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Re-developing the downtown campus

Task force targets services, communication, curriculum, housing and name change

By Heather Montoya
Co-News Editor

Three community town hall meetings were held in April to discuss the development of the downtown campus. Since the meetings, President Eighmy's Downtown Campus Task Force has continued to receive feedback from the UTSA community.

"So far, we've received the most feedback about transporta-

"Even as we expand the number and type of classes offered at the downtown campus, other work is underway to prepare the campus for an increased student population."

- Elvira Leal, assistant vice president for strategic initiatives



UTSA Downtown Campus.

Photo courtesy of UTSA

tion, safety, campus recreation and career services," said Elvira Leal, assistant vice president for strategic initiatives and chair of the student, faculty and staff sub-group of the Downtown Campus Task Force. "We've also had discussions about potentially renaming the downtown campus, how we communicate among the faculty, staff and students located at the downtown campus and the

big ideas that people have about the campus."

The student, faculty and staff sub-group, which assesses the services provided at the downtown campus, is one of the three sub-groups within the Downtown Campus Task Force. The other two sub-groups focus on curriculum and housing; each sub-group works towards achieving Eighmy's vision.

The curriculum sub-group is working towards increasing the courses offered at the downtown campus for Fall 2018, and the housing sub-group is exploring residential options for students around the downtown campus area.

"President Eighmy's vision for UTSA includes making the downtown campus autonomous," Leal said. "That means he wants

students to be able to take their full four-year program there, instead of traveling between the main and downtown campuses to complete their degrees."

Gabriel Meza, a junior electrical engineering major,

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UTSA shuttles parked in Brackenridge Parking Lot 1.

Ricky Galindo/The Paisano

New shuttle services The Runner available to transport students between campuses

By Heather Montoya
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Beginning in Fall 2018, UTSA will begin providing additional shuttle services for students.

"UTSA recognizes the needs of its growing student population and is exploring a number of options including providing pilot shuttle services to and from the downtown campus," said Burt Reynolds, director of services in UTSA Campus Services. "Plans include daily shuttles leaving the main campus each morning and returning later in the afternoon to accommodate freshmen students signing up for the class blocks at the downtown campus."

Jacklyn Aleman, a senior communication major, feels the shuttle between campuses is a service that is long overdue. "It's really great that they are finally getting a shuttle that benefits students to get them to their classes and back to campus."

The new shuttle accommodation is

expected to improve the services already available to students.

There are currently three main ways students can travel between the two campuses: driving themselves, riding routes 93 and 94 on the VIA bus or carpooling with other students.

Students who choose to drive between the two campuses must have the appropriate UTSA parking pass which they can purchase online. Those who ride the VIA bus may obtain semester passes through the Roadrunner Express and students wanting to carpool may use the Alamo Area Council of Government's rideshare tool. The rideshare tool allows students to find carpool friends or register a carpool with UTSA Campus Services.

According to Reynolds, the shuttle accommodation is not expected to dissolve any of the resources currently available to students.

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Additional commuter parking spaces

Parking will expand near East Campus for Fall 2018

By Alejandro (AJ) Lopez
Co-News Editor

UTSA will be providing additional parking spaces for commuter students on the main campus by Fall 2018.

Campus Services is managing the construction of the East Campus Lot 3, which will be located on the side of campus near Valero Way. The new parking lot will adjoin the existing East Campus Lots, and provide immediate access to the 'Runner shuttle service.

"As more students choose to pursue an education at UTSA, the university explores new ways to adapt to that growth," said Burt Reynolds, director of Campus

Services. "The new East Campus Lot will provide more than 800 parking spaces for students who travel to the main campus for classes."

Additionally, the 'Runner buses will be moved from their current parking spots at the back of Brackenridge Lot 2 to a newly constructed bus depot near the east campus lots. This move will add approximately 80 commuter parking spaces to Brackenridge Lot 2.

The new lot and relocated 'Runner buses are designed to reduce parking and traffic congestion during peak

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UTSA East Campus Map.

Photo courtesy of UTSA

UTSA

As thousands of new students join the Roadrunner family at freshman orientation, two new orientation events are being added this year. Rowdy Rally, held on the second night, will give Roadrunners a chance to show off their school spirit and learn about UTSA Athletics. Every Roadrunner will receive an orange feather to symbolize how they are all birds of a feather and are welcome to UTSA.

