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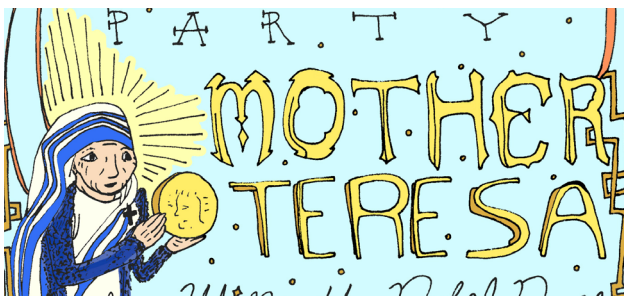

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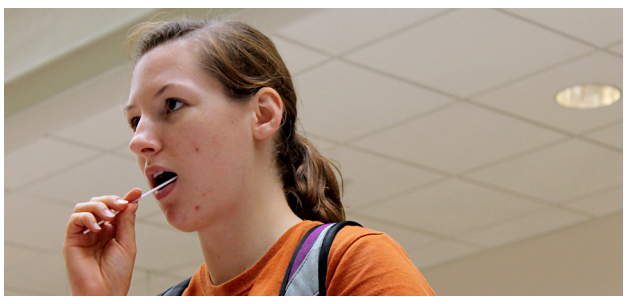

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POLICE

UTPD rolls out new Ford Explorers

By Alberto Long
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UTPD's newest form of transportation — a fleet of brand-new, police-ready Ford Explorers — cost UTPD roughly $50,000 per vehicle. Campus security administrators had to fight to enable these and other enhancements in the face of wide-reaching budget cuts.

Bob Harkins, vice president for Campus Safety and Security, said departments at all levels of the University were faced with budget deficits, but in the end, interest in campus safety was enough to avert any reduction in UTPD's funds, which stands at almost $9 million for the 2013-14 fiscal year.

"We protected the people in UTPD," Harkins said. "We protected their training and their equipment."

Assistant chief of police Terry McMahan said UTPD's vehicles undergo a significant amount of wear and tear — more so than the average car — and the department needs continued funding to replace vehicles every year.

"Officers get in and out of their vehicles 24-seven," McMahan said. "Cars take a beating in this business."

Harkins said $50,000 sounds like a significant amount of money to spend on a car, but roughly $15,000 of the cost comes from policing equipment installed in each vehicle.

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UTPD rolled out new Ford Explorers this year that cost about $50,000 each.

POLICE

New trial denied for 2005 Austin murder case

By Alberto Long
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Colton Pitonyak, a former UT student convicted for the 2005 slaying and dismemberment of 21-year-old Jennifer Cave in his West Campus apartment, was denied a new trial Wednesday by the Fifth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

For six years, Pitonyak's lawyers have unsuccessfully appealed the case based on an alternative-perpetrator theory. Pitonyak's counsel has long claimed that his accomplice, former UT student Laura Hall, murdered Cave, citing confessions Hall made to fellow inmates while in prison.

The Fifth Circuit agreed to review Pitonyak's case based on claims that prosecutors withheld evidence containing Hall's confessions during the initial trial in 2007. Pitonyak was granted a hearing in August based on a subsequent Brady violation — a federal violation denying a defendant due process — which the judge called "perplexing and [deserving] of further review," according to an official court document.

"Given the jailhouse context of Hall's confession and its lack of corroboration and detail, the state court reasonably could have concluded that Hall's statement could not overcome the overwhelming problems with an alternate-perpetrator theory," the court said in Wednesday's opinion.

Chris Perri, one of Pitonyak's lawyers, said he is disappointed by the court's

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CAMPUS

Local shop constructs UT-centric signs

By Anthony Green
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In a small metal building on the outskirts of campus, a large format printer with ink cartridges protruding from its side like machine gun clips meticulously prints a 30-foot-long burnt orange banner. The mixed smell of adhesive, ink and paper wafts throughout the building's weathered walls, giant wooden tables and sheet metal sheer.

It is in this compact space that assistant supervisor Matthew Carpenter and his team of two operate the University Sign Shop — a service offered by Project Management and Construction Services that provides full-color signs, banners and graphics for University-related use.

Carpenter left his illustration and graphic design studies at a Manhattan design school to seek work.

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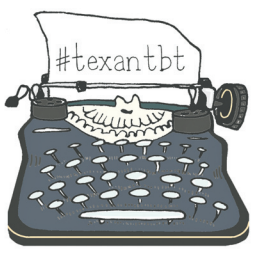
University Sign Shop assistant supervisor Matthew Carpenter explains how letters were cut out of a piece of plastic in order to make a sign. On any given day, the University Sign Shop is processing two to 10 work orders for the University.

THROWBACK

OU rivalry stands strong after 68 years



Editor's note: This is the fourth in a weekly series in which The Daily Texan looks back at something it covered in its 113-year-old history.

By Reeana Keenen
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The cheers that erupted from Dallas' Cotton Bowl Stadium on Saturday following the Longhorns' upset win over the Sooners echoed similar cheers from another era: the Red River Rivalry game 68 years ago.

On Oct. 13, 1945, the Longhorns made the annual trek to Dallas to face Oklahoma just as they did this past weekend, but with one critical difference: The 1945 Texas team had a 6-0 winning streak over the Sooners.

The Longhorns might be hit-or-miss, but back then, Texas football reigned supreme and the fans were just as devoted as they are now.

The Hook 'Em hand sign might not have been invented yet, but Texas fans found other ways to express their enthusiasm. In a 1945 article, Bill Johnson, a sports writer for The Daily Texan, wrote that thousands of fans made the journey to Dallas to support the boys in orange and white in the 40th annual matchup between the two schools.

UT students joined with the band to rally the players last week for the game. The University held a send off in 1945, too, which according to the article did not have its usual large attendance that year but was still spirited. The send off included the Longhorn band, members of the UT community and a multitude of cheers.

> "Following the Longhorns' arrival in Dallas for the '45 Shootout, the city hosted a torch-lit parade with Dallas city officials and the Cowboys in attendance.

Johnson said Texas fans were as vocal as ever: "a roar of 'L-O-L-O-L-O-N-G' greeted the Longhorns in their dressing room."

Following the Longhorns' arrival in Dallas for the '45 Shootout, the city hosted a torch-lit parade with Dallas city officials and the Cowboys in attendance.

Even though this year's Red River Rivalry was estimated by Forbes to have an attendance of nearly 40,000 Oklahoma fans alone compared to the 40,000 total in attendance in 1945, the traditions and record of the rivalry have not changed all that much.

A recent article on *ESPN.com* indicates that wins have been shuffled back and forth between Texas and Oklahoma for at least the past 25 years, with each school taking two or three wins in a row.

But as in October 1945, it's the favorite that often comes up on top. One such exception was 1989 when the Longhorns snatched the victory, led by quarterback Peter

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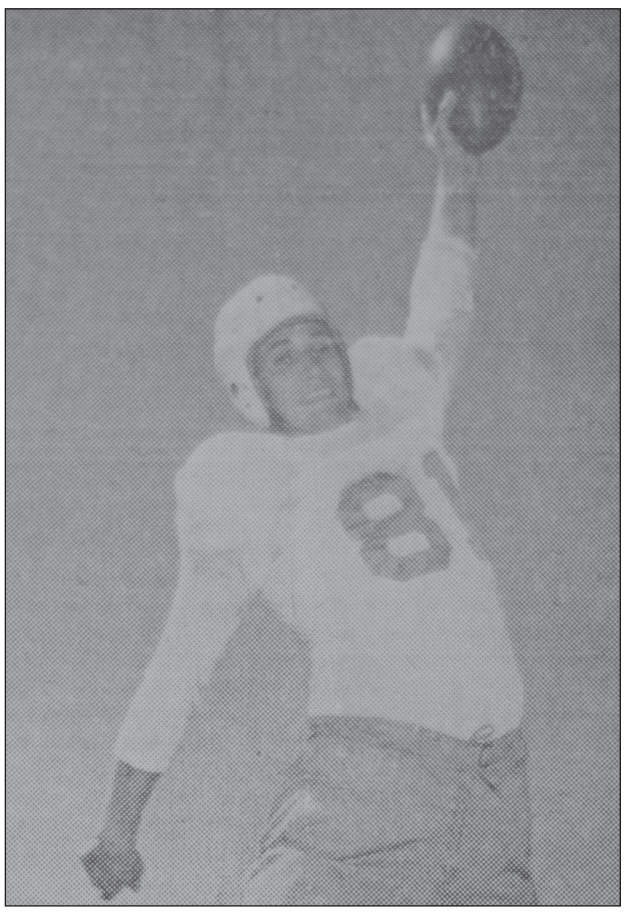

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Hubert Bechtol, left end for the 1945 Texas team, jumps for joy after extending the Longhorns' win streak over OU to 7-0.

