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CAMPUS

UHS to train staffers on transgender health care

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During an appointment with UT's Counseling and Mental Health Center, Thatcher Combs said the counselor repeatedly expressed his surprise that Combs was transgender instead of addressing the mental health problem he needed help with.

"The person that spoke with me, the entire time, did not actually focus on what I came to speak about," said Combs, a sociology graduate student. "But continued to refer back to, 'Oh, you're trans? I wouldn't know you're trans.' The obsession with ... how I looked was really disturbing."

Combs said he refuses to go back to CMHC as well as University Health Services for its medical services because of the experience, and said many other transgender people have experienced harassment or been denied service because of their identity.

UHS plans to launch training programs for med-

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POLICE

UTPD implements body cameras

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The UT Police Department implemented portable body cameras late last month in an effort to build trust between UT police officers and the campus community, the University announced Thursday.

In a five-year, \$450,000 contract with Axon, a public safety technology company formerly known as Taser International, UTPD purchased nearly 80 clip-on body cameras for its

officers. Officers will activate the camera only when interacting with individuals in an official capacity, such as responding to a call, making an arrest or writing a ticket.

"This is something we believe is important to the UT community and to UTPD," UTPD Chief David Carter said. "This is something to ensure that people have confidence and trust when it comes to our department."

The main expense of the body cameras stems

from the evidence and data storage capabilities, both of which will be managed with a cloud storage system through Axon, Carter said.

"The camera itself is insignificant in terms of cost compared to the other things that you have to buy as a police officer on duty," Carter said. "The cost and the difficulty is about managing that information and ensuring that information is secure and will withstand the scrutiny of a court in



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Corporal Eliana Decker of UTPD poses with a newly implemented body camera clipped to her chest. UTPD purchased almost 80 body cameras for its officers.

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Campus construction to continue into 2018

By Kayla Meyertons
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Orange cones and jackhammers remain common sights on campus, indicating UT's plethora of construction projects are far from over.

Four major construction projects are underway in the main campus area: the Speedway-East Mall project, the Engineering Education and Research Center, Robert B. Rowling Hall and an art installation outside the Blanton Museum of Art.

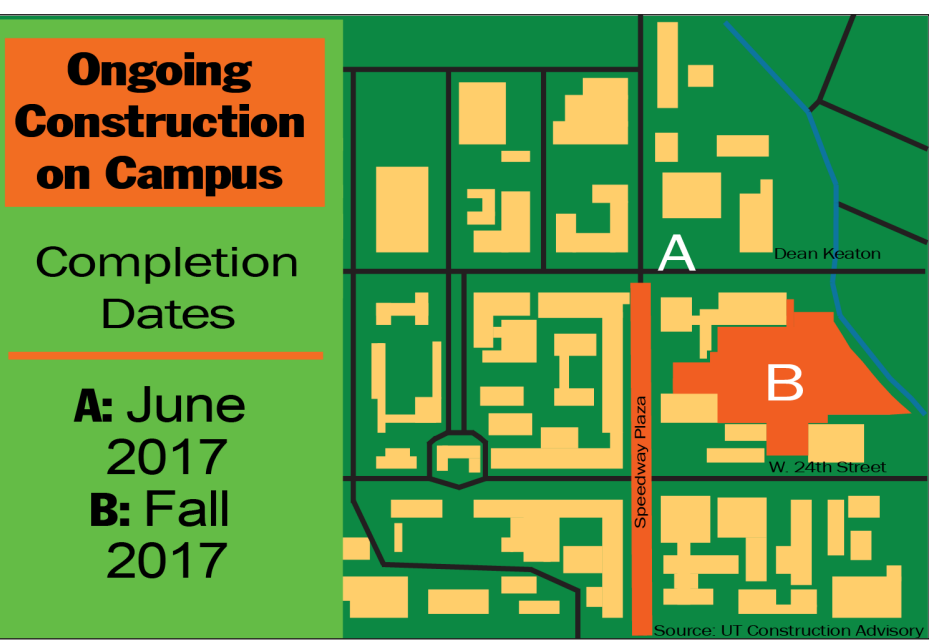
Mark Brooks, project manager at the UT System Office of Facilities Planning and Construction, said the

Speedway-East Mall project is currently in its third phase of construction, which will last roughly through October or November 2017.

"We're currently working on the east side of Speedway between Inner Campus Drive and 24th Street," Brooks said. "Our plan is to finish up that area up by sometime in June of this year, and when we do that, we'll transition to the west side of Speedway between Waggener Hall all the way north to the north face of Patterson in June."

According to the UT construction advisory, the Speedway Mall has been

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Instructor surveys aid students, faculty

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Students can view instructors' Course Instructor Survey grades to help prepare for fall 2017 registration.

CIS, sponsored by the UT Faculty Innovation Center, collects end-of-semester student feedback on instructors' performances. According to the CIS website, the survey aims to motivate teaching effectiveness, aid students in their course selection process, and inform decisions on faculty promotion and salary.

Educational psychology instructor Kyle Williams said these surveys matter.

"Departments look at your ratings," Williams said. "If you're a full-on faculty member, high numbers supposedly help with the tenure process. But I do know some professors who don't give much meaning to these surveys because they believe it's based on course content rather than their teaching ability."

Williams said the University has a responsibility to allow students to voice their feedback on the quality of their education.

"I appreciated these surveys when I was a student," Williams said. "Now that my role has switched, I'd like to think these numbers can motivate instructors into finding ways to make their materials more interesting and more accessible to students." When discussing the accuracy

of survey results, Williams said the data can be affected by various factors other than teaching quality.

