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# **UT** alumni dominate electoral race

#### **By Amanda Voeller** @amandaevoeller

The November election will include a special ballot for a representative of House District 50, and three of the four candidates campaigning for the spot are UT alumni.

Mark Strama, former

House District 50 representative, held the seat since 2004 but resigned to work on the Google Fiber program in Austin in June. District 50 is an area encompassing parts of northern Austin and eastern Travis County.

The candidates include three Democrats, all of

whom are alumni of the Texas communications di-University, and one Republican. The Democratic candidates are Celia Israel, Rico Reyes and Jade Chang Sheppard. Mike his policies will ensure VanDeWalle is running as a Republican.

Clay Olsen, economic and finance senior and the College Republicans of rector, said the student organization supports - but has not officially endorsed — VanDeWalle, because jobs for students.

"Of course there are many stories out about how great Texas is for business," Olsen said. "This is

due to low taxes and lightregulatory policies."

Olsen said the College Republicans have helped VanDeWalle's campaign by phone banking and also plan to participate in a block walk for the candidate later this month.

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## Government shutdown hampers UT academics

#### **By Lizzie Jespersen** @lizziejespersen

Though the government shutdown ended late Wednesday night, the 16 days it lasted were long enough to disrupt UT academic life for professors and students.

The government shutdown resulted in the temporary closure of all governmentrun programs, including many national database websites and federally funded archives. For some classes and research initiatives reliant on the information housed by these resources, losing access meant rethinking halffinished projects.

This was the case for chemistry sophomore Samantha Wendt, who was doing research in the LBJ Library when staff announced that the library, which is federally funded, would be closing due to the government shutdown. Though she was halfway through with her project at the time, she had to stop and change to a different topic because she did not have enough material to finish. In her case, the information she needed could not be found online.

"It put me behind," Wendt said. "I had to change up a couple things, and essentially when I turned it in both me and my professor knew this wasn't the best it could have been. It's a shame I couldn't use what the University has to offer us." Lisa Gulesserian, an English graduate student and Wendt's research TA, said she felt the impact of the government shutdown on academic work.

Shweta Gulati / Daily Texan Staff

Students and faculty cars parked east of IH-35 are more likely to be burglarized, according to UTPD statistics. Forty six vehicles have been broken into inside Longhorn Lots since 2010.

The further east students and faculty park their cars from Interstate 35, the more likely they are to be burglarized, UTPD statistics show.

University Parking and Transportation Services

manages the distribution of parking permits for students and faculty. While most parking lots are "surface" lots on campus, 14 lots are east of IH-35. They are primarily used by students and faculty

who leave their vehicles parked overnight.

These "Longhorn Lots" are open to both students and faculty and are burglarized the most, according to a report provided by UTPD officer

Layne Brewster.

Forty-six vehicles parked inside Longhorn Lots were burglarized since 2010. Two Longhorn lots, 114 and 115, had a combined 23 burglaries in that time.

Biology freshman Schuman Chen, who parks her car in Longhorn Lot 114, said she was not aware of the criminal activity surrounding the lot. She said

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"Some [students] had to completely rethink their

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#### CITY

# City council resolves to explore authority over aquarium

#### **By Amanda Voeller** @amandaevoeller

The Austin Aquarium - under fire for its owners' animal buying practices - may see increased scrutiny from the Austin City Council, which passed a resolution Thursday to make sure the aquarium follows proper animal safety guidelines.

The aquarium, set to open in December, attracted controversy after owner Ammon Covino was accused of animal abuse, in addition to purchasing animals illegally at an aquarium he owns in Portland. The Oregon Humane Society is currently investigating that aquarium.

Covino pleaded guilty in September to three counts of illegal purchase of wildlife, including three spotted eagle rays and two lemon sharks, according to the United States Department of Justice.

Prior to the indictment, the Texas Advanced Computing Center at UT was considering a partnership with the aquarium, but the center stopped those discussions with the aquarium's owners when the University found out about the aquarium's legal issues, center spokeswoman Faith Singer-Villalobos said.

"[The resolution] was definitely sparked by the fact that we have a new aquarium being built," said city councilwoman Laura Morrison, the resolution's sponsor. "It raised a lot of concerns. We heard from a lot of constituents who were concerned about the welfare of the animals that would be kept there, so we are asking our staff to help us understand what - if any - authority we have and what certifications might be applicable."

The resolution's goal is to encourage city staff to become more informed about regulations the aquarium must abide by, Morrison said.

"The resolution asks [city] staff to investigate and tell us what the authority is, but we asked them to also talk with the Animal Advisory Commission as they're

developing their research," Morrison said.

Citizens expressed concerns that the aquarium would not be a healthy and

Due to the controversy surrounding purchased wildlife, Austin City Council recently passed a resolution that will insure the Austin Aquarium follows animal safety guidelines.

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safe environment for animals, Morrison said. "We have a good record in

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People stand by "Border Crossing," a polychrome fibreglass sculpture at the Blanton Museum of Art.

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the City of Austin of speaking out and implementing strong animal welfare approaches," Morrison said.

Morrison said the goal of the resolution is to help city council members learn about which regulations such as guidelines about

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VanDeWalle said if elected he would focus on decreasing governmental regulations on industries such as real estate, small businesses and health care.

"I think what we need to do is maybe put some regulations on the regulators so they can't go off and create laws without any accountability," VanDeWalle said. "My plan is to go to these different industries ... And I want to know what regulations are abusive, which ones are good ones."

Blake Medley, University Democrats president and government senior, said the student organization endorsed Israel, the only openly-gay candidate. The organization hosted a debate between Israel and

enclosure size, maintenance and aquarium operations the law requires aquariums to follow.

"Obviously, we depend on our Animal Advisory Commission in significant ways for advice and recommendations," Morrison said. "If, in fact, there are some steps that we can take, I would envision that we would definitely work through the Animal Advisory Commission."

Patricia Fraga, Animal Services spokeswoman, said the Animal Advisory Commission is likely to discuss the resolution at their December meeting.

Lisa Aitala, a local activist who is vocal about the aquarium, said she thinks the council should have

become involved in the aquarium issues earlier.

"Ultimately, I hope the city council will take a really serious look at the Austin Aquarium," Aitala said. "I'm seriously hoping that they'll start pushing for more rescue, rehab, release

education and not so much the money-making part of it."

> people who practice medicine practice for their lifetime within 100 miles of where their residency is," Glazer said.

Glazer said Reyes' business and law background, in addition to his background working in the Public Integrity Unit, prepared him for the position.

"If you're going to write laws, you should probably know and under-stand laws," Glazer said. "He's the only one with an MBA that I know of, and if you're going to be talking about multi-billion dollar budgets, you should probably understand how to dive into the numbers and extrapolate how things are going to work years out, something that gets lost in the Texas Legislature. UT made both of those things possible."

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In a story in the Oct. 16 issue of The Daily Texan about student veterans, UT's Student Veteran's Services does not receive money from the federal government or distribute money to student veterans.

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In a story in the Oct. 17 issue of The Daily Texan about a forum hosted by the International Socialist Organization, the word "faculty" is used to describe all employees and not just professors or lecturers.

#### CORRECTION

Because of a sourcing error, a story in the Oct. 16 issue of The Daily Texan about student veterans misstated the number of veterans on campus. The number is about 600.

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#### **TOMORROW'S WEATHER**

Reyes in September. Medley said Israel appeared more prepared to answer questions about certain initiatives such as water — and specific

committees than Reyes. "Rico's a good candidate as well, but there was a stark contrast [at the debate]," Medley said.

Israel said she would work to increase the affordability of college by bringing attention to leaders who are meddling with the University's administration.

"I think there [are] political hires that are only harming our flagship universities," Israel said. "Rick Perry has unfortunately micromanaged what's been going on in the Board of Regents ... And I think he's

said Texas should focus on funding both universities and technical, vocational and community colleges.

"Where a number of students are going to take that four-year degree college track, many can't," Sheppard said. "So I think the legislature needs to make affordable higher education priority and look at supporting both options for students."

Sheppard said she is a young mother with schoolaged children, and in the legislature, there is only one other young mother.

"I think it's really important for young moms to have their voice in government because we make up a big part of the population in Texas, and we need to have a voice because we're raising the next generation," Sheppard said.

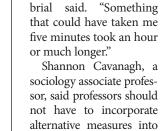
Sheppard said she would work to encourage entrepreneurship and innovation in order to help small businesses.

