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## WEEKLY UPDATE

### June 14, 2021

## SOCIAL JUSTICE SPOTLIGHT

### Juneteenth and the UTA Community

Slaves in the state of Texas were still in bondage until a federal order proclaiming their freedom reached Galveston on June 19, 1865, more than two years after the Emancipation Proclamation was signed. Celebrations of emancipation later began in Texas and spread to other parts of the country. They became known as Juneteenth, short for June Nineteenth, to commemorate the last slaves to be freed in America. Today it is the preeminent national celebration of the end of slavery in the United States...

As we observe Juneteenth and reflect upon this turning point in our nation's journey toward equality, we know there is still a long way to go and encourage your active participation and leadership in the conversation for change. The Maverick family is comprised of diverse individuals, and we are united in the pursuit of a more just and equitable society for all. Together, we can support one another, maintain our resolve and drive meaningful progress.

*Teik C. Lim*, Ph.D. | Interim President

Read the full statement [here](#).

### June is Pride Month!

Check out these important dates in Dallas LGBTQ History:

- 1972 – First Gay Pride Parade held in Dallas
- 1975 – Dallas Gay Political Caucus founded
- 1975 – Flying W Motorcycle Club founded, the first LGBT group in TX to gain 501(c)(3) tax exempt status
- 1977 – Don Baker fired from DISD, sues to challenge state anti-sodomy law (\$21.06) in Baker v. Wade
- 1978 – Rev. James Harris runs as first openly gay candidate for Dallas City Council
- 1979 – March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights
- 1984 – The Dallas Voice founded, a weekly news publication for the LGBT community of Dallas
- 1988 – First Texas Lesbian Conference held in Dallas
- 1988 – DGA v. the City of Dallas (Parkland Hospital) lawsuit
- 1993 – Craig McDaniel elected as first openly gay Dallas City Councilman
- 1994 – Dragonflies of Dallas founded, a social and support group for gay Asian and Pacific Islanders
- 1995 – Jose Plata elected as first openly gay DISD board member
- 1997 – Dallas Southern Pride founded, an annual celebration for Black LGBTQ individuals
- 2005 – Lupe Valdez, a Hispanic lesbian, is sworn in as Dallas County Sheriff
- 2011 – Trans Pride Initiative founded
- 2016 – Jack Evans and George Harris are the first legally recognized gay marriage in Dallas County

HAPPY PRIDE MONTH



LOVE IS LOVE

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## GET SUPPORT

### Rental Assistance

Rental assistance is available for up to 6 months through Arlington Housing Authority for Arlington residents who are behind on their rent due to the pandemic if they meet certain criteria such as income, need is directly related to the pandemic, currently behind on rent, and a few others. The application is at [www.arlingtonhousing.us](http://www.arlingtonhousing.us) and funding IS still available for the program.

Interested in joining a Veteran and Military Connected group of students? The MAY VETS are here to get you support and connections to help navigate college life!



CONNECT WITH US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

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TEAMS:

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Did you know as a student veteran you may qualify for free meals?

**Meals for Vets** is a program that provides student veterans who have low income with free daily meals.

Getting through school is hard enough without the stress of not knowing if you'll be able to afford to eat. Meals for Vets and The University of Texas at Arlington have partnered up to make sure you can get a daily meal to help fuel your success.

To qualify:

- Must have served at least 180 days federal active duty
- Provide proof of service (such as DD-214)
- Provide proof of all household income and benefits
- Meet low income qualifications

To learn more and apply, email: [james.kumm@uta.edu](mailto:james.kumm@uta.edu)



The program is supported by the University of Texas at Arlington's Office of Student Veterans. The University of Texas at Arlington is an equal opportunity institution. For more information, visit [www.uta.edu](http://www.uta.edu).



## YOU MATTER



### Energy and Focus

Need a boost? **Meditate!** Meditation is a great resource for you and your clients. Meditation optimizes "how the brain uses resources" ([Sukel](#), 2019, para 8) and improves attention. As students, I know you're pulled in all directions and resources are scant. Try meditation for a boost!