"I usually look at my own ratings over time so I can see a growth trend," Williams said. "That might be more accurate than an one-time bad experience. Rather than focusing on the negative comments, I want to find ways to improve the classroom experience."

Rate My Professor, a similar website unaffiliated with UT, is another widely used tool allowing students to review their instructors.

Business freshman Jerry Liu said he prefers CIS because Rate My Professor contains more polarized voices.

"Sometimes these surveys just get handed to us. Most comments on Rate My Professor come from students who are especially angry or happy, so they are less likely to have the average experience," Liu said.

Although he uses CIS for course selection, undecided freshman Carlos Villarreal said the CIS number-oriented rating system is less user-friendly than other rating sites that include student comments.

"It seems less human because only numbers are shown most of the time. I'd rather see personal explanations of why a student liked or disliked a particular professor. I hope UT can have its own version of Rate My Professor," Villarreal said.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Low SG assembly attendance sparks possible policy revision

By Chase Karacostas
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A majority of the Student Government assembly was absent from at least one out of every five assembly meetings during the last session.

The Daily Texan obtained SG attendance records for the 110th session and found many student representatives were regularly absent from assembly meetings. Representatives are required to attend every assembly meeting unless they receive an approved excused absence from the speaker of the assembly. Despite this, 80 percent of the 220 total absences from the 110th session were unexcused.

"The attendance policy needs to be more strictly implemented," said Vivianne Tu, business representative and management junior. "In the real world, this (many absences) would never be allowed; otherwise, you would lose your job."

For at least three of the assembly meetings during the 110th session, the SG assembly was unable to meet quorum to hear and vote on legislation for either all or part of the meeting. Two-thirds of the representatives must be present for the meeting to reach quorum.



Student Government Attendance Rate

57%

of SG assembly was absent from 1 of every 5 meetings

80% of total absences were unexcused

Source: Student Governor

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The reading of nine new pieces of legislation had to be postponed to the following week when quorum was not met at the Feb. 28 meeting. This included a resolution opposing Senate Bill 4, a bill in the state Legislature which requires Texas law enforcement to comply with U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement.

Amanda Long, international relations and global studies and plan I honors sophomore, said she's frustrated by SG's poor attendance rates. Long said it's essential that representatives be at assembly meetings, because students attend them to share their final concerns on legislation coming before SG.

"If (constituents) are giving their time to come to discuss something, (representatives) should be able to give (their) time and

respect what is being said," Long said. "You're just not fulfilling your purpose in SG if you're not even able to vote on legislation."

SG measures attendance through two roll calls at the beginning and end of each weekly assembly meeting. If members lack approval for their absence and miss one or both roll calls, they are either counted as half absent or fully absent. Only three representatives had perfect attendance during the 110th session.

Madison Huerta, speaker of the newly sworn-in 111th SG assembly, said attendance is a major priority for her and that she plans to hold representatives accountable throughout the session ahead.

At the first assembly meeting on April 4, one new representative asked if weekly attendance is nec-

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DEPRESSION

Depression marker found in blood

By Amanda Kaeni
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The key to more effectively prescribing antidepressants may be in your blood.

Researchers at UT Southwestern Medical Center have discovered a marker called the C-reactive protein, or CRP, which is found in higher concentrations in the blood of people with depression.

Elizabeth Lippard, a psychiatry professor at the Dell Medical School who wasn't involved in the study, said measuring CRP levels can help patients choose the right antidepressants.

"Biomarkers that can guide treatment — so doctors can screen patients to determine best treatment options — may greatly reduce the amount of time a patient has to live with emotional and physical consequences of their illness," Lippard said.

Madhukar Trivedi, a doctor at UT Southwestern who led the research study, said in a press

release that up to a third of patients prescribed antidepressants see no improvement with the first medication they take, leading 40 percent of these patients to stop taking antidepressants after three months.

A UT freshman, who wishes to remain anonymous, said she struggled to find an antidepressant that worked for her.

"Every medicine is really different because not everyone who has depression experiences the same severity or symptoms," she said. "That's why it's difficult to find (an antidepressant) that complements their specific issues."

Doctors often choose antidepressants based on a patient questionnaire. Trivedi said this was like flipping a coin, and has centered his research in finding biological markers of depression.

"Both patients and primary-care providers are very desperately looking for markers that would indicate there is some biology involved in (depression)," Trivedi said in a news release.

"Otherwise, we are talking about deciding treatments from question-and-answer from the patients, and that is not sufficient."

Trivedi's recent study found a strong correlation between CRP levels and which drug regimen improved a patient's symptoms. Participants who had their blood tested and given an antidepressant based on these tests had higher remission rates.

According to Trivedi, this blood test for CRP levels can be used immediately in clinical practice. Trivedi said he also hopes to find markers for depression that are not linked to CRP.

The anonymous student said she appreciates the research being done and hopes new innovations like the blood test can help others suffering from depression.

"It took four years to find something that worked (for me)," she said. "That's why it's so important to find the right medicine and the right dosage, so you can continue to live your life the way you want."



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Supercomputers may diagnose depression

By Aditya Singh
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Psychologists and supercomputers are working together to help diagnose depression at UT's Texas Advanced Computing Center.

David Schnyer, a UT cognitive neuroscientist, psychology professor and lead researcher, creates programs that train supercomputers to look for signs of mental disorders. Schnyer said he uses the predictive power of these computer programs to analyze large data sets of magnetic resonance imaging brain scans, genetic markers and other biological factors.

