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Shakespeare: Not just for the 17th century

By ASHLEY JORGENSEN

Instead of using an Old English Dictionary to study Shakespeare, one class is putting its own spin on the bard's complex work to create students' final projects.

English 232 teaches about the works and life of William Shakespeare. Because Shakespeare's work can be difficult to read, Professor Gideon Burton decided to teach his Shakespeare class with a different approach.

"A lot of different classes are taught on Shakespeare," Burton

said. "I teach with the approach that gets students involved in new media."

Burton uses the Internet to engage students in Shakespeare and create an environment of personalized learning. Students keep a blog and tell about their experiences and use new media to apply the literature to post ideas for other students to use when learning Shakespeare in the future. The students combine their own creativity and interests and come up with unique ideas for their final projects at the end of each semester.

This fall, five different group projects are being created: a modernized Shakespeare play, a documentary on the making of the play, a music video, audiobook and art

"They are projects that require students to be creative and bring in other arts," Burton said. "They $end \, up \, becoming \, better \, students \, in \,$ Shakespeare because they have to examine text closely.'

The group doing a modern adaptation of a play has combined several plays and created its own script. The play is called "Lovers of Shakespeare" and explores the theme of love within Shakespeare's work. The evolution of three couples, one each from

"Hamlet," "Romeo and Juliet" and "Love's Labour's Lost," create basis for the play's plot.

"It's slightly exaggerated and thus quite funny," said Averill Corkin, the director and member of the cast. "It is a small look into a few ways love can go wrong and how we can avoid such fates."

percent of Shakespeare's writing, and 15 percent students' writing.

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Lexi Eaton making a difference as a freshman

By ALEX HOEFT

Lexi Eaton is good at basketball. And soccer. And track.

But decisions must be made, and for Eaton, after four years of devotion to varsity basketball, soccer and track and field, basketball was the way to go in college.

One of the latest and greatest freshmen on the BYU women's basketball team, Eaton, currently a 5-foot-10 guard for the Cougars, said her passion for basketball didn't begin until two years after she began playing.

"I actually started out in soccer when I was younger, and that was my first love," Eaton said. "I started to get into [basketball] in seventh grade, and I hated it. It was in ninth grade that I actually started to love it. I made that switch from soccer to basketball, and turned my focus to basketball, and I've loved it ever

But it wasn't lack of skill that held Eaton back from basketball she was a natural. And Eaton's athletic ability and skill at basketball runs in her blood.

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Women's basketball faces in-state opponent

By ALEX HOEFT

After a successful week of three wins against undefeated teams in the Hukilau Invitational, the BYU women's basketball team is buckling down for more than just finals: a matchup tonight with in-state opponent Southern Utah University in the Marriott Center.

The Cougars gained plenty of insight from their Hawaiian excursion, insight that coach Jeff Judkins said they plan to work on for today's game, as well as the rest of the season.

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"Get better on the press we're getting hurt on the press too much and they're getting too many easy baskets," Judkins said. "We've got to get better inside presence. ... And I just think [molding] better as a team, knowing what everyone's expected to do and doing it right. We played two very, very good teams over [in Hawaii], and I think we really learned and I think we really learned

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BYU plans upgrades for spring 2012 registration

By DARREN PERUCCI

BYU administrators plan to roll out enhancements that will make registration easier and more secure for students and faculty as students begin registering in February for Spring Semester 2012 classes.

Michael Brown, director, IT communications, for the Office of Information Technology, said "the registration improvements are part of continual improvement to an already good system that will make the field a little more fair for everyone." For example, it will close at least one loophole. It has been possible in the past for more upperclass students to reserve a spot in a course and then allow underclass members with later registration windows to take those seats as the more upperclass student drops the course.

As part of the improved system, students will enjoy better wait listing opportunities. Students will be

able to see how many students are already on any given wait list before they add themselves to the list. They can then opt to add themselves to the wait list. Once they have been added, students will not have to continually check to see if spots open up in the classes they are trying to get into because the system will automatically hold their place in line, register them and notify them of the action.

"This will make sure the longexisting practice of students holding spots for other students will no longer be effective."

Jeff Bunker University Registrar

According to University Registrar, Jeff Bunker, this, "first-in-line, firstin-class" policy will make it more fair for students by preventing students with higher priority registration dates from registering for classes for their friends.

"This will make sure the longexisting practice of students holding and registering spots for other students will no longer be effective,' Bunker said.

In addition to what officials describe as a more fair and efficient resource for students, the system will better promote security. By using tests called CAPTCHAs which determine whether online entries are entered by a computer or a person, the registration system will be able to more effectively monitor and limit access to programs that could possibly allow identity thieves to misuse students' online IDs and passwords.

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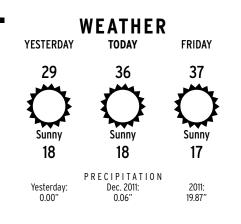


Presidential candidate Rick Perry addresses the Republican Jewish Coalition.

Perry seeks comeback in lowa

NEW YORK (AP) — Rick Perry isn't going down without a fight.

With a massive new television ad campaign targeting social conservatives, the Republican presidential hopeful signaled Wednesday he intends to try to resuscitate his faltering candidacy in Iowa, which holds kickoff caucuses in less than four weeks. It's a tall order for Perry, who entered the race to great fanfare in August only to see his popularity plummet throughout the fall.



Sources: National Weather Service, BYU Geography Department

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Navy Region Hawaii Honor Guard member presents a U.S. flag to the family of Pearl Harbor survivor Lee Soucy during an internment ceremony for Soucy in Honolulu.

Utah judge reschedules poisoned smoothie case

resume on Thursday.

