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Roundabout Roulette

Traffic circle raises safety concerns

BY ANOUSHKA VALODYA

The Prospector

Since its completion, the roundabout on Sun Bowl Drive has caused confusion among drivers and students and concerns about pedestrian safety.

“Yes, the roundabout is not really pedestrian-friendly, but it would be pointless to add more crosswalks. Then the flow of traffic will stop and it will be the same as before,” said Consuelo Martinez, senior English major. “Plus, if you add more crosswalks, then there will be a higher chance of accidents occurring because traffic is continuously moving. A pedestrian could easily get hit, so that would be dangerous.”

Over the next couple of years, various construction projects are planned to alleviate pedestrian and vehicle traffic. The first and more

immediate solution is a pedestrian bridge.

In November, workers will break ground at parking lot S-3, across from Kelly and Barry Halls, to build a \$2-million bridge from the parking lot up and across Sun Bowl Drive to a plaza at the new College Health and Sciences building, which is located across from the library.

“It will be extremely convenient with a stair tower and elevator (at the parking lot), being fully handicap accessible,” said Gregory McNicol, associate vice president of business affairs.

The bridge is expected to be finished by May 2011, and UTEP officials hope it will be a solution for those who complain that there are not enough pedestrian crosswalks surrounding the roundabout.

Diana Serrano, sophomore education major, said she’s frustrated



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The roundabout on Sun Bowl Drive has raised issues for drivers and pedestrians.

with just the main crosswalk of the roundabout, which connects Burges Hall to parking lot S-3.

“Because of the guard rails (in the roundabout area), you can’t crosswalk everywhere from one corner to the next. You have to walk all the way around when it would be more convenient to cross directly,” Serrano said.

Serrano said another crosswalk should connect the corner of Burges

Hall to the corner of the bookstore on Sun Bowl Drive.

Some students also said the design of the roundabout, which is just a fragment of a larger scheme in improving traffic, is difficult to follow.

“It’s kind of confusing. The lanes seem to merge into one another,” said Laura Ramirez, freshman pre-nursing major. “It’s unclear which direction the lanes go.”

Ramirez said a driver, who was on the inner lane, almost hit her mother, who was driving on the outer lane.

Michael Wheelright, junior media advertising major, said that he’s satisfied with the roundabout.

“I like it. I’m glad they put it up; it makes UTEP look better,” Wheelright said. “The first time I drove through it, I thought, what’s this? But then I got used to it.”

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The International Food Fair will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 20 on the Geology Lawn.

Student Life

Food fair brings cultures together

BY CANDICE MARLENE DURAN

The Prospector

If you want to savor the taste of authentic international food, listen to music from other cultures and watch the fashions of Bhutan, traveling half way around the world is not necessary.

The Office of International Programs organizes the International Food Fair to celebrate different nationalities and cultures and bring more knowledge about other countries to the UTEP community.

“We’re celebrating diversity,” said Carol Martin, assistant director of the Office of International Programs. “We want to have people from other nationalities interact with students and with people from here, and have them come together and be able to see the diversity in other cultures.”

In celebration of Queer History Month, the Office of International Programs will have the International Food Fair in conjunction with Queer-nival this year. The carnival will in-

clude activities such as dunk-a-drag and masquerade mask making.

“We’re joining them together because their theme this year is going on international issues,” Martin said. “That’s where we come in and show our support by having this event. Not only with food from other countries but also with fashion and music. It’s all about bringing together a diverse group of people.”

The International Food Fair will present dishes from Bhutan, France, Turkey and Bangladesh among other countries.

“We are adding a lot more dishes this year,” said Bidhan Kumar Dam, environmental sciences graduate student and president of the Bangladeshi Student Association. “This time as our specialties, we’ll prepare chicken vuna, polao and shrimp curry.”

Dam said the International Food Fair is an opportunity for students to understand Bangladesh lifestyle and appreciate Bangladeshi people’s contribution to society and the UTEP community.

“My expectation from the very beginning was to expose our culture and our country,” Dam said. “We want to represent our interaction with this country and other countries as well.”

The Bhutanese Student Association, UTEP French Club, Peru Club and other organizations will be providing dishes with recipes brought by the students. Food will be prepared on campus the day before the fair and reheated the next morning. All the proceeds will go to the Office of International Programs and to support student organizations.