"We looked at how to optimize (data from the brain scans) to diagnose people

and detect certain vulnerabilities that might indicate future problems," Schnyer said.

The algorithms allow the computers to analyze data, create models that classify people into healthy and depressed populations and then make their own predictions about new patients.

Derek Pisman, a cognitive neuroscience graduate student who worked on this research, said these algorithms have successfully diagnosed disorders such as Alzheimer's disease and epilepsy, but depression is a little trickier.

"Depression is a multifaceted disorder," Pisman said. "There are many brands and subtypes of depression, and the breadth of depression as a diagnosis in general



Illustration by Sian Rips | Daily Texan Staff

complicates that search for unique characteristics."

Schnyer published the study last month in the journal *Psychiatry Research: neuroimaging*. His machine-learning

algorithm is unsuccessful in early diagnosis and is difficult to apply to different data sets with new groups of people.

"One of the nice things about machine learning is also its Achilles heel — it will literally latch out to whatever feature best separates the group," Schnyer said. "Let's just say by chance one group has more people with black hair than the other group has blond hair, the algorithm would pick up on that, which is irrelevant to the depression."

Leslie Scherger, a biomedical engineering sophomore who specializes in computer science, said that diagnosing mental disorders still requires a human element.

"Computers could probably look at symptoms to form

a conclusion, but they lack the empathy that is very often needed to make conclusions on mental disorders," Scherger said. "They still lack the ability to understand the patient's personal stories and emotions."

Pisman said that testing the algorithm with more types of data, not just brain scans, can improve the algorithmic accuracy. He added that supercomputers could become so accurate that they can diagnose very early onset depression.

"What we are going to see more and more over the next decade is a pretty reliable supply of machine learning algorithms for predicting not just the disorder, but also its subtypes, its stage of development and possibly even predicting the treatment," Pisman said.









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FORUM

Forum: Texas officials aim to serve students

By Jordan Shenhar
And Emily Vernon
Daily Texan Forum Editors

In the weeks since the UT System released its preliminary survey on sexual assault, we've covered the issue from the student perspective, with guest pieces from Voices against Violence and the Interpersonal Violence Prevention Coalition. Today, we're presenting takes on how to work

toward solving the problem from movers and shakers in the Texas political scene.

State Sen. Kirk Watson, D-Austin, writes about two bills he has proposed that he hopes will reform the process of reporting assaults to better support and accommodate survivors. While Watson works to address the issue through changing the law, Texas Supreme Court Justice Eva Guzman writes about how survivors can take advantage of the resources available under

current state policy, including free legal advice and counseling.

State Rep. Gina Hinojosa, D-Austin, discusses HB 3488, a pro-Public Business Corporation bill she laid out this week that aims to promote socially conscious business practices in the state of Texas. She discusses how this bill can prove especially useful when a strict state budget inevitably means various programs will fail to receive adequate funding.

Next week's Forum will present a variety of perspectives on the future of the Republican Party in Texas. If you'd like to weigh in on that subject or any other, reach out to us at editor@dailytexanonline.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

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FORUM

Survivors deserve help in ending sexual assault

By Kirk Watson
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Sexual assault is shockingly common on college campuses.

According to a recent survey from the University of Texas System, 15 percent of female undergraduate students reported being raped since enrolling at UT-Austin. That frightening finding is consistent with national research on the prevalence of sexual assault, which illustrates that this crisis is affecting all our institutions of higher education.

To stop sexual assault on campus, it's clear we need to take concrete steps to change the culture. We need to better educate all students about consent and respecting sexual intimacy, while protecting survivors and empowering them to come forward.

This session, I filed several bills in the Texas Senate that tackle all these different facets of the sexual assault crisis.

Two of my bills — Senate Bill 969 and Senate Bill 968 — remove barriers to reporting sexual assault.

Senate Bill 969 encourages sexual assault survivors and witnesses to report without fear of campus authorities penalizing them for minor alcohol related offenses or student conduct code violations that may have occurred ancillary to the incident.

Senate Bill 968 requires institutions to provide an electronic option for students and

employees to report an incident of sexual assault, dating violence, sexual harassment or stalking. The electronic option must include the opportunity to report anonymously.

Both of those bills flew out of the Senate and are now awaiting a committee hearing in the House of Representatives.

A third bill, Senate Bill 970, proved to be much more controversial. As filed, the legislation required that all institutions of higher education in Texas — both public and private — adopt an affirmative consent standard. Affirmative consent establishes that yes means yes, but the absence of no does not mean yes.

Affirmative consent policies are extremely important in cases where the survivor was unconscious, incapacitated or drugged — such as in the case involving the Stanford swimmer that made national headlines last summer — and are essential to ensuring that survivors can hold perpetrators accountable.

Many institutions across Texas have already adopted affirmative consent principles, which establish that consent is given through “words or actions that clearly demonstrate a knowing and voluntary agreement to engage in sexual activity.”

When my bills were heard in committee, a number of incredibly brave survivors of campus sexual assault came to tell their stories and support my legislation, testifying that the affirmative consent standard would protect others.



Joshua Guerra | Daily Texan Staff

State Senator Kirk Watson, D-Austin, speaks at a Texas Tribune event on April 10. Watson has authored two bills this session aimed to make reporting sexual assault easier for survivors.

But I was forced to drop the affirmative consent provision because committee members wouldn't accept it. I'll keep working to help my colleagues understand the importance of affirmative consent.

