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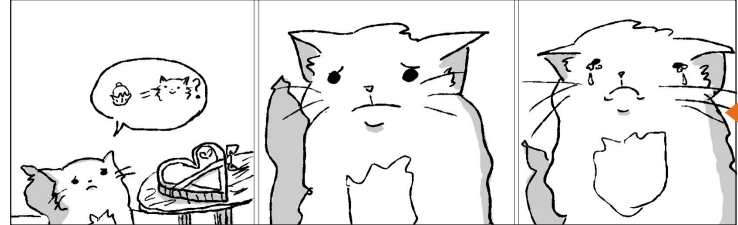
**Basement Tapes is back.** D.C.-based folk pop artist Spoonboy stopped by The Daily Texan offices to talk about his music and his ideas about gender identity and the patriarchy. He also performed a few acoustic songs about said topics from his latest album, *The Papas*. [bit.ly/dt\\_spoonboy](http://bit.ly/dt_spoonboy)

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### SYSTEM

## Texas schools keep tuition at same rate

By **Jordan Rudner**

Although the UT System Board of Regents set the University's tuition in May, tuition policies across the System for the coming years will top the agenda at the board's meetings Wednesday and Thursday.

The regents will discuss the

progress of the new medical school in Austin and examine the costs and benefits of a guaranteed tuition option, among other issues.

The System's recently-announced effort to review policies concerning relationships between teachers and students does not appear on the agenda.

The board will begin its agenda with discussion and "appropriate action" to recommend a guaranteed tuition option on all UT-System campuses and a report on UT System strategies to reduce undergraduate tuition.

As the board decided in May, UT-Austin students will not experience a rise in

tuition for the next two years. Students at three other UT campuses will also see a 0.0 percent tuition increase for the fall 2013 semester, while other campuses will experience minimal increases. As a result of unprecedented allocations from the Available University Fund, eight of the nine UT System academic

campuses will raise tuition for fall 2013 at a rate lower than they were approved for by the board.

UT-Arlington, UT-Permian Basin and UT-Tyler will not increase their fall tuitions at all, although the board had approved a raise of at least

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### STUDENT GOVERNMENT

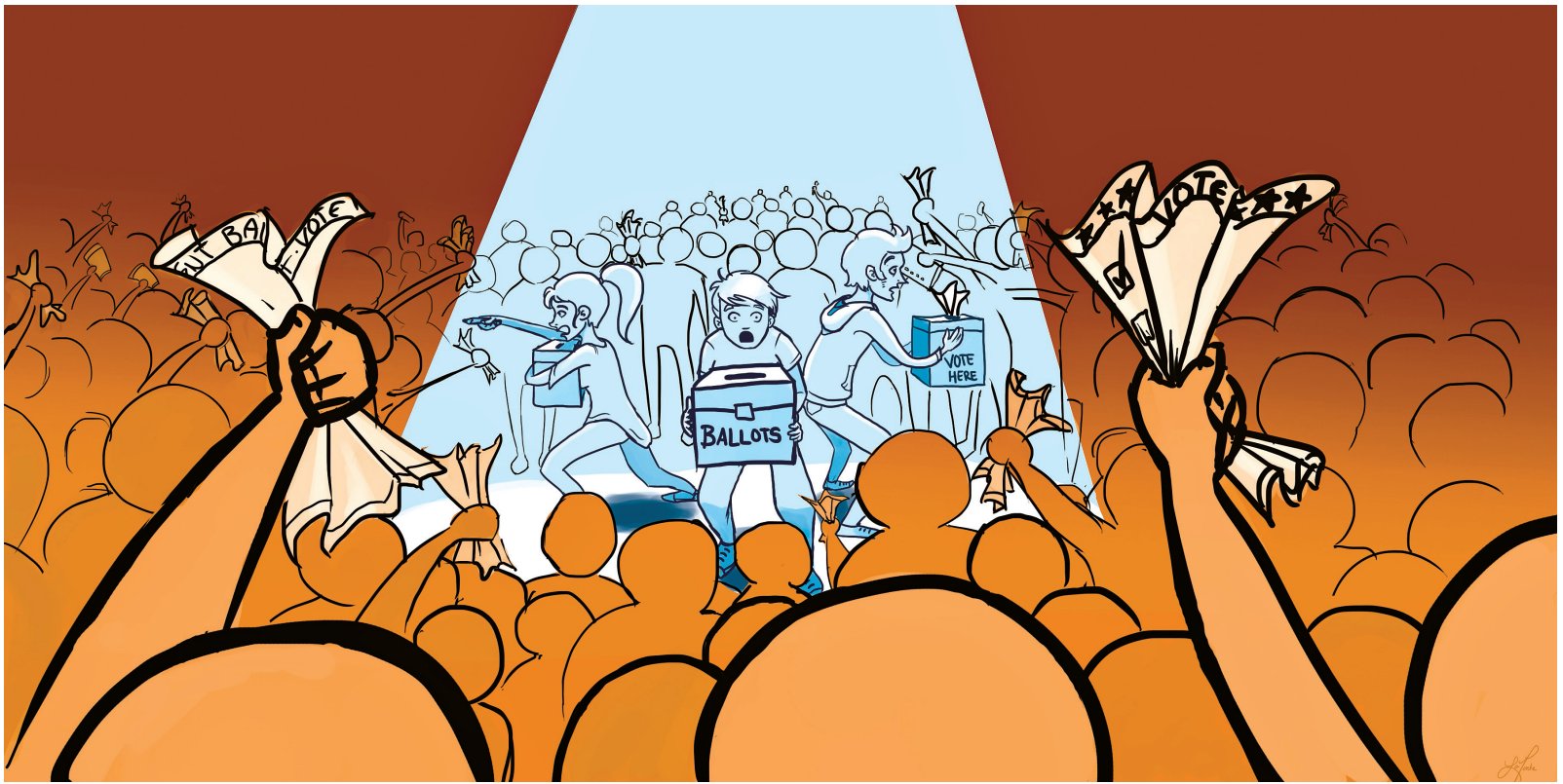


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## Candidates gear up

Student government hopefuls prepare as campus election days approaches

By **Christine Ayala**

With campus-wide elections only two weeks away, students can expect to see flyers, campaigning tables and events on campus for various contested positions.

Campaigning begins today for Student Government,

Texas Student Media, University Unions Board & Student Events Center, the University Co-op and Graduate Student Assembly. Students can vote online for campus elections from 8 a.m. on Feb. 27 to 5 p.m. on Feb. 28, and the results will be announced on the Main Mall at 6:30 p.m. on the final day of voting.

Candidates are allowed to register their campaign as a student organization and can provide platform information at tables on the West Mall or Gregory Plaza until elections.

Ryan Lutz, aerospace engineering senior and Election Supervisory Board vice-chairman, said with the several campaigns trying to interest voters, students should look to news sources and the candidate debate to

clarify candidate platforms. "The average student should really be looking for outlets that streamline the crazy amount of information that will be coming at them the next couple weeks," Lutz said. "When it comes to the executive alliance, they run full campaigns. This includes gathering supporters and really trying to reach out to as many people as possible."

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### CANDIDATES

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### STATE

## Texas universities unite for education funding

By **Tatiana Marceleno**

Students from UT, Texas A&M University, Texas State University, Texas Tech University and the University of Houston united at the Texas Capitol on Tuesday to lobby for higher education funding.

The University's student-run Invest in Texas campaign hosted Flagship Legislative Day for students from the

institutions to meet with key legislators and discuss the importance of state funding for higher education.

