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CRIME

Crime Stoppers offers reward for information

UTA Police partners with Arlington Police to provide new service.

BY RAFAEL SEARS
The Shorthorn staff

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To find out more about programs sponsored by UTA Police, visit www.theshorthorn.com/news.

MORE INFORMATION

- The Crime Stoppers hotline is 817-469-8477.
- The call center takes calls and online submissions and then informs the appropriate law enforcement agency of the tip.
- Each caller will receive a tip number to be used in all future correspondence. Every person with a tip remains anonymous. Callers do not have to identify themselves.
- A reward of up to \$1,000 will be offered to anyone who provides a tip that leads to an arrest for a crime or a criminal case cleared.

Source: www.469tips.com

UTA Police is partnering with the Arlington Police Department to utilize the Crime Stoppers program for the UTA community to report felonies for a reward, Capt. Mike McCord said.

A reward of up to \$1,000 will be offered to anyone who provides a tip that leads to an arrest for a crime or clears a criminal case, according to the Crimes Stoppers website.

"It gives an opportunity for folks to report info about these crimes anonymously, and also does provide a financial incentive," McCord said.

Crime Stoppers has paid more than \$1.6 million in rewards and recovered nearly \$30 million in property and narcotics, according to www.469tips.com.

More than 7,200 offenders have been arrested with more than 12,200 cases cleared since its inception in 1982 in Tarrant County, according to the site.

UTA Police has participated with Crime Stoppers in the past but not formally with the city and county resources as they are now, McCord said.

Crime Stoppers is for felony offenses such as robbery, graffiti and credit or debit card abuse, McCord said.

"Any way we can get info that will help us track down subjects and ultimately obtain convictions on felony crimes that occur on our campus is a positive addition to our department," McCord said.

Mechanical engineering junior Ronaldo Marion said he believes more people will come forward with information because of the program.

"If it's anonymous, you don't have to worry about retaliation or your name being out there," Marion said.

The Arlington Police Department has a unit that manages its Crime Stoppers process. Any calls or tips will be processed by the department. If there is actionable information it will be forwarded to UTA Police detectives, McCord said.

UTA Police will continue to utilize this approach

unless it is too taxing on Arlington police resources, McCord said. UTA Police will evaluate how they will move forward, either through the partnership or managing in-house.

"Our Crime Stoppers and all others in Tarrant County are coordinated through Safe City Commission," Arlington police spokeswoman Tiara Richard said in an email. "They provide the funds for financial incentive and receive many of the tips that come in."

UTA Police urges the community to use Crime Stoppers if anyone has information, McCord said.

"It's there as a tool to help us try to find suspects and bring them to justice," McCord said.

Aerospace engineering junior Zachary Webster said the program may be used to give false information to receive a reward but sees the benefits of the program.

"It could do more good than harm," Webster said.

UTA Police will begin releasing more information through MavWire, the TrailBlazer, its website and social media after recently finalizing the program with Arlington Police Department, McCord said.

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The Shorthorn: Andrea Fisher

SENIOR SERVICE

UTA Volunteers Shauntal Oyewole, left, and Guadalupe Escoto play Uno with senior citizens on Friday afternoon at the Senior Care of Green Oaks center. Volunteers will be assisting the seniors from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday the 28. Read the full story on page 7.

STUDENT SERVICES

Center aims to expand transportation options

Research focuses on sustainable solutions enhancing mobility.

BY COLTON BELL
The Shorthorn staff

UTA is working with a transportation research center out of state to develop options for commuters and residents that would put them in the passenger seat instead of behind the wheel.

The Transportation Research Center for Livable Communities at Western Michigan University is researching different transportation opportunities throughout Arlington, such as adding more sidewalks, bike lanes or extending the shuttle service at UTA to include nearby neighborhoods so people will have the option of walking or biking instead of driving everywhere, said Stephen Mattingly, associate professor of Civil Engineering.

"The theme is bringing technological advances to aid the development of livable communities," Jun-Seok Oh, director of the transportation research center, said.

The research center focuses on enhancing mobility, accessibility and safety of walking, bicycling and transit modes, particularly for children, people with disabilities, older adults, low income populations and all commuters, Oh said.

This, however, can come as a challenge since Arlington isn't focused on things like public transit, Mattingly said. Another challenge is whether the public



The Shorthorn: File photo

Passengers board a Metro Arlington Xpress bus from the College Park Center bus stop in January. The Transportation Research Center for Livable Communities is studying ways to expand transport options in Arlington.

wants it.

Along with this research center, there are also a few things involving transportation that UTA has focused on, such as bike sharing, the Metro Arlington Xpress and The Center for Metropolitan Density.

UTA is represented by the School of Architecture through The Center for Metropolitan Density to address the challenges of sustainable development in the 21st century, sustainability director Meghna Tare said. The center addresses the key issues in sustainability by engaging the community in research, education and consulting, he said.

"Since the sprawl in this region is representative of forces acting across the globe, the knowledge gained locally can be exported across globally," Tare said.

One of the major goals of this center is to focus on public health and how it ties into transportation, Mattingly said.

"We can do this by providing transportation to places like hospitals and doctor's offices, and encouraging people to live closer to them," Mattingly said.

When people think of transportation, they think of how much faster they can get from point A to point B, he said. The Transportation Research Center for Livable Communities focuses on the quality of that transportation and how health care can be integrated into it without affecting the air or the environment.

The research has no expected end date, so the center can continue to find out things about transportation, and possibly, one day, the findings can be applied

ONLINE

To find out more about the research center's partners, visit www.theshorthorn.com.

not only to UTA and Arlington, but to the metropolitan area and beyond, Mattingly said.

The center was established by the U.S. Department of Transportation under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act, Oh said.

It started off as a group of universities proposing different solutions. Oh was the first to propose the solution that is now in use, which is to provide transportation to help develop communities, Mattingly said.

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BUSINESS

Leadership academy accepting applications

The College of Business' Goolsby Leadership Academy is now accepting applications for its next class of students.

The Goolsby Leadership Academy is a cohort program that provides 30 business juniors and seniors the opportunity to engage with executives in the classroom and real world through internships, exploratory study and special projects.

"I've personally just graduated last year and it's life changing," said Chris Catterton, Goolsby Leadership Academy graduate assistant. "You're surrounded by the best and brightest in UTA and have access to many opportunities."

Students can apply to the academy prior to their junior year, said Catterton.

Students can apply on the Goolsby Leadership Academy application Web page.

There is no deadline for applications to be entered but the interview process has started, so seats are limited, said Catterton. He expects they will accept applications until late April.

— Tanasia Curtis

ELECTIONS

SC candidacy deadline Wednesday at 5 p.m.

The deadline to file for a candidate position for Student Congress elections is 5 p.m. Thursday.

However, students can also submit their names for a write-in vote, where their names will not be visible on the ballot, said Jennifer Fox, assistant director for university events.

The deadline for write-in ballots is April 2, Fox said.

"Normally, the last day, we have a lot of people file for whatever reason," Fox said. "I think they're trying to figure out which positions they would like to fill."

Fox said elected officials need to be devoted individuals, because they will be the voice of the student body for the upcoming year.

Current open positions include:

- **SC President**
- **Vice President**
- **SC Senator for:**
 - Architecture — one one-year position
 - Business — three one-year positions, one six-month position
 - Education — one one-year position, two six-month positions
 - Engineering — three 1-year positions
 - Liberal Arts — three one-year positions, one six-month position
 - Nursing — two one-year positions
 - Science — two one-year positions, one six-month position
 - Social Work — one one-year position
 - **Ms. UTA**
 - **Mr. UTA**
 - **UTA Ambassadors** — 15 one-year positions
- Student Service Allocation Committee Representatives — one one-year position, two two-year positions

To read more stories about Student Congress elections or to read this full story, visit www.theshorthorn.com.

— Krystal-Rose Agu

CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

Bring factual errors to *The Shorthorn's* attention via email to editor.shorthorn@uta.edu or call 817-272-3188. A correction or clarification will be printed in this space.

On page 10 March 19, the editorial "Tinderholt should advocate education" should have said Cole Ballweg is the Democratic candidate for District 94.

On page one March 19, the outline for "Movin' on" misidentified Ricardo Lucien.

CALENDAR

Calendar submissions must be made by 4 p.m. two days prior to the desired date of publication. To enter your event, call 817-272-3661 or log on to www.theshorthorn.com/calendar.

TODAY

Maverick Major Fair: Advisers and representatives will be available to students to talk about degree options, requirements and opportunities. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. University Center Palo Duro Lounge. Free. Contact Soyla Santos at 817-272-3140 or exploringmajors@uta.edu.

highlights from his career and features a behind-the-scenes look at the making of "Goodbye Yellow Brick Road." 7 p.m. Today. AMC The Parks mall, 3861 S. Cooper St. \$15. For questions, contact 817-505-4517.

SPORTS: Women's tennis vs. Southern Methodist University: 2 p.m. Tennis Center. Free.



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Teaira Little, College of Education and Health Professions advising coordinator, listens to Kailash Nautiyal and his wife Sushila voice questions during the Maverick Major Fair on Sept. 30 in the University Center-Palo Duro Lounge. The fair will allow students to talk to advisers about different majors.