Texas

Texas sees a historic number of LGBTQ candidates running for office: more than 50. cycle. Gina Ortiz Jones, a former Air Force intelligence officer, is the Democratic nominee for Texas' 23rd Congressional District. If elected, Jones will be the first lesbian to represent Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives.

U.S.

The Supreme Court decided the Masterpiece Cakeshop Ltd. v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission case in favor of Masterpiece Cakeshop. In a 7-2 decision, the court decided that Jack Phillips, the owner of the cake shop, had the right to turn down his services to a same-sex couple because supporting their marriage went against his beliefs. Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Justice Sonia Sotomayor dissented the decision.

World

On June 3, the Volcán de Fuego, a volcano in Guatemala, erupted, resulting in the death of at least 62 people. The volcano is 30 miles from Guatemala City, the country's capital, and affected about two million people within a nine-mile radius. Guatemalan officials are working towards evacuating people from around the volcano.

Business

The executive chairman of Starbucks, Howard Schultz, has decided to retire at the end of June. Schultz has worked with Starbucks as the company has grown, and he lead a racial bias training program following the incident in April involving the arrest of two black men who had been waiting for a friend inside a Starbucks.

Science

A new study of condom use among gay and bisexual men in Australia suggests increased sexual activity due to the daily intake of antiretroviral drugs to protect themselves from contracting HIV. Use of pre-exposure prophylaxis, or PrEP, daily antiretroviral pills taken by uninfected people, during the study years, between 2013 and 2017, jumped from two percent to 24 percent. The high usage of PrEP has coincided with increases in sexually transmitted infections (STIs), such as chlamydia and syphilis, a sign that condom use has dropped.

East Campus parking expansion

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hours, typically 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Jacqueline Rivera, a sophomore pre-nursing major, thinks UTSA will benefit from this new project.

"(Parking) It's a huge problem at UTSA," Rivera said. "I feel like adding 800 more spots would definitely help the student body and the staff get to class on time and anywhere else they're going."

Sabrina Sanchez, a junior multidisciplinary science major, agrees. "I think it's a good thing happening. But, I hope, only because I have yet to look into

it more, that they also add more shuttles to the on-campus routes," Sanchez said.

To offset the environmental impact created by this construction, UTSA will plant 75 trees near East Campus Lot 3 and throughout the main campus. UTSA will join in the citywide effort to increase plant life.

Within the year, San Antonio plans to add 225 trees throughout the city. Additionally, mulch from the construction area will be relocated throughout the main campus in an effort to reuse the material along existing trails.

UTSA students, faculty and staff can purchase parking



UTSA Brakenridge Parking Lot 1.

Ricky Galindo/The Paisano

permits for the 2018-2019 academic year through MyParking, and have the option to pay later. Students can add the cost to their tuition and fees or pay the full amount. Students can purchase their parking permits

throughout the 2018-2019 academic year. If students are unsure which permit to select, Campus Services' permit wizard can determine the best permit to fulfill their needs. Permits begin mailing out on Aug. 1

Title IX Office renamed the Office of Student Advocacy, Violence Prevention and Empowerment

By Alejandro (AJ) Lopez
Co-News Editor

The newly established Title IX Services Office has a new name: the Office of Student Advocacy, Violence Prevention and Empowerment. Jessica Muniz, director and prevention

coordinator, believes the name change better reflects the goals and services of the office.

The Office of Student Advocacy, Violence Prevention and Empowerment is a resource on campus dedicated to providing information, resources, training and advocacy for members of the UTSA community who

may have been impacted by sexual misconduct, relationship violence, stalking, sexual harassment and/or gender-based discrimination.

In an email message sent in late May regarding campus consensual relationships, President Taylor Eighmy discussed how the UTSA community still has work to do to instill a zero-tolerance mindset around issues of sexual harassment and misconduct.

"UTSA has a clear policy regarding consensual relationships between supervisors and supervisees," stated by Eighmy in the email. "This includes relationships between students and faculty members who have direct or indirect supervision over the student. The policy is fundamental to avoiding any real or perceived conflicts of interest, power differentials and potential emotional distress for all those involved. It also reinforces our zero-tolerance approach to sexual misconduct of any kind."

