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Basketball and football join the kids' movie bracket

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# WEEKEND

## FRIDAY

'Nothing will stop me now' Mother Falcon and Marmalakes play an EP release show at the Cactus Cafe at 8 p.m.

## 'It's the hardknock life' **Zilker Theatre Productions**

presents "Annie" at 8:30 p.m. Admission is free.

## When it rains ...

The Eli Young Band plays Carlos 'n Charlie's at 7 p.m. Tickets are available starting at noon and cost \$29.

## SATURDAY

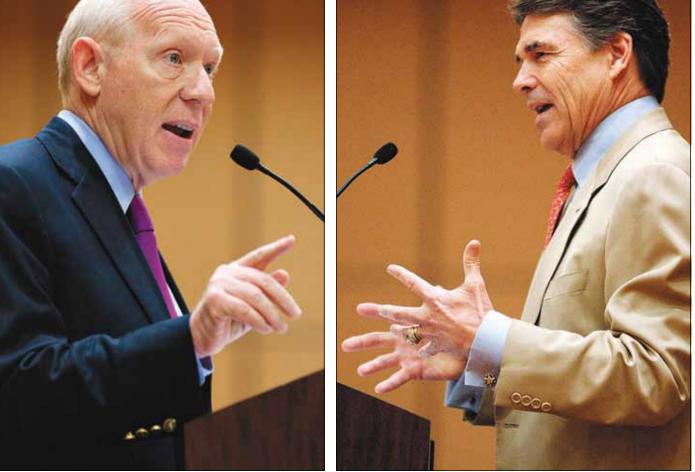
'Only blood' Shapes Have Fangs play Beerland at 10 p.m.

## 'Strong man, old man'

Alfred Hitchcock's "Rebecca" shows at the Paramount Theatre at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$9.

## Aquapalooza

**Showdown in San Marcos** 



Gubernatorial candidates Bill White and Rick Perry speak at the Texas Farm Bureau Summer Commodity Conference in San Marcos on Thursday afternoon in a bid for the bureau's endorsement.

## White attacks, delegates criticize Perry's stance on eminent domain

**By Nolan Hicks Daily Texan Staff** SAN MARCOS — For the first time during the 2010 gubernato-

detract attention from his failures someone who was for the bailof leadership while governor.

out," after AGFUND, the political

al government policies as a way to ed the bailout would support Hall as key concerns of the group. White pledged to back the eminent-domain reform bill that was "He thinks that if he attacks arm of the Texas Farmers Bureau, supported by the Farm Bureau but rial campaign, former Houston the [federal] government, you'll endorsed Kay Bailey Hutchison vetoed by Perry in 2007. He also pledged to support historical water-usage rights, which have become a major issue as cities started consuming water previously reserved for farmland.

Photos by Mary Kang | Daily Texan Staff

## **Co-investing** disallowed for directors of UTIMCO

**TOMORROW'S WEATHER** 

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**By Collin Eaton Daily Texan Staff** 

The controversial rule allowing directors of The University of Texas Investment Management Company to personally invest in companies that are in UTIMCO's investment portfolio was repealed Thursday morning.

UTIMCO's Audit and Ethics Committee moved to change the rule, but the committee's plan will be presented to the UT System Board of Regents in August for final approval.

In August 2008, UTIMCO changed long-standing rules in its Code of Ethics to allow directors to co-invest in hedge funds, real-estate partnerships and other investments. According to a 2008 article in the Austin American-Statesman, UTIMCO banned co-investment in 2000, a few years after the investment management company was created in 1996. With the new rule change, as with the Code of Ethics before 2008, coinvestment is allowed if a director's interest in the fund or investment is less than 5 percent.

Jerry Turner, UTIMCO's outside general counsel, said there was concern and misinterpretation of the rule when it was originally implemented. Turner said one of the reasons for the current reversal is that the ethics code has evolved to the point that it's too complicated to understand and should be simplified.

"It was never really a change that produced any real benefit to UTIM-CO because it was [an activity] never really implemented or exercised," he said. "So what we're doing in o der to react to some of the concerns expressed in the political sector or elsewhere, [is that] we are reversing the amendment and going back to the prior standard that says a director may not have any interest in a

at Aquapalooza at the Reserve. Event begins at noon, featuring special guest Brad Paisley.

## SUNDAY

## World Cup final

1:30 p.m.



## 'Heathcliff, don't break my heart'

The 1939 classic "Wuthering Heights" shows at 5 p.m. Tickets cost \$9.



"I'm excited. I know that I could be the type of guy to fill in a spot on the court [for Miami]. I could be the energy guy, the guy doing the dirty work."

> – Dexter Pittman Former UT basketball player

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Mayor Bill White and Gov. Rick forget he attacked you," White during the contentious Republi-Perry addressed the same audience in back-to-back speeches.

The Democratic gubernatorial candidate attacked Perry at the Texas Farm Bureau Summer Commodity Conference in San Mar-

said to the audience. "You can primary battle. should be respected instead of

[campaign] props.' ments made by chief Perry icant amount of time discussing spokesman Mark Miner, who eminent-domain reform and wacos, claiming he was attacking the said, "It's not surprising that an ter rights issues — both identified Obama administration and feder- insurance company that support- by Farm Bureau spokesman Gene

These attacks on Perry concluded White's almost 50-minute ad-White was referring to com- dress, in which he spent a signif-

"I will keep these promises to you even if I don't get the

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## APD to request review of crime lab

**Employee's allegations** could jeopardize cases involving DNA evidence

**By Michael Sherfield** 

**Daily Texan Staff** 

and Travis County District At-

torney's Office will offer a joint

resolution asking for a thorough

inspection of the department's

DNA lab by an independent

agency, authorities said at a press

The move came in response to

allegations made by Cecily Ham-

ilton, a former DNA analyst with

conference Thursday.