Per Ben He, a neuroengineer who's imaged the meditating brain, "It seems the longer you do meditation, the better your brain will be at self-regulation...You don't have to consume as much energy at rest and you can more easily get yourself into a more relaxed state."

Watch the brief video below. If you want even more information, [read this.](#)



## STUDENT ORGANIZATION SPOTLIGHT

### MAVS FOR MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

Equipping social work students to become leaders in their field. Open for all students, no matter their degree, to raise awareness for mental health and substance use disorders.

SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW FOR ACCESS TO OUR GROUP ON MICROSOFT TEAMS!

FIND US ON FACEBOOK AT MAVS FOR MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS



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### Undergraduate Student Leader (USL) Program

Have questions about the social work program? Want to make friends? Need support? The [Undergraduate Student Leader \(USL\) Program](#) has got your back! The USL program is designed to build community between BSW students and facilitate the exchange of accurate and timely information. Each BSW student in the program is assigned to a USL, a fellow student who has received training on leadership, communication, and updated info. **Your Summer 2021 USL should be reaching out to introduce themselves this week!**



## ADVISING

- Don't need a full advising appointment but have general questions? Join your advisor for their weekly Power Hour!
- **If your advisor's appointment schedule is full, please consider emailing them for email-advising, or attend their weekly Power Hour.** Please check advising appointments every Monday when new availability opens up for the coming weeks.

Keiana Tuesday 12:00-1:00 [Click here to join the meeting](#)  
 Mark Wednesday 12:00-1:00 [Click here to join the meeting](#)  
 Valerie Thursday 11:00-12:00 [Click here to join the meeting](#)

### BSW Academic Advisors:

- Last names A-C: Valerie Adame – [adamev@uta.edu](mailto:adamev@uta.edu)
- Last names D-Me: Mark Frazier – [mark.frazier@uta.edu](mailto:mark.frazier@uta.edu)
- Last names Mi-Z: Keiana Crain – [keiana.green@uta.edu](mailto:keiana.green@uta.edu)



## FIELD PLACEMENTS

### General

- **All students, agencies, and Field Instructors should use this URL for InPlace:** <https://inplace.uta.edu/>
- The InPlace fee is \$67 per year or \$130 for a lifetime. Each student will need to plan to pay the InPlace fee on the first day of class for that semester they are starting field.
- [InPlace Training](#) and [Logbook Training](#) can be found here!
- If you are having technical difficulties with InPlace please email [sswfield@uta.edu](mailto:sswfield@uta.edu) and include a screenshot of the issue.
- [Field forms are available here!](#)
- [Field FAQ](#)
- **Contact Sharon Martin, LMSW, Field Advisor III, with any questions!** You can also connect with her during her Field Power Hours every 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month from 3:00-3:30. [Click here to join the meeting](#)

### Summer

- **The COVID-19 field hours accommodation will continue for Summer 2021**
  - Block students must complete a minimum of 408 hours for Summer 2021
  - Split students must complete a minimum of 204 hours for Summer 2021
- The Block Field 14-week Summer Session & Split Field 11-week Summer Session dates have been updated on the [Field website calendar](#)

### Fall

- **The Fall 2021 Field Application closed June 4<sup>th</sup>. No late applications will be accepted.**

### Spring 2022

- The Spring 2022 Field Application opens Oct. 01 – Nov. 26, 2021. These dates are subject to change. See the full Fall 2021 Field Education Calendar [here](#).
- Read the Summer 2021 – Spring 2022 Field Accommodations [here](#).

## BSW ONLINE

I know many of you are eager to return to face-to-face learning and the many benefits of participating in campus life, and we look forward connecting with you in person again soon. While most of our students thrive in the classroom, we also understand that some Mavericks, due to a range of personal reasons, need the flexibility that fully online learning offers. That's why I'm pleased to share that **we have recently received approval to open the fully online BSW program to all students regardless of geographic location.**

If the fully online option appeals to you, please take some time to consider this decision carefully as it means committing to taking all of your remaining SOCW courses online. Please note that we encourage as many students as possible to remain in the traditional program, and we will continue to offer some electives and field seminar sections online to *all* students.

