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Volunteer Fair

More than 70 nonprofit organizations seeking help will be available on campus for information at the Volunteer Fair. Speedway Mall from 9:45 a.m. to 3 p.m.

'In our own voice'

The Counseling and Mental Health Center hosts Suicide Prevention Week with an interactive presentation of personal stories of mental illness and recovery. The event takes place at Texas Union, Sinclair Suite 3.12 from noon to 1 p.m. and will offer free refreshments.

'It's kind of a funny story'

The Hangover's Zach Galifianakis stars in this movie as a patient who becomes a mentor to a teenager at a psychiatric hospital. The movie isn't set to release until October but the Alamo Drafthouse Cinema on South Lamar is having a free preview tonight at 7 p.m. RSVP on the Drafthouse's Facebook page.

The Doolittle Tour

Boston's alternative rock band, The Pixies, comes to Austin and plays at a sold-out show tonight at Austin Music Hall. Doors open at 7 p.m.

Campus watch

Animal Art

Animal Resource Center, 2701 Speedway
Graffiti: An amorphous creature along with a word were discovered spray painted on the north side of the building. Estimated repair damage: \$100.00.

Today in history

In 1692

The last people are hanged for witchcraft in the United States



Quote to note

"I was writing really heavy, opaque fiction. But when my friends saw my writing and comics they were like, 'Screw this writing stuff, you're good at the comics! They're funny at least.'"

— Johnny Ryan
Graphic novel artist

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Students mourn loss of DREAM



Tamir Kalifa | Daily Texan Staff

Daniel Arenas, Marisol Medrano, Rosa Alvarez, Francisco Trinidad and Adrian Reyna erect a banner on the West Mall early Tuesday in support of the proposed DREAM Act, which was blocked in a Senate filibuster in Washington later that day.

By Audrey White
Daily Texan Staff

A crushing gasp and quiet cries cut through the silence in a conference room at the Capitol, as about 30 students sat together watching C-SPAN coverage of the vote that would have allowed the Senate to move forward with adding the DREAM Act to the

National Defense Authorization Act on Tuesday.

The students from the University Leadership Initiative, a coalition of undocumented students and allies, spent the day together in rallies and marches to raise awareness and pressure senators about

ON THE WEB:
See video of the students' rallies and marches
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the DREAM Act. The undocumented and documented students in ULI were indistinguishable from one another as they grieved at the results from Tuesday's vote. Only 56 senators voted in favor of moving

into debate, short of the necessary 60, so the Senate will not vote to amend the defense bill to include the DREAM Act. An amendment to repeal "don't ask, don't tell" was also under consideration. "Can we change the channel?" asked one student with exhaustion in his voice.

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Democrats fail to stop Republican filibuster

By Allison Kroll
Daily Texan Staff

Discussion about the futures of thousands of immigrants was halted Tuesday when Senate Democrats failed to break a Republican filibuster on the DREAM Act, falling four votes short of the 60 votes needed.

The DREAM Act was attached as an amendment to the National Defense Authorization Act, a broad defense spending bill that also included provisions that would repeal the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy. The policy bars openly gay and lesbian soldiers from serving in the military, and allows abortions in military hospitals.

The idea of the DREAM Act was to avoid punishing the children of illegal immigrants, said Veronica Stidvent, director of the LBJ School of Public Affairs' Center for Politics and Governance.

"Many see it as a return of the public investment and as a way for immigrants to become an educated and successful part of the American workforce," she said. "Because of this, I see it as a good idea."

The DREAM Act is legislation that would allow undocumented immigrants under the age of 36 to begin a six-year-long conditional path to citizenship, provid-

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Shereen Ayub | Daily Texan Staff

Students Daniel Olvera and Erika Camarillo react to the Senate vote blocking the passage of the DREAM Act on Tuesday.

Conservative publication hits stands next month

By Lena Price & Bobby Cervantes
Daily Texan Staff

A monthly conservative publication is heading to newspaper stands across the UT campus next month.

In a project with the Republican Party of Texas, government senior Austin Bailey will launch the first issue of The New Texas Forum on Oct. 1. The paper will feature interviews with Republican state politicians and articles by conservative Texas college students, he said.

"There are a lot of students who would be receptive to it," Bailey said. "There is a lack of a conservative voice out there."

Bailey said the paper's staff will be composed of conservative students across Texas, including UT, West Texas A&M University and St. Edward's University. The newspaper, which will initially only be distributed at UT, will focus its content on issues that the Texas Legislature takes up when it reconvenes in January, he said.

Bailey, the state GOP's youth outreach director, said other publications with UT ties, including The Daily Texan and the Burnt Orange Report blog, have a decidedly liberal bent to their reporting and editorial coverage.

"It's going to be an unabashedly conservative publication, but more just to start a healthier political dialogue on campuses," he said.

The new project's mission is not to compete with the Texan, but to provide a forum for conservative views on campus, Bailey said.

"We value all of our alternative student publications, and we're sure this new paper will thrive in vigorous competition with UWeekly and Study Breaks," said Lauren Winchester, the Texan's editor-in-chief.

Chris Elam, spokesman for the Texas Republican Party, said his father was the original editor of The Texas Forum in the 1970s. He said the new generation of conservative students looking to revive the publication will not chart a

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Sickle cell testing now mandatory for college athletes

By Lauren Giudice
Daily Texan Staff

Since 2000, nearly 10 Division I college athletes have died because of unknowingly possessing the sickle cell trait.

Now, the National Collegiate Athletic Association is implementing a new mandate requiring that all Division I college athletes be tested for the sickle cell trait. The mandate is expected to affect about 170,000 athletes this season.

The required testing was authorized in April after Dale Lloyd, a 19-year-old African-American at Rice University, died after a football workout in 2006. His death was linked to sickle cell.

The sickle cell trait is genetically inherited, causing blood cells to become an irregular crescent shape, said Linda Thomas Wade, the president of the Sickle Cell Association of Austin.

Mark Chassay, UT athletic's head team physician, said that because of the abnormally shaped cells, oxygen sometimes doesn't

reach large muscles.

The University has required sickle cell testing for its Division I athletes for about 10 years, Chassay said. The school pays for the tests, along with other blood work and the physical examinations required to play.

"When people started dying, that raises the question of what we can do prevention-wise," he said. "To me, more than zero deaths is too many for something that can be prevented."

Linda Thomas Wade said that approximately one in 10 African-Americans carry the sickle cell trait, but most carriers live a long and healthy life.

"I think it is important for everyone to know that they carry sickle cell traits," Wade said. "But these athletes should not be discriminated against because of their test results."

Associate sociology professor Ben Carrington, who teaches the

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Michael Baldon | Daily Texan Staff

UT Vice President Kevin Hegarty speaks to the Liberal Arts Council about the financing of the new building for the College of Liberal Arts. The building is projected to cost a total of \$95.7 million.

Liberal arts building plans unveiled

By Yvonne Marquez
Daily Texan Staff

The new multimillion dollar College of Liberal Arts building will include more lab facilities and a home on campus for liberal arts students.

Richard Archer, the building's architect, showed his plans for the

new building at a Tuesday showcase called "Now is the Time," which was sponsored by the Liberal Arts Council and the Senate of College Councils.

"The building is very contextual and fits into the DNA of the University of Texas," Archer said.

"The building will incorporate colors from campus in a ceramic frit to represent the very different departments of the college coming together."

The building, which will be lo-

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CORRECTION

Because of a reporting error, Friday's page one news story about a Department of Justice survey of rapes on college campuses compared rapes reported to UTPD with the federal rape statistics. The federal statistics were based on anonymous reports while reports to police require victims to give their names and would thus have lower numbers.

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are we going to get in trouble again?

Dean announces resignation

By Shivam Purohit
Daily Texan Staff

After 18 years of service, Barbara White, dean of the School of Social Work, announced on Tuesday plans to step down from her position.

White has been awarded numerous distinctions for her work in African and African American Studies, including the Centennial Professor in Leadership for Community award and several others for Professional and Corporate Excellence, and led the college to attain high national rankings.

While she will officially resign in August 2011, students are already feeling disappointed.

Erika Gonzalez, social work graduate student, said White created an climate of inclusion at the college.

"She has been an incredible role model and [she] embodies the true meaning of social work," Gonzalez said. "They will be some big shoes to fill."

Sneha Arya, business freshman, said it was her first time attending a lecture by White.

"Dr. White is extremely passionate and her enthusiasm is radiated in her teachings," Arya said. "I thoroughly enjoyed this lecture and am disappointed that I won't be able to attend many more through my years at the University."

White said that she feels bitter-sweet about her decision because of her strong attachment to the school and its personnel.

"My leaving will not stop this institute from growing and maintaining its position as one of the

best social work schools in the country," she said.

She also said that she wants to take a leave after stepping down as dean for some "retooling" and that there may be an opportunity to continue to serve the University in some fashion in the coming years.

Steven Leslie, executive vice president and provost professor, said the search for a new dean will begin this fall.