Even so, there are good things left in SB 970, including a requirement that private institutions develop a sexual assault policy just as public institutions must do. All schools

must create a public awareness campaign to ensure the campus community knows about the sexual assault policy.

If we're going to change the culture on campus, we should start with changing state law to respect and protect survivors. With these bills, I'm hopeful that we're opening some eyes and minds.

Watson represents Austin in the Texas Senate.

FORUM

“B Corps” bill would empower corporations to serve citizens



State Representative Gina Hinojosa (D-Austin) stands in the Capitol after winning the Democratic primary for her seat on April 2, 2016. Hinojosa recently introduced legislation to create Public Benefit Corporations in Texas.

Juan Figueroa
Daily Texan file photo

By Gina Hinojosa
State Representative (D-Austin)
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Texas continues to be a destination for corporations across the country and the world. While our state has aggressively pursued and passed business-friendly legislation, we are behind on one trend — Public Benefit Corporations (“B Corps”). Thirty-one states have already passed B Corps legislation, including Delaware, California, Florida and New York. I have filed HB 3488 that would serve as enabling legislation for the creation of B Corps here in Texas.

A Public Benefit Corporation is a purely voluntary status through which a company is incorporated to pursue both a “public benefit,” or a social good AND profits. It expands the obligations of a company's board of directors by requiring them to balance a public benefit along with the financial interests of shareholders. This gives directors the legal protection to pursue a social purpose mission not just profits.

Several high profile companies, such as Patagonia, Kickstarter and This American Life, have formed as B Corps. One of Kickstarter's social purposes is, for example, “to create tools and resources that help people bring their creative projects to life, and that connect people around creative projects and the creative process.” Kickstarter formed as a Public Benefit Corporation in 2015 and has already experienced notable returns. In a recent report, Kickstarter announced

that the most noticeable change since becoming a B Corp has been the significant increase in people applying to work for them.

There is a growing trend among millennials to work for and buy from companies that pursue a greater societal good in their business model. Additionally, after speaking with many advocates on this issue, I have learned about the growing interest among venture capitalists to invest in B Corps.

Under current Texas law, Public Benefit Corporations in Texas have incorporated in other states that offer this option. This arrangement leads to an increased cost of doing business in Texas as it requires increased fees and increased potential for litigation to occur outside of the State. This situation is less than ideal.

At a time when a constrained State budget will undoubtedly leave many needs within our communities unmet, Texas should, at minimum, facilitate opportunities for private investment in the greater good. Legislation enabling B Corps this Session can be a vehicle through which the private sector can invest in the growing needs of our state now, while simultaneously meeting today's dynamic market demands. It's a “win-win” for business and communities and a solid win for Texas.

If you have any questions about HB 3488, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 512-463-0668.

Hinojosa represents Austin in the Texas House of Representatives.

FORUM

State provides free resources to assist sexual assault survivors

By Eva Guzman
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Sexual assault is not just a criminal justice issue. Sexual assault is a public health and human rights issue that profoundly affects victims, their loved ones and society.

Nearly one in three adults in Texas will experience some form of sexual assault in their lifetime. In more than 70 percent of sexual assault cases, the perpetrator is someone within the victim's circle of trust — a family member, friend or co-worker. In all cases, the experience is traumatic and life altering.

Physical injuries are accompanied by emotional, legal and economic consequences. Survivors often feel helpless, scared and ashamed. Some even blame themselves and are reluctant to report or prosecute the assailant. And while trying to heal physically and emotionally, survivors must also confront legal issues that extend far beyond navigating the criminal justice system.

Common legal issues arising from the aftermath of sexual assault involve safety and family violence concerns, access to health insurance and disability benefits, time off under the Family and Medical Leave Act, immigration processes, privacy interests, educational effects, Crime Victims' Compensation claims and housing issues. Many sexual assault survivors are unaware that free legal help is just a phone call away.

As part of an annual empowerment campaign, April is nationally recognized as Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Among other initiatives this year, the Texas judiciary is working with the Texas Access to Justice Foundation (TAJF) to raise awareness that free legal help is available through the Legal Aid for Survivors of Sexual Assault (LASSA) network.

By calling LASSA's toll-free number — 1-844-303-7233 (SAFE) — survivors who qualify for legal aid can connect with advocates who provide free legal advice and referral to legal aid providers across the state. Through LASSA, sexual assault survivors can obtain help with safety and financial

concerns, including securing a protective order; resolving child custody, child support and domestic violence issues; ensuring a safer working, educational or housing environment; and safeguarding their privacy.

Established in 2015, the LASSA initiative was made possible with \$10 million in funding from the 84th session of the Texas Legislature. With that funding, TAJF provides grants to nine nonprofit organizations throughout the state to provide free legal services to survivors of sexual assault. LASSA grantees provide a range of free legal services; community, law-enforcement and leadership training; and other assistive resources and materials for sexual assault survivors.

In addition to legal advice and representation, LASSA has established relationships with domestic violence shelters and rape crisis centers across Texas, enabling its providers to offer immediate assistance in response to a call for help. LASSA advocates also partner with colleges and universities to prioritize sexual assault awareness and prevention. LASSA leverages its academic partnerships to help ensure faculty and administrators are responsive to allegations of sexual assault and understand their legal obligations to survivors.

In the short time since its founding, LASSA has provided legal assistance to 4,500 sexual assault survivors, serving as a lifeline that enables survivors to protect themselves and move forward with their lives.