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A preliminary hearing for a woman accused of spiking her roommate's smoothie beverage with antifreeze has been postponed.

Police speak to reporters about Shannan Gilbert, who has been missing since May.

NY police seeking serial killer

other items belonging to a missing New Jersey

prostitute whose disappearance helped spark

an investigation into a possible serial killing

spree on New York's Long Island have been recovered near where the woman was last seen

ard Dormer said officers have not found any

remains of 24-year-old Shannan Gilbert, who

they think drowned, but said the search would

18 months ago, police said Wednesday. Suffolk County Police Commissioner Rich-

OAK BEACH, N.Y. (AP) - Clothing and

An eastern Utah judge on Wednesday rescheduled an 8th District Court hearing for Selena Irene York for Dec. 21.

Police say Ed Zurbuchen nearly died drinking the beverage in 2008 that police say York supplied. Court records indicate York and her daughter were living with the then-78-year-old man in Vernal.

Pearl Harbor survivors return to ships after death

HONOLULU (AP) — Lee Soucy, who lived to be 90 after surviving the attack on Pearl Harbor, is finally back with his shipmates 70

Soucy passed away last year. On Tuesday, seven decades after dozens of fellow sailors were killed when the USS Utah sank on Dec. 7, 1941, Navy divers took a small urn containing his ashes and put it in a porthole of the ship.

The ceremony is one of five memorials being held this week for servicemen who lived

through the assault and want their remains placed in Pearl Harbor out of pride and affinity for those they left behind.

"They want to return and be with the shipmates that they lost during the attack," said Jim Taylor, a retired sailor who coordinates the ceremonies.

The memorials are happening the same week the country observes the 70th anniversary of the aerial bombing that killed 2,390 Americans and brought the United States into World War II.

Lunar eclipse Saturday morning

By JARED GAY

Just before moonset on Saturday morning, a lunar eclipse will occur low in the western sky.

For anyone willing to get up early enough, the eclipse will begin just about 5:45 a.m. on Saturday. Fortunately, for tired Utah residents, the earth will be passing directly between the sun and the moon for nearly an hour, giving Utah residents a nice window to catch the eclipse.

"It's neat to see the moon be ed, as opposed to its normal color," said Eric Hintz, a physics and astronomy professor. "Sometimes partial eclipses are okay, it just dims a little, but it's not that nice red. But this will be a full red one."

Hintz also suggested going to the NASA website to look up eclipses for further details on the upcoming eclipse.

"The NASA website is absolutely fabulous," Hintz said. "A lot of times they will have the paths on the earth where it's going to be. It gives you an idea if this one is going to be a long one or short one, or if it's going to be partial.'

Rachel Barker, a senior studying English, shared a vivid memory of seeing a lunar eclipse as a 12-year-old.

"It's weird, because you see the moon, and then it just turns red up in the sky," Barker said, "All of the sudden, the moon was a different color, and it wasn't anything I had a reference to. It's a pretty nostalgic memory for me because there was this brilliant thing happening up in the sky, and I was with my

The lunar eclipse will serve as a prelude to an annular eclipse which will occur in May. In an annular eclipse, the moon passes between the earth and the sun, partially blocking the view of the sun. Solar eclipses are similar to annular eclipses, except that they entirely obstruct the view of the sun, leaving a ring of light in the sky.

"They're not as interesting to people, because if you can see any part of the sun, it's still extremely bright," said Hintz regarding annular eclipses. "So you can't look at it, but everybody's waiting for the solar eclipse in 2017. We're all waiting for 2017. That's the big one.'

Utah's economy up in 2011

By JUSTIN SMITH

Utah's latest Key Economic Performance Indicators report indicates many key variables in the state's recovering economy are better than they were at this time last year.

Employment, revenue, foreclosures and international trade figures are all markedly improved when compared to 2010.

"While we are growing jobs faster than the nation as a whole and we are on track for our international trade goals, we will not relent on our efforts to create jobs for Utahns," said Gov. Gary R. Herbert in a news release. "The data provide a hopeful sign that Utah is headed in the right direction, but there are still far too many Utahns out of work or under-employed."

The KEPI update reports an 11.1 percent improvement in state general fund and education revenues collected, but the median sales price for existing homes fell about 2.9 percent between the first and second quarters of 2011.

"It is tough to see the nation take such a hard hit and the economy slip so far," said Nathan Thomas, a Salt Lake City resident who moved to Utah after graduating from the Uni-



Photo by Sarah Strobel

The City Creek Mall in Salt Lake City, set to open in 2012, is one example of the recovering economy.

versity of Texas. "I'm just glad that I was able to find a job in Utah and settle down with a bit of security in a stable state."

The report also highlights that Utah is second in the nation for job growth among states and rated the top state by the American Legislative Exchange Council for expected economic recovery. In October 2011, the Wall Street Journal also rated Utah in the top five states poised for job growth.

"Yes, I am optimistic about Utah's future," Herbert said. "But I also want people to know that every minute I am aware that many Utah families are facing a stark reality right now. It is for them that I am focused daily on making sure Utah is the place to grow sustainable, quality jobs — jobs that support Utah's families and bolster Utah's economy."

The Department of Workforce Services reports that Utah added 31,600 jobs between Oct. 2010 and Oct. 2011. Utah's annual employment growth rate of 2.6 percent is higher than national growth of 1.1 percent and among the highest state employment growth rates in the nation.

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Mali presidential candidate to visit Orem

By TAMARRA KEMSLEY

The U.S. isn't the only country where a Mormon is running for president: Mali's Yeah Samake, a BYU alum, is the forerunner in the country's presidential race for 2012 and, in an effort to garner support, will speak in Orem to the local public on Monday.