Diana DiNitto, a professor in alcohol studies and education, said she will miss the qualities White brought to the University.

"It is going to be the end of an era in the school," DiNitto said. "The dean has provided enormous leadership to our school, and created a very diverse and strong faculty."

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different course.

"We still support limited government intrusion into people's daily lives," he said.

The state GOP will work with Bailey and other students to get the publication off the ground, but Elam said he hopes it will eventually make it on its own.

Burnt Orange Report publisher Karl-Thomas Musselman, a former Daily Texan columnist, said the new publication will be

plagued with questions about its funding given the rocky history of defunct student publications on the UT campus.

"You know, papers have come and gone at the University of Texas from people who believe they can produce a better product than The Daily Texan," he said. "I think the test of time has shown that The Daily Texan is still there, and most of those other publications collapsed after the funders disappeared."

Whatever happens with the new paper, the staff should be honest about its conservative slant, Musselman said.

"If they're open and honest about that, that's the best way to go, because masquerading as an independent news entity that's funded by the right wing of the Republican Party, I think, is not principled," he said.

Additional reporting by Andrew Kreighbaum

DREAM: Both Texas senators oppose passing of legislation

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ed that they graduate from high school, attend a college or university or serve in the military for two years. The immigrant must also have entered the U.S. before the age of 16, and meet "good moral character" requirements, which essentially means being a law-abiding U.S. resident.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., pushed the DREAM Act to a vote as a provision of the defense authorization bill to bypass usual Senate procedures, which require bills to pass through a committee system.

Both U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, and U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, opposed the passage of the DREAM Act while offering differing reasons for their vote against the legislation.

Cornyn, in a statement before the vote Tuesday, said he would vote against the defense bill and DREAM Act provision, calling it "a blatant attempt to score last-minute votes just weeks before an election."

"These tactics are an insult to millions of Americans, especially those that respect the sanctity of life, the troops that sacrifice so much to protect our freedom and those of us committed to addressing our broken immigration system with credible re-

form," Cornyn said.

The defense legislation should be a clean bill focused on providing for troops who are serving in Afghanistan and Iraq, Sen. Hutchison said.

"Unfortunately, the Senate majority leader is complicating what should be a straightforward piece of legislation by attaching important and unrelated provisions and prohibiting amendments," Hutchison said in a statement Monday.

After discussion of the bill was blocked, Reid said on the Senate floor that he is committed to bringing up the DREAM Act for another vote.

"We're going to vote on the DREAM Act," Reid said. "It's only a question of when. This isn't the end of this, we're going to continue to move on. All we wanted to do is bring it to the floor, and they wouldn't even let us do that. They didn't have the courage to let us vote on it."

UT clinical law professor Barbara Hines said the next step is to urge Democratic officials to produce separate legislation on the DREAM Act.

"The DREAM Act is essential for us to incorporate the best, brightest and most deserving group into our society — immigrants willing to sacrifice their lives for our country," Hines said.

BUILDING: Innovative, eco-friendly design cuts energy costs

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cated between Waller Creek and the new Student Activity Center, is expected to include 29 classrooms, ranging from small seminars to midsize auditoriums and four labs, said College of Liberal Arts Dean Randy Diehl.

The new facility, which will open summer 2013, will be tailored to liberal arts students in the same way McCombs School of

Business is to business students' needs, he said.

"We wanted a community where students could identify with one another," Diehl said.

UT Vice President Kevin Hegarty said the building is expected to cost about \$95 million. The college has raised more than \$2 million in donations, while the University administration has pledged more than \$17 million for the project, he said.

"We saw an opportunity in the market," he said. "It is less expensive to build buildings right now than when the market is booming."

Hegarty said even though financing the building's construction has been controversial because of budget cuts, the University will save money in the long run. UT will save an estimated \$20 million over 30 years by buying today's bonds, which have a

3-percent interest rate, he said.

In an effort to increase sustainability efforts on campus, Archer said he focused on innovative techniques that would decrease the building's energy costs. Some of these innovations include vegetative roofs and a series of multilevel atria to increase the amount of natural light in the building, which is slated for completion in January 2013.

RALLY: Supporters of DREAM Act remain hopeful, vigilant

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And with that, the students moved on. The procedural vote is only the most recent in a series of setbacks that have prevented the progression of the DREAM Act since it was first proposed in 2001.

An estimated 200 undocumented students attended UT from 2009 to 2010 under the provision of a state Senate bill that allows non-native students who have lived in Texas for at least three years, said Assistant Director of Admissions Deana Williams.

"I feel very at peace because I

think we're going to win. It just wasn't our vote yet," said ULI founder Julieta Garibay to the students in the room. "I know some of you are very sad, and I'm sad too, but they haven't voted on [the] DREAM Act by itself. We still have a battle to go through."

Garibay, who came to the United States with her parents at age 12, started the ULI in 2005, the same year she earned her nursing degree from UT. In 2008, she continued at UT to earn a master's in nursing sciences and public health. However, because she is undocumented, she is unable to work as a nurse in the U.S. and continues to fight for the passage of the DREAM Act.

Garibay and her sister and ULI co-founder Montserrat Garibay were two of several speakers who addressed ULI members and bystanders about the DREAM Act. Others included clergy from Catholic and Lutheran churches, a U.S. military veteran, professors and Student Government President Scott Parks. SG passed a resolution in favor of the DREAM Act on Sept. 21, and Parks said he had

a responsibility to speak for the body.

"I personally care a lot about this issue, and it is my duty to follow up on assembly action," Parks told The Daily Texan. "I've been meeting with [ULI President Loren Campos] and others, and it's been really humbling to see them work to raise awareness about getting this passed."

From the West Mall, ULI members marched to the J.J. Jake Pickle Federal Building, where potential swing vote U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, has her state office, wielding banners and belting call-and-response chants. After more than an hour there, they took their march to the Capitol building to watch the vote unfold. Passing drivers honked their horns and flashed thumbs up to the students, and the students responded with cheers.

A few short hours later, they sat somberly in that Capitol conference room after the vote and talked about how to continue the fight. In a meeting Tuesday night, ULI had a conference call with members of the national organization United We

DREAM to discuss strategy. ULI will send five of its students to Washington, D.C., to lobby Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., for the DREAM Act to go before the Senate as a stand-alone bill and will continue to lobby and rally locally.

Garibay said she hoped that students would retain the enthusiasm they showed at Tuesday's events and continue to pressure senators to vote for the DREAM Act to achieve the necessary 60 votes so it could pass as a stand-alone bill later this session. They will focus on Reid, who will have to put the legislation on the floor, and Hutchison, who is considered a key swing vote, Campos said.

"I think we really showed that our students are willing to take it to the streets because it's their lives," Garibay said. "We are a different generation, and we're taking the problems that we have and trying to find a solution. The DREAM Act is the best solution we can find, and we need to stay out there telling Senator Hutchison to vote for the DREAM Act."

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Gay military service ban repeal halted by US Senate

By Anne Flaherty
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Senate Republicans on Tuesday blocked an effort by Democrats and the White House to lift the ban on gays from serving openly in the military, voting unanimously against advancing a major defense policy bill that included the provision.

The mostly partisan vote dealt a major blow to gay rights groups who saw the legislation as their best hope, at least in the short term, for repeal of the 17-year-old law known as "don't ask, don't tell."

"The whole thing is a political train wreck," said Richard Socharides, a White House adviser on gay rights during the Clinton administration.

Democrats included the repeal provision in a \$726 billion defense policy bill, which authorizes a pay raise for the troops among other popular programs.

But with little time left for debate before the November ballot, the bill had languished on the Senate calendar until gay rights groups began an aggressive push.

Reid agreed to force a vote on the bill this week and limit debate, despite Republican objections. A Nevada Democrat in a tight race of his own this fall, he also pledged to use the defense bill as a vehicle for an immigration proposal, better known as the DREAM ACT, that would enable young people to qualify for U.S. citizenship if they joined the military.

"This is not a serious exercise. It's a show," said Senate GOP leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky.

Democrats said the bill merely reflects public opinion. Recent polls suggest a majority of Americans think the ban on gays in the military should be overturned.

THE FINAL FRONTIER



John Raoux | Associated Press

Space shuttle Discovery stands ready in the Vehicle Assembly Building before beginning its 3.4-mile journey to Launch Pad 39A at the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Fla., Monday.

NEWS BRIEFLY

Americans among nine killed in Afghan chopper crash

KABUL, Afghanistan — A helicopter carrying international troops crashed in a rugged section of southern Afghanistan on Tuesday, killing nine NATO service members in the deadliest such incident in four years for coalition forces.

A "large number" of Americans were among the dead, according to a senior military official in Washington, who spoke on condition of anonymity. The official was not authorized to discuss the matter publicly.

One other coalition service member, an Afghan National Army soldier and a U.S. civilian were wounded.

The coalition would not disclose the helicopter's mission, and the cause of the crash was not immediately clear. NATO said there were no reports of enemy fire in the early morning hours in the Daychopan district of Zabul province, where the crash took place.

