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UT Health Science Center seminar

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Poster workshop

9-10:30 a.m. at the Flawn Academic Center (FAC) 328 Poster-making workshops are open to any undergraduate who is in the process of creating a research poster. Emphasis is on drafting and revising. Previous attendance at a poster design class recommended.

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Loan dealings still in question

By Jordan Rudner

During an uncharacteristically heated meeting Wednesday, the UT System Board of Regents voted to continue an investigation of the UT Law School Foundation's relationship with the University.

In a narrow 4-3 vote, the board voted to conduct a new

external review at the recommendation of its Audit, Compliance and Management Review Committee.

The specially called meeting — held during a period of escalating tension between the regents, the Texas Legislature and President William Powers Jr. — featured many moments of conflict.

Several regents said they are

concerned taxpayers' money will be wasted on an additional review, while Regent Steven Hicks referred to the \$500,000 price tag of an conducting an additional investigation as "beating a dead horse." Hicks said the System has steered toward a board-driven entity in recent months, and he does



William Powers Jr.
UT President

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CITY

New evidence surfaces in West Campus murder

By Alberto Long

Former UT student Colton Pitonyak may receive a new trial six years after being convicted of slaying Austin resident Jennifer Cave at his West Campus apartment in 2005.

Following a host of ill-fated appeals made since Pitonyak's conviction, the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, subordinate only to the U.S. Supreme Court, granted Pitonyak a hearing scheduled for April 22, according to Joseph A. Turner and Christopher Perri, Pitonyak's attorneys.

"Our next step is preparing a brief that's due on April 22. After that, the government will respond with their own brief. The court will either rule on the briefs alone or mandate oral argument," Turner said, delineating his and Perri's next step toward

receiving a new trial for their client.

Pitonyak is currently serving a 55-year prison sentence for the 2005 murder and mutilation of then-21-year-old Cave, who was found shot and dismembered in a bathtub at Pitonyak's West Campus apartment. Former UT student Laura Ashley Hall, a friend of Pitonyak's who is described as his jealous lover according to court documents, is currently serving a 10-year sentence for tampering with evidence. Both fled to Mexico following the murder, and were apprehended by authorities during their attempt to cross the border back into the U.S.

In past appeals, Pitonyak's lawyers claimed Hall murdered Cave, not Pitonyak. According to his defense attorneys, Pitonyak was

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Event promotes study abroad

By Zach Lozano

Tents representing countries lined the Gregory Plaza Wednesday at an event called Global Village to encourage students to find internships abroad and promote cultural identity.

The event, hosted by the Association Internationale des Etudiants en Sciences Economiques et Commerciales, consisted

of tents representing different countries current students in the program traveled to, such as Nigeria, Italy and Egypt. The tents also provided information on the culture in the respective countries and food samples.

"We want to promote cultural awareness and show UT students the different opportunities they have for studying abroad," computer science sophomore Cindy Jaimez said.

"UT is diverse and in order to be culturally aware and to get along with them we need to understand them."

The association offers multiple types of internships, including the Global Internship, which is 78 weeks long with a stipend. The association also offers the Global Community Development Program, which can last up to three

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Freshman English major Arati Warriar and sophomore Economics major Mitali Sathaye perform the Liquid Dance from "Slumdog Millionaire" representing Nritya Sangam as part of Global Village.

Amy Zhang
Daily Texan Staff

CAMPUS

Lt. Gov. Dewhurst shares WWII connection with students

By Joshua Fechter

When a drunk driver killed David Dewhurst, Jr., his 3-year-old son, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, was deprived of the opportunity to learn about his father's past. Nearly 60 years after the accident,

Dewhurst learned his father led the final D-Day bombing run at Utah Beach during World War II.

"I always wanted to know more about my dad," Dewhurst said Wednesday, tearing up. "I always wanted to know what I had missed by not having a father."

Dewhurst's father participated in the D-Day invasion on June 6, 1944. Speaking to a group of students enrolled in the Normandy Scholar Program on World War II, Dewhurst said his mother only told him and his siblings that their father was a pilot during the war, but did

not specify his duties.

The invasion involved about 156,000 Allied troops in Normandy, France. Troops landed over a 50-mile stretch of the French coast by air and by sea at Utah, Omaha, Gold, Juno and Sword beaches.

The invasion was the

largest amphibious invasion in world history and is considered the turning point in World War II, giving the Allies the upper hand. The attack resulted in the loss of about 12,000 Allied troops and between

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Brazilian soccer player

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4,000 and 9,000 German troops, according to the D-Day Museum's website.

Dewhurst, 67, did not gain further knowledge about his father's involvement in the war until June 7, 2007, the day after the 63rd anniversary of the Normandy invasion, when he discovered a museum on Utah Beach with an exhibit detailing his father's mission on D-Day.

"The memorial was to my dad and it had his picture. As you'd imagine, it was pretty emotional," Dewhurst said. "I probably stood there for an hour. I couldn't move, I just couldn't move."

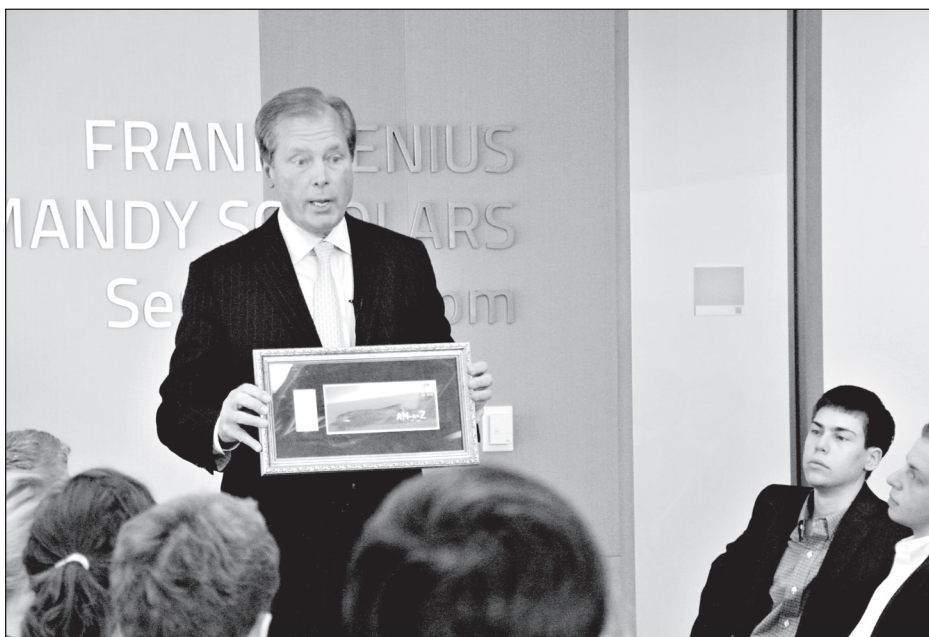
Dewhurst said the events of that day prompted him to do two things: revitalize

the museum, which he and his family have contributed millions of dollars to since that day, and to seek out the remaining members of his father's outfit.

Dewhurst said he found four of them and, aside from asking about their experience of the war, he asked them to describe his father.

"Of course, not knowing him, I kept asking these four people that had flown with him, that had known him: how he acted, how he reacted, what kind of guy was he?" Dewhurst said. "Did he get mad? How did he handle himself? I knew that he occasionally smoked cigars: id he try to do that on bombing runs? Answer: no, but yes."

Spending most of his talk relating the story about his father, Dewhurst said many people share similar stories. He told students in



Pearce Murphy | Daily Texan Staff
Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst shows a photo of Dinah Might to Normandy Scholars. Dinah Might was the B-26 Marauder flown by his father, Major David Dewhurst, Jr., during World War II.

the program, who will visit Normandy in May after a semester dedicated to an intense study of World War II,

that visiting the battle sites and the Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial will "make you proud to

be an American."
"It will remind you that freedom is not free," Dewhurst said.

