ITS Employee

stock, external hard drives, open source communities

Turn Offs: paper, Windows Vista, the Amish, low battery life, fried motherboards, gettin' hacked, the outdoors, no wi-fi, scope creep, deadlines, helping professors fix PowerPoint slides, floppies, face to face conversations, analog signals

HOLY SHIT I'M GRADUATING IN DECEMBER!

• Liberal arts majors can find solace in the fact that the economic crisis will give them a convenient excuse to not have a job.
• In a last minute ditch effort to revive their failed class project, students will shamelessly turn to YouTube to pad several Powerpoint slides.
• If you're the kind of guy who masturbates into a sock, you don't need to recommend that you celebrate the holidays by using a velvet stocking throughout December.
• You don't look smarter for doing the New York Times crossword when you only fill out the first four clues on a Monday puzzle.
• I'm tryptophanishing balls right now!
• Cold weather will continue to produce hand nipples despite the valiant efforts of sweaters to suppress them.
• Even those who strongly oppose drug use could use a little Adderall right about now.

Well, FIJI guys, it looks like you're the assholes who put up their Christmas lightways too goddamn early. Congratulations.

No one can really explain why, but the freshmen are finally starting to look a little less ugly.

Call your little shindig on the South Mall a food protest if you want, but I know a drum circle when I see one.

Vegans who sneakily demand meat-free Thanksgiving dishes cannot be upset when I storm out of Veggie Heaven after they refuse to serve me a deep-fried turkey leg.

Speaking of vegans, UT was named the 2nd most vegan friendly school in the country. Apparently the school in front of us doesn't allow its regents to mercilessly feast upon the flesh of its mascot when it dies.

No one wants you to feel insecure, ladies, but spring break is less than four months away and that cottage cheese has got to go.

Students graduating in December will realize that

• Texas Tech's title hopes may have crashed in Norman, but at least they've found a way to let a guy vigorously jack off into a bell in front of millions of television viewers.
• When you go home over the break, remember to pull the bird out in time because

And then they started to prepare for a few more sing-a-longs with the white Album.

Lifestyle Tip: this time around is juicier than a new designer. Take for instance, Senior Molly Lee's and Travis Lincoln's Thanksgiving day kitchen duties. They were occupied all morning, what with all the stuffing, injecting and dressing. And then they started to prepare the turkey! Hopefully Travis was able to pull the bird out in time because Molly's oven just isn't ready for that kind of baking.

Speaking of turkey, junior Adam Smelts was found with a turkey – a turkey of blow that is! Hopefully, Adam will be able to hide his Colombian habit from his mom when she finds out he pawed the vacuum for a few more sing-a-longs with the White Album.

That's the only pawn worth noting. Did you hear about sophomore Brandon Weir being used by his lab partner, Deborah Roush, to make her indifferent boyfriend jealous? Don't worry Brandon; your role in this love triangle may be secure now, but all the sires indicate that once she realizes how big a jerk Ralph is, she'll be on your side, angle and side for good!

Let's not forget about everyone's favorite holiday persona, Santa Claus! Old Saint Nick made an appearance on the third floor of San Jacinto last Wednesday. Oh wait, that jolly, portly fellow was just freshmen Lonny Jacobs! You could tell Jacobs and Santa Claus apart because instead of ho-ho-ho-ing, all Jacobs could do was wheeze and complain of chest pain.

And then they started to prepare for a few more sing-a-longs with the white Album.
Gay professor won’t stop being such a drama queen about ‘equal rights’

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CAMPUS — Physics professor Dr. George Laward has reportedly thrown all kinds of temper tantrums during his lectures over the last several weeks, repeatedly citing the need for the University to “rethink their ban on allowing domestic partners to receive the same benefits as married couples” and other gay ramblings.

“I didn’t even know that Dr. Laward was gay,” claimed sophomore Kim Rodriguez, who came to class to learn physics, not hear all about how Laward wants to kiss his boyfriend. “Then he mentioned something about ‘blah blah blah, UT is one of the only schools in Texas that doesn’t extend these benefits, blah blah blah.’ Um, Professor? We all get it — you’re gay, and the whole world is out to get you, and whatever. Now can we please talk about something relevant, like whether you’re going to cancel class on Friday so I can get drunk Thursday night?”

