have a show where poetry was interspersed with other forms of art," said Danny Strack, the event's organizer, known as the "slam master."

As of Jan. 11, the United

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Band's singer writes to fans; site launched to track shows

tu(n)esday
By Francisco Marin

Voxtro singer goes solo

Last year was heartbreaking for Austin indie pop fans when Voxtro's four members decided to throw in the towel after seven years, three EPs and one full-length album. Lead singer Ramesh Srivastava announced the breakup on the band's website in a poignant letter to fans, citing the "long, simmering build, explosion and almost instantaneous decay" of Voxtro's fame and glory. Fortunately, Srivastava is heading into solo territory with EP1, now streaming on his website rameshalwayswins.com/. The three-song EP finds Srivastava picking up where Voxtro left off; "The King" is classic Voxtro with its emotionally intimate lyrics, sweeping string melodies and summer-tinged sonic artistry.

Austin Music Weekly

Austin Music Weekly, a new website determined to bring high-quality live footage of local Austin bands, has already posted more than 40 shows since it went online last week. Among the highlights so far: The Black and White Years, The Frontier Brothers, The Sour Notes, White Denim and Zlam Dunk. Signing up for the site is free and promises to showcase only "local bands, always in local venues." Check out footage from these shows and much more at AustinMusicWeekly.com.

Best Coast, Wavves, No Joy

Last year was a whirlwind for lo-fi bands. It seems like all of a sudden people began trading in their neon Day-Glo shirts and MGMT CDs for beach trips and low-quality Garage Band demos from Best Coast, Puro Instinct and Dum Dum Girls. Best Coast, headed by indie queen Bethany

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MUSIC REVIEW

First hit singles of new year marked by poppy lyricism

By Aleksander Chan
Daily Texan Staff

Britney Spears, "Hold It Against Me"

This panoply of Top 40 music trends, complete with Dubstep breakdown that could easily double as a soft drink commercial, is the kind of scientifically-engineered hit that professional earworm/guilty pleasure producers Max Martin and Dr. Luke dominated the charts with last year. That said, Spears' vocals (barely audible over the mix of synths and beats) continue to sound phoned-in. Although "Hold It Against Me" isn't her new "Toxic," that doesn't mean it's any less catchy.

Bruno Mars, "Grenade"

Much of Bruno Mars' charm is in his gooey lyricism, regardless of whether or not you buy his smooth-talking, lady-killer persona. The finely tuned and melodic production is coupled with continued devotional proclamations such as, "I'd catch a grenade for you/I'd put my hand on a blade for you." Part of the reason the song is unsuccessful is the implausible imagery it employs. Whereas his past singles bordered on saccharine, this attempt at sweeping romanticism paints him as egotistical and disingenuous.

Destroyer, "Kaputt"

Canadian group Destroyer's lead single off their new album sounds like a bizarre, saxophone-backed homage to a '70s porn film or at least a hidden cut on the Boogie Nights soundtrack. "Sounds like a dream," sings frontman Dan Bejar. It's a fitting description of this cryptic disco journey with a cocaine addict that has grand, indiscernible aspirations ("I wrote a song for America/Who knew?"). Somehow the resulting production works impeccably, staying with you long after it slinks along.

Kanye West & Jay-Z, "H-A-M"

Far from an ode to pork products, this is the first from the announced collaborative album from Kanye West and mentor Jay-Z. "H-A-M" is a victory speech of sorts after West's storied 2010, which included his successful, buzz-fueled My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy. Otherwise, it's a mild start: Both have delivered better verses in better songs (haven't we heard enough about the travails of fame?), but even the worst from rap's leading impresarios is still better than most.

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'Tiaras' terrifies with pint-size beauty queens



TV TUESDAY
By Katie Stroh

The most disturbing show on television right now isn't AMC's gory, zombie thriller "The Walking Dead," nor is it MTV's remake of the UK's controversial, debauchery-filled "Skins." Those horrifying-you-can't-look-away show need look no further than TLC's "Toddlers and Tiaras."

Television network TLC — short for "The Learning Channel" — has become known in recent years for its "freakshow" program-

ming. Though TLC was founded in 1972 as a channel focused on education through television, the network has become reliant on shock value under the guise of wholesome family entertainment, making it the 21st century equivalent of a circus sideshow.

Shows like "19 Kids and Counting," "My Strange Addiction," "Sarah Palin's Alaska," "I Didn't Know I Was Pregnant," and the late-lamented "Jon and Kate Plus 8" all invite audiences to gape in wonder at women whose child-birthing capabilities seem endless, people addicted to hoarding useless items, a man who treats

a life-size sex doll as if she were his human wife and a gun-toting female politician whose manure remains flawless even as she tracks and shoots a caribou in the Alaskan wilderness.

Most disgusting of all is "Toddlers and Tiaras," a documentary-style show that follows the wacky and tacky world of child beauty pageants. Each episode focuses on two or three child contestants — all under the age of 10 and often as young as two — and their families as they compete for a title, an enormous glittery crown and a

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RESTAURANT REVIEW HADDINGTON'S



Ryan Proppes | Daily Texan Staff

Haddington's Braized Pork Shank for Two with traditional Mirepoix consisting of onions, carrots and celery is served hot from the oven.

British tavern offers high class cuisine

By Sara Benner
Daily Texan Staff

Upon arriving at Haddington's tavern and gastropub, you are greeted by the charming, polished black bar. With classics by Queen and The Beatles lingering in the air, this British-inspired gastropub may be making a name for itself among the high-priced eateries of Austin, but its affordable weekend brunch is worth mentioning as well.

Michael Polombo, co-owner of the restaurant, drew inspiration for Haddington's concept from the life of his great-grandfather, who captained a ship named The Haddington. Executive chef and Polombo's business partner Zack Northcutt is shifting gears from small-portioned gourmet American to a more robust American gourmet style with a posh British accent.

Haddington's offers more than food with a staggering selection of beer, liquor and cocktails. The pub side of Haddington's is helmed by former FINO mixologist Bill Norris, a rockstar in the competitive cocktail-mixing world. Norris has also been named "Best Mixologist" in the 2008 and 2009 Austin Chronicle Reader's Poll.

Their drink menu is complete with the staples and exotic rarities alike. Their selection of beer ranges from a \$5 glass of Fireman's #4 to Malheur Bière Brut Reserve for \$48 a bottle. For liquor, the range goes from Maker's Mark (\$9) to a 16 year aged A.H. Hirsch Whiskey (\$30). The cocktails, made by Norris himself, range from the classics, like Gin and Haddington's Tonic (\$9), to the Smoking Jacket, a dessert-like drink made with anejo rum, Guinness stout, amaretto,

RESTAURANT: Haddington's
WHERE: 601 W. Sixth St.
HOURS: Restaurant open Mon-Sun, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Bar open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Sunday 11 a.m. to 1 a.m., Thursday 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.
PRICE RANGE: Dinner entrees \$14-\$35, drinks \$5-\$48
WEB: Thehaddington.com

scotch and nutmeg (\$10).

Haddington's bar is open for brunch, but for those less adventurous in the morning, non-alcoholic beverages are also available. Their pulpless

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