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Emily Ng | Daily Texan Staff
Celeste Garvey-Petsch blows bubbles before a community drum circle at The Vortex on Wednesday.

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months and deals with a specific issue in the community where the student is placed.

Students who studied abroad with the association were available to answer questions about the program and tell stories of their study abroad experience.

"I wanted to immerse myself in another culture and new experience," psychology senior Kelsey Stewart said. "During my internship I was able to be a part of the AIESEC chapter in Nigeria, which was very receptive, and be in a program where English was spoken while exploring areas of health in Africa."

Stewart said the event helped showcase how studying abroad broadens perspectives and said the event helps in informing people about varying cultures.

In addition to the booths representing a variety of countries, a free concert followed the event with music from the Arab Students Association and Atash, a Persian band, along with other groups.

Biology freshman Kari Yanez said the event

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— Cindy Jaimez, Computer Science sophomore

helped her obtain more information for her future plans to study abroad.

"Events like this are very helpful, educational and informative," Yanez said. "I don't have to go out of my way to get information on something I hope to do as early as my junior year."

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Sudan leader plans to step down in 2015

KHARTOUM, Sudan — Sudan's president said he intends to step down in 2015 after more than 20 years in power.

In an interview published in several Sudanese dailies on Wednesday, Omar al-Bashir said the people of Sudan need a new leader. The International Criminal Court has charged al-Bashir with genocide and other crimes during the deadly conflict in Sudan's western Darfur region. Despite an international warrant for his arrest, he has travelled to several friendly nations since he was indicted in open defiance of the court, which has no police force to arrest suspects.

Australia apologizes for forced adoptions

CANBERRA, Australia — Australian Prime Minister Julia Gillard delivered a historic national apology in Parliament on Thursday to the thousands of unwed mothers who were forced by government policies to give up their babies for adoption over several decades.

The seven-member Senate committee began investigating the federal government's role in forced adoption in 2010 after the Western Australian state parliament apologized to mothers and children for the flawed practices in that state from the 1940s until the 1980s.

—Compiled from Associated Press Reports



Colorado Gov. John Hickenlooper, right, is hugged by Rep. Rhonda Fields, D-Aurora, after he signed gun control bills into law at the Capitol in Denver on Wednesday. Fields was a co-sponsor of bills on background checks and the size of ammunition magazines.

Ed Andrieski
Associated Press

Colorado passes gun restrictions

By Ivan Moreno
Associated Press

DENVER — Colorado's governor signed bills Wednesday that place new restrictions on firearms, signaling a change for Democrats who have traditionally shied away from gun control in a state with a pioneer tradition of gun ownership and self-reliance.

The legislation thrust Colorado into the national spotlight as a potential test of how far the country might be willing to go with new gun restrictions

after the horror of mass killings at an Aurora movie theater and a Connecticut elementary school.

Democratic Gov. John Hickenlooper signed bills that require background checks for private and online gun sales and ban ammunition magazines that hold more than 15 rounds.

The debate in the Democratic-controlled Legislature was intense, and Republicans warned that voters would make Democrats pay. The bills failed to garner a single Republican vote.

The bills' approval came exactly eight months after dozens of people were shot in Aurora, and a day after the executive director of the state Corrections Department, Tom Clements, was shot and killed at his home. Hickenlooper signed the legislation right after speaking with reporters about Clements' slaying.

Hickenlooper said large-capacity magazines "have the potential to turn killers into killing machines." He also said he realized some gun owners may be inconvenienced but that "the potential for damage seems to

outweigh, significantly, the inconvenience that people would have," he said.

The bills signal a historic change for Democrats in a state where owning a gun is as common as owning a car in some rural areas.

"He just slapped rural Colorado right in the face," said Republican Sen. Brophy, who represents an eastern plains district. "They are overwhelmingly upset about this."

Both bills take effect July 1. People who currently own larger-capacity magazines will be able to keep them.

Syria's claims have Obama skeptical of legitimacy

By Matthew Lee
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — President Barack Obama said Wednesday that the United States is investigating whether chemical weapons have been deployed in Syria, but he's "deeply skeptical" of claims by Syrian President Bashar Assad's regime that rebel forces were behind such an attack.

Both the Assad regime and Syrian rebels have accused each other of using chemical weapons in an attack on Tuesday that the government says killed 31 and wounded more than 100. But Obama suggested it's more likely that if the weapons were used, the Syrian government was behind the attack.

"We know the Syrian government has the capacity to carry out chemical weapon attacks," Obama said. "We know that there are those are in the Syrian government who have expressed a willingness to use chemical weapons if necessary to protect themselves. I am deeply skeptical of any claim that in fact it was the opposition that used chemical weapons. Everybody who knows the facts of the chemical weapons stockpiles inside of Syria as well as the Syrian government capabilities, I think, would question those claims."



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VIEWPOINT

We’ve had enough of Perry

Rick Perry has been governor of Texas longer than Vladimir Putin has been president of Russia. When Perry was first sworn in, most UT seniors were 10 or 11 years old. The nation had just survived *Bush v. Gore*, if you can remember that far back.

“Gov. Perry has always said that Texas voters are the best determiners of how long they want an individual to serve in office,” Josh Havens, deputy press secretary in the governor’s office, said in an email.

A majority of the members of the Texas Senate, however, appear to disagree. Specifically, they don’t want to allow some statewide Texas officeholders, including governors, to be eligible to seek election for three consecutive terms.

On March 19, the Senators voted 27-4 to pass Senate Joint Resolution 13, legislation which, if the House passes a similar measure, proposes to Texas voters a constitutional amendment limiting some statewide elected officials, including governors, to two consecutive terms in office.

Sen. Kevin Eltife, R-Tyler, who sponsored the bill, said in an email response, “I have always believed term limits are good public policy. With term limits you have more open seats, which brings more debate and fresh ideas to the political process. I believe someone should serve in office for a limited amount of time and return to the private sector or seek a different public office. The majority of states have term limits on their governor and lieutenant governor offices. I did not file the bill due to any of our

current statewide officials. I filed it because I believe it is in the best interest of our state.” He addressed Gov. Perry’s position about voters making decisions, writing, “In my opinion it is important to let the voters have a say on term limits. The Legislature is not ordering term limits; we are allowing the voters of Texas to decide if they want term limits.”

If voters choose to add the proposed term limit amendment to the Texas Constitution, however, Perry won’t face immediate ouster or even any barrier to running for another term. Instead, the Senate resolution calls for the governor to be “grandfathered” into the term-limits so only future terms he pursues would be counted against his two-term limit.

That means that under the proposed amendment, Perry would be allowed to seek two additional terms. That’s right: Perry, Texas governor for a total of five terms spanning two decades. That’s not counting the two additional years that Perry, previously lieutenant governor, spent as governor after George W. Bush left Texas for the White House in 2000.

Eltife denies he authored the legislation to target Perry. “No way, shape or form it has anything to do with Rick Perry. I just think government is better served with term limits,” Eltife said in an interview published in the San Antonio Express News. The same article quotes Rice University political science professor Mark Jones, who referenced

the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s four terms elected to the Oval Office. Jones says that political longevity inspired the U.S. Congress to pass the 22nd Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, limiting subsequent U.S. presidents to two terms. “Just as FDR’s unprecedented tenure in office helped generate support for a two-term limit for the U.S. president, Perry’s equally unprecedented tenure has bolstered the efforts of term limits advocates in Texas,” Jones told the Express News.

Twenty-two years of Perry is scary. The state has already suffered enough. Perhaps not compared to the rest of the nation in terms of the economy — thanks largely to a local oil and gas boom that coincided with the global recession — but consider the missed opportunities that resulted from Perry’s grandstanding for political points to Texans’ health care, higher education and road safety. Fewer women and low-income Texans have health coverage because of his decisions. Texas public university students have good reason to wonder if their regents, whom he appointed to oversee their respective schools, got those jobs because they would be good at them or because they were good at donating to Perry’s campaigns. Texans take their lives into their hands every time they drive on state roads, which they must share with those who text behind the wheel, thanks to the governor’s veto of a ban on texting while driving. When we think about it, a single term more for Perry is one too many.