MavsArt Exhibit: This semester-long program showcases the talents of UTA students, faculty and staff. All day. Monday through Sunday. Central Library first floor. Free. Contact Stephanie Noell at noel@uta.edu.

The Maverick Lens: Views from the Library: This annual photo exhibit is designed to reflect the diversity of living, learning and working at UTA. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Central Library sixth floor. Free. Contact Erin O'Malley at omalley@uta.edu.

The Gallery at UTA Art Exhibition Alice Leora Briggs/James Sullivan: These Texas artists showcase their contemporary art that incorporate techniques such as burn drawings and 2-D and 3-D creations. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, noon to 5 p.m. Saturdays. The Gallery at UTA. Free. Contact Patricia Healy at 817-272-5658 or phealy@uta.edu.

Freshmen Leaders on Campus presents MDA FLOC up: Freshmen Leaders on Campus and Fort Worth Musclar Dystrophy Association are accepting donations to help send six children living with neuromuscular diseases to MDA Summer Camp. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. University Center mall. Free. Veronica Guzman 817-272-1319 at vguzman@uta.edu.

ENTERTAINMENT: Vineyards Wine Dinner: Partnering with Dry Creek Vineyards winery for an elegant, memorable dining experience, Olenjack's Grille is hosting Vineyards Wine Dinner, a four-course meal including appetizers, entrées and desserts. Wine selections include Fume Blanc Sonoma, Russian River Chardonnay, Merlot and a especially rare 2007 Soleil wine. . Ages 21 and older. 7 p.m. Olenjack's Grille, 770 W. Road to Six Flags St. \$65. For questions, contact the venue at 817-226-2600.

ENTERTAINMENT: Elton John's Million Dollar Piano: Grammy Award-winning singer Elton John comes into theaters to give a performance on the big screen.The show has

SPORTS: UTA track and field at 87th Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays: All day. Austin.

THURSDAY

MAVS Talk Stress: Students can learn healthy ways to manage stress. 3:30-4:30 p.m. Maverick Activities Center Room 213. Free. Contact Cindy Manzano at 817-272-3671.

Department of Biology Colloquium Series: Jim McGuire presents a talk about flying lizards and the biogeography of Sulawesi. 4-5 p.m. Life Science Building Room 124. Contact Matthew Fujita at 817-272-2924 or mkfujita@uta.edu.

Exoplanets: Mankind's first space probe journeys outside our solar system to new worlds astronomers are discovering beyond. Learn about our Earth, moon, sun and the solar system. 6-7 p.m. Planetarium. Children's tickets are \$4, adults are \$6. Contact the Planetarium at 817-272-1183 or planetarium@uta.edu.

ENTERTAINMENT: Bead Fest Texas: The Bead Fest Texas is a fun way to learn how to bead together. Come out to this weekend event to learn how to bead, go to workshops and shop for beads. 8:30 a.m. Thursday through Sunday. Arlington Convention Center, 1200 Ballpark Way. \$12 to \$15 a day. For more information contact the venue at 817-459-5000.

SPORTS: UTA track and field at 87th Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays: All day. Austin.

SPORTS: UTA track and field at Bobcat Invitational: All day. San Marcos.

FRIDAY

Last day to drop classes. Submit requests to advisers before 4 p.m.

Major Exploration Seminar: Students can get information about majors and resources on campus. Noon to 1 p.m. Preston Hall Room 104. Free. Contact Soyla Santos at 817-272-3140 or exploringmajors@uta.edu.

Green Oaks Senior Care Visits: Volunteers will travel to senior care facilities to socialize with residents and assist them with daily tasks. 2-4 p.m. University Center. Free. Contact Ahmed Edrees at 817-272-9220 or edrees@uta.edu.

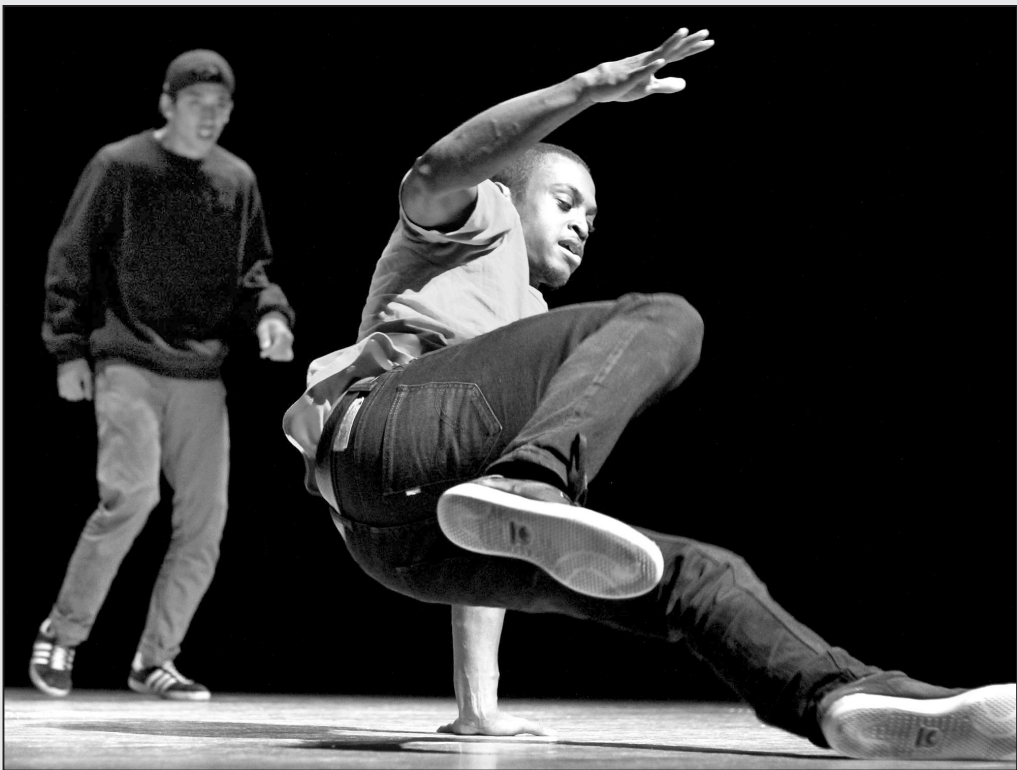
Back to the Moon for Good: Learn about the moon's resources and discover what humanity's future on the moon might hold. Narrated by Tim Allen. 6-7 p.m. Planetarium. Children's tickets are \$4, adults are \$6. Contact the Planetarium at 817-272-1183 or planetarium@uta.edu.

ENTERTAINMENT: Stop, Drop and Skate: The Arlington Skatium is having a night of rollerskating for all ages. 7 p.m. Friday. Arlington Skatium, 5515 South Cooper Street. \$6 for admission, \$2-\$3 for skate rental. For more information, contact the venue at 817-784-6222.

SPORTS: UTA baseball vs. University of South Alabama: 6:30 p.m. Mobile, Ala.

SPORTS: Women's tennis vs. University of Tulsa: 10 a.m. Tulsa, Okla.

SPORTS: UTA track and field at 87th Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays: All day. Austin.



The Shorthorn: File photo

Computer science junior Jonathon Griffin dances as visual communication senior Kenneth Le watches during their break dance routine as a part of the Mavs Got Talent Comedy and Show on April, 12, 2012, at the Rosebud Theatre.

SPORTS: UTA track and field at Bobcat Invitational: All day. San Marcos.

SATURDAY

The Art of Yoga: Community yoga class open to all levels. 11 a.m. to noon. Gallery 76102, 1401 Jones St., Fort Worth. Free. Contact Amy Velasquez at 817-272-0352 or amv@uta.edu.

Spring Gallery Night: This art exhibition will raise funds through sponsorships in the Gallery Night booklet. Noon to 8 p.m. Gallery

76102, 1401 Jones St., Fort Worth. Free. Contact Rachel Kennedy at 817-272-0365 or gallery76102@uta.edu.

Molecularium: A musical cartoon about atoms, molecules and the three states of matter. 1-2 p.m. Planetarium. Children's tickets are \$4, adults are \$6. Contact the Planetarium at 817-272-1183 or planetarium@uta.edu.

Pink Floyd-Wish You Were Here: '60s style laser light show to the music of Pink Floyd. 7-8 p.m. Planetarium. Children's tickets are \$4, adult tickets are \$6. Contact Planetarium at 817-272-1183 or planetarium@uta.edu.

ENTERTAINMENT: Jerrod Niemann: With his new album *High Noon* coming out Tuesday, Niemann is excited to come to Texas and perform live. Since reaching prominence as a country singer after the release of his 2010 album *Judge Jerrod & the Hung Jury*, Niemann will perform many top singles, including "Lover, Lover" and "What Do You Want." 10:30 p.m. Cowboys Dance Hall, 2540 E. Abram St. \$12. For questions, contact the venue at 817-265-1535.

ENTERTAINMENT: Run With Our Vets: Held in honor of Erron Papillion, Run With Our Vets is a fun and competitive race that offers a long running course full of great views and exercise. Starting at the Maverick Activities Center, the race is organized by Run With Our Vets and Beat RCC to support the nation's disabled veterans and help raise awareness for kidney cancer. 6:30 a.m. MAC. Free. For more information, contact 214-336-3121, 682-667-5991 or visit www.runwithourvetsandbeatrcc.com.