11 memo detailing a hostile work environment, retaliation among workers and DNA-testing quality concerns. Hamilton also alleged supervisors helped analysts pass proficiency tests. The Austin Police Department

The police department investigated the allegations during the spring and deemed the complaints to be unfounded. Hamilton resigned from her position in the APD lab in May and could not be reached for comment.

"We will provide the Texas Forensic Science Commission with all of the documentation regarding the allegations and the find-

the police department, in a Feb. ings," APD Chief Art Acevedo said. "We will make a joint formal request that they review all of the documents, they review all of the allegations and they report back."

The allegations could place up to 2,000 cases involving DNA evidence in jeopardy if the testing commission determines there were procedural errors.

While many of the cases are still ongoing, there could be further complications with cases where convictions arose from DNA evidence.

Authorities said state

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## Floods in Laredo prompt evacuations

By Nolan Hicks, Cristina Herrera & Destinee Hodge **Daily Texan Staff** Police were busy evacuating people from Laredo on Thursday as the Rio Grande continued to rise, flooding portions of downtown and shutting down key border crossings between the U.S. and Mexico.

The river rose more than 40 feet above flood stage Thursday afternoon. City officials said the Rio Grande was expected to crest 2 feet above its current level. As of press time, thousands of people have been evacuated from Laredo because of the rising water, a Laredo Police Department shift commander said.

"[We need] calm," said city spokeswoman Xochitl Garcia Mora when asked what Laredo needed most. "There are a lot of people locally who are really just panicking, and a lot of misinformation is getting disseminated about the water system and



Edward A. Ornelas | San Antonio Express-News | Associated Press

Tony Medina removes paintings and other prized belongings from his father-in-law's home as the Rio Grande floods the Dellwood neighborhood in Laredo on Thursday.

#### bridge closures."

Mora said the city was working with local media to ensure that accurate information is released. She said the Gateway to the Americas and Colombia-Soli-

darity international bridges were closed, and that the Juárez-Lincoln and World Trade international bridges were still open but

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Patrick Lu | Daily Texan Staf

An employee of the Cactus Cafe wipes down the bar. KUT initiated its series of "Cactus Conversations" to discuss the future of the cafe.

# **KUT brings public** into cafe meetings by invitation only

#### By Collin Eaton **Daily Texan Staff**

KUT 90.5 FM, UT's National Public Radio affiliate, hosted the first of several "Cactus Conversations" on Thursday, inviting only KUT staff and a few students and professors from the University, behind closed doors.

Between Thursday and the end of August, KUT will host five similar meetings with artists, patrons, students and professors. Though The Daily Texan and other media outlets were not invited to attend, the meeting reached out to students and the "campus community," KUT spokeswoman Erin Geisler said.

The reason we're not inviting media is because we want to make sure the people who are there feel

comfortable, and having a reporter there would change the tenor of the conversation," Geisler said. "We want them to feel like they're in a safe environment."

She said the people invited to Thursday's meeting would not necessarily be invited to any of the other meetings, though some will be invited to every meeting. She said the invited attendees will include students, musicians, patrons and other members of the community who will be invited to discuss campus, student and community engagement, artist and audience experience, musical heritage and opportunities, the sustainability of the cafe and ways to expand its audience in Austin.

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## **TODAY'S WEATHER** High Low

# **DELEGATE:** Perry misses mark with refusal to discuss issues

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[AGFUND] endorsement," White said. "Every Texan has a stake in the future of agriculture."

White concluded his address by calling on the audience to demand specific positions from Perry regarding water rights and eminent-domain reform. He said that instead of addressing the Farm Bureau's issues, Perry would attack Washington instead.

Just minutes after White concluded his address, Perry took to the podium and gave almost the same speech he gave at the Independence Day parade celebration in Round Top on Sunday. He spent less than a minute speaking about eminent domain and only mentioned water rights once.

"People do their best, when they are free, to pursue their dreams without the hand of government on their back or in their pocket," Perry said at both the Round Top and Farm Bureau forums.

fund that UTIMCO invests in."

The proposed changes to the

Code of Ethics may need to un-

dergo further tweaks before they

are presented to the UT System

rule in 2008] because we thought

the benefit would be that one

of our directors would come

across interesting investments

that they personally wanted to

invest in," said Bruce Zimmer-

man, CEO and chief investment

officer of UTIMCO. "We made

the change and we lived with it

for a couple of years; the fact is

that we haven't found any ben-

efit yet to having such referrals

and recommendations. A lack

of proactivity on our part to ex-

plain [the rule], the motivations

behind the change, the implica-

tions of the change, caused dis-

comfort in the media and our

"We [originally changed the

Board of Regents, he said.

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**RULE:** Changes reverse shift

from 2008 policy revision

speech, Perry rejected the asser- and apple pie - that's not what tion he didn't spend enough time explaining his issues on the veto of eminent-domain reform.

"We've explained it as many times as we can," Perry said. "I feel very confident the Farm Bureau knows who the candidate is who understands farm issues, who's pro-business and pro-Texas."