GALLERY



Lauren Moore | Daily Texan Cartoonist

Groups make the college experience

Paulina Urbanowicz
Daily Texan Columnist

At UT freshman orientation, I, wide-eyed at all the possibilities, looked around the student organization fair at Gregory Gym. A sign bearing the words “Texas Women’s Ultimate” caught my eye. Today, four years later, I am a graduating senior whose semester is dominated by weekend excursions to places like Tennessee and California. Ultimate Frisbee practices and tournaments fill my weekly planner. My team spends weekends throughout the semester traveling across the country, building team chemistry and improving our skills in preparation for the college series that takes place at the end of the spring semester.

Ultimate Frisbee is an unusual, modern sport developed using the principles of other sports. You score in an end zone, running with the disc in your hand is considered travelling and you must establish a pivot foot when throwing. There are no referees, and calls are made and discussed by players on the field. This aspect helps create the fun-loving atmosphere that Ultimate Frisbee is known for. Additionally, a concept called “spirit of the game” is assessed by the way players behave toward each other on and off the field.

“It exposed me to a more diverse group of people and helped me make friends at a big school,” Trisha Talamantez, an MIS major and four-year team member, said. “Getting involved with Ultimate also helped me build confidence during my college experience.” At a school as large as UT, having 20 girls at your side alleviates some of the stresses that college puts on students. Aside from school pressures, social problems and relationship issues in college are always

hard. Going through these experiences is made much easier when your friends keep you distracted or force you to have dance parties.

Current president of Texas Women’s Ultimate, senior mechanical engineering major and four-year player Naomi Trang says, “Texas Ultimate [Frisbee] introduced me to a new group of people that I wouldn’t normally hang out with.” The program currently has members ranging from 18 to 29-years old, from mechanical engineering and nursing undergraduates to graduate law students.

The skills we learn through getting involved in more than the required coursework at school provides students with a broad variety of skills that we can take into our professional careers. My physical ability to sustain the challenge of strategically running after a plastic disc all day is unlikely to help any job interview I attend. My time management from demanding practice and travel schedules, however, will improve my ability to balance various tasks and challenges at work. My experience cooperating and effectively communicating with 20 completely different personality types will help my ability to create an environment conducive to teamwork and productivity.

Whether it is a club sport, a student organization or the Greek community, students should expand their horizons and take advantage of out-of-classroom opportunities while they are available. A tight-knit community in the sea of our student body becomes a blessing when you need emotional support, or friendly and familiar faces to see on campus.

Urbanowicz is a geography senior from Houston.

Joint degrees add options

Laura Wright
Daily Texan Columnist

On March 17, Sacha Kopp, an associate dean in the College of Natural Sciences, sent out an email to all CNS students asking them to give their opinion on the creation of a new degree, a Bachelor of Science and Arts (abbreviated BSA). The proposed degree would allow students to join “a core experience in math/science” with a certificate program or minor from another college. “The idea is to put together a proposal that allows students to marry a math/science discipline with something else of their choosing,” Kopp said.

Kopp, who has led the initiative, said conversations with students inspired him to propose the new degree plan. He remembers in particular a young woman who had majored in physics and realized close to graduation that she’d rather pursue a career in industry than in academic research. She believed she lacked the necessary business skills, yet she didn’t have the time to complete both her physics-major degree plan and the courses required for a Business Foundations certificate.

“At the same time, it wasn’t the case that every last aspect of her physics degree was vital to her career plan. Lots of aspects of physics are useful in a technology world ... but maybe not all the coursework in physics is absolutely essential for a Bachelors of Science degree,” Kopp explained.

Had the student had available the option of completing a BSA degree, however, she would have been able to earn her degree in physics by completing a core science and math “component” that consisted of 48 hours of credit in math and science determined by the physics department. The rest of her degree would consist of 30 hours of non-science core requirements, 24 hours of electives and 15-18 hours of a minor or a certificate program. Those are a lot of numbers, but they add up to one thing: more flexibility to pursue her other interests while earning her physics degree.

Why is this proposed new degree in the College of Natural Sciences a big deal? Because if the effort succeeds, it could inspire other colleges to make their degrees (and their minors and certificate programs) less confusing and more suitable for students’ needs and desires. The proposed BSA degree would require 15-18 hours in a minor or certificate program. Right now, the definition of “minor” varies widely across the campus, with individual colleges determining what constitutes a minor. A biology minor in the College of Engineering is not the same as a biology minor in the College of Liberal Arts or a biology minor in the College of Communication. A biology minor doesn’t even exist in the College of Natural Sciences, where students are not allowed to have minors at all, although they do have a wide range of certificate programs available to them.

To add insult to injury, because of the variation in minor requirements across UT, minors don’t even appear on transcripts. The Biological Sciences Advising Center does, however, note on its website, “If you want to take enough courses to have the equivalent of a minor (typically 12 hours, six of which are upper division), you can do that and claim to have the equivalent of a minor on your resume, but your UT transcript will ONLY state that you had a major in biology.” Great. If I take the equivalent of a Spanish major (liberal arts classes are open to all students, after all), can I claim that on my resume too?

The new BSA degree doesn’t deal specifically with the standardization of minors, but it does encourage degrees that are modular, or that have a core curriculum component, a major component and a minor component. Kopp also stated that the minors students would complete as part of a BSA degree then appear on transcripts.

Though the BSA would only be offered to students inside the College of Natural Sciences, I hope that the effort Kopp has made in proposing the degree influences other colleges to look at similar measures. Not only has Kopp put forth a great proposal, he’s also been proactive in seeking student input. He has held focus groups and encouraged the Natural Sciences Council to host a town hall on the issue (which will be held next Monday, March 25).

Before the degree is added to the catalog, it must be approved by a University-wide curriculum council, faculty council and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. That’s plenty of levels at which to start a University-wide conversation about how we can make our degree plans less byzantine and more flexible.

Wright is a Plan II and biology junior from San Antonio.

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Debby Garcia | Daily Texan Staff

Brandelyn Flunder, an assistant director of the multicultural center, discusses the issues women face achieving a work-life balance during the panel at the Recreational Sports Center on Wednesday night.

Women talk work-life balance

By **Alexandra Dubinsky**

Five women offered varying viewpoints on whether women can have it all, and they all agreed that the answer is not so definitive. A panel titled “Can Women Have it All?” discussed the meaning of the question and the challenges women face in the 21st century. The event was hosted by the Orange Jackets and the Feminist Action Project, and the five women shed knowledge on how to balance work and life experiences. Panelist Jennifer Speer, associate director of communication for the Division of Recreational Sports, said having it all is a complex and changing definition. “It means being happy and balanced, but that has changed greatly throughout my life and will continue to change,” Speer said. Jill Kolasinski, founder

of the Knowledge is Power Project, a nonprofit group of schools that promotes smaller class sizes and strong communities among students, said the work-life balance approach is a fallacy. “I feel like I’ve accomplished so much that it’s OK for me to let go right now of those 80 hours work weeks,” Kolasinski said. “I was CEO for 10 years, I stepped down, and now I’m Mom. I know when my kids are ready and I’m ready, I will go back out there and I have faith that my life will lead me in that way. But, I do still work at the very minimum because I need that mental stimulation.” Orange Jackets hosts the Week of Women as a way to engage in events that discuss women’s issues and highlight female achievements and presence on campus. Alyssa Davis, Plan II honors senior and Orange Jackets vice president, said the event has been a

tradition for the past 10 years. “I think this topic is especially relevant in today’s society,” Davis said. “The question is can women have it all, especially when the expectation is to balance a career and have a family.” Rosa Rasales, a mother of six and an employee at Taco Cabana in the Student Activity Center as well as UT custodial services, said it’s been a struggle as a single mother for the past two years, but she has faith that things are going to get better. “I work from 6:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Taco Cabana and 2:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. as housekeeper at the SAC on Mondays and Tuesdays,” said Rasales. “Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, I work from 6 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and then I watch my kids play soccer — but I find time to do Zumba. It’s hard, but if you want to do something, you can do it.”