"At the beginning of summer, we were looking at how we could make Invest In Texas stronger," Michael Morton, campaign co-director and Senate of College Councils president, said. "We talked about strategic partnerships

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**Shelby Tauber** | Daily Texan Staff

A&M Legislative Relations Ambassador Clayton Williford discusses the importance of state funding for higher education during Flagship Legislative Day at the Texas Capitol building Tuesday.

### CITY



Visitors at Mount Bonnell look out at Lake Austin on Tuesday. The West Point Society of Central Texas has proposed to replace the limestone monument with an inscription dedicated by the Covert family with a granite replica.

**Mikhaela Locklear** | Daily Texan Staff

## Renovations proposed at park

By **Hannah Jane DeCutiis**

Both natives and visitors to Austin who enjoy the expansive views of the city from Mount Bonnell may see changes to fixtures at Covert Park if a proposed plan is approved by Austin City Council.

The West Point Society of Central Texas, which serves the local community of West Point graduates, adopted the park as part of the Adopt-a-Park program in 2010, society member Stan Bacon said.

The society hopes to make landscape renovations to the park including the addition of benches and handrails. Austin's Parks and Recreation Department will be holding a community input meeting Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m. to field concerns from the public.

Covert Park features a limestone monument with an inscription dedicated by the Covert family. The society plans to replace the monument with a black-and-white granite replica, Bacon said.

Bacon said the Covert family is willing to donate \$20,000 to replace the monument but would not be willing to pay to simply restore the existing monument. He said funds for the other renovations would come from a city grant of \$50,000 and in-kind contributions from community members, amounting to a total of more than \$100,000.

The city's Parks and Recreation Department previously considered the plan

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## TODAY IN HISTORY

In 1920, Switzerland rejoins the League of Nations.



## NEWS BRIEFLY

### Executive sentenced in price-fixing scam

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Frederick Scott Salyer has been described as one of the most influential men in California's agriculture industry, but Tuesday he was sentenced to six years in prison for engaging in a price-fixing scam that authorities said involved bribing purchasing managers at food giants including Kraft Foods Inc. and Frito-Lay.

Salyer, 57, built a small canning company into one of the biggest tomato processors in California. He pleaded guilty last year in U.S. District Court to racketeering and price fixing in a years-long scheme that investigators said increased the price of food and allowed moldy products to reach U.S. consumers.

### Horse sold as beef found in UK abattoir

LONDON — British authorities on Tuesday raided a slaughterhouse and a meat processing company suspected of selling horse-meat labeled as beef for kebabs and burgers, shutting them down temporarily and seizing all the meat found.

It was the first time since the growing scandal broke across Europe that horse-meat being marketed as beef has been traced to suppliers in Britain, officials said, raising questions about how widespread the practice is.

Millions of burgers and frozen meals have been recalled around Europe and many accusations have been made, but so far it's not clear how horsemeat got introduced into so many beef products.

— Compiled from Associated Press reports



Itsuo Inouye | Associated Press

Women read copies of a delivered extra edition of a Japanese newspaper reporting North Korea's nuclear test, in Tokyo on Tuesday. North Korea said it successfully detonated a miniaturized nuclear device at a northeastern test site Tuesday, defying U.N. Security Council orders to shut down atomic activity or face more sanctions and international isolation.

## North Korea conducts nuke test

PYONGYANG, North Korea — Defying U.N. warnings, North Korea on Tuesday conducted its third nuclear test in the remote, snowy northeast, taking a crucial step toward its goal of building a bomb small enough to be fitted on a missile capable of striking the United States.

North Korea said the atomic test was merely its "first response" to what it called U.S. threats, and said it will continue with unspecified "second and third measures of greater intensity" if Washington maintains its hostility.

The underground test, which set off powerful seismic waves, drew immediate condemnation from Washington, the U.N. and others. Even its only major

ally, China, summoned the North's ambassador for a dressing-down.

President Barack Obama, who was scheduled to give a State of the Union address later Tuesday, said nuclear tests "do not make North Korea more secure." Instead, North Korea has "increasingly isolated and impoverished its people through its ill-advised pursuit of weapons of mass destruction," he said in a statement.

But the Obama administration's options for a response are limited, and a U.S. military strike is highly unlikely.

In an emergency session, the U.N. Security Council unanimously said the test poses "a clear threat to international peace and security" and pledged further action.

It remains to be seen,

however, whether China will sign on to any new, binding global sanctions. Beijing, Pyongyang's primary trading partner, has resisted measures that would cut off North Korea's economy completely.

China expressed firm opposition to Tuesday's test but called for a calm response by all sides. Chinese Foreign Minister Yang Jiechi summoned North Korea's ambassador and delivered a "stern representation" and demanded that North Korea "swiftly return to the correct channel of dialogue and negotiation," the ministry said in a statement.

The test was a defiant North Korean response to U.N. orders that it shut down its atomic activity or face more sanctions and international isolation. It will

likely draw more sanctions from the United States and other countries at a time when North Korea is trying to rebuild its moribund economy and expand its engagement with the outside world.

Tuesday's test is North Korea's first since young leader Kim Jong Un took power of a country long estranged from the West.

The test will likely be portrayed in North Korea as a strong move to defend the nation against foreign aggression, particularly from the U.S.

The U.N. Security Council recently punished North Korea for a rocket launch in December that the U.N. and Washington called a cover for a banned long-range missile test.

—Associated Press

## GOP urged to back up President

By Julie Pace  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Uncompromising and politically emboldened, President Barack Obama urged a deeply divided Congress on Tuesday night to embrace his plans to use government money to create jobs and strengthen the nation's middle class. He declared Republican ideas for reducing the deficit "even worse" than the unpalatable deals Washington had to stomach during his first term.

In his first State of the Union address since winning re-election, Obama conceded economic revival is an "unfinished task," but he claimed clear progress and said he was seeking to build on it as he embarks on four more years in office.

"We have cleared away the rubble of crisis, and we can say with renewed confidence that the state of our union is strong," Obama said, speaking before a joint session of Congress.

In specific proposals for his second term, an assertive Obama called for increased federal spending to fix the nation's roads and bridges, the first increase in the minimum wage in six years and expansion of early education to every American 4-year-old. Seeking to appeal for support from Republicans, he promised that none of his proposals would increase the deficit "by a single dime."

Obama also announced new steps to reduce the U.S. military footprint abroad, with 34,000 American troops withdrawing from Afghanistan within a year. And he had a sharp rebuke for North Korea, which launched a nuclear test just hours before his remarks, saying, "Provocations of the sort we saw last night will only isolate them further."



A performer from the Unidos de Vila Isabel samba school parades during Carnival celebrations at the Sambadrome in Rio de Janeiro, Tuesday.

Filipe Dana  
Associated Press

## Carnival celebrates Fat Tuesday

By Jenny Barchfield  
Associated Press

RIO DE JANEIRO — Carnival revelers danced until dawn on Tuesday as Rio de Janeiro's samba schools held their annual sequin-drenched parade competitions at the city's iconic Sambadrome.

The all-night-long parade saw six top-tier samba schools deploy powerful percussion sections, larger-than-life floats and battalions of nearly nude samba dancers.

Tens of thousands of people watched the dance parades from the bleachers and swanky VIP stands inside

the Sambadrome, while millions more caught the spectacle via television.

Tragedy overshadowed Carnival festivities in Brazil's port city of Santos, where a fire on a float killed four people and injured five others early Tuesday.