Middle East peace negotiations become increasingly precarious

UNITED NATIONS — The Quartet of Mideast peacemakers shepherding the newly started direct Israeli-Palestinian negotiations called on Israel to extend its settlement freeze past Sunday, while cautioning both sides to refrain from "provocative actions and inflammatory rhetoric."

Senior diplomats from the Quartet — the U.S., the European Union, the United Nations and Russia — met on the sidelines of the United Nations anti-poverty meeting to discuss a way forward in the negotiations.

George Mitchell, the Obama administration's envoy for Middle East peace, met Tuesday with Israeli and Palestinian officials, including one three-way session with each side's top negotiators, according to U.S. State Department spokesman P.J. Crowley. But there was no sign that either side was ready to commit to a new round of direct talks.

— Compiled from Associated Press reports

Economic adviser leaving White House

By Julie Pace
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama's top economic adviser, Lawrence Summers, plans to leave the White House at the end of the year, a move that comes as the administration struggles to show an anxious public it's making progress on the economy.

While administration officials Tuesday quickly sought to paint the announcement as an expected development, Summers' departure shakes up an economic team that has been under fire for its handling of the recovery. It's also a team already in transition following the recent departures of other high-profile Obama advisers.

In a statement, the president said he is grateful for Summers' service during a time of "great peril for our country."

"While we have much work ahead to repair the damage done by the recession, we are on a better path thanks in no small

measure to Larry's wise counsel," Obama said.

Summers will return to Harvard University, a move that was always part of his long-standing plans. The official said the president asked Summers last fall to stay through 2010 in order to see through the passage of financial regulatory legislation.

Summers is the third high-level member of Obama's economic team to leave in recent months, following the departure of budget director Peter

Orszag and Christina Romer, head of the Council of Economic Advisers, both of whom left this summer. Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner, who has come under fire, would be the only one of Obama's top-tier economic advisers to remain with the administration.

Geithner said in a statement that Summers' insights were essential in helping the administration "guide us through the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression."

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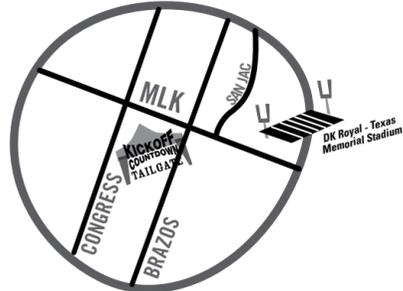
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VIEWPOINT

Juveniles in the court system

Chris Meadoux had not yet celebrated his 17th birthday when the state accused him of murdering Luis Martinez and Johnny You in 2007. The three boys had spent hours alone at a friend's house. Then, Martinez and You were found dead in a burning house having sustained gunshot wounds and neck lacerations. After his arrest, Meadoux initially denied involvement.

Meadoux remained in custody, but when the officer interviewing him left the room to check on the technician responsible for taking the gunshot residue swab, Meadoux behaved like a teenager rather than a hardened criminal. He reached into the garbage, poured leftover soda on his hands, wiped them on his pants and jacket, and then used his teeth to attempt to scrape gunshot residue from his hands. His hands and clothes tested positive for gunshot residue anyway. After an hour and a half in custody, Meadoux gave a statement — the murders were accidents, he said.

The state charged Meadoux with capital murder, and a jury found him guilty. Because Meadoux was older than 14 but younger than 18, state law barred prosecutors from seeking the death penalty but allowed for a sentence of life without parole.

Meadoux's case raises many hard questions. The ones heard during a hearing at the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals in Austin on Sept. 15 concerned his age.

Meadoux, who will turn 20 in a matter of days, is one of 19 or 20 (the number is disputed) inmates who committed their offenses as juveniles currently serving life without parole sentences in Texas. These state inmates are connected not because of their crimes but because of their age when they committed them.

Before 2005, state law allowed judges to sentence juveniles convicted of capital murder to life with parole after 40 years or the death penalty. But in 2005, the Legislature changed the law barring all (juvenile and adult offenders) from receiving parole. Then, in 2009, the Legislature revised the law again, this time barring juvenile offenders from being sentenced to life without parole. Unfortunately this legislative change of heart did not apply retroactively. This oversight is strikingly unfair.

The Legislature left Meadoux and the 19 or 20 other inmates in his situation frozen in a form of punishment that state law no longer condones. If a 17-year-old Meadoux had committed the crime two years later in 2009, no Texas judge could have sentenced him to life without the possibility of parole.

Should Meadoux be granted the possibility of parole retroactively? Yes. And is sentencing juveniles to life in prison a violation of the U.S. Constitution's Eighth Amendment, which bars cruel and unusual punishment? This answer is less clear.

Meadoux's attorney, Cheves Ligon of the Bexar County Public Defenders Office, attempted to answer these questions when he stood before the nine justices on the Texas Criminal Court of Appeals on Sept. 15.

Ligon based his arguments on science. He outlined the cognitive differences in the developing mind of a 16-year-old and the developed mind of an adult. Since 16-year-olds don't have the right to vote, drive, marry with out parental consent or serve on juries because we doubt their judgment, Ligon said, why shouldn't the same questions about a 16-year-old's judgment apply in this case? However, that's not the issue here. The Legislature already decided that 16-year-olds should be ineligible for life without parole. Instead, the issue is why this law doesn't apply to those 19 or 20 inmates who are currently serving life without parole.

The state lawyer, J. Barrett Shipp, argued that the legislators acted intentionally when they declined to make the revision of law barring life without parole for juvenile offenders retroactive. Ultimately, to choose between sides in Meadoux's case, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals judges will have to weigh their empathy for a child who committed murder and determine if that empathy extends to believing the juvenile has a right as an adult to redeem his or herself so he or she might spend some of his or her adult life not behind bars — a right the Legislature had already extended to juvenile offenders going forward.

Although inherently muddy, the questions of a juvenile's culpability require scientific discussion as much as they do legal analysis. But the Criminal Court of Appeals need not determine all the answers to those hard questions to justify ruling that Meadoux and his peers should benefit from the Legislature's current stance; that is, the 2009 law prohibiting life without parole for a juvenile as cruel and unusual. Instead, simply by opting for equity — all the same rules apply for all offenders equally — the appellate judges should apply the 2009 law to Meadoux and the other inmates in his position.

— Susannah Jacob for the editorial board

GALLERY



Take responsibility for Mexico's tragedy

By Jonathan Rienstra
 Daily Texan Columnist

On Sunday, the largest newspaper in Ciudad Juárez, El Diario de Juárez, announced in a front-page editorial that it would restrict news coverage of the drug wars currently plaguing the region. The piece came in response to the murder of El Diario photographer Luis Carlos Santiago.

It was the latest blow to the rights of the Mexican people, who saw an estimated 6,500 to 8,000 cartel-related murders in 2009, according to the National Drug Intelligence Center. It's also got me thinking that it is time that we, as Americans, accept our significant role in creating this situation.

The coked-up elephant that is sitting in the Mexican drug wars' room is that demand from the United States has spurred the cartels into power. In 2009, nearly 1.5 million kilos of marijuana were seized at the U.S.-Mexico border, with an additional 17,000 kilos of cocaine also discovered, according to the Department of Justice.

If that seems like a considerable amount, remember that it was only the stuff authorities found. In fact, the drug business is so vibrant in Mexico these days that the National Drug Intelligence Center estimates that the cartels make anywhere from \$18 billion to \$39 billion each year. To put that into perspective, Google made \$23 billion last year.

That money isn't coming from the cartels selling to their countrymen. Americans have

the appetite and the money for the drugs, and we have no problem ponying up the cash for the weed and coke because we detach our actions in America from the repercussions felt in Mexico. After all, people on the other side of the border should be able to handle their own problems, right?

Only, in this situation, we're not just funding the cartels that have in essence overthrown the Mexican government — we're also turning a blind eye to this fact. Everyone believes that Mexico has become significantly more dangerous the past few years because of the cartels, and we hear stories about the Zeta drug group killing 72 migrants, and we say "God, it's terrible what is happening down there," but what we really mean is that instead of Playa del Carmen for spring break, we need to learn where the hotspots are in Costa Rica.

When El Diario announced their cease-printing, they were the largest newspaper to do so. While many of the smaller newspapers had already stopped reporting on the drug wars, El Diario was still working to report the news. Carlos Lauria, a senior coordinator for the Committee to Protect Journalists, a U.S.-based watchdog group, sounded defeated when he told reporters for The Associated Press, "The fact that they're giving up is really bad. It's an indication that the situation is out of control."

It has become painfully obvious that right now, the Mexican government, for lack of power or saturation of corruption, has become

ineffectual against these cartels and is badly losing the fight. El Diario directed its plea to the cartels, writing "We ask you to explain what you want from us, what we should try to publish or not publish, so we know what to expect." It appealed directly to the gangs because in the most dangerous city in Mexico, the gangs have become the de facto leaders.