The site hosting the event, eventbrite.com, said Samake will speak on "how he grew up in one of the poorest villages in one of the poorest countries in the world, how he came to live in one of the wealthiest countries in the world, found the LDS Church, and then returned to serve his people."

Bryce Johnson, editor-inchief of BYU's Political Review, said he looks forward to the event and the election at large for what it represents regarding the Mormon community.

"I think one of the most important outcomes for a win for [Samake] in Mali is that it would underscore the fact that Mormons actually belong in politics. ... We've had dozens of Mormons in the House and Senate."

> **Bryce Johnson** Editor-in-chief of BYU's Political Review

"It's encouraging," Johnson said. "I think one of the most important outcomes for a win for [Samake] in Mali is that it would underscore the fact that Mormons actually belong in politics. ... We've had dozens of Mormons in the House and Senate: [Elder Ezra Taft Benson] served simultaneously in the Quorum of the Twelve and the White House Cabinet, and heck, if you count Joseph Smith and Sidney Rigdon, there have been Mormons in politics since 1844."

The potential president was first elected mayor of Ouelessebougou in 2009 when he won 86 percent of the vote from a people that are 90 per-

cent Muslim. Since his inauguration, the city rose in its ranking in terms of economic development from 170 out of 174, to number 10.

On his site, Samake said his beliefs heavily influence his politics in terms of the importance of integrity and equality.

Samake has even established a group of tribal leaders elected to represent their village that he refers to as his "Elder's Quo-

If elected, Samake will face the responsibility of presiding over a country where, according to the CIA's World Factbook, is among the 25 poorest countries in the world with an illiteracy rate of more than 50 percent.

According to Deseret News, Samake is touring Utah to generate support for his campaign.

"I consider Utah my second home," Samake told the news

The event will take place Monday, at 6:30 p.m. at the UCCU Events Center at UVU. Tickets to the event are free and can be booked at eventbrite.com. For those interested in meeting with Samake before the main event can purchase tickets for \$50 at the same site.

'Twas the night before finals

An ode to Clement Clarke Moore

was the night before finals, when all through your home, Not a roommate was stirring, not even a moan.
Your stockings were carelessly tossed to the floor

In hopes you'd have free time to clean up some more.

Your roommates were nestled all snug in their beds.

While visions of higher grades danced in their heads.

And you with your laptop, and caffeine-free Coke,

Had just revved your brain to study, with hope.

When atop your desk there arose a large panic, As 12 ounces of Coke tipped down, you felt

manic.
Away to the laptop you flew like a flash,

Grabbed up your laptop from a sugar-filled splash.

The moon marked the spot of your laptop's last breath,

And lit up your terror and filled you with dread. With all of your notes

in a shared Google Doc, You woke your drained roommates and left them in shock:

"Now Kayla! Now Katie!
Now, Kirsten and Lizzie!
Wake, Elizabeth! Wake, Court!
Wake, J.J. and Whitney!
To the tops of your desks!
To the keys may you fall!
Now type away! Type away!
Type away all!"

As tired, but faithful, young Cougars they arose,

Took a look at your bearing, few questions they posed.

questions they posed.
So up to the kitchen the courses

they flew,
And grabbed paper towels and tidied the zoo.

And then, in a twinkling, like magic above,

Handed you a laptop with mocking

and love.
As you thought in your head and

were turning around,

You noticed your laptop in your hands could be found.

It was dry as a bone and working much better,

Just a scratch on the top and a missing black letter.

This was its usual state and condition,

A miracle cure, a near death remission.

Its screen — how it twinkled! Its new glow, how merry!

Its background displayed a picture of a cherry.

Its black, little keyboard, clean on inspection,

Ticked and tacked with you in lively procession.

A tack of the keys pulled up your old paper, And a breath of fresh air floated up in vapor.

You had a broad grin and a little loud chuckle, You chose to sit down as your knees felt to buckle.

The paper was finished, well written and revised, You'd lived through the scariest moment and survived.

With a wink of your eye and a twist of your

head.

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You knew this sad moment was now nothing to dread.

You spoke not a word, but your roommates could tell,

The best Christmas present was sitting right there.

And laying the laptop aside of the mess,

You all went to bed and laid there feeling blessed. $\,$

You sprang to your bed, to your friends gave a call,

You thanked them profusely and sent love to them all.

May these finals not find you in such a plight,

Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night!

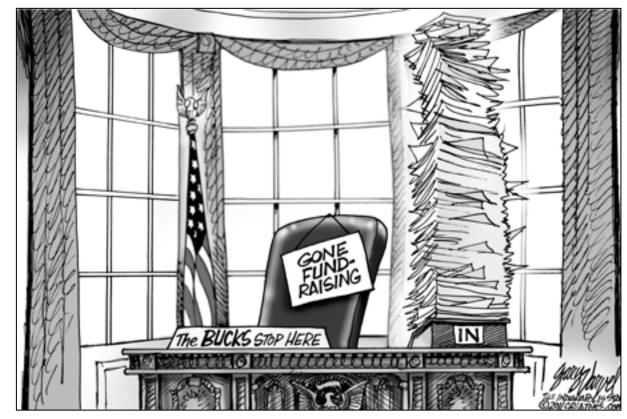
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Problem solved.

If you have to pay the fee you have made a choice to do so.

BRYAN PETERSON Provo

Bad, but so good

I can't decide if "Produce or processed (12/6)" was supposed to be a compliment or a criticism to the BYU Food Science Product Development Team.

The author commends the team for their hard work, then calls their product "another processed, preservative-filled concoction" and states the college's resources should go elsewhere.