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Correction: Because of a reporting error, a story in the Oct. 15 issue of The Daily Texan a story about the pilot transportation service initiative Uride 24-5 misstated the starting dates. The title "Uride 24-5" refers to the pilot initiative that will be in place during the Fall semester of 2013. The Spring program, if enacted, will be called "safe-ride."

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FRAMES FEATURED PHOTO

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Graffiti artist Matthew Winters contributes to the Baylor Street Art Wall on Wednesday afternoon.

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When he moved to Austin, Carpenter landed a job at the at the University Sign Shop through his pastor, who worked at University Construction Services full time. Carpenter has been working for the University for 19 years.

"I kind of stumbled into the job," Carpenter said. "Though it might not have been exactly what I had planned on doing, the job had an artistic angle to it. There were enough design and creative aspects of the job that I thought I could come here and do something good and make a difference."

Giant "Texas Fight" banners from Saturday's OU game all bearing tiny black streaks are hung on the walls, serving as a reminder that quality control is one of the main focuses of the shop. Carpenter said there are more than 40 years of design experience between him and his staff, and that each project they work on is treated with a laser-focused attention to detail.

"We are all highly critical of the work we do and the quality of the finished product," Carpenter said.

For the skilled team, the job isn't as hard as it is busy. The shop is currently overseeing 60 work orders, including a series of painted wood renderings of the Tower showing energy savings at various University buildings. Carpenter said fulfilling all of the orders to the standards they demand of themselves can be difficult with their limited staff.

"At times, it can be difficult due to our small facility and manpower, but we try our damnedest and put a lot of heart into what we do because we know the projects are important to our clients," Carpenter said.

In the past, the shop has facilitated many designs and banners for the athletics department, numerous colleges in the University and even had a hand in designing the look of UTPD's squad cars.

The shop also helped create designs for University Health Services, said Joshua Cook, assistant director for Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs.

In December, their office will be relocated to a larger space within the facilities building. Landscape Services will move into the shop's former space.

"The plan at this time is to have some part of Landscape Services occupy the current location [of the sign shop]," said Laurie Lentz, business and financial services communications manager. "There may be modifications to the building but [there are] no current plans to reconstruct the building."

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Before purchasing vehicles from the state, the department takes gas efficiency, quality and interior spaciousness into consideration.

"We want our officers to be comfortable," McMahan said. "Some professionals have offices — University police officers have patrol cars. The car is the office."

McMahan said vehicles are replaced after they accumulate high mileage or become too expensive to maintain. Once a car is decommissioned, it is stripped down and auctioned off by the University.

"[Our vehicles] don't accumulate mileage on highways like most cars do — it's city mileage and that's tough on an engine," McMahan said.

Once a proposal for a new fleet is drawn up by the department, it is up to Patricia Clubb, vice president of University Operations, to decide whether to approve the department's requests. Clubb said she is sympathetic to police officers' need for a working vehicle and strives to get as much funding for the department as she can.

"There's a lot of starting and stopping, which causes a whole lot of wear and tear on those vehicles," Clubb said. "The officers are really dependent on their cars and that's a big part of what they do … We run these cars into the ground. When they're ready to be replaced, we step up and fund those new vehicles."

Although administration shielded the department from significant cuts, Clubb said the department's cost-efficiency also makes equipment enhancements possible. She said improvements in police technology such as the installation of laptop computers in police cruisers have streamlined UTPD's record-keeping process, saving the department time and money.

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>
> —Patricia Clubb, vice president of University Operations

"We can spend more time on policing and less time on the paperwork," Clubb said.

Currently, UTPD has 18 commissioned vehicles — 10 patrol cars, four supervisor vehicles and four canine transfer units.

McMahan said he expects new vehicles to last three to five years before they are rotated out of commission.

Clubb said she will continue to stand up for the department and push to get them the resources they need.

"The campus depends on the police department for its safety," Clubb said. "I think there's a feeling of well-being throughout campus because of having a good police department. Safety is what they're all about, and I think they've done a great job."

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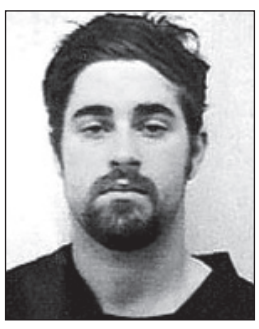
decision, but maintains that the case is alive and well and plans to appeal the case to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Pitonyak is currently serving a 55-year prison sentence for the murder and mutilation of Cave, who was found shot and dismembered in a bathtub at Pitonyak's West Campus apartment.

Hall, a friend of Pitonyak's who is described as his jealous lover by court documents, is currently serving a 10-year sentence for tampering with evidence. Both fled to Mexico following the murder and were apprehended by authorities during their attempt to cross the border back into the U.S.



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CITY

Students speak out against UT financial decisions

By Nicole Cobler
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Graduate student Adam Tallman, a member of the Texas State Employees Union, talks about the recent shuttle route closures at the Neoliberalism and the Corporate Takeover of UT Austin meeting Wednesday night.

Shuttle route cuts caused by a lack of funding and a new smarter service system were a few of the concerns expressed by students in the International Socialist Organization at a forum Wednesday.

The forum, at the Congregational Church of Austin, addressed the Cameron Road and Wickersham Lane shuttle routes because of low ridership and limited funding from the University to Capital Metro. Adam Tallman, linguistics graduate student and member of the Texas State Employees Union, said limited funding should not have been a problem if the University did not spend its money on things such as the Shared Services plan.

The Shared Services plan's goal is to reduce the work force of administration by 500 jobs over four years. The pilot program of Shared Services will be implemented before actually applying the plan.

Tallman traced the roots of the current political climate of UT and highlighted forms of resistance during a speech.

"UT administration refuses to show evidence to the public regarding privatization and justified cuts based on the budgetary crisis," Tallman said.

Following Tallman's speech, students spoke about the rising cost of tuition. Although students who spoke largely opposed the financial plan that is still in the works of being implemented, the University's stance is that the administrative system needs to be replaced and a modern system should be implemented.

Kevin Hegarty, vice president and chief financial officer of the University, said during an interview that the shared services model's goal would be to make sure few jobs are cut and have faculty do the work of multiple people. The plan is projected to save $280 million to $320 million over 10 years.

"We can sit still and do exactly what we're doing and have to cut almost 500 jobs, or we can take a different action and redesign a new construct ourselves that we think works with our campus," Hegarty said.

Kelly Booker, information studies graduate and full-time employee at the Tarlton Law Library of the School of Law, said she disagrees with the idea of "less people doing more work" because they will not receive more money for the extra work they do.

"For those of use that are lucky enough to keep our jobs, it means we're working more for less money," Booker said.

CAMPUS

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Neurobiology sophomore Amber Garza registers to becomes a blood or bone marrow donor with the Delete Blood Cancer DKMS Longhorn chapter.

DNA registry draws potential donors

By Niq Velez
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Those who suffer from leukemia, lymphoma or multiple myeloma can be treated when matched with a suitable donor, and all the information needed to save a life can be found on a single cotton swab — something UT students had in mind when swabbing hundreds of cheeks Wednesday.

Students from the Longhorn chapter of Delete Blood Cancer DKMS registered students for a national database, with the goal of matching cancer patients with a donor that could give them a blood or bone marrow transplant.

Katherine Kuntz, management senior and co-founder of the chapter, said she chose to advocate DNA registration because she has been personally impacted by a donation.

"I got involved because my mom was diagnosed with cancer in March 2012 — acute myloid leukemia," Kuntz said. "They basically told her, 'You have to have a donor in order to survive.' Luckily she had a perfect match. She's been 1 year and 3 months cancer-free."

Amy Roseman, recruitment coordinator for Delete Blood Cancer, said only four out of 10 patients suffering from a blood-related cancer find a donor. Roseman said the process of finding a donor is difficult because the immune system often rejects the genetic signature of donated tissue.