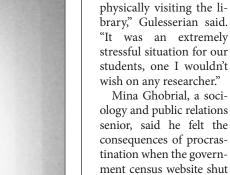
"I think that access to capital and credit and working capital is very important for small businesses," Sheppard said. "Apple gets great incentives to build a headquarters here in Austin in our district ... But if a small business wants to go and build a \$3 million headquarters, they often can't find access to the capital they need to grow."

Matt Glazer, Reyes' campaign manager, said Texas should work on keeping doctors in the state.

"We are literally spending tons of taxpaver money to train folks in the medical profession only to ship them to other states to go get a residency, and most

moved from the politics of the U.S."







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overreached his authority as a governor."

Sheppard, one of the Democratic candidates,

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she would be sure to take all of her belongings before walking to campus from now on.

"That's extremely unsettling," Chen said. "I had no idea."

Similarly, applied learning freshman Daisy Estrada, who parks her car in Lot 103, said she did not know about the burglaries.

"I don't know anyone who's had their car broken into," Estrada said. "I park here because it's so much cheaper than paying for a spot on campus."

The cost of parking inside a Longhorn Lot is cheaper than paying for a space on a campus surface lot, according to Parking and Transportation's website. Garage parking for residence hall students can cost as much as \$743 for two semesters. Surface lots cost students \$180 annually and regular C-type parking passes cost \$120.

Students can purchase C-type parking passes for Lots 37, 70 and 80, which are just west of IH-35, according to the Parking and Transportation's website. C-type parking permits are issued to students who are registered for or are auditing classes. Lots 70 and 80 are specific to C-type passes and have seen a total of seven burglaries in since 2010, according to UTPD's report.

Parking and Transportation distributes A- and F-type parking passes to

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> -Daisy Estrada, applied learning freshman

faculty and staff, which have a larger range of parking spaces on campus. A total of 34 parking lots are designated for faculty and staff, and the majority of these lots are on campus.

F-type parking passes may be issued to faculty and staff who want to park their vehicles inside a garage.

Faculty and staff parking lots are burglarized less, according to UTPD's report. Vehicles parked inside faculty and staffonly parking lots have been burglarized six times since 2010.

There have been 47 burglaries inside garages on campus since 2010, but the rate of reported burglaries has decreased in that time. In 2010, 19 burglaries were reported in garages, compared with the seven reports this year. San Jacinto Garage is the most burglarized garage, according to the police report.

Parking and Transportation director Bobby Stone could not be reached for comment.

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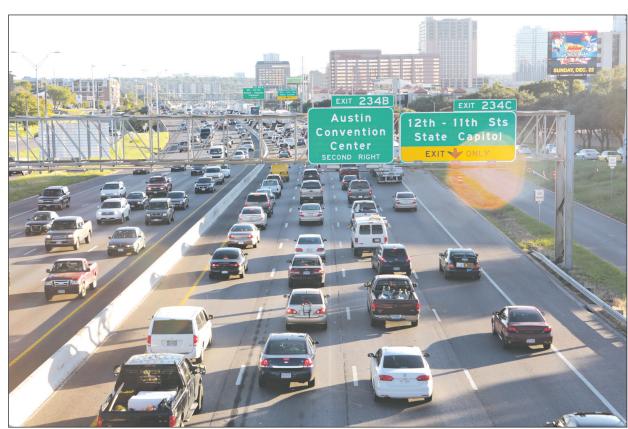
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Traffic backs up on IH-35 south of Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd during rush hour Thursday afternoon. Relief may be on the way in the form of a \$1.7 million federal grant, which will fund research on high-tech solutions for Austin's road congestion.

# UT technology to aid in traffic research

#### **By Niq Velez** @knyqvelez

Many UT students have to travel to class by car - a process that can consume a large portion of the day depending on traffic but will hopefully be addressed through a \$1.7 million federal grant for UT to research the behavior of commuters through real-time wireless data analysis.

Austin has the fourth worst traffic in the nation, behind Los Angeles, Honolulu and San Francisco, according to the INRIX index.

The new Data-Supported Transportation Operations and Planning Center will research ways to combine wireless sensor networks and traffic modeling systems to gather data

that can immediately be analyzed by researchers in order to improve the daily experience, commuter's center director Sanjay Shakkottai said.

In the last 20 years, Austin's population has doubled, according to the City of Austin website.

Jennifer Duthie, scientist at the University's Center for Transportation Research, said the University now has the resources to work toward solving the traffic problem.

"It's clearly more congested, but we don't have a lot of room to build more roads," Duthie said. "Nonetheless, there are different ways to address this issue."

Shakkottai said the U.S. Department of Transportation's recent classification of UT as a Tier One University Transportation Center has given them the duty to research innovative methods of improving city planning.

"We were given the national tier one status to enhance economic competitiveness, improve safety and build communities," Shakkottai said. "Our three main goals are data architecture, data analysis and utilization. We see a lot of potential to harness information from a lot of sources and a lot of data."

Shakkottai said with greater technological capabilities, cars could be tracked by sensors as they drive through the city, collecting traffic data.

"We are very excited. Technology and wireless communication provide information in real-time, which can be used to improve safety, accident rereliability," sponse and Shakkottai said.

Shakkottai said the various disciplines of engineering at the University can collaborate to produce technology that will overcome the stresses on public infrastructure of recent growth.

"Austin has been growing and it will probably continue," Shakkottai said. "With advanced technology and advanced techniques, we can take advantage of the resources here."

Shakkottai said UT has been given the responsibility to develop a model for the rest of the United States.

"We are going to use Austin as a test bed for procedures and analysis to be used for national input," Shakkottai said.

## **Donations to Davis** campaign go awry

When the recorded phone message asked Gene Malish if he supported Democratic gubernatorial candidate Wendy Davis last week, he pushed the button indicating "yes," and he kept pushing buttons until he'd given \$500.

Then the 83-year-old saw his credit card statement and realized the money hadn't gone to the Fort Worth senator's campaign, but to a group called the Foundation for Justice for All. That led him to do a little searching until he learned on the Internet that the group specializes in robocalls to political progressives about social issues.

"I was looking forward to giving to Davis," Malish told The Associated Press on Thursday. "After I found out it was what I consider a scam, I called ... For the city detective."

A tagline on the group's website says it is focused on "forward thinking social advocacy." But Bo Delp, Davis' communication director, urged supporters to stay away from the group, saying the group was not connected to Davis' campaign.

"We are aware of robocalls falsely posing as our campaign and asking for money," Delp said. "It is disgusting that anyone would take advantage of hardworking Texas families looking to participate in their democracy and make Texas even better."

Federal Election Commission documents list Marquita DeJesus of McKinney as the group's director and Marcia Fern, also of McKinney, as the treasurer, while listing a mailbox in Washington, D.C., as the group's office.

"We do advocacy for social justice issues like affordable health care, gun control and human trafficking," DeJesus told The Associated Press.

"We've been reaching out for some issues across America doing advocacy calls, but recently in Texas, we've trying to generate support for Wendy Davis."

Democratic strategist Matt Angle showed The Associated Press online records from the Colorado Secretary of State that show the same attorney that is listed for Justice for All also represents several conservative groups based in that state.

"This group hasn't made any effort to be in contact with the Davis campaign or, as far as we can tell, communicate with others, so we worry about what their real intentions are," Angle said.

DeJesus denied she has any ties to Republican or right-wing groups.

Foundation for Justice for All raised money for gun control legislation after the Newtown shooting and during the Trayvon Martin murder trial, DeJesus said.

Malish said he felt duped after making the donation and said the group hung up on him when they called a second time to ask for more money and he asked for a refund.

A detective in Wincrest, a suburb of San Antonio, suggested Malish contact the Texas attorney general's office and file a complaint because that office investigates deceptive trade practices. But Malish said he didn't do that because Attorney General Greg Abbott is Davis' likely opponent in the general election.

"Any Texan who believes they've been deceived by a telemarketer is encouraged to file a complaint with the Texas Attorney General's Office," said Lauren Bean, spokeswoman for the Attorney General's office.

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Social Helium, an art installation featuring eightfoot-tall helium balloons, was unveiled between the Union Building and Goldsmith Hall on Thursday.

The structure, designed by architects Dan Cheetham and Michelle Tarsney, is the final installment of the Center for American Architecture and Design's CUR-TAINS series.

"The reason [we built this] was to get people to stop looking at their phones

and iPads, and come together to be social," Cheetham said.

Underneath the structure was a table with food and beverages available to the public.