First off, Cheese Squared was not preservative-filled.

The only preservative in it was propionic acid, which occurs naturally in Swiss cheese.

Second, the creation of a new product will only distract people from buying fruits and vegetables if they want to be distracted.

It is easy to go into a store, head straight for the produce section, then get in a check out line.

The problem is people like to eat more than just produce.

Third, the food industry, like every industry, provides goods based on what sells.

That does not make the food industry bad. This industry feeds people.

It makes gluten-free products for

th makes gluten-free products for those that have Celiac disease, low sodium options for those with high blood pressure and whole grain options because health-conscious consumers ask for it.

The food industry even makes a year round produce section possible. Yes, the product development

team made a fatty product this year.
The Daily Universe reported on it

because a \$10,000 prize is impressive.
Other pro-health food science projects were not included because they

did not relate to the initial article. But honestly, is there anything wrong with creating a food that makes you smile?

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{HEIDI ENGSTROM} \\ Provo \end{array}$

More cheese, please

To the author of "Produce or Processed (12/6)," thank you for pointing out the need for us to eat more fruits and vegetables.

It's true despite the cornucopia of healthy options too many turn to unhealthy alternatives.

Why is this the case? Allow me to present a side of cheese squared (and

food science itself) that was underrepresented in the recent article

[Readers' Forum]

"When in Doubt, Bread & Fry (12/1)."
Cheese Squared is an all-natural appetizer made from low fat cheeses, spices and vegetables with the only exception being it is fried in oil.

The frying step uses a relatively new technique called "flash frying" in which the product is breaded minimally and fried at a high temperature for a very short period of time.

The shorter fry means less oil is absorbed, resulting in a healthier product.

While Cheese Squared is by no means a diet food, it fits perfectly into a balanced diet.

Providing a high proportion of the calcium and protein you need each day, Cheese Squared is a very enjoyable, new way to get your daily dose of milk.

Research into new foods is important because as we discover new recipes we find more appealing ways of eating what already know we should.

America needs great new product developers so people won't, as you mentioned, eat pizza and call it a vegetable.

AARON ANDERSEN Farmington

The nappers

From the HBLL to the atrium of the Brimhall, from the depths of the JFSB to the Wilk, students are showing signs of sleep deprivation. I'd like to classify them into five categories:

First, bench blenders.
I find you next to the HFAC stairs and in the Widtsoe restrooms. Your bench, that would comfortably seat three, allows you to catnap.

Second, chair contortionists. You guys sleep in the craziest ways, crumpled in uncomfortable balls with your head back and mouth wide open. My uncle is a chiropractor and appreciates your business.

Third, nook nappers.
How do you find all these secret cubbies? How do you always access my Room of Requirement? I will admit you scare me sometimes as I come around those corners and stumble upon your lifeless form.

Fourth, desk droppers.

We're both sitting in lecture next to one another, the lights go down and you're out. Your neck bobbles back and forth as you fight off the sleep, but soon you are snuggled up in your arms.

Fifth, floor floppers.

You are my favorite. So beat tired, you're willing to just drop where you are and catch up on your shut eye. I understand the most convenient place of all is the very ground we walk on.

Don't be surprised if you wake up with a chalk line around you. I hope you are dreaming of candy and sugar plum fairies. Sweet dreams to all, and just

clean up after you drool.

CICI NYE Draper

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I truly believe that if we keep telling the Christmas story, singing the Christmas songs and living the Christmas spirit, we can bring joy and happiness and peace to this world.

- Norman Vincent Peale

SHAKESPEARE

$A\ new\ approach$ to an old author

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"I could not be more excited for the show," Corkin said. "Hopefully it will be a way to bring Shakespeare's sometimes difficult words to life in this modern context."

For the behind-the-scenes documentary film, interviews and sneak peaks have been captured through the whole process of creating the play. Interviews of each cast member have revealed apprehensions, progress and involvement in the play.

"Professor Burton has new ways of learning through new media," said Kelsie Moore, a junior working on the documentary. "I have really enjoyed the class because I am doing the things I love and learning Shakespeare in a whole different way."

The class will watch the documentary before the play performance, but it has been filmed in such a way that it will not spoil the following performance. The play, documentary

and all the other end of semester projects will be posted online so others can gather ideas about how to creatively learn the work of Shakespeare.

"The class is about engaging the text but also engaging the fun of Shakespeare," Burton said. "Its not just reading a textbook in a classroom or watching a performance, it's about engaging, understanding and enjoying Shakespeare on a broader level."

The class will showcase its projects Friday at 7 p.m. in room B192 JFSB.

For a sneak-preview of the performance visit vimeo.com/ user9290803.

REGISTRATION

Revamping registration

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"This will reduce unauthorized access to the system which degrades performance of the registration system and at the same time has the potential of compromising student security," Bunker said.

With the registration system enhancements also comes the renewed warning to students to protect their NetIDs and passwords, which are keys to many online university services including personal financial information, grades and private, non-directory informa-

Valinda Rose, product manager for Identity and Access Management for BYU said students need to watch where they put personal information.

"Sometimes we are too lackadaisical in our approach to security," Rose said.

Rose said sometimes

people will hack smaller websites where people have shared their information and turn around and use that stolen information on bigger websites. Rose suggests that students who have placed their NetID or password into other websites, change their passwords though MyBYU.

Students will benefit from the many improvements in the near future and the coming years, according to Bun-

"It's one part of a major registration enhancement and we're confident it's going to be a significant service for our students," Bunker said.