When pressed about his relationship with the Farm Bureau, which Hall described as strained because of the veto of eminentdomain reform, Perry denied problems existed between his office and the farmers.

"I'm here," Perry said. "We're talking every day to Farm Bureau members, you know. That's [Hall's] call. I don't consider my relationship strained with the Farm Bureau — these are people that know me."

Out of more than a dozen delegates interviewed at the forum, none of them spoke positively about Perry's address.

"I thought Rick Perry was run-In the press conference after his ning for the Senate. God, Mom

CO does business these days.

UTIMCO Policy Committee

chair Janiece Longoria said one

reason the change was made in

2008 was that many of the in-

vestment company's peer insti-

tutions do not have rules pro-

our Code of Ethics is signifi-

cantly more stringent on these

issues than any other peer insti-

board of directors, said the re-

versal is a positive change and

will eliminate past anxieties

Policy Committee member

Ardon Moore raised the ques-

tion of whether the reversal is

a more stringent rule than state

law requires, and Turner re-

sponded that it is. Moore con-

"So, if someone were to come

tinued to question Turner.

Erle Nye, a member of the

"It is my understanding that

hibiting co-investment.

tutions," Longoria said.

about the rule.

we wanted to hear," said Charlie Wilson, vice president of the Gillespie County Farm Bureau chapter. He called Perry's refusal to address the issue of eminent domain a "cop out."

"I don't know who Perry was speaking to, but it sure wasn't us," Wilson said.

Veteran political observer Dave McNeely said White skillfully managed to set Perry up by demanding the governor address specific agricultural issues instead of using his stump speech. "Bill White teed him up and

Rick Perry hit himself," said Mc-Neely, a retired longtime political reporter and columnist for the Austin American-Stateman.

McNeely said farmers and ranchers were hesitant to support Perry because of his previous support of the Trans-Texas Corridor and his veto of the eminent-domain reform bill.

"It's one of those once-burned, twice-leery things," McNeely said.

## **NEWS BRIEFLY**

## Gay marriage gets boost from Boston judge's ruling

A U.S. judge in Boston has ruled that a federal gay marriage ban is unconstitutional because it interferes with the right of a state to define marriage. U.S. District Judge Joseph

Tauro on Thursday ruled in favor of gay couples' rights in two separate challenges to the 1996 Defense of Marriage Act.

The state had argued that the law denied benefits such as Medicaid to gay married couples in Massachusetts, where same-sex unions have been legal since 2004.

Tauro agreed, and said the act forces Massachusetts to discriminate against its own citizens.

Ruling in a separate case filed by Gays & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders, Tauro found DOMA violates the equal protection clause of the Constitution.

The law was enacted by Congress in 1996 when it appeared Hawaii would soon legalize same-sex marriage and opponents worried that other states

## **ALEX:** Tamaulipas reports first death from disaster

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only carrying limited traffic.

"There were tractor-trailers parked down by the river. They were empty, so they floated," Mora said. "The concern is if they hit the bridge. We're not worried so much about the bridge structure or the crest — it's more of the debris.'

National Guard troops arrived Thursday to help with evacuations, according to an Associated Press release.

Tens of thousands of people in Mexican towns had already been forced from their homes as officials dumped torrents of water into flood-swollen rivers to avoid the risk of dams overflowing out of control in the aftermath of Hurricane Alex.

Humberto Moreira, the governor of the border state of Coahuila, said more than 20,000 homes

#### had been flooded in his state alone, and about 80,000 people had "lost all of their furniture."

Gov. Eugenio Hernández of the border state of Tamaulipas reported the first fatality there, telling an emergency evaluation meeting attended by President Felipe Calderón in the border city of Matamoros that the victim tried to cross a flooded road.

"Now comes the part that has us worried, which is the rise in the level of river," Hernández said.

The tropical depression made landfall at South Padre Island late Thursday morning and is expected to dump 4 to 8 inches of rain across the area, with as much as 10 inches in some parts, the National Weather Service said. That rain comes on top of the 5 to 7 inches that Hurricane Alex deposited last week.

Additional reporting by The Associated Press.

## LAB: Review provides opportunity for defense lawyers to appeal cases

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prosecutors are informing people convicted in DNA cases about the crime-lab allegations through letters.

The news sent defense lawyers scrambling, as they will have the option to appeal their clients' cases and convictions.

The Austin American-Statesman reported one lawyer, Stephen Orr, filed a motion to stop prosecutors from using DNA evidence in a sexual assault case against his client this week. The judge will rule on the motion Monday.

However, as early as April – several months after Hamilton's allegations — the DNA lab was reviewed and reaccredited by the American Society of Crime Lab Directors, the society's executive director Ralph Keaton said.

The voluntary inspection found no deficiencies in the testing procedures.

"I believe that when it is all said and done, there won't be any problems," Travis County

District Attorney Rosemary Lehmberg said.

She also said she will not order a full review of all the items used as DNA evidence in trials, but the Texas Forensic Science Commission could order such a review. The veracity of DNA evidence was thoroughly discussed in the highly publicized trial of Laura Hall. Last week, Hall received the maximum 10-year sentence and a \$10,000 fine for tampering with evidence in the 2005 murder of Jennifer Cave. In that case, DNA evidence linked Hall to the handgun used to kill Cave.

DNA lab specialist Cassie Carradine testified that the police department's lab has never had a deficiency found by independent auditors. Additionally, independent DNA specialist William Watson, who was part of the board that reviewed and accredited the lab, confirmed that it met industry standards.