While over 300 other universities across the country extend insurance benefits to its employees’ domestic partners, the University does not offer such benefits due to the Texas Insurance Code, which prohibits the extensions. The University has officially stated that it plans to push the Legislature to allow for such benefits in a future session. However, says such as Laward apparently do not realize that while that sucks and all, this is a school, not a midnight screening of The Full Monty at a San Francisco bathhouse.

In light of the recent attention given to the rule, Laward is among many other gay UT employees who have begun acting out in response to the law. “This state must understand that we are not asking for special rights, but only for equal rights,” Laward whined when speaking at a GLBT rally. “We deserve to be treated just like every other man or woman on this campus.”

Joanna Powell, a long serving member of the Board of Regents, claims the University is doing what it can to meet Laward’s petulant demands. “We’re getting around to it,” said Powell, who maintains that she is completely okay with “that.” “If Dr. Laward really wants to receive the same treatment as other human beings that badly, we’ll do what we can to accommodate him in a timely manner.”

Laward plans to continue incessantly lobbying for his gay cause until he gets what he wants. “All we want is to be treated fairly and equally,” said Laward before ruining a perfectly good afternoon by talking about how hard his poor life is. “How can we sit idly by, while this kind of injustice is taking place at an otherwise outstanding institution?”

Laward then somehow connected his gayness to Martin Luther King, who must be a gay icon of Cher-like proportions.

Many students and faculty have supported Laward in his little gay movement, claiming that equality is one of the cornerstone principles of the American democracy. Said one university official about the support, “If that many people are going to whine and complain about this, then maybe the right thing to do is to give them what they want.”

Magic in local man all along

Laura Arnold
STAFF WRITER

AUSTIN — Twenty-nine year old businessman Bryan Henning discovered Wednesday evening that despite his initial belief that a string of unbelievable, borderline supernatural successes in his life was the direct result of a magical ring, the sales assistant's good fortune was, in reality, deep within Henning the whole time. Why, the real magic, it seems, is believing in oneself.

"Things were just looking down for me, oh boy," he said. "I hated my job, my boss was a jerk, and I couldn't get a date no matter how hard I tried," lamented Henning, who was often seen on street corners getting drenched with puddle water from passing vehicles.

But the tipping point came when land development corporation Lindcorp threatened to bulldoze his neighborhood to make room for a strip mall. "I wanted to take a stand, but I felt powerless," said Henning, for whom things could not get any worse. "How could an average guy like old Bryan Henning take on a gigantic conglomerate like Lindcorp?"

Henning's luck changed when he met an enigmatic wizened old man on his way home from a failed date. After thoughtlessly tossing a bouquet of flowers into a dumpster, Henning unintentionally woke the mysterious man, with only nine fingers and different colored eyes, who was sleeping in the trash. The man relayed a story about an ancient Indian ring that gives the bearer extraordinary talents. "At first I thought he was weird," said Somerset, "but when he handed a ring to me and winked, I immediately felt a strange power come over me. And when I opened my eyes, he was nowhere to be found."

After initial reluctance, Henning put the ring on and immediately noticed changes in his everyday life. "After eight years, my boss finally remembered my name."

Henning then revealed himself to be the executive to build the mall else where. "I may not have the ring, but I needed to show the world what he's got, and he reportedly has a bright future ahead of him. The old man then revealed himself to be Henning's father before disappearing once again.

Although Henning was no longer in possession of the ring, he gave a heartwarming speech that convinced the executive to build the mall elsewhere. "I may not have the ring, but who needs it when you've got great friends and willpower? All I needed to do was believe in myself," said Henning. "You can do anything as long as you believe."
Hollywood celebrities suddenly obsessed with lives of middle-aged, out-of-shape moms

Matt Ingebretson
STAFF WRITER

LOS ANGELES — In what started as a subtle curiosity, Hollywood celebrities’ interest in the personal lives of middle-class mothers has blossomed into a full-blown obsession, and has tabloids scrambling to meet the increasing demand for new and juicy gossip about the suburban women.

“I can’t believe Danny has been cheating on Martha with that skanky elementary school teacher,” said actress Angelina Jolie about the recent love triangle involving the Akron, Ohio, mother of two. “But I guess that’s typical of the fast-paced relationships of suburbia. I am still praying that she finds true love someday, but hopefully this will give her more time to focus on her career at PETCO.”

Photos of the women’s personal lives get the most attention from the mediocrity-struck stars. Tabloids regularly feature pictures of the socially inept moms doing everyday things like grocery shopping, picking the kids up from school, and yard work.