EATON

Freshman changes game

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"My family's actually, I guess what you could call, a 'basketball family,'" Eaton said. "My dad played in college, my older brother was a state-leading scorer for Springville, and my grandpa also played basketball for BYU. I was sucked into the whole basketball thing because my whole family loved

Eaton has a hefty load of awards, including two time Salt Lake Tribune Female Athlete of the Year in 2010 and 2011, ESPN Rise Underclass All-America Team in 2010 and Deseret News 4A MVP in 2011.

With such a decorated past, Eaton had her choice of schools but had no problem deciding.

"I've grown up around [BYU]," Eaton said. "I went to some of the individual camps and was invited to the elite camps. I just really loved the coaching staff, and I've always been a BYU fan as well. There are just so many positives to it, that it was a no-brainer choice."

Eaton's first taste of college

basketball was at the Blue/ White scrimmage in October.

"[The scrimmage] was a lot of fun," Eaton said. "We got the chance to play with different players; they mixed up teams a lot, so they could get different looks. It was basically a chance for you to prove yourself and another chance to earn that starting spot. It was really competitive, which I think was fun for the crowd to watch."

And earning that starting spot was what Eaton did. The only newcomer in a group of returners, she has started ev-

Women's basketball coach Jeff Judkins has had plenty of positive things to say of Eaton.

girl's an awesome player," Judkins said. "She has all the tangibles that you need to be a great player: she's tough; she's coachable; she's athletic; she's skilled; she's aggressive; she's a gym rat. ... She has it all. I think when she walks out of here, she'll be one of the best

So far this season, she has averaged 11.2 points in 23.2 minutes a game — impressive

But Eaton doesn't pay attention to the numbers. For her, and the team, there's only one thing to do.

ery game this season.

"I've been really lucky; the

players ever to play here."

numbers for a freshman.

"Our main goal for this year is to be conference



to that goal, and it's all very

clear that that's what we want

stant commitment for Eaton,

she takes full advantage of

Though basketball is a con-

to achieve."

her free time.

"If I ever have spare time, I love hanging out with family and friends, watching movies or just having time to myself," Eaton said. "I [also] really enjoy playing the piano and violin. I took piano lessons for about seven years and violin lessons for about four years."

As for her future in basketball, Eaton said she plans to play it by ear. Although managing the stress of an undeclared major, she's currently exploring her interests through a career explorations class and has found a growing interest in psychology. Whether her future will end

up in psychology or another field or even playing basketball, Eaton said it primarily depends on her situation later on in life.

"The idea of [playing basketball for a career] sounds great," Eaton said. "To get paid to play a sport that you love, I'm open to it."



Photo courtesy of Lexi Eaton

Lexi Eaton, shown here with her father Alan, was named to the ESPN Rise Underclass All-American Team in 2010.

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BASKETBALL

Cougars to take on SUU

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The Thunderbirds are 5-2 this season, their most recent game a 109-59 loss to Oral Roberts University. SUU's front runners are Hailey Mandelko and Carli Moreland, who average 14.6 and 10.1 points a game, respectively. The team itself averages 62.3 points per game.

BYU's Kim Parker, a 5-foot-11 sophomore who was recently dubbed the West Coast Conference Player of the Week on Dec. 5, returned to Provo with double the points she had put up in the first six games of the season. Parker has now totaled 123 points this season.

"I feel like [the Hukilau Invitational] was a breakthrough," Parker said. "Everything was clicking. ... I think a lot of times I try and force the pass, or force a bunch of things. This tournament really helped me with knowing if I just play my game, and I don't focus on making a turnover or things like that, then I can play well."

Even though the team was in Hawaii, a vacationer's hot spot, freshman guard Xojian Harry said the team was able to get down to business when necessary and a skill they hope to show at home.

"We definitely had to crack down as soon as that plane landed," Harry said. "Coming back and getting used to the cold air to play in — we're not at sea level anymore, but we came back and had a great practice [Monday]."

Because successful games yield to big heads followed by embarrassing losses, Parker said a big key for Thursday's game is not overlooking SUU.

"I think we just have to focus on the things that we did in [the invitational]," Parker said. "We have to take one game at a time."

At the same time, Parker said it's okay to be happy with the success gained in the Hukilau Invitational.

"Those teams that we played [in Hawaii] were great teams,



Photo by Sarah Strobel

BYU plays against the Southern Utah University Thunderbirds tonight.

and it could've been very easy for us to go in and be scared," Parker said. "We learned that we can play with anybody. We don't have to play to other team's strengths, but we can play to our strengths. I think if we continue to believe that, and play aggressively the whole 40 minutes, and focus on our defense, those are the things that will make us successful this

Tonight's game is the Cougars' first home game since the end of November. Tip off is at 7.

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to attendees.

Tax clinic offers help to BYU students

By TAMARRA KEMSLEY

Provo's Low Income Tax Clinic offers tax advice and counseling to anyone who files taxes as an independent with a low-end income, which could include many BYU stu-

The clinic defines "lowend" as those who are living near the poverty line, which is often defined as roughly a \$24,000 income per year.

The clinic is a branch of Centro Hispano and runs off a grant from the IRS. According to Edwin Dilwan, the clinic's coordinator, the group's main goal is fair and free representation of low income tax payers before the government.

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The grant helps fill that gap."

Edwin Dilwan

Low Income Tax Clinic coordinator

and can't afford representation," Dilwan said. "The grant helps fill that gap."

Dilwan said he works with many BYU students who face frustration regarding a number of reasons. The most frequent, he said, center on students who were wrongly listed as a dependent on someone's tax form and those who are given a 1099 MISC form rather than a W-2.