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#### HORNS DOWN: CRUZ IS ROLLING IN IT



While doing more than anybody else to cause the current government shutdown, U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, has raised over \$1 million in the past month -- raising his funding level for 2013 to \$2.67 million despite the fact that he doesn't officially face a reelection until 2018. His name recognition has skyrocketed, and it's disheartening to hear how much he's profited off his reckless and dangerous demagoguery. But we hope — and expect — that he's also engendered enough enmity to compensate. Cruz also made news Tuesday for being conspicuously absent from an emergency meeting of Republican Senators on how to achieve a workable fix to the crisis. A Cruz spokeswoman said he had a "previous commitment." We find it hard to imagine what could take precedence over cleaning up the gargantuan mess he's largely caused.

#### HORNS DOWN: FAST FOOD DOESN'T PAY (NEARLY ENOUGH)

A University of California and University of Illinois report released Tuesday found that 52 percent of the families of fast-food workers in America have to use public assistance programs to get by. In Texas, that number was 59 percent. This is yet another piece of evidence that the minimum wage is inadequate to support a family and must be raised for families to have anything like a real chance at the American Dream.

**TAKE YOUR SHOT** 

# Friday Firing Lines: Stipends for SG, cop cars and turn-ons

Every Friday, the Daily Texan editorial board will publish a selection of tweets and online comments culled from the Daily Texan website and the various Daily Texan Twitter accounts, along with direct submissions from readers.

Our intention is to continue the tradition of the Firing Line, a column first started in the Texan in 1909, in which readers share their opinions "concerning any matter of general interest they choose." Just like in 1909, the Texan "will never express its approval or disapproval of opinions given under the [Firing Line] header." In other words, take your shot.

Submissions can be sent to firingline@dailytexanonline.com. therefore less valuable or hard-working) is a little insulting.

Additionally, I don't think getting rid of the stipends would discourage disadvantaged students from running - if anything, I personally would find them more relatable as a candidate. Which one of us isn't on financial aid or dependent on student loans or constantly searching for scholarships? It would also be better assurance that the candidate wasn't running just to receive that stipend."

-Online commenter Regina in response to The Daily Texan Editorial Board's editorial, "UT's Student Government stipends should stay"

## Quotes to note: Week of Oct. 14

*Quotes to note from the week, culled from stories in the Daily Texan.* 

"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,"

-Kevin Hegarty, UT-Austin's Chief Financial Officer, on the recently-released Shared Services plan, which would combine various entities around campus for a potential \$320 million in savings over 10 years.

"Students who finish school during an economic downturn tend to experience permanently worse careers and earn less income than those who graduate during booms. This type of economic event could have a direct and longlived effect on students."

-Olivier Coibion, assistant professor of economics and monetary policy expert, on the potential effects of the government shutdown on students.

"Undocumented students struggle exponentially more than normal students, They have to ask themselves, 'Are my parents going to be deported? Will I have in-state tuition six months from now?"

#### COLUMN

-Ryan Gildersleeve, associate professor of higher education at the University of Denver, on the trials faced by undocumented students.

"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."

—Horacio Villarreal, Student Government President, on the Student Government Executive Board receiving higher stipends than the leadership of other Legislative Student Organizations.

"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. Because if it's 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."

-Kallen Dimitroff, sSudent Government liberal arts representative, on the planned legislation to eliminate the executive board's stipends.



Stephanie Vanicek / Daily Texan Staff

# UT students are role models, whether they admit it or not

#### Split on Stipends

"As long as this stipend doesn't discourage students with financial needs from running office, I'm all for it. Many students on campus depend on a source of income while attending UT. The new stipend cuts should provide a solution for students who wish to seek office but need some compensation for their hours serving."

—Online commenter Sonali, in response to reporter Madlin Mekelburg's news story, "SG representatives announce resolution to cut stipends for executive branch"

"Wow, we actually pay these kids to play pretend government? Of course they should go away. Let's not kid ourselves here, it's not like people WOULDN'T do it if they weren't getting paid, it's not gonna leave anyone out if they get cut and we could actually do something worthwhile like scholarships or money to orgs with what they waste in stipends."

*—Online commenter Juan Garcia in response to the same story* 

"Yes! Stipends should only be for those who need it."

*— Twitter user John Lawler @JohnHLawler in response to the same story* 

"This article discounts a myriad of other student leaders who take their positions without pay and work just as hard - oftentimes these positions are second or third responsibilities on top of a full course load and a job or internship. Entrepreneurial students who are starting their own organizations, leading student-run on-campus firms and those serving in multiple leadership positions across campus don't receive any sort of compensation from those groups, so why should student government? There are plenty of organizations that are serving and bringing positive attention to their colleges and the university. Counting them as less deserving of a financial stipend (and "Serving in SG should be of service, wanting to do better for this university. Heck, even the president at A&M does it without a stipend, why can't we?"

-Online commenter Rick in response to the same editorial

"The way I see it, a stipends opens the door for some folks who would like to serve, but can't because of financial situations. I say we one-up A&M, not sink to their level, and ensure the door to service and representation is open to /anyone/ on campus, not just the affluent."

*—Online commenter Tx in response to the same editorial* 

"You know, if SG wasn't so much about breeding a bunch of politicians that get things done at the speed of molasses, stipends might actually sound more reasonable."

-Online commenter Joan in response to the same editorial

"Maybe if they had better leadership, there would be less concern about them getting paid."

— Twitter user John Ramsey @JoRamFizzy, tweeted @thedailytexan

#### Oh really, UTPD?

"Hard to believe "vehicles are replaced after they accumulate high mileage or become too expensive to maintain" when you replace them all at once..."

—Online commenter SetBevoFree, in response to reporter Alberto Long's news story, ""Despite cuts, UTPD budget stays intact as it introduces new Ford Explorers"

#### Still not down with the sex columns

"The fact that the Daily Texan considers this journalism is baffling."

*—Online commenter Luke on the sex column "Sexy Sally: Turn ons"* 



**By Sid Sridhar** Daily Texan Columnist @sidthesmile

Of all the experiences I had at ACL this year, the strangest by far was seeing three young, unsupervised children in the middle of a crowd going wild for Kendrick Lamar, a rap artist known mainly for his rhymes about the palliative effects of "Pussy and Patron." Beside the kids, a college-aged man lit up a joint just above their heads. The moment made me pause and ask: What exactly, if anything, is wrong about this situation, and what am I supposed to be doing about it?

I don't think there's anything wrong with enjoying explicit music. It's possible, too, that these kids couldn't tell the difference between tobacco smoke and marijuana smoke, and even if they could have, they may not have known that they were witnessing an illegal activity. What frustrated me, then, was that the young man besides them was completely ignoring his duties as a role model.

Cristine Legare, an assistant professor in the Department of Psychology, has researched the ways in which children imitate others. Her research has shown that when a child sees two individuals engaging in the same activity, they may conclude that such an activity — for example, sharing a toke at a Kendrick Lamar concert — is an acceptable social convention. Contrastly, her research also indicates that a child's prior knowledge plays a large role in determining whether or not that action is socially acceptable.

So do college students have a duty to serve as role models when in the presence of children? College students as a group, admittedly, don't have the greatest reputation. Type in "College students are" to the Google search bar and you're prompted with the words "stupid, annoying, lazy, idiots [and] snobs." Not quite a ringing endorsement. But the evidence points toward how college-enrolled millennials are actually quite admirable as a group, especially when it comes to civic engagement and volunteering.

For example, a Spring 2013 poll by the Harvard Institute of Politics showed that nearly 53 percent of college students volunteer on a regular basis. According to the Longhorn Center for Civic Engagement, 75 percent of UT students volunteered last year, for a total of 1,000,000 hours that year alone.

Just by being enrolled at UT, a world-class institution of higher learning with a recognizable brand, we may already be seen as role models, whether we are aware of it or not. To the kids who visit campus throughout the year for events such as Explore UT or Ready, Set, Go, the campus and its constituency represent what the future could hold.

Ultimately, we enrolled at UT for a reason: To learn how we can best transform lives for the benefit of society. We attend university to become virtuous contributors to civic society, be it through the accumulation of technical skills or the development of critical faculties. In both cases, the goal is to contribute to progress in society. In this sense, by gaining a university education, we not only contribute to our own self-betterment but also to the betterment of society.

While I'm not advocating that we stop enjoying ourselves as we see fit, I do think we need to be aware of how we project ourselves to those around us, especially easilyimpressed-upon youngsters. On principle, I don't think that smoking marijuana is an impermissible act, but I do believe that breaking the law in public sets a bad example for kids who see us. As contributors to civic life, we should be mindful of how we interact with the youth in our community and try to personify the values we wish for our society — at ACL and elsewhere.

*Sridhar is a Plan II, math and economics sophomore from Sugar Land.* 

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A variety of suspicious activity is reported on or near campus on a daily basis tor UTPD. Here are a few from this week:

early 20s interlocked arms with her while she was walking down Dean Keeton Street. The subject then grabbed her by her wrist, but the victim was able to shake him off. Once identified, the suspect will face charges of unlawful restraint.