We have done this. I say that in the most blunt terms possible. Some might find issue with it, saying that the Mexican government allowed it through corruption, or that it is not the individual American but the government that is allowing these cartels to thrive like the gangsters did during Prohibition, and those are fair points, but that's just excusing our actions as a secondary cause.

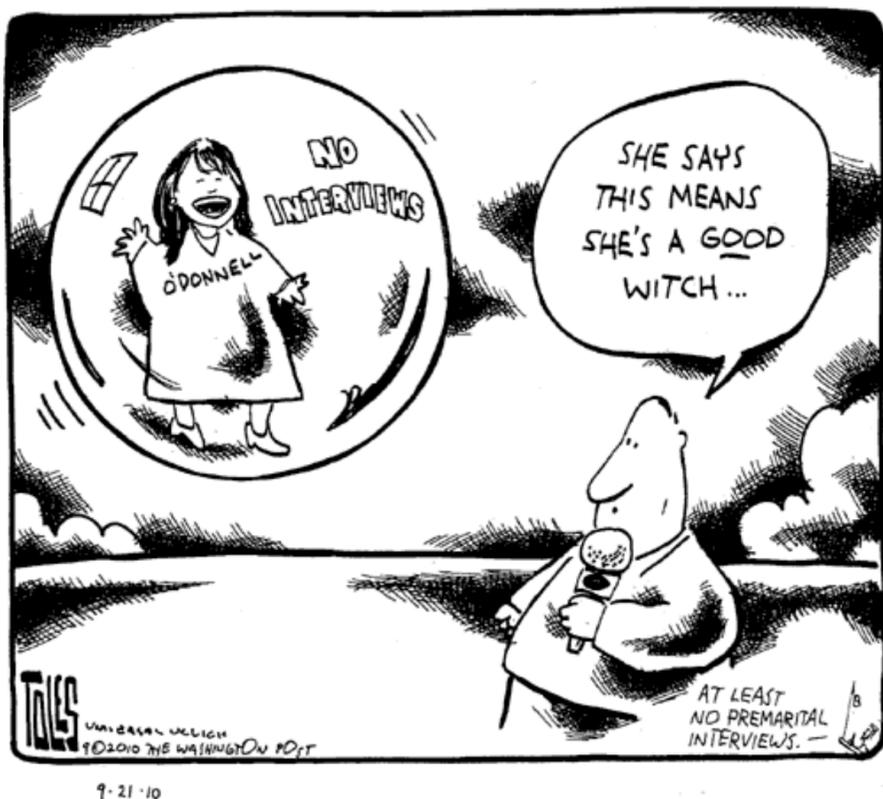
No, we have done this. We have created a neighbor so desperately poor and fearful that its right to information, that inalienable right that we hold as the constant in our world, has been bullied into oblivion. We have done so without so much as a hint of guilt.

Because I am not yet on a horse high enough, I will mention a quote from James Madison that I find especially relevant to this situation: "A popular government without popular information, or the means of acquiring it, is but a prologue to a farce or a tragedy; or, perhaps both."

The tragedy is going on every day in Ciudad Juárez and throughout Mexico. The farce, I fear, rests on this side of the Rio Grande.

Rienstra is a journalism junior.

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SG supports eliminating free parking by campus

By Daniel Sanchez
Daily Texan Staff

Student Government passed a resolution Tuesday night supporting plans by the neighborhood association of West Campus to eliminate free parking in the area.

John Brady, Student Government transportation agency director, cowrote the resolution and described it as a compromise between students and the neighborhood association, University Area Partners. SG's resolution calls for a decrease in the amount of proposed parking meters to be installed by limiting them to Rio Grande and Guadalupe streets.

By keeping parking meters from crossing west of Rio Grande, West Campus will only see about 150 new meters installed in addition to the 150 already in place, Brady said.

"I think that had those initial plans been put forth and approved, you would have seen a pretty significant increase in cost of living for a lot of students," he said. "If all the street parking had gone away, those students would have had to look for garage parking."

Before the resolution passed, students lacked a strong unified voice in discussions for the parking meters, said SG representative John Lawler, a member of the Central Austin Neighborhood Planning Advisory Committee, the umbrella advisory board to the citywide planning commission. But this resolution provides that for students, serving as a bargaining chip to decrease the amount of new parking meters added, he said.

"We knew we wanted to offer some official voice on the subject," Lawler said.

UAP board member Brian Donovan said SG's resolution might not have as much of an impact as actual participation at meetings has had thus far.

"In some sense, it's a compromise," Brady said. "But it is certainly one that we fought very hard to go from what could have been to what now is."



Ryan Smith | Daily Texan Staff

New Mystery Girl plays a free show at Tom's Tabooley for HAAM Benefit Day. Five percent of all sales from participating businesses will be donated to the foundation.

Benefit Day raises funds for artists' health care

By Allie Kolechta
Daily Texan Staff

Despite the heavy rain Tuesday, local musicians around Austin banded together to support one of their biggest advocates, the Health Alliance for Austin Musicians.

The fifth annual HAAM Benefit Day spanned from 8 a.m. Tuesday morning to 2 a.m. Wednesday, with more than 120 acts like Reckless Kelly, Ray Wylie Hubbard and Guy Forsyth. More than 190 businesses, including ThunderCloud Subs, Time Warner Cable and Waterloo Records & Video participated. HAAM Executive Director Carolyn Schwarz said the event helps pull together the funds necessary for fulfilling the organization's goals.

"Our mission is to provide access to medical care for Austin's low-income, professional musicians," she said. "Benefit Day is an important way of doing that because it provides the proceeds we need to expand and maintain the services we provide."

HAAM provides free health care to professional musicians in the local Austin area. Schwarz said Benefit Day proceeds helped them add two additional health care providers to the original three they started with. The organization now provides

services from the Seton Family of Hospitals, St. David's Foundation Dental Program, the SIMS Foundation, Estes Audiology and Prevent Blindness Texas.

Businesses that served as venues could either donate 5 percent of all sales made on the day of the benefit, or make a separate donation. Shoppers had the opportunity to donate money to HAAM and take information. Eve Monsees, co-owner of Antone's Record Shop, said that their organization has participated all five years that HAAM Benefit Day has been held.

"I found out about them because I'm a musician and that's basically how I get my health care," Monsees said. "The amount of donations that they request from the businesses is a small amount from each business, but when you put it all together, it becomes a large amount so it works out great for everyone."

Public relations seniors Britany Ochoa and Ashley Underwood founded a new organization on campus to help provide a better way for HAAM to reach the student body. Students for Health Alliance for Austin Musicians spent Friday and Monday tabling in the West Mall and outside of the University Co-op in an effort to promote Benefit Day, Underwood said.

"We're interested in new members so we can start getting out T-shirts and start promoting," she said. "We want to promote HAAM through [our group]."

The organization hopes to partner with the University's Performing Arts Center and hold benefit concerts on campus to help HAAM's cause, she said.

Jiminy Crisquet, a duet comprised of wife and husband Chrissie and Jimmy Joe Natoli, performed at the Whole Foods Market Gateway on Tuesday, and said that HAAM helps fans learn more about how they can help the musicians they support. Chrissie said that many fans want to help already, and HAAM helps them contribute.

"People who love music want to help," she said. "HAAM and the benefit give them a way to do that. HAAM provides peace of mind. Just knowing that I can go to the doctor when I need to, it's wonderful."

'No Impact Man' urges environmental action



Ryan Smith | Daily Texan Staff

Author Colin Beavan gives a speech to UT students about how to lower environmental impact through lifestyle changes Tuesday evening in the Union Ballroom. The lecture was put on by the Distinguished Speakers Series.

By Shivam Purohit
Daily Texan Staff

Politicians are not putting forth solutions to environmental concerns such as global warming, so average citizens must take action themselves to change the way we live, environmental activist Colin Beavan told a crowd of several hundred students Tuesday night.

Beavan spoke at the Texas Union Ballroom as part of the Distinguished Speakers Series. His book, "No Impact Man," was featured as part of the First Year Forum Series in the Department of Rhetoric and Writing, which bases a series of in-class and out-of-class activities on one book.

"On one hand, we have this global war for oil. On another, we have significant climate change caused by the burning of that oil," he said. "And the saddest thing to me is that in the middle, we aren't even enjoying ourselves."

Previously a historical author, Beavan has gained notoriety in the environmental movement since 2006, when he began an experiment to live with his wife and toddler daughter in

the middle of New York City with as little environmental impact as possible. He refused to use automated transportation, electricity and nonlocal food while carrying on with his daily activities.

Beavan documented the project in his blog, *NoImpactMan.com*, which was later named one of the world's top 15 environmental websites by Time magazine. In 2009, he released his third book and a documentary that chronicles his experiment.

"We are in a state where we are so politically divided. But I don't believe that the American public is actually that divided," he said. "As the American people, we need to start having real conversations. My goal is to get citizens, whether they agree with me or not, involved in our country."

