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UNIVERSITY

PTS fines scooter companies on gamedays

By Jackson Barton
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While football fans cheer on the No. 9 ranked Longhorn football team this Saturday, Bird and Lime riders who park their scooters past Darrell K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium will have their scooters impounded. Whether riders will receive the \$150 fine is unknown.

Blanca Gamez, assistant director at Parking and Transportation Services, said her department impounded 39 Bird and Lime commercial scooters that were parked past checkpoints on Sept. 22 during the Texas home football game. PTS charged Bird and Lime \$150 for each scooter impounded. However, Gamez said companies do not notify her if the \$150 fee was passed down to riders.

“That’s on their business side,” Gamez said. “They don’t have to share their methods with us.”

Neither Bird nor Lime responded to requests to clarify their policies on handing down fees to riders or if riders of impounded scooters received PTS’ \$150 fine.

“Lime doesn’t wish to impose excessive fines on students and is continuing to work with the University,” Collin Morgan, Lime general manager fir Austin and San Antonio, told The Daily Texan previously.

Mechanical engineering freshman Alex Bouckley said he often rides Lime scooters and attends home football games but does not consider riding a commercial scooter to the stadium.



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Although Lime bike and Bird scooters that are parked around the football game are likely to be impounded, it is uncertain whether or not certain that all riders will be fined.

“I know it’s not allowed,” Bouckley said. “In the Lime app, (campus) is blocked off for game days.”

Gamez said scooter riders should expect the same level of enforcement at scooter checkpoints this Saturday, only with more Bird and Lime employees.

“They hire what I call ‘canvassers’ to be on campus ... to move scooters that are parked inappropriately,” Gamez said. “You will see a larger

presence of those type of people on campus on game day, including at the checkpoints.”

Although PTS impounded 39 scooters, Gamez said that number was really good compared to the total amount of scooters in Austin.

“Bird and Lime both have 2,500 scooters operating in the city of Austin,” Gamez said. “So in reality, impounding on 39 scooters is really, really good in comparison to those numbers.”

Marketing junior Morgan Lama has not ridden a Lime or Bird scooter before, but is skeptical about the effectiveness of PTS’ designated scooter dropoff zones on game day.

“Since the whole allure of it is to ride your scooter and to stop it wherever, I don’t know how well that’s going to go with people,” Lama said. “Cause, honestly, if I was riding one and I could park it whenever, I wouldn’t use the (parking) spot.”

CITY



MACELYN MORRIS | THE DAILY TEXAN STAFF

29-year-old Travis Duncan is running for Austin mayor. His main campaign platform calls for universal resource access.

Mayoral candidate discusses platform

By Raga Justin
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It’s Travis Duncan’s first time running for mayor, but he said it won’t be his last.

“I’m going to run every four years until I win,” Duncan said.

Duncan quit his job in the solar power industry to campaign for mayor full time and has no previous experience in politics. He is running on a progressive platform that calls mainly for “universal

resource access.”

One way to accomplish that is through an “incentivized cooperative network for community projects,” Duncan said. Volunteering three hours a week on projects such as transportation infrastructure, eco villages for the homeless, home renovations and organic community farms would bring benefits, such as free electricity.

To combat affordability issues, Duncan said he wants to construct “people’s

towers” on city land where potential residents would contribute to construction in return for lifelong leases.

“Over the next 10 years, we can completely decommodify food, water, housing, healthcare, education (and) transportation in Austin,” Duncan said. “And while we’re doing that, we’re gonna be exporting these concepts to the rest of the world because Austin’s liberation doesn’t occur in a vacuum.”

If elected, Duncan said the first thing he will do is

hold 100 days of 12-hour-long town halls, one in every neighborhood in Austin.

“What this is going do is reprioritize what the mayor’s job is,” Duncan said. “I think the mayor’s role is to listen to the people, to understand what are (their) most urgent needs.”

Duncan is also calling for 100 percent voter participation by 2020 and said he believes undocumented residents, convicted felons and children should have the right to vote.

THREAT

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detectives investigate before potentially filing charges.

According to the Texas Penal Code, a terroristic threat involves someone threatening to commit a violent offense with the intent to place someone in fear of imminent and serious bodily injury. Stephenson said after Prindle made his statement to detectives, UTPD detectives determined that he had not made a terroristic threat.

“The officers got there, did the initial investigation, and the detectives looked deeper, but his actions didn’t meet the elements of a terroristic threat,” Stephenson said.

UTPD Assistant Chief Peter Scheets said students are only sent a notification about reports of a terrorist threat if UTPD determines if the threat is immediate and credible.

“We have very strict criteria for what we report out to the community,” Scheets said. “We just can’t send something out as a timely warning or a emergency notification because we want to. We save that only for immediate credible threats to the campus.”

Scheets said UTPD has received 18 reports of terrorist threats this year. While the majority of these reports do not end up being criminal violations, Scheets said sometimes they are referred to the University because they could be potential policy violations.

“If it’s not a law enforcement function, we tend to refer that information to the University,” Scheets said. “In this case, we felt the need to bring it to the University’s attention so they could take administrative action if they felt it was warranted.”

University spokesperson J.B. Bird said in the event of a credible and immediate terrorist threat, the University follows up as appropriate with the campus and members of the community but declined to comment on the report made against Prindle.

Prindle said after he spoke with UTPD, Maurie McInnis, executive vice president and provost, contacted government department chair Robert Moser about the incident. Moser and McInnis both declined to comment.

“I consulted with (Moser), and he wanted to impress upon me how very seriously the University took this,” Prindle said. “I said, ‘Well I’m not going to make any more jokes that involved guns.’ Not that I did. And that was officially the end of that.”



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Mayor Steve Adler, center, and officers from APD and UTPD visited the Austin Sobering Center at its soft opening ceremony on Aug. 22, 2018.

who struggle with drug use as well, Patrick said.

“If we’re just ignoring those behaviors, we’re not really intervening in any way, shape or form to really talk with people about how what they’re doing is dangerous,” Patrick said.

Allyson Todd, Students for

Sensible Drug Policy co-president, said the Austin Sobering Center would help students feel more comfortable in taking their health into their own hands.

“Having centers where people can safely stay during their periods of drug use is so important because it

reduces the likelihood of harm to their health because medical staff will be present,” said Todd, international relations and global studies and Latin American studies junior. “The Sobering Center ... places the emphasis on the humanity of the person instead of criminalizing them.”

CAMPUS

Single parents balance school, family

By Mengyuan Dong
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Molly Miller, a 24-year-old social work sophomore, is now living with her 2-year-old daughter as a single mom. Although her parents help with child care sometimes, Miller said the responsibility is mostly on her.

"I always knew that I wanted to be a mom," Miller said. "My goal as a parent is to set a good example for her and raise her in a way that she can be successful."

Miller is one of more than 70 UT student parents with children from 6 weeks old to 5 years old enroll in child care services each academic year at UT's Child Development Center, said program director Hara Cootes.

Miller said she gets lucky because her daughter can play alone and entertain herself well. However, it's still a huge challenge switching between the student role and parent role every day.

"I always have to be a parent first, especially when she gets sick," Miller said. "If she gets sick, she can't go to school, and then I can't go to school. And it just makes it hard to keep up in classes if you are missing a lot."

It's common for students with preschool-age children to find it difficult to balance child care



Social work major Molly Miller holds her energetic 2-year-old daughter. She shares that switching between her roles as a student and a parent can be challenging.

and schoolwork, Cootes said. To make meeting the child's needs easier for those parents, she said reaching out to reliable, high-quality child care and establishing a regular bedtime routine help a lot.

Apart from lacking time for academics, Cootes said single

parents often struggle to make ends meet financially. Miller said she has a very small amount of financial support from her family, and most of her money comes from FAFSA or working.

"It's recommended that low-income parents should become educated on resources

that they might be eligible to receive," Cootes said in an email. "(UTCDC) provides information to parents on accessing these types of services upon request."

Miller said she mostly socializes with other single mom friends through her apartment's program that helps single moms.

"That's really convenient because there's no drive time," Miller said. "If the kids get fussy, we can just go back to our apartments and put them down."

Haoqing Tian, management information systems junior, said he noticed it can be hard for some single moms to speak out about their experiences and needs.

"My friend babysat a child last semester whose mom is a 19-year-old student at UT," Tian said. "We were willing to know what happened and tried to offer help, but the mom said it was just a kind of shame and would be uncomfortable for her to say."

Tian said he believes all college students need to be well aware of what responsibilities they have before having a child, and it's also important to make the decision out of one's free will.

Miller said she's always understood the responsibility of having a child and going to school at the same time, and she enjoys having the connection with her daughter.

"It's kind of fun having both of us learning new exciting things at the same time," Miller said. "For her, new exciting things are like she knows all of her colors now. And for me, it might be some theory on social justice."