#### THEFT: 10/11/13 at 11:28 a.m.

An unsecured package containing four ACL passes was swiped from a women's restroom in the Sanchez Building. The package's owner realized she had forgotten the passes once she returned to her car, but the package was gone by the time she returned to the restroom. The four bracelets were worth approximately \$800.

cation after a UTPD officer caught the student walking directly into a wall near the entry of Austin's Pizza. When asked where he was going, the student replied that he was "coming from the same address he was going to." He was then arrested and transported to a central booking facility.

#### POSSESSION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE IN MOTOR VEHICLE: 10/14 at 2:12 a.m.

A UTPD officer approached a pickup truck stopped in the right-most traffic lane of Martin Luther King Blvd with its hazards lights flashing. Outside the vehicle, three intoxicated female subjects were arguing. The driver, who was sober, had a can of beer wedged between his legs. Because the can was unopened, no one was charged.

#### CITY

## Inked animal artists expand work to include imagery, science

#### **By Trevor Heise** @heisefeist

The work of two UT scientists who use Japanese printmaking techniques to create images of a variety of insects, mammals and birds will be highlighted in two art exhibitions in November.

manager of ichthyology at Texas Natural History Collections, and Ben Labay, research biologist at the ence. "They have this un-Texas Natural Science Center, started by making prints prints lifelike, even serene." of fish, but have since expanded to larger and more complicated subjects.

"We just picked up a fish and started going for it it's all history from there," Cohen said.

Using Gyotaku, an art form historically employed by Japanese fishermen to chart the sizes of catches, paint to their animal subjects, then dab off the excess drizzle before pressing the animals against paper The exhibition features about the ordinary and ugly

to create a print. The results, scanned and readied for gallery showing, are presented through their "Inked Animal" project.

"Adam and Ben are the only people I know who've extended this method [to] other animals and insects - in that sense, it's really unique," said Hayley Gil-Adam Cohen, collections lespie, founder of Art.Science.Gallery., a museum that highlights the intersection between art and scicanny ability to make their

Cohen and Labay's work will be featured Nov. 16-17 and 23-24 in the 12th annual East Austin Studio Tour. The self-guided tour showcases Austin's small, local studios and provides people the opportunity to chat with artists and to make their own prints.

The Art.Science.Gallery. Cohen and Labay apply will also feature the scien- be gross at times but is retists' latest work on imaging insects in an upcoming exhibition called Eclosion.

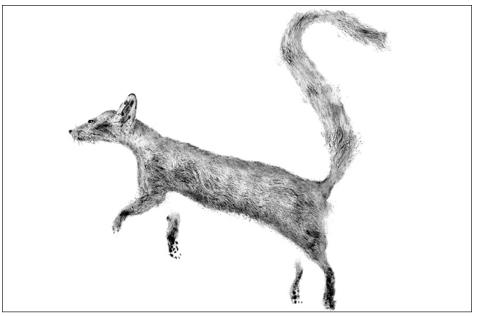


Mainly, we come at this project as lovers of nature – to show people perspectives of animals they wouldn't normally see. Some of the aspects of our work are more approachable in a gallery context.

-Ben Labay, research biologist, Texas Natural Science Center

57 works by 44 artists and aims to highlight the interactions of insects within the natural and modern worlds - hoping to increase public understanding of arthropods' lives.

Labay said the work can warding and fun. The two artists said they hope their prints make people think



Photos courtesy of Adam Cohen and Ben Labay

sides of animal life that they might otherwise ignore.

Feathers, fur, guts and roadkill come to life in ways that are intriguing and even beautiful in the Gyotaku-inspired Gillespie said.

"Mainly, we come at this project as lovers of nature to show people perspectives

normally see," Labay said. "Some of the aspects of our work are more approachable in a gallery context."

Looking forward, Cohen prints, and Labay said they hope hope to keep the feel of subjects. The duo is working new on new projects that include and exhibits.

of animals they wouldn't a series of concentric negative prints that study the decomposition of opossums and attempt to image mammals as large as horses.

Cohen said the two to expand their methods to small-scale experimentalarger and more challenging tion alive as they tackle subjects, galleries

#### CHRIS HUMMER, SPORTS EDITOR / @texansports Friday, October 18, 2013

# Ogbogu excels in new role

By Evan Berkowitz @Evan Berkowitz

Freshman Chiaka Ogbogu is a middle blocker. She has played the position her whole life and was recruited to man the middle at Texas.

"Chiaka will continue the great tradition of middle blockers we have had in this program," head coach Jerritt Elliott said after Ogbogu committed to his program. "She is a smooth athlete that has the potential to develop into one of the premier players in the nation."

But when she arrived, two huge road blocks stood in her way: sophomore Molly Mc-Cage and junior Khat Bell.

With the two of them at middle, Texas won a national championship. And they didn't get worse in the offseason — the pair only improved.

"It was intimidating coming in, because they just won it all and only graduated one player," Ogbogu said. "It was competitive to fight for that one open spot, but that competitiveness is one of the reasons I came here."

Instead of having the 6-foot-2-inch freshman ride the bench her freshman, and maybe even sophomore year, Elliott decided to move Ogbogu to opposite, a position she is unfamiliar and uncomfortable with.

"I played middle my whole life," Ogbogu said. "The only time I ever played a different position was in practice."

Ogbogu had not played a position other than middle blocker in a game since her sophomore year of high school. And why would she have to play any other position? She was the 2012 Gatorade Texas Volleyball Player of the Year at middle blocker as a high school senior.

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But the freshman is starting to adjust to the different angles and skills needed at her new spot on the court.

"The blocking is different," Ogbogu said. "I have to be patient, wait more and get the high balls."

The slow transition from the middle to opposite on defense has not slowed her potent offensive game.

She leads No. 3 Texas (12-2, 5-0 Big 12) in hitting percentage, swinging at a ridiculous rate of .442 — double the rate of All-American Haley Eckerman. Ogbogu's .442 not only leads the team but ranks her 12th in the nation.

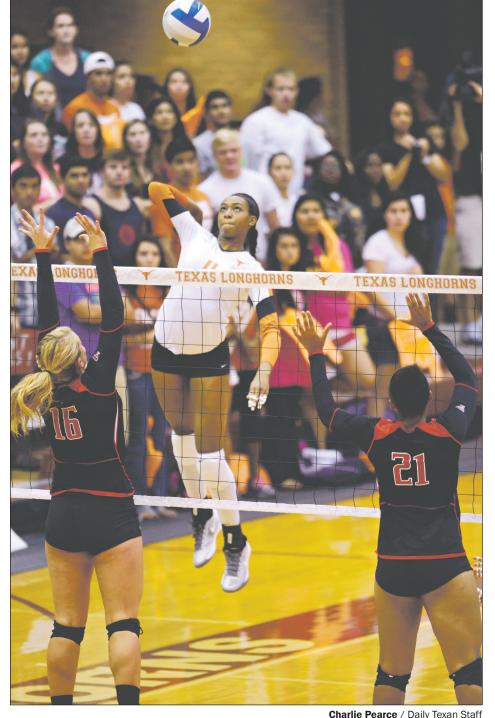
"I think a lot of teams are caught off guard when I get the set," Ogbogu said. "Getting the extra reps has helped with the switch and boosts my confidence also."

Bell, who experienced a similar shift from the outside to middle blocker her freshman year, took Ogbogu under her wing, helping to ease her transition.

"She went through the same switch as me," Ogbogu said. "In my first game at Illinois she boosted me up and told me she knew I was ready."

When Iowa State (10-5, 4-1 Big 12) comes to Austin on Saturday at 6:30 p.m., don't look for Ogbogu in the middle.

"I had been playing middle my whole life — one position the whole time," Ogbogu said. "Now I think I got the hang of it."



Freshman Chiaka Ogbogu made the transition from middle blocker, the position she played her entire life, to opposite this year and now leads the team in hitting percentage at .442.

# Longhorns prepared for final four regular season matches

#### RECAPS

MENS'S SWIMMING AND DIVING ASHTON MOORE

The Longhorns opened up their 2013-2014 season with a convincing victory over the North Carolina



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#### **TOP TWEET**

Keenan Robinson «Keenan Robinson1 "If its one thing about football I love the most...its definitely gotta be pysical play. I love seeing and hearing pads popping.."