“They aren’t just regular human beings who do normal, everyday things,” Johnny Depp regularly checks his Perez Hilton RSS feed to learn up-to-the-minute intimate details about FUPA flashes, SUV chases, and sexless marriages of his favorite suburban housewives. Photo courtesy Creative Commons

Man places mouth on woman to show affection

AUSTIN — Following a successful first date Thursday evening, insurance salesman Donovan Cathcart was so overcome with affection toward soon-to-be girlfriend Lucille Matheson that he parasitically attached himself to her lower lip and three-quarters of her chin. Cathcart, 28, has reportedly placed his mouth on “up to four women” since reaching puberty, and spends much time on “up to four women” since reaching puberty, and spends much time doing everyday things. “It’s refreshing to see that, beyond all of the glamour and hype, these small-town women are just regular human beings who do normal, everyday things.”

“I just find it refreshing to see that these small-town women are just regular human beings who do normal, everyday things,” said housewife Lisa Simpson. “I just find it refreshing to see that these small-town women are just regular human beings who do normal, everyday things.”

Charitable prostitute glad to lend a helping handjob

LOS ANGELES — In light of the economic crisis that has left thousands jobless and without a home, Sunset Boulevard prostitute Candy has graciously offered to lend a helping handjob to anyone in need. "It’s the least I can do to help struggling homeowners," said the hardworking, blue-collar prostitute as an unidentified John in a green Ford Taurus flagged her down. "Anyone who is feeling down about their financial situation can stop by the 300 block of Sunset Blvd. between midnight and dawn and have a free handjob." Candy continued. "But if you want a lollipopper or anything else, you’ll have to pay extra. The prostitution industry isn’t immune to the rule where the remote always stays right here so I don’t have to look for it." Johnston has also been searching for his missing power drill, blue tie, and a Bruce Springsteen album, and while sources have yet to confirm their location, Johnston believes that they are “right under [his] nose.”

TV remote not here, there

HYDE PARK — Claims adjuster and father of three Phil Johnston announced Tuesday evening that the remote control for his 42-inch Sony LCD television is neither here, there, nor, at the time of press, anywhere. "I usually set it right here, but it wasn’t there when I looked." Then I checked by the love seat and the end table, and it wasn’t there either," explained Johnston, who spent two-and-a-half hours upturning seat cushions and opening and closing drawers. "Where the hell is the remote? I bet it’s in Spencer’s room. I need to make some sort of appearance around 8:00.”

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NASA confirms there’s no way Space Jam could actually happen

HOUSTON — A panel of NASA scientists has concluded after a $2.6 billion study that the likelihood of an intergalactic crisis mirroring the plot of the 1994 film Space Jam actually occurring was minimal. "After thorough analysis, we simply don’t believe Bill Murray would be capable of playing basketball at a high enough level to compete with the Monstars," said senior researcher Miles Simcoe after showing a video demonstrating his inability to fly while listening to R. Kelly's "I Believe I Can Fly." Simcoe also noted discrepancies in star Michael Jordan’s living accommodations. "MJ is perhaps the greatest professional athlete, like ever. Seriously, he’s awesome. There’s no way he would have lived in that lame two story house they show in the movie." This is NASA’s most significant discovery since the 1997 announcement about the Titanic.

Misspelled Facebook status changed with haste

PORTLAND — High school junior Kat Kiley quickly changed her Facebook status upon noticing multiple grammatical errors mere minutes after she posted it. The message originally reading “Kat is so sick of all theses tests!!!” was first posted at 12:59 p.m. yesterday, and was corrected by 1:02 p.m. "I keep forgetting that the ‘is’ is automatically added for you,” said Kiley, who is reportedly working on a Freudian lens analysis. By analyzing this act through a Freudian lens, you can clearly reveal an erect reproductive organ. By analyzing this act through a Freudian lens, you can clearly see how his hardened penis represents a phallus.” When asked why he decided to devote his studies to pornographic films, Markozi swiftly mumbled to himself before returning to his office to masturbate furiously.