Hall's attorney, Joe James Sawyer, could not be reached for comment.



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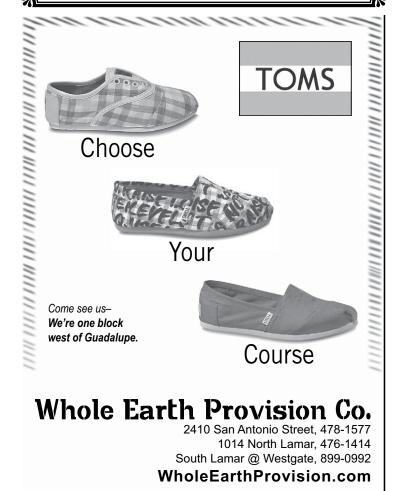
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on [to the UTIMCO board of directors] and has a very diverse investment portfolio ... UTIM-CO is unable to make investments during the tenure of that person in any of those funds?" Moore asked.

Zimmerman said that would be the case — unless the director had less than a 5-percent interest in the investment.

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such marriages. The lawsuit challenges only the portion of the law that prevents the federal government from affording pension and other benefits to samesex couples.

would be forced to recognize

Since then, five states and the District of Columbia have legalized gay marriage.

- The Associated Press

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## **CAFE:** Campus leaders weigh merits of student involvement in meeting

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Hayley Gillespie, a graduate student and co-founder of Student Friends of the Cactus Cafe, said she was not invited to the meeting, though some of her fellow supporters of the cafe's original business model were invited after they requested entrance.

"KUT did not reach out to [the Student Friends of the Cactus Cafe] on their own," Gillespie said. "I think that's unfortunate, and a little bit silly. I'm hoping this will be better than the last round of Cactus Conversations."

Matt Portillo, a Student Government representative and cofounder of Student Friends of the Cactus Cafe, said he was invited to the meeting and attended alongside others from the Friends well as KUT staff and professors.

ing and there were a lot of people who provided good perspective," Portillo said. "We talked about a variety of things, such as what value there is in the Cactus Cafe, student involvement in the cafe [and] if that's something we want to pursue and why."

SG Vice President Muneezeh Kabir said others raised serious questions about why students should be involved with the cafe.

"I answered that by saying that this is a university, and we have a very good learning opportunity that hasn't been extended to many people," Kabir said. "I think we'd be remiss to not respond to students who advocated for, [or] wanted to feel more included in, the [Cactus Cafe] and to deny them any opportuniof the Cactus Cafe, SG and the ties - whether that be business-Graduate Student Assembly, as related or music-related. I said we ought to market [the Cactus

"It was a productive meet- Cafe] as a cultural experience."

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# **OPINION**

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## VIEWPOINT

# Keep West Campus parking free

Most students aren't enamored of West Campus living. Yes, the proximity to UT, the Drag and Whataburger is all fine and dandy, but it's loud, the apartments are undersized and overpriced and the property management companies will do just about anything to get out of maintenance or make a buck - and that includes taking away free street parking.

The University Area Partners (UAP), a West Campus neighborhood association division of the Central Austin Neighborhood Planning Advisory Committee, recently proposed converting 900 free parking spots along the streets of West Campus to either metered or restricted permit parking. UAP is painting the proposal as beneficial for students because the metered parking will improve sidewalks and street lighting — but don't be fooled into thinking UAP is doing this for students' benefit. Brian Donovan, a member of UAP who is the main force behind the proposal and the general administrator of the Inter-Cooperative Councils, is even on record as saying a negative reaction from students would not prevent UAP from going forward with the proposal.

So why doesn't UAP care about what students say? Because it's mostly made up of property owners who will benefit financially if the proposal goes through, and only property owners have a voice in the matter.

To convert West Campus parking to metered parking, the city only requires the support of property owners or managers, and they get to choose what kind of parking goes where. Essentially, property owners and managers can decide to organize parking according to what's most profitable for them. With fewer parking spaces, they can demand even higher prices from students desperate for parking.

By limiting spaces, the plan will force students to pay even more to live in West Campus than they do now — either through pay-to-park lots, meters, garages or higher-priced leases. The reality of UAP's proposal is that business owners and property management companies want their profits and property values to go up.

But the Parking Benefit District (PBD) program, which would be used to convert free parking to metered parking, and the Resident Parking Permit Program (RPPP) were both designed to address issues with nonresident parking, not to force residents' cars off their own streets.

The 2005 Pilot PBD program application, which is available online, states that the City Council approved the program to offer "neighborhoods a new tool to control the spillover parking." Spillover parking is described in the document as an overcrowding of street spaces caused specifically by nonresidents.

The RPPP, on the other hand, is described on the Austin Transportation Department's website as a program to "limit the overflow of commuter or nonresident parking onto residential streets."

West Campus parking spots aren't full because of commuters; they're full because West Campus residents need them. If you don't believe me, just try driving through West Campus at night. All of its street parking is occupied, and there are still people looking for spaces. The metered parking, in contrast, is usually close to empty by noon.

West Campus doesn't have a commuter parking problem. UAP members are abusing the PBD program for personal gain and only mentioning the RPPP to placate students until it's too late. Are we to believe that property owners of places that charge for parking, such as The Block or The Quarters, would really approve a program that would dissuade their residents from leasing parking spaces? We can't trust UAP to represent our interests in this matter, and we need to be vigilant in exposing the invalidity of UAP's plan this fall when this issue is brought to the City Council. UAP is taking advantage of the transient West Campus population on two ends. First, West Campus residents are only here for four years or less and often are not organized enough to fight back. Second, residents have to hold jobs, run errands and drive home to see their families. They need their cars. The property owners know they can exploit this fact. Don't let them.