Shweta Gulati / Daily Texan Staff

we have the momentum going

our way and we know that we

can beat anyone that we come

up against. And, when we face

West Virginia again, we will

The team is staying

grounded despite recent

success, Shimmick said, and

knows what it will take to

to work hard and keep up

the hard work and just

keep plugging away at

practice and stay focused

because nothing is going

to be given to us," Shim-

mick said. "We just have to

keep out there and busting

Moving forward, the team

will focus on perfecting its

style, because those are the

consistent skills that will

serve the team well in con-

than a group of individuals

that believe," Kelly said. "And

this Texas women's soccer program believes that they

can compete with anyone in

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Texas soccer is confident in its ability to finish out the regular season on a high note heading into tournament play.

#### By Brittany Lamas @brittany\_lamas

With only four matches left in regular season play, Texas soccer is confident it can finish the season strong and with two goals in mind: winning the Big 12 and making the NCAA tournament.

"Winning becomes a habit," head coach Angela Kelly said. "There's an expectation there. The expectation is that we're going to battle for the full 90 minutes. The results will ultimately take care of themselves, but each and every opponent is going to get 100 percent of what we can bring that day."

At home in 2013, Texas has been nearly perfect, posting an 8-0-1 record with only one home match left this season against Oklahoma. Overall, the Longhorns are 10-4-1 this season, and are coming off a win over Baylor.

"I think winning does wonderful things for all things," Kelly said. "It's the solution to all things when you consistently do it, and, I mean, we've done it each and every time at home. We've also found success on the road."

Junior midfielder Sharis Lachappelle, who scored the two goals in the Baylor game, said each win builds the team's momentum.

"I think with every win we get a little bit more confidence, and we start to believe that we can and will win and have more confidence in each other," Lachappelle said. "I think the added success that we're having now is going to further our success, just because it helps our confidence and mentality."

Players agree the team has the confidence to beat any squad it's matched against including West Virginia, the Longhorns' only conference loss of the season.

"We have to hope that we win out the rest of our conference [schedule]," sophomore forward Kelsey Shimmick said. "Going into tournament play, that's good, because we know Tar Heels.

Texas began the meet strong with a sweep in the 1000-yard freestyle. Sophomore Sam Lewis secured the victory with a time of 9:12.49, followed by juniors Clay Youngquist and Nicolas Munoz. The momentum would continue for Texas en route to beating UNC by 45 points, managing 171.5 points in all.

In diving, freshman Michael Hixon kicked off his collegiate career with a victory in the one-meter diving event. Also in his collegiate debut, freshmen swimmer Jack Conger performed well for Texas, securing first place finishes in

#### **WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING** SCARLETT R. SMITH

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Texas' women's swimming and diving team jumped ahead to an early lead against North Carolina on Thursday, posting a victory in the 200-yard medley relay to open the meet to win the match up 171-129.

Freshman diver Murphy Bromberg narrowly defeated teammate junior Emma Ivory-Ganja, in both the one-meter and three-meter springboard events, amassing winning scores of 287.40 and 331.50.

North Carolina proved a worthy opponent, winning both long course races — the 1000-yard and 500-yard freestyle en route to taking six of the 16 events a week after the Longhorns won 12 out of 16 events against Rice.

Following a strong debut against Rice, freshman Madisyn Cox Michael Hixon Freshman

the 200-yard freestyle and 100-yard butterfly.

"I really liked his intensity today. It's infectious," said diving coach Matt Scoggin about Hixon's performance. "Overall, I'm happy with what I saw today, but there's still a lot of work to do."

Texas' next meet will be on Oct. 25, where they will travel to take on Indiana and Michigan.

Madieur Cox

Madisyn Cox Freshman

claimed both the 100-yard and 200-yard breaststroke in times of 1:02.63 and 2:15.54. Fellow freshman Jordan Surhoff finished fourth in the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:04.51.

With the victory over the Tar Heels, Texas improved to 2-0 on the season. The Longhorns look to extend that mark Friday when they travel to College Station to compete in a dual meet versus Texas A&M.

#### SPORTS Briefly

#### Basketball adds two 2013 walk-ons

The Texas men's basketball team added two walk-ons, junior guard Tarale Murry and sophomore forward Brandon Allums, to the 2013-14 team, head coach Rick Barnes announced Friday.

Murry last played for Lehman High School where he was a four-year letterwinner and set the school record for career rebounds. In 2011, as a senior, Murry was awarded the District 27-4A Defensive Player of the Year and led the team to state playoffs for the first time in school history. Murry averaged 11.3 points and 10 rebounds per game and converted 56 percent from the field that same season. He will wear jersey No. 40 for Texas.

Allums was a twoyear varsity letterwinner at Plano West High School and averaged 4.6 points and 2.6 rebounds per game in all but one game as a senior and earned an All-District 8-5A honorable mention. Allums served as a practice player for the Longhorns women's team his freshman year, and will wear jersey No. 52 for the Longhorns.

Texas opens its season Friday, Nov. 8 at the Frank Erwin Center against Mercer, and the game will be televised by The Longhorn Network.



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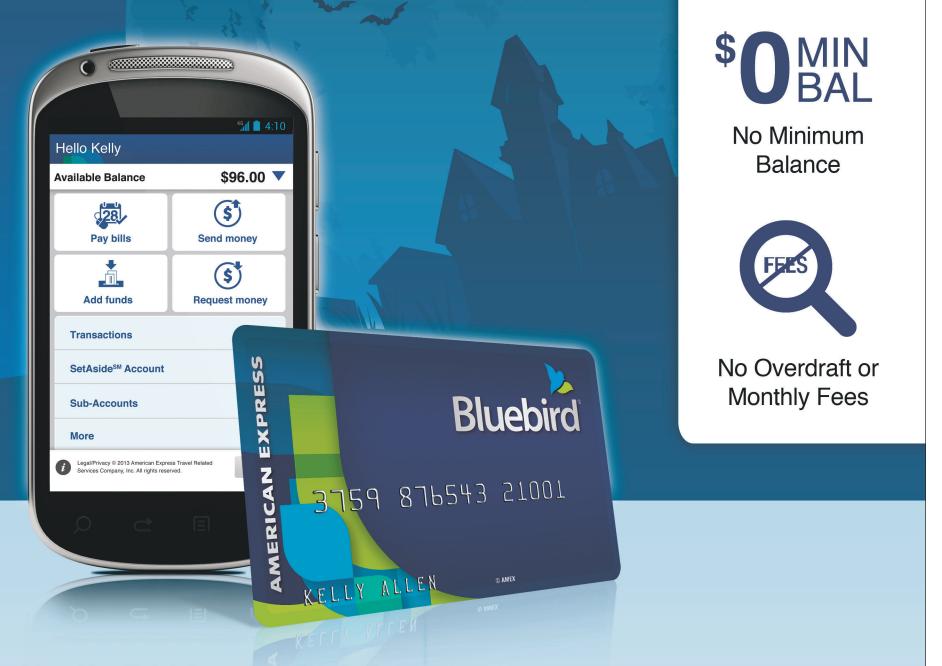
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#### WEEKEND PREVIEWS

**MEN'S GOLF /** SEBASTIAN HERRERA

As a team, Texas still seeks its first victory of the season as it heads into the Isleworth Collegiate Invitational on Sunday in Windermere, Fla.

The Longhorns will look to finally top Alabama, the team that won the Longhorns' past two tournaments, not to mention the 2013 National Championship.

Freshman Gavin Hall comes into Sunday with the hot hand for Texas. In the Longhorns' last tournament, Hall finished with a team-high even-par score. Out of the three events Texas has competed in

**ROWING /** SAM JACKSON

this season, Hall finished as the top scorer for the Longhorns twice.

If Texas has any hopes of claiming victory, they will need to rely heavily on better performances by both Johnathan Schnitzer and McCarthy, Brax who have combined for just one under-par round on the season. Out of Texas' overall 131-over-par score season, Schnitzer this and McCarthy have accounted for 66.4 percent of it.

The three-day tournament in Windermere will

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**Gavin Hall** Freshman

be the Longhorns' last opportunity to capture a tournament title until the spring season starts in February.

#### WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY / JAMES GRANDBERRY

The Texas women's cross country team ends its threeweek hiatus this weekend, traveling to Madison, Wis., to compete against the nation's best cross country programs in the Wisconsin Adidas Invitational.

Saturday's meet, starting at 11 a.m., is the team's last regular season meet before the Big 12 Cross Country Championships, set to take place Nov. 2 in Waco.

The women's 6,000-meter race is a welcome challenge for the 29th-ranked Longhorns. This is the first time the women will run the five-year-old Wisconsin meet, held at the Thomas Zimmer Championship Cross Country Course.