"There are thousands of different combinations of DNA," Roseman said. "Only 30 percent of patients even find a match within their family, so the odds of finding a match with a complete stranger are astronomically small — only 1 percent of people who register are identified to be a donor. We're trying to add as many people to the database as possible to in order to have the best chance at saving lives."

Kuntz said there is a lot of misinformation about the process of marrow donation.

"[Most people] think [doctors are] going to take a chunk, and you're going to be awake, and it will be painful," Kuntz said. "They just think all of these crazy things that are not true."

Roseman said actual bone marrow transplants are not the norm — only patients under 3 years old need them, and in these cases the donor is sedated during the surgery. Roseman said what 75-80 percent of patients actually need is stem cells, and most of the time these can be extracted from the blood stream.

Roseman said it takes three minutes to swab the inside of the cheeks for genetic information.

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"People don't realize how easy it is," Roseman said. "Giving somebody a second chance at life is a very unique opportunity."

Jeffrey Stulmaker, government junior and co-founder of the club, said blood cancer should be easily addressed.

"It's the only form of cancer where you depend on someone else to survive," Stulmaker said.

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Gardere — who offered the 2013 squad much-needed advice in the ESPN article.

"The rankings mean nothing in this game," he said. "Really strange things can happen."

And indeed it did come as a great shock when, after three years devastatingly devoid of a Longhorn win over OU, Texas finally seized a 16-point victory this year.

The Red River Shootout and the teams themselves have changed tremendously since the beginning of Texas-Oklahoma matchups 108 years ago, but one thing is certain: The fierce rivalry is still alive and UT fans are just as devoted as they were when they trampled Oklahoma back in '45.

And regardless of whether it's 1945 or 2013, most Longhorns tend to agree that OU still sucks either way.

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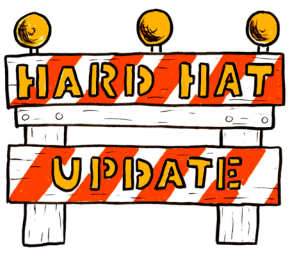
Asbestos treated on campus in RLM Hall



By Reanna Zuniga
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Exposed asbestos in Robert Lee Moore Hall was treated Tuesday, but many older UT buildings still have asbestos in their insulation. The treatment was completed after the fibrous material was found on the third floor, which could have become a hazard to students and faculty.

Asbestos, a group of naturally occurring fibrous materials, was used for insulation in many campus buildings built before the 1980s. It often makes up the insulation around pipes and ceiling tiles and can be found in several types of glues and caulks.

Chip Rogers, associate director in the department of Environmental Health and Safety, said asbestos is not hazardous if it is undisturbed.

"When the wood flooring warped in the RLM, they took it out and found that there was a substance that is called black mastic under it," Rogers said. "It is a tar-like substance that often has asbestos in it, so we tested it and found that it did contain asbestos."

Rogers said that if the floor had not warped then there would have been no reason to remove the asbestos because there would not have been a threat to human safety.

"Asbestos is only a problem if it is dry and in the air," he said.

Rogers said the University has a well-organized procedure for handling asbestos and said it is usually just removed on an as-needed basis to avoid student exposure.

"If the world was a perfect place, we could go through every building," Rogers said. "But it is impossible to do that."

If inhaled, asbestos fibers can penetrate lung tissue and stay in the body, which could lead to asbestosis, lung cancer or mesothelioma.

Biology junior Karen Slater said she would not want to be in a room that is polluted and said she is pleased the University treats buildings for asbestos.

"The side effects of exposure to asbestos last a lifetime," Slater said. "It's important to test the levels [of asbestos] and make sure buildings are safe, and it's better to be safe than sorry."

Elena Capsuto, assistant director of campus and occupational safety, said it is important to determine when asbestos is a concern, but emphasized that asbestos is not as scary as people make it out to be.

"We have procedures in place that we follow and comply with state regulations," Capsuto said. "It's pretty standard, it's not dealing with anything new. We make sure it is handled properly."

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Machinist Donnie Cannon places a phone call from a recently cleansed area of the RLM's machine shop.

EDITORIAL

Student Government should keep their stipends

At Tuesday night's Student Government meeting, John Brown, a government sophomore and a College of Liberal Arts representative in the Student Government Assembly, stood and announced that members of the assembly were considering writing legislation that would eliminate the Student Government Executive Board's stipends, with a possible exception for members of the executive board who demonstrated financial need.

Though the resolution has yet to be written or introduced, it has already caused a stir among those familiar with the hallowed institution that is UT's Student Government.

At first glance, reallocating the money spent on Executive Board stipends to other initiatives sounds like a no-brainer.

Serving as Student Government President is, or at least is supposed to be, first and foremost a position of service.

But removing the stipends is problematic for more reasons than one, the most important of which is that it potentially limits the ability of disadvantaged students to serve on the Executive Board.

Though the supporters of this legislation claim that they'll be able to adequately address this issue, at present, we remain skeptical

Currently, the seven-member executive board, which includes the president, vice-president, chief of staff, communications director, internal and external financial directors and the administrative director, receive stipends ranging from $5,200 per year for the President and Vice President to $3,420 per year for the remaining five members of the board.

Student Government President Horacio Villarreal and Vice President Ugeo Williams also receive limited tuition allotments. These would not be affected by the planned legislation.

"We're not aiming to get rid of their tuition being waived, we're not even looking into touching their tuition," said Kallen Dimitroff, a supporter of the planned legislation. "I think everybody's basically of the conclusion that they deserve to have their tuition waived."

However, Dimitroff and others feel that the stipends provided to the executive board could be put to better use if the money was reallocated to the many registered student organizations that look to Student Government for appropriations.

That argument makes sense, but it doesn't take into account the value of those appropriations to the students who currently serve on the executive board. Student Government Chief of Staff Braydon Jones, for example, works 20 hours a week, and is required, like all members of the executive board, to submit a fiscal report to the Chair of the Assembly's Financial Committee. That's where the process, admittedly, gets a little murky.

The Chair of the Finance Committee is required to review the reports and must approve the release of the stipends to executive board members.

"We usually write up, usually close to a page, not even double-spaced, a pretty lengthy monthly report," Villarreal said of the process. "That we send to Chris Jordan, the Head of Financial Affairs Committee … we pretty much tell them almost anything and everything that we did this month, for example, 'I met with Rec Sports on a regular basis ... I've also gone on a cop ride-along to discuss student safety issues, I've approached the student services budget committee, we got 78 new followers on social media,' stuff like that, tangible things that we've done, as well as little things that we're prepping for."

If members of the Student Government assembly besides Jordan are interested in reviewing the Executive Board's work, they haven't as of yet shown any interest in doing so; according to Jordan, not a single member of the assembly has asked to see the stipend reports since last May.

Jordan, who also works as a Daily Texan Columnist, is in support of keeping the tuition stipends. "The amount of time that the people on the Executive Board work doesn't give them time to work any other jobs. What those stipends really are is the overhead cost of having an executive board," Jordan said.

And while some members of the executive board say that they would be able to hold their current positions even without their stipend — Villarreal said that his family "would have to make it work," — Jones said that three out of the seven executive board members would be unable to do their jobs without the stipends.

Dimitroff and other supporters of reallocating the supplements, admittedly, have attempted to confront the possibility that getting rid of the stipends could prevent economically disadvantaged students from participating in Student Government. However, Dimitroff said that the group authoring the legislation hasn't yet "ironed out" the mechanism by which they would do so.

"We want to include a clause that if you are on financial aid, or in a special circumstance situation, that you can apply for a stipend through the financial aid office or through some other entity." Dimitroff said. "Because if its someone that needs something, then that we can do, but if it's someone who comes from an affluent background that doesn't necessarily need that money, I'd rather see Best Buddies, I'd rather see University Democrats, I'd rather see College Republicans get that money."

However, limiting the stipends to just students who are receiving financial aid is problematic in that there's a strong possibility that doing so would violate the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act, or FERPA, which protects a student's personal and financial information from the pubic. Were the stipends only to be given to students with financial aid, which members of the Executive Board received aid would be readily apparent to anyone who looked at Student Government Budget, which would include all members of the finance committee and any interested member of the public, a clear violation FERPA.