## **QUOTES TO NOTE**

"I think externally imposed price caps can be way overly simplistic, and I worry about folks trying to solve complex problems with simple solutions. Does the state of Texas want to maintain a world-class educational opportunity for its best and brightest students? Somebody has to pay for that."

- Thomas Melecki, director of the Office of Student Financial Services, on student debt, according to Thursday's Daily Texan.

"The case has never been exclusively about whether or not the Green Party gets on the ballot."

- Chad Dunn, attorney for the Texas Democratic Party, on the party's decision not to proceed with efforts to keep the Green Party off November's ballot after allegations of Republican tampering, according to the Austin American-Statesman.

"We need to allow for people to go to a mega resort in Texas, making it cheaper for Texans so they won't have to spend money on a plane ticket to Vegas."

- Jack Pratt of the Texas Gaming Association before the Texas House Committee on Licensing and Regulation, which is considering loosening gambling laws in the face of the state's budget deficit, according to The Texas Tribune.

# New loan program offers relief for college students

#### By Paige Hale **Daily Texan Columnist**

For some privileged college students, the financial costs associated with earning a degree bear no real impact. For the rest, however, once they secure their degrees, the actuality of student-loan debt and financial stress sinks in.

However, the new rates and repayment changes to student loans may provide some much-needed relief for these students.

More than half of all college students borrow money to finance their education, and July 1st, the federal government stepped in and made the process a little bit easier.

give loans, the government is now directly processing and providing student loans through the Direct

In a world where more parents and families are taking on the burden of academic finances, this loan seems welcome.

And don't worry, graduate students, you qualify for this loan, too.

Other rates were lowered as well - Stafford Loans, for those with economic need, are now at a 4.6-percent interest rate, compared to the previous 5.6-percent.

Although the FAFSA is still important and retains its place in the mountain of paperwork awaiting every freshman, the new PLUS loan qualifications do not require a FAFSA application because the federal government is now doling out the loans.

The FAFSA is still necessary for those wanting to From now on, instead of subsidizing banks to exhaust all potential options to fund their education, though.

While student loans and debt will always be a fixture in a college student's life, living with loans While private loans are still available, the new fed- is not innately a problem. After all, generations of eral loans offer fixed interest rates and slightly more Americans have become independently wealthy while spending decades paying a home mortgage or car loan.

— Heath Cleveland for the editorial board

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One feature of the Direct Loan Program is lower interest rates on loans that parents take out to fund their child's education.

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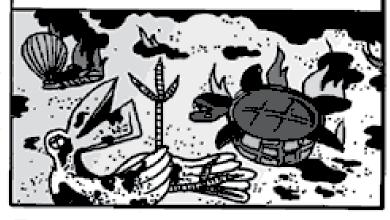
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The problem arises when students find themselves riddled with debt into the six figures before their professional career has even started. Fortunately, the new program makes the whole process of paying for college just a little bit easier.

Though I can breathe a welcome sigh of relief from student loans, the price of college is still stressful. I know a college education is a cherished, powerful thing, but I feel the same frustration as I pay for it, regardless of lower interest rates or easier logistics.

Hale is an undeclared senior.

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# Indigenous music sings a siren song to roving student



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This afternoon, UT graduate student Eliot Stone will leave for Russia, where he will spend the rest of the summer continuing his research on the indigenous music and cultures of inner Asia. While this task might seem daunting to most, Stone smiles in anticipation. His attraction to this area of study focuses on one of the world's most unique treasures: Tuvan throat singing. One of the oldest singing traditions wherein individual singers are able to perform in multiple pitches simultaneously, Tuvan throat singing has captivated Stone since he stumbled upon it while studying abroad in Amsterdam a few years ago.

But this Del Rio native isn't strictly research-minded. When Stone isn't studying the Tuvan peoples of Russia, he likes to rock climb at the Greenbelt, kayak and handcraft wooden musical instruments - especially the didgeridoo, an indigenous Australian wind instrument.

Stone's musical tastes are almost as eclectic as the activities that color his life. From Modest Mouse to Bulgarian folk songs, a conversation with Stone about music is one that spans the globe.

"I like pretty much everything," Stone said. "I like expressions in all forms ... but I especially enjoy the blending of folk music and electronica.'

Though Stone will be away from Austin for the rest of the summer, he will return in August to finish his

last year of graduate study in UT's Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies department. So for now, you're going to have to get to know him from a distance, starting with an introduction to his favorite music. And Stone's current top 10 songs — which range from tracks exploring religious themes, such as Modest Mouse's "Spitting Venom," to the hip-hop-inspired electronica band Massive Attack's "Angel" are bound to keep even the most open-minded listeners on their toes.