With continued financial support from the Texas Legislature, a community of legal advocates across the state will remain available to assist sexual assault survivors with the challenges that lie ahead. For free services that protect victims and their families from the safety, financial and legal ramifications of sexual violence, just call 844-303-7233 (SAFE).

A network of dedicated souls stands ready, willing and able to help.

Eva Guzman has served as a justice on the Supreme Court of Texas since 2009. She is the first Latina to be elected to the high court and to statewide office in Texas. She serves as the Texas Supreme Court's liaison to the Texas Access to Justice Foundation.

ART

Doodle Dudes unite, inspire local artists

By Jose Gonzalez
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their mid-session carmel tunnel exercises.

Every Saturday night, the Doodle Dudes sit down to tables cluttered with pencils and drawing pads at Dominican Joe's. The meetings are more than just sketches or animated cartoons — its about Austinites getting to connect with each other creatively.

Though Smith is working toward being a full-time storyboard artist, he said the Doodle Dudes embrace each other's artwork regardless of skill level. Smith said a lot of the members find something therapeutic about sharing a space where everyone is focused on producing art.

Doodle Dudes USA was established in 2014 to provide amateur artists and like-minded strangers a space to sit down and draw. Since their first meeting at Dominican Joe's on Congress, the shop manager has reserved tables for them every Saturday from 6 until closing.

"Everybody should spend at least a few hours a week just being creative, and it helps knowing that you'll get to see these friends and spend five hours on a Saturday night just creating something and being inspired," Smith said.

For Justin Smith, one of Doodle Dudes' organizers, the club is a space to put imagination on paper and unwind among friends. He said the group's welcoming attitude harbors each persons creative aspirations.

The artists that come and join Doodle Dudes each have their own distinct style and like to do what they're best at. Joe de Francesco, a regular of Doodle Dudes, likes to sketch elaborate architectural pieces that resemble Escher paintings. He said he appreciates that there isn't a specific set of rules to follow.

"We all just have this common language," Smith said. "People love it so much that even if there's not an actual meeting they just want to come here and get together, draw together and joke around."

"We don't care what you draw — we just want you to come out and have fun," de Francesco said. "The rules are just be open to the process (and) be open to everybody."

The Doodle Dudes have expanded from their early group of five to now as many as 20 members. They are supportive of each other, even through

Whenever a roadblock comes along, de Francesco said everyone helps each other improve their craft and continue the creative process.



Courtesy of Doodle Dudes | Daily Texan Staff

Doodle Dudes meet every Saturday night at Dominican Joe's. They talk about their artwork and bond through creativity. Doodle Dudes USA was established in 2014.

"We have very like minds, we understand each other and how we think, but more so there are times when you get into a rut," de Francesco said. "We always give credit where credit is due and we bounce ideas off each other."

ular who joined last year, said the Doodle Dudes push one another to be innovative with their work so no one ever stays stuck in the same place artistically.

"I want to do something that makes me feel uncomfortable, and that's how I feel every time

I come here," Mead said. "This group keeps me accountable and keeps me working and exploring, which is what I want to do."

Within the range of creativity within the Doodle Dudes' current and future members, Smith said he sees an enormous amount of potential not only to develop as an artist, but start new relationships.

It's about freedom, it's about being creative, relaxing and socializing at the same time," Smith said. "As an introvert, this club was the best thing that could've happened."

GUITAR

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"(The frets) are just worn razor thin," Erlewine said. "This is a classical guitar, so it's very difficult to wear a fret out with a nylon string. But that's how much he plays it."

Aside from his work with famous musicians, Erlewine spends most of his time repairing the guitars of Austin musicians. Erlewine and his wife field dozens of repair

requests a year.

"There are certain things that he does well that are his strengths and there are certain things that I do well," Diane Erlewine said. "When we come together, we're able to do something bigger and better than each of us would be on our own."

Jesse White, a patron, friend and bandmate of Erlewine, said Erlewine's key to success is not his master luthier skills, but his character.

"From knowing the man and everything he's gone through, he's one of the most mellow, laid-back people that I've ever met," White said. "I'm just proud and blessed to call him my friend."

Throughout his career, Erlewine has designed instruments for the likes of Mark Knopfler and Billy Gibbons of ZZ Top. Occasionally, those designs become production instruments and sometimes featured in films

such as "Back to the Future" and "This Is Spinal Tap." However, no matter how big his business may get, Erlewine said he thinks people should take time deciding their direction in life, rather than jumping in head first like him.

"Don't just spend your whole life towards one thing without looking around," Erlewine said. "Take a breath, take a year off. Whatever it takes to decide what (you) like to do."

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man said. "I don't know how he did it and I don't think I want to know."

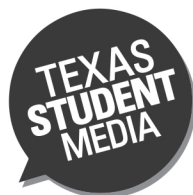
Gorman said she'd like to see the small house movement continue to grow, but as people continue to desire large houses, it doesn't look promising.

"There's a place for a much more modest space," Gorman said. "It'd be nice if we could find a way in our country to make it possible to support not

just the giant houses, but also the little ones."

The tiny house consistently draws curious tourists and students from around the world, as Weber continues to emphasize what he learned four years ago — the importance of sustainable living.

"We need to diversify our communities," Weber said. "Whether it be socioeconomically, culturally or architecturally, we have to start thinking of our neighborhoods in a much more sustainable way."



