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Two and a half years ago, Chemical Safety Board member Rafael Moure-Eraso visited the West Fertilizer building. He had a plan on preventing another West explosion. “It is time to act.”

Unfortunately, Texas and the federal government have been eerily quiet when it comes to taking action on preventing another West explosion. There is very little purpose to having regulatory bodies if they do not have any ability to interfere with糟糕 people in bad ways. Texas needs to ensure it provides the safety of the public when making decisions like these.

The Texas Legislature has not been completely busy when it comes to this issue. On June 14, 2018, they failed to pass several bills put forth for the public. There was a couple of bills pertaining to the issue that were proposed in the legislature.

But the fact remains, Texas is still susceptible to a similar incident any time an old fertilizer plant catches on fire if the dust from the disaster remains and extreme low of property is not enough to cause actions. It’s hard to say anything.

Lariat Letters

We Don’t Need a Reason to Text Back

(To response: “To not respond doesn’t show that you don’t respect that person”)

I was sitting at my desk on Oct. 21 and written by a dear friend whom I have known for years, Thomas Mott. I am approaching this piece with an open mind, knowing it may not be well-received by some—particularly men—as most people have previously been disappointed by Mr. Mott’s opinions.

In this article, Mott talks about the heartache involved with giving a number without ever responding when she text him which is worse: giving a number or not giving one? Doesn’t give a guy a reason if you are uninterested. I’m not going to counterargue with the statistics of men being rejected and the violence that occurs as a result. I’m going to counterargue men giving a reason to women and never responding when she text him which is worse: giving a number or not giving one? Doesn’t give a guy a reason if you are uninterested.

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Scenario #3: I meet a guy and we have a fun, friendly conversation. I assume we’re just friends exchanging numbers and he keeps calling me. We never text or call again. This is the tricky. When trying to explain to a guy that you are uninterested, it almost always causes more trouble than if I had just cut off and out of contact. It’s the guy who can’t handle the truth that leads to avoiding being upfront and honest from the start.

Even if a guy makes a million legitimate reasons or we make-up excuses for not responding—insincerity is still going to hurt. If someone who has been on both sides, I’m just as bad as the one doing the rejecting as it is being rejected.

So, it is OK for a girl to give a guy her number, then never text him back? Yes, it’s perfectly OK. Just like it’s OK if a guy decides to never text a girl back. It happens.

To my dear friend, Thomas, this is not the reply you want back from a girl, but you asked for blunt. Dating is frustrating. Relationships are awkward at first. Technology has only made relationships more difficult. If a girl doesn’t text you back, oh well, there will be others. Don’t lose heart. While it may be more nice, than is not to get the answers we want or the divorce we need.

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Mott’s column fails the mark

In “To Not Respond” (Don’t Give Him Your Phone,” published Oct. 21) Thomas Mott told women they would be kind if they were blunt with men. In that spirit, perhaps we will stop arguing about Mott’s comments. Mott’s column is not intended to be a forum for the discussion of sensitive topics or to provide a platform for the expression of controversial opinions. If you have concerns about this content, please contact your student or the student body’s Student Publications Board.

Most women love to talk to a guy, how ever they don’t want to talk to him because of the end of it. Contrary to Mr. Mott’s opinion, he is not initiating the idea of being shy in dating (as if it never occurred to women that being shy is an option). However, our personal experiences have taught us that being shy may not suit all for us, and we can neither be positive what kind of reaction our statements will get. No one of us can’t do it as we know how. We give out lies, numbers, and we can’t be sufficiently clear the way we believe “we gave him a chance,” we are just that we may not do it. We don’t say doing it, but we’re more concerned about our safety than the guy.

If Mr. Mott wants the status quo to change, he should decide to助学 students and methods of conflict. It’s a waste of his time to lecture women on how to behave in a dating world where men are avoiding hurt feelings and wasted time, while women are avoiding harassment and physical harm.

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1. The sisterhood of Pi Beta Phi entertains the audience with an encore performance of “Back in the Habit.”

2. Lake Oswego, Ore., senior Meredith Dana was announced as the homecoming queen Thursday evening during Pigskin.

3. Sing’s second place winner Kappa Omega Tau performs antics in “The Grand Hotel.”

4. Robin Hood and his crew prove “The World Will Know” by the men of Kappa Sigma.

5. At this year’s Pigskin, the orchestra needed a little more cowbell.


7. Alpha Tau Omega’s “Who We Are” let the beast get the best of them again.

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Homecoming kicks off with the annual Pigskin Revue, the top eight acts of All-University Sing 2015.
Texas services subpoenas at Planned Parenthood clinics

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Health investigators served subpoenas requesting hundreds of pages of patient and staff records at Planned Parenthood clinics across Texas on Thursday, as officials moved to halt Medicaid funding to the organization repeatedly targeted by the state’s top conservationists.

Planned Parenthood said investigators, who drove to Houston, Dallas and San Antonio, and a health center that does not provide abortions in Lubbock, Texas, asked for patient health records and billing documents dating back to 2010, as well as personnel files that included the home addresses of staff members, Planned Parenthood said.

The officials showed up “looking for an excuse to take health services away from 1 million women in Texas,” Planned Parenthood said in a statement.

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"You can run all the jets of the fountain and it's got lighting elements, " Dethrow said since the construction started on schedule. We had to be finished in time for homecoming. "We're working on different lighting shows for Christmas, Fourth of July and other Baylor events."

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ASSOCIATED PRESS

El Paso — A 76-year-old former school teacher in West Texas faces up to 99 years in prison after being convicted of killing her Green Beret husband in 1977.

The sentencing phase for Lisbeth Garrett was underway Thursday, a day after a jury in El Paso found her guilty of murder in the death of Fort Bliss Army Maj. Chester Garrett.

His body was found in an abandoned vehicle in the desert near El Paso. He suffered several blows to the head and multiple stab wounds. 3rd testimony focused on a blood stain found in the home where prosecutors say Chester Garrett was killed. Prosecutors also argued that Lisbeth Garrett stood to benefit financially from her estranged husband’s death, during the El Paso Times reported.

Roger Garrett, the son of Lisbeth Garrett, from another relationship, was convicted of murder in 2013 in his mother’s death and sentenced to 40 years in prison. Authorities had responded the cold case when Roger Garrett’s .22-caliber rifle was stolen. Prosecutors say Chester Garrett had kill her husband. There is no evidence that the other woman beat her husband with a bat or stabbed him,” Esper said during closing arguments.

Court records show Roger Garrett told his stepfather that, on Jan. 3, 1977, he struck Chester Garrett with a bat on the back of the head and that his mother stabbed him several times. Then they took the body from the kitchen to the garage, where they loaded it inside the red 1972 Volkswagen, and drove to a dump.

Investigators say Chester Garrett, who had served several tours in Vietnam, was stabbed more than 10 times but died of a skull fracture.

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