Beavan said he enjoys visiting colleges because he believes students are the country's future decision makers.

"You guys are going to be making some big changes," he said.

Beavan said that recent political decisions have radically transformed the lives of citizens while leaving them more unhappy, unsatisfied and exhausted with their hectic lives.

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FOOTBALL

Williams accustomed to fiery coaching

By Jordan Godwin
Daily Texan Staff

After failing to take advantage of a big play, the first thing a player hears is the groans of the crowd.

The second thing they have to hear is an irate coach.

But when junior cornerback Aaron Williams let a hand-fed interception bounce off his gloves in the opener against Rice, he had to walk to the sideline and face the music of Texas' always-fiery defensive coordinator Will Muschamp.

With Williams' background, Muschamp doesn't bother him as much as he might with some of the other players.

"Growing up, my dad had the same intensity that coach Muschamp does," Williams said. "So I'm pretty much used to it. They definitely make sure we're giving proper effort."

Williams' father Anthony was a linebacker at San Francisco State and has always had a passion for football. The elder Williams runs a combine in Williams' hometown of Round Rock, where high school players get instruction to improve their stock for the recruiting process. Williams and several other Longhorns teammates help out at the clinic.

Williams (6-1, 195) is part of a secondary that pro scouts are calling the fastest in the history of college football. Williams had a blazing 4.47-second 40-yard dash when he came to Texas from nearby McNeil High School, but Muschamp, who arrived at the same



Texas cornerback Aaron Williams celebrates with his teammates after their 34-7 over Wyoming on Sept. 11.

Derek Stout | Daily Texan File Photo

time, has a different philosophy about cornerbacks.

"There's no such thing as a cover corner," Muschamp tells his players, meaning his cornerbacks must play hard-nosed foot-

ball with much physicality and little finesse.

That mantra has caught fire with Williams and the rest of the Texas secondary. He takes it to heart and plays every game on a

mission to be in the backs of receivers' minds. Beyond that, Williams strives to be in their nightmares before the games.

"Before people even look at us on film, we want people to

be like, 'Oh my goodness, we're playing the Texas defense, the most physical team in the nation,'" Williams said.

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VOLLEYBALL

Longhorns look to end road woes

By Shabab Siddiqui
Daily Texan Staff

In 2007, head coach Jerritt Elliott watched his team lose four games throughout the whole season. Ditto in 2008. Last year, half of that.

This season, Elliott's squad has dropped four of its first 10 matches. And while most coaches in a similar position would reach for the panic button, the always-calm Elliott has taken a unique outlook on the season.

"For me, this is definitely different," Elliott said. "In a way, I'm kind of excited for it. It's a different kind of challenge than

I've had in the past couple of years, where we were expected to be in the Final Four. Now we have to build this team up."

The Longhorns have had to deal with a slew of obstacles from the start of the season, the most imminent of which is an 0-3 road record to start the season as they play at Missouri tonight at 6:30. Texas hadn't dropped its first three away games since 1995.

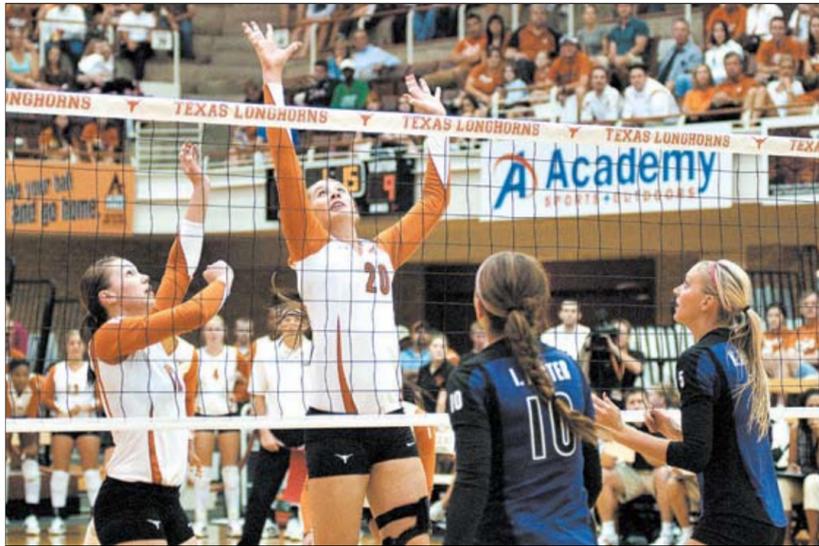
The challenges facing Elliott started when the last ball dropped in 2009, as the team would have to replace the Longhorn triumvirate of Desti-

nee Hooker, Ashley Engle and Heather Kisner.

Texas also welcomed six new faces to this year's squad, including five freshmen and fifth-year University of Virginia transfer Lauren Dickson.

Perhaps the most devastating loss was that of sophomore outside hitter and assistant captain Bailey Webster, who suffered a season-ending knee injury barely a week before the team's first match. Minor injuries to freshmen outside hitter Ashley Bannister and defensive specialist

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Danielle Villasana | Daily Texan File Photo

Texas middle blocker Haley Cameron defends the net against TCU in the Longhorns 3-0 win on Aug. 27

FOOTBALL

Heisman hopefuls meet in SEC match

By Andy Lutz
Daily Texan Staff

When defending national champion Alabama rolls into Fayetteville, Ark., this weekend, a lot will be on the line in not only the SEC West race but also in the Heisman Trophy balloting. Senior hopeful quarterback Ryan Mallett of the No. 10 Razorbacks will be leading his team against the top-ranked side in the land, which boasts the two-headed rushing attack of 2009 Heisman winner Mark Ingram and stud sophomore Trent Richardson. Beating Alabama on national television would no doubt be a great way

for Mallett to earn the respect of some voters nationwide.

The game features two top-10, undefeated teams that both have their eyes set on the national championship in what could be the biggest game at Razorback Stadium since the old South-west Conference days when Arkansas would often battle it out with Texas for the top spot in the country. In fact, Alabama is the highest ranked team that the Razorbacks have hosted since No. 3 Tennessee visited Fayetteville in 1998.

"That game really helped us grow," Mallett recalled. "I don't think we went into that game re-

ally believing we could win."

Hog Nation is sure to be loud and raucous for the 2:30 p.m. kickoff on Saturday, but Arkansas head coach Bobby Petrino hopes that his playbook will have the opposite effect on the Crimson Tide defense. Known to run trick plays, especially in the spotlight, Petrino showed off part of his arsenal last week in a game against the Georgia Bulldogs in Athens with the help of his top-tier quarterback. Mallett pulled off a hidden-ball fake on third-and-one from the Arkansas 43 and the Bulldog defense

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CLUB SPORTS

Triathlete brings team back to life as grad student

By Lauren Giudice
Daily Texan Staff

It has been an endurance test to get there, but Molly Kent is happy to be one of the founding members of the Texas Triathlon Club and its current co-president.

Kent, originally from Seattle, is working toward her master's degree from the Jackson School of Geosciences and has been a swimmer her whole life. But unfortunately for her, in-line skating and Nordic skiing are not normal triathlon events.

"I have always enjoyed distance and endurance sports and I do not enjoy sprinting whatsoever," Kent said.

Kent has been swimming since before she can remember and did Nordic skiing in high school because her school did not have a swim team.

After attending the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City with her aunt, she became hooked on speed skating. Upon returning to Seattle, she looked for places to pursue it but only short tracks were available.

Because of her 5-foot-11-inch build and dislike of short-distance racing, Molly turned to in-line skating. The group she competed with encouraged her to do in-line skating marathons among other competitions. But the sport's popularity waned and there were few competitions in which to participate during her high

school years.

"If you don't have anything to train for, it's hard to be inspired," Kent said. So, she ended her skating career and returned to swimming.

Two years ago, Molly went back home for the summer and her mom, in an effort to get her out of the house, encouraged her to join a group that was training for a triathlon.

"Once I started training, I was hooked," Kent said. "Coming from a swimming background really helped me because most triathletes are originally cyclists or runners."

But swimming in Seattle still isn't pleasant, even during the summer.

"It is like you are swimming in a washing machine," Kent said. "The water is cold and murky and there are people everywhere. That can be overwhelming for some people."

Kent was not fazed by this part of the triathlon, but the other two parts of the event did not come so natural.

"You can't win a triathlon with the swimming portion, but you can lose it."

Her experience skating has helped her in the biking portion of the race — it's running that causes Kent the most trouble.

"Mental toughness is so important when it comes to triathlons," Kent said. "You have to keep moving forward. That

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Ryan Smith | Daily Texan Staff

Texas triathlete Molly Kent has a background in Nordic skiing and in-line skating that prepares her for triathlons.

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SPORTS BRIEFLY

Longhorns awarded weekly conference soccer honors



Position: Goalkeeper

Height: 5'7"

Class: Sophomore

Hometown: Naperville, Ill.