Moreover, if candidates for Student Government were given the option to turn down stipends, we're concerned that they would be pressured to do so during the election process, whether or not they could actually afford to keep the job once in office. More alarming, disadvantaged students may not run for elected office at all, knowing that voters may be look poorly upon their financial need.

It's true, yes, that other legislative student organizations, such as Senate of College Councils, do not receive stipends as large as Student Government's. Villarreal said he didn't see this as problematic.

"I know that the other two [legislative student organizations] put in a ton of work, but we focus more on the campus-wide ... In my view, we cover a far bigger umbrella, so that takes a little bit more effort, a little more time to budget that time."

Of course, all of this fails to address the elephant in the room, which is the unspoken assumption that Student Government leaders tend to come from advantaged backgrounds. We'll quote "Joe," an anonymous online commenter, who left the following thought on a Daily Texan news story on the possible legislation: "Hell yes it should be cut.. Most of the rich frat boys and sorority girls probably don't even need it."

What "Joe"— and those who want the stipend cut — fail to realize is that the stipend is one of the few institutional features of Student Government that works toward a more equal student representation. If students feel that ridding along with cops and attending administrative meetings doesn't warrant a salary paid for by student fees, we'd remind them that students get exactly the Student Government president that they elected.

Cut stipends, and the field of possible candidates will only be narrowed, ensuring that a job that is traditionally bashed as "just a resume item" will now be a resume item only available to those students wealthy enough to afford it.

COLUMN

In shifting business culture, women have the advantage

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It's a well-established fact that women only earn 77 cents for every dollar earned by men in equal positions. Such figures are cited often in this day and age, and the crusade to break through the glass ceiling has been drilled into girls earlier and harder than in past generations. There is endless literature, for example, urging women to speak up, initiate salary negotiation and take more credit for their accomplishments — all traditionally masculine traits that have defined leadership in the past.

Consequently, women are now navigating the business world in a climate of rapid change. As the gender stereotypes of the working world are being uprooted, the statistics are starting to suggest that women may have more leverage in the boardroom than previously thought.

Female stereotypes used to center around the idea of a soft-spoken woman in an assistive role, like a secretary or a nurse. Certainly, there is still a major difference in the gender gap today. "All you have to do is look at the leadership of Fortune 500 companies or major law firms to see that women occupy only a tiny number of the top positions," said Lisa Moore, interim director of the women's and gender studies department. Now the stereotypes of a powerful businesswomen are starting to evolve into the idea of an ice queen that is single and aggressive. This leaves businesswomen in what is known as the 'Double Bind': too feminine to lead, too manly to be liked.

The trick to conquering the double bind is balancing dominant and communal qualities, and this requires that women be aware of the traditionally "feminine" qualities that they may possess and the social contexts in which these traits are appropriate. Traditionally "masculine" traits are seen as more outward and action-based, and can be essential in building confidence, leading teams and making bigger decisions. Traditionally "feminine" traits, on the other hand, are more receptive and people-based. Being able to listen, nurture and connect with others on a deeper level is necessary to build strong relationships and garner trust and support from those above and below you on the totem pole. Both types of energy are vital to being a dynamic and successful business leader, and women finally have the social climate necessary to wield both of them.

This is especially valuable when considering how dynamic the female role is in business as compared to men's. While women are at the forefront of overhauls of the secretary stereotype, businessmen are still expected to wear suits every day, cite the latest sports news and golf a hole-in-one while discussing stocks with ease. Though it is important for both men and women to not allow these preconceived notions to define them, the intention should never be to deliberately defy gender stereotypes for its own sake. As Kristina Elder, President of the Women in Business organization at UT, said, "As cliche as it sounds, you have to be yourself. You have to be authentic in order to build trust."

Research has supported the idea that adopting both masculine and feminine traits can lead to success in the business world. According to a Stanford study of 132 business school graduates over eight years, businesswomen with more of a mix of traditionally feminine and traditionally masculine traits that could 'self-monitor' their behavior and switch between the two were "1.5 times more likely to receive promotions than masculine men, and about two times as many promotions as feminine men." This finding suggests for the first time that women are on more than just a level playing field with men. Women are at a unique advantage.

This, of course, is only possible in an environment where we are all mindful of the disparities in gender equality and do not engage with institutions that practice it.

As Moore said, "Don't be content with an applicant pool, entry-level cohort, or leadership group that does not include a balance of men and women and people of different racial and ethnic backgrounds. Actively make diversity a priority in hiring and promotion. Recognize it as a form of excellence."

Though still not perfect, the conditions for female success in business are primed and better than ever. The only thing stopping women now is the decision to reach out and seize it.

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COLUMN

Progress made on worker's rights, but more now needed

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Last week, Solidarity Ignite, an advocacy group promoting fair working conditions in factories, hosted an event to highlight the benefits of the University Co-op's new partnership with Alta Gracia, a factory in the Dominican Republic that provides its workers with health benefits and a living wage.

Members of other groups, such as Make UT Sweatshop Free Coalition, which last September occupied UT President William Powers Jr's office, also attended the event.

UT ended up joining the students' preferred group, the Workers' Rights Consortium, which independently monitors working conditions in factories worldwide. The University Co-op pledged to invest $35,000 in Alta Gracia products. This investment was well short of students' demands of $250,000, but was significant. Similar investments have paid off at universities across the country, such as Duke, which effectively leveraged Alta Gracia's reputation on workers' rights to make the brand competitive at their campus store. However, the Co-op's limited investment highlights the university community's financial limitations and reminds anti-sweatshop movements that activism cannot start and end with the university or overseas philanthropy. Solidarity Ignite, therefore, brought Alta Gracia workers Yenny Perez and Maritza Vargas to speak to students and to put hard-to-ignore faces on the struggle for dignified work.

The speakers pushed listeners to dispense with easy comparisons and to challenge students to go beyond one hour events. The workers encouraged students to be active in preventing workplace tragedies.

Students wondering about the local costs of oversight lapses need only to look to West, Texas, where a nighttime fertilizer plant explosion killed 15 first responders and injured over 150, although no workers were killed.

Perez spoke about the years of struggle to bring a factory like Alta Gracia to the Dominican Republic, and of "before" Alta Gracia, at a BJ&B garment factory when many workers were beaten on the job and many of the organizations charged with monitoring the shops were "bought off." According to Perez, monitoring organizations would ask workers about their conditions with management looking on. Perez firmly believes that Alta Gracia is different, citing Alta Gracia's three-month paid maternal leave and the wages offered, which are three times higher than other factories in the country.

"It's like the difference between heaven and Earth," she said. Despite this praise, she reiterated that her intention was not to sell the audience on the Alta Gracia factory but to advocate for awareness in the U.S. She urged UT students to visit Alta Gracia and other factories in Dominican Republic.

Vargas discussed ongoing challenges, saying that workers were "counting on students" to take their activism beyond graduation. She conceded that the workers will, for now, focus on increasing investments on university campuses (more than 400 universities now support the factory). She argued creating a dilemma between the ability to stay in business and the ability to pay workers a decent wage is misleading because workers "make businesses run."

I thought of the August protests to raise the minimum wage for fast food workers here in the U.S. and asked her opinion of that national conversation. I was expecting a tacit support for that struggle, but her answer surprised and challenged me. She contended that the minimum wage debate distracted from structural inequality and said that employers use the minimum wage to depress salaries for workers. She encouraged students to "turn this mentality on its head" and move to a fight for a "dignified" wage. Her message was clear: Mere idealistic slogans, easy mainstream solutions and pity will not help workers.

All in all, the workers' presence forced those listening to pay attention to where UT apparel comes from and to rethink global paradigms. With growing inequality in the U.S., our raised voices in the Dominican Republic cannot be silent about exploitation at home.

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FOOD

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seamless eating experience.

Fried Nutella

Easily the biggest disappointment of the day, considering it was sold at the booth that was also serving deep-fried Cool Ranch Doritos pizza. The fried Nutella was some sort of puff pastry that was flash-fried and drizzled with not nearly enough Nutella to justify the price or the wait, both of which were abysmal and served as the biggest letdown of the fried food fare.

Deep fried margarita

Easily the most bizarre item of the adventure, the fried margarita consists of a pile of sugarless funnel cake pieces in a glass. They then add margarita mix and tequila, salt the rim and hand it over. This was all right but a plain margarita would have been better.