“We will be giving \$125 to students who help us with recipes,” Martin said. “We want all of our food to be authentic and home-made.”

Beverages such as tea, juice and coffee will be available and recipes will be provided for each dish available at the food fair. The event will take place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 20 on the Geology Lawn.

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Migrantes rompen estereotipo en sus textos

POR NICOLE CHÁVEZ
The Prospector

La sexta edición de “Memorias del Silencio”, una antología literaria escrita por migrantes, intenta romper con el estereotipo de los trabajadores migrantes y ahondar en su realidad como individuos integrados a la sociedad en la que viven.

“Más que estar centrado en sus experiencias como migrantes, se rompe ese cliché”, dijo Francisco Tedeschi, estudiante de la maestría en Español y literatura en UTEP y co-editor del proyecto, junto con Minerva Laveaga Duarte. “Se muestran como personas comunes y corrientes que son parte de la sociedad.”

En 24 crónicas y poemas, los autores de “Memorias del Silencio” narran diferentes aspectos de su vida como su llegada a Estados Unidos o simplemente recuerdos de su niñez. Los textos fueron escritos a lo largo del curso de GED del programa de Educación Comunitaria de El Paso Community College. “Los estudiantes van proponiendo temas, escriben y al final del curso cada uno elige el material que más le gusta para ser parte de la antología”, explicó Tedeschi.

“Empiezan a leer con los compañeros y conmigo, tocan fibras muy fuertes adentro y empiezan a llorar”, dijo Tedeschi. “Mi Viaje hacia el Futuro”, es el título de la crónica escrita por María Irma Terán Núñez, una madre que ha regresado a Estados Unidos para buscar algo mejor para su familia.

Terán cuenta la travesía que la llevó de un pequeño municipio de Durango, México, donde vivía con su hermano, hasta Chicago, Illinois y de regreso a Durango.

“Aún cuando en esta ocasión cuento con documentos que me permiten estar en los Estados Unidos, es difícil empezar una vida nueva de la nada”, cuenta Terán.

Los valores familiares permean la antología.

Rebeca Minjares escribió “Pizca”, un relato en el que recuerda cómo su familia trabajó en los campos agrícolas durante varios años.



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EPCC. El sexto volumen se presentó el 15 de Octubre pasado en el parque de El Chamizal.

Para Tedeschi la publicación de este volumen representa la culminación de una meta que se propuso como educador. “Lograr que personas que no están muy habituadas a escribir empiecen a motivarse a hacerlo, lo disfruten y así lo mantengan el resto de sus días”, dijo.

Más información acerca de “Memorias del Silencio” está disponible en www.memorias.bordersenses.com. Para información sobre el programa de GED llame al 831-4161.

Nicole Chávez puede ser contactada en prospector@utep.edu.

“Me siento orgullosa de haber trabajado pizcando chile, pepinando nuez, tapiando cebolla”, dijo Minjares.

A través de los textos, algunos autores como Verónica Cuevas en “Ciudad Juárez”, viajan a su niñez. Cuevas compara lo que para ella fue Juárez en su infancia, con la situación que vive ahora la ciudad.

“A veces pienso que la ciudad en la que viví fue un sueño que nunca va a volver”, relata Cuevas.

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Visit www.utepprospector.com to watch a video of senior marketing major Marylee Hughes discussing how she balances modeling and classes.

Students get their drag on during Queernival

Queernival will include a Drag Queen show, which begins at 12:30 p.m. Oct. 20 on the Geology Lawn.

BY AUDREY RUSSELL
The Prospector

A recent string of suicides by young gay men who were bullied because of their sexuality, the continued persecution of gay and lesbian couples in Africa and the ongoing, global gay marriage debate proves that raising awareness about LGBTQ issues like these is more important than ever. Queernival, hosted and organized by the Rainbow Miner Initiative, hopes to do just that.

“The purpose of the Queernival is to help in tackling global issues that queer communities face,” said Jesus Smith, a Rainbow Miner Initiative intern and president of Queer Student Alliance.