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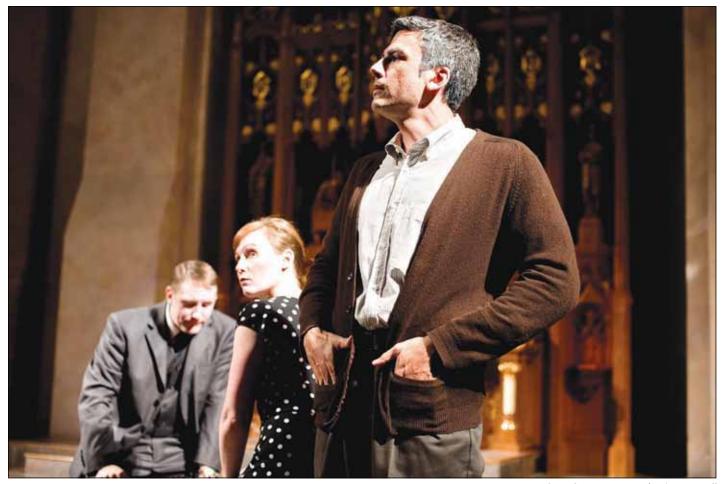
Anthropology graduate student Eliot Stone's taste in music spans a variety of genres,



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**OPERA PREVIEW** THE MAN WHO MISTOOK HIS WIFE FOR A HAT

# Music exposes heart of science



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Above, Matthew Trevino performs as Mr. P in the Austin Lyric Opera performance of "The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat" at St. Martin's Evangelical Lutheran Church on Wednesday. Below, Brian Joyce sings as neuroscientist Mr. S.

## Opera based on neurologist's book offers glimpse into human mind

By Jordan Bodkin Daily Texan Staff

to leave the neuropsychologist's office, Mr. P reaches to- science is all about the loss of ward the coat rack to take his brain function and shouts a hand on his wife's head, yank- explain the condition of the ing it toward his own head mistaking his wife for a hat. ning of the opera, the condi-The story of Mr. P's condition is told in the book "The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a be performing the minimalist When he and his wife visit and, therefore, easier for towork this weekend.

neuroscientist Dr. S slowly moving through the audi-As Mr. and Mrs. P prepare ence while explaining the term "deficit." He claims that brain hat, but instead places a firm multitude of terms that might main character. At the begintion ailing the main character is unknown.

Music professor Mr. P begins The Austin Lyric Opera will vidual voices to identify them. work is much more modern



Hat" by Oliver Sacks and was losing his ability to recognize ten evokes the coloratura rewritten as a chamber opera the faces of his students and vocal style and fat women in 1986 by Michael Nyman. is forced to listen to their indi- pining away in Italian, this

WHAT: "The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat" WHERE: St. Martin's Evangelical

such as folk and electronica. Stone studies Tuvan throat singing, a form of singing that allows a single person to perform multiple pitches simultaneously.



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to pure opera.

"No scenery, sets or cosally suited to the story, forcing the viewer to focus on the sheer drama of the story with- as a mystery, leaving the viewout a spectacle of distractions," he said.

talists, the novelty of this opera lies in the interaction betrue-to-life nature of the nonfiction drama.

the neuropsychologist, Mr. P's Austin Lyric Opera gener- deficit is seen as an inability al director Kevin Patterson to perceive and construct faccalls the production a return es in the brain, evident as he mistakes his wife for his hat just before they leave the ofers. Instead, the form is ide- help Mr. P get any closer to being cured.

The drama unfolds almost er to question the causes of Mr. P's condition. Ultimately, Mrs. With only three vocalists P explains to the neuroscientist and a handful of instrumen- that her husband is only able to cope with his daily perceptual problems through music, tween the small cast, instru- which offers a sensation strong to the audience, as well as the ty despite his inability to make visual connections.

Unlike the common per-The prologue opens with ception of opera, which of-

day's listeners to follow. All the words are sung in English — with the exception of one scene where a Schumann piece is performed in German

– and the bel canto style is tumes to distract the view- fice. But, his diagnosis doesn't kept to a minimum, making this opera more comprehensible than some of its Romantic predecessors.

The minimalist style works exceptionally well in this oneact drama. The small yet everoscillating strings underline a constant, complementary morphing of rhythmic and chordal modes that smoothly transition from one emotion to the mentalists and their proximity enough to ground him in reali- next. Instrumental repetitions come in short motives pulled through a range of tones, matching onstage moods with seamless shifts between hope

Lutheran Church, 606 W. 15th St. WHEN: Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday at 3 p.m. TICKETS: \$25; available online at austinlyricopera.org

and despair. Bright sonorities resonate as Mr. P feels content with himself and slip nearly unnoticed into a minor chordal structure as devastating information about his condition is revealed.

This musical approach by Nyman is performed exceptionally well by the entire cast in an inspiring and intriguing work like nothing you've ever seen. "The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat" will be showing this weekend, and tickets are available through the Austin Lyric Opera box office.

## **VIDEO GAME REVIEW** NAUGHTY BEAR Bear-homicide video game suffers from redundant play

## Story follows bear's rampage as he kills others by using traps, weapons-based special attacks

#### **By Zach Miller Daily Texan Staff**

The video game "Naughty Bear," released last week for the PlayStation 3 and Xbox 360 consoles, may sound enticing, but the only detail most buyers will find appealing is how much they can get for returning it. The plot of the game centers around colorful and happy stuffed bears who constantly party except for one, Naughty Bear, who never gets invited to any of the festivities. In an attempt to teach his less-than-hospitable bear peers a lesson, Naughty Bear violently lashes out against them.

The cute bears, parties and the playful cartoon landscape contrast sharply with the carnage you will cause as Naughty Bear on the secluded island. Game play consists of Naughty killing, scaring and trapping other bears. Instead of beating them to a pulp, Naughty can perform special kills, such throwing a bear on a fire or drowning one in the toilet.