CAMPUS

Burdine to get inclusive bathrooms



The Main Tower has a gender-inclusive bathroom. The University has now approved a gender-inclusive bathroom in Burdine Hall.

By Laura Morales
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The University approved a gender-inclusive bathroom in Burdine as part of the hall's renovations after a year of faculty advocacy.

The President's Advisory Committee on LGBTQ Initiatives advocated for the bathroom, and had to get the University's Financial and Administrative Services and the chairs of other departments' approval, said Ann Cvetkovich, director of the LGBTQ studies program.

"The simple effort to get a gender-inclusive bathroom in Burdine has taken a year, and we are still not done with getting the budgets and the constructions plans in place," said Cvetkovich, who lead the initiative along with the Gender and Sexuality Center. "The work is slow, but expressions of support from both the

administration and from students are important."

Construction will start in the summer of 2019, and the funds for the conversion come from the allocated renovation budget. Converting one of the multi-stall bathrooms to a single-stall, gender-inclusive bathroom will cost around \$115,000, Cvetkovich said.

The committee's efforts are part of the larger University Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan, a multi-committee plan adopted by the University President's Office in spring 2017. The committee's main areas of focus are housing, recruitment and expansion of professional development opportunities for LGBTQ students.

Liz Elsen, director of the Gender and Sexuality Center, crafted the recommendations for a gender-inclusive campus based on what students said they need.

"The biggest facilitator of

these updates seems to be that the campus office that oversees these processes is on board and motivated to make these changes," Elsen said. "Each office we partner with knows that these are the things that our students have said that they think would make their campus experience feel safer and more inclusive."

The committee created staff ally training and free preferred name changes on UT ID cards along with the bathroom changes. Undeclared freshman Evan McClain is a transgender male and said he felt welcomed on campus.

"Being here is such a feeling of being at home," McClain said. "Back at my home was such a hostile environment where I wasn't even out. Like, it was not an option to be out. Being here is like I've just settled in, and it's comfortable, and I don't feel pressure to switch between identities. I feel safe here."

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when it comes to how well you're doing academically and how that can affect their financial aid," Rodriguez said. "When you don't have people at home that can understand your struggle, it's hard to go to them."

Rodriguez said the increasing graduation rates for students who are first-generation and Pell-eligible gives her hope for students to come.

"I think (the University is) doing a good job now by creating these extra

spaces," Rodriguez said. "If they stay on this track, it would be even better so that a couple semesters down the road, there's not this feeling (for these students) of being very different on campus."

But undeclared sophomore Karla Rodriguez said they were surprised the graduation rates have increased for first-generation students because they thought the University was not doing enough to provide resources. Rodriguez said their peers have expressed similar concerns.

"A sense of community and family is what's lacking

here on campus, and there's not a lot of support or resources that the University provides for first-generation students of parents who are immigrants," Karla Rodriguez said.

As a result, Karla Rodriguez is forming their own social organization on campus for first-generation students with goals similar to that of the University.

"We want to make sure everyone graduates on time and everyone has the resources to do it and to be successful in their classes," Karla Rodriguez said. "We want to make a sense of community."



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Blacking out is worse than you think

By Taylor Newman
Columnist

Marcus Coleman was a freshman when he went downtown to drink with his sister last year. Today, he has no idea what happened. That night, Coleman blacked out.

“When I woke up the next morning, I didn’t remember what had happened the night before,” Coleman, currently a biology sophomore, said. Although he’s grateful nothing happened that he regretted, he felt violated. “You have no idea what happened. If I weren’t with people that I trusted, I couldn’t have been totally sure what happened.”

A blackout happens when your blood alcohol content reaches a point where you no longer have the ability to store information and create memories. According to the National College Health Assessment conducted at UT in spring 2017, 68.7 percent of students reported drinking alcohol in the past 30 days. Nearly 40 percent of those students said they had five or more drinks the last time they partied.

This amount of alcohol would raise their BAC levels to the blackout range, meaning there are thousands of students who are potentially getting blackout drunk and are more likely to engage in risky or even criminal behavior. Normalizing blackouts — especially without fully understanding what they are or how they happen — is dangerous because it encourages destructive habits and heavy drinking.

College students go to parties, and more times than not those parties have alcohol. Between drinking games and the peer pressure students feel to have a good time, these parties make heavy drinking commonplace. This alone can hurt your body in ways that you can never recover from, such as liver or brain damage.

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But blackouts are especially harmful because they lead to risky behavior, which can be anything from STIs, to sexual assault, to drunk driving. It’s not normal to wake up and not know how you got there, and laughing off blackouts as just a part of college isn’t okay.

All UT students are required to take AlcoholEdu, an online program that educates students on safe drinking. The program does reference blackouts, but at no point does it reference how many drinks someone would need to have to blackout. This means students can walk away from the program thinking that blackouts aren’t a big deal or that they only happen to alcoholics.

Pharmacy professor Rueben Gonzales

has researched alcohol’s effects on the body for over thirty years. Although his research is typically with chronic users, Gonzales said blackouts can still impact new drinkers. It’s all about how much you drink and how fast.

“If someone drinks four drinks in an hour for three hours ... then I think they would likely reach the blackout phase,” Gonzales said. By that point, it would be obvious to the person they were drunk, but they might not know they’ve blacked out.

But that doesn’t mean people who blackout act sober. Since blackouts happen at higher BAC levels, their behavior and decision making skills are more dramatically altered than someone who is sober or tipsy. The only difference between someone who is extremely drunk and blackout drunk is their memory of the night before.

Unfortunately, it’s nearly impossible for an outsider to tell when someone has started to blackout since there’s no visible change when they do. And in the moment, the person might not know they have blacked out, either. Students who go into the night drinking need to have a limit in mind, and friends that will hold them to that limit, not encourage them to keep drinking.

Stop thinking blackouts are normal. It can at least save you the embarrassment of not remembering the night before. At most, it can prevent you from harming yourself or those around you in ways that can impact you long after the hangover wears off.

Newman is a journalism junior from Frisco.

COLUMN

Acknowledge Hispanic Heritage Month before it ends

By Briana Torres
Columnist

If you aren’t aware of what or when Hispanic Heritage Month is, you’re not alone. Hispanic Heritage Month spans from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, and its end is quickly approaching. Fear not, there are still ways you can celebrate before the fifteenth.

Signed into law by President Ronald Reagan in 1988, National Hispanic Heritage Month is meant to be spent “paying tribute to the generations of Hispanic Americans who have positively influenced and enriched our nation and society.”

Many Hispanics call UT home. As of Fall 2016, the University reported that Hispanics make up 20 percent of UT’s student profile. With the presence Hispanics have on campus, one might think Hispanic Heritage Month would be more widely addressed.

Mallory Laurel, the communications and outreach coordinator for the Department of Latina/o Studies, said there is minimal recognition of Hispanic Heritage Month because her department is investigating whether they should even celebrate it. This is due to the history behind the term “Hispanic” and what heritage encapsulates, as well as how to deal with the fact that many companies use the month to pander to Hispanics.

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You either haven’t been taught about (Hispanic figures) in Texas schools, or they’re a footnote in books.”

Though Laurel and the department have reservations about celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month, they do not want to inhibit the awareness and education the month brings. As a result, the department has held events since Sept. 15, but they were not advertised as Hispanic Heritage Month events.

According to Laurel, the department also believes every month is Hispanic Heritage Month, so it feels redundant to celebrate it officially. However, Laurel also said students at UT should feel welcome to celebrate the month and what it means to them.

Luke Hernandez, a government, Mexican American and Latina/o Studies junior, said he celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month by hosting events with Latinx Community Affairs as well as attending events held by the Latina/o Studies Department. Since the beginning of Hispanic Heritage Month, the department’s events have included “Heritage for Sale? Reimagining Hispanic Heritage Month,” the Hispanic Heritage Month Concert by the Butler School of Music, a pop-up pachanga and a lecture on decolonization.

I believe that students can either participate or acknowledge Hispanic Heritage Month by simply taking time to stop at the Cesar Chavez statue on West Mall and remember his contributions to our nation. Chavez was a civil rights activist who spent his life fighting to better conditions for farm workers.

If you were not aware that the statue on West Mall is of Cesar Chavez, or if you do not know who he was, it’s not too late to learn. Both Laurel and Hernandez said many students have heard of Chavez, but aren’t aware of his relevance.

“You either haven’t been taught about (Hispanic figures) in Texas schools, or they’re a footnote in books,” Laurel said. “There are many sad reasons why students don’t know figures like him. It’s not surprising to hear some people don’t know him.”