In response to incidents at Michigan State University and in support of the Cultivating Learning And Safe Environ-

ments (CLASE) effort, Chancellor McRaven encouraged all UTSA System presidents to do an institutional review of sexual misconduct process procedures.

In preparation for this external review, President Eighmy is bringing in an outside consultant to look at all aspects of UTSA's Title IX programs and has coordinated Maria Perez to fulfill the role of the interim director of the Office of Equal Opportunity Services and Title IX Coordinator. After the review, a national search will be conducted to hire a new director.

Additionally, President Eighmy asked Muniz to design a strong training program for faculty that is directed towards sexual misconduct prevention.

The Office of Student Advocacy, Violence Prevention and Empowerment is located in the North Paseo Building (5.130). For more information on resources offered or towards filing a complaint, please contact the office at 210-458-4077 or email at studentadvocacy@utsa.edu.



The Office of Student Advocacy, Violence Prevention and Empowerment.

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Growing the downtown campus

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took classes at the downtown campus his freshman year as an architecture major and enjoyed his experience.

"My favorite part was probably the fact that it was literally downtown San Antonio, so after class I was able to just walk down to the mall or riverwalk," Meza said. "I wanted to continue going to the downtown campus, but they don't offer my classes downtown."

Currently, the downtown campus serves 2,000 students. The limited number of classes offered is one of the factors that contributes to students not taking classes at the downtown campus; however, the university is working towards addressing this issue.

"Even as we expand the number and type of classes offered at the Downtown Campus, other work is underway

to prepare the campus for an increased student population," Leal said. "Progress includes library renovations, a more accessible One Stop Enrollment Center that is moving to the second floor of the Frio Street Building and Student Health Services."

To make the downtown campus autonomous, the task force will evaluate various aspects of the campus experience such as dining services, campus services, academic advising, financial aid, counseling and the number of faculty and staff working at the downtown campus.

The Downtown Campus Task Force is working towards

implementing Eighmy's vision and supporting UTSA students.

"Everything we do at UTSA is with one goal in mind — the success of our students. As part of this commitment, we are also

evaluating peer universities, so we can continue to advance our quest to become a thriving urban serving university," Leal said.

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Downtown Campus transportation

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Melanie Foster, a senior biomedical engineer, thinks this accommodation is great for students who have to take classes at the downtown campus. "They shouldn't have to be penalized for having a major which is located at a different campus, and we already pay transportation fees anyway, so we might as well have a shuttle there."

Even though students have transportation services between the main campus and

downtown campus available to them, this shuttle accommodation is an additional service to students and mirrors President Eighmy's Downtown Campus Initiative.

"UTSA has ambitious plans to take full advantage of the excellent resources and location of the downtown campus as it advances its mission as an urban-serving university," Reynolds said.

"Shuttle service is one of many considerations being evaluated as the university moves forward with its vision."

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OPINION

Find yourself

Editorial

Education is at the core of every university. But universities, also serve as an institution for building student-life activities, which spark the interest of a majority of students. A repeated message by parents, peers and professionals alike is that to have a successful college career is to do well in class and join an organization that will advance towards career goals and eventually lead to an internship. However, one message is missing: to pursue personal interests.

UTSA boasts over 330 student organizations that provide a platform for students to get involved in things they are passionate about or interested in. Individual and personal interests can enhance the college experience and allow students to either learn new things or advance a unique set of skills.

For example, The Paisano is an independent student newspaper, but it isn't run by people solely interested in journalism or publishing; it is run by a group of students who come from different backgrounds, majors and skill sets, people who are interested in what The Paisano has to offer. Many students who stay with The Paisano become staff members and their interests, skills and unique knowledge bring something to The Paisano; in return, it allows students to learn through trial and error, create a publication, interact with a diverse group of people and grow their talents. In addition, The Paisano is a great resource where students can learn to run a small business, gain hands-on professional writing skill and learn about multimedia communication.

Talents that develop from a student's interest have the potential to culminate later and allow their future to be molded by their passions. Students can apply their skills in the best way possible, rather than put energy towards resume-padding for future jobs that professional can usually see straight

through.

Students should take the time to evaluate what piques their curiosity and pursue their interests because it can open a whole world of new and fascinating opportunities. College is about education, but it is also about discovery — whether that be in the classroom, on the campus or away from the university.