ENTERTAINMENT: Real Beauty Inside Out: Designed specifically for struggling teens and moms, Real Beauty Inside Out is a two-hour seminar designed to help mothers connect, bond and grow with their daughters. With hundreds of enriching products and professionals, Real Beauty Inside Out helps mothers and daughters thrive through adolescence and into adulthood. Noon. Saturday. Wimbish Elementary, 1601 Wright St. Free. For more information, contact the venue at 682-867-6000.

SUNDAY

Spacepark 360: This show takes its audience through solar system amusement park rides. 3-4 p.m. Planetarium. Children's tickets are \$4, adults are \$6. Contact Planetarium at 817-272-1183 or planetarium@uta.edu.

ENTERTAINMENT: An Afternoon With Spirit: Having helped thousands of people reconnect to the their loved ones that they lost long ago, Mollie is a medium, delivering compelling, stunning evidence during her sessions that proves that the dead are still alive and connected to us. Giving a thought-provoking presentation that shows how we can connect to those we've lost, an Afternoon With Spirit will make you believe in the impossible. 3 p.m. Sunday. Hilton Arlington, 2401 East Lamar Blvd. \$50. For questions regarding the event, contact the venue at 800-868-1406.

SPORTS: UTA baseball vs. University of South Alabama: Noon. Mobile, Ala.

SPORTS: UTA Softball vs. Western Kentucky: 1 p.m. Allan Saxe Field. Free.

MONDAY

Mindful Moments: Practice and learn mindfulness techniques to help deal with stress. 12:15-12:45 p.m. Ransom Hall Room 310. Contact Marie Bannister at 817-272-3671.

TUESDAY

Red Flag Campaign: This awareness campaign is designed to encourage students to intervene when they see a warning sign of intimate partner violence. All day. Through April 11. Central Library mall. Free. Contact Charity Stutzman at 817-272-9052 or rvsp@uta.edu.

Career Development Center Walk-in Hours: Students can walk in for a 15-minute session for interview advice, resumé critiques or general information. 9-11:45 a.m. Davis Hall Room 216. Free. Contact the Career Development Center at 817-272-2932 or careers@uta.edu.

MAVS Got Talent: Blazin' Your Creativity: A student talent show that showcases the top 10 selected various acts of UTA students, hosted by comedian Nick Guerra. 7:30-9:30 p.m. Rosebud Theatre. Free. Contact EXCEL Campus Traditions at 817-272-2963 or excel-traditions@uta.edu.

SPORTS: UTA baseball vs. Texas Christian University: 6:30 p.m. at Clay Gould Ballpark. Students \$3, general public \$5

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NEWS

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Crime log

FRIDAY

Injured Person Medical Assist
A student was transported to the hospital for evaluation after officers responded to a report of a medical assist.

SUNDAY

Public Intoxication
A student was arrested in connection with public intoxication.

Graffiti- Higher Ed/Worship/Burial/Public Monument
Officers investigated a report of graffiti that was found at a campus building.

MONDAY

DWI, Drunken Driving
A nonstudent was arrested in connection with drunken driving and taken to Arlington jail without incident.

Criminal Trespass Warning
A criminal trespass warning for the entire campus..

ONLINE

For more news of crime on campus, visit www.theshorthorn.com/news and check out our Crime Map.

PHYSICS

Software made to allow global collaboration

Professor: Finding Higgs boson was impossible before program.

BY KRYSTAL-ROSE AGU
The Shorthorn staff

Institutions from around the world are calling on physics professor Kaushik De to help them expand his almost 10-year-old proposal for computing large-scale, big data scientific projects.

Previously, when scientists conducted extensive experiments and calculations, they used large supercomputers, De said. Or they would physically go to a big national lab, like Fermilab or Brookhaven National Lab, and send graduate students there to conduct calculations on a large computer, he said.

"I wanted to break away from that model," De said. "So, to solve that challenge, I suggested a new kind of software, which eventually got named PanDA."

PanDA, which stands for Production and Distributed Analysis, is a new way of computing that allows large com-

ONLINE

To find links to related stories about Production and Distributed Analysis computing system, visit www.theshorthorn.com/news.

puting centers at hundreds of locations all over the world to automatically collaborate together to solve a scientific problem, he said.

"It changes the way one thinks about scientific computing," De said.

De said the software, which took 4 or 5 years to develop, was ready in 2009 for the running of the Large Hadron Collider, a massive underground machine in Switzerland developed by De and other scientists and responsible for the discovery of a fundamental particle called the Higgs boson.

No one had ever analyzed so much data as compared to that produced by the Large Hadron Collider, De said. The task required thousands of physicists from all over the world to examine the data to find new principles of physics, he said.

De said finding the Higgs boson would not have been



The Shorthorn: Richard Hoang

Physics professor Kaushik De looks through his passport before receiving a boarding Sunday at Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport. De has traveled to places such as Brazil and Russia for research.

possible without this ability to do computing at such a massive scale, and since then, PanDA has been used successfully in experiments.

Russia is one of the countries working to expand PanDA research, and has recently pro-

vided De's colleague, Alexei Klimentov of Brookhaven National Laboratory, with a \$3.4 million grant to collaborate with the U.S. in developing better data management capabilities for PanDA, a project known as mega-PanDA, De said.

This project will expand a feature of PanDA similar to cloud computing, but will exceed what commercial servers can handle, De said.

Mikhail Titov, doctoral

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HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Expert: Identify symptoms, get allergy treatment

Health Services provides environmental, seasonal treatment.

BY AHMED MHETA
The Shorthorn staff

With the first day of spring having started Thursday, students are becoming more aware of allergy season creeping in and interfering with classes and studies.

Criminal justice freshman Brandon Velasco noticed some allergy symptoms during one of his classes.

"I was working on my astronomy test when I noticed one student constantly sneezing," Velasco said. "This disrupted my concentration."

Peak allergy season occurs during the entire span of spring between March and May, said Stephanie Johnson, director of nurse practitioners and family nurse practitioners for Health Services.

Johnson said there are a number of ways students can prevent allergies, but

ONLINE

To see a full list of common Texas allergen producers that could affect you, visit www.theshorthorn.com/news.

the first step is to identify the symptoms. Common symptoms include itchy, runny nose, sneezing, nasal and head congestion, fatigue, itchy throat and watery eyes.

"When students notice some of the symptoms, the first step is to visit a specialist for assessment," Johnson said.

Health Services does not provide testing for different types of allergies, but it provides general seasonal and environmental allergies treatment, Johnson said.

Some of the prevention methods for allergies include hand washing and avoiding allergens by staying indoors when allergens are high, Johnson said. She said it is hard to predict what types of allergens will be most problematic each season, so she encourages



The Shorthorn: Adrian Gandara

With winter weather ending and transitioning into spring, Health Services offers students different treatments for environmental allergies. The health center is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

students to visit local physicians to find out which specific allergies they have.

Some of the most common allergen-producing plants in Texas include blue grama, bluebunch wheatgrass and ragweed, accord-

ing to The Weather Channel's website.

Students also can use smartphone apps to track common allergens and should be aware of local weather reports to know when to stay indoors.

Velasco said his allergies usually get worse toward the summer, but he rarely takes medicine and just allows his body to recover.

Biology freshman Seth Tisbi said he has a go-to remedy that helps him stay

away from using medica-

tion. "I usually add garlic to my hot tea and it clears my nasal passages," Tisbi said.

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HEALTH

Centers partner for free services

Mobile clinic will provide sonograms, pregnancy tests, parenting classes.

BY TANASIA CURTIS
The Shorthorn staff

Students who exited the back of the University Center may have noticed a purple bus parked in the parking lot of the Christian Campus Center.

The Metroplex Pregnancy Mobile Clinic is provided by the Arlington-Mansfield Pregnancy Center, which partnered with the center to offer a variety of free services to students on campus.

“A student came to us last year and asked if we were doing anything to help women who have unplanned pregnancies,” said Eddie Stinson, Christian Campus Center director. “And she wanted to know if we were interested in doing something, and that kind of got the process rolling to start talking about what we could do.”

From 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. every Monday and Wednesday, the mobile unit will park outside the center. A clinic coordinator and nurse will be on the bus, providing free pregnancy tests, limited sonograms and various resources, such as references for parenting classes, said Holly Tate, Arlington-Mansfield Pregnancy Center client coordinator.

Students don’t need to bring anything to the bus. Individuals don’t need to schedule an appointment. The clinic accepts walk-in appointments that last from 40 minutes to an hour, Tate said.

Stinson said he and his staff researched what they could do for students. The research led them to the Arlington-Mansfield Pregnancy Center.

“They’re doing a great job of giving people all the information that they need to make the decision they need to make, and they do it in a very



The Shorthorn: Andrea Fisher

The Metroplex Pregnancy Mobile Clinic sits in the Tri-C parking lot Monday. The mobile unit will be parked outside of the Tri-C from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. every Monday and Wednesday.

loving way, in a way that is not judgmental,” Stinson said.

Stinson said that the Christian Campus Center staff met with the director of the center and discussed the idea of a mobile unit. He realized that the Christian Campus Center wouldn’t be conducive for the privacy needed for the types of services provided.