Hernandez believes those willing to acknowledge Hispanic Heritage Month should celebrate Chavez, but also bring light to the feminist Latinx organizers. “People know of Cesar Chavez but not the women who made the movement possible and maintained it regardless of historical credit,” Hernandez said.

Taking time to learn about Chavez is one way to celebrate the heritage, but one should not stop there. Laurel invites students to turn to the Department of Latina/o Studies’ programming for more information and guidance on Hispanic history and to be aware of the current issues and struggles surrounding the Latinx community.

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GALLERY



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RIDE-HAILING

Lyft begins ‘Ditch Your Car’ program in Austin

Initiative unites local transportation services to reduce car dependence.

By Annie L. Zhang
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Lyft, Zipcar, Capital Metro and Austin B-cycle join forces to reduce your need for a car.

“Ditch Your Car” is a program that just started Monday where 50 participants receive credit for utilizing ride-hailing and public transportation services.

Aaron Fox, Lyft’s general manager for Central Texas, said Lyft’s mission is to reduce human dependence on cars.

“The idea is that (participants) put their car keys in a box and use other services to get around to see how life is without cars,” Fox said. “This program can see how the average person adjusts and lives without a car.”

Chad Ballentine, vice president of demand response and

innovative mobility at CapMetro, said the program will also help the companies understand what customer needs are.

“Public transportation has been around for hundreds of years, but we haven’t really innovated,” Ballentine said. “But if we want to maintain our viability and our relevance, we need to adapt and engage like these other folks who are thinking outside of the box, and look at them as strategic partners rather than competition.”

The various transportation services are coming together to find an integrative solution, Ballentine said.

“We know that the bus is obviously a very important part of people getting around, but there’s a whole lot more to it,” Ballentine said. “If you actually ditch your car, the bus may get you close to places, but other places it can’t get you so close. We have to rethink how we approach customers and not just make them choose these options on their own, but help them assemble some options and help them problem solve.”

One possible solution is a “one-stop” service for all forms of transportation.

“The future is going to be a lot more integrative, where you might be able to buy monthly passes for everything and then you can have a Lyft car waiting at the CapMetro

bus stop and a scooter outside of your office to take you back,” Fox said.

One pass for all ride-hailing services could complement the existing transportation services here on campus, Fox said.

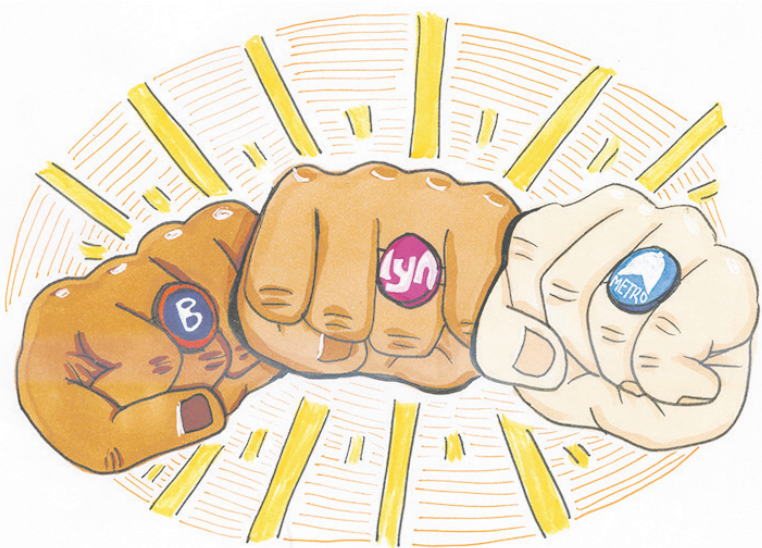
“Obviously, UT has a huge bus service with CapMetro, but we want to be able to take you from your front steps to exactly where you want to be because that’s what people want,” Fox said.

Ballentine said such an integrative service would also help to eliminate the traffic around campus.

“It would be wonderful to get more cars out of campus because UT is in the middle of a major city that’s getting so big so quickly,” Ballentine said. “We need to find ways to take cars out of the equation.”

Both Ballentine and Fox said while they still do not know what exactly the future of transportation looks like, they look forward to analyzing and learning from the data and information.

“That’s why we’re doing this pilot program — to test out the waters,” Fox said. “That’s the fun part, hearing from customers and people who actually get out of their car and use these services and try to understand what do people want and what people would be paying for.”



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TECHNOLOGY

Societal preferences affect voice assistants, study says

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When ordering your technological assistant to complete a task, you’ll get a response from a female voice — a polite and reliable female assistant. Siri, Alexa and Cortana all respond with a female voice, set as the default, and this could reflect a bias toward females serving others, researchers find.

Research led by Karl MacDorman, a professor at Indiana University who specializes in human-computer interaction, found that both men and women prefer a female voice when talking to a computer. There are psychological reasons why we might feel more comfortable with a woman’s voice, said sociology professor Gloria González-López.

González-López, who specializes in sexuality, gender and social inequality in Mexico, said it’s not surprising to see female voices set as a default for our voice assistants, because women are taught to be servants in society, especially toward men.

She said this process is called “gendered servitude,” where, for example, it’s not unusual to ask a girl to clean after her brother. These gender inequalities, which become normalized, can later impact the workplace where we often see women in charge of administrative roles rather than being the boss, she added.

“Technology and the internet no doubt have become the mirror reflecting the very same expressions of social inequality that people encounter in their actual



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lives,” González-López said. “It’s not a surprise to have female voices as a default in these devices, and so when someone needs help, a woman is the one expected to come to offer that service.”

Computer science senior Yair Nieto said having a default female voice assistant is degrading to women.

“When a person thinks of assistants, the person who is giving the commands to the voice assistant feels like they are higher than the assistant,” Nieto said. “The voices should be balanced out.”

Apple’s Siri and the Google Assistant now offer the option to switch the default female voice to a male voice. But Alexa and Cortana don’t have these options. Computer science senior Vincent Lee said he doesn’t think tech companies would create default female voices to intentionally slight women, but sees where gender bias could play a role.

He added that his Google Assistant software removed gender bias from

its voice settings by labeling the voices with colors instead of assigning a name.

“We don’t formally designate voices as being male or female,” said Google spokeswoman Ashley Thompson. “But you can think of ‘voice one’ as traditionally female sounding, and ‘voice two’ as traditionally male sounding.”

She added that when people set up their Google Home device, you are randomly assigned a voice which gives a 50-50 chance of getting a female or male voice.

González-López said tech companies should be mindful when creating their products to reduce the implications of gender inequality.

“We have been socialized to see women helping others as ‘normal,’ and that creates some sort of emotional comfort,” González-López said. “(But) a woman’s voice in our devices remind us again and again — every time we push that button — of one more expression of gender inequality in our society.”