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under the influence of alcohol and Xanax the night of the murder and has no recollection of the incident. “Pitonyak couldn’t form any memories. To this day, he’s looking, trying to figure out what happened. He even wanted to get a hypnotist. I don’t think he understands that even hypnosis can’t make you recall a memory that was never formed,” Perri said. Pitonyak’s council now claims to have acquired previously withheld exculpatory evidence which suggests Hall confessed to murdering Cave while in prison. Pitonyak’s attorneys now have signed affidavits from two inmates, Christie Freeman and Olena Grayson, claiming Hall confessed to killing and dismembering Cave. The same affidavits claim that Hall expressed hatred toward Cave because of an

instance of infidelity involving Hall’s boyfriend. According to her affidavit, Grayson claims to have remembered Hall displaying an unsettling lack of remorse regarding the murder and claiming “the only eerie part was the sound of cutting through the bone.” The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals agreed to review Pitonyak’s case based on claims that an investigatory arm of the state withheld the exculpatory evidence containing Hall’s confessions during his initial trial in 2007. Pitonyak’s attorneys were granted a hearing based on a subsequent “Brady violation,” which according to an official court document filed on March 12 is “perplexing and [deserving] of further review.” “If there’s anything to be learned from this, it’s that we should always put accuracy over finality,” Turner said. “When there’s substantial evidence that undermines confidence



Colton Pitonyak
Convicted murderer

in the verdict, then it deserves a new trial ... evidence wasn’t turned over to the defense? It deserves a new trial so that we can get it right. We do not want to have innocent people sitting around in prison. There’s too many of them as it is. Too many.” Travis County District Attorney Rosemary Lehmberg has said her office stands by Pitonyak’s conviction, but has agreed to allow additional DNA testing regarding the case. Tim Copeland, Hall’s attorney, could not be reached for comment.

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who was medically discharged, said prior to his deployment in 2004 as an infantry soldier, he did not fully understand the combat experience. “I was going to become special forces and all that,” Romriell said. “Then I went to Iraq and I decided ‘No, I’m going to college.’” Romriell said the media tends to emphasize anniversary days as an opportunity for political promotion or monetary gain. “We remember the experiences and maintain our own pride internally,” Romriell said. “I learned to appreciate that no matter what our political perspective, every war

is both horrible and a possible force for change — for good.” Armstrong said that each soldier has their own ghosts, skeletons and memories. “With or without this day set aside for acknowledgement, the different experiences of the veterans will always be with them,” Armstrong said. Biology senior Amy Prichard, a Student Veteran Services Center management team member, said Army medicine made history by leaving a fully functional hospital with the government of Iraq during her service as a captain in the Medical Service Corps. “It obviously makes me sad to point out the futility in all of it, but my individual opinion doesn’t matter,” Prichard said. “Geopolitically what was happening



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— Gary Romriell,
Philosophy senior

was what was happening. Regardless of whether or not I agree or disagree I feel good about what I did, and I feel good about what my hospital did, and the people we took care of. That’s what I have to keep.”



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HOUSTON

Season over for Longhorns

By Nick Cremona

HOUSTON — To keep their season alive, the Longhorns had their work cut out for them from the onset Wednesday night. In the end, Houston proved to be too much for Texas, winning 73-72 to knock the Longhorns out of the CBI.

"It's a disappointment," head coach Rick Barnes said. "You are what you are and we ended up being 16-18."

Down one point with five seconds remaining, Texas had a chance to take the lead but Julien Lewis was unable to connect on a jumper to give Texas the edge. Lewis scored a career-high 25 points but the Longhorns could not keep up.

Already down one player after sophomore Jaylen Bond announced he would transfer, Texas lost another when Cameron Ridley exited with an respiratory infection just five



Elisabeth Dillon | Daily Texan Staff

Freshman Demarcus Holland reacts to Wednesday night's 73-72 loss to Houston in the first round of the College Basketball Invitational. The Longhorns finished the season 16-18 in the worst season under head coach Rick Barnes.

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Ibeh puts up career-high numbers, not enough to overcome Cougars

GAME BREAKDOWN

First Half: Cameron Ridley won the tip for Texas, which missed three shots on its opening possession before Houston's Joseph Young assisted Danuel House on an alley-oop that put the Cougars on the scoreboard 2-0. Ridley, making his second straight start, left the game after just five minutes with an upper respiratory infection. The Longhorns were held to 32.4 percent shooting and were out-rebounded 34-24 in the first 20 minutes as Young's game-high 12 points had the Cougars leading, 37-31, at halftime.

Second half: Texas scored the first seven points of the second half to take a one-point lead and extended it to its largest of the game, 62-56, with six minutes left. An 11-0 run by Houston quickly erased that lead but Julien Lewis helped the Longhorns claw their way back before Myck Kabongo knocked down a pair of free throws with 52 seconds left to put Texas on top, 72-71. House hit a jumper with 17 seconds left to give Houston a 73-72 advantage and Lewis, who scored 19 of his career-high 25 points in the second half, missed a potentially game-winning shot from the foul line in the final seconds.

STOCK UP

Prince Ibeh: The 6-foot-10 freshman set career highs in points (12), rebounds (11) and blocks (five). He scored 10 points in his previous six games combined, including three scoreless contests. A 34.4 percent shooter from the free throw line entering Wednesday, Ibeh connected on four of eight tries from the charity stripe — despite airballing one in the first half.

—Christian Corona

STOCK DOWN

Texas basketball: The Longhorns finished this season with a dismal record of 16-18, by far their worst under longtime head coach Rick Barnes. They could not manage to pick up a win even in the CBI, the third-most prestigious post-season tournament in college basketball. Myck Kabongo will likely declare for the NBA Draft after two seasons at Texas but the Longhorns should return everyone else in what should be a better 2013-14 season.

BASEBALL



Junior Mark Payton bats against Nebraska in February. Payton has been successful in the cleanup position all season, currently posting a .406 batting average with 15 RBIs.

Jorge Corona
Daily Texan
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Payton excelling in cleanup spot

By Peter Sblendorio

Mark Payton does not have the body type of a traditional cleanup hitter.

At 5-foot-8 and 180 pounds, he is the smallest player on the roster. That being said, nobody in the Texas lineup has made a bigger impact this season than the junior right fielder.

"Mark Payton has always been a very positive impact on the team because he plays the game and practices the game with a passion for it and respect for it," head coach Augie Garrido said. "He's very talented and very consistent in his focus on being the best. He leads in his own way; he's not a very verbal guy but he leads by his performance and he's

probably the most consistent offense performer we have."

Payton has thrived since moving to the four-hole at the start of the season, as he leads the team with a .406 batting average (only seven players in UT history have hit over .400 in a season), eight extra base hits and 15 RBIs

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SOFTBALL

Thom brings consistency to game

By Jori Epstein

When junior shortstop Taylor Thom steps on the field, teammates and fans alike know what to expect: consistency.

She gives No. 9 Texas consistent effort at shortstop, consistently strong at-bats that total 31 runs and 38 RBIs so far this season, and a fairly consistent long ball that has accounted for 18 extra-base hits. But Thom's consistency goes beyond her play to her attitude. Amidst the swishing blonde ponytail and piercing

blue eyes, Thom consistently displays a smile and character that motivate her teammates.

"It's great to see her playing so confidently," third baseman Taylor Hoagland said of Thom. "We want to be big and let nothing by us. And then at the plate, I can always ask [Thom] what she is seeing or what I should watch for."