#### **MEN'S TENNIS /** DREW LIEBERMAN

The Longhorns seek to capture a regional crown when they travel to Waco to compete in the USTA/ITA Texas Regional Championship starting Oct. 19.

Texas' Daniel Whitehead won the singles draw last year, defeating Baylor's Julian Lenz in straight sets. Lenz is currently ranked No. 38 in the country, and is one of the favorites to win the tournament this year.

Junior Soren Hess-Olesen, the No. 10 player in the country, may finally win a

Texas will compete against 36 other teams, including 2012 champion Iowa State, and a trio of other programs who recently won the meet: Washington, Syracuse and Duke. There will be 17 of the 30 nationally-ranked teams competing.

The relatively new meet has grown impressively in the five years Wisconsin has held it. Since the 2009 meet, which featured 12 women's teams and 123 runners, the amount of competitors has more than doubled, totaling 48 teams and 327 runners in 2012.

Senior Megan Seibert, who finished in the top three in both of Texas' last

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tournament after falling in

the finals of the Racquet

Club Collegiate Invitational,

as well as in the round of

16 in the ITA All-Ameri-

can Championships. As a

freshman, Hess-Olesen lost

in the quarterfinals of the

No. 93 senior Sudanwa

Sitaram will attempt to

win his first match of the

year in an event he reached

the semifinals in during

spring 2013. Freshman

George Goldhoff will at-

tempt to build on a stellar

Regional Championships.

**Megan Siebert** Senior

two races, will be a factor in the 6K.

The women's team looks for a strong finish to hand them momentum before the Big 12 championships, where they previously finished third.

**Soren Hess-Olesen** 

Junior

collegiate debut at the

All-American

On a four-game

losing streak, the Houston Texans activat-

ed quarterback

Case Keenum

to start against the Kansas

City Chiefs this

weekend over

former starter

Matt Schaub.

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Championships.

This year marks the 49th annual Head of the Charles Regatta. Held in Boston, the Head of the Charles selectively invites crews from all over the world to compete in a two-day rowing competition. It's one of the leading two-day rowing events in the world and attracts more than 9,000 rowers competing in 55 different racing events.

In previous years, the women's rowing team qualified in the races for the four and eight boats. In Texas rowing tradition, only the varsity team competes.

This year, head coach Carrie Graves selected just seven girls to compete, running only a four-man boat. The rowers representing Texas are freshman coxswain Emily Walker, junior Kim Gorcyca, junior Casey Redman, sophomore Jessica Smith and freshman Gia Doonan.

Texas will compete Sunday in the Women's Collegiate Championship Fours race. By entering a single boat, the Longhorns hope to increase their chances of placing high and earning momentum before conference.



Kim Gorcya Junior

Coming off tough results in Oklahoma two weeks ago, the Longhorns look forward to competing against the best teams in the country.

### **MLB** Nolan Ryan retires from Rangers

ARLINGTON, Texas -Nolan Ryan is leaving the Texas Rangers again, stepping away from his CEO role 20 years after ending his Hall of Fame career as a pitcher.

In what the team had called a retirement, Ryan said Thursday that he is resigning as chief executive of the Rangers in a move effective at the end of this month. He is also selling his ownership stake in the team to co-chairmen Ray Davis and Bob Simpson.

'It closes a chapter of my life in baseball," Ryan said. "I feel like it's time for me to move on to other things. It's been a decision that weighed on my heavily, but I feel like it's the right decision ... At this point and time, it's the correct thing for me to do." Asked about the difference in the team announcing that he was retiring and him calling it a resignation, the 66-yearold Ryan paused and then said he wouldn't be the CEO of another major league team and called this perhaps the "final chapter" of his storied career in baseball.

Ryan's older son, Reid, became president of the Houston Astros earlier this year. Nolan Ryan dismissed any speculation that he's leaving the Rangers to join his son and another of the teams he pitched for and worked for in the past.

The move takes effect Oct. 31.

Ryan became the 10th president of the Rangers in February 2008 when he was hired by former owner Tom Hicks. Ryan added the title of CEO three years later. He was also part of the ownership group that acquired the team in August 2010, months before its first World Series.

major decisions on baseball, Nolan [Ryan] made all final decisions."

Nolan Ryan said the title change wasn't a factor in his decision.

"I don't look at it from that perspective," Nolan Ryan said. "I just look at it from where I am in life and what I want to do going forward and that's what really drove my decision."

George left in July to become the athletic director at the University of Colorado. Daniels attended the news conference at Rangers Ballparkbutleftwithoutspeaking to reporters.

#### NFL



Schaub out, Keenum to start

HOUSTON - Case Kee- deserves an opportunity to go their skid. Kubiak chose to go

Ryan's departure comes less than a year after ownership gave general manager Jon Daniels and chief operating officer Rick George new presidential titles and took the president's title from Ryan.

Davis insisted the change in Ryan's title earlier this year was just that.

"From a corporation standpoint, Nolan [Ryan's] authority didn't change at all," Davis said. "On all

Davis said the ownership group is disappointed with Ryan's decision but understands it. Simpson said he tried to talk Nolan Ryan out of leaving.

"You don't wake up one day and make a decision of this magnitude," Nolan Ryan said. "It was something I've been thinking about on and off for a while now. Just felt like it was probably time for me to move on."

—Associated Press

num, who has not played in a meaningful game since he was in college back in January 2012, will start at quarterback for the Houston Texans this Sunday in one of the tougher environments in the NFL.

Keenum will make his first appearance in a regular-season game against the rugged defense of the undefeated Kansas City Chiefs at Arrowhead Stadium, where the fans just set a Guinness record as the noisiest outdoor stadium in the world.

So be it: Keenum will start for Matt Schaub, who is out dealing with injuries to his right ankle and foot, and will try to help the Houston Texans snap a four-game losing streak.

"We're struggling, and we're looking for a spark," coach Gary Kubiak said. "I think he

out there. It's a tough place to play. It's a tough place to get your first start and all that good stuff. But I'm not sending him out there by himself. I'm sending him out there with his football team and the guys understand that."

Keenum was a record-setting quarterback at the University of Houston before spending last season on the practice squad.

"It means just as much to me every rep I take, but obviously the games are definitely different," he said. "I guess I can officially say this is the best NFL defense I've ever played, so this is going to be a big test."

The Texans (2-4) have been hurt by penalties, turnovers and other mistakes during

with Keenum over backup T.J. Yates, who led Houston to its first playoff win two years ago when Schaub was hurt. He struggled Sunday after Schaub was injured, throwing two interceptions, the first of which was returned for a touchdown.

Now they'll look to Keenum to help them get back on track. He is not daunted by the challenge and is used to being the underdog. He said that people have doubted him his entire life.

"I've had a lot of people tell me I can't do a lot of things. I'm too short or this or that, but you can't believe a lot of that stuff," said the 6-foot-1 Keenum. "You just have to be given an opportunity and you have to be ready when you get that opportunity."

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By Hillary Hurst @hillary\_hurst

Natalie Tischler is inspired by the bravery of bold women. Owner and designer of the jewelry company Ornamental Things, Tischler harnesses this concept into every piece she creates. But Tischler may not have garnered such success without the motivation of providing for her son as a teen mother.

Tischler was 18 when she gave birth to her son Forest. Shocked and scared, Tischler did not find out she was expecting until after she moved to Austin in hopes of going to school and pursuing a career.

"I just made the decision to raise [my son] on my own," Tischler said. "I moved back home, [then] eventually moved back to Austin, and my son stayed with [my parents] while I tried to figure out my life here and how I could support us. I think that having Forest really made me have to grow up and get focused on my life."

Tischler spent her early 20s raising her son in Austin. It wasn't until she was 27 and married to her current husband that she decided to continue her own education. At age 31, Tischler graduated from UT with an art history degree.

During that time, Tischler sparked an interest in jewelry making and would often make pieces for friends and family. It was not until she graduated that she seriously considered pursuing the trade for a living. Tischler established Ornamental Things in 2004.

"I've always been inspired by really adventurous women [and their] Bohemian, living-in-the-moment ideas," Tischler said. "They're not trendy, they're unique. They have their own style."

The jewelry from Ornamental Things can be categorized as "assembly jewelry," where separate parts are pieced together. Tischler draws from many different sources for her pieces, from American brass manufacturers and antique dead-stock dealers to flea markets. After a few years of creating designs and executing products, Tischler started gaining success around 2007.