Film scholar finds phallic imagery to be pervasive theme in Backyard Bangers 8

CAMBRIDGE — Harvard professor of sociology and highly acclaimed film scholar Dr. David Markozi recently submitted an article to the Harvard Review claiming that phallic imagery plays a critical role in the aesthetic value and plot development of Backyard Bangers 8. “When you are studying a piece as complex as BB: 8, it is easy to get caught up in how the mis-en-scene informs the ultimate message of the film,” said Markozi, who has also researched sex-related imagery in films such as Slutty Cheerleader Slut-Whores and Girls Just Wanna Get Boned. "One scene in particular stands out, in which the leading man, James Stone, removes his pants to reveal an erect reproductive organ. By analyzing this act through a Freudian lens, you can clearly see how his hardened penis represents a phallus.” When asked why he decided to devote his studies to pornographic films, Markozi swiftly mumbled to himself before returning to his office to masturbate furiously.

Ransom Notes deliver ransom note

TARRYTOWN — The parents of kidnapped child Billy Forrester, 9, received a surprise Wednesday afternoon when University a cappella group The Ransom Notes showed up at their doorstep to sing the demands dictated by Billy’s kidnappers. "I don’t know who these kidnapping scumbags are,” said Billy’s father, affluent millionaire Henry Forrester. "But they’re obviously sick, sick people. Taking my son, putting our family through unspeakable tragedy, exposing us to a dozen awkward 20 year-olds’ beatboxing and herky-jerky dance moves... have they no decency?” After the Ransom Notes sang a Ben Folds arrangement with lyrics adjusted to demand $3 million in cash for Billy’s safe return, the troupe enthusiastically high-fived each other, and then presented Mr. Forrester a jar containing his son’s thumb.

Local man gotta do what local man gotta do

AUSTIN — Austin resident Tim McAllister revealed plans on Monday to handle the pickle he is currently in. "It’s tough," said McAllister, who has worked down by the docks for 18 years. "But a man’s gotta do what a man’s gotta do." McAllister claims to have gone through rough patches in the past, but none that have forced him to resort to such drastic measures. When asked if he thought he is being treated unfairly, McAllister responded, "It is what it is.”
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Texas A&M Wins BCS Participation Award

COLLEGE STATION — In a ceremony held at a local Cici's Pizza Buffet, Bowl Championship Series commissioner John G. Peters presented the Texas A&M Aggie football team with the 2008-2009 BCS Participation Award. "This team reminded us that football isn't just about winning; it's about doing your very best and giving 110 percent," said Peters in between trips for dessert pizza. Texas A&M successfully completed 12 regular season games, including hard-fought losses to Baylor and Arkansas State and a special win over 21-17 Army, after which they enjoyed cold packets of Capri Sun and orange slices. "I'm so proud of these kids. They went out there every Saturday and displayed great teamwork and good sportsmanship," said Coach Mike Sherman while his team played in the Cici's arcade. Each Texas A&M player was awarded with a Certificate of Participation featuring the respective player's first and last name and "Touchdown!" printed in a glossy heading.

Jesus takes time out of day to help Colt McCoy throw touchdown

AUSTIN, TX — Lord and Savior Christ took time from his busy schedule to help Texas quarterback throw a touchdown in the Longhorn's 35-7 win over the Kansas Jayhawks. "I had to pick up the kids from soccer, head home and cook dinner but figured I needed to make some time for Colt," said Jesus who has been known to be involved in numerous sports miracles including Tony Stewart's 2005 Nascar Sprint Cup championship and Kristi Yamaguchi's 1992 Olympic gold medal in women's figure skating. In a post-game conference, McCoy thanked Jesus for the help: "I couldn't do it without Jesus. He has lot on his plate with his new job and a baby on board. He is truly a king among men." After Jesus successfully helped McCoy complete the pass, he helped a Bolivian peasant with his harvest before picking up his kids from soccer practice.

Texas must defeat Texas A&M by at least 140 points. If Colt McCoy can muster up one more of his patented near-flawless performances, and throws between 12 and 15 touchdowns against the Aggies, this could impress the voters and sway them in the Longhorns favor.

The Eastern Michigan Eagles must defeat the Central Michigan Chippewas in dominant fashion. This would help the Longhorns' strength of schedule in the BCS computer rankings. Here's why: Eastern Michigan lost to Toledo, who lost to Akron, who lost to Bowling Green, who lost to Miami of Ohio, who lost to Kent State, who lost to Louisiana Lafayette, who lost to Florida Atlantic. The Longhorns crushed Florida Atlantic 52-10. Therefore, if Eastern Michigan can look impressive in dispatching the Chippewas, that would in turn make the Longhorns' victory over Florida Atlantic that much more impressive.