A fire department official in Santos said the float caught fire shortly after the Sanguie Jovem samba school ended its parade at dawn, killing three people who were pushing the float and a woman watching the parade. Witnesses said the float caught fire after striking a power line.

Results of the showcase parades in Rio, which saw 12

samba schools compete for this year's Carnival title, will be announced later this week. The winning schools from various categories will hit the Sambadrome again on Saturday for a parade of champions.

While the Sambadrome parades are the telegenic highlight of Rio's Carnival extravaganza, about 700 "blocos," or street parties, brought the celebrations into the city's neighborhoods. Millions of revelers turned out last Saturday for the Bola Preta street party in Rio's historic downtown.

Carnival officially ends Tuesday, the night before the beginning of the somber Christian season of Lent.

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VIEWPOINT

## Texas, affirm same-sex couples' right to marry

Earlier this month, state Representatives Rafael Anchia, D-Dallas, and Garnet Coleman, D-Houston, introduced twin bills initiating an amendment to the Texas Constitution. If passed, the bills would reverse the constitutional provision added in 2005 that bars under Texas law marital status for same-sex couples.

According to newspaper accounts, Coleman said in support of his own measure, "In 2005, most Texans did not support any form of legal recognition for lesbian and gay couples. But, public opinion has changed greatly in the last eight years, both across the country and right here in Texas ... Two-thirds of Texas' voters now believe the state should allow some form of legal recognition for committed same-gender couples." Researchers from UT and The Texas Tribune conducted a survey in October 2012 that showed that only 33 percent of Texas voters wanted same-sex couples marrying, another 33 percent wanted to allow them to join only in civil unions and 25 percent didn't want any state-sanctioned coupling of two men or two women.

We vigorously support a reversal of Texas's ban on same-sex marriages.

But we think arguments supporting that reversal, which

are unrelated to other statistics, might be more persuasive; quibbling about polling data amounts to nothing more than testing which way the wind blows.

Instead, look at what the federal courts have already decided and the reasoning they relied on. One year ago, on Feb. 7, 2012, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed a lower court ruling that determined that California's Proposition 8 — which amended that state's constitution to eliminate the right of same-sex couples to marry — violated the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which guarantees all of our rights to equal protection under the law. On March 26, the U.S. Supreme Court is set to hear an appeal of that ruling. If the Supreme Court justices read the 9th Circuit opinion — and undoubtedly they have already — they will see an elegant, encouraging message to advocates of same-sex marriage rights to keep fighting, even in the Texas Legislature, an unlikely setting for their success.

The 9th Circuit opinion states: "We need consider only the many ways in which we encounter the word 'marriage' in our daily lives and understand it, consciously or not, to convey a sense of significance. We are regularly given forms to complete that ask us whether we are 'single'

or 'married.' Newspapers run announcements of births, deaths and marriages. We are excited to see someone ask, 'Will you marry me?', whether on bended knee in a restaurant or in text splashed across a stadium Jumbotron. Certainly it would not have the same effect to see 'Will you enter into a registered domestic partnership with me?' ... The name 'marriage' signifies the unique recognition that society gives to harmonious, loyal, enduring, and intimate relationships."

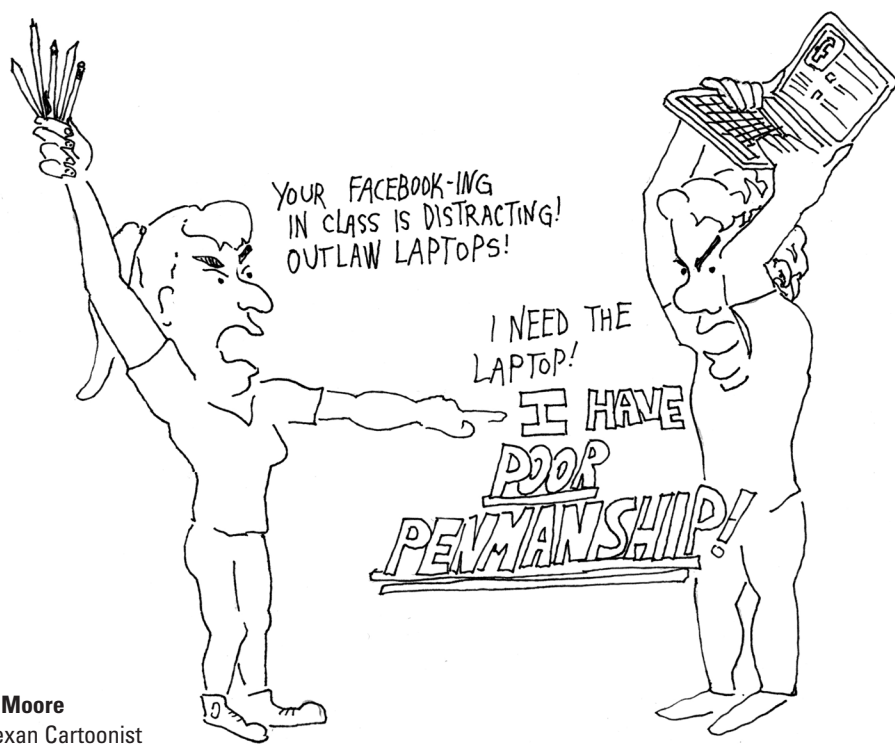
In a final note, the 9th Circuit ruling adds: "To the extent that it has been argued that withdrawing from same-sex couples access to the designation of 'marriage' will encourage heterosexual couples to enter into matrimony, or will strengthen their matrimonial bonds, we believe that the People of California 'could not reasonably' have 'conceived' such an argument 'to be true.' ... It is implausible to think that denying two men or two women the right to call themselves married could somehow bolster the stability of families headed by one man and one woman."

All said, marriage is meaningful and all should enjoy the right to get married. Gay people getting married and enjoying that right does not hurt straight people wanting to do the same.

POINT-COUNTERPOINT

## Should professors employ a "no-screens" policy?

*Editor's note: As the use of laptops in class becomes widespread across campus, we asked two columnists if glowing screens should be allowed to remain open. Are laptops a necessary tool that professors should invite into classrooms, or are they a distraction that should be kept out?*



Lauren Moore  
Daily Texan Cartoonist

### Point: Laptops interfere with lecture

By Maria-Xenia Hardt

Daily Texan Columnist

Apparently, the girl in the row in front of mine threw up on the E-bus on Friday night, and it was oh-so-embarrassing — at least that's what she's just told a friend on Facebook. The guy to my right has updated his Twitter page at least a dozen times in the last five minutes. A couple of rows back, a phone vibrates audibly on the desk. I can't help but feel the information flowing all around me. Unfortunately, I am not interested in 90 percent of this information, but its physical presence competes for my attention with the 10 percent that I actually came here for. What was the topic of today's lecture again?

Maybe it's my fault that I'm so easily distracted by the people around me. Or maybe it's the fault of the professor, whose lecture does not capture everybody's attention. But most likely, the problem is that a lot of students have a hard time voluntarily abandoning their phones and laptops for a time as short as 80 minutes, and everybody's learning and teaching experience suffers as a result.