Tate said the Christian Campus Center approached the pregnancy center last year, saying that there was an influx of women asking for pregnancy services and that they had nowhere else to go.

The centers had a couple of meetings to determine if they could partner with each other, Tate said.

“We felt like there was a great need on the campus. Statistics show that unplanned pregnancies and abortions are very high among the women who are the age of 18 to 24,” Tate said. “That’s the highest group of individuals that would be seeking our services and that’s the range of the age of the college campus demo-

graphic.”

Tate said that the centers’ missions and goals go hand-in-hand in that they want to equip women with factual information, educate them on their options and help them to make healthy decisions.

Tate said she hopes that in the future, the mobile bus can expand their schedule to Tuesday and Thursday for those students who are not on campus Mondays and Wednesday.

Social work senior Zella Richards said the mobile unit on campus is an awesome idea.

She said she thinks it’s a great thing for people who feel they can’t go to their family or friends with their pregnancy.

“People have a right to deal with their medicals on campus like they do with everything else,” Richards said.

Biomedical engineering freshman Olivia Winters said even though she doesn’t plan to have children anytime soon, she would be glad to have the services if she needed them.

“It’s definitely beneficial with the low costs,” Winters

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AROUND TOWN

Arlington approves 7 liquor store locations

City Council member says local stores will keep tax revenue in city.

BY KATHRYN CARGO
The Shorthorn senior staff

Kareem Hakemy, owner of Liquor Depot Express, the first liquor store to open in Arlington, said UTA students and Arlington residents went into other liquor stores his family owns, saying they wished there was a liquor store in Arlington.

“It’s been favorable for students, for those who do drink, so they don’t have to drive out far,” he said. “It’s more of a convenience. No one has to drive out anymore and pay ridiculous prices. It pays good tax payer money.”

Including Hakemy’s store, the city of Arlington has approved seven locations for liquor stores, said Sana Syed, city of Arlington managing editor.

Liquor Depot Express opened March 5, four months after Arlington residents passed a resolution to allow liquor stores within city limits. Four of the locations are waiting for Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission approval, and two locations are waiting for the city secretary’s signature, Syed said.

“This will make it easier to find alcohol,” biology senior Tavion Johnson said. “When I turned 21, it was hard to find a liquor store. I drove around for an hour.”

Package liquor stores will help capture the tax revenue going to Fort Worth and other cities, said City Council member Charlie Parker.

Students and Arlington residents could buy liquor in Pantego and Dalworthington Gardens, towns within

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the Arlington.

“It didn’t make sense that we could buy liquor in the middle of our city, but not the rest of our city,” Parker said.

Greg Morris, senior adviser in investment real estate at Sperry Van Ness/Dunn Commercial, said this revenue will help grow overall revenue for the city.

“Cities operate off of tax dollars,” he said. “When there’s more revenue from tax dollars, it forms economic activity, so the city is economically healthier.”

Johnson said students will drink if there’s liquor stores in Arlington.

“When people want to drink, they will drink,” he said. “This will be more convenient because it’s closer. I don’t think it will change the amount that people drink.”

Liquor may not be sold in Arlington within 300 feet of hospitals, churches, day care centers and public and private schools. City Council approved an ordinance that moved the set back from 100 feet to 300 feet at the Jan. 21 City Council Meeting.

Parker said the council has been conservative as possible when making decisions about liquor sales.

“Package liquor stores aren’t that detrimental if they’re done properly,” he said. “We are going to try to establish packages stores in a very first-rate manner.”

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PEOPLE AND INTERESTS

Mavs Got Talent to feature new lighting effects

Event will include acrobatics, comedian Nick Guerra as emcee.

BY AISHA N. WILLIS
The Shorthorn staff

The members of Mariachi New Era were confident they would be selected for the 2014 Mavs Got Talent: Blazin' Your Creativity show when they submitted their video audition for the competition.

"We are unique. We play American pop music in mariachi style," said Jesus Silva, violinist and public relations senior. "The only worry I had was that the upload would not go through."

Silva said the group looks forward to the interpersonal interaction and energy that comes from a live performance.

Mavs Got Talent, celebrating five years in its current incarnation, is "going to be awesome," said Anup Patel, EXCEL Campus Activities campus traditions director.

"We're adding special lighting effects, and students can expect a variety of performances from their fellow Mavericks," Patel said.

Comedian Nick Guerra, who has been featured on Comedy Central's Stand-Up Revolution, will be the emcee for the evening, which will include dance, acrobatics, singers and a saxophonist.

Randell Brown, singer and songwriter and interdisciplinary studies senior, didn't believe it when he received the call.



Jesus Silva, public relations and advertising senior, will perform with Mariachi New Era for Mavs Got Talent. The contest takes place April 1 at the Rosebud Theatre.



Senior film student Samantha Zonana will play and sing an original song for Mavs Got Talent.

"This was my fifth year to audition, but previously I haven't been in the show," Brown said. "I initially thought it was a call to say 'Thank you for trying,' but she said something totally different."

Brown said it was an honor to be chosen, especially after hearing no for four years.

"I hope people walk away with a different perspective on hip-hop and R&B music," he said. "It's not all negative and sexual. My message is life experiences and transformation."

Sammie Zonana, 2012 winner and 2013 runner-up, is

MAVS GOT TALENT: BLAZIN' YOUR CREATIVITY
When: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday
Where: Rosebud Theatre
Cost: Free

approaching this year's contest differently.

"I've put more thought into planning the performance," said Zonana, who is a film senior. "I will have flautist accompaniment, and I'm looking at this more as a professional musician."

Zonana said she hopes this

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year's show will help her to build her fan base.

"I'm not as concerned about winning as I am building a following," Zonana said.

The free event, presented by EXCEL, will take place at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Rosebud Theatre.

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The Shorthorn: Erik Velasquez

Interdisciplinary studies senior Randell Brown will rap and beat box at Mavs Got Talent. The contest takes place on April 1 at the Rosebud Theatre.

WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

Assistant professor appointed new director

Sonja Watson wants to extend community outreach program.

BY JUAN GOVEA
The Shorthorn staff

One of Sonja Watson's goals for the Women's and Gender Studies program is extending outreach in both the community and the university.

Watson, Spanish assistant professor, will have the chance to accomplish her goals this fall as the newly

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appointed director of Women's and Gender Studies.

Watson said moving into this position was a natural progression for her, to transform from professor to director of the program. Since spring 2008, Watson has served as an active member of the Women's Studies Advisory Board.

"Overall, I am ecstatic about the new opportunity that I have to serve in this position," Watson said.

One of the ways Watson plans to extend community outreach is by offering service learning courses through the program. These courses will provide students with real-world experiences by exploring issues related to women and gender in the community, such as poverty, economics and health disparities, she said.

Currently, as a modern languages assistant profes-

sor, Watson specializes in Hispanic Caribbean literature, contemporary Latin-American literature, Post-Colonial, Cultural and Diaspora studies and Afro-Hispanic narrative, Liberal Arts Dean Beth Wright said.

"I am very pleased that Dr. Watson will begin to serve as the next director of the Women's and Gender Studies Program," Wright



Sonja Watson, Women's and Gender Studies director

said. "She is internationally renowned for her research."

The new position will help advance her research in African Diaspora studies, Caribbean studies and Latin American studies, focusing primarily on black identity in the Spanish-speaking Americas, Watson said.

As director, Watson's main goal is to advance women's engagement in Sci-


ence, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics fields. Watson said it is a central part of her mission.


Watson will begin her duties in August, and she will replace English associate professor Desiree Henderson, who has served as director since 2010, Wright said.

"I look forward to working with Dr. Watson to make a seamless transition in leadership," Henderson said.

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Students seek appropriate majors



Before and after: Art freshman Megan Leeds was a nursing major before switching to her passion in art.

The Shorthorn: Tyler Hervey

Adviser suggests attending exploration seminar for information.

BY SUSIE GIBSON
The Shorthorn staff

As the spring semester begins to wind down, many students are still left without a major, or one they're unhappy with.

"It's so hard to decide," undeclared freshman Roberto Diaz said. "All my friends know what they want to do with their lives, and I have no clue. There's so many potential majors I have an interest in, but I'm so indecisive, and I'm always thinking, 'What if I picked this major or that one,' and then I get scared I'm going to regret my decision."

While Diaz is still trying to find out which major will suit him best, academic adviser Soyla Santos said students who are looking to either change their major, choose a major or find a minor should come to the Major Exploration Seminar from noon to 1 p.m. Friday in Preston Hall Room 104.

"We will explore all of the majors that the university has to offer," Santos said. "It's more of a conversational-type seminar, and we will do our best to give students options and make them feel more comfortable with choosing the major that's best for them."

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To read more about when and where the Major Exploration seminar will be, visit http://www.theshorthorn.com/life_and_entertainment/.



Art freshman Megan Leeds switched from nursing to art because she said being passionate about what she's doing is far more important than pursuing a career for money.

"When I was a nursing major, I would wake up dreading going to class," Leeds said. "I wanted to be in the medical field for money. One day I was driving in my car, and I thought to myself, 'I need to change majors.' So the next day I did, and now I love going to my classes. It's true that if you love your work, you never work a day in your life."

Santos said students should find something they are passionate about, because it will help with choosing a career.