The university does make efforts for student organizations to advertise what they can offer to students, but there is almost always more focus on trade and professional organizations than organizations founded on interest of a hobby, topic or ideology. Students shouldn't be swayed by the opinion of others and how to spend their time as a student; students should pursue passion. Spending time where a student wants to spend their time give them the chance to truly be a part of an organization; students are much more likely take on leadership roles, be part of a community of similar-minded people and have something to look forward to, especially during difficult times as a student. Joining a professional organization specific to a major doesn't guarantee a job after graduation or a successful career.

A good start for students, especially incoming students, would be to look on RowdyLink to check out the variety of organizations and experiment with them; see what you like, see what you don't and go from there. Students can take even more steps by looking around the campus at the numerous handmade banner and bulletin board that organizations put up to showcase their organization.

For freshmen, it's okay to spend time on your passion; showing enthusiasm and involvement in what interests you will send you further than a long list of organization you joined just to appear involved during your time at UTSA. Be truly involved in something you care about.

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The Road to Success

Commentary



By Rebecca Saenz
Contributing Writer

To the incoming freshmen, welcome to the University of Texas at San Antonio! Like sitting behind the wheel for the first time, your upcoming college experience might excite, stress or scare you. It's all right — you will learn to navigate this new world the way a new driver learns to navigate the road.

First, you learn to control the vehicle, from the gas pedal to the windshield wipers. Gradually, you learn your routes and hit the road. But, of course, there

are things you can't control: obstacles appear out of nowhere, streets detour and reckless drivers imperil themselves and others.

However, you can only control yourself and count on your own driving skills to take you to your destination. In this mildly amusing metaphor, you are the driver, and the road is your chosen path through life. There are certain driving principles which apply well to your college pursuits, including some of the most powerful advice on the planet: learn to control yourself.

No, controlling yourself is not the most fun thing in the world, but it is a trait learned by every successful person you will ever meet. You are your own individual, and college affords you immense freedom. You must decide how you are going to handle it. Opportunities to pursue new interests, meet different people, gain valuable knowledge and develop yourself await! So do

opportunities to sleep, miss class, procrastinate and much worse. It's impossible to control the innumerable externals beyond us, making the capacity to heed our own commands so powerful. I encourage you to start thinking about it now so that when you encounter problematic circumstances and the moment is fresh, you won't take a wrong turn. How are you going to react? Sometimes you will need to improvise, but imagining your own behavioral outline of how you want to live each day will serve you well.

Your success isn't as determined by colossal decisions as it is by the small, seemingly invisible decisions of daily life. If you break it down, every long drive consists of single turns, lane-changes and traffic lights, so it is with university. Will you get up early to study for a test? Or will you sleep late and take your chances? Will you start on your research paper early? Or,

will you procrastinate and turn in sloppy work? Caution: many of your choices will be habit-forming! From my experience, success is not a singular event or instance; it is more like a collective scatter plot that trends according to our daily decisions. So grasp the wheel with both hands, be alert, stay in your lane and remember the bigger importance of your little choices.

If you end up off the road, there's still hope. You can backtrack wrong turns. You can find your way again after you've been lost. You can even fix a flat tire or jumpstart a dead battery. But, if your car ends up totaled, there'll be no getting to your destination. Why do I inject such a nasty twist? People come to college and don't come back. It's trendy to parrot the "just live for the moment" motto until someone drives drunk and never comes home. It takes a lot of small good decisions to be successful overall, but it only takes

one bad decision to fail a test, land in jail or make the obituary column. Be careful, stay proactive, mind your integrity and control yourself.

As an upperclassman, I've driven the college road for a few years now, and I've seen enough to provide ample advice. Those who learn to control themselves not only become the people they want to be but also fashion the lives they want. Write down a description of who you want to become and live it out every day. You can be whoever you want so long as you have the discipline to see it through, and it is precisely the measure of our own self-discipline that makes us who we are. Often, the difference between brilliant and mediocre is sheer willpower, and I hope you bear it in mind going forward. Welcome to UTSA! Drive friendly, have fun, but always remember to control yourself.

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ARTS & LIFE

Get UTSA rec-ked



Students play video games in *The Roost*, which feature over 50 different video games to play from.