UT doesn't have a blanket policy when it comes to cyber-distractions, so every professor has to find a solution on his or her own. Many lecturers already have some computer usage policies, and although some laptop addicts might feel bullied, there are good reasons for these regulations. Wendy Hunter, a government professor, has gone from allowing her students to take notes on their laptops to banning laptops to banning all electronic devices. She says, "The spirit of my no-screen policy was to achieve more focused engagement. I see the class as an intellectual community, and this community does not work when people do three things at the same time." Hunter freely concedes that allowing students to take notes on their laptops, hoping they would do solely that, failed. "It was unsustainable. Students just checked out, and it was so obvious when it happened. There was inappropriate laughter while I was talking about something very serious and I had to repeat myself a lot. Not only the people with a laptop got distracted, but students around them, too, looking onto their neighbors' screens." So Wendy Hunter banned laptops from her classrooms altogether — and people

started texting each other instead. As a consequence, she has had to ban phone use. But, she observes, the students moved on, and they're better for it. "People abide by the rule. If you give students the logic behind it, they are mostly okay with it."

The ice is getting thinner. More and more lecturers at UT are refusing to compete with Facebook and Twitter for the attention of their students any longer. In an ideal world, all students would voluntarily switch off their phones and close their laptops — or at least use them exclusively for note-taking — and no professor would have to ban electronic devices from the classroom. Unfortunately, that world does not exist. The reality is that, right now, surfing and texting distract multiple parties and cause them to miss out on valuable class time. Most UT professors are interested in student progress; they want to share what they are passionate about and what they believe to be valuable information. So wise up and don't take offense when your teachers politely ask you to close your laptop and switch off your phone. It's no different from asking, "May I have your attention, please?"

Hardt is an English junior from Freiburg, Germany.

### Counterpoint: Embrace the future with technology

By Sam Hays

Daily Texan Columnist

Computers are the modern medium for conducting business, writing stories and developing ideas. So why do many professors prohibit the use of laptops in class?

Technology allows us to do so much more with the information presented in lecture. With numerous apps like Evernote or even standard word processing suites, our computers allow us to store information into easily organized folders and label it so that all of our lecture notes can be accessed with incredible ease.

Of course, there is worry about the negative externalities of in-class computer use. All of the teachers with whom I spoke about laptops during lectures were concerned by the distractions that computers can cause our peers, and understandably so.

Sharon Strover, a professor in the College of Communication's Radio, Television and Film department puts it plainly: "The bottom line is that laptops facilitate attention drift. I am familiar with the draw and ease of Facebook and other sites, and

it is simply too easy for people to begin to start clicking around; before students are even aware of it, their attention has drifted." Students are, without a doubt, similarly aware of the distractions inherent to computer use. But ultimately, it's up to those students to take responsibility in class, in the same way that it's up to them to decide whether to study or to go out to a party. If you're staring at your Twitter feed while you're supposed to be taking notes during lecture, that's your fault — you've chosen to spend the time you've purchased at this University doing something you could very well do in your apartment or dorm room.

Professors are also worried that people who are taking notes by hand will be distracted by the bright laptop screens shining like beacons around the classroom. Glenn Frankel, director of the School of Journalism and professor, says that, in a large lecture course, "laptops just seem like one more distraction." On his barring of laptop use in the lecture-heavy J301F (Fundamental Issues in Journalism), Frankel says, "I feared they would be a major distraction for the students who used them and for their neighboring students in the

close-quarters lecture hall."

Almost every professor with whom I spoke raised this point, but there is a simple solution: Professors can decide in which segments of the lecture hall laptop use is permitted and in which section laptop use is verboten, thus separating the bright screens from the pen and paper. This easy fix allows students to choose their preferred note-taking method, and it limits the distractions to those who opt not to bring a computer.

The technological landscape of the world we live in is changing. A major topic of discussion inside the College of Communication is the rapid evolution of the journalism industry. Journalists have turned to laptops and social media platforms to deliver information to the public. Notably, these recent technologies are the topic of many lecture courses — courses in which laptops are often banned. The more readily journalists embrace the digital era, the easier it will be to operate in an entirely revolutionized industry. Professors should limit the distractions associated with technology, not the technology itself.

Hays is a journalism freshman from Dripping Springs.

FIRING LINE

### Duh, he's from Dallas

How utterly apropos that the author of "The End of Austin" [a column published Tuesday] is from Dallas.

— Robert "Dude" Spellings Jr., UT class of 1992

FIRING LINE

### Understand the intent of "The End of Austin"

Thank you for your attention to "The End of Austin," a new experimental journal about urban identity that we recently launched from our home base in the American Studies department. We want to clarify the goals of our project. Rather than peddling nostalgia for the "good old days" of Austin, we are trying to start a conversation about Austin's rapidly changing identity, one that involves nostalgia but certainly isn't limited to it. As we ask in the introductory essay in the current issue: "Is urban nostalgia a productive fantasy that bonds us to a particular vision of place, or a dead-end lament for the way we never were?" This is an essential question that guides "The End of Austin," which will appear twice a year with a robust mix of art, music, scholarship, creative writing, photography and video about the hype and hope of living in the fastest-growing city in the U.S. Our project is rooted in our affection for the city, our desire to bridge UT and the community, and our enthusiasm for talking about the city and its potential in new ways.

— Randolph Lewis, associate professor, American Studies; Sean Cashbaugh, Carrie Andersen, Greg Seaver, "The End of Austin" (TEAO) editorial board

CAMPUS



Becca Gamache | Daily Texan Staff

Professor Elizabeth Richmond-Garza presents her analysis of Oscar Wilde during a roundtable discussion of the Harry Ransom Center's Oscar Wilde archive Tuesday afternoon.

## Scholars discuss Wilde's archives

By Amanda O'Donnell

A roundtable discussion about Oscar Wilde's life and work was held Tuesday at the Harry Ransom Center, which houses the Wilde archives. The event was hosted by the Ethnic and Third-World specialization of the graduate program at the Department of English.

The talk, "The Oscar Wilde Archive," was held in preparation for the Ethnic and Third-World specialization's 12th Annual Sequels Symposium, a yearly conference that centers on the recent work of UT alumni and showcases the work of the program's current graduate students. "The Oscar Wilde Archive" is one of two Spring Prequels — smaller events that preview the coming Symposium's topic matter through exploratory discussion. The second Prequel, open to the public, will be March 19.

The afternoon's talk covered topics like Wilde's

human rights efforts and his legacy. English and comparative literature associate professor Elizabeth Richmond-Garza discussed the links between Wilde's translations and queer theory. Richmond-Garza said speculation over Wilde's sexuality arose as scholars translated his works. She also provided the original manuscript of "Salome," a play by Wilde, for viewing.

Ransom Center digital archivist Gabriela Redwine talked about Wilde's correspondence with his niece and nephew.

"I liked how they gave views of Wilde that I haven't seen analyzed before," English junior Carmen Hargis-Villanuev said. "You wouldn't think you could see him in a whole new way just through studying his niece."

The discussion was led by English Department Chair Elizabeth Cullingford.

"Since the presiding genius of today's talk is Oscar Wilde, I think he should provide our epigraph," Cullingford said. "He said, 'There is only one

thing in the world that is worse than being talked about, and that is not being talked about.'"

This year's symposium will feature UT graduate Ellen Crowell, whose latest book, "Oscar Wilde's Body," examines the writer in the literary and cultural landscapes of early modernism.

English senior Cynthia Brzostowski said the series is beneficial because it shows what English scholars can do following graduation.

"It's always motivating to see a liberal arts degree in action," she said. "Seeing what professionals in the field study, how they prepare and then in what forum they present their research is really interesting."

Associate English professor Neville Hoard said it is intimidating to delve into the life and work of Wilde, who has been called the leader of the Aesthetic Movement.

"In discussing Wilde you run the risk of being upstaged by your subject's own material," he said. "Which is a risk I'm honored to take."