"Coming in without a major isn't something to be embarrassed or concerned about," Santos said. "It doesn't have to be daunting. If you find something you enjoy, you will ultimately enjoy your career and be a happier person in life."

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HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Yoga unites community, provides focus, flexibility

Alumna leads free monthly classes at Gallery 76102.

BY BRIAN PETERSON
The Shorthorn staff

When Gallery 76102 in Fort Worth was being considered a possible site for community events, Michael Wollman, assistant director of programming, observed jokingly that it would make a good yoga studio.

After hiring alumna Amy Velasquez as the graphics and technology specialist, Wollman's words became prophetic.

"I had in the past made a joke, like 'Man, what a great yoga studio,' with the light wood floors and the white walls, almost a Zen-type vibe," he said. "When we were interviewing Amy, she told us she was pursuing the certification to teach yoga. When she ended up being the top candidate, it all pretty easily fell in place."

For almost a year, Velasquez has led free monthly sessions at the gallery, open to people of all ages and physiques in the surrounding community. The next session Velasquez hosts will take place at, 11 a.m. Saturday at the gallery.

Velasquez said she discovered her passion for yoga after



The Shorthorn: Rafiul Alam

Jessica Connell, human resources graduate student, does an upside-down stretch during a yoga class Tuesday at the Maverick Activities Center.

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finding its benefits went far beyond the physical.

"It took one class, and I was hooked," she said. "I was doing it every single day, 60 to 90 minutes pretty much, and the reason it pulled me in so much was not just the fitness aspect. You have to be able to combine movement and breathing, and you tend to take that into your daily life. So when you're in difficult situations, you're able to just breathe and focus."

YOGA SCHEDULE

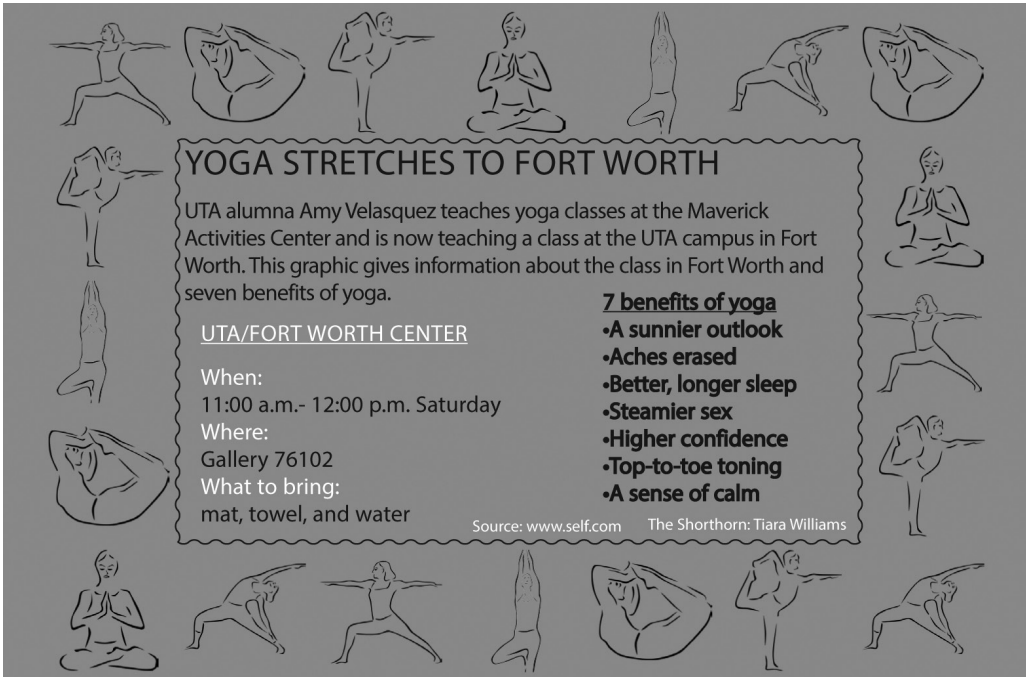
Gallery 76102

When: 11 a.m. Saturday
Where: 1401 Jones St., Fort Worth

Maverick Activities Center

Monday: 4:30-5:30 p.m., 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Tuesday: 4:30-5:30 p.m.
Wednesday: 10-11 a.m., 6-7:30 p.m.
Thursday: 4:30-5:30 p.m., 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Friday: 11 a.m. to noon
Saturday: 1-2 p.m.
Sunday: 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Velasquez said that she also teaches classes for students from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursdays and 1 to 2 p.m. Saturdays at the Mav-



The Shorthorn: Rafiul Alam

Psychology graduate student Tiffany Davis lifts her legs during a yoga class Tuesday at the Maverick Activities Center.

erick Activities Center. Kinesiology senior Aron Alfaro said yoga helps him stay healthy and active.

"I use it mostly for injury prevention," he said. "I do a lot of running and cycling, and yoga helps me avoid injuries."

Nursing freshman Shelby Bounds said yoga keeps her limber.

"It really increases flexibility," she said. "It helps me move around more and I don't feel as sore or stiff."

In addition to the benefits, Velasquez said she was inspired to teach yoga because of how often it was misunderstood.

"Really quickly, I realized that I wanted to teach it and share it with other

people, especially people who don't think that yoga is for them," she said. "Sometimes they think it's too much of a prissy thing, when really it's a community thing. Yoga is really for everyone."

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TOP PERFORMERS OF THE WEEK

BASEBALL

Matt Shortall
Sunday vs. Arkansas State: 2 hits, 1 RBI, 2 runs, 5 at-bats
Saturday vs. Arkansas State: 5 hits, 3 RBIs, 1 run, 5 at-bats
Tuesday vs. Sam Houston State: 1 hit, 2 RBIs, 1 run, 4 at-bats

Darien McLemore
Saturday vs. Arkansas State: 4 hits, 3 RBIs, 1 run, 4 at-bats
Friday vs. Arkansas State: 2 hits, 0 RBIs, 1 run, 3 at-bats
Tuesday vs. Sam Houston State: 1 hit, 2 RBI, 0 runs, 5 at-bats

SOFTBALL

Callie Collins
Sunday vs. South Alabama: 7.2 IP, 7 hits, 1 ER, 4 strikeouts, 2 walks

TRACK AND FIELD

Craig Lautenslager
At TCU Invitational
Place: First
Distance: 1500 meter
Time: 4:03.37

Tamerah Gorham
At TCU Invitational
Place: Second
Distance: 800 meter
Time: 2:10.81

MEN'S TENNIS

Francesco Migliano
Monday vs. Wichita State
Singles: 6-4, 6-3

GOLF

Jake Argento
At Lone Stae Invitational
Place: T-14
Finish: 1-under 215

BASEBALL

Team strives for consistency

Offensive and defensive play has been hit or miss for the Mavericks.

BY CASSIE LOGAN
The Shorthorn senior staff

If it isn't one thing, it's the other.

The baseball team has been searching since the start of the season for a defined balance of offensive and defensive power to complete games. But the Mavericks have fallen behind in early conference play, and it seems the lack of balance within the team has grown from an early season issue to a vicious cycle.

"We need to get more out of our starters, but we'll be fine," head coach Darin Thomas said after Sunday's 14-10 home loss against Arkansas State University. "We have to work out of jams and make some plays behind them. We broke out of our slump a little bit offensively, but it doesn't matter who we play right now. If we don't play better, it's going to be tough."

With an overall record of 8-16 and 1-5 in the Sun Belt Conference, UTA's biggest struggles so far have been its inability to complete a game with both the lineup and the pitching staff working together for a win.

UTA is 3-9 when its opponents score the first runs of the game and have yet to win after trailing in the eighth inning.

"We're always one hit away, and that's the story of our season so far," Thomas

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said after a 3-2 loss to the University of Oklahoma on March 11. "But we're figuring it out, and it'll come together."

Toward the beginning of the season, the Mavericks relied heavily on their bullpen for run prevention and saves. But 24 games into the 54 game season, three of UTA's relief pitchers have appeared in 10 or more games.

Sophomore pitcher Jacob Moreland is tied for the most appearances on the pitching staff with 11, and in UTA's last outing, he gave up a run in the ninth inning of a three-run ballgame, which gave Arkansas State a four-run lead.

As the season progressed and the wins weren't coming in, Thomas said the roles of the hitters and the pitchers started reversing and the lineup is now understood to be the catalyst of most of UTA's current wins.

Against Sam Houston State University, which was ranked in the top 25 of the NCAA, the Mavericks combined for seven runs in a one-run win.

In the following game against Columbia University, UTA amassed eight runs to double up on the Lions.

In game one of the season series against Texas Christian University, UTA punched out 10 runs to

shock the former No. 12 team in college baseball.

"If we get an early lead, we're pretty good," Thomas said after Saturday's game when the Mavericks took a rare early lead before winning by four. "If we get behind, we haven't been very good so far, and that's how our season has gone."

UTA is 5-7 when scoring first but 0-15 when being held to less than six runs.

After scoring a combined 16 runs through two games, Thomas said he has looked to senior designated hitter Matt Shortall and the top to middle of the Mavericks lineup to carry the team's offense.

"We need Matt to play well if we want to play well," Thomas said on Saturday. "We need our juniors and seniors that are in the top to middle of our lineup to be good for us as well."