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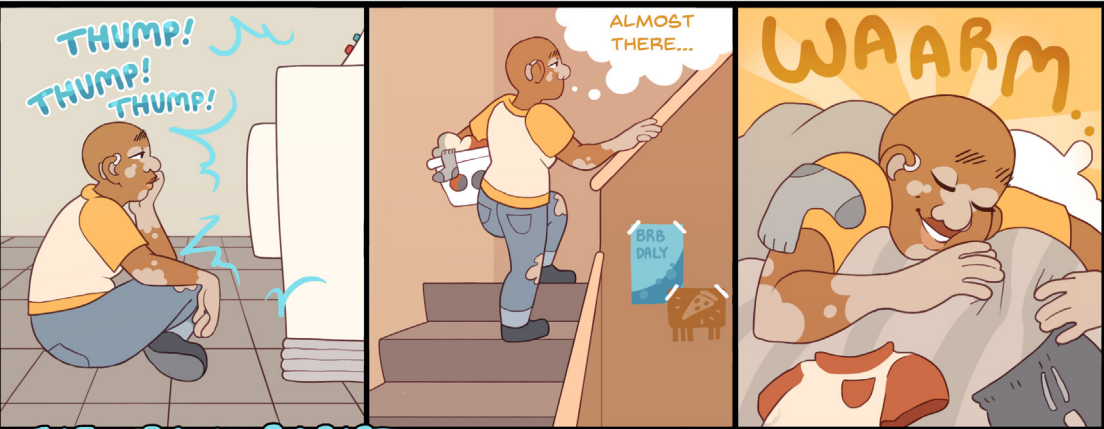
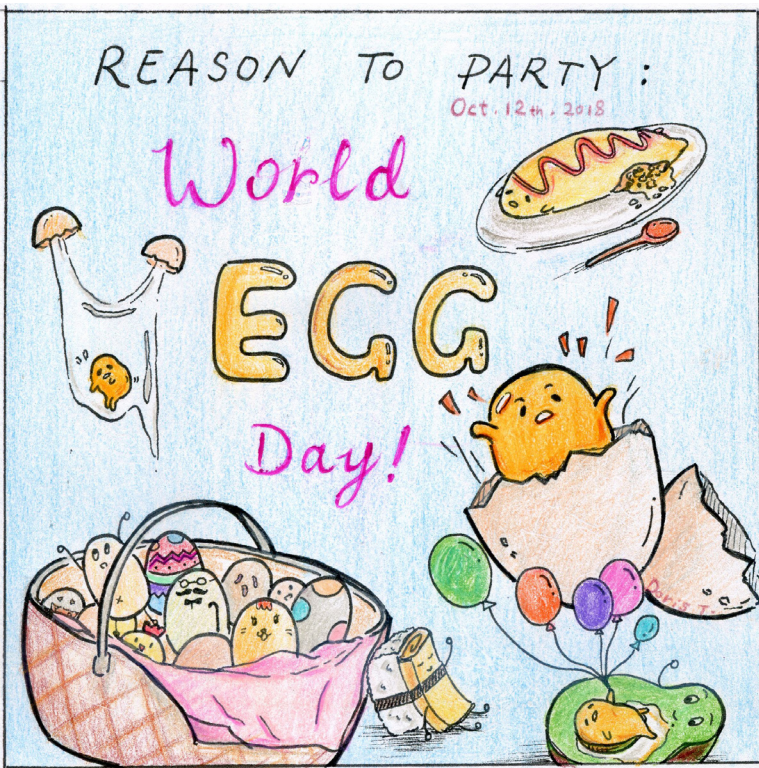
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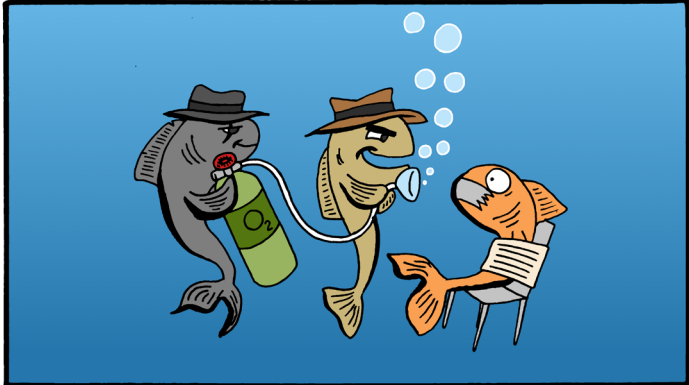
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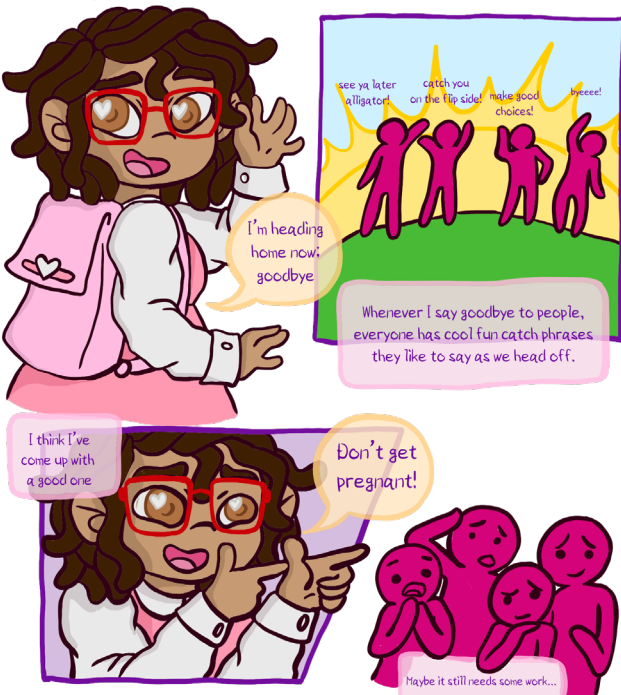
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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

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- ACROSS**
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 - Stories with many chapters
 - Instagram and others
 - Getting paid, say
 - Trouble with a tap
 - Part of a Central American grove
 - Field mouse
 - Beam shooter
 - Mel in Cooperstown
 - ___ dixit (unproven assertion)
 - Jerks
 - It takes time to sink in
 - ___ Decor (magazine)
 - Demand from a school bully
 - Hi or lo follower
 - Spit out
 - More minimalist, say
 - Series of rounds
 - Place to fish from
 - "___ the Sheep" ("Wallace and Gromit" spinoff)
 - Potential drain obstruction
 - Fate worse than a ticket
 - What goes after the wrong type?
 - Fall Out Boy's "Sugar, ___ Goin' Down"
 - Pipe sellers
 - Brad's gal in "The Rocky Horror Picture Show"
 - Tombstone figure
 - Cheap beer option, for short
 - Country
 - Hotel/casino on the Vegas Strip
 - Foul
 - Go on a tweetstorm, say from
 - Aquanaut's chamber
 - Leg up
 - Word with skirt or strip
 - Pastoral verse
- DOWN**
- Eponymous Austrian physicist who studied waves
 - Owing money
 - London burial place of John Donne and Horatio Nelson
 - "As ___ as unsunn'd snow": Shak.
 - Mark of a villain, maybe
 - Not mainstream, informally
 - One of a series of attempts
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 - Balloonist's tankful
 - Tall, slender, footed glass
 - No-wait

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- Drop
- Store name with a big red initial
- What shuttles leave from
- What the Egyptian deity Ammit devoured
- Chrome dome, so to speak
- Google ___
- Like some fish and olives
- Court procedure
- Dress down
- Comfy safari digs
- Stewart's onetime TV sparring partner
- Battery type
- Bundle up
- Fictional figure whose name means "hole dweller"
- Hot green stuff
- Psychologist who coined the word "synchronicity"
- Venue for broomball
- AWOL, so to speak

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Drumming helps with relaxation

UT alumnus Jason Traweek leads Shamanic drumming meditation sessions.

By John Melendez
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A small group of 20 participants lay down on the floor with pillows and blankets, their heads all directed toward the small altar and drum in the center. Jason Traweek begins to play his drum in hopes of providing a path to self-awareness or at least some relaxation.

On Tuesday, Oct. 9, Mediation Bar held its monthly Shamanic drumming meditation session facilitated by UT alumnus Jason Traweek. He is the creator of Spirit Lab, a project where he provides three different soundscape events to help facilitate meditation.

Traweek said although he markets the event as meditation to make it more approachable, it is actually called “journey drumming.” He said while traditional meditation involves focusing inward through breathing, journey drumming activates brain activity.

“Rhythm can induce trance,” Traweek said. “Sustained rhythm in a safe environment where (inducing trance) is the intention can bring you deeply enough into yourself where it’s almost like an alternate reality.”

Traweek said there is always something to take away from the experience, regardless of what beliefs you hold true. He said he does not try and interpret what participants see or feel but simply provides a conduit for it to happen.

“(Journey drumming is) using the drum as a tool to open a doorway to an alternate place where you can communicate with spirit, or if that’s not your thing, a place where you can communicate with yourself through imagery that comes to you,” Traweek said.

Traweek is also an elder council member for the Shamanic Community of Austin, an organization with a variety of contemporary shamanic practices such as drumming and dancing to explore spirituality.



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Shamanic drumming meditation, or “journey drumming,” provides a way for people to connect with themselves or simply relax for a while.

He said he draws from a global collection of practices rather than drawing from one specific group of people.

“I don’t call myself a shaman,” Traweek said. “It’s such a loaded word now that it feels really important for me to say because I’m not appropriating any indigenous practice that I’m not a part of.”

Attendee Simon Kessler said he decided to participate in the event to become more present and mindful. During the session, he envisioned himself descending into the earth through a series of ladders and reflected on what it could mean.

“I’m not sure why I was choosing to go deeper and deeper,” Kessler said. “Maybe (it means) going deeper into everything that you’re doing a little bit more, whether it is a conversation or mastering your craft.”

Participant Monica Badgley said the drumming session made her envision herself in a simpler time without technology. She said she saw people she did not recognize but still felt comfortable and familiar.

Badgley said she tries to put herself in situations where she can disconnect from technology and

focus on living with intention. And although she did not have a spiritual journey, the experience still helped her focus on being present in relationships.

“We all have so much going in daily lives, and you’re reachable pretty much 100 percent of the time,” Badgley said. “Looking people in the eye and having a conversation without checking your phone 10 times changes the dynamics. It makes you feel more connected to people, and that has a huge effect in our daily lives — whether we know it or not.”

ACL

ACL ready: Here are 5 festival necessities for Weekend Two



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By Noelle Henry
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What’s better than finding out OU still sucks? Realizing ACL Weekend Two is finally here.

The only problem? It can be hard deciding what to bring to a musical festival full of dancing, drinking and too many good times to count.

To make things easier for all of us festivalgoers, here’s a list of the five ACL necessities to bring to Weekend Two.