CAMPUS

## Indian oppression documented

By Matthew Hart

The work of independent journalist Priyanka Borpujari involves exposing the malignity of what she calls the hidden civil war in India. At a talk hosted by the Association for India's Development on Tuesday, Borpujari shared photos to draw attention to conflict between Indian government officials and an aboriginal Indian group known as the Adivasi.

Parvathy Prem, an aerospace engineering graduate student who helped organize the event on campus, said Borpujari's reporting was a topic that overlapped with AID's goal to listen to the voices of marginalized communities.

Borpujari's photographs focused on a region in central and eastern India between the cities Hyderabad and Raipur.

"It is the area in which there is the most mineral wealth and indigenous populations," Borpujari said. "It is also the region in where the fruits of democracy have not yet reached the people and where a system of violence is checked in by a paramilitary system."

Borpujari said the Adivasi population is under constant threat by the government, and particularly Special Police Officers. She told stories of individuals who have been repeatedly raped and starved and have escaped oppression and execution.

"It's a culture in which traditionally there is no word for rape," Borpujari said. "You have situations in which women are having to keep quiet about the atrocities inflicted upon them."

Borpujari said the



Johnathan Garza | Daily Texan Staff

Priyanka Borpujari speaks about the crucial issues in India on Tuesday. The presentation focused on the civil war India is facing between the indigenous people and the government.

government is involved in a violent conflict known as Operation Green Hunt against a segment of the Adivasi groups. She said she was fortunate enough to investigate a camp of the Central Reserve Police Force with her colleagues.

"When we arrived at the camp, [Central Reserve Police Force] camp officers were saying how grateful they are to be in their position," Borpujari said. "However, once we got inside they told us the government has thrown them into this hell. We were immediately thrown out of the camp by a senior officer and as we were leaving, men were calling out to us to give our phone numbers so they could tell us the truth."

On top of the violence and oppression, Borpujari said a type of malaria, called falciparum malaria, has plagued the country and is causing death in one out of three cases of the disease.

"In 2007, there were 144,000 cases of falciparum malaria in India," Borpujari said. "That's about 75 percent of the total number of malaria cases. The government released state figures

of only three." Economics sophomore Shivani Butala said the talk made her more aware of the indigenous Adivasi in India. "I can't believe how inhumane they are being to these people," Butala said. "These poor people can't do anything about it and those of us who have rights need to take action for these people. Like she said inside, more people need to be aware so that a difference can be made."

— Priyanka Borpujari, Independent journalist

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**MEN'S BASKETBALL**

# Holmes, Kabongo return

By Nick Cremona

There may never be a clear explanation as to what exactly happened in the offseason with Myck Kabongo, Tristan Thompson and an infamous workout that caused more trouble than it could ever be worth.

"When I went to Cleveland last summer, I did not intend to break any rules and did not believe I had broken any," Kabongo said in a statement released Monday.

One thing is certain — it's in the past, and now Kabongo has been relinquished of his suspension so he can lead Texas to the promised land.

Or something like that.

All allegories aside, Kabongo gives Texas something it has sorely needed all year: leadership. Sheldon McClellan has not answered the call, Jonathan Holmes, who will return from a broken right hand that kept him out for the last three weeks, is more of a soft-spoken individual and Julien Lewis hasn't made enough of an impact for his teammates to get behind anything he might have to say. Of all the members of the Longhorns' vaunted sophomore class, Kabongo is the one that has the "it" factor. He won't lead the team in scoring on most nights, and he isn't going to pull down more than a



Shelby Tauber | Daily Texan Staff

Damarcus Holland, who will start for Texas when it faces Iowa State on Wednesday, attempts a basket during the Longhorns' 72-59 loss against Oklahoma State on Feb. 9. Myck Kabongo (suspension) and Jonathan Holmes (broken right hand) will both return.

few stray rebounds, but what he offers goes beyond statistics and delves into the emotional side of the game.

"Myck plays really hard," freshman forward Ioannis Papapetrou said. "He has a year of experience and he is really going to help our guys." He's a leader, plain

and simple.

"He'll make mistakes," head coach Rick Barnes said. "But the one thing I know he's going to do is play with effort, he's going to be fearless and where he's improved is he really wants to be coached."

No disrespect to Javan Felix, but he was thrown into

a situation he could only make worse. And for the lack of a better explanation, that's pretty much what he accomplished through 23 games as a true freshman. The Longhorns' 10-13 record is evidence enough. No one

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Iowa State @ Texas

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**SPORTS BRIEFLY**

**Smith set to join U23 national team**

Freshman goalkeeper Abby Smith has been selected to participate with the U.S. Under-23 Women's National Team, according to an announcement by the organization.

Smith was part of the U.S. U-20 Women's National Team that claimed the 2012 FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup with a 1-0 victory over Germany. Smith and Villanova's Jami Kranich are the only goalkeepers selected to the U-23 squad.

The U-23 team will open its 2013 campaign with a trip to La Manga, Spain, from Feb. 22 - March 5. The squad will play Norway on Feb. 28, Sweden on March 2 and finish up the four-team tournament against England on March 4.

"I'm really excited for this opportunity," Smith said. "It's a great chance to improve and play alongside extremely talented athletes. I'm excited to start playing games again, too."

—Christian Corona

**Holmes to return from hand injury**

After less than a month of recovery from a right hand injury, Jonathan Holmes is brushing off his hardly dusty jersey to play in tomorrow's home game against Iowa State, Texas Media Relations announced Tuesday.

The sophomore forward and top rebounder exited Texas's Jan. 21 meeting with Oklahoma after sustaining the injury in the first half of the game. Since his absence from the court, Texas has tumbled in losses to Kansas State, West Virginia and most recently, Oklahoma State, maintaining a hardly impressive 10-13 record, 2-8 in Big 12 play.

Holmes's re-entry comes on the same day as teammate Myck Kabongo, who will play his first game this season Wednesday.

—Rachel Thompson

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**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

# Horns hungry for victory against KSU

By Garrett Callahan

Texas @ Kansas State

Date: Wednesday  
Time: 7 p.m.  
On air: Fox Sports Midwest

Four games ago fans saw a struggling Longhorn team finally end its 2013 drought with a victory over Kansas State. Just over two weeks later not much has changed as that same team is trying to repeat an identical task.

Texas (9-13, 2-9 in Big 12) matches up against the Wildcats (12-11, 3-8 in Big 12) tonight in another conference showdown. The last time the two teams met, the Longhorns broke their nine-game losing streak in a 59-40 win against the Manhattan team.

The Longhorns are visiting the Wildcats after losing their last two games to ranked opponents Iowa State and Baylor. Freshman

Imani McGee-Stafford, who was recently named Phillips 66 Big 12 Freshman of the Week for the fourth time this season, led her team with 13 points and a career-high 18 rebounds in the loss to the defending national champions Baylor.

"She was outstanding," Baylor head coach Kim Mulkey said of the 6-foot-7 center. "She's a big body in there. She's not afraid of

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Freshman center Imani McGee-Stafford scored 13 points and had 18 rebounds against Baylor and received the Big 12 Freshman of the Week for the fourth time this season.

**SOFTBALL**

Senior pitcher Blaire Luna struck out 28 in 14 innings during two starts of the Texas Classic last week. Luna and the Longhorns look to trump Stephen F. Austin in Wednesday's matchup after losing to the rival last year.