Jordan Shipley will catch wind of an attempt by OU to hack into the BCS mainframe to rig the results in their favor. In response, the governor will convene an emergency lame-duck session of the Legislature to pass the L.A.W. (Longhorns Always Win) Law of 2008 to counteract any future foul play.

Colt McCoy must visit the homes of all BCS voters and put on a loud and colorful territorial display of dominance by flapping his arms, stomping on the ground, and squawking loudly. This performance will effectively entrance the voters, and thereby solidify UT's superiority among the pack of top ranked teams.

With Oklahoma's emphatic victory over former number one Texas Tech, many national pundits are predicting Oklahoma will finish ahead of Texas in the final BCS standings, effectively ending the Longhorns' championship hopes. While this occurrence is now very likely, there is still a scenario that finds Texas staying ahead of Oklahoma and reaching the National Championship Game. Here's what must happen:
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- Adding chipotle flavoring to anything not chipotle-flavored
- Something nice for the misses
- Costs involved in decreasing “economy-sized” packages
- To finally procure a nickel for each time Henry Paulson “heard that one”
- Securing film rights to story of economic collapse
- Upgrading from Folgers to the good stuff
- Finally putting the seventh season of “Boy Meets World” on DVD
- Bridge to nowhere, Terabithia
- Temporary tattoos for every day
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- Money fort

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Convict Larry, I'm really nervous about today. It'll be my first day teaching these kids. I want them to like me, but also I need them to respect me...

Charlene, whenever I enter a new environment, like say prison for example, I find immediately beating up the biggest, strongest guy in the room instantly earns me respect!

Hello class, my name is Ms. Williams and... um... I...

hmm... No

definitely not

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YOUR ASS IS MINE SHORT-STUFF! EVERYONE OPEN YOUR GODDAMN BOOKS TO PAGE 27!!!
aggies are soooooo dumb...

- They don't have sex with people, they have sex with sheep!
- They don't even know how to read!
- They don't know which end's up!
- They couldn't get into college... so they went to A&M!
- They're all farmers!
- They think George W. Bush is the smartest dude ever!
- Their football team is bad at scoring touchdowns! We are good at that!
- Their mascot is a dog and ours is a cow!
- They go to a different school than UT!
- What's up with bonfires? Those are stupid!
- Texas A&M stands for Texas Awesome & Mighty -- NOT!!!
- Which is it? A&M or aTm? Make up your mind already!
- Aggies? More like Faggies!
- They have a girl president!
- They're even dumber than OU!

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I implemented when I hear about all the "change" Obama is bringing. But in all honesty, I've always felt a connection with our new president. Sometimes I, too, feel like I'm unfairly attacked. Our HR guy will tell me every now and then that I need to make sure I "bathe every day" and "invest in a stick of deodorant" before coming into work. I'm sure our new president felt the same way when Sarah Palin said he hung out with terrorists.

Some people still don't believe me when I tell them my name's Barack Obama. Last week, an African-American client was none too impressed when I shook his hand and introduced myself as Barack Obama. I think he thought I was making fun of him. So I made sure to tell him that just as Barack Obama is our first black president, I was the first person in our office to use our new timecode management template.

From here on out, the name "Barack Obama" will carry a mantle of responsibility, and I swear that I will uphold that challenge. Or my name isn't Barack Mortimer Obama.

Conservative pundit blames McCain loss on "liberal country bias"

TOPEKA—Radio host Joe Cromwell, host of WIBW's Talking Back, launched into a tirade Tuesday morning, blaming Republican John McCain’s loss on an unfair number of American citizens who openly favored Obama for president. "I just couldn’t believe it, how many voters were in the tank for this guy since day one," Cromwell said after a caller complained about "liberal loonies having the audacity to elect a Democrat to office." Cromwell then continued to lament that a majority of Americans reflected their personal opinions in how they cast their vote. "It's a real shame that we're living in a country where we can't separate how good a president we think a candidate would make, and who we vote as Commander-in-Chief. It's common sense, people." Cromwell then spent the following 45 minutes complaining about the media's bias against Sarah Palin because she just so happened to be tragically unprepared to lead the country.

Hillary Clinton offered secretary job

WASHINGTON—Despite failing to become the first woman to clinch a major party nomination for President, Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-NY) has been offered a comfortable position in the Obama administration as a secretary. "We’re all looking forward to working with Mrs. Clinton," Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel said in a statement. "She'll talk to President Obama every single day, and will be the first smiling face that foreign leaders see when they visit America. This secretary job is nothing to be ashamed of — and without all the stress of being president." While Clinton is expected to meet soon with other newly-hired secretaries, Washington insiders report that Mr. Clinton is very proud of his wife for getting a job at the White House.