Naughty uses scare tactics in the game to cause bears to go crazy and end their own lives. A key strategy in the game involves sabotaging machines so someone will come to fix it, giving the player an easy kill and many more points. As more levels are unlocked, Naughty gets to use a wide range of weapons, and each weapon he uses has a unique Ultra-kill involving a slow-motion killing sequence.

Advancing in the game, however, involves more hiding in the woods and setting traps and less hand-to-hand combat. Only having three maps and four different challenge types feels repetitive. The weapons are also hard to find early in the game, so the play is more likely to see the same slow-motion sequence again and again.

Despite the fact that the game is all about death and driving other bears insane, it's rated for teens. Instead of shedding blood, the bears loose cotton or fluff as they die.

No one speaks on the island except for the English narrator. He instigates Naughty Bear's bad behavior by insist-

**Courtesy of Naughty Bean** 

"Naughty Bear," which was released last week, follows the titular character as he seeks revenge against his bear peers. Some examples of special kills include throwing another bear onto a fire or drowning one in a toilet.

dialogue he provides adds nothing to rience on a carousel - it's fun until you the experience besides making the game feel more childish.

Instead of providing a quick way to retry a failed level, the game forces players to click through three menus and two loading screens. As if failing a level weren't bad enough, the other bears get to point and laugh, and then two minutes later the level can be retried.

Naughty Bear's movement is fairly shaky. The camera drops frames often, making game play dizzy and challenging. The music in the beginning levels isn't just creepy, it's disturbing and annoying. This eerie music coupled with ing the others deserve to die. The little the camera work is similar to an expe-

want to vomit. The game also freezes fairly regularly at the end of certain levels. These small things turn a potentially fun game into a waste of cash.

The fun of the game comes after trudging through the first few levels. Once more levels and new, improved Naughty Bears become available, the game gets easier and more playable. The problem lies in wanting to get past the initial bad music, bad menus and shaky camera work. The game is simply too confusing at the beginning to be as fun as it can be.

Grade: C+

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## **MEN'S BASKETBALL**

# Pittman adds fire to Heat's new trio

### **By Will Anderson**

Daily Texan Staff Things just got a lot hotter in South Beach.

By re-signing Dwyane Wade and picking up Toronto's Chris Bosh, Miami automatically became the Eastern Conference's No. 1 contender. Then the team swept the free agency trifecta when it added LeBron James on Thursday night, which means former Longhorn Dexter Pittman will play next season with one of the most stacked lineups in recent NBA history.

Miami selected Pittman 32nd overall in the league's annual draft on June 24. The Heat gave up the 18th overall pick in the draft, and guard Daequan Cook to Oklahoma City, in order to acquire the early second-round selection that they used to nab Pittman.

"I'm excited. I know that I could be the type of guy to fill in a spot on the court [for Miami]," Pittman said in a phone interview Thursday. "I could be the energy guy, the guy doing the dirty work."

The Heat lost to Boston in the first round of last season's playoffs but came away from the draft with Pittman - plus power forward Jarvis Varnado of Mississippi State, whom they selected 41st overall, and forward Da'Sean Butler of West Virginia, who went one pick later.

"We're going to be hard to deal with. We've got one of the best power forwards in the game and one of the best guards, and we might get one of the best allaround players available," Pittman said ami after being signed but did not get the forward Michael Beasley. before LeBron James made his announcement to join Miami on Thursday. "And I'll have the opportunity to get better, for the time. Luckily the former Texas playthem to teach me things."



Texas center Dexter Pittman wears a look of frustration during a game against Texas Tech.

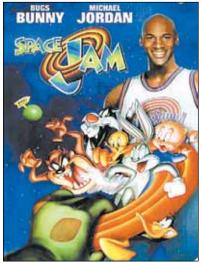
chance to meet Wade or, obviously, Bosh, er did meet up with an old Big 12 com-

"Me and Mike have known each othwho was still an unsigned free agent at er since AAU," Pittman said. "We were the best big man. It's funny, though, now talking the other day about how when we played each other for the first time, we hat-The 6-foot-10 Pittman traveled to Mi-petitor and rival, former K-State power ed each other. I hated him because he was I'm ready.'

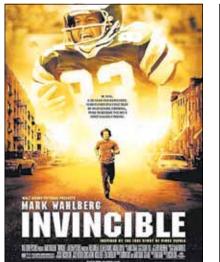
supposed to be one of the best big men, and he hated me because I was supposed to be we're great friends. And after seeing Miami work out to get ready for summer league,

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## SPORTS BRIEFLY

## Golfer Goydos just fourth player to shoot 59 in PGA Tour history

By his own admission, Paul Goydos has spent the past four months scuffling around the PGA Tour.

He has missed almost has many cuts as he's made. He hasn't had a top-40 finish since early May. He led the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am in February by a stroke with five holes to play, only to tumble out of contention with an embarrassing quadruple-bogey 9 on No. 14.

"I've been very good at playing poorly now for the last 10 tournaments or so," Goydos said.

Well, those days appear to be over. Goydos, with only two victories in his 18 years on the PGA Tour, became only the fourth player in tour history to shoot a 59 after he crafted a magical opening round at the John Deere Classic on Thursday.

His tee shots found the middle of the fairway. His approaches stuck on the green. And, most importantly, his putts found the middle of the cup over and over again.

"Today was a nuclear bomb," said Goydos, a 46-year-old pro from

Dove Canyon, Calif. "I don't know where it came from. If I knew that, I wouldn't be able to touch it."