Jonathan Garza  
Daily Texan Staff

# SFA offers rivalry, challenge

By Jori Epstein

Strong season starts aren't anything new for Texas. The 2011 and 2012 Longhorn opens both recorded 10-0, with last weekend's 5-0 start well on its way to follow suit. The Stephen F. Austin rivalry also features an 11-3 Texas lead — but the lead is marred by the teams' most recent matchup, when SFA trumped Texas 1-0 in a bases loaded first-inning walk April 13, 2011. The

then No. 3 Longhorns forfeited an 18-game winning streak to the East Texas force.

"As a team, it is disappointing anytime you lose," ace pitcher Blaire Luna said after the game. "We are all aware that we need to start stronger but every team is going to play up when they play against us. We have to give credit to SFA — they played well collectively, their pitcher did a great job and it worked out in their favor."

The Longhorns look to avenge the loss at 4:30 p.m.

SFA @ Texas

Date: Wednesday  
Time: 4:30 p.m.  
On air: LHN

Wednesday at the Red & Charline McCombs Field, returning from a three-day hiatus after capturing the Texas Classic tournament title. The strong weekend

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**WOMEN'S GOLF RECAP**

# Longhorns move to fourth with Pressel's sharp shots

By Jeremy Thomas

With an individual second round score of 2-under 69, senior Madison Pressel helped the Texas Longhorns women's golf team move up to fourth place in second round action of the NorthropGrumman Regional Challenge. As a team, the Longhorns are at 21-over 589 as they enter Wednesday's final round.

Pressel's scorecard included two bogeys at the first and third holes before she carded four birdies, three of which occurred in her bogey-free back nine. On the player leaderboard, Pressel (75-69=144) is in a tie for fifth place, four strokes off the lead held by first round leader Alejandra Cangrejo of Duke.

As a team, the Lady Horns shot the second lowest round in Tuesday's action with a score of 6-over 290. Sophomore Bertine Strauss (77-71=148, +6) carded an even round of golf tied for



Madison Pressel  
Senior

eighteenth. Senior Desiree Dubreuil (74-75=149, +7) trails her teammate by one stroke as she ended her second round tied for 23rd place. Fellow seniors Katelyn Sepmoree (74-77=151, +9) and Haley Stephens (76-75=151, +9) are tied for 37th place at 9-over par.

Landing the final round, the Lady Horns trail USC by 11 strokes. As a team, USC had the lowest round total with a score of 4-under 280. The Trojans' overall score is 10-over 578. Rival UCLA is one stroke off the Trojans' lead while Duke rounds out the top three at 17-over par.



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its 90 percent sure you'll be one too, it's not even really a question," Kovacs said.

Balogh and Kovacs finally joined forces after a mutual friend expressed a desire to form a Hungarian pop band. At first, they had almost no chemistry.

"When I saw him [for the] first time I was like, 'Who is this guy? He's stuck up,'" Kovacs said. "But now we are like twins. We are together for five months every day, in the same cabin."

Adagio, Italian for slow and relaxed, has over four hundred, mostly classical, songs in its arsenal. It is a necessity for the duo to know songs from different cultures because of their international concert schedule.

"We mix classical, jazz and pop together to try and have our own style and spice up the music a little bit," Kovacs said. "We don't really play from music sheets, because we learn a new song and try to make something creative out of it."

Adagio cites Roby Lakatos and Michel Petrucciani as its favorite artists, but the musicians are big fans of American music as well.

"We love Stevie Wonder, Michael Jackson, Christina Aguilera and Taylor Swift,"



Marshall Nolen | Daily Texan Staff

Accomplished violin player David Kovacs and pianist Attila Balogh travel the world aboard cruise ships, performing their mix of classical and traditional European music. Kovacs and Balogh leave for the West Caribbean and Europe Feb. 17 as part of their sixth contract with the cruise line.

Balogh said.

They've been staying in Austin with a few friends, but on Feb. 17 they are leaving for

their sixth contract, this time in the West Caribbean and then to Europe. Their future is uncertain, but they know

they are ready to settle down.

"After this contract we don't want to do it again. We want to be guest entertainers

where you only have to play three shows a week and then you don't have to stay on the ship," Kovacs said. "Or get a

contract on land. We want to move here. We love Austin, there's so much music and good musicians."

## BLOG

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writing. Several publications have taken notice of her blog, and it has led her to numerous work opportunities, including writing for The Guardian, Google and xoJane, as well as a weekly column featured on CultureMap called "Hipster-crite Says."

Little did she know Hipstercrite would get so popular, with thousands of visits to her site daily, and close to 12,000 followers on her social media sites. As it

continues to grow with popularity, Modery now considers Hipstercrite her calling card.

"I think the blog gets great response because of my honesty," Modery said. "I have a voice and I wear my heart on my sleeve. What helps you stand out is letting who you are come out."

Perhaps another reason Modery garners notable response is due to the receptive and impressive blogging community in Austin. With Austin being named the eighth city in the nation for social networking presence by Men's Health Magazine, these are fertile grounds for creating an

online presence for oneself.

"Austin is a good city to be active online in," Modery said. "There is a generous and large community of eyes and ears that is open to sharing."

Kristin Sheppard, a blogger for Mad Betty and a follower of Modery's, agrees.

"The blogging community in Austin is not competitive," Sheppard said. "We promote each other, interact with each other and read each other's blogs."

As Hipstercrite and her writing resume keep growing, Modery is a young writer to keep up with — just ask her 12,000 followers.

## SAFE

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Or, for those of you who are more practical, make sure to visit the Health Promotion Resource Center (SSB 1.106) on campus to get your three free condoms a day.

When it comes to opinions about condoms, Zachary Caballero, history and English junior, said, "Condoms are a necessary evil, much like brushing your teeth every morning. If you don't do it, you're going to have some unwanted, unexpected and unplanned cavities. And by cavities, I mean babies. Lots of babies."

Of course, condoms are only effective at reducing the risk of unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections if used consistently and correctly.

In a study published February 2012 in the journal Sexual Health, researchers at The Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender, and Reproduction at Indiana University pulled together 16 years of research on condom errors and failures dating back to 1995.

The study found condom-use errors — such as not

leaving room at the tip of the condom for semen to collect, putting the condom on in the middle of sex or not knowing oil-based lubricants degrade latex condoms — are alarmingly common.

A Condom Week special by the Daily Mail explored how far we have come since the days of sheepskin and later embellished, linen condoms.

"Condoms in the 1850s were as thick as bicycle tires and they smelled of sulfur," Debra Herbenick, research scientist and associate director at The Kinsey Institute, said.

And if you're still not convinced modern condoms aren't just about the most magnificent human achievement because you say condoms deplete sexual pleasure, consider that a study published January 2013 in The Journal of Sexual Medicine found both men and women found sex pleasurable with or without condoms or lubrication.

"Condoms are great! Don't think of them as an inconvenience, think of them more as an investment in your future. A future without STIs

and a surprise baby shower," Alexander Limas, Human Development and Family Sciences senior, said.

On Valentine's Day and all days after, remember, never shame or feel ashamed about taking charge of your sexual health. While discussing sexual health with college students, I often hear girls claim it is "slutty" for girls to carry condoms.

Let's get this straight: Just because, as a female, my purses, cupboards and drawers burst with condoms and little packets of on-the-go lube does not mean I want sex all times of all day. It means I am prepared when I do.

As a former healthy sexuality peer educator, I learned the very critical and scientific distance at which your condoms and lube should be at all times: arm's length. It does you no justice if your condoms are in your night stand and you're having sex in the shower; it does you no justice if your condoms are in your kitchen cupboard and you're having sex at South By Southwest.