Sunglasses

The clouds may be currently taking over Texas weather, but who knows what’s to come this weekend? The grueling Texas sun is something no person wants to take on without some protection.

Sunglasses aren’t just to protect your eyes from the sun’s powerful rays — they’re also a bold fashion statement. They look great in pictures and add to the ACL look everyone is trying to achieve. As long as you don’t lose them, bringing sunglasses is a must.

Fanny pack

Although some people might rave about being able to bring nothing but their phone into ACL, a fanny pack is the best option. You avoid the risk of losing things, everything is easily accessible and a fanny pack is pretty trendy.

For those who typically bring backpacks into ACL, the rules have been updated so that backpacks are now prohibited, and only drawstring and small bags will be allowed into the festival. If you really don’t want to bring a fanny pack, you still have the option of a drawstring bag. But let’s be real here: Fanny packs are fun, easy and super accessible.

Sunscreen

Even this weekend’s cloudy forecast can’t protect you from a nasty sunburn. You’re standing outside all day for hours, and the sun is bound to burn you at some point. Sunscreen is as important as oxygen in Texas, so make sure to take care of yourself. Although aerosol cans aren’t allowed into the festival premises, you can still bring sunscreen lotion.

But if applying lotion

throughout the day to protect yourself from melanoma sounds like too much for one person to handle, at least try to put on one layer before you leave.

Empty water bottle

Even though backpacks are prohibited, hydration packs and water bottles are still allowed at this year’s festival. The key part of this exception to the rule is that they must be completely empty of all liquid when you enter the festival. There are Hydration Stations around Zilker where festivalgoers will be able to fill up water bottles, so you can dance, jump and scream while staying hydrated. Hydrate — don’t die-drate!

Ticket/wristband

This one may seem redundant, but it’s happened to the best of us. Make absolutely certain you have your wristband because you will not be allowed on festival premises without it. There’s nothing worse than missing a show you wanted to see because you have to run home to get your ticket. Remember your ticket so you can kick it!

And most of all, have fun! It’s ACL!



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VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball takes their hand at Red River Rivalry

By Wills Layton
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Sports are defined by rivalries. The best rivalry is often debated, but UT and OU have made up their minds. They choose the Red River Rivalry every time.

After the Longhorn football team won in the 113th football rendition of the rivalry in nail-biter fashion on Oct. 6, the volleyball team travels to Norman trying to do the same.

Texas is coming off a relatively bad loss to Kansas on Wednesday, losing in four sets to the unranked Jayhawks. The loss marks the Longhorns' first in conference play and was the first stop on the Longhorns' two-game road trip. Errors attacking and serving plagued the squad throughout the night and proved fatal in Wednesday night's downfall.

"I think it's really something that I need to start embracing," freshman Brionne Butler said. "We have had problems with serving, but I think it's just a mindset we have to have. We just need to get out of our heads."

Before the Kansas loss, the team rattled off five straight Big 12 wins — good enough for second place in the conference. A large part of that success rests on the shoulders of the veterans. The upperclassmen have a

plethora of postseason experience and have helped bring along the younger players so far this season.

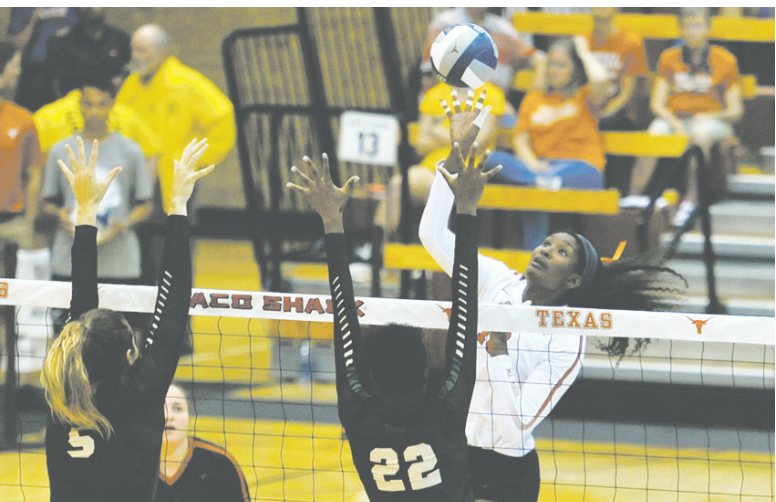
"We've had really good leadership," head coach Jerrett Elliott said. "Each year, the team changes dramatically, and we've had a lot of good leaders. But this year's group really wanted to stay connected. This group just plays, and they enjoy playing, and I'm excited about it."

In addition to wanting to defeat one of its biggest rivals, Texas views post-season seeding as increasingly important as the season progresses. With only 10 games remaining in the regular season, strong performances are a must for a team with title aspirations.

Considering the Big 12 is one of the weaker conferences in NCAA volleyball, Texas' matchup with Oklahoma will determine if the Longhorns maintain their current top-five ranking. If the team can continue winning and also avoid tough road losses, seeding should not be a concern by season's end.

"Every game is important now," Elliott said. "We are trying to take it one match and one practice at a time so that we can put a run together. If we are able to do that over a period of time, then we'll put ourselves in a position to be a top-four seed."

The Longhorns and Sooners begin play at 7 p.m. at the McCasland Field House in Norman on Saturday.



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Freshman Brionne Butler goes up for a spike during a Texas volleyball match at Gregory Gymnasium. Butler is one of the team leaders in points.

FOOTBALL



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Sophomore quarterback Sam Ehlinger evades an oncoming defender in Texas' 48-45 win on Oct. 6, 2018. The Longhorns beat their rival Oklahoma in the annual Red River Showdown.

Ehlinger ascends into Big 12 elite

Ehlinger's steadfast confidence has elevated his play.

By Ross Burkhardt
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Sam Ehlinger walked onto the field three times in the final minutes of Texas' season-opening game against Maryland with a chance to lead the Longhorns to a victory. Each attempt ended in failure.

As a result of two crucial interceptions by Ehlinger and a fumble from running back Tre Watson, the Longhorns lost the game and began the season 0-1. Fans erupted on social media, mocking how each player and coach proclaimed this team was different, only to see the same results.

Head coach Tom Herman wanted to make things clear to his quarterback after the game: He wasn't the reason they lost.

"There were two things I told him. One after the Maryland game was, 'You don't need to look over your shoulder. I'll tell you when you do, but we believe in you. You didn't lose the Maryland game for your team. You didn't. That was coaches, players, offense, defense, special teams, we all lost that game,'" Herman said Monday during a press conference.

Fast forward six weeks and Ehlinger has emerged as one of the most poised and efficient signal callers in the entire country.

Since the Longhorns' loss at FedExField on Sept. 1, Ehlinger has thrown for 1,236 yards and 15 total touchdowns over five games, demonstrating the level of confidence the quarterback is now displaying in his second season at Texas.

"He gets some swagger going when he gets hit or he runs somebody over or something like that. You see him, and he starts playing with confidence," said Tim Beck, offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach. "He's a lot better when he plays that way than he is when he plays cautious."

The key for Ehlinger has been ignoring any voices outside the locker room and instead trusting in himself.

"I think confidence is a huge

thing in whatever industry you're in," Ehlinger said. "After the Maryland game, I could've gone in different directions with my confidence. I could've listened to the outside noise. Whatever I wanted to listen to and whatever I wanted to put my mind to was what was going to happen. I understood that continued confidence is the only way to get better."

Fresh off Texas' biggest win in a decade, Ehlinger prepares to square off Saturday against the Baylor Bears, led by quarterback Charlie Brewer — a former Lake Travis student whom Ehlinger says he has been friends with since middle school.

Against Baylor, the red-hot Sam Ehlinger will continue to have the green light to keep firing away from his teammates, Texas fans and his head coach, who has remained one of Ehlinger's constant voices of support, even at his lowest point this season.

"I think having the head coach believe in you allows you a little more confidence," Herman said. "We made the decision for him to be our starting quarterback, and we made that decision for a lot of different reasons and one game, one quarter in a game was not going to deter us from that decision."

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No. 22 Texas A&M at South Carolina	Texas A&M	Texas A&M	Texas A&M	South Carolina	South Carolina	Texas A&M	Texas A&M	South Carolina	Texas A&M	Texas A&M
Hawaii at BYU	Hawaii	BYU	BYU	BYU	BYU	Hawaii	BYU	Hawaii	BYU	BYU
Michigan State at No. 8 Penn State	Penn State	Penn State	Penn State	Penn State	Penn State	Penn State	Penn State	Michigan State	Penn State	Penn State
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Editor's Note

The Longhorns are playing their best football in years. With quarterback Sam Ehlinger leading a surging offense and Todd Orlando's defense performing well, expect No. 9 Texas to leave DKR with a sixth straight win. As the season moves on, Texas will have to continue its hot streak in order to control its own destiny in the Big 12.