**Space Jam (1996)** Starring: Michael Jordan, Bill Murray, **Bugs Bunny** Rated: PG

When the servants of Swackhammer come to take Bugs Bunny and his Looney Tunes buddies back to the amusement park planet, they are challenged to a basketball game for the Tunes' right to their freedom. The Looney Tunes use "Mike's secret stuff" and square off against the Monstars in an epic battle of NBA stars and cartoon characters.

Teen Wolf (1985) Starring: Michael J. Fox, Lorie Griffin Rated: PG

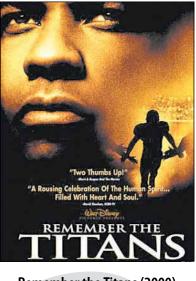
At a certain age, boys and girls begin to notice hair in new places on their bodies. That's an understatement for Scott Howard, as the high school student turns into a full-blown werewolf - complete with mad basketball skills. Will he make it through this hairy situation, or will his transformation prove to be too much for him to handle?

Invincible (2006) Starring: Mark Wahlberg, Greg Kinnear, Elizabeth Banks Rated: PG

Vince Papale gets to live many men's dream when he earns a spot with the Philadelphia Eagles after impressing new head coach Dick Vermeil. He becomes a hero when he makes his first NFL tackle as a special teams player. Papale's story helps carry the city through tough times as a beacon of hope and a guiding light in this inspirational rags-to-riches tale.

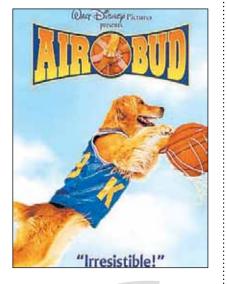
Little Giants (1994) Starring: Rick Moranis, Ed O'Neill Rated: PG

As a child, Danny O'Shea never got to play football with his future Heisman Trophy-winning brother Kevin. Thirty years later, Becky "Icebox" O'Shea, Danny's daughter, is not picked to play for her uncle Kevin's team, resulting in the Little Giants meeting up with the Cowboys in the biggest David-and-Goliath matchup since, well, David and Goliath.



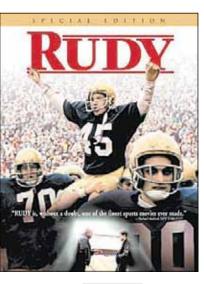
Remember the Titans (2000) Starring: Denzel Washington, Will Patton, Wood Harris, Ryan Hurst Rated: PG

Based on a true story from 1971, Herman Boone is hired as head football coach, enlisting the help of beloved coach Yoast to maintain peace on the team. Racial tensions are high, but the team learns to get along despite racial differences and to come together in an inspiring story of friendship and perseverance.



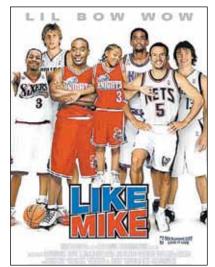
Air Bud (1997) Starring: Kevin Zegers, Michael Jeter Rated: G

When Josh Framm loses his father and moves to a new town, he finds comfort in a dog named Buddy, who happens to share the 12-year-old boy's love for basketball. Together the two make the local team and become fan favorites. After all, there's no rule that says a dog can't play basketball.



Rudy (1993) Starring: Sean Astin, Jon Favreau Rated: PG

Growing up, Rudy dreamed of a chance to play football for the Fighting Irish. Coming out of high school, Rudy had neither the grades nor the athletic ability to get into Notre Dame. After his best friend dies, Rudy leaves his hometown to go to South Bend, Ind., and pursue his dream. He eventually works his way into Notre Dame - just in time for football tryouts.



Like Mike (2002) Starring: Lil Bow Wow, Morris Chestnut, Jonathan Lipnicki, Brenda Song Rated: PG

Teenage orphan Calvin Cambridge gets a pair of sneakers from a Salvation Army thrift store labeled with the initials "MJ." Wearing the sneakers, Calvin goes to a pro basketball game and is selected to participate in a halftime contest. He discovers he has NBA-level talent, which leads to a life of luxury he has never experienced before.

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Burst tire causes major setback for Armstrong in Tour de France Lance Armstrong's hopes for vic-

tory in his final Tour de France hit a setback Tuesday when a burst tire cost him time during a jarring stage over cobblestones that was won by Norway's Thor Hushovd.

"Our chances took a knock today," Armstrong said. "I'm not going home. We'll stay in the race and keep trying."

Fabian Cancellara of Switzerland finished the third stage in a five-man group behind Hushovd, but he regained the yellow jersey he ceded a day earlier to Sylvain Chavanel of France. Hushovd was ahead of Geraint Thomas of Britain and world champion Cadel Evans of Australia in a sprint finish among the leading group of riders.

The 132-mile ride from Belgium to France was the most dreaded stage of week one - with seven sections of bone-jarring cobblestones that threatened injury, bike damage or lost time for contenders.

"Bad luck," Armstrong said, referring to his mishap in the fifth patch.

Some had worse luck: Frank Schleck of Luxembourg, who won the Tour of Switzerland last month, crashed on the fourth section and was out of the race and taken to hospital.

Armstrong noted there's still a lot of racing left in the three-week race, which now heads toward the Alps and later the Pyrenees before the Paris finish on July 25.

"It's the nature of the sport," he said. "Sometimes you're the hammer, sometimes you're the nail. Today I was the nail. I have 20 days now to be the hammer."

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