Shortall is hitting .367, third best in the Sun Belt, and has four home runs and 21 RBIs.

"We want to make sure we get a good start and have clutch at-bats," Shortall said after the Mavs' 14-10 loss on Sunday. "I feel like our hitting is really coming around, and our pitching will too. I have full confidence in our guys, and the next game is

UTA is still looking for concurrent wins to push its momentum, because its only win streak of the season ended at two games after Friday's 5-1 loss.



The Shorthorn: Adrian Gandara

With the Mavericks down by 3 in the bottom of the 8th inning, sophomore pitcher Jacob Moreland winds up to throw the ball Sunday at Clay Gould Ballpark.

improvements in the Mavericks' situational hitting, which is something that needed adjustments at

ger said.

The team will take the field again Friday for game one of its three-game series against South Alabama in Mobile, Ala.

UTA will return home Tuesday for its last home game against the Big 12 Conference.

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the next game. We have to move onto that."

For now, Thomas said the players haven't come together completely, but he has witnessed

the start of the season.

"We just have to come out with a lot of energy, keep swinging it, and it will all fall into place," junior outfielder Ryan Bott-

TENNIS

Emotions run high as team faces string of losses

Coaching staff encourages players to channel their emotions in positive ways.

BY MARISA GUZMAN
The Shorthorn staff

The crowd watches closely, the coaches cheer for their team and the players focus on their every move. One point separates the winner as sophomore Carlos Arbiza battles Wichita State University's Guillermo de Vilchez for the match winning point. Concentration and aggression are running high as each player dives across the court to send the ball over the net.

Arbiza clenches his left fist in the air with his racket in the other. A crowd of screaming teammates jumps wildly along the outside of the court because the Mavericks just won a crucial point in a match at the UTA Tennis Center on Monday.

"Tennis is a very emotional game. It's one of the few sports that you compete one force against another force," head coach Diego Benitez said. "You are there in a sense alone, fighting by yourself. There are a lot of emotions and in-your-face moments."

The moment after winning a match is one of the most fulfilling feelings for a tennis player because it unlocks a mental tension built within each player competing on a tennis court.

In college tennis, every match represents a chance for a team to gain a point, and in matches that are decided in a best-of-seven point system, individual wins in singles are preyed upon.

Although a player may be stronger, have better serves, a stronger swing and quicker movement on the court, no tennis player can win a match

ONLINE

The men's tennis team lost Monday to Wichita State. See how the team does in its next match at www.theshorthorn.com/sports.



without mental strength, said Benitez.

Each week, the men's and women's tennis teams have a meeting with Benitez that is devoted to strengthening their mental game for the upcoming matches.

At 5-10, the men's tennis team isn't off to the start it wanted this season, and for players like Arbiza, containing emotions can become more difficult as the season goes on.

"I'm a player who likes to be passionate on the court," Arbiza said. "I try to yell a lot and stay optimistic. One of the most important things in tennis is to stay in the match and be positive."

By yelling loudly after winning a point, Arbiza is able to express his emotions, which keeps him confident during matches, he said.

At 8-5 in doubles, Arbiza has had one of the best seasons for UTA as he leads the team in wins, and unleashing his emotion during matches is just another way for him to overcome his opponents, Arbiza said.

"It's very good to have routines during each match to control your emotions," freshman Mario Muniesa said. "This helps you mentally keep focused. I try to do the same thing on every point so I don't have to think too much about external factors."

In tennis, each sequence of strokes is controlled by muscle memory. The more each player practices the physical and mental techniques of the game, the better they can per-



The Shorthorn: Tyler Hervey

Sophomore Carlos Arbiza, left, and senior Javier Perez slap hands after scoring a point against Wichita State on Monday at the Tennis Center.

form.

Along with controlling one's anger, positive emotions can also change the way a player performs in each tennis match.

Throughout the years, the players at UTA have continually improved their way of controlling their emotions on the court, Benitez said, but the 2014 season has been more emotional as the men's team has had the most emotional strength since years past.

In a close match at home, sophomore Sebastian Erimicioiu expressed his frustrations by taking his racket in one hand and throwing it violently on the court after losing a point.

The racket, twisted and contorted, laid on the ground while Erimicioiu slowly walked over to toss the remnants aside and pick up a new racket from his bag. Erimicioiu lost the match by one point.

"Sometimes, if you aren't able to overcome the obstacle in the match, you're pissed off the whole time because you didn't try your best," Muniesa said.

Although each player on the team is told to remain optimistic, they often struggle with containing their negative emotions, as a single point can spin a match the other way.

"It depends on what kind

of match you have," Muniesa said about showing frustration. "If you start slow, then you can become mad with yourself because you aren't playing your level."

Players are bound to make errors during matches, but coming back from a bad play can be difficult as images of the previous play on the ball often stay in players' minds.

Benitez and the coaching staff encourage the players to channel their emotions in a positive way and to always show class to the opposing teams when competing on the court.

But after losing five of its last seven matches, the men's

team has had more moments of frustration than success lately.

"Winning is an important part of the game, but sometimes you have to know how to deal with defeats," Benitez said.

The men's team has four matches remaining before the Sun Belt Conference Tournament, and with five wins this season, the Mavericks are at risk of finishing the season with fewer wins than last season.

UTA will take the court again Friday in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

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SUN BELT CONFERENCE

New league has UTA against the ropes

The spring sports teams are getting a taste of the opponents's potential.

BY GRANT MCKINLEY
The Shorthorn sports editor

When UTA officially entered the Sun Belt Conference last year, two questions lingered in my mind. Can the Mavericks handle it? Can the Mavericks make enough of a statement in their first year to prove they belong in the same class as the league's heavyweights? Only time will tell if UTA has what it takes to remain standing in the ring with the top teams in the conference, but after a brutal

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weekend, the baseball and softball teams have their backs against the ropes. Arkansas State University got to UTA's best pitcher, Brad Vachon, in game one of the series on Friday and punched five runs against the senior hurler through the first four innings of the game. UTA's pitching staff took another body blow Sunday when the Red Wolves racked up 12 hits and scored 14 runs to come away with a

14-10 win. The 2-1 series loss shouldn't have come as much of a surprise though, because UTA has struggled to win consecutive games all season. UTA has lost every three-game series this year and won back-to-back games just once. The Mavericks' inability to balance its mounting power with its pitching staff has cost the team several games throughout the season, but last weekend's series was the first test against a team from the Sun Belt that UTA wasn't as familiar with.

Sun Belt 10-9

Against the softball team, the University of South Alabama run-ruled UTA in back-to-back games to open the conference season for the Mavericks. South Alabama, who is listed seventh in the NCAA softball rankings, held UTA to one run through three games in the series sweep. It wasn't a good weekend for UTA in the Sun Belt but things won't let up as the season progresses. Head coach Scott Cross and the men's basketball team learned early into the year that there aren't any off days for the Mavericks and every opponent has the

potential to not just beat UTA, but crush them. UTA finished the season 2-8 against the league's top-five teams but advanced to the quarterfinals of the Sun Belt Conference Tournament where the Mavericks lost by six. UTA, however, had the University of Louisiana-Lafayette, the eventual winner of the conference, on the ropes, but never managed to land a large enough punch to knock the Ragin' Cajuns off their feet. Still, finishing the season with a 10-10 conference record is enough to prove that the men's basketball team is no pony, and the Arlington stallion has a chance to become an

eventual contender in the league. **UTA 10-9** The baseball and softball teams are near the midway point in their first bouts in the conference, and, with half a season to go, both teams have their work cut out for them as their backs lie against the ropes. The competition will get better and UTA will be tested, but for the baseball and softball teams to lose their featherweight title, they must make a statement by beating some of the premier teams. @_GRIZZYGRANT grant.mckinley@mavs.uta.edu

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OUR VIEW

College isn't for everyone

Poor grades don't mean stupidity but waste money.

The last day to drop classes is fast approaching, and I have been thinking about it a lot lately. This is my last semester at UTA, and I'll graduate in May without having dropped a single class. I don't think having to drop a class has anything to do with a person's quality as a student, though. Sometimes, circumstances that cause him or her to have to drop a class are beyond one's control. However, the topic of dropping classes made me think about individuals who drop out of college completely.

According to the National Center for Education statistics, only 43 percent of students pursuing bachelor's degrees at UTA graduate within eight years. That means the other 57 percent either don't graduate or they take more than eight years to graduate, and in that case, is it really worth it? College is expensive. With our tuition being estimated at \$9,152 per academic year, if you take 8 years to graduate at UTA, that's more than \$70,000. That's a car and a small house. That's time and money that you could have spent building a career somewhere else. If you don't graduate at all, whatever money you spent is wasted.

I know that society pushes people to go to college. Horror stories are passed down from parents and teachers about serving hamburgers at McDonald's for the rest of your life, but I think that some people, especially students who have been pressured into attending college by friends, family or other significant people in their lives, should take a step back and examine if being in college is really what they want, especially if they are constantly having to drop classes or making poor grades. I don't think your ability as a student is a good measure of your quality as a person. I know extremely intelligent people who are awful students and can barely make a D in an introductory writing course. This does not mean they are bad people, unintelligent or stupid. It just means that college isn't right for them. If you're struggling with classes, with finances or with something else, ask yourself: Is being in college really the right choice for you?