LESSE-KNOWN BALLOT INITIATIVES

— Dissaparation age lowered to 16
— Allows for personal possession of marijuana within 40 yards of impromptu drum circle
— Circle’s circumference cannot exceed 3.141592653589

LESSE-KNOWN CANDIDATES

Jefferson Smith: U.S. Senate
PLATFORM: Pro-building boys camps, Pro-nature, Anti-floor-yielding, Anti-dams
RESULTS: Wins 7% of vote
LITTLE KNOWN FACT: Often appears in 10th grade social studies classes

Rochester Williamshire III: Mayor
PLATFORM: Pro fox hunting, Against Chimney Sweeper Union, Pro bangers and mash
RESULTS: Wins 49.9% of vote
LITTLE KNOWN FACT: Powdered wig surgically affixed to head

Bill “Big Fist” Jackson: Prime Minister of Oxygen
PLATFORM: Pro punching you in the face, Anti pussies, Supports repeal of assault and battery charges
RESULTS: One voluntary vote, 2,457 coerced votes
LITTLE KNOWN FACT: Gets misty-eyed when watch The Karate Kid

MOST EMBARRASSING CAMPAIGN MOMENTS

IT WAS SO EMBARRASSING WHEN...
• Barack Obama accidentally went to a veteran rally dressed in terrorist garb instead of a suit
• Sarah Palin showed some beev when getting out of that limo
• John McCain lost face in front of his rich friends when they found out he only has 8 houses.
• John McCain picked a vacuous idiot as his running mate
• Joe Biden left his mike on when he went to the bathroom and everybody heard him pee
• Bill Richardson thought he’d gotten the VP nomination but they dumped pigs blood on him instead in front of everyone!
• Joe Biden asked a fat woman when her baby was due
• Sarah Palin commented on Barack Obama’s victory saying "not bad for a black guy"
• Barack Obama sat on a whoopie cushion at a charity dinner
• Joe Biden skinned his knee and everyone saw the tears in his eyes
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Pilgrims and Indians were da bomb!

But most important of all.... DIG IN!

Don’t forget to stop and check out the way cool scenery!

Don’t forget, wasting food is whack, yo!

Making hand turkeys is cool way to impress your parents!

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I need your A game on this one, gentlemen, so if any of you think you’re not up to it, tell me now because I can’t have you freezing up when things start to get hairy. Good, now listen up.

At about 1400 hours, our flyboys up on the scaffolding lost main hydraulic wench power. They detected a leak on the number two tank, and are stuck high and dry at the 13th floor. Here’s the kicker: the window on the 14th floor is still dirty. I told them not to stir the tanks, but that’s water under the bridge now. It is imperative we get that window clean gentleman; NASA doesn’t pay us to fail, and I’m sure as hell not cashing the shit-check on this one.

The time frame we’re operating in is tight, and closing fast. It’s Friday and I know you men want to get home soon, and by God so do I — I’ve got dinner reservations with my old lady at Romano’s Macaroni Grill that I don’t intend to miss. With traffic factored in, that leaves us with exactly one hour and 27 minutes to complete our mission. If we miss this window, the next opportunity isn’t until Monday — and that is not an option.

Those brave men are four hours past their lunch break, and I don’t know how much longer they can hold out. Jake’s a diabetic for Christ’s sake. That bastard knew he could compromise the mission, but he just wouldn’t listen to the flight surgeon on this one.

Frank, get a hold of yourself! We’ve done it without the primary fuel tank before! I know if we turn it off we might not be able to get it back online, but we have to take that chance! You remember when we worked uptown, don’t you Frank? Those were the good old days. Before all the circuit boards and microchips — it was just you, me, a doublewide squeegee, and 30 feet of improvised rope. We can do this. I believe in you dammit!

All right Roger, I need you to scrounge up 50 yards of two-inch water hose from gardening. Lazy Joe, hop in the Chevy and chart a course for ACE Hardware down on Jefferson and get 63 feet of styrofoam pipe insulator. I don’t care what it was DESIGNED to do; I care what it CAN do! We have to work with the problem here people, not make it worse by second-guessing.