After a strong freshman season which showed Thom's potential, her sophomore year proved less satisfying. Thom found herself distracted, dropping her batting average nearly six points, bringing in just over half as many runs

as her first season and nearly losing her home run reputation.

But come off-season, Thom didn't fold. She used her 2012 results to fuel a fiery return.

"As freshmen, nobody has a scouting report and they go crazy," head coach Connie Clark said. "As a sophomore, scouting reports are out and there are some frustrations that set in at times — we just try to work through those. By the time they're juniors, they understand the big-picture view of the game and how

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FOOTBALL

Not ready to leave; Magic Mike returns

Editor's note: Senior wide receiver Mike Davis is the second of five "Players to Watch" who will be featured leading up to the Orange-White scrimmage Mar. 30. The third, Steve Edmond, will be published Monday.



By Rachel Thompson

Jan. 10 marked a bit of a mental tug-of-war for Mike Davis.

On one side pulled the NFL and the prospect of starting his professional career. Texas held fast on the other side of the rope, holding the opportunity of a senior season to shine and the chance for a Biletnikoff Award.

At the day's start, it appeared he would choose the NFL, as Davis announced his decision to enter the draft to ESPN. But by dusk, he had changed his mind.

"I am sorry for any confusion today," Davis said in a

statement. "I want everyone to know that I'm coming back for my senior year."

Marked as the second-best prospect in the nation at Skyline High School in Dallas, Davis strode onto the Forty Acres and made an impact immediately. He started five games as a freshman and appeared in six more, becoming the third player in school history to rack up several 100-yard receiving games in his first year.

The bar was set high for his sophomore season. Despite glimpses of greatness, Davis struggled with inconsistency, dropping balls and battling mental blocks. He was still named to the Biletnikoff watch list and led the team in receptions, but he wasn't satisfied with his performances.

"For whatever reason I felt like he had lost a lot of confidence," head coach Mack Brown said during spring 2012. "And then when he wasn't playing as well, or dropped some balls, it bothered him. The expectations were so high."

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Receiver Mike Davis makes a catch against TCU in 2012. Davis skipped on the NFL to return for his senior season.

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SPORTS BRIEFLY

Freshman OL out for spring

Wednesday evening, freshman Jake Raulerson under went an emergency appendectomy. The Celina, Texas native, who splits his time on both offense and defense, will miss the remainder of spring practices. According to head athletic trainer for football Kenny Boyd, Raulerson is expected to make a full recovery.

—Sara Beth Purdy

Swimming/Diving heads to NCAAs

The No. 9 Longhorns will take the pool for NCAA Championship competition Thursday in Indianapolis. Texas will be represented by 10 individual swimmers, two divers and five relay teams.

Texas has won seven national team championships and finished at No. 9 in 2012. Preliminary competition starts at 10 a.m. with finals beginning at 6 p.m.

Senior swimmers Laura Sogar and Kelsey Amundsen along with senior diver Shelby Cullinan will be making their fourth, and final appearances at the national competition this year.

Redshirt junior Maren Taylor is the other diver that will join Cullinan in Indiana this weekend.

Juniors Sarah Denninghoff, Ellen Lob, Lily Moldenhauer and Samantha Tucker along with sophomores Gretchen Jaques, Kaitlin Pawlowicz, Skylar Smith, and Kelsey LaNeave will also represent Texas as individuals, each swimming three races.

Texas' five relay teams are seeded in the top 12 or greater going into the meet. Senior Bethany Adams and junior Alex Hooper will serve as relay alternates.

—Brittany Lamas

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to respect that. Now [Taylor Thom] has that freedom and looks amazing. To me, to be honest, she looks like a junior.”

Thirty-one games into the season, Thom’s experiences shows. She boasts the fourth best batting average on the team at .392. With a .763 slugging percentage, Thom’s long balls have tied two NCAA records this season: a single-game record of three doubles, versus Utah State on Feb. 23, and two grand slams at Houston in an eight-RBI performance Feb. 16.

“An NCAA record is a crazy feeling and it’s truly an honor to be among some of the top players,” Thom said. “I wasn’t really thinking at the time ‘Oh, I’m going to tie this NCAA record,’ but afterwards, it was a surreal feeling.”

Texas opens conference play against Baylor this weekend, with games both at



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Junior Taylor Thom bats against Louisiana-Lafayette. Thom has proven to be the Longhorns most consistent all-around player.

home and on the road. Last May, Thom connected on a hit and a sacrifice bunt when the Longhorns trumped the Bears 3-1 to close out conference play in 2012. Baylor returns both pitchers from that game and Thom feels she and the team are ready.

“I’ve faced these pitchers multiple times so I know what’s coming and then I have the confidence that I can hit this and I’m a good batter,” Thom said. “We’re all very tight this year and tough mentally. Now we’re focused

on getting that NCAA national championship.”

As she looks at her remaining season and a half on the 40 Acres, Thom already knows her goal. She’s found her family, made her friends and played alongside sisters. But she doesn’t want that to be it when she graduates.

“I want to leave here and people remember my name, to say ‘I want to work as hard as Taylor Thom.’ I just want people to remember me.”

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through 20 games. This comes after serving as the Longhorns’ primary leadoff hitter in 2012, when he batted .322 with five home runs and 29 RBIs.

Despite moving down to a power spot in the lineup, Payton utilizes his speed and ability to manufacture runs as if he were still at the top of the lineup. The junior leads the team with four sacrifice hits this season and has converted on both of his stolen base attempts.

“No matter where you place in the lineup, it’s all about what type of player you are,” Payton said. “Most coaches are going to want the big, powerful guy in the four hole, but [Garrido] told me to just go up there and bat like I’m a leadoff man and just do my job.

[He said] work counts like you’re a leadoff guy and just be yourself and don’t try to be a cleanup guy.”

Texas players have been impressed by Payton’s torrid start to the season, and they believe that he is one of the cornerstones of the Longhorns’ offense.

“He’s been awesome,” junior third baseman Erich Weiss said. “He’s the leader in average and RBIs. He’s just been the guy to get on base when you need someone to get on base, and it’s just been awesome how he’s started off the season so far.”

In addition to his offensive production, Payton has been a key component of the Texas defense in 2013. Playing alongside left fielder Taylor Stell and center fielder Weston Hall, the junior has helped develop arguably the fastest outfield in the Big 12 Conference, and he has sported a .978 fielding

percentage thus far.

Payton received interest from a number of schools as a standout outfielder at St. Rita High School in Chicago and originally committed to Arizona State before signing with Texas after word spread spread ASU might have committed numerous program violations.

“They had some violations, broke a couple of rules. I didn’t decommit because the coach was leaving; there were just too many unknowns,” Payton told The Daily Texan in 2011, when he was a freshman. “It hurt. But we thought Texas would be a better option.”

Three years with the Longhorns, Payton is still thankful for his choice.

“This is a place that was built on tradition,” he said Wednesday afternoon. “I’m so fortunate to get a chance to come down here being from up North and getting a chance to play here.”

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minutes into the game.

With two big men out of commission the job of controlling the post fell to Prince Ibeh, a player not known for his offensive aptitude. However, Ibeh rose to the challenge and recorded career highs. The freshman scored 12 points, pulled down 11 rebounds and blocked five shots.

“I knew I had to step up when Cameron went out,” Ibeh said. “I guess we assumed we were going to win and that it was just going to happen. We

can’t assume that. We’ve got to make that happen. That’s what we’ve got to learn.”

Ibeh presented a challenge for the Houston post players, and worked his way to the free throw line several times. His shooting was less than stellar as he went 4-of-8 from the line, but with each trip to the line, Ibeh forced the Cougars deeper into foul trouble.