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OPPONENTS TO WATCH

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JUAN FIGUEROA | THE DAILY TEXAN STAFF

Baylor quarterback Charlie Brewer rushes forward during a 38-7 loss against Texas on Oct. 28, 2017, at McLane Stadium.



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Brewer scrambles out of the pocket during a game against the Texas Longhorns on Oct. 28, 2017, at McLane Stadium.

QUARTERBACK

Charlie Brewer, No. 12

Quarterback Charlie Brewer's ties to the Longhorns run deep. Brewer, an Austin native who shined during a prolific career at Lake Travis High School, has two family members who starred for the Longhorns — his father, Robert, and grandfather, Charles. Needless to say, a game against Texas will carry significant weight for the local product.

Brewer has been a bright spot for a Baylor team rebounding from its worst season in the past decade. He's thrown for 1,558 yards, nine touchdowns and just two interceptions, leading the Bears to become the fifth-ranked offense in the Big 12. Brewer also adds an extra element to the offense through his running ability, rushing for 116 yards and four touchdowns this season.

WIDE RECEIVER

Jalen Hurd, No. 5

After two successful seasons at Tennessee, Jalen Hurd surprised many when he announced his intentions to transfer out of Knoxville. His decision, albeit a peculiar one, landed him in Waco, and his transition has been seamless. He leads the team in receptions and receiving yards, and holds a tie in receiving touchdowns.

The former running back's combination of size and speed, which made him a prized five-star recruit out of high school, translates well to Baylor's dynamic offensive system where he's given the opportunity to exploit smaller defensive backs. Although the Texas secondary will be the best unit he's faced all season, if he's able to find ways to get open and get the ball in his hands, Hurd would make it much easier to find success for Charlie Brewer and the Baylor offense.

DEFENSIVE TACKLE

James Lynch, No. 93

Another Central Texas product making headlines for the Bears this season is defensive tackle James Lynch. The Round Rock, Texas, native has impressed in just his second season, leading all Baylor defensive lineman in tackles with 20 and tallying a team-high four sacks. Lynch showed his abilities as a run-stopper and pass rusher last week against Kansas State, when he recorded five tackles, two tackles for loss and a sack.

But Lynch will need to build on those numbers again this Saturday against the Longhorns. In fact, he's been critical in helping the Baylor defense succeed, especially with his pass rush. In the two games where he didn't record a sack this season, the Bears lost. They also sacrificed the most points they had all season in those two contests. Lynch finding a way to impact the game will be an X factor for the Bears' defense.

SAFETY

Chris Miller, No. 3

Safety Chris Miller leads a Baylor secondary that's greatly improved from a season ago. A year after giving up 267 passing yards per game, Miller is part of a unit that's now only allowing 219 through the air. The Frisco, Texas, native is also an extremely reliable tackler, leading all Baylor players with 34 total tackles.

Miller and the Baylor defense, however, will need to find a way to perform better than last week against Kansas State. The Wildcats ripped the Bears to the tune of 34 points and 468 total yards, the most Kansas State has compiled against an opponent this season. Texas offensive coordinator Tim Beck will see that as a sign he can exert his will on the Bears come Saturday. Where Miller will need to step up is in run support and preventing big passing plays. If he doesn't, it could be a long day for the Baylor defense.

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HEISMAN WATCH

BY DONNAVAN SMOOT @Dsmoot3D

As the season continues to move forward, a trio of quarterbacks continue to dominate the Heisman conversation, but a pair of outside challengers now have their eye on college football's greatest individual award.

Here's a look at a few Heisman favorites along with some dark horse candidates:

Frontrunners

#13 Tua Tagovailoa, quarterback, No. 1 Alabama

We're running out of superlatives to give Tua Tagovailoa. This season, he's shown that he can perform at the highest level with the highest efficiency, week in and week out. He has yet to throw an interception or even play in the fourth quarter of a game, but

his numbers are still on par with the full-game numbers of his counterparts.

Over the weekend, he threw for 334 yards and four touchdowns — on 13 attempts. He's in the middle of a historic season, comparable to any Heisman-winning quarterback over the past decade. As of right now, he has an inside track to the Heisman trophy.

#1 Kyler Murray, quarterback, No. 11 Oklahoma

Murray took the first loss of his career as a starter last week. However, it was not because he failed to do his job. Murray was as electrifying as ever in his first (and last) Red River Showdown, specifically in the second half. Oklahoma was pedestrian in the first half and for a majority of the third,

only scoring 24 points. In the fourth quarter, the Sooners and their dynamic quarterback woke up.

Murray started the fourth quarter barrage with a touchdown pass that brought the Sooners within two scores. On the next drive, he showed why he's one of the most dangerous players in the country. After dropping back, Murray scrambled outside the pocket, scurried up the left sideline and scored a 67-yard touchdown. His performance in the second half brought Oklahoma back to tie the game, but the Sooners lost after Cameron Dicker hit a 40-yard field goal. Still, Murray's five touchdown performance keeps him among the Heisman favorites.



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#7 Will Grier, quarterback No. 6 West Virginia

Grier had a subpar game by his standards. He had his yards (332) and his touchdowns (4), but the problem was his turnovers (4). Grier has been spectacular up to this point. He's been explosive, efficient and has the Mountaineers sitting as the last undefeated team in the Big 12.

At this point in the season, the senior quarterback is

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KEYS TO THE GAME: BAYLOR

BY WILLS LAYTON
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After defeating the Oklahoma Sooners in the Red River Rivalry, Longhorn fans have a lot to be excited about. Not only is the team ranked in the Top 10, but it also has an inside track to the Big 12 Championship game. The fact this can be said about the Texas football team means one thing: Texas is back, right? In order to stay back, the Longhorns will need to take care of business against Baylor. Here are your keys to the game:

Tighten up the run defense

Although the defense did a good job of containing Oklahoma's explosive

quarterback Kyler Murray last week through the first three quarters, it allowed an abundance of chunk plays in the fourth. The Longhorns were up by three touchdowns before the Sooners began their comeback that came up just short thanks to Texas' freshman kicker Cameron Dicker.

The Sooners ran for over 200 yards in the game, including a 67-yard run by Murray that cut the Longhorn's lead to one touchdown. In last week's win over Kansas State, Baylor ran for over 260 yards and was unstoppable on the ground.

While the Texas defense is much better than Kansas State's, Baylor will still try to run the ball down the throats of defenders. If the Longhorns want to continue rising in the rankings, they will need defensive players such as senior defensive linemen Charles

Omenihu and Chris Nelson to continue to step up and lead the unit.

Maintain an offensive identity

Texas quarterback Sam Ehlinger has become what everyone has hoped and dreamed he would be when he took over for Shane Buechele last year: a star. His development has been obvious this season. Since the loss to Maryland in Week One, which seems like years ago, Ehlinger has thrown nine touchdowns and has rushed for six. Perhaps most importantly, though, he hasn't thrown an interception since Week One.

Wide receivers Collin Johnson and Lil'Jordan Humphrey have both established themselves as big-bodied, dependable receivers, with Humphrey catching nine passes for over 130 yards and a touchdown against Oklahoma. Their big

frames, combined with the development of their quarterback, continue to result in dangerous weapons for Texas.

Finally, the run game has finally caught a rhythm, as Tre Watson and Keaontay Ingram have formed a formidable duo. Coupled with strong special teams play and the always-dependable Dicker the Kicker, the offense needs to maintain its strong identity if it wants to contend for a possible Big 12 Championship and College Football Playoff spot.

Don't lose focus

This one may be the hardest key to follow. It will be tough to shift the focus from last week's nail-biter to this week's game. It is very similar to the Kansas State game where, after playing two straight ranked opponents, the Longhorn offense

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Lil'Jordan Humphrey

NO. 84, WIDE RECEIVER

PENNING A LONGHORN LEGACY

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ANTHONY MIRELES | THE DAILY TEXAN STAFF
Junior wide receiver Lil'Jordan Humphrey hauls in a touchdown catch during Texas' 48-45 win over then-No. 7 Oklahoma at the Cotton Bowl on Oct. 6.



LIL'LETTER TO AMERICA

*America, America, the land of the free
Where black people can die from just being black and free
They protest to be able to live life in peace like the majority
Thugs and animalistic people is all you see
In reality, all they really want in life is equality
Instead, America which is the land of the free
Elects a president with zero political history
To restore the long legacy of white supremacy*

*Minorities were never a part of the American dream
They were only brought here to build your dream
I used to believe in this American dream
Dream that one I would be playing in front of thousand, on a
college team
I have achieved that dream
And believe that, it was only a scheme*

*For you to continue to exploit black men
To continue to view them as animals, Then
Have the nerve to say 'Make America Great Again'
It was only great for white men
You on the other hand just want free labor again
So, you can continue to try to find new and creative ways to enslave
black men*

BY LIL'JORDAN HUMPHREY

Lil'Jordan Humphrey found a fine point pen, and he's using it in more ways than one.