We lost contact with mission control so don’t expect help from them. But that doesn’t matter — we can’t be expected to abide by their panty-laced protocols anyhow. If my numbers are correct, the smudge index on that double pane is off the charts, four ways from Sunday. Once our boys are back on sweet Saint Augustine, we’ve got to do whatever it takes to get that transparent sheath sparkling again. In my 35 years on the job, I’ve never missed a window, and I’ll be damned if I start today.
How To Institute Educational Reform

Rick Perry
GOVERNOR

Education is very important for everyone. We use it every day. In school, at home, and even when hanging out with your friends. That is why I think everyone should take the TAKS Test to get smart. As the Governor of Texas, I have to make sure that all students are taught right. In this how-to essay I will tell you how we should teach students in Texas.

First, you have to become Governor of Texas. This is the most important step because if you aren't Governor, you can't get anything done at the Capitol. However, you can also be Lieutenant Governor. They are like the vice president in Texas. My friend David is the Lieutenant Governor and he also helps make new laws.

After you are Governor, you have to meet other people in the Capitol. This is because they will help you pass education laws. You cannot write your own laws but you can tell other people what laws to make. But first you have to meet the people who you will give laws to. Sometimes, you have to go to their house for dinner, and sometimes you just see them in the halls of the Capitol. Also, you have to know who is your friend and who is not your friend. Your friends are the Republicans because they will help you pass laws. Democrats will not help you pass laws.

Thirdly, you have to come up with educational initiatives. That means laws. For example, when George Bush was the governor he made it a law that made it illegal to not take the TAAS test and then to move onto the next grade. So you have to come up with stuff that you want Congress to pass. For example, if you think students should learn about dinosaurs, write it down and tell your senator friends.

Fourth and lastly, you have to make sure your law gets enough votes, or else it won't become a law and you wasted your time.

In conclusion, I have told you that to pass education laws, you have to become governor, meet friends, come up with laws, and then make sure everyone votes on them. This how-to essay explained how to make laws to change what kids are taught in school. The end. God bless America.

Who's to say you won't assault me in this dark alley?

Mitch Shackleford
STALKER

At any moment, someone could jump out from a hiding place and rob me at knife point. Excuse me, excuse me! What are you fiddling around in your purse for? You could have a taser, or a gun or something. That's not cool, Rachel. Honestly, I feel really vulnerable right now. You should see a therapist to get rid of your aggression issues.

You're starting to display a pattern of reckless behavior, Rachel. I've noticed you don't immediately lock your car doors when you leave your parking garage at work. That's just inviting someone to Ö whoa, whoa whoa! Are you calling your boyfriend, Bradley? Stop your conversation, now. All this talk about how much weight he can lift and his gun collection makes me feel so helpless. Please, just leave now. You're making me feel so exposed in this all-black cat burglar jumpsuit and night vision headgear.

Do you ever stop to think how suspiciously eyeing your surroundings makes me feel? It's as if you don't trust an anonymous stalker to keep his distance from you in public where his chances of getting caught are significantly increased. It takes a lot of time and patience to Ö OH MY GOD! STOP NERVOUSLY WAVING A CANISTER OF PEPPER SPRAY IN THE DIRECTION OPPOSITE OF WHERE I'M HIDING!
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Now that the sappy part is over, guess what, jerks? It's time. Time for me to collect. Little do you know I’ve been cataloguing my time and effort for these past four years. While I admit that the economy probably couldn’t take a hit like the overdue payment for my services, sorry. The bill is already in the mail.

It’s not that I don’t appreciate staying at the Texan basement until 3 a.m. or enhancing Barack Obama’s package or trying to remember a funny weather or pitting poor Frank against a damn dirty ape who’s nailing his hot wife or kerning to -30 or dressing up as a terrorist. No. Don't take that the wrong way.

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I have plenty of people to shout-out to, but unfortunately, I had to make some cuts. I have to take priorities.

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To everyone else: Stop. Stop crying. You can make it through this. Someday...somewhere...you will find someone like me. Hopefully, he’ll be more talkative.

**Designer takes initiative, writes own headline**

Mark Estrada
INTELLIGENT DESIGNER

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The Travesty Interviews!

Local rapper Terp 2 It (a.k.a. comedian Chris Trew) is a rising star in the hip-hop subgenre known as "nerdcore." His second album, My Wiener Touches the Ceiling, dropped on November 8th, and is available on iTunes or at Waterloo Records. He recently was voted "Austin's Best Rapper" on Austin360.com, and has been featured in the New York Times for his nerdcore music. The Travesty recently sat down with Terp 2 It for an exclusive one-on-one interview.