The Cougars had four players reach double-digit point totals and scored nine points off turnovers and 11 more on the fast break. Joseph Young was especially effective against the Longhorns’ zone defense, hitting four of the five Cougars’ made three-pointers.

“We knew we had to get back in transition fast against these guys,” Lewis said. “We did do a better job getting back in the second half, but we have to get better at finishing games.”

Myck Kabongo put up 17 points and dished out six assists. The Longhorns’ leading scorer Sheldon McLellan got off to a slow start and stayed cold from behind the three point line as he missed all five of his three point attempts.

For the first time since 1997-98, the Longhorns finish their season with a losing record.

“One thing I hope our guys learn from this year is how fine a line it is between winning and losing,” Barnes said.

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But during that spring of running drills and improving his physical and mental state, Davis’s confidence began to grow, so much that he asked Brown if he could emblazon his jersey with


“Magic,” his middle name. Brown politely declined.

As a junior, Davis seemed revitalized, leading the team in receiving yards, receiving touchdowns and yards per catch.

A key player in close games such as Kansas and Oklahoma State, Davis provided a go-to target for David Ash, particularly for long passes. With

three years under his belt, Davis is 1,000 yards away from overtaking Jordan Shipley for No. 2 on Texas’ career receiving yards chart. He currently sits at No. 7 all-time.

“A lot of great players have played here, it’s a great honor,” Davis said last fall. “I’ll keep playing like I’m playing and hopefully I’ll finish in the top five.”



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All of that sounds a bit like an 40-year-old director telling a bunch of bikini-clad teens to get off his lawn, but there's no denying that "Spring Breakers" is an absolute blast to watch. There's not a wasted moment in the film, and the woozy spring break plays like a half-formed memory at times, with a disorienting, arresting lilt to the rhythms of its dialogue, driven by Cliff Martinez and Skrillex's seductive score. Korine stages several bravura sequences, especially the creatively filmed and thematically loaded robbery that kicks off the film, a bizarre montage set to a crooning Britney Spears song, and an unusually constructed but satisfyingly climactic shootout.

"Spring Breakers" is building a good bit of its appeal around its youthful cast, but Korine didn't cast his titular characters because they were willing to tarnish their (mostly) squeaky-clean images. Selena Gomez is

surprisingly effectively as Faith, the "good girl," and Gomez's bright-eyed and bushy-tailed innocence strikes an essential contrast to the rest of the cast. Ashley Benson and Rachel Korine are both solid in their roles, but Vanessa Hudgens tears into her character with surprising fierceness, determined not to cast off her image but to shatter it into a million pieces.

Hudgens' performance kicks into high gear once James Franco's character enters the picture, and his totally gonzo performance fits Korine's style perfectly. Alien is a character who solves his problems by throwing bills at them, and Franco's essentially playing Korine's thesis statement, a life lived with no responsibilities taken to its most natural extreme.

For a film with so much potential for inciting moral outrage, "Spring Breakers" is actually a fascinatingly purposeful film from Harmony Korine. The film is a thoroughly modern bait-and-switch, blinding the audience with a barrage of colors and bass drops, leading them to believe that the film is a gleeful celebration when it's actually a damning condemnation.

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Since the "Gears of War" series is well known for its intense multi-player mode, a majority of players will be shocked to learn that a number of changes have been made to the original online gameplay. In particular, the controller scheme for "Gears of War: Judgment" now limits players to two weapons only. Unlike the previous games where characters could swap between four weapon slots with the directional-pad, only two primary weapons can be used in the multiplayer arenas.

Switching between weapons is now controlled by pressing "Y" and grenades are thrown by pressing "LB." On a similarly devastating note, Epic Games decided to scrap the "down but not out" feature of multi-player. Players who are hit critically can no longer be resuscitated; they simply die on the spot. This means that two subsequent melee attacks can kill, and players can no longer execute the enemy team when they are down.

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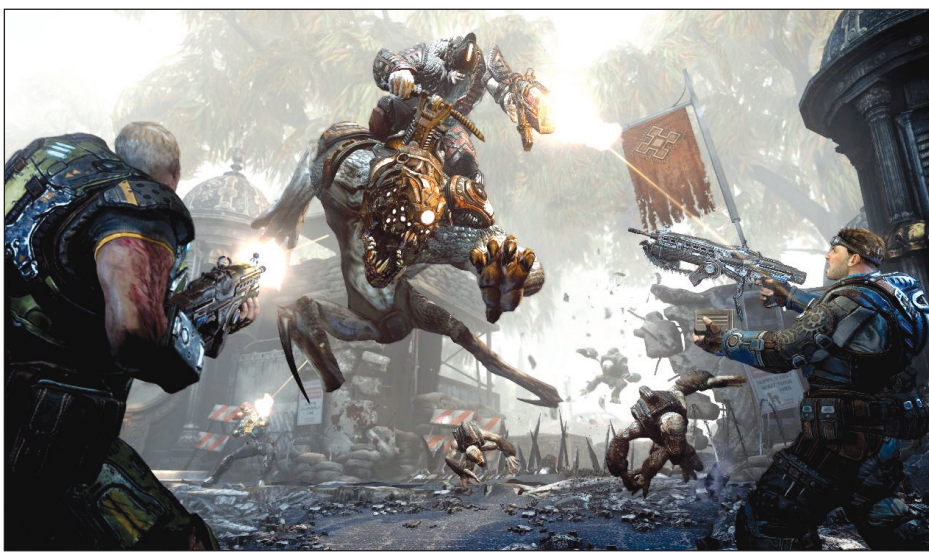


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Kilo Squad members Lt. Baird and Garron Paduk battle all types of Locust enemies in this prequel set 15 years before the events of the first Gears of War game.

mournful liturgy, Horde Mode has also been cut out from the final product. In its place stands a rather insufficient version blandly dubbed "Survival Mode." Choosing a preset weapon class, players will cut through 10 waves of diverse Locust enemies before the game concludes.

"Overrun" mode is one of the few redeeming features of the game. As a multi-player option, Overrun is a class-based, defend-destroy mode where players can either join the COG team or

the Locust team. Though not a revolutionary new addition, the Free-for-all multi-player option has also been added to the game types to satiate players with lone-wolf tendencies.

Strangely enough, players who purchase a new copy of the game will be given a code to download the original "Gears of War" from the Xbox Marketplace. In some ways, this seems more like a conciliatory move than anything else, as if Epic Games is saying "I know our game isn't that great, but here's

some free content." Not exactly a promising message to send customers.

So what's the verdict? "Gears of War: Judgment" is nothing more than a revamp of the third game, with some minor control adjustments, one new multi-player mode and a brief arcade version of the campaign. Although Epic Games wants its fans to pay full retail price for their new title release, this particular game should be viewed more like downloadable content with a \$60 price tag: not worth it.

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those who don't believe humans induce climate change.

"Even if you don't believe in the existence of climate change, the acts from the past five years of Earth Hours have produced results," Davies said. "While there is no official total of how much energy has been saved worldwide during an Earth Hour event, there are some amazing figures from many participating cities and countries."

To attest to this fact, Davies said that in 2011, the electricity saved in Chicago and

Northern Illinois was equal to removing 124,000 pounds of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere.

Jourden Diekmann, the former Public Outreach Coordinator of the Astronomy Students Association, said Earth Hour and the interest in astronomy has brought people together to care about the planet.

"Astronomy is one of those unique fields where potentially every person in the world has an intrinsic curiosity about it," Diekmann said. "Just the simple nature of looking up and pondering about the night sky, admiring its beauty, or telling stories from the pictures placed in the heavens from

our ancient ancestors connects each and every one of us."

This universal connection each person shares in the world can be seen in the effects of Earth Hour and its' attempts to move society in an environmentally friendly direction.

"By participating in Earth Hour, you are becoming part of the big picture, but more importantly a part of the solution," Davies said. "Small acts can lead to big change. We all live on this planet, and we are a planet living beyond our means in almost every way. For one hour each year we take this small step towards making a difference in the hope that there are many more steps to follow."