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A guide to some of what UTSA has to offer

By Andy Borunda
Contributing Writer

For many first-time college students, or students transferring from a different institution, spending time on campus can seem like a chore. It's a common misconception that college campuses are lifeless and boring, and an incredible number of students go through four or more years on campus without ever realizing just how much is going on around them. While it's true that we should probably be spending the majority of our time

focusing on our respective subjects and assignments, it's tremendously important to not ignore the social part of the college experience. Through the years, several programs at UTSA have established a range of extracurricular programs and activities to provide students with fun and safe recreation on campus.

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The Weekend JUNE

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7 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Brick at Blue Star Arts Complex

45 artists who create zines, stickers, patches, prints, paintings and more! Basic package ticket includes an entry, poster, sticker and button.

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Shy Boys, We Leave at Midnight, Flower Jesus Quartet / Free

8 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.

Paper Tiger

Hosted by K23, Shy Boys celebrate their recent signing with Poyvinyl Record Co. by performing their unique happy-sad tunes.

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Little Mazarn & Aisha Burns / Free

8 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Lowcountry

San Antonio native, Aisha Burns explores her journey through grief with her voice and her beloved violin. Singer-songwriter/banjoist Little Mazarn is to play her self described "unromantic" songs, which will make you yearn and the heart move.

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Flow at Flight / \$5

5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Flight Gallery

Nomadik yoga studio presents this recurring event which is open to those who are both new and experienced in yoga. The class focuses on alignment and modifications, to begin or strengthen one's practice. Mats will be available to rent for \$1.

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Mírame, a look at the UTSA student-run band bringing their style to the local scene

By Kimiya Factory
Staff Writer

The music scene at UTSA was booming all spring semester. After the successful UTSA Underground music festival that featured local artists by and for the students, word of a particular band, Mírame, caught like wildfire. This band, exclusively made of UTSA students, covers the hottest songs out today all the while exuding a quirky mix of individual personality. Landing shows in local San Antonio spots such as the McNay Art Museum and Brick at the Blue Star Arts Complex, this young band is certainly making their mark. As active members of the UTSA Musicians of Business, Mírame formed after bumping into one another. Karen Jimenez, the band's guitarist, said Mírame came together with one of the bandmates vision in mind. "Angelo (Salgado) had his eye on all of us, and saw the potential we would have if we all got together."

"We're trying to express that bicultural identity in our music. In the grand scheme of music there aren't a lot of artists or bands that express their mixed culture in the mainstream, but we're for joining a movement that's working to break that culture."

-Angelo Salgado
Mírame band member

one of the bands lead singers, explains why Mírame is so diverse, "Coming from parts of Texas with a high population of Hispanics, we definitely want to be a group who is known for spreading more of that culture that brings us all together." Salgado adds, "We're trying to express that bicultural identity in our music. In the grand scheme of music there aren't a lot of artists or bands that express their mixed culture in the mainstream, but we're for joining a movement that's working to break that culture."

Covering songs by artists like Kali Uchis, Omar Apollo, Jasper Bones, Cuco and Chicano Batman, all artists in this movement, Mírame's cover are recognizable but offer an original twist.

Check out and meet Mírame at their next show July 1 during First Friday at Brick at the Blue Star Arts Complex. Experience this intersexual music movement that writes, inspires and rocks the shows through Mírame.



Mírame formed from a group of students that are part of UTSA musicians of business.

Photo courtesy of Mírame

UTSA recreation



The UTSA Art Galleries (Arts Building 2.03.04) are open Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Photo courtesy of UTSA Student Union



The Block hosts a free concert open to patrons.

Chase Otero/The Paisano



Indy Coffee is located in the retail complex on the first Level of Prado.

Ethan Pham/The Paisano

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The Roost is one such option. Located on the second floor above the Frost Bank, across from the Student Union at the Main Campus, The Roost offers a variety of games and activities both analog and digital for students, including billiards, air hockey, foosball, table tennis and board games, along with a PlayStation 4, XBOX One and Nintendo Wii U, with over 50 different games to choose from. A full list of available titles is kept on hand at the check-out station inside the facility.

The Roost is open late and is available to all enrolled UTSA students with a student ID. The Roost holds weekly tournaments for several games, including Super Smash Bros., chess, table tennis, billiards and more during the fall and spring semesters. The full tournament schedule can be found through the Student Union's page on RowdyLink.