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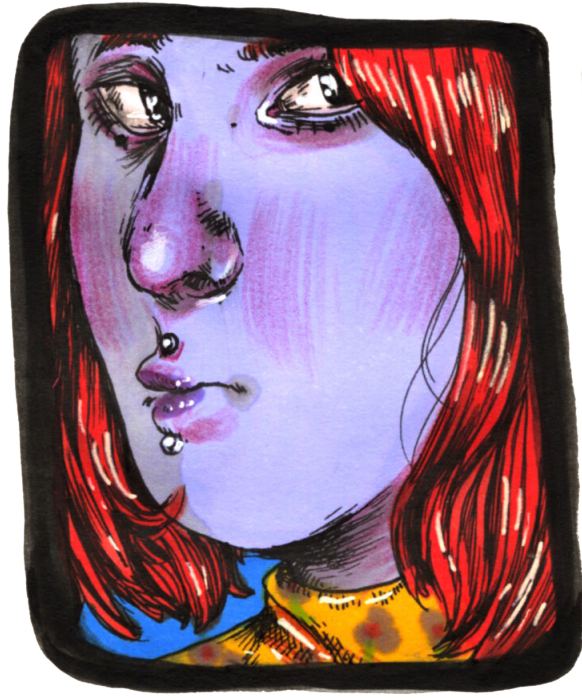
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- Prophet in the Book of Mormon
- Gelato alternative
- Like ___ of worms
- Pioneer in heliocentric theory
- Fishing floats
- Baht : Thailand :: ___ : Laos
- +, \$ or @
- Observed visiting
- Imperial sticks, say
- San Francisco's ___ Tower
- Dismal turnout
- End of a letter
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- Unmitigated disaster, in slang
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- Raptors' home: Abbr.
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- Euro forerunner
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- Soften
- Cardinals' home: Abbr.
- "My God!" as cried by Jesus

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TRACK AND FIELD

Golden shines, shoots for more at Texas

By Drew King
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Zola Golden made the journey south from her home in the suburb of Lagrangeville, New York, to the Bronx at least three times a week when she was younger.

It was all for one goal — to improve her skills in the sport that she loved.

“My coach lived in the city, so to get to him, my mom had to drop me off at the station and I would take the train,” Golden said.

On a good day, the commute took approximately two hours each way. Golden completed this routine her entire junior and senior years of high school. However, the more success she found on the track, the more determined she was to keep going.

Her dedication caught the eyes of Texas coaches Mario Sategna and Tonja Buford-Bailey. They became enticed with the sprinter’s competitiveness and began recruiting her to come to the 40 Acres. Golden did not take her decision lightly.

“I remember watching her in high school and just (thinking), ‘The girl can run!’” Buford-Bailey said. “It was a struggle to get her here, but I always felt like, with our stable of quarter-milers that we had at



Sophomore sprinter Zola Golden races for the finish line at the Texas Relays on April 1. Golden and her Longhorn squad will look to find success at the Texas Invitational this weekend.

Joshua Guerra
Daily Texan Staff

the time, that she would fit in really great.”

The recruitment worked — Golden’s relationship with Buford-Bailey blossomed after meeting in person and the University’s academic and athletic status helped make up her mind. She debuted for the Longhorns in 2016 and was a member of the 4x400 meter relay team that took first place in the 2016 NCAA Outdoor Championships.

“I probably talked more with her mom than I did with Zola,” Sategna said. “That was a big move for her, coming from New York. But I knew if we

could get her here on campus that she would just fall in love with Coach Tonja, the facilities, as well as the team dynamic.”

Now in her sophomore season, the first team All-American has assumed a leadership role on the women’s team. Her diligence and reserved personality reminds others of her former teammate, Courtney Okolo, who claimed a gold medal for Team USA at the 2016 Olympics.

“She’s so quiet, you never even hear from her, you never know she’s there,” Buford-Bailey said. “She’s an unsung hero on this

team. She’s doing well in the classroom, not hanging out and partying, just totally focused on what she’s doing here, and that makes the difference.”

Filling an Olympic gold medalist’s shoes is a formidable task. However, rather than intimidating Golden, the challenge inspires her. She’s been encouraged by her recent performances, including a seventh-place finish in the 400-meter dash in the finals of the NCAA Indoor Championships in March.

“It was really exciting for me,” Golden said. “I don’t want to say I’m satisfied,

but I’m really happy with my improvement.”

This weekend, it will only take Golden 15 minutes to travel to Mike A. Myers Stadium, where she will be competing in a trio of events at the Texas Invitational. But her last journey of leading her team to success will be the same as usual.

“She’s not the most vocal, doesn’t say a whole lot, but takes care of business,” Sategna said. “But her actions out here and her discipline speaks volumes. You want other people to latch on to that type of work ethic.”

MEN’S TENNIS



Noel Mahouch | Daily Texan Staff

Freshman Yuya Ito lost to Baylor’s Johannes Schretter on April 12, but hopes to rebound against Texas Tech Saturday.

Texas looks to bounce back to winning form

By Justin Martinez
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Texas kept playing long after the fans at Caswell Tennis Center emptied the stadium.

The No. 8 Longhorns (18-6) suffered one of their worst losses of the season on Wednesday, getting blown out at home in a 4-1 loss to No. 4 Baylor.

Players looked disheveled after the loss, burying their heads into their shirts as head coach Michael Center delivered a 20-minute tongue lashing. The players then took to the courts once more to work on their game.

The Bears outshined Texas in every way, sweeping them in doubles play and winning three of the first four singles matches. Baylor’s Johannes Schretter delivered the final blow, defeating freshman Yuya Ito 6-4, 1-6, 6-0 to give his team the victory.