BOOZE

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to measure the severity of hangovers: the Hangover Symptom Scale (HSS) and the Acute Hangover Scale (AHS). Unfortunately, there is surprisingly little overlap of the two scales. In fact, half of the AHS symptoms don't appear on the HSS. To make matters worse, for the conclusion of a paper where a group developed a third system (the Alcohol Hangover Severity Scale, AHSS), the authors admitted that no one system gives a full picture and the best way of getting an accurate reading is to use more than one survey. In short, the lack of a consistent measurement tool makes studying hangovers less precise than we'd like.

As far as studies that have looked into treating veisalgia go, there haven't

been many and the few that exist have either not shown anything, suffered from small sample sizes or both. The common folk remedies, water and bread, aren't bad ideas, but they'll work better as preventative measures than cures. Show up to the party hydrated with a full stomach and plenty of sleep and you'll fare better than if you don't.

Additionally, choosing your alcoholic beverages wisely will help ensure that you don't spend the next day miserable. Different drinks have different concentrations of additional toxins known as congeners in them, which are one of the sources of hangovers. Drinks darker in color generally having more congeners than lighter ones, so avoid

bourbon, whisky and red wine, and stick to clearer alcohol preparations such as vodka, gin and white wine. Though this won't completely remove the risk of a hangover, it should lower your odds considerably: A study found that, when given comparable amounts, those who drank bourbon were more than 10 times likely to experience veisalgia than those who drank vodka.

Of course, avoiding alcohol altogether removes the risk entirely, but where's the fun in that?

Drink responsibly and do what you can to avoid regret the following morning, but if you do need to call in sick after a night when you overindulged, don't admit to a hangover: Tell your boss that you're suffering from veisalgia.

BALLET

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connections between the more serious themes of your music?

McDonald: Absolutely... *Comfort* was the changing point in my career. The pieces from *Comfort*, I have found, are pieces I can play for audiences that don't speak English or I don't speak their language and I can play those pieces and they will cry...the moment I would have to say that changed my life was when my dad was in the hospital at MD Anderson and so all the time that I was spending practicing ended up being in the middle of the night, in the deserted hallways or around gardens where people would come out and they would be hooked up to IVs.

DT: Where did the idea for your animal ballets come about?

McDonald: I was actually on my way to go on tour with a really serious classical program and in

the meantime, my husband and I had been given this giant saltwater aquarium and there weren't even fish in it at the moment, but with live rock, there are all kinds of little things living in there, it's very "Horton Hears a Who" and so I was sitting there, needing to be practicing Bach and I looked over and in the sand this eyeball popped up out of the sand and it looked like the eyeball of a Martian, it was on a long stem and it was blue and it was really weird.

And then another one came up from the sand. And then a giant flat tongue came through the sand. It was a conch and it had been on the live rock. Immediately a melody presented itself to me, just this silly, quirky little melody that would go perfectly with this weird little tiny creature. So that gave me the idea that if I could get somebody to film this, I could write music that

would go with it and I could teach kids about the environment, about sea creatures, you know, wouldn't that be cool?

DT: Does this translate positively from children to the college crowd and adults in general?

McDonald: As adults and college students, we tend to get into this deal where we're a little bit jaded. We require more and more and bigger and bigger to be impressed so I think that we have a tendency to lose sight of being a child and how delighted and cool kids think things are. But what I love about this-with sea creatures, with any animal-is that at any age, if the creature is cool enough, you're going to have that same reaction that you would have if you were a kid. All the surface stuff goes away and you're just delighted...all of the jaded feelings that we have as adults will get swept away.

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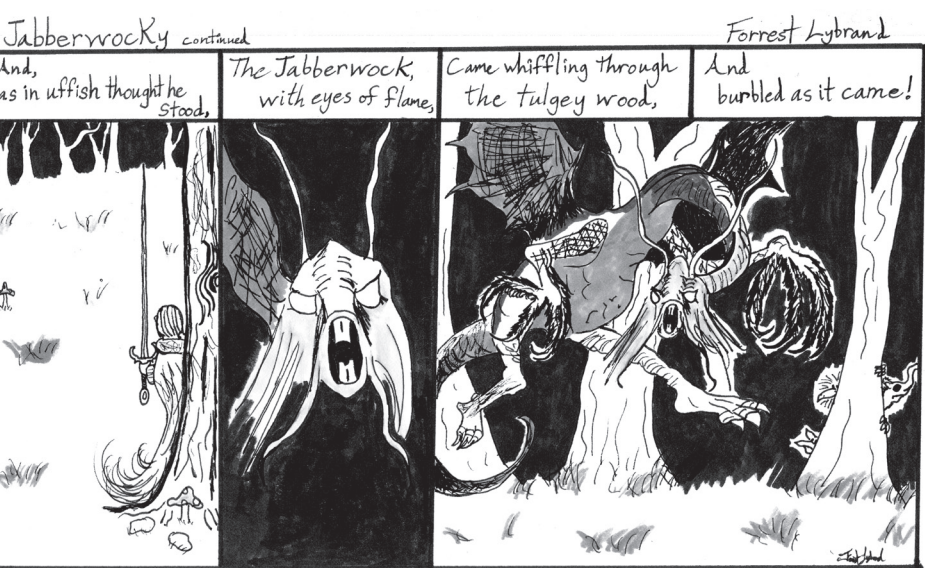
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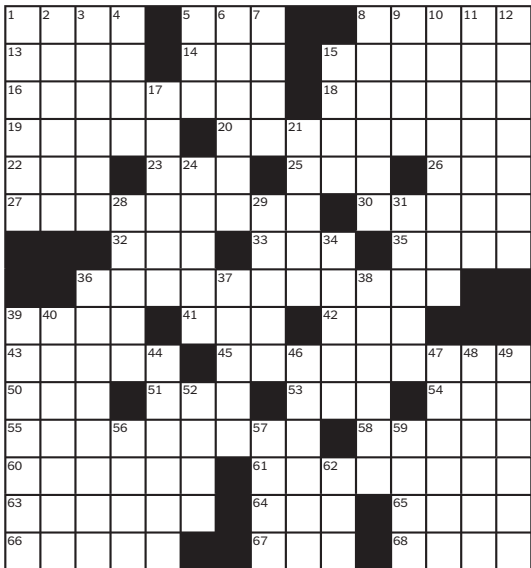
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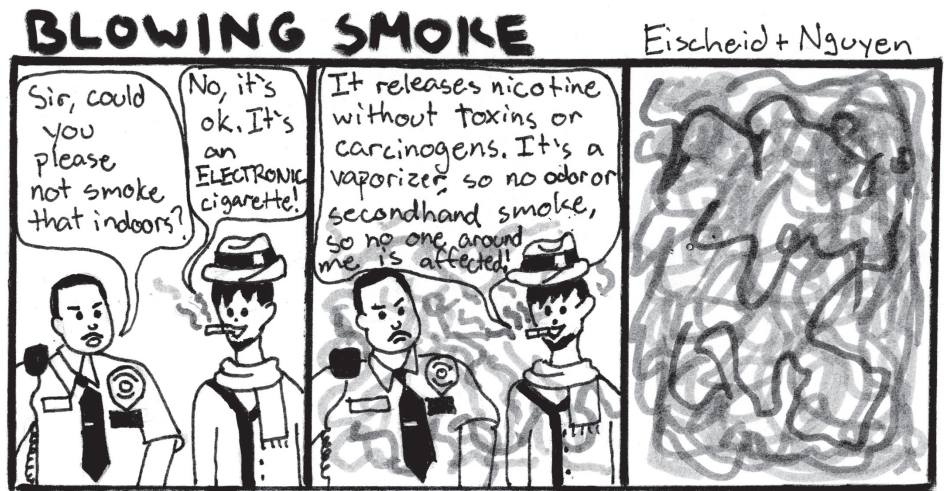
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Booze brews blues

SCIENCE
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By Robert Starr

After the long week at school following spring break, we're ready for the weekend. For many of us, that means heading down to Dirty 6th and drinking socially with our friends while meeting new people that may or may not still be cool after we sober up.