Texas goalkeeper Alexa Gaul has been named the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week. Gaul posted her third shutout of the season Monday in the Longhorns' 1-0 upset win over No. 10 BYU. Gaul held the high-powered BYU offense scoreless for just the second time this season. She made four saves in the game, including a game-saving stop during a one-on-one late in the second half.



Position: Forward

Height: 5'2"

Class: RS Freshman

Hometown: West Chicago, Ill.

Forward Leah Fortune has been named the Co-Newcomer of the Week. The redshirt freshman scored her third goal of the season against BYU on Monday, which was also her second game-winning goal of the season. Fortune is currently tied for 10th in the Big 12 with nine points. Fortune shares the honor with Colorado defender Lizzy Herzl.

—Jon Parrett



Colorado to leave Big 12 early

Colorado will leave the Big 12 at the end of the 2010-11 academic year, after coming to an agreement with the Big 12 on Tuesday. Colorado will forfeit more than \$6 million in conference revenues when it leaves for the Pac-10 on June 30, 2011.

—Jon Parrett

Cross Country runner named Runner of the Week

Texas runner Mia Behm has been awarded the Big 12 Women's Cross Country Runner of the Week. The junior led Texas to a win in the Ricardo Romo Texas Classic by posting a career-best 5k time of 17:10, beating on her old time by 13 seconds. Behm helped the Longhorns tally 15 points for their second-consecutive perfect score of the season.

—Jon Parrett

BY THE NUMBERS

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Number of carries it took Alabama running back Mark Ingram to eclipse 100 yards rushing Saturday against Duke. Ingram finished the game with 151 yards and two touchdowns on nine carries in a 62-13 rout.

408

Number of yards on average Oklahoma has given up in their first three games. The Sooners have struggled to find consistency on defense thus far, surrendering 351 yards on the ground to Air Force last week, and 341 yards through the air to Utah State in their season-opener.

559

Number of rushing yards Michigan quarterback Denard Robinson has through three games this season, which leads the country.

TRIATHLETE: Kent serves as role model for teammates

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is the hardest thing for people to learn when they start training for triathlons. When you think you can't keep going, you can."

Allan Besselink, the coach of the Texas Triathlon Club, has worked with Kent for a year and a half and has continued to be impressed with Kent's persistence.

"Her athletic abilities have progressed greatly and her running times have decreased drastically," Besselink said.

Molly's next race is the Longhorn Half Ironman on Oct. 17, which consists of a 1.2-mile swim, 56 miles biking and 13.1 miles running. Last year she competed in her first half Ironman in the same event.

"It was both awful and awesome at the same time," Kent said. "I had runner's high for a week."

Hannah Berryhill, the club's president-elect for the spring 2011 semester believes Molly is a vital asset to the team.

"Molly is always staying positive and encouraging the team. She really enjoys triathlons and remembers to have fun with it," Berryhill said.

Kent has two very different inspirations when it comes to competing. She decided to attempt the half Ironman after watching Chrissie Wellington — the three-time Ironman world champion — on TV. But the "age groupers," or amateurs, who go out to events and finish them also drive her to suffer the extreme trials of endurance racing.

"I am always impressed when I see a grandma who is still running at 11:30 p.m.," Kent said. "People like that are hugely inspiring to me — it is because of them that I am inspired to do a longer race."

Kent loves training in Austin because the weather is so nice. She received her undergraduate degree from Carleton College in Minn., majoring in studio art with a minor in geosciences — she says the winters here don't begin to compare to the freezing months up north.

"Austin has a great culture of really fit people. Triathlons are



Courtesy of Molly Kent

Molly Kent rides in the rain during one of her triathlons.

huge here and there is always an event going on," Kent said.

Swimming at Gregory Gymnasium and Barton Springs, biking on the Capital of Texas Highway and running the trail that encircles Town Lake are all parts of Molly's training routine, while she listens to a range of music from the Dixie Chicks to Eminem.

"Molly is awesome and is always in a good mood," said Christie Egnatuk, one of Kent's teammates. "She is a fantastic person and upbeat all the time, even at 6 a.m. bike rides. She truly brought our club back to life."

Kent first got involved in the club when Chris Smith, her current co-president, e-mailed her about the potential of creating a triathlon club. She jumped at the opportunity and next year, thanks to her and other's hard work, the group will have offi-

cial club sport status with the University's Division of Recreational Sports.

The group also competes in duathlons. Last year, the team traveled to the USAT Collegiate Nationals in Lubbock where it failed to qualify and it will be competing in nationals again in the spring. The team's goal is to place in the top 10.

"Molly is definitely enthusiastic about getting new members involved," Besselink said. "She is a great cheerleader and has been great with the organization. She leads by example and is a strong role model for other participants in the club."

Being a part of the team has given Kent the opportunity to take a break from the stresses of school and life.

"School is a mental exercise and when training, you can step outside of yourself," Kent said.

WILLIAMS: Texas prepared for the run

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That physicality was effective in the first three games of the season when Texas faced pass-heavy spread offenses, holding them to just 162.6 passing yards per game.

But this Saturday, Texas faces a run-heavy UCLA offense that averages 203.6 rushing yards per game. "It's a big change," Williams said. "You just have to be more physical with the running backs. We're just going to have to do more tackling drills and be more physical to get ready for this week."

Williams is readying himself to contain the passing game, but he understands that there will be several plays where he will have to stop the Bruins' mammoth

rushing attack.

"It definitely gets messier with a run kind of offense," Williams said. "You deal with more blocks. You

"Even after the whistle blows, we're still running to the ball."

— **Anthony Williams**
Junior Cornerback

deal with linemen and tight ends. I'm more used to just covering a slot receiver, but now I have to worry about the receiver, the tight

end, guards pulling them my way. It's kind of frightening."

But with the experience Williams already has, he's ready to step up to the challenge. He loves big-game situations and has been prepared by facing Texas' own offense in practice. In many ways, the defense has carried the offense this season, but Williams said that's all part of practicing to improve.

With his upbringing, Williams is ready for whatever intense situation comes his way.

"We're going to try to make our offense better just like they're trying to make us better," Williams said. "Even after the whistle blows, we're still running to the ball."

VOLLEYBALL: Coach's confidence unwavering

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Sarah Palmer also meant the two were in and out during the first few weeks of the season.

The Longhorns lost their first match against an in-state opponent since 2004, when they were swept by Texas A&M on Sept. 15, which was preceded by losses to Stanford and Long Beach State.

The team looks to be on the climb again after posting a 3-0

win against Baylor on Saturday at home. The win also featured a balanced offensive performance, something Elliott has stressed from the start of the season. Five Longhorns recorded at least six kills, including 10 from junior middle blocker Rachael Adams.

"It's a good building block, we've got more to build on and we can get a lot better," Elliott said. "I wish I could win every match as a coach, but there's no one in the country that does that

so it's going to be a task."

Elliott said he feels that if the team remains committed to getting better on a daily basis, it can be a very special group by the end of the year.

"It's like a piece of clay," Elliott said. "It's a little rough around the edges and I've got to soften [it up]. I've got a lot of confidence in this team to keep growing, and they've shown me the right attitude. And if you have that as a coach, you can take a couple losses."

MALLET: Quarterback looks to upset Tide at home

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was left searching for receiver Chris Gragg, who was wide open for a 57-yard touchdown. Arkansas has been particularly adept at running the play-action fake under Mallett's direction. The junior, who transferred from Michigan, threw for 3,627 yards and 30 touchdowns last season, and has already surpassed the 1,000-year mark this season with a 70-percent completion rate. This year, no challenge will be greater than

taking down the No. 1 Crimson Tide in a test of both the Razorbacks' merits and Mallett's Heisman aspirations.

Coach released from hospital

Michigan State head coach Mark Dantonio was released from Sparrow Hospital in Lansing, Mich., on Tuesday after suffering a heart attack over the weekend, school officials said.

Dantonio's wife rushed him to the hospital early Sunday morning, just hours after the No. 25

Spartans defeated Notre Dame 34-31 in overtime.

The coach will not return to the job this week as his team prepares for Northern Colorado at home, said MSU athletic director Mark Hollis. Assistant coach Don Treadwell is taking care of head coaching duties in Dantonio's absence.

Dr. Chris D'Haem performed surgery on Dantonio Sunday, said damage to the coach's heart was minimal, adding, "I remain very optimistic for his full recovery."