“We knew going in that there were going to be some tough spots,” Center said. “We’ve come back this year against some good teams, but we just couldn’t seem to gain any momentum.”

The Longhorns strung together a five-game winning streak in March, defeating three top-20 opponents during the run. But it’s been a different story as of late. The loss to Baylor is Texas’ second consecutive defeat after coming up short 4-2 against Oklahoma State during a road match on April 2.

“It all starts with playing

better in the beginning of matches,” Center said. “We’re also not getting points out of the top of our lineup, and we need those points if we want a chance in these games.”

Texas looks to shake off the rough outing with a match on Saturday against No. 44 Texas Tech at Caswell. The Red Raiders hold wins against No. 34 Memphis and Indiana, a feat largely attributed to their doubles play. Texas Tech’s duo of Bjorn Thompson and Connor Curry are ranked No. 12 in the nation.

This plays directly into a weakness that has plagued the Longhorns all season. Texas is 13-11 in doubles play and without a duo in the top 50.

“We’ve just been putting ourselves behind the eight ball in doubles play,” Center said. “We can’t play that way and expect to win.”

Conference play is getting the best of Texas so far. The Longhorns are 1-2 in the Big 12, leaving little room for error if they want to compete for a conference title. They hope to turn the page and get back on track against Texas Tech.

“The Big 12 is the best conference in the country and everybody knows it,” Center said. “We know that it’s always going to be hard to win these matches, but we’ll be ready come Saturday.”

First serve against Texas Tech is scheduled for 3 p.m. on Saturday at Caswell Tennis Center.

FOOTBALL

Longhorns get first glimpse into Herman era with Spring Game

By Steve Helwick
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On Saturday, fans decked in orange and white will flood into Darrell K. Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium, as they do six times a year in the fall. But this time, the intrigue is not in whether the team wins or loses, but more in evaluating the performance of players on the field.

The annual Texas Spring Game kicks off in Austin at 1 p.m. on Saturday. It will be the first of its kind during the Tom Herman era, following last year’s act that was canceled at halftime as a result of inclement weather.

In the 2016 edition of the game, many eyes gazed upon quarterback Shane Buechele, who enrolled early as a freshman last spring. Even after a year of development as the Longhorns’ starting quarterback, Buechele is still young and has plenty of room for improvement.

After a full season on the field and a staff overhaul, Buechele must utilize his experience to his advantage and grow as a vocal leader in order to solidify his role as Texas’ starter.

“The players do gravitate

around him,” offensive coordinator Tim Beck said. “I think he is a competitor. He doesn’t always show his emotion on his sleeve. I’m trying to let him know it’s OK to play with passion and emotion and allow them to show.”

Herman signed another Elite 11 quarterback this offseason in Westlake High School’s Sam Ehlinger. The Austin native makes up for his lack of collegiate experience with his 6-foot-2-inch, 225-pound frame and his unparalleled confidence.

The early enrollee battled a multitude of injuries in his final season at Westlake, so he will finally earn the anticipated opportunity to showcase his abilities in front of a large audience. His performance will be meticulously studied in comparison to that of Buechele’s.

“They’re locked in, dialed in,” Beck said. “It’s part of what spring ball is — it’s throw everything at them as much as you can and see what they can handle and can’t handle. The harder we make it for them right now, the easier it’s going to be for them in the game. That’s part of the process.”

Buechele and Ehlinger

will battle in the Spring Game on opposing teams, each armed with different sets of running backs and wide receivers on offense.

Texas fans will be deprived of the opportunity to witness the team’s top running backs on Saturday. After missing the majority of the 2016 season with a knee injury, sophomore Chris Warren III will not battle on the field Saturday due to a hamstring injury sustained during a practice in March. Freshman Kyle Porter will also be sidelined with a sprained ankle.

Instead, early enrollee Toneil Carter will handle the workload in the backfield. The prized 2017 four-star recruit will see his first action in uniform on Saturday, attempting to convince the coaches that he is ready to make an impact for Texas.

For every Longhorn on Saturday, this game is a benchmark — a preview of how Herman’s players have progressed since the commencement of spring practice. Half of the team will win, while the other half will lose, but the key to success on Saturday is to impress and leave an individual mark.



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Shane Buechele hurls a football during his freshman season as the Texas quarterback. Buechele and new recruit Sam Ehlinger will go head-to-head in the Spring Game Saturday.

SIDELINE

TOP TWEET

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“football is such a beautiful sport”

SPORTS BRIEFLY

Baseball faces tough loss to Baylor in Waco

Freshman shortstop David Hamilton didn’t have much time to become familiar with the grass field in Waco before he was tested by Baylor’s leadoff batter T.J. Raguse during the first inning of Thursday night’s match.

Raguse sent a ground ball towards Hamilton’s direction on the first pitch of his at-bat. Hamilton — who normally plays on a bouncier turf surface at home in Austin — expected Raguse’s grounder to ricochet off the natural grass at a much higher height than it did. The ball flew past him into center field as a result and Raguse was rewarded with the first hit in Baylor’s 6-2 win over the Longhorns.

However, Hamilton quickly found redemption during the next play, when he was able to turn a double play that sent Raguse back to the dugout. Sophomore pitcher Nolan Kingham and the Longhorn defense eventually turned the lead-off hit into a quick five-pitch inning to get out of early trouble.

But the Bears got the best of Kingham in the second inning. Baylor’s Tucker Cascadden crushed a clutch double while the bases were loaded to boost his team to a two-run lead. The green and gold cashed in two more runs during the inning to hold an early 4-0 advantage over the Longhorns.