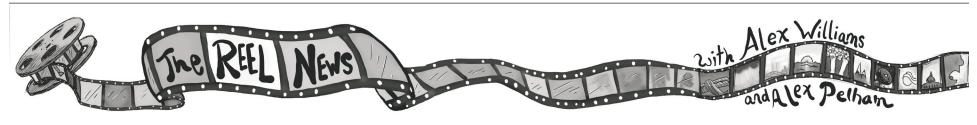
"For me, the first two or three years of my business were doing craft fairs and making my jewelry, seeing how the public felt about it, figuring out what my style was and what I could make and sell," Tischler said.

Today, Tischler travels to major trade shows every year in New York, Las Vegas, Atlanta and Dallas. Her work is showcased at music festivals in Seattle and Chicago, and she has also had a booth at ACL for the past five years.

Tischler's jewelry is also sold at retailers across the U.S., Canada and the UK, as well as online. Five employees currently work in her studio, including styling and art director Amanda George.

"Seeing Natalie work as an artist is really interesting because the sources of her inspiration are so varied," George said. "An idea for a new style may reference a period of historical fashion, or

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'Carrie' remake lacks





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Benedict Cumberbatch as WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange in a scene from "The Fifth Estate."

# Assange film falls short of expectations

#### By Alex Williams @alexwilliamsdt

In fall 2010, as many of the events that comprise "The Fifth Estate" were occurring, Aaron Sorkin and David Fincher were receiving high praise for "The Social Network," their adaptation of a similar story. It's hard not to see that film's legacy all over director Bill Condon's attempt to chronicle Julian Assange's propulsive journey to the spotlight of the information age, but his thematically-muddled approach and only sporadically-interesting narrative render "The Fifth Estate" a frustrating missed opportunity.

The film takes a familiar approach, focusing on the partnership between Daniel Domscheit-Berg (Daniel Bruhl) and Assange (Benedict Cumberbatch). Domscheit-Berg is initially drawn to Assange for his wild aspirations of exposing the truth while protecting his sources. But as WikiLeaks stumbles upon its biggest story yet, tensions between the two come to a head.

In Condon's struggle to make characters sitting at computers visually interesting, he infuses "The Fifth Estate" with a grand visual metaphor. Every time Condon cuts back to this visual representation of a digital organization, it becomes less effective. By the end of the film, he has taken it to a laughably literal level. Unfortunately, this is the only place where Condon shows any flair, and "The Fifth Estate" is a dry and flavorless presentation. From its overwrought opening sequence showing the history of information to the barrage of neon-underlined speeches the film ends with, "The Fifth Estate" is dramatically limp for most of its runtime.

"The Fifth Estate" starts to perk up a bit once it introduces a compelling moral conundrum over halfway through, but only becomes truly interesting in the moments where Condon is portraying the paranoia that threatens to swallow Assange whole. The characters embark on scholarly speeches about why Assange has changed the way information is shared, but the fullest consequences cannot be grasped yet, resulting in a story that feels unfinished.

The biggest draw for "The Fifth Estate" is Cumberbatch's performance as Assange. Assange is written as a



#### 'THE FIFTH ESTATE'

Director: Bill Condon Genre: Drama Runtime: 128 minutes

twitchy Zuckerberg-lite, but Cumberbatch plays him as a vacuum of charisma, utterly uncomfortable in his own skin but thrilled at the selfmythologizing that his media empire allows him. Cumberbatch's performance is hard to latch on to, and the script's loose understanding of

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## vivacity of predecessor

#### By Alex Pelham @TalkingofPelham

Stephen King's first published novel, "Carrie," has been haunting readers for almost 40 years with the story of a special girl who is pushed too far. The story appeared on screen once before, giving audiences a heroine to root for even though she ruthlessly murders her peers. This first adaptation of "Carrie" has remained memorable in horror movie history.

Director Kimberly Peirce's rendition of the classic horror film does not expand on either the original novel or its previous film adaptation. Instead, Peirce's "Carrie" regresses the characters and features a less thrilling plot.

Carrie White (Chloe Grace Moretz) is an unpopular high school senior who is viciously picked on by her fellow students, including Chris Hargensen (Portia Doubleday). At home, Carrie is dominated by her strictly religious mother Margaret (Julianne Moore). After a prank goes too far, Carrie discovers she possesses incredible telekinetic powers, which she attempts to control. When Sue Snell (Gabriella Wilde), one of the instigators of a vile prank, feels guilty, she gets her boyfriend to take Carrie to the senior prom. Plans to make Carrie a laughingstock are put into action and ultimately lead to a massacre.

"Carrie" starts with potential, but eventually runs itself into a short, barely interesting climax and weak ending. The film establishes the somber protagonist and monstrous antagonists before degrading into a re-hash of Brian De Palma's original film.

"Carrie" no longer feels like a scary movie. At times, it is more like a gritty high school drama. There are only a couple of tense scenes. Prom night itself, the infamous climax of the tale, is bogged down by heavy CGI. It is troubling when the audience can't be pulled into the supernatural aspect of the movie, which is one of the story's best aspects.

Strong acting from Moretz and Moore keep the film from falling to pieces. Moretz is likeable as the tortured Carrie, even when she commits atrocious acts. It took a while to believe her unpopular,

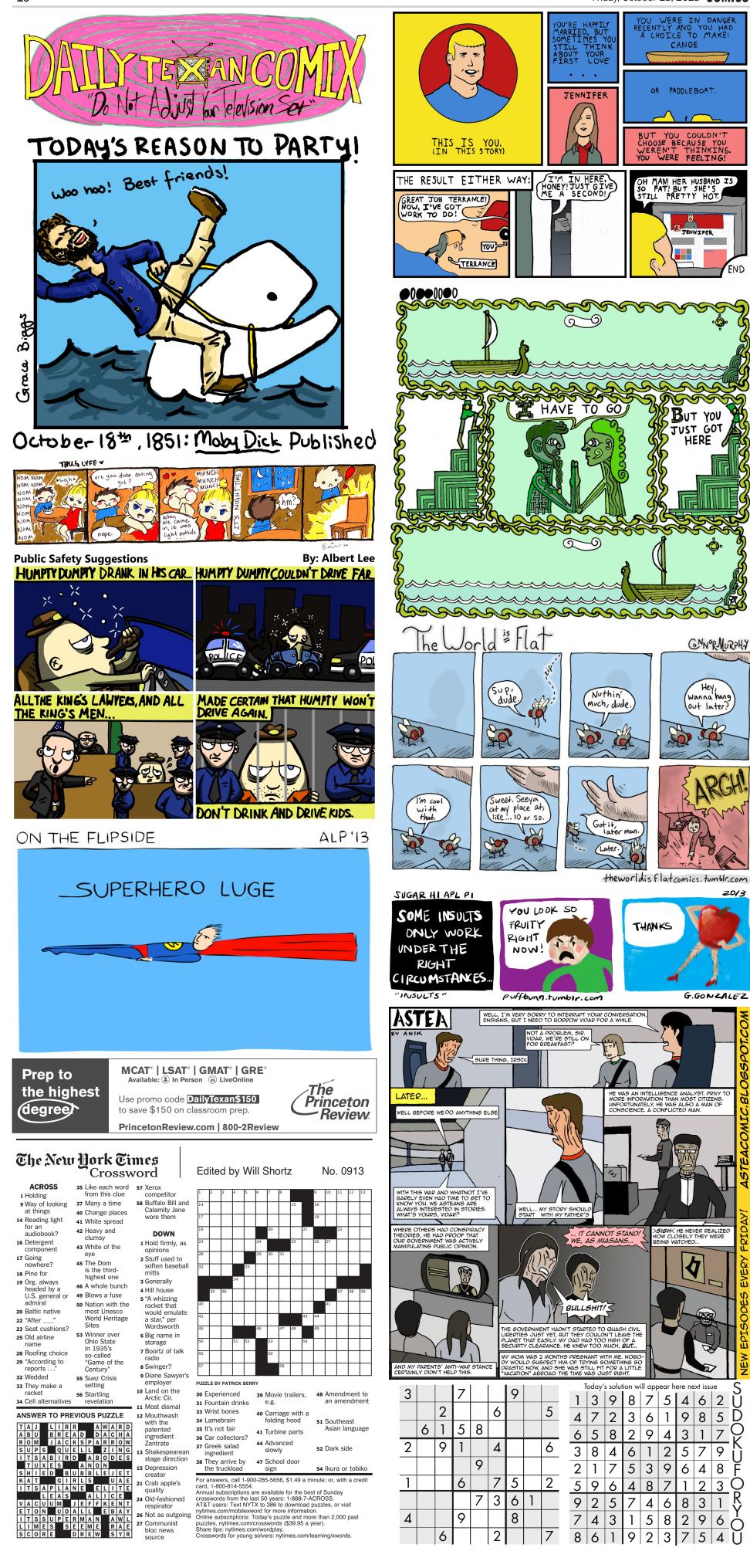
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Chloe Moretz stars in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures and Screen Gems' horror thriller "Carrie."