Fried chicken and waffle on a stick

This is exactly what it sounds like. Just picture a corndog, but replace the dog with fried chicken and add a layer of waffle wonderment. The cup of syrup really made this the perfect combination of sweet and salty.

Fried shrimp and grits

The fried shrimp and grits were love at first sight. Two balls of cheese and an admittedly small amount of shrimp served with spicy jam made for what ended up being one of the best deep fried treats at the fair. This was also one of the more filling items available. In a sea of batter filled with who-knows-what, the shrimp and grits were the standout hit of the day.

Fried Thanksgiving dinner

This dish won the most creative prize at the 2013 fair. The Fried Thanksgiving dinner essentially consists of two batter balls (yet again) filled with turkey and stuffing and served with sides of gravy and cranberry sauce. The taste of the stuffing left something to be desired, but everyone has their own extremely specific preferences when it comes to holiday food.

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An employee at the Texas State Fair prepares a funnel cake for sale Sunday evening.

MATH

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each other out. Again, this is not supported by the data, which shows that the variance in the two groups is more or less equal.

With that in mind, the devil is in the details and there are still some details that are troubling.

Even though the mathematical gender gap is nonexistent through elementary and middle school, it starts to develop in high school forming a more worrisome, albeit still minor, 23 percent of a standard deviation. This may have something to do with the fact that the male high school drop-out rate is higher than the female drop-out rate. The gap becomes more significant in higher performing groups, and while female students tend to do as well or better in computation, males move ahead — again by minute amounts — in complex problem solving.

Nationality plays a significant role, too. The worldwide gap is actually even narrower than it is in the United States. Countries that score better on gender equality assessments tend to have less significant nationality gaps than those that don't, with the exception of some in the Middle Eastern region, which have narrow gaps but significant gender inequality. The reasons aren't fully understood but may relate to education taking place in single-sex classrooms.

These effects are too small to be meaningful, at least in the United States and most of the rest of the first world, but they are measurable and they demand explanation. And while they may not provide a full answer, it does look like our culture and stereotypes are good places to start looking.

An experiment performed at Harvard gives an idea of how powerful these influences can be. For the experiment, researchers gave Asian-American girls a math test. But before taking the test, the subjects filled out a questionnaire. A third of them received questions such as "Do your parents or grandparents speak any language other than English?" designed to trigger their Asian identities. Another third received questions such as "Do you live on a co-ed or single-sex floor?" intended to focus attention on their female identity. The final third was the control group that received questions unrelated to either identity.

Asians are stereotyped as being good at math whereas women are not and researchers wanted to know if this could potentially influence test scores. It can and it did. In this random sample of Asian-American girls, the Asian-primed group scored higher than the female-primed group scored lower but both scored lower than the control.

Now put this into the context of the society where surveys reveal that even from a young age, children assume men are better at math than women, parents state that the IQs of their sons on average are higher than that of their daughters and teachers consider the abilities of their male students to be superior to that of their female students.

And with all those societal influences and expectations, there's still barely a measurable difference between male and female math scores.

Are girls bad at math? Maybe, but no worse than the boys who continue to promulgate the myth of a mathematical gender gap.

FESTIVAL

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and yellow.

"I set up the altar and put out things they really enjoyed when they were alive," Jaramillo said.

While Jaramillo made a Dia de los Muertos altar last year for her home, Schneider had little knowledge of the celebration prior to his creation of an altar for the festival. Schneider and his team at Goldwasser Real Estate were approached by Easter Seals to present an altar at the festival. Schneider found this to be a compelling offer and agreed to participate.

"I guess I'd heard of Dia de los Muertos, but I really had no idea the significance of it in the Hispanic community and what it really meant," Schneider said. "Now that I've been immersed in it, it's pretty powerful."

He and his team worked together to create an altar honoring their grandmothers. Schneider's altar celebrates the life of his grandmother, who recently passed away at the age of 94.

Illustration by Connor Murphy / Daily Texan Staff

"She was one of the nicest people I've ever met, and one of the smartest women when it comes to people," Schneider said. "She knew people very well and made friends very easily. She was beloved when she passed."

Like Jaramillo, Schneider's team's altar incorporates traditional Day of the Dead colors and objects representative of the various grandmothers being remembered.

"I'm personally going to bring a stuffed animal that was my grandmother's, and several pictures and one or two other trinkets that she had." Schneider said. "Then others are going to bring some pictures and memorabilia from their grandmothers."

Schneider said he hopes others will learn more about the tradition of Dia de los Muertos and what it represents, like he has, by attending the festival.

"When you hear a term like Dia de los Muertos, Day of the Dead, it can have almost a morbid connotation to it," Schneider said. "But it's anything but that. Understanding what is done in that culture, celebrating life much more than mourning death is, I think, a really positive message."

PLAY

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that allows audience members to be seated on three sides of the stage instead of one. This setting inspired the set design and creates an intimate environment for the audience.

This merging of different worlds required the cast to study a culture and period in history completely different from their own.

Ian Eisenberg, theatre and dance sophomore who plays the villain Major Robble Ross, prepared for his role by reading Thomas Keneally's "The Playmaker," on which the show "Our Country's God" was based.

"With this huge cast, we've all done as much research as we can because these are historical people," Eisenberg said. "We want to make sure we tell their stories as honestly as we can. They weren't just prisoners here, they created this beautiful piece of art, and it has been able to live on."

For Shanaya Kapai, theatre and dance sophomore who plays Mary Brenham, the most rewarding part of her research was pairing her character's unfamiliar emotions with a foreign Cockney accent.

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"Incorporating [an accent] with the characteristics of a convict — understanding what a convict has been through, learning and feeling what they could have felt — has probably been my favorite part of the show," Kapai said.

Another way the cast incorporated "Our Country's Good's" historical past was through adding old sailor songs to the script. In order to make the production realistic, the prisoners sing together in key moments of the show. Eisenberg said that officers and prisoners used to sing these sort of songs while on long ship rides as a form of unity and entertainment.

"We wanted to make them seem more human," Eisenberg said. "They are all comrades. They are all brothers. They are all together in a way."

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SWIMMING AND DIVING

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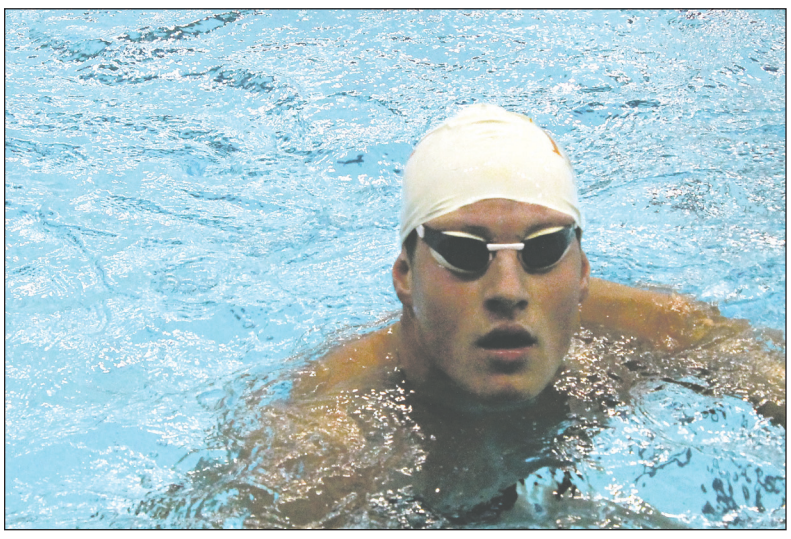
Freshman swimmer Jordan Surhoff will go head-to-head against her sister Kendall Surhoff for the first time in their collegiate careers as the Longhorns meet North Carolina. Both teams will enter the meet with a perfect record.



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After placing fifth at the 2012 NCAA Championships, Texas will look to senior Clay Youngquist for leadership. Youngquist is a four-time All-American in his career as a Longhorn.

Horns look to make waves

Surhoff sibling rivalry to highlight Texas' meet with 'Heels

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This week's matchup against North Carolina will boast a familial atmosphere when freshman swimmer Jordan Surhoff and North Carolina sophomore Kendall Surhoff meet head to head in the Longhorns' second competition of the year. The teams will meet in the pool for the first time of the sisters' collegiate careers in what is sure to be a family affair.