But the worst part of the next day may not be who wakes up beside us. No, the worst part will be dealing with the after-effects of alcohol. Unfortunately, the amount of fun we have on Saturday night may be directly related to the amount of misery we feel Sunday morning.

About 75 percent of the population experiences a hangover at least once in their lifetime, and some many more than that. In fact, at any given time, more than 25 percent of college students report having suffered from veisalgia (the scientific term for a hangover) at some point over the previous week. And this has serious consequences.

Hangovers affect our ability to drive (as well as fly a plane, ski and manage a business, according to various studies) even after alcohol is no longer detectable in our blood. Over the course of a year, this costs our country \$148 billion in the form of



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workers taking days off or performing poorly.

So what exactly is a hangover and how can we fight it off?

The short answer is we don't know and, for the most part, you've just got to wait it out.

The long answer, though, is a bit more reassuring.

Part of the reason we don't know what a hangover is relates to our lack of a clear-cut definition for it. The

Hangover? Check out the science scene video:
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headaches, shaking, nausea and 44 other potential symptoms are all caused by different effects relating to the way that alcohol dehydrates us, affects our hormone levels and us. It's important to remember that alcohol is a mild toxin, which explains

why your body reacts the way it does to that one last chug on the beer bong.

In order to study something, it helps to quantify it, and there are two systems frequently employed

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Q-AND-A

Composer explores aquatic musical muse

By Elizabeth Williams

SUSAN MCDONALD

Susan McDonald is a Texas born-and-raised classical guitarist that has been playing since she was six. The Daily Texan sat down with her to discuss her upcoming program "The Aquarium: a Marine Micro-Ballet for Guitar and Sea Creatures" and what performing really means to her.

The Daily Texan: You've released 10 albums that have such a wide range of themes, from cooking to the epic of "Gilgamesh". Where do you find inspiration for your works?

Susan McDonald: For the last 10 years or so, things have shifted very much in me. In the beginning, I was very much a serious concert artist and I still am of course but I was doing very hardcore classical programs and Carnegie

What: "THE AQUARIUM: a Marine Micro-Ballet for Guitar and Sea Creatures," presented by Austin Classical Guitar Society
When: March 21, doors at 7:30 p.m.
Where: Cactus Cafe; Tickets are \$5

Hall and all that, but then quite a few years ago my father got sick with cancer...I took time off from touring to be with him and spent a lot of time at the cancer hospital and got into composing myself and came up with such a realization of how much more the guitar could do than just be a concert instrument.

DT: Has your audience been able to make

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Photo courtesy of Susan McDonald

Susan McDonald will be performing "The Aquarium," at the Cactus Cafe on March 21.

MOVIE REVIEW | 'SPRING BREAKERS'

Spring Break shocks audiences, captures taboos of college life

By Alex Williams

Harmony Korine's "Spring Breakers" doesn't seem to have much on its mind as the credits unfurl over a barrage of beer bong, bare breasts and bad behavior, and on the surface, "Spring Breakers" is nothing more than an excuse to get some of the most popular Nickelodeon and Disney stars into very compromising situations on camera.

However, once you start to peel back the layers of the film's neon-drenched aesthetic, "Spring Breakers" becomes a coyly disguised film about, among other things, responsibility, living a rewarding life and the corruptive power of Britney Spears.

Selena Gomez, Ashley Benson, Vanessa Hudgens and Rachel Korine star as a quartet of underfunded college students who, desperate for an escape to the beach, rob a restaurant to bankroll their dream spring break. A few keg stands later, they end up in handcuffs, and their unlikely savior



Michael Muller | A24 Films

This film image released by A24 Films shows, from left, Selena Gomez, Ashley Benson, Rachel Korine and Vanessa Hudgens in a scene from "Spring Breakers."

is drug dealer/rapper/self-described gangster Alien (James Franco).

Anyone in search of a meaningful narrative arc will be disappointed by "Spring Breakers," and the film isn't exactly interested in telling a story. It's a film about a lifestyle, not characters, and almost every moment in the film is dedicated to exposing the dark underbelly of the YOLO philosophy. Even as the film's

SPRING BREAKERS

Director: Harmony Korine
Genre: Drama
Runtime: 94 minutes

neon aesthetic and dupstep-driven momentum seem to revel in the beachside debauchery, it's clear that Harmony Korine is interested in exploring the mind-set of the

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EVENT PREVIEW

Night without lights inspires change

By Jourden Sander

For the global event, Earth Hour 2013, businesses and households all over the world will turn off their lights for one hour to aid in the fight against climate change.

According to earthhour.org, this is an event that has been "in the making" for nine years, reaching 7,001 cities across 152 countries around the globe.

Dawn Davies is the outreach chair for the Austin Astronomical Society and organizer of Austin's Earth Hour 2013, happening Saturday March 23. Davies said Earth Hour allows people to think more about the ways in which our planet is suffering.

"Earth Hour is more than just switching lights off," Davies said. "It has become a catalyst for change, as it is evident in the increase in the number of countries participating from year to year. Earth Hour exists to bring awareness to climate change, but now it also shines a spotlight on deforestation, dependence on coal, overfishing, and in the case of the Austin Astronomical Society, light pollution."

In light of these destructive events, Davies said that many

people are not aware of the positive effects Earth Hour has on the environment.

"Earth Hour epitomizes the concept of small acts with big results," Davies said. "On a personal level, just the act of turning off and unplugging all non-essential appliances and lights brings attention to our excessive dependency on electrical energy."

In addition to the global event, the Austin Astronomical Society along with the Astronomy Students Association

at UT and the Austin Planetarium will host a stargazing party and informational event the day of Earth Hour 2013.

Katrina Conrad, public relations junior, said climate change is important because it is so hard to ignore. Conrad hopes that Earth Hour 2013 will help raise awareness.

In addition to those who actively care about the effects of climate change, Davies said Earth Hour can shed light to

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GAME REVIEW | 'GEARS OF WAR: JUDGMENT'

Fourth in war game series triggers disappointment from usual audience

By Stuart Railey

Developers People Can Fly and Epic Games jointly released "Gears of War: Judgment" on Tuesday for Xbox 360. As the fourth iteration in the "Gears of War" franchise, this new title has made some rather controversial changes to the original gameplay that will be ruinous for both old and new fans.

Despite the fact that the

campaign offers a brief eight-hour experience on "hardcore" difficulty, it's apparent that the developers put a commendable amount of thought into redesigning the single-player mode. Told through a series of flashbacks, "Gears of War: Judgment" launches players into "medias res" as Lieutenant Baird and the rest of his squad are placed before a tense military tribunal. Forced to recount the events

that took place, each character relays a chapter of the story from their perspective.

This refreshing plot device paves the way for a new single-player star-rating system and "fully-declassified" missions. Based on various accomplishments like headshots and gibs, players are rewarded stars that can unlock skins and weapons later on in the game. "Fully-declassified" missions are denoted by large crimson decals at

the beginning of each level, where gamers can choose to accept a more challenging version of the level. By opting into challenges like time limits, less ammo and obscured vision, players can earn stars at a faster rate. This dual-mode campaign allows for some replayability when the campaign is complete.

Unfortunately, however, this arcade-mode gameplay creates a choppy story experience. After each small

section of the chapter, players are paused to see their star-rating and review statistics. This might be an exciting feature after beating the game once, but it is used as a staple of the single-player mode and honestly inhibits any merit the storytelling features had. Graphics, though stunning in some locales, have remained unchanged from "Gears of War 3."

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GEARS OF WAR: JUDGMENT

Developer: Epic Games, People Can Fly
Price: \$60