Queernival, which is just one of many events taking place during Queer History Month, will be held Oct. 20 on Geology Lawn, at the center of campus.

Smith said it is an exciting and interesting way to learn about the LGBTQ community, and

how it deals with discrimination all around the world.

“By attending Queer History Month events, it helps people actively combat oppressions such as racism and sexism,” Smith said.

Aimee Maczko, coordinator of Rainbow Miner Initiative, said Queernival, which is being combined with the International Food Fair this year, gives students an opportunity to learn about international social issues.

“Our group is actually in charge of collecting the entertainment and making sure that it lets people know that it is a global issue,” Maczko said.

South Africa’s recent rash of lesbians being raped to “make” them straight, Uganda decreeing homosexuality as a crime that is punishable by death and a gay Malawi couple being sent to prison because of their relationship are examples of the issues the gay community is facing globally.

“Pretty much it’s happening everywhere,” Smith said.

Rainbow Miner Initiative is one of the groups at UTEP working to make people more socially aware and tolerant of others. The department offers literature, pamphlets and programs as resources for anyone who wants to learn more about LGBTQ issues.

“I think it is important to know the challenges that the LGBTQ community faces because it open(s) the eyes of the people who are oppressing them for no reason,” said Jacob Chavez, freshman creative writing major. “It’s also important to preach acceptance because the LGBTQ community is not treated equally based on their sexual orientations.”

Chavez also helped promote National Coming Out Day Oct. 11.

“Overall, I just think it would be a good thing if everyone learned to accept everyone,” Chavez said.

Queernival activities include cash prizes and a drag queen show, where each participant will represent a different country’s fashion through their outfit. The show begins at 12:30 p.m. Oct. 20.

“It’s an amazing performance that shouldn’t be missed,” Smith said.

Queernival is still accepting volunteers to help advertise the event, set-up, clean up and assist with food preparation. Credit for volunteering can be redeemed on Mine Tracker. To learn more about volunteering, call Cristina Araujo at 747-5664, or email mcaraujo2@miners.utep.edu.

“It’s not just collaborating with one group, all of the pieces in the Queer History Month work together with different groups and projects to make it an exciting time,” Smith said.

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Clubs

Aspiring filmmakers find outlet in student club

BY JACKIE DEVINE
The Prospector

For avid movie-goers who enjoy analyzing cinematography and critiquing dramatic performance, the Miner Movie Makers may be the ideal place to express that appreciation for film.

“By having the Miner Movie Makers, it gives students a chance to meet other filmmakers and work on all sorts of projects, including something they may have always wanted to create but hadn’t had the resources to do so,” said Joel Gannon, senior electronic media major and vice president of the Miner Movie Makers.

Miner Movie Makers provides students and the community with an extended knowledge of film. The organization was started earlier this year when a group of students, with the help of Robert Gutierrez, senior

lecturer in digital media production, got together and organized the club for students who aspire to be filmmakers.

With native El Pasoans like Billy Blair (graduate of Hanks High School) making it big in Hollywood and several Hollywood blockbusters like “No Country for Old Men”, “Glory Road” and “The Day After Tomorrow” being shot in the city and it’s desert, it seems like El Paso has some cinematic value. Without large film programs and external resources, UTEP students are anxious about getting work experience in the business. Miner Movie Makers was created for that purpose.

“I want UTEP to be recognized as a school that could produce great films,” said Michael Huante, president of Miner Movie Makers.

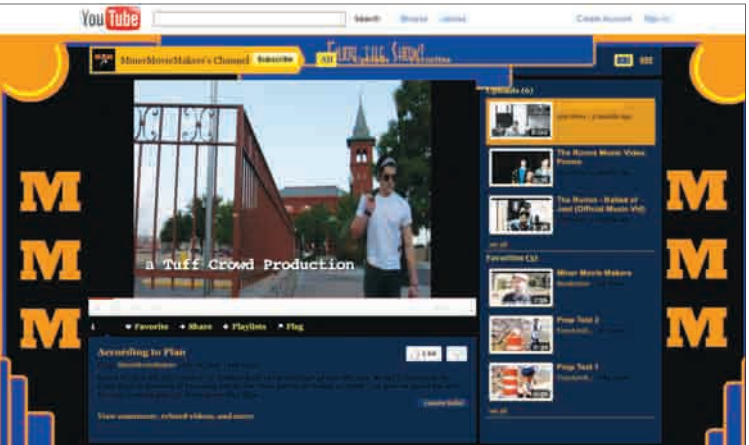
Huante has been writing his own stories and scripts since he was just a young boy, and one day he hopes

to become a director like his idol, Martin Scorsese. Some of his favorite films include “Green Street Hooligans” and “The Godfather.”