"I am just really excited to watch both of them," said older brother and former Longhorn swimmer Austin Surhoff. "This will be the first time I get to watch either of them in a college dual meet, so I am very excited for the opportunity."

Austin Surhoff swam for Texas from 2009-13, finishing his final year of eligibility last spring. He continues to train with the team, looking to be more competitive on the USA swimming scene, and intends to race in the Austin Grand Prix in January.

While the Surhoffs' allegiances are split — mother Polly is a former Tarheel swimmer herself — the home crowd is likely to give Jordan the advantage in fans.

"I will be cheering equally hard for both sisters when they are in the water," insisted Austin Surhoff.

Though it is uncertain whether the sisters will be pitted against one another in the same race, a sibling rivalry will undoubtedly permeate the ambiance of the competition.

"It is really competitive, we both like to beat each other but it is also really fun," said Jordan Surhoff when asked what it is like to race against her sister.

In the Longhorns' opening meet with Rice, Jordan Surhoff finished second in both the 100-yard and 200-yard breaststroke, posting a solid performance in her collegiate debut. Kendall and her North Carolina teammates swept the Virginia Tech Invitational Meet, beating Virginia Tech, Radford, Liberty and James Madison by winning 12 of 19 events in the Tarheels' first competition of the season.

Both Texas and North Carolina come into Thursday's meet undefeated, upping the ante from sibling bragging rights to taking an unblemished record into the third week of the season.

Despite the meet's intrigue, Jordan Surhoff has remain focused through the week's practices, working hard toward improvement.

"I want to better my times and also do everything I can to help UT win," Jordan Surhoff said.

Senior All-American Lily Moldenhauer looks to build on her performance against Rice where she handily defeated the field in both the 100- and 200-yard backstroke. Texas divers will get their first dual competition opportunity of the season on Thursday after the events were not included in last week's meet.

"The Surhoffs never really get to be in the same place at the same time so it is pretty cool that we will all be here and I get to swim against my sister," Jordan Surhoff said.

Clay Youngquist's experience a big asset for the Longhorns

By Ashton Moore
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The Texas men's swimming and diving team opens up its season Thursday against North Carolina. The Longhorns return to the pool after a relatively successful 2012-13 season where they captured the Big 12 conference title and placed fifth at the NCAA Championships.

The Longhorn's fifth place finish gave head coach Eddie Reese his 33rd championship finish at Texas. Entering his 36th season, Reese has guided the Longhorns to top-three finishes in 27 of 35 NCAA championship meets.

Assistant coach Kris Kubik returns for his 31st season and diving coach Matt Scoggin, a former Longhorn diver, returns for his 19th season on Reese's coaching staff. In addition to their team success, the Longhorns individually accounted for five All-America finishes and registered an additional All-America relay showing last season.

Despite their success, the Longhorns are primed to surpass last year's achievements. To do this, they must rely on consistent performances from veterans such as junior swimmer Clay Youngquist.

Youngquist, a four time All-American, claimed two NCAA Championships in the 400 freestyle relay and the 800 freestyle relay during his freshman campaign.

"Our goal is definitely to win an NCAA Championship," Youngquist said. "It's always a special thing to do, but this year, with it being in our home pool, it would be special for us and the University of Texas."

> "My mom was my coach growing up so I understand how to be a leader in and out of the pool."
>
> —Clay Youngquist, junior swimmer

To secure the team's 11th NCAA team title, its first since 2010, it will require an effort from a talented freshmen class, headlined by swimmer Jack Conger and diver Michael Hixon, both of whom secured wins for their respective teams during the Orange-White scrimmage earlier this month. Youngquist and the other team leaders have preached the importance of technique in practice in preparation for Thursday's meet.

"I understand what it takes to get them to that level and win a championship," Youngquist said. "My mom was my coach growing up so I understand how to be a leader in and out of the pool."

Youngquist believes the biggest obstacle the freshmen will have to overcome in their first meet will be nerves.

The Longhorn coaches are not expecting blazing swim times during the opening matchup but understand the hard work the team is putting in will keep the team fresh moving forward.

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Craig Lutz looking past the pain in 2013

By Nick Castillo
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Junior All-American Craig Lutz was always the best runner on his high school team, but when he arrived at Texas, he quickly realized that his teammates and the competition were just as good as him.

"I jumped into a program like Texas where I was no longer number one," Lutz said. "From day one, it was always, you have to work your way through the woodwork and work with the team. But your individual goals are still in front of you."

Lutz, who was twice named Gatorade Runner of the Year in Texas and was selected to the World Junior Cross Country team in high school, hasn't been fazed by the competition. As a freshman, Lutz finished 33rd in the NCAA Championships, which earned him All-American honors. He also placed 13th at the Big 12 Outdoor Track Championships, earning him the Freshman of the Year award.

"When you achieve [All-American honors] especially at the University of Texas you are representing the state itself," Lutz said. "The men's cross country and track teams have had a lot of individual success over the years, it's nice to know that I'm a part of that success."

At the start of his sophomore year, Lutz picked up where he left off, participating in five cross country events and qualifying for nationals. But during nationals, Lutz suffered a leg injury, which forced him to stop running.

"It's pretty hard to wear the burnt orange and drop out like that," Lutz said. "It was definitely a shock."

Pushing through the injury helped Lutz learn he could work through challenges. This helped Lutz during his sophomore outdoor track season where he finished third in the 10,000-meter race at the NCAA Championships and earned his second All-American honor and his first in outdoor track. Lutz's third place finish helped Texas to a sixth-place finish at the NCAA Championships.

"The hard work and dedication got me to where I was in outdoor," said Lutz. "Sometimes you need to go through those hardships to help you bounce back."

Now in his junior year, Lutz's goal is to win an individual championship but his ultimate goal is to help Texas win the Big 12 conference title and ultimately a national championship.

Craig Lutz
Junior

In his first cross country event this season, he finished in first. This week he looks to continue performing well when Texas competes at the Wisconsin Adidas Invitational on Saturday.

Dallas Cowboys cut Jay Ratliff after failed physical

IRVING — Jay Ratliff's mysterious and rapid decline with the Dallas Cowboys has ended with his release.

The Cowboys unloaded the apparently disgruntled defensive tackle Wednesday, saying he failed a physical after spending the first six weeks of the season on the physically unable to perform list.

Ratliff missed the last six games of 2012 with a groin injury that required surgery. The four-time Pro Bowler injured his hamstring during the conditioning test before training camp and never practiced for the Cowboys this season.

Raltiff wasn't seen by reporters in the locker room all season after hinting there was tension with the Dallas medical staff, and agent Mark Slough said his relationship with team doctors was "strained."

But Ratliff tried to put a happy face on his departure in a statement issued by Slough, thanking "the best fans in the NFL" and giving owner Jerry Jones credit for "taking a chance" on a seventh-round pick from 2005 who went to four straight Pro Bowls.

"I have thoroughly enjoyed my time with the Cowboys and it was always my desire to begin and end my career here in Dallas," Ratliff said. "But I understand this business and now it's time to move on, turn the page and begin again."

The team said Ratliff had sports hernia surgery and expected him to be ready in 2013, but Slough said doctors told him the injury was far more serious and could take up to a year to heal. He described the injury as muscles tearing away from bones in the pelvic area.

"It's unfortunate that he didn't have the opportunity to play in this new defense because I think he would have done well," Slough said. "I know the Cowboys thought he would flourish in that defense. They felt like it would extend years on his career. But the injury got in the way, and that happens in the NFL."

Bob Leverone/Associated Press

Jay Ratliff spent the first six weeks of the 2013 season on the PUP list before being released by Dallas on Wednesday.

The agent also said Ratliff wasn't leaving the Cowboys on bad terms. Slough said Jones called Ratliff to tell him about the release.

—*Associated Press*

SIDELINE

MLB

DODGERS 6
CARDINALS 4
TIGERS 7
RED SOX 3

NHL

RANGERS 2
CAPITALS 0

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SPORTS BRIEFLY

Texas set for the Lone Star State showdown

The Longhorns head to Fort Worth on Wednesday for the ITA Texas Regional Championship. Schools from all over Texas will compete to prove who the best of the Lone Star State is.

This event gives senior Elizabeth Begley a chance to make up for her quick exit two weeks ago in Los Angeles. The Houston native failed to win a match in her first appearance of the season.