Eric Bylund is a tax practitioner who has worked at the clinic for three years now. He said he got the job because of his experience with Spanish (the clinic services a large portion of Provo's Hispanic community) and with accounting from his BYU classes.

One of Bylund's primary responsibilities is helping those facing collections and those who haven't filed their own taxes either before or for an extended period of time and are seeking help.

Bylund said the services are underused by BYU students who could benefit from further explanation regarding their rights as students and low-income tax payers.

"I definitely feel not enough BYU students know about the clinic and how it can help them even with

Photo by Chris Bunker

Eric Bylund, a taxpayer relationship specialist at Low Income Tax Clinic, offers aid to students.

simple issues," Bylund said. "If they receive an IRS notice and they don't know what it means, or if they haven't filed for a while because they didn't know they were supposed to, we can help them out with a lot of issues."

Bylund also points out that students qualify for special exemptions and even returns. "Students can get educa-

reads. Attendees must meet the low-income requirement.

> The clinic is located at 817 South Freedom Blvd. Hours of operation are from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and appointments are upon request during the evening.

Aspirin, canned foods may increase toxic levels

By DALLIN HATCH

Taking aspirin may do more harm than good, according to a study by the Political Economy Research Institute.

The study sought to discover which companies produce the highest "toxic score," a rating derived from a combination of what the Political Economy Research Institute deems to be a company's toxic outputs.

The group's findings were surprising. Bayer Group, makers of Aleve and aspirin, topped their list of world's worst polluters, even beating out oil giants Valero Energy

Corp., ConocoPhillips and Exxonmobile.

In addition to popular pain medications, Bayer produces a chemical called bisphenol A, or BPA. This compound has been widely used to create clear, hard plastics. If consumed, BPA can lead to neurological defects, heart disease, diabetes, early onset of puberty in girls, infertility, obesity, breast cancer and prostate cancer, according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

It was this particular product that pushed Bayer's toxic score to the top of the list.

Another group said aspirin isn't the only product people should be wary of. According

"It's pretty scary to think we could potentially be consuming such high levels of BPA on a daily basis without realizing it."

David McLaughlin

to a recent news release from the Harvard School of Public Health, eating canned foods can increase your personal BPA toxicity level by more than 1,000 percent.

"We've known for a while that drinking beverages that have been stored in certain hard plastics can increase the amount of BPA in your body,"

said Jenny Carwile, a Harvard doctoral student involved in the research. "This study suggests that canned foods may be an even greater concern, especially give their wide use."

The research team observed two groups for study. The first group consumed a 12-ounce serving of vegetarian canned soup each day for five days

while another group consumed 12 ounces of vegetarian fresh soup (prepared without canned ingredients) daily for five days. After a two-day washout period, the groups reversed their assignments.

Urine samples of the 75 volunteers taken during the study showed consuming just one serving of canned soup daily produces a 1,221 percent increase in BPA compared to levels in urine collected after consumption of fresh, non-canned

"The magnitude of the rise in urinary BPA we observed after just one serving of soup was unexpected and may be of concern among individuals who regularly consume foods from cans or drink several canned beverages daily. It may be advisable for manufacturers to consider eliminating BPA from can linings," said Karin Michels, senior author of the

David McLaughlin, a junior studying clinical laboratory science, said the findings should make people think twice about what they eat.

"It's pretty scary to think we could potentially be consuming such high levels of BPA on a daily basis without realizing it," McLaughlin said. "I didn't really know much about BPA before today. It makes you wonder if the places where you eat out think about how their ingredients are stored."

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LDS violinist earns Grammy nomination

By CHELSEY SAATKAMP

Sometimes, when you wish upon a star, you end up with a Grammy nomination.

Jenny Oaks Baker, a popular LDS violinist, was nominated for a Grammy Award in the Best Pop Instrumental Album category for her album "Wish Upon a Star: A Tribute to the Music of Walt Disney." The album is a compilation of classically arranged Disney staples, such as "Colors of the Wind" and "Beauty and the Beast.'

The Salt Lake City native is one of the most accomplished violinists in America. She began playing at age 4 and made her solo debut at age 8. As a Julliard-trained musician, she performed solos with the National Symphony Orchestra, Jerusalem Symphony and Utah Symphony, among others. She has released 10 bestselling albums since 1998, with "Then Sings My Soul," hitting No. 1 on the Billboard Classical Charts.

Baker was picked as one of five in a category where more than 100 artists were campaigning for the nomination. In addition to her stellar performance, she attributes the arrangements by Emmy Award-winning composer Kurt Bestor and the universal appeal of the Disney classics as reasons for the nomination.

"This was my very favorite album to perform," Baker said. "Each arrangement just takes you on a different journey. Everyone has their own experience with each movie and can connect with each song on their own level.

Baker said she is excited to gain a wider fan base through the nomination, dubbing it a turning point in her life. She said she loves the support of



Photo courtesy of Shadow Mountain Records

Jenny Oaks Baker's album "Wish Upon a Star: A Tribute to the Music of Walt Disney" was recently nominated for a Grammy.

"**S**he makes the violin sing."

Sheri Dew Deseret Book CEO on Jenny Oaks Baker

her fans and is grateful for the talent she has been given to be able to spread her music

throughout the world. "The Lord has given me everything I have," Baker said. "I hope people can feel the spirit in everything I play."

Deseret Book CEO Sheri Dew credited many individuals at Shadow Mountain Records for Baker's nomination.

"She makes the violin sing," Dew said in a news release. "Her talent, combined with the superb touch of producer Kurt Bestor and our music team's skillful handling of this product have

proven a winning combination. We are honored to have a CD showcasing such sheer talent on the Shadow Mountain label."