For non-Computer Science and RTF majors, what is nerdcore rap?

Nerdcore rap is either rap about something nerdy (Star Trek, Star Wars, the Texas Travesty) or somewhat legitimate rap that is performed by someone who will probably be looked at as a nerd no matter what. I know nothing about Star Trek or Star Wars and I don't even know what a Texas Travesty is, so I'm the latter.

What's your history with rap?

Was your path to nerdcore fame different than other nerdcore rappers?

I've always been a big fan of good rap (The Chronic and Doggystyle were two big albums for me) and I've learned lessons from bad rap (Master P and anything else that the Texas Travesty likes). I like to think I apply what made those albums good to what I do. There's no documentary about Terp 2 It and I don't have a regular gig on Adult Swim so I'm nowhere near the level of success that MC Frontalot and MC Chris are at, but are my albums as good as theirs? Yeah, I think so, but then again I also think the Texas Travesty is nowhere near the level of success as the Wall Street Journal so do what I know.

You're also seen regularly around Austin performing impro and stand-up comedy. Would you consider Terp 2 It a strictly comedic enterprise, or do you think of it as something more?

I don't market Terp 2 It as comedy, but I think most good rap has a clever angle to it so it works out okay. The best Kanye West and Eminem songs usually make me laugh a little but also sound really good. That's what I want. The Texas Travesty usually makes me laugh a little but that's because I'm watching a movie that is about a comedy while I read it.

Does Terp 2 It have any other words for the discriminating readers of the Texas Travesty?

Yes. Come see a Terp 2 It show.

Buy my album on iTunes or at the ColdTowne Theater - I guarantee all the money made from the album will go towards paying my rent or buying me food.

Next big show is: see.hearspeak.com, comedy festival afterparty @ Club DeLuxe January 16th, 11:00p christrew.com, terp2it.com

local comedy listings

November

Sat. 29th
- JR Brow w/ Bryan Gutmann @ Cap City Comedy 8pm
- Proctor @ Coldtowne 8pm
- Punchline @ Coldtowne 10pm
- Kevin Nealon w/ Andi Smith @ Cap City Comedy 7:30/9:45 pm
- Proctor @ Coldtowne 8pm

Sat. 6th
- Stool Pigeon @ Coldtowne 8pm
- Cage Match @ Coldtowne 9pm
- Dan French w/ Todd Merriman & Dale Alexander @ Homer's 9:30pm
- Jesse Pangelinan 9:30/11:30pm
- The Faculty @ Coldtowne 10pm
- Andy Ritchie w/ Brendan Walsh @ Cap City Comedy 8pm
- Andy Ritchie w/ Brendan Walsh @ Cap City Comedy 8/10:30pm
- Proctor @ Coldtowne 8pm
- Punchline @ Coldtowne 10pm
- Todd Merriman w/ Doug Connolly & Randle Short 9:30/11:30pm
- Coldtowne w/ Frank Mills @ Coldtowne 10pm
- Jam City @ Coldtowne 11:30pm
- Coldtowne w/ Murphy and Unfurled @ Coldtowne 10pm
- Punchline @ Coldtowne 10pm

December

Sun. 7th
- Stool Pigeon @ Coldtowne 7pm Free!
- Todd Merriman w/ Doug Connolly & Randle Short 9:30/11:30pm
- Andy Ritchie w/ Brendan Walsh @ Cap City Comedy 8pm

Fri. 5th
- Andy Ritchie w/ Brendan

Sat. 14th
- Chad Daniels w/ Dave Huntsberger @ Cap City Comedy 8pm
- New Troupe Debut @ Coldtowne 7pm Free!

Fri. 12th
- Chad Daniels w/ Dave Huntsberger @ Cap City Comedy 8pm
- Pgraph w/ New Troupe @ Coldtowne 8pm
- Midnight Society Presents... @ Coldtowne 10pm

Fri. 19th
- Chad Daniels w/ Dave Huntsberger @ Cap City Comedy 8/10:30pm
- Proctor @ Coldtowne 8pm
- Punchline @ Coldtowne 10pm

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BEGGING:
You to beg me.

Me:
Saw you... didn’t I?

You:
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Trick: Cheap.

Joke: Long, with little payoff

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