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OUR VIEW

Make UTA feel like home Everyone is responsible for making campus welcoming.

A student spoke to President Vistasp Karbhari last week about her experience as an international student on campus. Tazeen Jafri, an advertising and public relations junior from Pakistan, said she didn't receive the "warm or homely feeling" she expected when she came to UTA. Her comments sparked debate online as to who is responsible for making international students feel welcome on campus, or if anyone should be responsible.

Jafri addressed her concerns to the campus administration. The Editorial Board, which includes an international student and two students with citizenships in other countries, believes the administration plays a role in welcoming international students. However, we think the responsibility to make international students feel welcome is more in the hands of students, both international and noninternational. In other words, international students should take steps to feel at home, and noninternational students should reach out to welcome their peers.

For international students, one of the best ways to get to know your new home better is to ask questions. Whether you're

just arriving at UTA or have been here for a few semesters, being on a university campus in another country can be intimidating. No one expects you to be acquainted completely with a new place on the first day, so ask for directions, explanations or suggestions for things you're not familiar with. You also can seek help from domestic students or another international student who has been here for a while to help guide you. As a way to meet other students, look for events hosted by the Office of International Education.

For other students, getting involved and reaching out can help international students acclimate to UTA. Students often complain that UTA is a commuter school and doesn't offer school pride. Embracing peers from another country can help change that feeling. You, too, can ask international students questions about their cultures to understand where they are coming from and offer an answer to any questions they have. Or, you can volunteer for welcoming events, such as the annual international student celebration called Big Howdy.

Students may feel that it's not their duty to make themselves or others feel welcome

THE ISSUE

Comments from an international student recently sparked a debate online as to who is responsible, if anyone, for welcoming international students to campus.

WE THINK

Students, both international and noninternational, should be responsible for making each other feel at home at UTA.

TAKE ACTION

Reach out to each other and ask questions. Get involved in campus events, such as Big Howdy in the fall and help your fellow students.

on campus, either because they made the choice to attend UTA or because of cultural differences. However, relying on someone else to make this a better campus will only make progress slow. Students should take the initiative to help each other, especially if they are from another country.

OUR VIEW



The Shorthorn: Genevieve Barron

Words like bossy need to go Their impact on female leadership is hurtful

A movement called Ban Bossy, supported by *Lean In*, a book that refocuses the conversation about girls from "what we can't do, to what we can do," and Girl Scouts of America, aims to ban words like bossy, which send a message that decreases girls' interest in leadership out of fear of being branded negatively.

The movement has gained a following including a campaign supported by Beyoncé, Condoleezza Rice and others, and was started by Sheryl Sandberg, chief operating officer of Facebook, and Anna Maria Chavez, CEO of Girl Scouts. It has been met with a plethora of negative commentary. I have always been ambitious, loud and a leader. From the time I started pre-kindergarten, I was diligent in raising my hand and my voice. Of course, being who I am comes with a concoction of adjectives including bossy, overbearing, argumentative and more. The toll it takes on young girls who know that they have to choose between being liked and being a leader has a huge impact on all of the decisions we make in life.

But as Beyoncé says, "I'm not bossy. I am a boss." My entire life, I have dealt with people who cannot handle a woman in power, and in my impervious opinion, I do not care. Call me

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bossy, call me the other b-word, but the truth is, I am who I am, and I won't adjust, alter or change that because someone cannot handle the fact that women can lead, be loud, ambitious, powerful or whatever adjective fits in that blank.

Many say the campaign to ban bossy is going too far, but the truth is that bossy is not just a playground insult. The idea of women in leadership having a negative descriptive word attached is prevalent in the professional world. I am 22 years old and *still* have had to deal with the idea that leading as a woman is a decision with consequence. Every woman

has to consider that when she takes a leading position, she is choosing to be disliked. She is choosing to have the office whisper all these negative things about her. The question is not whether we should care what other people think, or that we care too much about what people will think, but it is a question of respect. In all instances, if a male is the boss, the leader, the head of the workplace, group project or whatever else, he is respected. He is treated a specific way. All of his decisions hold weight, but a woman is having to fight constantly for that same respect.

The roots of the bossy tree go much deeper than the playground they start on. Girls have as much right as boys to lead, but we don't have as much respect when we do. The ban bossy movement is about girls letting society know that we will lead, and we won't take negative adjectives and words with disappointing connotations. Girls should not be afraid to be direct, and they should not be afraid to be the boss in the room. I encourage boys and girls of all ages to step up and join the Ban Bossy movement, because quite frankly, to call a female in a leadership role bossy, among other things, really is unflattering.

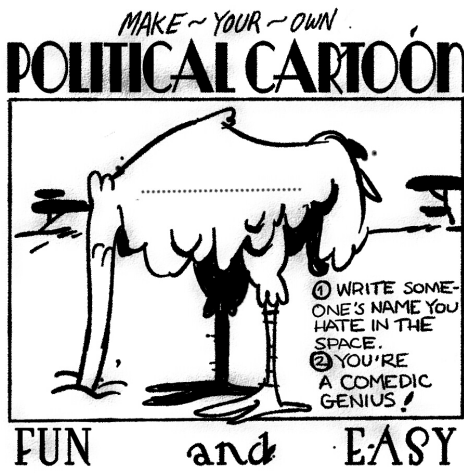
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Columnist Chandler Block discusses feedback surveys and new Arlington apartments.

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MAKE YOUR OWN by Genevieve Barron



AROUND TOWN

Businesses vie for former downtown bar location

Capital Bar closed after failing to pay rent, property taxes.

BY KATHRYN CARGO
The Shorthorn senior staff

About a dozen businesses have called Dodson Development President Ryan Dodson interested in leasing out the property where Capital Bar in Arlington was located before closing Feb. 17.

Dodson Development put a notice on the door of Capital Bar stating that the bar is “delinquent in its rental obligations for the premises located at the Property. Tenant has failed to timely pay the rental obligation for the property commencing with the February payment through the present date and 2013 Property Taxes.” Capital Bar is located on 400 E. South Street near J. Gillian’s Bar and Grill and Fuzzy’s Taco

Shop. “They got behind on their rent and their taxes that were due,” Dodson said. “They could not get caught up on that, and, as landlord, our only option is to lock them out.”

The property will not be reopening as Capital Bar, and the amount owed is a substantial amount, Dodson said.

“We’re hoping we can wrap things up within the next week or two and get someone in there really quick,” he said.

The owners of Capital Bar in Arlington signed the lease for the property in August 2012 and opened in April 2013, Dodson said. A Capital Bar also is located in Fort Worth.

Computer science sophomore Tim Ryan said he went to Capital Bar about once a week. He would stop by while barhopping in that part of downtown, he said. “The thing I liked about

ONLINE

View a map of Capital Bar's former location online at www.theshorthorn.com/news.

it was you didn’t have to travel far,” Ryan said. “It was an nice bar, and it was clean. Generally, they took care of people pretty well in there.”

Ryan said the bar might not have gotten as much traffic because of week-end cover charges and not enough marketing to the UTA and Arlington community.

“Some of the downsides were sometimes they didn’t have great drink specials and they had a cover charge some nights, which for an Arlington bar, that is not a bonus,” he said.

Ryan said he did not like that the bar closed because there is one less bar to walk to within that vicinity. A UTA Police car usually was



The Shorthorn: Adrian Gandara

Assistant general manager Juan Buitron bartends on a slow night Monday at Capital Bar in Fort Worth. Buitron said Sunday through Tuesday nights are usually slow, but on the weekend, the bar is a popular stop for people barhopping at other bars and clubs in the vicinity, with Capital Bar often filling with customers at 11:30 p.m.

parked across the street from the bar, he said, and that may have subtracted from the traffic of the bar.

“It was just kind of sitting out there,” he said. “On the good side, it will remind people not go get too drunk, but on the other side, you’re probably going to get some

negative connotation from that and try to stay away from that bar.”

Farouk Salem, Campus Card Services coordinator, said the bar was different from other surrounding bars.

“It was a good spot to catch a game,” he said.

Arlington needs downtown nightlife, he said, and it surprised him when the bar closed.

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PanDA

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neering student, said PanDA is becoming more universal. Titov worked with De and Klimentov on big data research at the European Organization for Nuclear Research and was part of the research group that discovered the Higgs boson.

“PanDA research is significant because it has the possibility of bringing in other collaborators,” Titov said.

Places such as New York, Chicago, Taiwan and some European countries have asked De to visit to expound on PanDA.

De, who left Sunday to discuss PanDA with his colleagues at the International Symposium on Grids and

Clouds in Taipei, Taiwan, said he has taken six or seven trips since the semester started.

“So pretty much, I get an invite every week to go and talk somewhere about the software,” De said. “It keeps me incredibly busy.”

Many of the meetings De goes to, however, are not for talking about what PanDA is.

“Scientists are very creative people, and they’re always asking for better, more and always presenting new challenges,” De said. “We are trying to design new things, new ideas, changes, improvements, modifications. So it’s a moving, changing, growing, living project.”

One of the experiments that’s using PanDA is up in the International Space Station, where scientists are surveying space for dark matter

currently undetected by scientists, De said.

Physics professor Jaehoon Yu, whose main research focuses on finding low density dark matter, said he’s conducted research to determine how to harvest computing resources like PanDA around the world.