If you would like to switch your plan code to the BSW fully online program, **please let us know using [this survey](#) ASAP**. If you want to remain in the traditional program or are already in the online program, no action is needed.

## MSW ADMISSIONS

Are you graduating this semester with a 3.0 or higher and hoping to start the MSW program this fall? We accept MSW admissions on a rolling basis. The admissions calendar can be found [here](#). If you have any questions about the process of applying to the MSW, please contact [leslie.reyna@uta.edu](mailto:leslie.reyna@uta.edu)

## LICENSING

- If you're in your final semester and want to get started on applying to ASWB to take the LBSW licensing exam, [click here](#) to request the Dean's Letter for Licensure, which UTA will send to ASWB. More info can be found [on the ASWB site](#) and our [SSW licensure page](#).
- **Missed the Social Work Licensing Info Session? [Here is a link to the recording!](#)**
- Interested in the LCDC? Scroll to the end of this [Licensure](#) webpage and click on the Texas LCDC Licensing 2021 PDF for a chart that shows how different education levels can prepare you for the LCDC.



## IMPORTANT DATES FOR SUMMER SEMESTER

### SUMMER 11 WEEKS 2021

- Apr. 5 - Registration begins for Summer 2021 & Fall 2021 terms
- Jun. 6 - Registration Ends for Summer 11 Weeks
- Jun. 7 - First day of classes
- Jun. 7 - Late registration
- Jun. 8 - Late registration
- Jun. 24 - Census Date
- Jul. 1 - Deadline to Apply to Graduate in MyMav
- Jul. 5 - Independence Day Holiday Observed
- Jul. 22 - Last day to drop classes; submit requests to advisor prior to 4:00pm
- Aug. 12 - Last day of classes
- Aug. 16 - Final exams
- Aug. 17 - Final exams
- Aug. 18 & 19 - Commencement Ceremonies



## VIRTUAL EVENTS OF THE WEEK

### BSW Orientation

If you are a new student and have *not* already attended BSW Orientation, please mark your calendar to attend this mandatory School of Social Work orientation from 12-5pm on Friday July 9th. It will be recorded and made available for students who are unable to attend live. BSW Orientation is different from the university-wide transfer or freshman orientation and is full of information and resources to help you be successful and learn the ropes of the program. It is required to transition to the BSW Major.

### STORIES OF JUNETEENTH:

A Conversation with Ms. Opal

6.15.21 | 1 p.m. ET

With Dr. Annette Gordon-Reed

& Dr. Evelyn Hammonds

### NORTH TEXAS ADOLESCENT HEALTH SUMMIT

June 28 - 29, 2021

#### REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

The North Texas Adolescent Health Summit will be hosted virtually and will offer presentations, small group networking, and discussions to 50+ youth-serving professionals in the DFW metroplex.

The goal of the Summit is to increase knowledge, skills, and abilities among youth-serving professionals who provide services and support to adolescents. We will cover summer physical and emotional development, positive youth development, adolescent-friendly services, and how to apply the quality components of care through the stages of adolescence. We also include an update on the health TEKS revisions.

#### EVENT OBJECTIVES ARE TO:

- Provide the latest information on teen pregnancy, reproductive health and adolescent development that is appropriate for the diverse knowledge base and skills of participants.
- Increase participant knowledge regarding evidence-informed interventions focused on culturally competent care for medically underserved adolescents living in North Texas.
- Share best practices for promoting adolescent and child health, youth friendly services and trauma-informed care and to explore innovative programs of each.
- Identify and invest in youth and young adult voices to draw in those who are directly affected by adolescent health advocacy and
- Raise awareness of continuing disparities in reproductive and adolescent health care access and outcomes that persist in many communities within Texas.

### ABOUT THE SUMMIT

#### THE AUDIENCE:

- Social Workers
- Counselors
- Teachers
- Community Health Workers
- Public Health Professionals
- Non-Profit Staff
- Medical Providers and Clinicians

#### REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

- \$50 Registration (2-day program)
- \$60 Registration + CCL processing

#### SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION:

- \$1000 Gold Sponsor
- \$500 Silver Sponsor
- \$250 Bronze Sponsor
- \$50 Materials included in digital event bag

#### CONTINUING EDUCATION:

- Continuing education credit for multiple disciplines will be provided for this event.