At last year's Texas Regional, Begley advanced to the Round of 32 before Rice's Natalie Beazant eliminated her in straight sets.

Junior Annat Rabinovich, another native of Houston, lost in the first round of the main draw last year but won two straight matches and advanced to the quarterfinals of the consolation bracket.

Competitive performances against teams from around Texas — including Big-12 rivals Texas Tech and Baylor — over the next five days could give an indication of what the season will look like for Texas.

"We're going to have an incredible lineup for sure," Rabinovich said. "I think we're going to do really well, maybe just as good as or even better than last year."

—*Chris Caraveo*

Brooke Gilbert earns Big 12 weekly honor

Junior defender Brooke Gilbert was named the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week on Tuesday after her performance in the Longhorns' 2-1 win over Baylor last week. The award is the first of Gilbert's career. Gilbert played in her 14th career-complete game and buoyed the Longhorns' effectiveness on defense as the team held Baylor scoreless for 86 minutes. On the offensive side of the ball, Gilbert narrowly missed heading in a goal on a corner kick in the 48th minute of the match.

Gilbert has played in all but 10 minutes for the Longhorns this season while also scoring four goals on offense.

—*Matt Warden*

DAILY TEXAN COMICS

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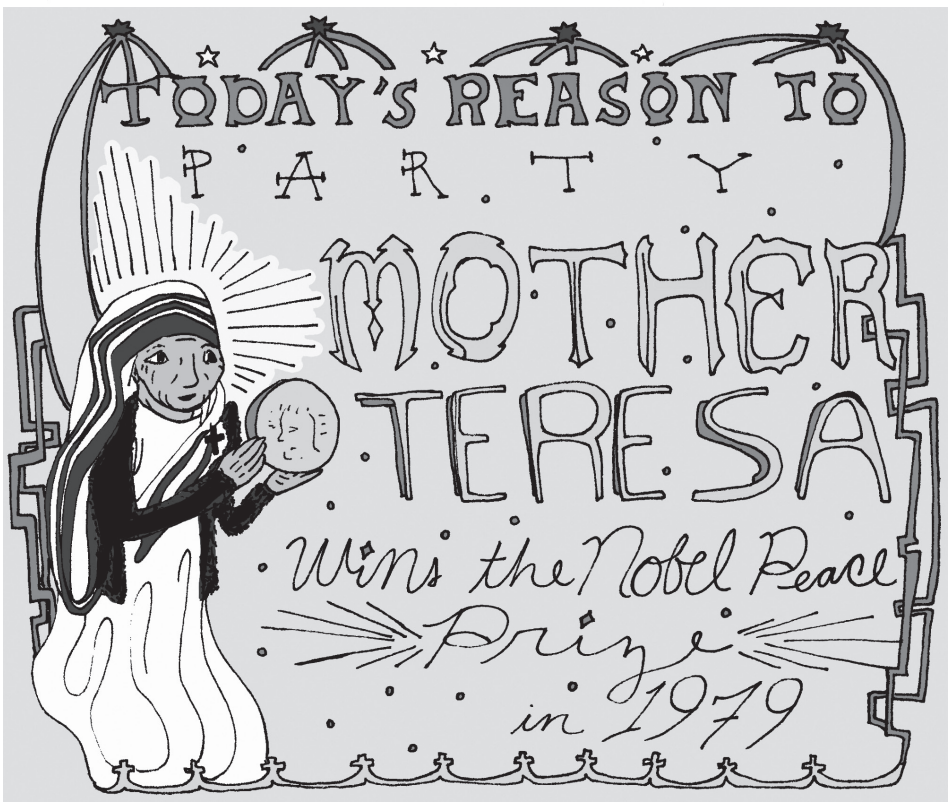
YOUR FAVORITE CHILD FEATURING THE FAT MAN + BLIMPY



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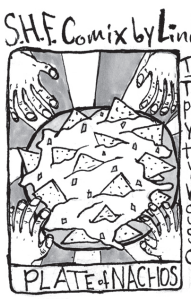

The Plate of Nachos
This card signifies prosperity for yourself and those around you. But be warned: the grabby hands symbolize potential conflict among friends.

Queen of Geeks
One of the more 'wild' cards, as indicated by the image's surrounding D&D dice. This often signifies your geek cred getting questioned.

The Albino Squirrel
Drawing this card is very lucky: it fortells future academic success. This card can also be linked to a "legendary" status, evidenced by the admirers below.

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BY: CRYSTAL MARIE

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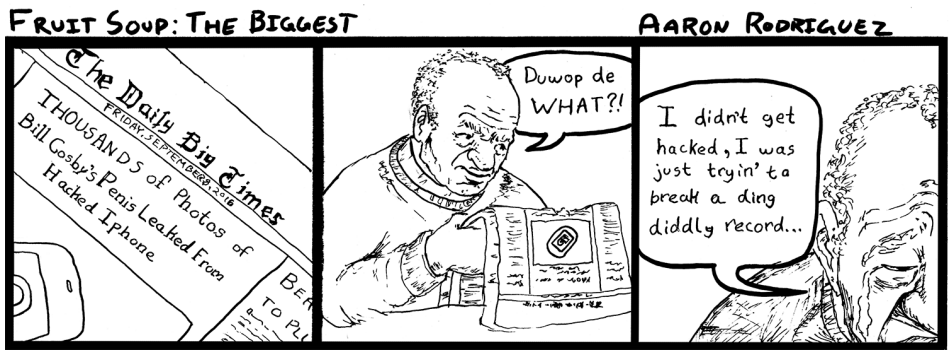

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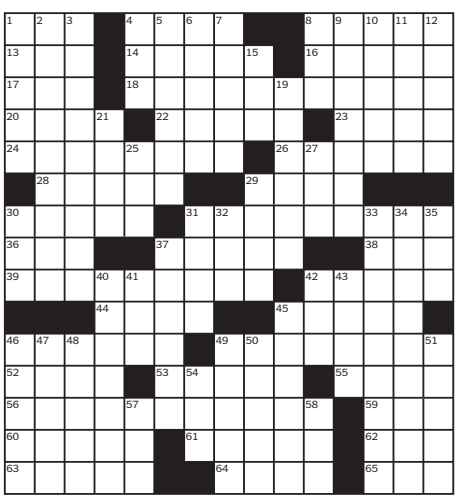

PUZZLE BY IAN LIVENGOOD

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14 Lettuce
16 Black Sea getaway
17 Land on the Black Sea: Abbr.
18 Film lead character featured in a Disney World attraction
20 Dines
22 Put down
23 Pizazz
24 Remark about the end of 18-Across
26 Hamlet's parts
28 They're often seen with bows
29 By and by
30 Recoiled (from)
31 Kind of printer for home or office
36 Kit ___
37 School door sign
38 Mideast inits.
39 Remark about the end of 31-Across
42 1%, say
44 Bucolic settings
45 Short-story writer Munro
46 One that sucks at work?
49 2000 N.L. M.V.P. who played for the Giants
52 Kind of jacket
53 Politico Mo
55 Owner of Half.com
56 Remark about the end of 49-Across
59 Saddler's tool
60 Bar stock
61 "F" accompanier, perhaps
62 Arctic explorer John
63 XX
64 Was attractive
65 Turk. neighbor

DOWN
1 Tibia connections
2 "Er, yeah, regarding what happened . . ."
3 Things that zip up to go down?
4 Subj. of an Austin library and museum
5 Mosul residents
6 Appear over?
7 Did some garden work
8 Tube inits.
9 Where a photographer might take shots?
10 Unpleasantly pungent
11 View from Valence
12 Bros
15 Connecting inits.
19 Alternatives
21 ___-Coburg and Gotha (former British ruling family)
25 Soft spot
27 Land on one side of Lake Titicaca: Abbr.
29 Hardly inept
30 Item attached to a boot
31 Angle
32 Base for some Chinese art
33 Trendy features of some high-end gyms
34 Eroded
35 It may have a ring collar
37 Dress to wow
40 Four-time Indy 500 winner
41 Little, in Lille
42 Dobby, e.g., in the Harry Potter books
43 Modern verbal crutch
45 Blazing
46 They may accompany trains
47 Ghost story?
48 Certain cocktail, informally
49 Leto of "My So-Called Life"
50 Hunter who says "Be vewy vewy quiet"
51 Texas city named for a president
54 Notre-Dame-___-Champs (Paris Métro stop)
57 Ply
58 Fresh

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FOOD

Fried foods delight at state fair

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Grace Sargent bites into a fried turkey leg at the State Fair Sunday afternoon.