## WOMEN

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Marks said. "A historical example is Bette Graham, who invented white out. It seems trivial, but for millions of women that was huge. She built a company from it and applied more egalitarian principles."

From learning about women's contributions in history and in society, Texas can continue to drive toward gender equality. This all starts with learning about history.

"Women's history, for anyone who has not studied

it, will open your eyes to a wider world and give you a new perspective about human experience," Jones said.

"Women Shaping Texas in the 20th Century" will be open to the public through May 19.

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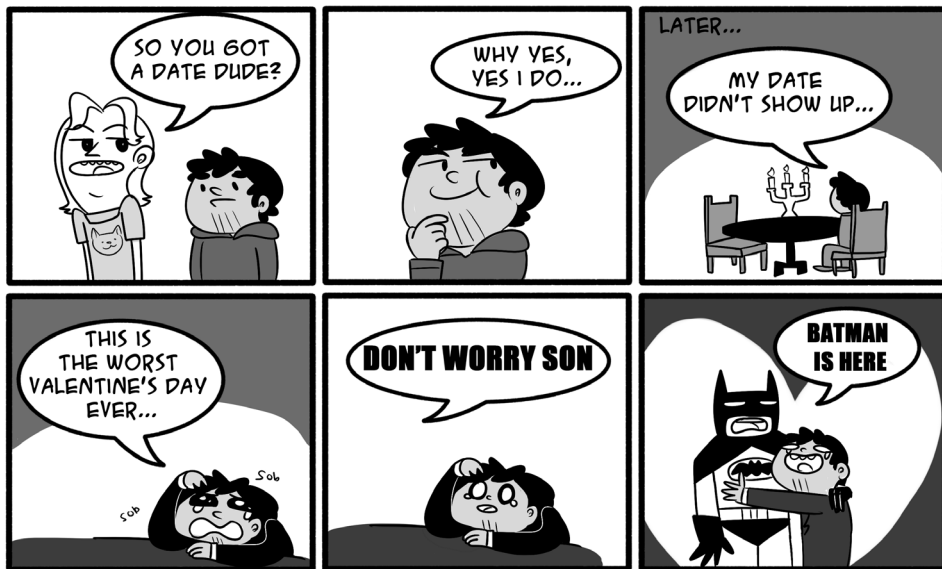


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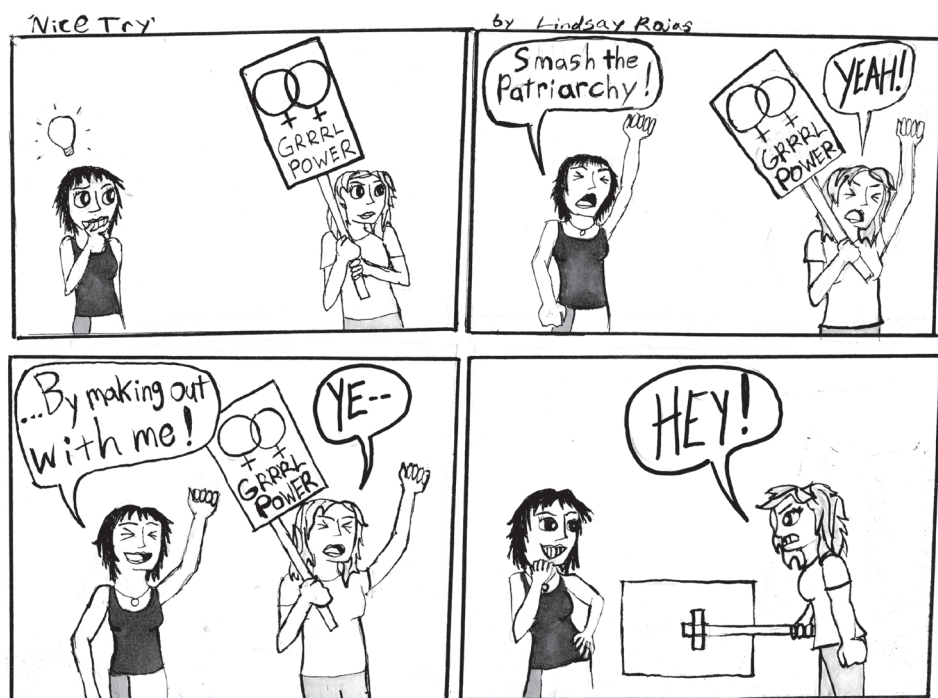


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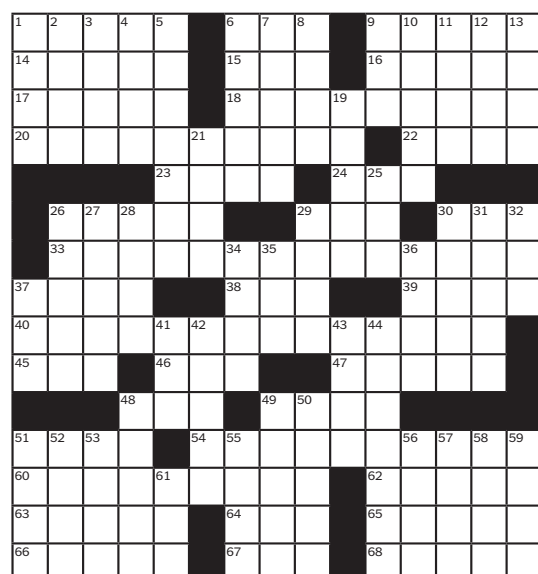


by Lindsay Rojas

The New York Times Crossword

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  - 11 Reply of confirmation
  - 12 E-mail command
  - 13 Long basket, in hoops lingo
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  - 21 Orange juice option
  - 25 Cow or sow
  - 26 Landfill emanations
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  - 30 Core group
  - 31 Moves laboriously
  - 32 Detergent brand
  - 34 Lover of Narcissus
  - 62 Dinero
  - 63 With 44-Down, features of some Greek architecture
  - 64 Pro vote
  - 65 Zaps, in the kitchen
  - 66 Ream unit
  - 67 Ready for war
  - 68 High, pricewise



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- 49 One of a deck pair
- 50 Mr. T TV group
- 51 Singer Redding
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CITY

## Historians honor Texas women

By Jourden Sander

Despite the third wave of feminism, the role of women in history continues to be overlooked. The “Women Shaping Texas in the 20th Century” exhibit at the Bullock Texas State History Museum tries to bring influential women in the state of Texas to the prominence they deserve.

“I just want people to understand how much courage it took for women to create a space in the public sphere where they could begin to be participants in public life to the degree we have today,” Paula Marks, curator of the exhibit and UT alumna, said.

Despite the progress the U.S. has made, Marks realizes that women still struggle to move out of the shadows.

“I think the lack of knowledge stems from history being defined as only politics, economics and battles, which have primarily been male enterprises,” Marks said. “The only reason I got into history was because social history was becoming popular, and that is about history from the ground up. So that encompassed more people.”

According to Nancy Baker Jones, a historical adviser and contributor to the exhibit, many people forget the importance of telling the less-discussed details of history that often get buried beneath the textbook stories.

“Understanding history is one of the foundation stones of a good education for everyone,” Jones said. “Just as tomorrow grows out of today, so today grows out of yesterday.”

Jones thinks it will take a shift in the education system to create more appreciation for women’s roles in history.