The UTSA Art Galleries is on second floor of the Arts Building (2.03.04) on the Main Campus and are completely free and open to the public between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday. The galleries host regular exhibitions by both professional artists and students. UTSA also operates an art gallery downtown called Terminal 136 in the Southtown Art District (136 Blue Star St. San Antonio, TX 78204). Terminal 136 is where students in the Master of Fine Arts program usually present their thesis exhibitions, in addition to hosting exhibitions by other students and professional artists. Like the galleries on the main campus, Terminal 136 is free and open to the public Thursday through Saturday from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. The Department of Art and Art History keeps a list of current and former exhibitions at either gallery. The list is accessible through their website (art.utsa.edu).

Perhaps some of the more beloved recurring activities for students on campus are the free movies shown every Friday and Saturday night at the Student Union, commonly known as UCinema Night. A different movie is chosen each week, and movies are usually shown at 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. on Friday nights and 7 p.m. on Saturday nights. UCinema Night is hosted by the Student Union. A monthly schedule showing movies and times along with other events for that month can be found on the Student Union's Programs page on their website (utsa.edu/studentunion).

For those feeling a little bit more adventurous and willing to walk a short distance down UTSA Boulevard, The Block offers a varied selection of food trucks run by local chefs and also operates a bar for patrons over 21-years-old. The Block is located directly across from the Prado apartment complex and features a 1,500 square-foot, covered, dog-friendly patio with plenty of room for you to kick back, relax and enjoy great food and beverages with friends. The Block regularly hosts events including parties, trivia nights, concerts, food and beer festivals.. Beware: The food truck lineup can change based on availability, so follow @theblocks on social media to keep yourself up to date. For those looking for something a little bit more quiet, or if you're more of a coffee drinker, Indy Coffee is located just a few hundred feet further down UTSA Boulevard on the first floor of the Prado apartment complex.

There is so much to do on campus than to sit in the library with your head buried in books all year long, and this is just a short sampling of the fun options that are available on and near campus. Explore the campus, get involved and stay informed! Welcome to UTSA; we're happy you're here.

Net Neutrality: who owns the Internet?

By Rudy Sanchez
Staff Writer

The status of the future of the Internet

The Internet – A digital ecosystem many people call home.

A place where trolls, memes, conspiracy videos and older relatives still poking you on Facebook live in harmony.

We are able to access this great resource to communicate with family members, create social events, access information, pay our bills, complete workloads, etc. We all can freely use the Internet in one of these ways or another; however, this could all change very soon due to decisions made on net neutrality.

This is due to the decision made by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), headed by Republican leader Ajit Pai, to rollback net neutrality rules established by the Obama administration in 2015.

Here's what you need to know: net neutrality is the system that allows consumers to freely surf the Internet however they please, without the interference of Internet Service Providers (ISP). The FCC's decision to rollback these rules will take effect June 11. Democrats are advocating for the preservation of net neutrality regulation, and if they are right about the long-term effects, this could potentially be the biggest thing to happen to the Internet in Trump's tenure since Logan Paul.

The majority-Republican commission says that removing net neutrality rules will actually save the Internet. The Internet lasted and thrived well from its conception to 2015 when the Obama administration established rules protecting internet users. The FCC argues

the current net neutrality regulations and government oversight restricts the market from prospering. Ideally, an Internet company such as Netflix may pay an ISP more money in return for faster speeds and better quality service. If ISPs abuse their power by discriminating against certain Internet companies, the natural response from consumers to this maleficence is, simply, switch ISPs, thus, eliminating the problem. Republicans have adopted this agenda as it adheres to their pro-small government rhetoric.

Democrats argue this change is a lucrative scheme is seeking to benefit corporate cable entities and the politicians who are lobbied by them. This change also affects small businesses who are just starting up; nothing would be able to stop cable companies from blocking their data from reaching consumers if they posed a threat.

Internet users could be subject to severe consequences of net neutrality's end. Let's say Verizon, an ISP, is business partners with Hulu. However, you prefer to subscribe to Netflix' streaming services. Legally, Verizon could have the authority to slow down the loading speeds of the content on Netflix to coerce you to buy a Hulu subscription. Naturally, the response is to switch Internet providers. But, according to the FCC's own data, if you are one of the 129 million Americans that who have only one option for broadband Internet service in your area, in the words of Logan Paul, "so sorry."



We love net neutrality action at Verizon, which is one of over 600 actions outside of Verizon stores.