Months before Lil'Jordan Humphrey secured the title as Texas' leader in receiving yards six games into the season, the 6-foot-4-inch

wide receiver penned a poem, 'Lil'Letter to America,' voicing his take on race relations in the United States.

"It's always been a situation that's been talked about," Humphrey said. "I live it. We live in it, and I can't just turn a blind eye because it's the society we live in."

Humphrey's poem was an assignment for his American literature class where was tasked to write something about his feelings. After submitting, he went to his coaches to discuss the possibility of posting his work on social media.

He got the go-ahead from his coaches before tweeting his work, with the caption, 'A Lil piece of my mind,' on July 13.

"I was proud of him for expressing his feelings," head coach Tom Herman said. "He wrote it and felt like he wanted to post it and share it. I support it. That's the beauty of social media."

Three months later, Humphrey is demanding even more attention. This time, it's for his poetry-in-motion-like performance in the Red River Showdown.

Growing up in the Dallas area, and attending Southlake Carroll High School, Humphrey had the rivalry in his backyard every year. He just

never had the opportunity to actually attend the game.

"I used to go to the fair and hear about this game all the time and watch it on TV to watch all the big plays and hype around it," Humphrey said. "I never thought I'd get to play in this game, but to be able to is very exciting."

With his parents and siblings in the front row of the Cotton Bowl, Lil'Jordan recorded nine receptions for 133 yards and accounted for two touchdowns in Texas' 48-45 victory over then-No. 7 Oklahoma.

"I didn't know they were going to be sitting that close," Humphrey said. "They got to see me play. That's the reason I came to Texas, to play in games like that in front of them."

Humphrey hauled in a touchdown pass and even connected with Collin Johnson, the Bonnie to his Clyde, when he checked into the game as quarterback and tossed him a two-yard touchdown pass.

But neither of these plays were the play of the game, Herman said. That came when the Longhorns faced a third-and-21 in the third quarter. Humphrey caught a pass from quarterback Sam Ehlinger on a tunnel screen, just to put their punter, Ryan Bujcevski, in position to pin the Sooners back in their own territory.

Humphrey was hit roughly 15 yards away from the first yard marker, which would have gotten the job done. But the offensive line proceed to pile behind Humphrey and drag him 12 more yards, simply overpowering the Oklahoma defense.

Humphrey ended up gaining 19 yards, allowing Texas to convert on a fourth down attempt rather than punt. While Herman said it was a "snapshot of our culture of toughness," it also led to a touchdown, putting Texas up, 31-10.

"That play is exactly who we are as an offensive line," graduate transfer Calvin Anderson said. "When you see the guys run out, not even really a play we're supposed to be a part of, run out and push Lil'Jordan forward — it was Zach (Shackelford), Elijah (Rodriguez) and Sam (Cosmi) — guys are just going to do whatever they can to make a play happen."

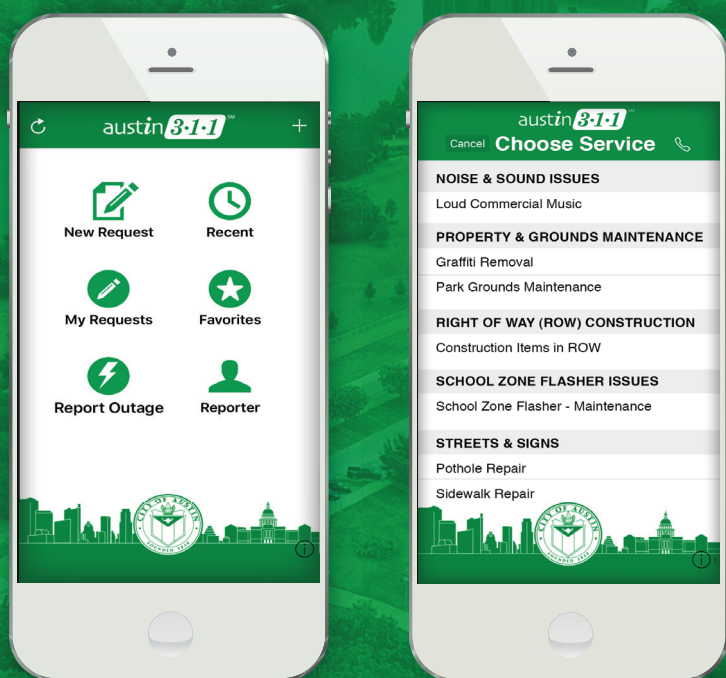
After Texas secured the three-point victory over Oklahoma, Lil'Jordan headed up an elevator to speak at the postgame press conference. As the moderator introduced Herman, Ehlinger and Charles Omenihu, he stumbled on Lil'Jordan Humphrey's name, just saying "Jordan."

Herman interrupted him, saying, "Lil'Jordan ... I'm a stickler for names."

The longer the season progresses, the more people learn about the small, yet pivotal, 'Lil' placed right before 'Jordan.' From leading the team in receiving yards to throwing touchdown passes with his family in the front row, Lil'Jordan continues to write his legacy at Texas with a finer pen. His next piece of work will be displayed at Darrell K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium against Baylor on Saturday.

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HEISMAN

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not only playing for a Big 12 championship and a Heisman. He's also playing for his individual draft stock. Grier is part of a class that has been labeled a defensive class. However, every year, teams trade a king's ransom for a potential franchise quarterback. Grier would love to be the seen as the missing piece to a team's puzzle.

Dark horses

#11 Sam Ehlinger,
quarterback No. 9 Texas

Although it may seem like a stretch at first, Ehlinger is creeping up many Heisman boards. He's fixed his main issue from last year — turning the ball over. Ehlinger has only thrown two interceptions this season and hasn't committed a turnover since Week One. He has accounted for 17 touchdowns and has Texas back in the Top 10 after the program's biggest win this decade. With every win, Ehlinger's stature and notoriety grows. It is going to take a bigger sample size than three games, but at the end of the year, don't be surprised if Ehlinger is sitting in New York as a finalist.

#2 Laviska Shenault Jr., wide receiver, No. 19 Colorado

The Heisman trophy hasn't been awarded to a player whose sole position is wide receiver since Tim Brown received the award in 1987. It will take a spectacular season by a receiver to garner the award. Right now, Shenault Jr. is in the midst of such a season. He's on pace for nearly 1,700 yards and 24 touchdowns by the year's end. He has proven to be Colorado's entire offense, scoring all four touchdowns in their win over Arizona State. Shenault Jr. should remain on the radar as the season progresses.

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played conservatively and narrowly escaped Manhattan with a 19-14 victory.

After the Baylor game is a challenging matchup against

Oklahoma State on the road and then a likely top-ten matchup with West Virginia in Austin, which will have lasting implications on both the College Football Playoff and the Big 12. It is hard not to look past Baylor.

However, Baylor is much

improved from last year's one-win team. The Bears are sitting at 4-2, with a 2-1 record in the Big 12. They have a decent run game, and their defense is nothing to scoff at. It will take a good game plan and focus to prevent a possible upset.

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BIG 12 POWER RANKINGS

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NO. 1 Texas Longhorns

The 48 points scored against OU were the most put on the board by the Longhorns in the history of the Red River Rivalry. Combine that with a game-winning field goal, and Texas reaches the top of the Big 12 power rankings for the first time in what feels like ages. Texas has now won five straight games, with three coming over ranked opponents. Sam Ehlinger found the endzone five times Saturday and finished without an interception for the fifth straight game.

NO. 5 Texas Tech Red Raiders

For three quarters, it appeared that the Red Raiders were going to be blown out at home against Will Grier and the Mountaineers. However, a late comeback attempt by replacement quarterback Jett Duffey provides optimism for Tech moving forward. The Raiders showed that they are truly a dual-threat team last Saturday with 295 receiving yards on 25 catches.

NO. 7 Iowa State Cyclones

An upset over Oklahoma State moves Iowa State up the ladder just a bit this week. Coming off of a 48-point rout, the Cyclones are back to their winning ways for now. A matchup with West Virginia this week will likely determine the fate of this team.

NO. 9 Kansas Jayhawks

A last-second field goal by the Baylor Bears gave Kansas State their third consecutive loss. The Wildcats have dropped games to three ranked opponents and have not been able to secure an impressive victory. A matchup this weekend against Oklahoma State, the nation's 8th ranked offense, does not appear promising for Kansas State.