Yamel Thompson | Daily Texan Staff

UT alumna Paula Marks is the curator of the “Women Shaping Texas in the 20th Century” exhibit at the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum. The exhibit recognizes the accomplishments of influential women in the state of Texas.

“Our society needs to value the study of history. If schools, colleges and universities don’t require it, then students most likely will not study it,” Jones said. “Not all history courses or texts include information about women. Anyone who has studied women’s history and values it will, I hope, urge others to do the same and tell them why.”

Educators make the excuse that because women did not have equal footing in society, they could not make contributions that would include

them in history curricula, Marks said. But the “Women Shaping Texas” exhibit is clear evidence against this.

Rebecca Sharpless, a historical adviser and contributor to the exhibit, aids in the fight for women’s representation in history.

“In K-12 history, women are woefully underrepresented. In the testing standards for seventh grade Texas history, for example, only four women are mentioned by name,” Sharpless said. “In fact, I just taught a workshop to seventh grade

history teachers on how to incorporate women’s history into other areas of the TEKS. On the college level, women’s history has certainly made great strides in the past thirty years. But there is still far to go.”

While the U.S. has progressed in the last hundred years, Jones wants women’s rights on a global scale to receive equal attention.

“We can become educated and work in almost any field. That is absolutely not the case around the world,” Jones said. “For me, the measure of

**WOMEN SHAPING TEXAS  
IN THE 20TH CENTURY**

**When:** Now through May 19  
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a country’s progress can be judged by the way it regards its female citizens; there are still too many places where women’s status is no higher than livestock or slave.”

Marks agrees that there is more work to be done.

She points to history to display the significance of women’s roles.

“I think we have such an opportunity with the amazing young women out there,”

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CITY

## Austin blogger, writer joins indie movie scene

By Stephanie Robalino

Lauren Modery documents Austin’s 20-something youth culture through her blog, Hipstercrite. Along with writing about varied themes such as music, film and pop culture, Modery also boasts talent as a screenwriter.

Her latest effort is a film she co-produced and co-wrote called “Loves Her Gun.” The film has recently been accepted into the South By Southwest film festival and will be premiering in the Narrative Spotlight this March.

Somewhat based off a true story, the film delves into youth and gun culture in both New York and Austin. It follows Allie Perkins, a young woman who falls victim to a random attack and quickly gets sucked into Texas’ gun culture as a way to feel safe. However, she soon realizes that the weapons she

finds comfort in only lead to more problems, worse than the ones she was trying to escape from.

“Loves Her Gun’ is not so much about fear but about how Allie deals with her fear,” director Geoff Marslett said. “It’s about how guns change our ability to deal with fear in the modern world.”

In a large part due to her blog, Modery is now creating a name for herself in both the journalism and film worlds.

Since 2008, Modery has been blogging under the Hipstercrite moniker, which she describes as “a person who is a hipster but makes fun of hipsters.” The blog started as an outlet for Modery to release her thoughts while honing her writing skills.

Writing every day in her blog has allowed Modery to make a satisfying career from

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Emily Ng | Daily Texan Staff

Blogger Lauren Modery held a Blogging 101 class on Feb. 6 at the Vuka Co-op where she offered advice on how to create a successful blog. Modery resides in Austin and blogs about music, film and culture on her blog Hipstercrite.

MUSIC

## Hungarian classical duo finds way to Austin

By Shane Miller

David Kovacs’ mother tongue is Hungarian, but he’s also proficient in German, Spanish and French. “This is going to be my first interview in English,” he said as he set down his violin.

Combined with pianist Attila Balogh, the two make up Adagio, a classical music duo. They’re the top-rated

onboard band of the Holland America Cruise Line and have gone on five “tours of duty,” each lasting four and a half months. Every day they are required to play three to five sets lasting 45 minutes each.

“Sometimes it gets very tiresome because we give our energy and feelings. We play with our hearts,” Kovacs said. “Sometimes we make people cry.”

Both Balogh and Kovacs were born into musical families. Balogh, 27, was born in Miskolc, Hungary and Kovacs, 25, in Szekesfehervar, Hungary, on different sides of Hungary’s capital, Budapest. Balogh began playing the piano at age eight in a family band, and went on to study music at Eotvos Lorand University.

Kovacs began playing the violin at age nine after

watching a since forgotten violinist play on television. By the time he was 10-years-old, he was accepted into Franz Liszt Academy of Music, and later toured Europe and China with the Vienna Symphony Orchestra while getting his master’s degree in music.

“If you’re born into a musician family in Hungary

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SEX

## National Condom Week promotes sexual health



By Milla Impola

While scrambling for last minute gifts at your nearby drugstore, don’t forget to pick up condoms before your Valentine’s Day celebrations.

Valentine’s Day kicks off National Condom Week. With its roots at University of California, Berkeley in the 1970s, National Condom Week has developed into a nationwide advocacy event to promote sexual health and safe sex.

The truth is, finding the perfect condom — that both you and your partner like — is not always easy. You can order a condom sampler from sites such as Babeland and Good Vibrations in order to find your condom soulmate.

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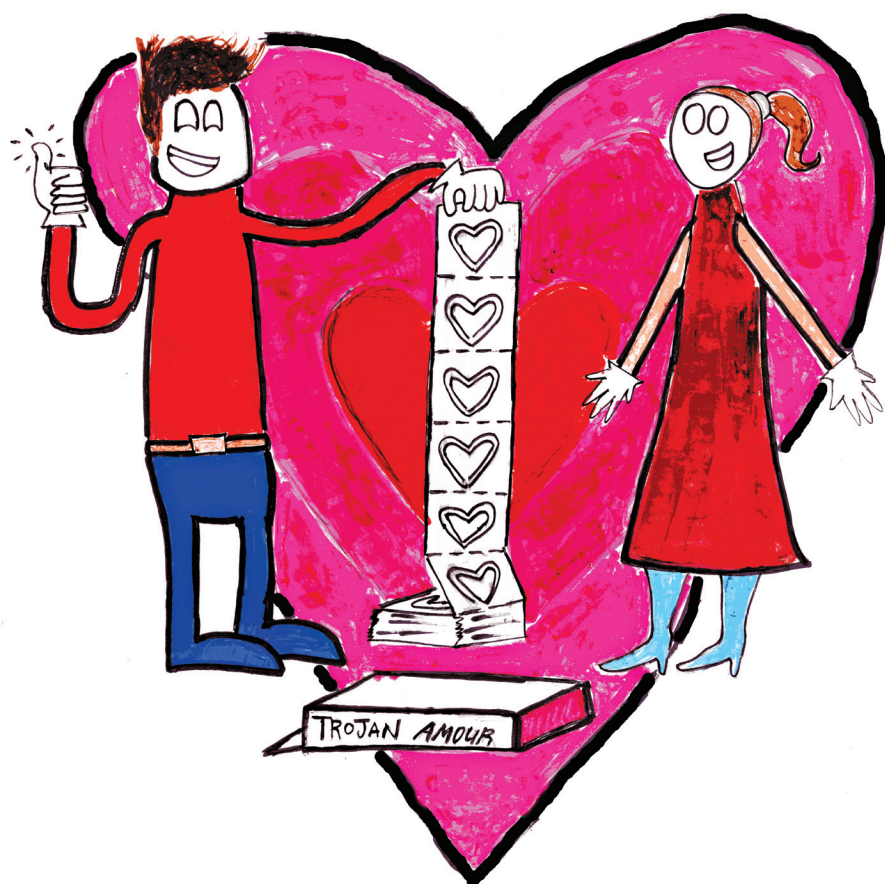


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