Texas finally got on board during the top of the fifth inning when sophomore designated hitter Kody Clemens blasted a double to lessen Baylor’s lead to 4-1. But Baylor’s Shea Langeliers entered the bottom of the inning with plans to bring the momentum back to his team’s side.

And that’s just what he did. Langeliers blasted a two-run homer over the left field fence and busted the game wide open for Baylor, 6-1.

Kingham entered the night with a team-best 1.23 ERA and hadn’t given up more than two runs in a game all season. But after Langeliers’ two-run homer, Kingham was charged with six earned runs during his five-inning outing.

The Longhorns had opportunities to get back in the game, but failed to take advantage of most of them. Junior outfielder Patrick Mathis stepped up to the plate with the bases loaded in the sixth, but hit a flyout that ended the inning and stranded all three baserunners.

Texas stranded two more runners in scoring position during the next inning. The Longhorns were able to score a run in the ninth, but their inability to convert earlier chances into runs cost them a 6-2 loss to the Bears.

The burnt orange will look to bounce back in the second game of the series against Baylor at 6:35 p.m. tonight.

—Vanessa Le

CITY

Austin craftsman fashions legendary guitars

By Chris Duncan
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From helping build guitars for Jerry Garcia and Albert King, to meeting Willie Nelson in a dark, backroom private bar, Mark Erlewine's career as a guitar builder and repairman certainly isn't void of run-ins with some of the biggest names in music.

Starting his career as an apprentice to his cousin Dan, Erlewine said he struggled to find his passion coming out of high school and wasn't convinced college was for him.

"I was 18 years old," Erlewine said. "Vietnam and the draft were looming. I thought, 'Well, let me try this.' And it was instant therapy. It was like centering my brain."

Now, 48 years later, Erlewine builds his own custom guitars and has repaired countless, including Willie Nelson's 1969 Martin N-20 named "Trigger."

After working for his cousin, Erlewine developed his own business in Michigan, and moved to Austin in 1974. For 20 years, his storefront was located on Guadalupe, directly across from the Wheatville Co-op and minutes from the



Guitar builder and repairman Mark Erlewine has repaired Willie Nelson's guitars for many years and makes his own custom guitars. Erlewine owns his own guitar repairing store and has continued making and repairing guitars for more than 40 years.

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KLRU studios where Austin City Limits was originally taped. Erlewine said that's how he met Poodie Locke, Nelson's longtime manager, and eventually got his hands on Trigger.

Nelson's guitar is one of

legends — it helped make his band's signature sound. After a couple of repairs, Erlewine was invited by Nelson to a performance at the Austin Opry House.

"When I got there, (Locke) said, 'Come with

me' and took me through these back corridors to a private bar, and Willie was sitting there having a drink," Erlewine said. "He introduced me to Willie, and Willie said, 'Keep my guitar going. As long as it keeps go-

ing, I'll keep going.' It was a little bit of pressure."

Erlewine has repaired the guitar more than 30 times to date. Erlewine said typical repairs include replacing the tuning pegs and bracing the hole in Trigger where Nel-

son's right hand often picks at the guitar. Despite the countless repairs, Erlewine said there's one thing Nelson still doesn't let him touch: the frets.

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CAMPUS

Tiny house brings alternative living to campus

By Alex Briseno
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Joel Weber arrived in Nicaragua with nothing but a suitcase and a one-way ticket in search of a culture that would not only allow him to find himself, but also accept whoever he may be.

Long before the 26-year-old design senior constructed the tiny house sitting outside the Art building and museum, he found himself searching the world for something personally fulfilling. Weber said he boarded the plane to Nicaragua in hopes of escaping the materialistic culture of the U.S. and didn't plan on returning.

"We live in excess," Weber said. "We tend to forget what life is really about. We fail to give priority to our relationships and continue this culture of idealism where you look down on people who are different than you."

Weber said he knew he was making the right decision, but the journey wasn't easy — he was on his own.

"There were times in Nicaragua where I thought I could disappear and nobody would miss me," Weber said. "I remember thinking, 'Why do you have to be incredibly alone to learn things about yourself?'"

As time went by, he started building relationships in a culture that was much simpler than the one he managed to escape.

"I camped down the coasts of Costa Rica and lived in mosquito infested tents and met beautiful people who lived within their means," Weber said. "They had so little but they gave so much. I felt so much more at home in the Latin culture."

After three months, Weber returned to the States.

At the age of 25, Weber was accepted into the design program at UT. However, one of the most expensive obstacles in pursuing a higher education in Austin remained: housing.

Instead of taking out student loans to pay for housing, Weber decided to build something inspired by his experience in

Latin America — a tiny home.

"The interest in tiny houses all started when I came back from living out my suitcase in Central America," Weber said. "I was the happiest I've ever been and I knew I wanted a sense of ownership."

Now, Weber's house made its way to the 40 Acres.

"For our senior show I wanted to show people how they could potentially live more sustainably," Weber said.

Weber's tiny house, which will allow him to graduate debt-free, was originally approved to spend just two weeks on campus. But after such a positive reaction, he said it may stay until he graduates, serving as an educational installment.

Carma Gorman, the associate professor and assistant chair in the department of Art and Art History said what Weber was able to do was remarkable.

"The single most impressive thing is how he got UT to let him hook up water, gas and electric to our building," Gor-

TINY HOUSE page 5



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Design senior Joel Weber constructed a tiny house where he lives that sits outside the Art building and museum. The inspiration for the tiny house comes from his experience in Latin America.

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