#### EVENT SUPPORTERS:



Questions? Contact [melanie@txcampaign.org](mailto:melanie@txcampaign.org) or 512.791.5110.

<https://txcampaign.org/ntxsummit/>

### Out of the House INTO THE FUN

### SUMMER CAMP AT THE CLUB

A fun place for kids to learn and grow:

- Academic enrichment
- Internet access
- Daily snacks
- Daily physical fitness & health programs
- Academic programs
- Character & leadership programs
- Prevention & counseling specialists available

**Enroll Today**

For more information or registration information, please contact us at [mainbranch@bgcgtc.org](mailto:mainbranch@bgcgtc.org). Call us at 817-442-7107 or scan the code.

**SCAN ME**

### Club Location

Main Branch  
608 North Elm St.  
Arlington, TX 76011

**Ages Served**  
6 - 18 years old

**Date/Time**  
Starting June 7  
Mondays - Fridays  
8:00 am - 5:30 pm

**Contact Us**  
Haley Vandeweyer  
817-442-7107  
[mainbranch@bgcgtc.org](mailto:mainbranch@bgcgtc.org)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Tarrant County | [www.bgcgtc.org](http://www.bgcgtc.org) | 817-442-7107

## COURSE REGISTRATION

- **Registration is still open for summer. Fall registration is also open.**
- When searching for classes, be sure to select the correct term. MyMav may default to 2218 (Fall). 2215 is Summer.
- Course Modalities will be listed under Course Attribute in MyMav. More information about each modality can be found [here](#). Here are some examples:

- Online 1: Asynchronous

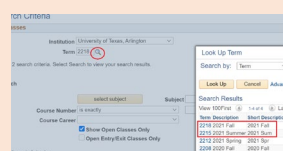
Course Attribute	Days & Times
ONLINE1	TBA

- Online2-Synchronous (live virtual class during times listed)

Course Attribute	Days & Times
ONLINE2	MoWe 4:00PM - 5:20PM

- Hybrid (Combination of face-to-face and live virtual class)

Course Attribute	Days & Times
HYBRID2	TuTh 2:00PM - 3:20PM



- Courses marked "BSW Online Students ONLY" are restricted to students in the fully online BSW program. For current BSW students, the fully online program is only available to students who live 50+ miles from the UTA campus. For questions about the BSW Online, please contact [velvet.denny@uta.edu](mailto:velvet.denny@uta.edu)

SOCW 3303 SOCIAL WELFARE POLICY AND SERVICES  
Class # 55798 - Section 003 LEC

List of Texas Common Course Numbers

CLASS NOTE  
BSW Online Students ONLY



## RESEARCH

### Social Work Course Guides

### Student Research Opportunity Center

**Study on Intergenerational Reminiscence Approach in Improving Social and Emotional Well-being of Older Adults**

**Participants Needed**

The UTA School of Social Work would like to invite UTA students (1) age 20-30 years old, (2) currently enrolled as a student at UTA, and (3) can commit to be available for the full 10 weeks of the intervention.

Once you agree to participate, we will pair you with an older adult for participating in this study. You and the paired older adult will participate together.

You will receive a \$250 or \$100 (if you participate in the interview) gift certificate as our appreciation for your time and participation. If you are interested and want to learn more about this project, please contact Dr. Ling He at [linghe@uta.edu](mailto:linghe@uta.edu) or through Tel: (817) 696-3272.

**RESEARCH TUTORING CENTER**

**DROP-IN SOCIAL WORK RESEARCH ASSISTANCE**

Calling all students enrolled in research courses! Are you struggling with your research class? Tutors are here to help! Log in through Microsoft Teams to receive assistance.

**JOIN IN TUESDAYS FROM 12-2PM. LOG IN HERE.**

Unable to drop by during the designated time? No problem! Submit your questions here.