NO. 2 West Virginia Mountaineers

West Virginia remained undefeated with a 38-22 victory over Kansas this past weekend. However, it wasn't the prettiest victory. Quarterback Will Grier threw three interceptions to a Jayhawks defense that has allowed the second most points in Big 12 play. But still, despite the errors, the No. 6 Mountaineers have yet to score less than 35 points in a game this season.

NO. 6 Oklahoma State Cowboys

Oklahoma State suffered a tough loss at the hands of Iowa State this weekend. Coming in at 4-1, the Cowboys had hopes of staying ranked and keeping momentum on their side heading into Manhattan. Instead, they allowed a season-high 48 points to the Cyclones, which is certainly concerning for a team with hopes of making a big bowl game this season.

NO. 8 TCU Horned Frogs

TCU had the week off, which keeps them low in the standings. The Horned Frogs did get back on track two weeks ago with a victory over Iowa State, but there are still questions surrounding the offense. Right now, uncertainties with Gary Patterson's group may keep them in the bottom half of the rankings for weeks to come.

NO. 10 Kansas State Wildcats

Kansas' short stint of being out of the cellar of the Big 12 has come to an end following their 38-22 loss to West Virginia. The lone bright spot for the Jayhawks was intercepting Will Grier three times. Kansas goes on the road to Lubbock and Fort Worth over the next two weeks, providing one of the tougher stretches their schedule has to offer.

NO. 3 Oklahoma Sooners

A glimmer of hope turned into a brutal heartbreak for the Sooners at the Cotton Bowl this weekend. Trailing by 21 points in the fourth quarter, Kyler Murray and company rallied to tie the Longhorns late in the fourth before a game-winning field goal sunk their comeback attempt. The Sooners' first loss of the season comes with more baggage upon the announcement of defensive coordinator Mike Stoops being let go.

NO. 4 Baylor Bears

A year removed from a 1-11 season is enough to thrust Baylor into the No. 4 spot of the power rankings. The Bears are 4-2 thanks to a last-second field goal that gave them a massive conference victory over Kansas State. Baylor's momentum may come to a screeching halt in the coming weeks, though, with Texas and West Virginia slated over the next two weeks.

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BETTING

BUY OR SELL: WHERE TO BET IN WEEK 7

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I'm not an expert by any stretch of the imagination. I'm just a college student who watches too much college football and places bets he can't afford — like most of y'all. If you're trying to pay off student loans or simply saving up to buy a National Championship ticket for Alabama versus Texas, then you might be in the right place. This weekly column is where I will give you my best bets for the week in college football. I am not responsible for any money lost.

Texas Tech (+7) at TCU

How much has TCU dropped off from last year? Is Texas Tech a legit conference contender this year? Are either of them good?

Both TCU quarterback Shawn Robinson and Tech gunslinger Alan Bowman are expected to play so we might be able to start separating the good and bad teams in the Big 12. TCU has lost two of their last three games, with their win coming against Iowa State by only three. Meanwhile, Tech almost came back against West Virginia with Jeff Duffey at quarterback. I'm not sure what's worse, betting on Kliff Kingsbury or betting against Gary Patterson after a bye.

Arizona (+13.5) vs Utah

Yes, I know Utah just annihilated Stanford on the road and Kevin Sumlin looks lost with Khalil Tate, BUT hear me out. First off,

Stanford is not a good football team, right? Yeah, they beat Oregon, but they didn't deserve that win. Second, Arizona has sneakily won three of their last four games. Yes, those three wins are Southern Utah, Oregon State and California, but Sumlin at least has the Wildcats trending in the right direction. I'm not sure if the Wildcats pull off the upset, but I don't see Utah beating them by two touchdowns.

Florida (-7) vs Vanderbilt

The SEC is tough to read this year. Every week, we think we have it figured out, and then (insert underperforming SEC team here) looks dominate against (insert

overrated SEC team here). After Alabama and Georgia, who is the best SEC team? You can make cases for six teams, including Florida. After losing to Kentucky, the Gators have reeled off four straight wins, beating Mississippi State and LSU in the past two weeks. On the other hand, Vanderbilt just looks like a bad team. The Commodores opened SEC play at home against South Carolina and got blown out by 23. Shouldn't Florida do the same thing? You would think, but at this point, who knows with the SEC. You can't even count on Alabama covering anymore.

Missouri (+27.5) vs Alabama

Speaking of Alabama ... Oh boy,

I'm going to regret this one. Alabama's defense has *ducks under table* looked rather sloppy, and although Nick Saban has voiced his displeasure, I don't think the Tide are in any shape to give another classic beatdown to a lesser SEC foe. Missouri and quarterback Drew Lock are ninth in total offense this year and can flat out move the ball. Also, Missouri has not played against Alabama since the 2014 SEC Championship Game, where the Tide handed the Tigers a 42-13 loss. Alabama will likely win comfortably against the Tigers, but having zero tape on Lock — and an underperforming defense — is a recipe for Alabama not covering for the third straight week.

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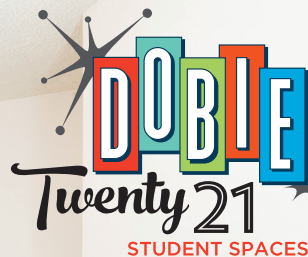
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NO. 2 GEORGIA

AT

NO. 13 LSU


Saturday, 2:30 p.m., CBS

This could have been a matchup between two undefeated SEC squads, but LSU dropped its first game of the season in a 27-19 loss at Florida last weekend. Tigers quarterback Joe Burrow threw his first two interceptions of the season — both in the final two minutes of LSU's loss. But the team returns home to Death Valley with its

15th-ranked points per game defense. Georgia continues to roll, defeating each opponent by a minimum of two touchdowns so far this season. The Bulldogs' strongest unit is also their defense, which only allows 13 points per game. Points may be at a premium in this matchup of defensive heavyweights, so don't be surprised if the kickers play a monumental factor all afternoon.


NO. 7 WASHINGTON

AT

NO. 17 OREGON


Saturday, 2:30 p.m., ABC/ESPN2

Oregon won every matchup over its northern rival from 2004–2015. But the series is now in the hands of the Huskies, who have pulverized Oregon by an aggregate score of 108-24 in the past two meetings. Both Washington and Oregon have one loss to their name, and it'll be up

to the quarterbacks to determine which team wins. The Huskies' Jake Browning anchored the team to a playoff appearance in 2016, while the Ducks' Justin Herbert owns the highest passer rating in the Pac-12, while averaging 10.4 yards per passing attempt. Stanford is still in the mix, but the result of this game is a strong determinant of 2018's Pac-12 North champion.


NO. 10 UCF

AT

MEMPHIS


Saturday, 2:30 p.m., ABC/ESPN2

The reigning national champions ride an 18-game winning streak into their battle with Memphis. The Tigers have proven to be UCF's toughest challenge during this impressive run, forcing double overtime with the Knights in last year's American Conference title game. There's plenty of star talent on both offenses, as UCF boasts

dual-threat quarterback McKenzie Milton (20 total touchdowns) and Memphis trots out running back Darrell Henderson. Henderson leads the nation with 934 yards — and he averages a ridiculous 11.8 yards per carry. The Knights have defeated every opponent by at least 20 to convince the playoff committee to take notice, but a visit to the Liberty Bowl won't be a cakewalk.


NO. 15 WISCONSIN

AT

NO. 12 MICHIGAN


Saturday, 6:30 p.m., ABC

The Big Ten is home to as many playoff contenders as any conference in football. New Year's Six spots are limited, so Wisconsin's trip to Ann Arbor holds high stakes for the outcome of the Badgers' and Wolverines' seasons. We haven't seen high scores recently in this series, with Wisconsin edging Michigan out 24-10 in

2017 and Michigan winning 14-7 in 2016. Offensively, the stars to watch are running backs Jonathan Taylor for Wisconsin (221 yards, three touchdowns vs. Nebraska) and Karan Higdon for Michigan (four straight games of 100 yards). Countering these backs are several All-American caliber linebackers, including T.J. Edwards for Wisconsin and Devin Bush for Michigan.


NO. 19 COLORADO

AT

USC


Saturday, 9:30 p.m., FS1

Your day of college football watching doesn't end after Michigan vs. Wisconsin. This week's late #Pac12AfterDark showdown features the lone undefeated program in the Pac-12 and the reigning conference champs. Colorado has already matched its 2017 win total with a perfect 5-0 record. The lethal connection of Steven

Montez to Laviska Shenault Jr., who averages an FBS-best 141.6 receiving yards per contest, has contributed to the Buffaloes' offensive resurgence. Meanwhile, USC has won two straight after a sluggish start and remains a contender in a wide open Pac-12 South. The Trojans are led by senior inside linebacker Cameron Smith, who averages a team-high 9.4 tackles per game.



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