Anne Wright, a senior from Provo majoring in chemical engineering, has been playing violin since she was little and said Baker is one of her inspirations. She particularly admires Baker's hymnal arrangements, which she has played in various church settings.

"She's an amazing violinist and a great performer," Wright said. "Her hymns are great to listen to when you're looking for something different than the Mormon Tabernacle Choir."

Baker, a mother of four, currently resides in Fairfax, Va. Her website and albums can be found at jennyoaksbaker. com. The winner of the Grammy Awards will be announced







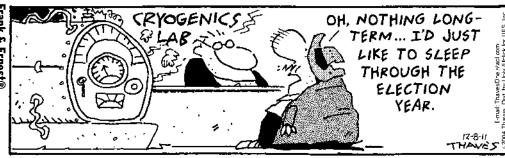






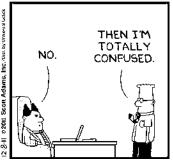




























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BYU dominates in-state battle vs. Wildcats

By RYAN WAITE

Going into Wednesday night's matchup between the BYU men's basketball team and rival Weber State, the Wildcats had never won a game on the Marriott Center floor and BYU coach Dave Rose had never lost a game to the instate opponent. Those trends continued as BYU dominated gameplay against Weber State, winning 94-66.

"I thought that tonight our players were ready to play,' BYU head coach Dave Rose said. "I thought that we were engaged from the start on both ends of the floor against a very good Weber State team. ... I think that the last two nights

out, our effort has been the storyline. "

The Cougars held NCAA leading scorer Damian Lillard to only 15 points, well below his season average of 28.2 he held coming into the game. That defensive effort was a key focus for BYU. In the practices leading up to the game, the Cougars used a former NCAA leading scorer, Jimmer Fredette, on the scout team to mimic Lillard's play. That preparation paid off for the Cougars as Lillard struggled to find a rhythm.

[Lillard] is a terrific player. I thought we challenged his shots and the shots that he made were difficult shots," Rose said. "I was really impressed with how we were consistently engaged with trying to make the game hard for

The game started with the teams going back and forth with small scoring spurts. BYU took a 7-2 lead before Weber State scored eight straight points to take a three-point lead. Junior guard Brock Zylstra then caught fire, hitting two long jumpers to give the Cougars a 22-15 lead with 10 minutes remaining in the half.

After a Zylstra 3-point basket, Weber State called timeout, regrouped and came back to within two points, 22-20. Immediately following the basket to bring the Wildcats within two, Weber State guard Scott Bamforth received a technical foul. The Cougars then began to stretch their lead behind the low post play of Brandon Davies and Noah Hartsock.

By the end of the half, BYU held a 47-34 lead and had three players scoring in double figures. Hartsock ended the first-half with a double-double, posting 14 points and 10 rebounds. Zylstra and Davies ended the half with 13 and 11 points, respectively.

The Cougars came out the locker room continuing where they left off, stretching their lead even further behind two 3-pointers from Charles Abouo and one from Nate Austin. With 15:30 remaining in the game, BYU held a 60-38 advantage.

With BYU in complete control of the game, Stephen Rogers continued to pour it on as he scored 10 straight points for the Cougars, including a fastbreak dunk that extended the

BYU lead to 29 and brought the home crowd to its feet.

The Cougar lead continued to extend as the game wound down, with BYU holding a 33-point advantage at one point. The team ended with six players scoring in doublefigures as Abouo, Austin and Rogers all reached double figures in the second half.

Hartsock led the team on the night with 19 points and 12 rebounds while Davies also recorded a double-double. scoring 11 points and hauling in 10 rebounds. Zylstra, Abouo, Rogers and Austin each contributed 15 points.

Next up for the Cougars is Utah in the Deseret First Duel, on Saturday at noon in the Hunstman Center in Salt Lake City.



Photo by Chris Bunker

BYU forward Noah Hartsock, right, turns past Weber State's Kyle Tresnak on Wednesday in the Marriott Center.

BYU to battle Tulsa in bowl game

By AARON SORENSON

For all the BYU fans who are still angry, confused or happy about Jake Heaps' decision to transfer, don't forget he's not the only football news in town.

The Cougars wrap up their 2011 season with a bowl game on Dec. 30 when BYU faces the Tulsa Golden Hurricane in the Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl in Dallas.

"We get to play another game. With all the stuff swirled around BYU this year, with independence and other things, it's just really nice to be able to keep on playing," BYU Athletic Director Tom Holmoe said in a teleconference. "We really relish that and are eager to get down there,

strap it up and get another game

Currently at 9-4, BYU looks to finish the year with a doubledigit winning record. If the Cougars win the bowl game, coach Bronco Mendenhall will finish five of his seven years with 10 or

"What I've learned to continue to advance programs and continue to build reputation is not only participating in bowl games but it's playing well and winning bowl games," Mendenhall said in a teleconference. "I think it's going to be a fantastic matchup with two hungry opponents, which I think will bid well for the bowl.'

Tulsa finished the regular season with an 8-4 record, very similar to BYU. Tulsa's four losses came at the hands of teams then-ranked in the top 10 — but those losses come at an average of 27 points.

They're well coached on both sides," Executive Director of the Armed Forces Bowl Brant Ringler said in a teleconference. "The teams are playing a high level right now, both averaging over 400 yards per game on offense. I think there's going to be a lot of points put up on the scoreboard. I think it's going to be an exciting brand of football for fans to watch and I expect a lot of highlights to come out of it."

As noted by Ringler, Tulsa has an explosive offense. Led by senior quarterback G.J. Kinne, who has thrown for almost 3.000 yards and 25 touchdowns this year, the Golden Hurricane average 34 points per game.