After spending a weekend at the State Fair, it is hard to disagree with the old mantra about the size of everything in Texas — most importantly, the large variety of fried food available. Sure, there are non-fried options, but who would pick ice cream over fried ice cream, or a margarita over a deep fried margarita? Actually, that last one was pretty rough.

These are the Top 10 deep fried confections from this year's Texas State Fair.

The Fletcher's Corny Dog

It's been a mainstay at the fair since the early 1940s, and the Fletchers claim to have been the inventors of this delicacy. While not as adventurous as other options, it is impossible to resist the Corny Dog's siren's call. The fact that they are served in the shadow of Big Tex alone makes them the ultimate fried food and a symbol of the fair itself.

Fried spinach dip

What makes a delicious dip? Combine something gross and healthy (spinach) with something delicious and horrifyingly fatty (sour cream) and you have spinach dip. The portions were a little disappointing — which proved to be a recurring theme in this adventure — but it is hard to argue with the savory taste.

Fried biscuit and gravy

The only thing that's more Texan than biscuits and gravy is deep fried biscuits and gravy. This was a brilliant combination, but putting the gravy inside the batter with the biscuit seemed like an odd choice. Why not ladle some of that hot awesomeness on top?

Fried chocolate covered strawberries and waffles on a stick

This was a hassle to order but a pleasure to eat. The fried chocolate covered strawberries and waffles on a stick looks like a dangerously long toothpick with three globs of golden goodness on it, each of which contains a strawberry and a square of waffle. The whole thing is also topped with powdered sugar and chocolate sauce.

Deep fried Frito Pie

The long wait was worth these five or six perfectly battered pieces of chili and fritos. The lack of extra chili on top was strange, but the creators of this dish knew what they were doing. The chips still had crunch despite being sealed in with chili, but they were softened just enough to allow for a

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SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Women's underrepresentation in math falsely attributed to lack of competence

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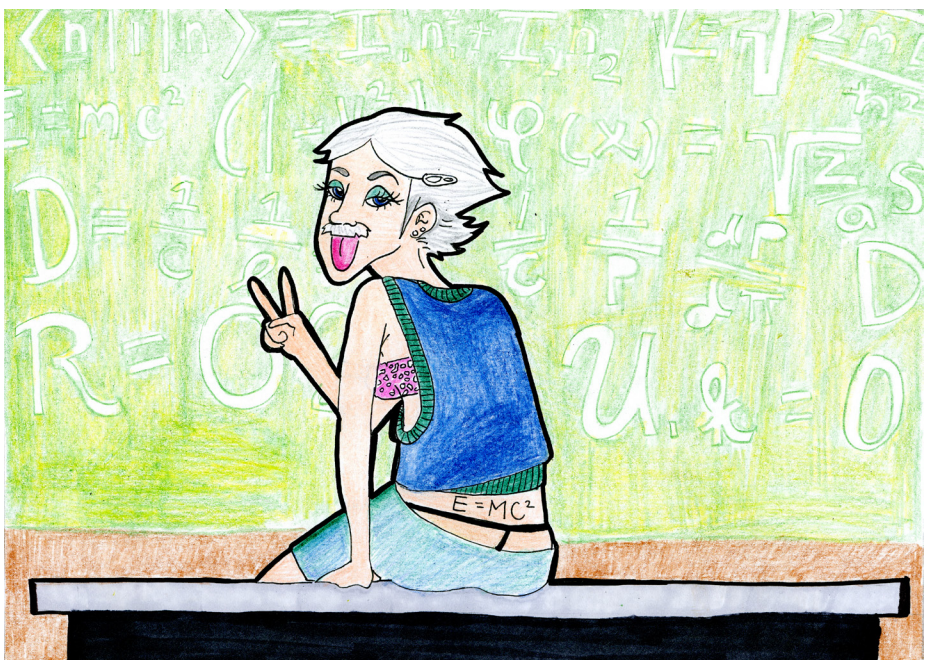

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Walking into a math department is like walking into a boys' club. Many in the field offer explanations for why this is the case, which range mostly from the offensive to the extremely offensive. Whether pointed out blatantly or left unsaid, the reasons mostly center around the assumption that women just aren't as good at math as men.

Unfortunately for these amateur sociologists, the data doesn't support the hypothesis: The gender gap in mathematics is a myth.

Taking an average of the results of 441 studies, which comprised more than 1 million subjects, a meta-analysis from 2010 found the difference between the average male score and the average female score on a standardized math test is meaningless, with males leading by a mere 10 percent of one standard deviation in this country.

Another study, released in 2008, compared nine different predictors of mathematical performance at age 10, and the effect of gender came in dead last behind birth weight, preschool and socioeconomic status. In other words, saying that someone can't do math because she's female is less reasonable than saying someone can't do math because he only weighed 5 pounds at birth.

Another popular idea is that, though men and women score around the same on average, there are more male students performing at high levels as well as \ low levels, and the two groups cancel

Multimedia

This week in Science Scene, we discuss gender inequality in math at *dailytexanonline.com*

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CITY

Dia de los Muertos festival follows holiday traditions

By Eleanor Dearman
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DIA DE LOS MUERTOS FESTIVAL

When: Oct. 19 from noon to 11 p.m.
Where: Fiesta Gardens

Candied skulls, skeletons, bright colors, mouthwatering food and dance-worthy music are a few of the things that come to mind when thinking about Dia de los Muertos. It is a celebration of life and loved ones who have passed on, not a solemn affair centered on death.

This traditional Mexican holiday, which takes place on Nov. 2. is coming to Austin early for Central Texas' Dia de los Muertos Festival on Oct. 19. The festival is run by Easter Seals Central Texas, an organization that provides services such as rehabilitation, early childhood intervention and employment opportunities to members of the community who have disabilities. Easter Seals plans to host the festival for the next three years and created the event to honor the lives of the people it serves as well as members of the community.

"Dia de los Muertos is a celebration of life and we just want to celebrate life," event development manager Melissa Jimenez said.

Located at Fiesta Gardens, the festival will feature live music, a customary parade and traditional altars honoring the deceased.

"Normally [on Dia de los Muertos] you would build an altar for loved ones," Jimenez said. "So what we are doing is we will have several people in the community build altars in honor of either loved ones, actors and actresses that have passed or their pets."

Two of the people who are creating altars for the festivities are Josie Jaramillo and David Schneider. As a worker for Easter Seals, Jaramillo was excited to create an altar for the festival. Jaramillo comes from a close-knit family and decided to make an altar representative of her niece and parents from traditional Day of the Dead colors: purple, bright orange

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CAMPUS

Theater department takes on historical prisoner production

By Eleanor Dearman
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The lights fade up to reveal exhausted prisoners lying on the ground with a fleet of ships in the horizon. It is a scene that could be taken out of a history book, but in reality, it is the opening moment of the University's department of theatre and dance production, "Our Country's Good."

The plot of "Our Country's Good" is based on the true story of Australia's colonization by British prisoners. After being shipped to Australia, the trapped British convicts put on a production of the play "The Recruiting Officer," creating art in the toughest of environments. In the process, the relationships and conflicts between the guards and prisoners are explored.

"The whole idea of the British settling Australia with convicts … and putting on a play, is such an interesting idea and it's true," said James Daniels, director of "Our Country's Good and a senior lecturer in the department."

Though set in a harsh environment, "Our Country's Good" explores the theme of creating art in unfavorable conditions in both comedic and dramatic ways.

"This theme about the redemptive power of the arts sounds all highfalutin and intellectual but it's an enormously important theme," Daniels said. "That's what this theme is about, but it's presented in a really dramatic and very funny way."

It is this complex dynamic paired with Daniels' familiarity with the script that made the show enjoyable and interesting for him to direct.

"I was in it 20 years ago and I love it," Daniels said. "It's a great script. It's a great play. In terms of tackling something and solving a lot of creative challenges, this is a great play to work on."

This production of "Our Country's Good" will be held in the Oscar G. Brockett Theatre which has a thrust stage

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Senior Kyle Connealy rehearses his role as a British correctional officer in "Our Country's Good." The play centers around soldiers, officers and convicts in a penal colony in Australia.