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If net neutrality and its governing rules go away, ISPs can discriminate against certain content and data for their own financial gain. Being able to access some of your favorite websites may require fees or having to endure slow loading speeds.

However, the fight for a free and open Internet is not over yet. Millions of people have taken to their devices to raise awareness. Posts and memes combatting the FCC's decision have found their way into feeds across all media platforms. Some of these posts going viral due to their comedic mockery of the FCC chairman Ajit Pai and his obnoxiously oversized coffee

mug he touts in almost every interview with a camera. Even silly jokes on social media have sparked interests in many young people who don't pay attention to politics, but even they realize the gravity of what is at stake.

On May 16, the U.S. Senate nullified the FCC's decision to overhaul network freedom rules. This was a major victory for Internet users, consumers and content companies. The decision was passed 52-47 with the vast majority of Republicans voting to support the FCC's decision. The Democrats took the victory with the help of a few moderate Republicans. Supporters of this movement include technology giants such as Google, Amazon,

Facebook and others that have advocated for the preservation of net neutrality regulation.

The next step for those trying to save net neutrality is repealing the decision in the House of Representatives. For Democrats, this will be very challenging due to the overwhelming Republican control of the House. Advocacy for the preservation of net neutrality is rising across the country from both sides of the political spectrum. Democrats are going to have to try and convince the GOP that they have to listen to the voices of their constituents rather than the agenda of big corporations.

SPORTS

‘Runners in the league



Marcus Davenport received more hype than any former Roadrunner ever.

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Running down NFL players who have roots in UTSA

By Zachary Truesdale
Staff Writer

Since 2016, UTSA players have seen some of its football players convert from the NCAA to the NFL. It is an exciting moment for the players to get a shot to chase their dreams and play for a vast amount of professional teams.

Defensive back Teddy Williams is the first Roadrunner to play in the NFL. From 2010-2011, the track star turned football player played with the Dallas Cowboys. He did not play in college, but still got a shot at his dreams of being a professional athlete. In 2012, Williams signed with the Sacramento Mountain Lions of the United Football League (UFL). He made his way to the Arizona Cardinals in 2013

and made his first reception on a 51-yard pass from former NFL quarterback, Carson Palmer. Williams had a brief stint in 2014 with the Chicago Bears, making two special teams tackles in five games. From the fall of 2015 through the spring of 2018, Williams played with the Carolina Panthers, he was even a part of the team that played in Super Bowl 50. Williams was released by the Panthers in March of this year, a week later he signed with the New York Giants on a one-year, \$880,000 contract.

Defensive tackle Ashaad Mabry signed with the New Orleans Saints as an undrafted free agent in 2015 and stayed there as a practice squad/reserve player until the fall of 2017. This past May, Mabry signed with the

Carolina Panthers.

Tight end David Morgan II set the tone for future Roadrunners, being the first UTSA player ever drafted in the annual NFL Draft (188th overall pick to the Minnesota Vikings). In his final year at UTSA, Morgan was named a second-team all-american and second-team All-CUSA selection after finishing among tight ends around the country with 45 receptions for 566 yards and setting UTSA's single-season record with five touchdowns. This past season Morgan set career highs in all statistics.

In the November game of 2017, Morgan caught his first touchdown and is looking to improve more as his career progresses in the NFL.

In 2016, defensive tackle Brian Price signed with the

Green Bay Packers. Price was on both the practice squad and the active roster for 2016 and 2017. In 2017, the Dallas Cowboys claimed Price off of waivers, and last March he signed a two-year extension.

In 2017, running back Jarveon Williams signed with the Cincinnati Bengals as an undrafted free agent. He signed to the practice squad and got promoted in December of the same year. As the season gets closer, Williams aims to compete for more touches in the Bengal's backfield.

It seems the 2018 football class has had the most success, with four different Roadrunners making it to the league this season.

Cornerback Devron Davis signed as an undrafted free agent to the Baltimore Ravens and

three-year starter offensive lineman Austin Pratt is getting his shot with an invite to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers rookie mini-camp. Also, former walk-on and record breaker Dalton Sturm signed as an undrafted free agent with the Dallas Cowboys.