Yu said the incorporation of PanDA in other countries is easy to see.

“It’s just like the World Wide Web,” Yu said. “It will allow the general public to access the technology. I can see all those countries taking PanDA and wanting to improve.”

As part of the Big Data initiative, De and his colleagues received funding from the Department of Energy to add networking capabilities to PanDA, De said.

De also said most of the scientist who have benefited from PanDA have been from the basic sciences, especially physics.

“Our hope is that, once we make these improvements, PanDA will be used by biological science, medical sciences and all the other sciences,” he said.

De said the quest to create and improve systems like PanDA is responsible for advances in society today.

“We would not be using Facebook and Twitter if it wasn’t for the technological evolution that made them possible,” De said. “It’s a continuous flow of basic science that has fueled our rise in science and technology.”

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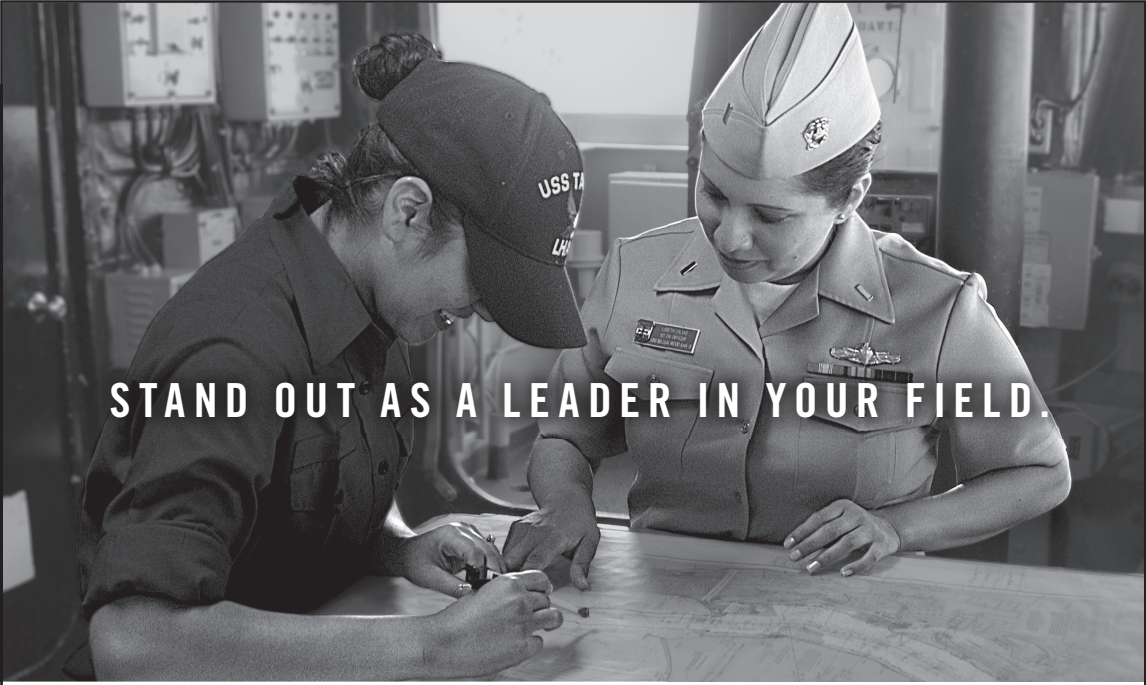
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WORLD

Proof demanded for plane crash

BY DON LEE
Tribune Washington Bureau

KUALA LUMPUR— Malaysian officials sought Tuesday to allay rising anger in China and widespread doubts at home after their government concluded that Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 had plunged into the south Indian Ocean with no hope for survivors.

Defense Minister Hishammuddin Hussein said a high-level delegation would return to Beijing on Tuesday night to meet with families of the Chinese passengers on the lost Boeing 777 jetliner. Hundreds of their relatives marched Tuesday on the Malaysian Embassy in Beijing demanding more information from Kuala Lumpur.

Top officials of Malaysia Airlines, holding their own news conference Tuesday, said that all next-of-kin relatives had been paid \$5,000 and that the company was considering additional compensation.

The airliner's chief executive, Ahmad Jauhari Yahya, said Malaysia Airlines was prepared to fly families to Australia but noted that the Australian government would only grant visas to relatives after evidence of the plane had been found.

Chairman Mohammed Nor Yusof, appealed to everyone to "accept the painful reality that the aircraft is now lost and that none of the passengers or crew on board survived."

But even at home, while the reaction to Prime Minister Najib Razak's sudden late-night announcement Monday that the flight went down was more subdued, it was far from accepting. Many Malaysians said that until authorities found airplane debris or bodies, they would not give up hope for



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A relative of the Chinese passengers aboard the missing Malaysia Airlines MH370 flight reacts Tuesday in Beijing, China, after Malaysian Prime Minister Razak said data showed the plane had ended its journey in remote seas southwest of Australia. China has asked to see the data. Angry relatives of passengers on board the missing Malaysia Airlines plane have clashed with police outside Malaysia's embassy in the Chinese capital Beijing.

survivors.

"This is confirmation from government, but this information is not 100 percent confirmed," said Mohd Aizuddin, an imam at the KLIA mosque near the airport, where some Malaysia Airlines crew members routinely worship. "We still pray and hope," he said, noting that an elderly man in his village is the grandfather of two Flight 370 passengers — a couple who were flying to Beijing on March 8 for their honeymoon.

"I will not blame my government," the imam said, "but for normal people I understand. It's too fast," he said of the prime minister's announcement.

Amid such widespread skepticism, Hishammuddin on Tuesday released some details of the satellite analysis

that formed the basis of the government's conclusion. During an evening news conference, he explained that the new information, from the British satellite firm Inmarsat, indicated that Flight 370 followed a southern path over the Indian Ocean, not northward toward Central Asia, where search crews had also been looking for airplane debris.

The data and graph released also suggested that Flight 370 plunged into a remote area of the southern Indian Ocean between 8:11 and 9:15 a.m. on the day of the flight, more than seven hours after taking off from Kuala Lumpur en route to Beijing.

Based on this analysis, Hishammuddin said Tuesday, all further searches in the so-called northern corridor were called

off so multinational crews could focus on a smaller section of the south Indian Ocean about 1,500 miles southwest of Perth, Australia.

Search operations were suspended Tuesday because of strong gales and heavy swells but are expected to resume today. As many as a dozen aircraft from six countries including the United States will make sweeps over the waters to look for wreckage from Flight 370, said the Australian Maritime Safety Authority.

The Australian vessel Success also will return to the search area in the hopes of locating objects that were spotted by aircraft on Monday. In addition, a Chinese icebreaker and three other Chinese ships are expected to arrive in the area today, the authority said.

NETHERLANDS

Obama says Russia is a regional power

THE HAGUE— President Barack Obama disputed the idea that Russia is the United States' No. 1 geopolitical foe, dismissing Moscow as a "regional power" and arguing that the invasion of Crimea "indicates less influence, not more."

A greater threat to American national security is the prospect of a "nuclear weapon going off in Manhattan," Obama said as he brushed off a question about whether Republican Mitt Romney had been prescient in his campaign-season warnings about Russian power.

Speaking Tuesday at a news conference ending a nuclear security summit, Obama conceded that Russia is unlikely to leave Crimea, which it seized from Ukraine, any time soon.

- Tribune Washington Bureau

NATION

Justices criticize part of health care law

WASHINGTON— The Supreme Court's conservative justices sharply criticized part of President Barack Obama's health care law Tuesday, suggesting they will rule later this year that requiring Christian-owned corporations to offer their employees contraceptives coverage violates the freedom of religion.

"Your reasoning would permit requiring profit-making corporations to pay for abortions," Justice Anthony M. Kennedy told U.S. Solicitor General Donald Verrilli, who defended the contraceptives provision of the Affordable Care Act.

The administration's lawyer warned that the court would be adopting a "dangerous principle" if it gave employers a right to exempt themselves from federal laws based on their religious beliefs.

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NATION

Agency could lose store call access

WASHINGTON— The National Security Agency would lose its authority to collect and hold years' worth of telephone calling records but gain access to cellphone information it currently lacks under an Obama administration proposal aimed at quieting controversy over the spy agency's data archive.

The plan, which would need congressional approval, would significantly curb what has been the most controversial secret program revealed by former NSA contractor Edward Snowden.

Currently, the NSA collects most landline calling records and stores them for five years in a database that it periodically searches using telephone numbers connected to terrorists abroad.

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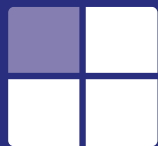
Court sentences 529 to face execution

CAIRO— An Egyptian court convened another mass trial Tuesday with more than 680 defendants, a day after being vehemently denounced by human rights groups and legal organizations for simultaneously condemning 529 others to death.

The proceedings again took place in Minya, in the Nile River Valley about 150 miles south of Cairo. Defense attorneys boycotted Tuesday's session, citing what they called massive violations of due procedure in the mass capital punishment verdict rendered by the same criminal court a day earlier.

Charges against the latest Minya defendants, only about one-tenth of whom were present for Tuesday's session, stem from riots that swept Egypt in mid-August of last year, six weeks after President Mohammed Morsi's removal from office by the army.

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