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#### ALBUM | 'PSYCHIC'



Electronic duo Darkside incorporates jazz sounds into its more experimental music.

Darkside invades EDM sphere

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The term "electronic music" often calls to mind DJs playing giant EDM festivals. There is a whole world of artists who operate on the fringe of electronic music, though, working with house, techno, grime, avant-garde or experimental electronic sounds that are constantly pushing boundaries to create new music. Each week, The Daily Texan will cover a recently released album from one of these artists. For the first installment, we discuss Psychic, the debut

album from Darkside.

Darkside is a duo comprised of electronic producer Nicolas Jaar and guitarist Dave Harrington. Jaar built a name for himself with his solo material and how he incorporates space and silence into slow-burning tracks that more often than not develop into throbbing tunes for the dance floor. With Darkside, Jaar adds Harrington's wavy guitar lines to incorporate more elements of jazz. This gives the music a steadier groove, which creates wonderful results on Psychic. Self-released on Jaar's

serial label Other People, Psychic is one of the most interesting releases of the year because of the way it takes sounds found in jazz and lounge music and turns them into forwardthinking dance tracks. The album opens with the dark, 11-minute long "Golden Arrow," which unfolds carefully, adding multiple layers while always keeping a steady, almost Italo-discoinspired beat. From there, you get highlights like the sensual "Paper Trails," the best dance song of the year to feature a blues-filled

gets darker and weirder throughout its second half, incorporating distorted vocals on "The Only Shrine I've Seen" and experimental drone-sounding keys on "Greek Light."

By operating on the slower, more drawn-out side of the spectrum, *Psychic* acts as a great introduction into the realm of weird electronic music, especially for fans of jazz and psych-rock. Darkside is one of the strangest, most innovative bands around, and its album is one to give a listen.

# guitar solo. The album

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ugly duckling character, but Moretz succeeds in making her more sympathetic by the way she jumps slightly when confronted or even noticed.

Moore is intimidating as Carrie's mother and has a strong, forceful presence over her younger costar. The minor characters, on the other hand, are either awful or forgettable. Doubleday's villain is uneven as a rotten, but popular, teenager and possible psychopath. Her boyfriend, Billy Nolan (Alex Russell), is basically just an idiotic means-to-an-end, while Carrie's prom date is reduced to a bumbling nice guy. All of the side characters are shadows of their novel and original adaptation counterparts, making them dim caricatures.

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continues from page 9 Assange is reinforced in a

clumsy final scene. Domscheit-Berg's arc is not incredibly compelling, but at least he has one. While the

script is content to lead him between story beats blandly, Bruhl does his best to make a plain character arc interesting.

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it might be inspired by some piece of found nature picked up from Barton Springs."

Eager to expand Ornamental Things even further, Tischler hopes to hire more employees and devote more of her time to designing, using computer programs like Illustrator and Computer-Aided Design, a 3-D modeling software used by engineers to design bridges and landscapes.



ARRIE

Director: Kimberly Peirce Genre: Horror Runtime: 100 minutes

"Carrie" is a disappointing movie because it diminishes the great premise explored by the superior 1976 version. It fails to thrill the audience by overusing CGI effects and giving a bland, modern take to King's classic. Peirce tries to make the retelling into an interesting, horrific update, but ends up tarnishing a somber, terrifying classic movie.

"The Fifth Estate" is not a terrible film. It is simply a misguided work, a film trying to capture the zeitgeist in the same way that "The Social Network" did in 2010. Unfortunately, Condon brings so little flair to his telling of the drylywritten script that it's far easier to dismiss the film entirely than attempt to engage with its laborious 128-minute runtime.

Focused on improving her successful business, Tischler's experiences laid the basis for her business spirit.

"I remember one of the women I work with was saying that having children was really good for business," Tischler said. "I think what she meant by that was that it really gives you a focus in your life. Having kids really makes you work harder because you want to give them a good life, so that makes you work harder in your business."

## FOOD In-N-Out Burgers loses exclusivity when outside California



**By Willa Young** 

was disappointment. I will never want an In-N-Out in Austin.

That may seem very strange, considering I am a born-and-bred Southern California girl who was raised on In-N-Out burgers. Every time I go back home, the first thing I do after getting my

that makes it special.

"Moving In-N-Out to Texas is like making five Hollywood signs and placing them on random hills in the Midwest," said Paul Dragna, corporate communications sophomore from Los Angeles. "It is a California thing."

People used to make pil-

of California.

Until very recently, In-N-Out had one privatelyowned processing plant in Irvine, Calif., and two bakeries in Los Angeles that crafted the famous In-N-Out sponge-dough buns. The chain limited locations to a 500-mile radius of this one plant to maintain freshness. While other fast-food chains have turned to frozen patties, preservative-packed buns and heat lamps over the years, In-N-Out does it the same way it has since 1963. The entire journey of

an In-N-Out burger, from hooves to the hands of the customer, takes less than five days. This is In-N-Out's real secret ingredient.

When the first of several Texas locations opened in Frisco, the chain could not use the same beef, bun bakeries or iconic processing plant to sup-

There is something backward about having a California classic in Texas. Maybe that processing plant has some magic that no other state can duplicate.

The integrity of the In-N-Out burger is being sacrificed as it spreads into Texas and beyond. If anyone outside of California is going to try my In-N-Out burger, they are going to love it. But they will not have that experience in Texas.

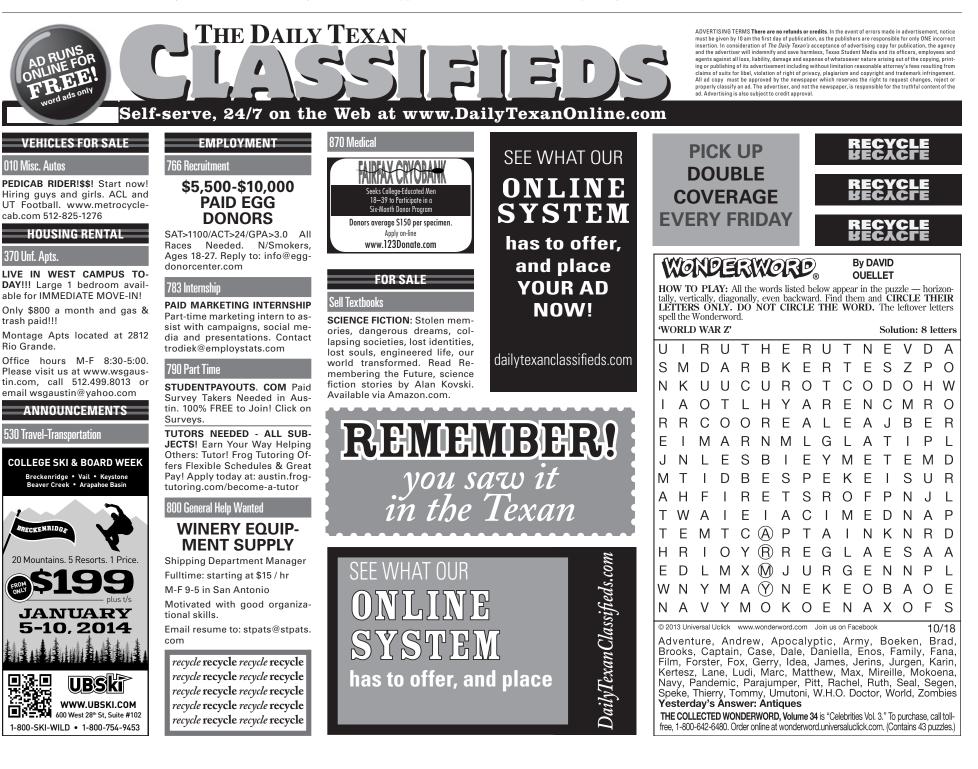
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When I learned an In-N-Out Burger was coming to Austin, I should have been floored with excitement. Instead, my first feeling luggage is speed to the closest In-N-Out Burger to cure my withdrawals.

But In-N-Out is 100 percent associated with California. The expansion of the burger joint across the country diminishes the exclusivity grimages to In-N-Out. The white tiles and paper hats were as much of a tourist destination as Rodeo Drive. The attention to detail that makes In-N-Out a fast food icon will be underappreciated east ply the new Texas stores.

"I went to the In-N-Out in Dallas and wasn't very impressed," advertising junior Ashley Lee said. "I've been to an In-N-Out in California, and I remember it being so much better."

In-N-Out may test its waters in Texas, but it is rooted in the California sunshine.



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