## FUNDING

### Emergency Rental Assistance Program

The Neighborhood Services Department is offering an Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) to Fort Worth residents who have been impacted by COVID-19. [Click Here to Apply for Emergency Rental Assistance.](#)

Our Friends Place is looking for a marketing/social media person for an entry level [position](#) in the non-profit community.

### Part Time Social Work Jobs at TX Department of Family and Protective Services

DFPS is partnering with **Goodwill Industries** to hire part-time, contracted staff to work with children and youth who are waiting for a foster home or other placement.



**Job Posting # 483145**

**DENTON AND SURROUNDING COUNTIES ARE HIRING! CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

Conservationist Worker - Child Protective Services

When a child must be removed from their home, the court appoints Child Protective Services to be a "custodian" of the child. That means CPS is legally responsible for the child's safety and that the child is in a safe environment. CPS also provides services to the child's family to help them stay together. CPS also provides services to the child's family to help them stay together.

**APPLY HERE**

[Apply Here](#)

Learn more at [www.dfps.org](http://www.dfps.org) or email [info@dfps.org](mailto:info@dfps.org)

Love working with the elderly? Want to Advance Your Career?

**APPLY FOR A DAGS SCHOLARSHIP!**

**Eligibility:**

- \*Must live in the Greater Dallas Area
- \*Must be pursuing an aging-related career
- \*Must be enrolled in or accepted by a college or certificate program

**Application DEADLINE: July 15, 2021**

Learn more at [www.dags.org](http://www.dags.org) or email [info@dags.org](mailto:info@dags.org)

**DAGS** Dallas Area Gerontological Society



## STAY SAFE

### Expanded COVID-19 vaccine opportunities to include on-campus availability

UTA has established a partnership with OptumServe to provide all interested employees and **students access to COVID-19 vaccines at a convenient on-campus location and free of charge.** UTA students and employees are strongly encouraged to participate in COVID-19 vaccinations if they are able. Please visit the UTA [COVID-19 Vaccination Information and Resources](#) page to access registration links and instructions for both vaccine opportunities.

### UTA Continues Protocols to Protect Campus Community

We would like to update the UTA campus community on the new [executive order](#) from Gov. Abbott that prohibits government entities from mandating face coverings. Beginning Friday, May 21, UTA will no longer mandate the wearing of masks on campus. This action comes on the heels of the CDC's updated guidance that masks are optional for those who are fully vaccinated. Read the [announcement](#).



### Dean Ryan's [Statement on COVID-19 Health Disparities](#)

If you believe you have contracted COVID19, please type in **'COVID-19 Testing'** and your **zip code** into the Texas Health and Human Services to [find a testing location closest to you](#)

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



### Camp CARE Volunteers Needed

Join our CARE Crew this summer for a fun, and impactful week at CampCARE, a week long day camp for children who have a loved one impacted by cancer. We have spots for a variety of volunteer roles including: check in help each day, CARE Crew Leaders, and our set-up/tear-down crew. CARE Crew Leaders are responsible for safely leading campers through their daily camp activities. CARE Crew Leaders help to lead various activities that will increase camper skills, encourage a group culture that is fun and appropriate, and will be a positive role model for campers.

For more information, contact:  
Tori Mudge, Volunteer Coordinator  
[tori@cancercare.org](mailto:tori@cancercare.org)  
817-921-0653  
To Register, scan the QR Code using the camera on your smart phone or device



VISIT US AT [WWW.CANCERCARESERVICES.ORG](http://WWW.CANCERCARESERVICES.ORG)  
OR [FACEBOOK.COM/CANCERCARESERVICES](https://FACEBOOK.COM/CANCERCARESERVICES)

### MANAGING STRESS AND ANXIETY DURING COVID-19 UTA COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)

#### THERAPIST ASSISTED ONLINE (TAO)

Visit [TAOconnect.org](http://TAOconnect.org)



#### THRIVE APP



Download "Thrive at UT" on App Store or Google Play

#### MAVS TALK 24HR CRISIS LINE

Call (817)272-8255



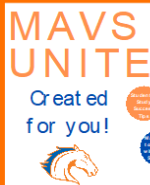
Visit [uta.edu/caps](http://uta.edu/caps) for more information