Marcus Davenport received the most hype of any former Roadrunner ever heading into this year's draft. The defensive end had a career total of 185 tackles and 21.5 sacks leaving UTSA. Listed as an athletic 6 foot 6 inches and 264 pounds, Davenport was high on most NFL team's draft board. No one knew where he would go, but one thing was certain: he was going somewhere in the first round. The New Orleans Saints traded up to the 14th overall to pick the San Antonio native. The second Roadrunner ever drafted and the first one drafted in the first round of the NFL is an amazing achievement that is not an easy one to achieve, especially coming from a smaller school.

These former Roadrunners are able to say things that few are able to say: they have made an NFL roster. Whether it's the practice squad, a reserve or the active roster, breaking into the National Football League is not an easy accomplishment and takes years of hard work. As the 2018-2019 season slowly approaches, fans are excited to see how these professional 'Runners will do.



Dalton Sturm signed as an undrafted free agent for the Dallas Cowboys.

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A great time for UTSA sports

Sports Commentary

By Ryan Garza
Sports Editor

Welcome to UTSA, incoming ‘Runners! If you aren’t too familiar with UTSA athletics, we are a NCAA Division I school that participates in Conference USA; we currently boast 17 different sports teams among men and women.

As you may know, football is king here in Texas and with Head Coach Frank Wilson at the reins, this team is made to live up to the hype. The Roadrunners will open up the season on the road against Arizona State but will play their first home game against Baylor on Sept. 8 at the Alamodome. Also, be sure to pack the ‘Dome when we take on rivals North Texas and Texas State.

Though football takes most of the spotlight in the fall, don’t forget that volleyball season will be in full swing too. After going 9-5 in conference play last season and making a trip to the Conference USA Semifinals, the ‘Runners are ready to build off last season’s success.

If you are a fan of March Madness and the Final Four you probably noticed that San Antonio was the home of the Final Four this past season which made UTSA the host university. Even though the ‘Runners didn’t qualify for the NCAA tournament, they still had a strong enough season to earn themselves a spot in the CollegeInsider.com Postseason Tournament but lost in the quarterfinals round. Women’s Basketball went 6-10 in conference play and was able to make a run all the way to the Conference USA Quarterfinal against Western Kentucky.

UTSA’s cross-country and track & field has both men’s and women’s teams for the upcoming indoor and outdoor track & field seasons. The Roadrunners had three different athletes that qualified for the 2018 NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships in Eugene, Ore. The cross-country squads made it to the NCAA South Central Regional with plenty of ‘Runners breaking a bunch of their personal records at the meet.

UTSA men’s golf placed first at the Wyoming Cowboy Classic and placed sixth at the Conference USA Championship. The women’s team had a very

strong season; they ended up winning the conference championship as a team and advancing all the way to the NCAA Championship Regional round.

The UTSA men’s tennis team went 13-12 this past season; they were able to pull off a 6-4 record here at home. The women’s tennis team was able to go 5-4 at home this past season with both teams losing in the first round of the conference tournament.

There is currently no men’s soccer team at UTSA but there is a women’s soccer team. After a somewhat disappointing 2017 season, the Roadrunners look like they are determined to turn things around with the recent signing of new Head Coach Derek Pittman. Pittman comes from the University of Idaho from back-to-back Big Sky Conference Championships. So, look for the ‘Runners to have a strong upcoming soccer season.

Roadrunner baseball had a very successful season. They were able to compile an overall record of 32-24 while being able to go 16-13 in conference play. While the ‘Runners were able to have such a strong regular season, they were unable to advance in the C-USA tournament but look for the squad to build off of their strong 2018 campaign.

UTSA softball started off the year with a bang by winning seven of their first ten games of the season but were only able to go 7-14 in conference play. With a primarily young core returning for this upcoming season, keep an eye out for the ‘Runners to be go after the Conference USA crown.

Although we might not have a rich history in sports, we are definitely on the rise here at UTSA. We are getting closer and closer to solidifying ourselves as a power here in the conference and in the nation. There are plenty of Roadrunners that are playing professionally on the next level on cashing in on their success and laying down the foundation for future Roadrunners. It’s a great time to be a ‘Runner.



Head Coach Frank Wilson at the signing day press conference.

JJ Perez/Insiderunnersports



UTSA women’s golf team hoists their championship trophy after the win.

Photo courtesy of Conference USA



Pitcher Karen Patel releases a pitch while the LA Tech dugout looks on.

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