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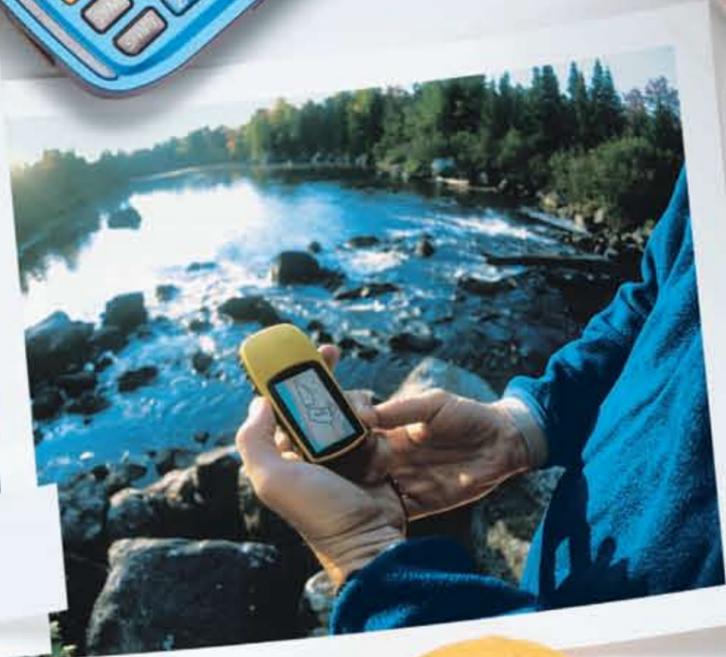
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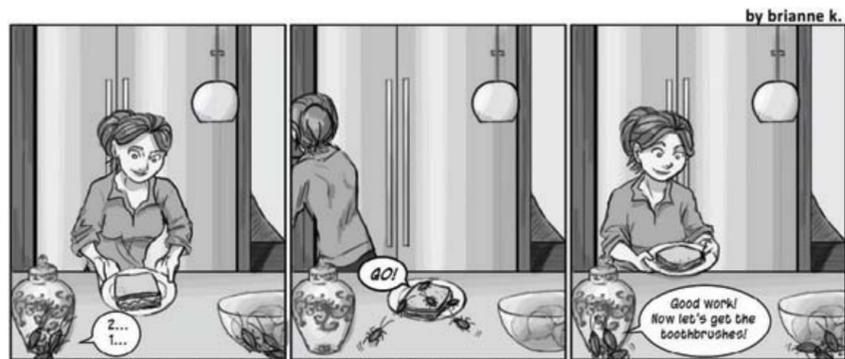
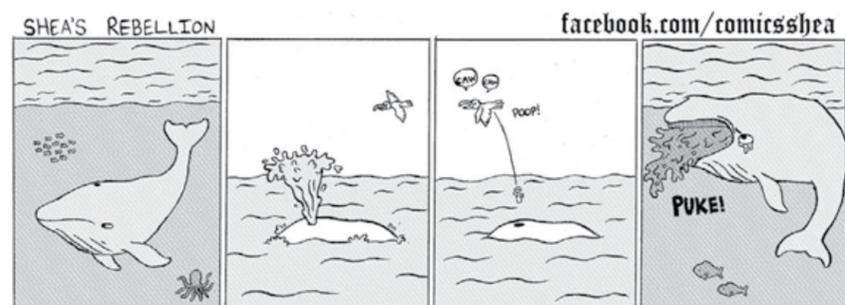
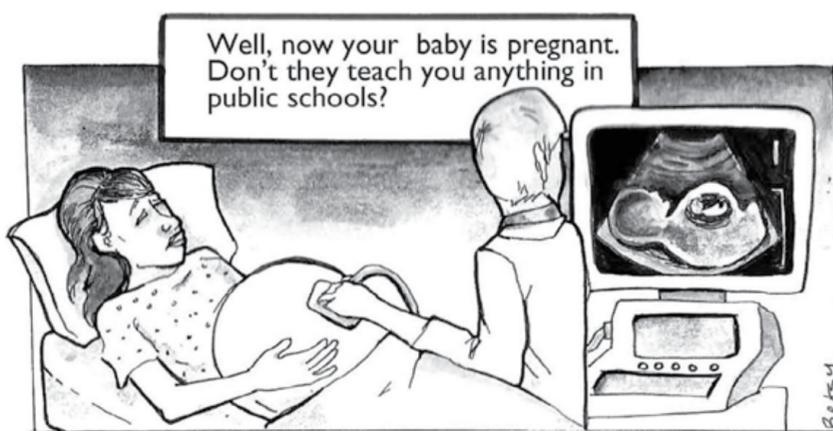
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Across

- Barnyard female
- X
- Like Shakespeare's sonnets
- TV schedule abbr.
- Nonfiction films, for short
- Maifoso's code of silence
- One who breaks the 16-Across
- Mourning comic book mutants?
- Ed with the 1967 hit "My Cup Runneth Over"
- Toto's creator
- Bending easily
- Event that includes Snowboarding Charades and Motocross 20 Questions?
- Source of perspiration
- Set on
- One way to play
- Speak with folded hands, say
- "You Are My Destiny" singer, 1958
- Classic Fiat model
- Result of a phobia of medical pictures?
- Integral
- Business major subj.
- Tina's "30 Rock" co-star
- North Africa's ___ Mountains
- Travel in the bush
- Cousin of a foil
- Curious person's video game console?
- Endor natives in "Return of the Jedi"
- Barnyard females

Down

- Part of a football helmet
- First president whose name ends in a vowel other than E or Y
- Safe for the 40-Down
- XLI x X
- Dude
- Glacier climber's tool
- It's charged
- Moseys
- Etheridge who sang "Come to My Window"
- Imp
- Desire
- Birthdays order
- Cozy
- "___ Gigolo"
- Nickelodeon opening
- Large African antelope
- Poet Angelou
- Rug rat
- Acronymic store name
- Precipitation brand owned by PepsiCo
- Table cloths
- Send a quick update, in a way
- Have a backwoods brawl
- Facilitating
- "Be Kind Rewind" co-star Mos
- Outstanding
- Vaudeville offering
- The end
- Gas used in flash lamps
- Former flames
- Breaker, e.g.
- Plow pullers
- Jewish laments
- Relay part

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While the number of tampons and menstrual cups needed in one day is dependent on the individual, directions suggest an individual change tampons every four to six hours to reduce the risk of TSS (toxic shock syndrome), a risk not associated with menstrual cups.

Feminine hygiene goes green

By Priscilla Totiyapungprasert
Daily Texan Staff

There are many complaints a woman can have about being on her period, but her impact on the environment may not always be top of the list.

Each year, women in North America dispose of 20 billion tampons, pads and their packaging, according to the Student Environmental Action Coalition. Most of these products end up in landfills and sewer systems, and plastic tampon applicators do not biodegrade for several hundred years.

Some women have also expressed concern with absorbing dioxin, the chemical used to bleach tampons, said Gulielma Leonard Fager, a health education coordinator generalist. Research conducted by the FDA has found the level of dioxin in tampons falls below the monthly tolerable intake and not a high risk concern, though.

However, there are many alternative options available on the market, Fager said. Some of these include organic tampons made without herbicides, tampons made from sea sponge that are washed and reusable, and tampons without plastic applicators that are inserted using a finger.

For those who are more comfortable using sanitary napkins, companies such as Natracare and Pleasure Puss make organic or cloth pads and pantyliners.

Tampons without applicators, or digital tampons, aim to reduce the amount of waste that comes with applicators. The o.b. brand digital tampons can typically be found alongside Tampax and Playtex tampons.

"I started using o.b. because I was concerned about the plas-

tic waste," said Annie, a student who requested to have her last name withheld. "They're also really small, so they fit in a small bag when I go out."

Inserting a tampon without an applicator took time to get used to, Annie admitted. She described initial attempts as painful, but once she got used to it, it became as easy as putting in any tampon.

"Most of my friends that get grossed out by it always say, 'Ugh, you're just fingering yourself,' but I promise, I'm not," Annie said. "If your friend asks for a tampon, be prepared for them to say, 'Ewww, gross, I'll ask someone else.'"

Annie said some people are disgusted by touching their own blood, but after trying the digital tampon, she realized it is not as bloody or dirty as people think.

"Also, you know, washing your hands afterwards helps a lot," Annie said.

Another environmentally friendly option is the menstrual cup, a nonabsorbent silicone or latex cup that is inserted internally and collects menstrual flow. Disposable cups, which are shaped similarly to contraceptive diaphragms, last longer than tampons and can be worn during sex, Fager said.

Since menstrual cups do not absorb the blood, they also do not absorb the vagina's natural fluids.

The most popular brands of reusable cups, the Mooncup and DivaCup, have no record of toxic shock syndrome or bacterial infection. Both products are also FDA approved.

While tampon companies recommend women change tampons every three to five hours, menstrual cups can be worn for up to 12 hours and also when

sleeping. Women empty the cup out in the toilet and can either rinse the cup in the sink or clean it with a tissue before reinserting, though it is recommended the cup is cleaned with soap and water at least once a day while a woman is on her period.

The Mooncup and DivaCup offer different sizes depending on age and whether the woman has given birth. Women with shorter vaginas have expressed discomfort with the DivaCup, which measures longer than the Mooncup. The DivaCup also has a longer stem, but the stem can be cut shorter.

Katie Villarreal, a women and gender studies and health promotion fitness senior, discovered menstrual cups while reading feminist blogs last semester. After more research, she made the switch to the DivaCup in April.