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## [UTA Academic Calendar](#)

## [Evidence-Based Practice Research Guide](#)



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for the MavsUnite Page!  
To add please e-mail:  
[Chantinia Chansler](#)

## [SAR Center](#)

(Formerly Office of Students with  
Disabilities)

**MEAL DISTRIBUTION**

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Tarrant County  
will be distributing meals, food and snacks.  
Outside meal distribution will occur Monday - Friday 4:00-5:30pm

**Distribution Locations**

<b>Eastside Branch</b> 4851 Ramsey Ave Fort Worth, TX 76105	<b>Main Branch</b> 808 North Elm St. Arlington, TX 76011
<b>Murkin Branch</b> 3123 Avenue G Fort Worth, TX 76105	<b>North Branch</b> 2000 Ellis Ave Fort Worth, TX 76104
<b>Parthen Branch</b> 1500 Hampshire Fort Worth, TX 76104	

**All Are Welcome!**

- Meals available to any child ages 18 years or younger (must be accompanied by an adult)
- Meals will be distributed as long as food supplies last
- Each meal is made to order and individually packaged meals and snacks are available to be ordered
- Meals are available to be ordered
- Meals are available to be ordered

**Contact Us!**

For more information or questions contact:  
Lafayette Dwyer  
LDwyer@bgtc.org

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## MAVS talk

24 HOUR CRISIS LINE

817-272-TALK (8255)  
WWW.UTA.EDU/CAPS  
303 RANSOM HALL

[UTA Library Accessibility](#)

[On-Demand & Live Fitness Classes](#)

Texas Health and Human Services  
**COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line**

If you or someone you know is feeling overwhelmed by the COVID-19 pandemic, help is available.

Speak with a mental health professional for help dealing with anxiety, depression, stress, grief or worry 24/7.

Call the toll-free COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line at 833-986-1919.

TEXAS Health and Human Services

**DREAMERS WELCOME**

In Crisis?  
Text HELLO to 741741

CRISIS TEXT LINE | Free, 24/7, Confidential

### Webinar Library

Isabella Hong, an MSW Alum, graciously compiled a list of webinar resources and a video going over the basic functioning of Teams to any who may need assistance. Special thanks to Jose B. Yerena, LCPAA, who has taken over updating the list on a weekly basis! **Please note that it is necessary to ask your supervisor permission for these to count towards any required field hours.**

[MSW Specialties](#)

[Social Work Webinars List](#)

[Basic Function of Teams](#)



### Rental Assistance Program

The [Tarrant County Rental Assistance Program](#) assists residents who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. For more details, email [renthelp@tarrantcounty.com](mailto:renthelp@tarrantcounty.com) or call [817-850-7940](tel:817-850-7940).

The Lifeline is **FREE**, confidential, and always available.

**HELP** a loved one, a friend, or yourself.

Community crisis centers answer Lifeline calls.

**NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE**  
1-800-273-TALK (8255)  
[suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://suicidepreventionlifeline.org)

**Learn the Warning Signs.**

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### Emergency Assistance Fund

UTA students with a temporary financial hardship resulting from a sudden emergency [may apply for financial help](#).

[Get Microsoft 365, The Wall Street Journal and Other Apps FREE with your student email!](#)

How to gain access to SSW writing resources: [Advising & Student Success Canvas](#)

### [UTA/Tri-C Food Pantry Distributions](#)

Currently distributing groceries on Thursdays only, from 9-11:45 a.m. and 2-4:45 p.m. To receive these grocery bags you must send an email to [utafoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:utafoodpantry@gmail.com) to request a pickup time. Include student name, last four digits of UTA ID, requested grocery pickup time, choice of vegetarian, chicken, or any meat groceries.

If you have any questions or content suggestion for the newsletter, please contact Meghan Sheridan: [mls9929@mavs.uta.edu](mailto:mls9929@mavs.uta.edu)



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*"How we spend our days is, of course, how we spend our lives."*

- Annie Dillard