"Our quarterback G.J. Kinne,

the offensive MVP a year ago in the conference, is in his third year as a starter," Tulsa coach Bill Blankenship said in a teleconference. "He's just been an all-everything guy for us. ... [He's an] outstanding passer, but he can move around the pocket. He's allowed us to develop a bunch of other players.'

Kinne is also complimented by Tulsa's productive running game. The Golden Hurricane are ranked in the Top 25 in points scored per game and average rushing yards per game.

BYU and Tulsa faced one common opponent this year in the University of Central Florida. Notably, both teams won by a score of 24-17. BYU faced UCF during the fourth week of the season. Tulsa played UCF just four games ago.

After graduation, what comes next?

By DARREN PERUCCI

Students pursuing further education after a bachelor's degree are familiar with test acronyms such as GRE, GMAT, LSAT and MCAT, but few students have heard of the BAT.

The Bloomberg Assessment Test, designed by leading financial institutions and academic associations, is now in its second year of existence. Its purpose is to help students get competitive jobs around the country with minimal effort. The test is designed to uncover students' knowledge and skills relevant to a financial career, but anyone can take it.

According to Jesus Diaz, director of University Marketing Operations for North and South America at the Bloomberg institute, one of the main benefits of the BAT is that it's free. This is made possible because of employers who subscribe to the test results and scan them daily in search of top talent.

Diaz said some employers spend up to \$40,000 per year at Bloomberg in order to find the best entry-level candi-

More than 20,000 students from around the world have taken the test so far, and many, like BYU student John Welling, have had success from their efforts.

'It is a great opportunity to prove to employers that you know where your interests lie, and that you are able to prove your competence in your area of specialty," Welling said.

"It was a confidence builder. I was able to identify weak areas and I was able to talk about them during job interviews."

> **Austin Trent** Recent BYU graduate

Another benefit students enjoy is the ability to compare their scores with students around the world the same day they take the test. In addition, students can choose to have their results published so employers can view them. The results are posted anonymously until an employer desires to reach out to a student, at which time the student can choose to communicate with they employer or remain anonymous.

Austin Trent, a recent BYII graduate, said he received requests from companies after they saw his test scores, but that the test was beneficial for other reasons as well.

"It was a confidence builder," Trent said. "I was able to identify weak areas and I was able to talk about them during job interviews.'

Whether for practice or for a future career opportunity, the BAT is another way for students to get their names out in the job market. The BAT will be available at BYU during the spring semester or in Bloomberg offices around the country.

Has independence been worth it?

By DALLIN TURNER

The 2011 BYU football season will be one to be remembered. Although, it won't always remembered for the best things.

So many things happened this season, it's hard to know where to begin to sum it up.

For me, I will avoid talking about Jake Heaps and all of the other exciting stories from this year, and instead will go back to the beginning and talk about independence.

When Utah announced it would go to the Pac-12, BYU fans didn't have too long to feel left out, because BYU became an independent school soon after. This led to all of us Cougar fans immediately talking ourselves into independence.

We would be free from the Mountain West and its low-qual-

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ity opponents and even lowerquality TV stations. We would have the freedom to schedule games against better teams and in more lucrative destinations. We would be in a better position to play in a BCS game.

Or so we thought.

The season started with a one-point win at Ole Miss and a one-point loss at Texas. We were pretty optimistic then and had been praising independence for allowing us to travel to such high-profile places.

And then we played our first home game of the season against

our rivals — the Utes. The game started with fireworks, a 100-yard American flag and the marching band playing the theme from Independence Day. And then they kicked the

Ugh ...

Independence slowly started to lose its luster — especially when rumors started to swirl about BYU joining the Big 12. We started to dream about being in a power conference, but those dreams were quickly squashed, and we had to start talking ourselves back into independence.

But by that point, things were fine. Riley Nelson had saved the season and things were fun and entertaining. Until we started to get tired with late-start games in cold months against mediocre-

I know of at least one fan who has owned eight expensive season tickets for many years and decided after the New Mexico State game (which started at 8:15 p.m.) that he'd had enough. He lives north of Salt Lake City, and with the terrible traffic, getting home at a reasonable time to wake up early for church is just too difficult.

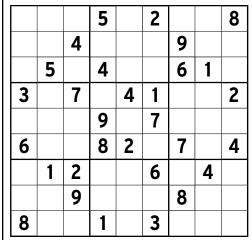
Not all Cougar fans had experiences that bad, but many began dreaming about the joys of conference play when the Big East came calling. Meanwhile, the Utes were

having an exciting finish to their first Pac-12 season. Although they started off with four big conference losses, through a strange series of events, they found themselves still in contention for a spot in the Pac-12 championship game. Ute fans excitedly stayed up late at night to watch Cal and Arizona State play, while BYU had no such connections to any other teams.

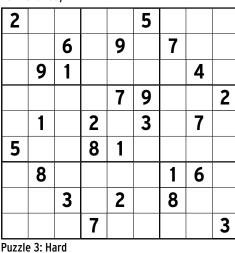
Unfortunately (or fortunately), the Big East deal fell through just in time for us to go back to praising independence for allowing us to travel to Hawaii.

So now the season is over, and it's time to ask ourselves if being independent has been worth it so

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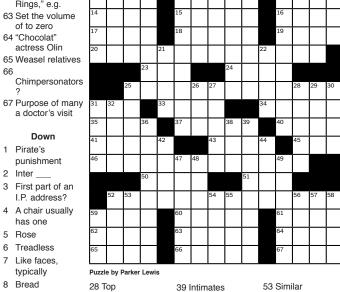
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