"I practice martial arts, and I am very active every day," Villarreal said. "This past weekend I had a very physically challenging belt test on the heaviest day of my period. In the past this would've made me very nervous if I was wearing a tampon, but I kicked and punched and tumbled and stretched and jumped and stood on my hands for hours and forgot I was on my period altogether."

She was initially attracted to the cups for economical reasons. The DivaCup costs about \$32 and can last 10 years if taken care of properly. A woman can spend \$800, more or less, on tampons and feminine sanitary products in 10 years.

Villarreal was also attracted to the fact that she could wear the DivaCup for a long period of time before needing to empty it. If she is out longer than she anticipates, she does not have to worry about hav-

ing extra tampons in her purse.

Using a menstrual cup while on campus is not a problem either, Villarreal said. On a typical day she can leave her apartment in the morning, attend all her classes and not have to clean it until she returns home in the evening. After getting a hang of the process, she learned to empty, clean and reinsert in the same amount of time it takes to change a tampon.

In the occasional instance someone needs to empty it in a public restroom, all she needs to do is wipe the cup clean with toilet paper in the stall, she said.

Menstrual cups remain an uncommon feminine hygiene product. One misconception is that using a menstrual cup is a messy process, Villarreal said.

"Using a cup does require that you get to know your body, since you will have to put your fingers inside of you," she explained. "The blood itself doesn't get on your hands, and even if it did, your own menstrual blood won't hurt you."

Villarreal feels the women who are uncomfortable with their bodies' natural processes are the one who express disgust.

"We live in a time where women are out of touch with their bodies," Villarreal said. "We are taught from a young age that our vaginas, and especially menstruation, are dirty and shameful. Women have dealt with their periods for millions of years."

Alternative feminine products such as the menstrual cups, digital tampons, organic tampons, cloth pads and pantyliners can be found online and stores such as Wheatsville Co-op, Central Market and Whole Foods Market.

Food trailer serves locally farmed eggs in variety of dishes

By Julie Rene Tran
Daily Texan Staff

Parked in the center of a lot on East Sixth Street, bordered by fellow reputable trailer trucks like Lucky J's Chicken & Waffles and Asian-fusion Me So Hungry, The Local Yolk is new to Austin's food-on-wheels community.

As the name implies, The Local Yolk's menu centers around the egg. They carry a variety of egg sandwiches, deviled eggs and egg salads, and the aqua-colored trailer even pictures an adorable yellow chick next to a sunny-side-up egg decal.

Local Yolk owner Shelly Speer said that somewhere in her life, she fell in love with eggs. Speer started off her career working as a massage therapist, but after seven years in the business she decided one day that she didn't want to do massage anymore.

"I guess I liked it, but I didn't want to make a career out of it," Speer said. "I was just ready to get out of the spa industry and kind of do my own thing."

What Speer turned to after that was her love for making sandwiches.

"Whatever I had in my fridge, I would try to make a sandwich out of it," Speer said.

Blending her passion for egg sandwiches and health, Speer decided to open The Local Yolk, a name she chose because she thought it speaks for itself. All eggs used for the trailer are locally sourced from a farm in Gonzales and are cage-free.

Speer knew that for the trailer, she couldn't just serve egg sandwiches so she learned how to make different egg salads and deviled eggs. For the menu, Speer wanted her sandwiches to be fun and tasteful, yet refined.

For the Athena sandwich, Speer adds black olives and feta cheese to a hummus spread and tops it off with a fried egg. Despite frying eggs in olive oil for many of the recipes, Speer said The Local Yolk is a healthy and fresh food trailer.

WHAT: The Local Yolk

WHERE: 1112 E. Sixth St.

WEB: thelocalyolkaustin.com

Initially, the trailer even carried a tofu egg salad but it wasn't selling well, so Speer took it off the menu.

Though the tuna melt egg sandwich highlights fish more than egg, it is deliciously comforting with a sweet, tangy kick from cranberries and relish and a spicy note from jalapenos. Topped off with a crunchy texture from walnuts and celery, the tuna sandwich is part tuna salad, part mozzarella and part fried egg.

Another noteworthy sandwich is the Florence, which Speer said is their best seller. Similar to a caprese salad with pesto, mozzarella and tomato, but with a fried egg, the Florence is a simple sandwich that is light, summery and refreshing.

Among its different egg sandwiches, The Local Yolk also serves two types of deviled eggs: pesto and original. Instead of a sprinkle of paprika on top of the original deviled eggs, Speer uses curry. It's the curry that also makes the original deviled eggs 10 times tastier than the pesto eggs, which were slightly bland.

Though the trailer is still young, Speer said she would eventually like to expand her business and do something like Torchy's Tacos, where she would have restaurants and trailers all over town.

Meanwhile, though, The Local Yolk and a few other trailers are moving down the street in about a week to a lot across from Shangri-La. Speer said every weekend at the new lot, there will be live concerts or a drive-in movie.

Besides getting better visibility and a higher turnout rate, Sherry said the new location and all it entails seems like something really fun to be a part of.

"It seems like a good move to make," Speer said.



Shereen Ayub | Daily Texan Staff

Shelly Speer, owner of food trailer The Local Yolk on East Sixth Street, offers an array of egg-inspired dishes such as deviled eggs and sandwiches.

Graphic novel mixes shocking violence, sarcastic humor

Johnny Ryan, who sketched this self-portrait of himself for the Texan, is a Los Angeles-based cartoonist known for his off-color humor and horror comics.



Courtesy of Johnny Ryan

By Ao Meng
Daily Texan Staff

In Johnny Ryan's first long-form graphic novel "Prison Pit: Book One," released in October 2009, a violent convict on the prison planet he was sentenced to must fight every monster he meets to the death, with weird body horror twists and imaginative, gross transformations along the way.

The second book, released last week, explores the same basic plot and fight elements but with a much more serious and horror-influenced tone.

The Daily Texan had the opportunity to speak with the artist about his influences for "Prison Pit," and what makes horror interesting and funny at the same time.

Johnny Ryan was an English major at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. When he left college, he aspired to become a writer who drew comics as a hobby, mailing them off to friends and admirers.

"I was writing really heavy, opaque fiction," Ryan said. "But when my friends saw my writing and my comics they were like, 'Screw this writing stuff, you're good at the comics! They're funny at least.'"

That was the beginning for "Angry Youth Comix," a comic in which Ryan's signature sense of humor shined through in 10 self-published issues of the series. In 1998, when he began showing his work to Peter Bagge ("Hate"), Ryan was put into contact with Fantagraphics Books, where he was signed in 2001 and began working on issue 12 of the series.

"[Bagge] pretty much wrote me back immediately. He loved it, he thought it was great!" Ryan said.

"Prison Pit" was the long-form graphic novel Ryan attempted to make, and it was a bit of his departure from his humorous work. "Book Two," which came out last week, continued the tale of Carnibal Fuckface, a violent criminal in wrestling gear who kicks heads in and then eats people's faces. It's a fight comic — the entire narrative is paced and based on the foundation of relentless action. Ryan's shocking humor shines throughout — the book is a breeze to read. It's laugh-out-loud funny at some parts but brutally terrifying at others.

Ryan said he was influenced to create "Prison Pit" from many dif-

ferent sources, primarily the manga "Berserk" by Kentaro Miura.

"I think he's the greatest monster artist in the world," Ryan said. "His monsters are both horrible and very imaginative, but there's always a very sexual element as well. This makes it even more horrifying to me, the idea that not only is it going to kill you in some horrible way but it could also have sex with you in an even more horrible way, and even impregnate you with something even more horrible. It kind of just adds to the horror. Did I say the word horror enough yet?"

Another key influence lays in the work of American cartoonists CF ("Powr Masts") and Benjamin Marra ("Night Business," "Gangsta Rap Posse").

"More younger guys are starting to incorporate a lot of genre elements into their work," Ryan said. "Those guys are doing adventure and sci-fi type stuff, but they are taking it seriously, they weren't being ironic."

There's also that sort of thinking about the divide between alternative comics and mainstream com-

ics. Mainstream comics do superhero, adventure and science fiction-type stories but alternative comics do highbrow and sensitive stories, he said.

The highbrow and the sensitive are domains Ryan chooses to gracefully avoid at his most subtle and are at total war with during his crazy, shocking best. Ryan said that a lot of his humor was influenced by horror movies.

"My uncle was one of the first people to have a VCR. He was starting to amass a horror movie collection," Ryan said. "Oh, here's 'Texas Chainsaw Massacre' and oh, here's John Carpenter's 'The Thing.' My experience when I'm watching a movie where somebody's head explodes or some crazy monster cuts their legs off — I'm laughing my head off because it's so outrageous and violent!"

Ryan is starting work on "Book Three," which he promises will be out next year.

"One of the good things about doing this sort of book is that one of the main foundations is just the characters fighting. I could probably make it go forever if I wanted to," Ryan said. "I think it's just a matter of how long do I want to do it!"

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The rest of the interview with Ryan can be found online

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