“As of now there are over 20 active members in the Miner Movie Makers,” Huante said. “We are always looking for new members. All majors are welcomed. We’ve had some math majors before, some have even changed their majors because they love it so much.”

Huante said the Miner Movie Makers work on all types of films. They do anything from fiction to improvisation and documentaries, and like all serious filmmakers, the Miner Movie Makers are always open to new ideas.

In just its short existence, the Miner Movie Makers have already made a presence in the Sun City by entering numerous contests and competitions throughout El Paso, to showcase their talents.



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Miner Movie Makers is intended to provide students and the community with a knowledge of film. Members participate in producing short films that can be viewed online and around town.

In total, the group has made eight films. One of their films, “Restroom Woes: The Legend of the Drippy Cheesy Burritos”, was featured in the Sun City Film Festival and earned honorable mention. Gannon won second place in the GhostLight 48-hour Film Slam for his film, “According to Plan.”

“That was one of the most fun projects we have done in my eyes. It really pushed our creativity and ability to work together under pressure,” Gannon said. “We all had our parts to play in making this film. From writing out the script, gathering props, acting, lighting and editing.”

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Review

Elderly come out to play in ‘Red’



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Bruce Willis is one of the veteran actors in ‘Red,’ which is loosely based on the DC/Vertigo three-issue comic book series.

BY MATTHEW MUNDEN

The Prospector

55, 73, 56, 93, 64, 65 and 62. No, these are not the winning digits game for some strange lottery that uses seven numbers. These are the ages of the actors in the main roles in “Red.”

The ages of these actors factor greatly into the new action movie, based very loosely on the Warren Ellis DC/Vertigo three-issue comic book series of the same name, because seeing this movie without the elderly cast holding big freakin’ guns just would not be any fun.

Bruce Willis is Frank Moses, a retired CIA agent that frequently calls a customer service rep (Mary-Louise Parker of the TV show ‘Weeds’) at the pension office just to talk. That is, until a team of high-tech assassins, with apparently unlimited magazine rounds in their assault guns, sent by the CIA, come to terminate him. Frank goes on a trip across the eastern half of the United States to get his old partners (Morgan Freeman, John Malkovich and Helen Mirren) and an old Russian frenemy (Brian Cox of ‘X2: X-Men United’) to help uncover why the CIA wants him dead. All the while, a young CIA agent, William Cooper (Karl Urban from J.J. Abrams’ ‘Star Trek’) is on his tail.

However, “Red’s” story does not really matter in the slightest. The whole movie is an excuse to watch old people take names and kick butt. While the trailer to this film spoiled a few awesome sequences, the scene which involves Malkovich’s character, Marvin Boggs, shooting an RPG blowing

up his attacker, still got applause from the audience.

Actually, every scene with Malkovich got either laughter or applause. He is amazingly over-the-top and insane as the LSD-addled, retired CIA agent.


Freeman, surprisingly, does not give a good performance. He seems really bored for some reason. It almost seems like he walked on set filming day without even reading the script and decided to play Morgan Freeman in an action film.


Helen Mirren and Bruce Willis seem to have fun shooting people and are cool to watch. Willis might be looking too old for this stuff (in some scenes, he looked like the villain from ‘Uncharted 2’), but the moment he starts beating people with glass desks or blowing people up with grenade launchers, any thought that he is too old goes away.

Ernest Borgnine and Richard Dreyfus show up too. They both do as much as they can with the near-cameo roles they play.

Mary-Louise Parker is nearly unbearable in the film. Half way through the movie I wished, “Can her character get left somewhere or blown up? Please.” Karl Urban fares better, but the storyline leaves his character and the audience unfulfilled. When the audience is introduced to him, he is doing something fairly dark and disturbing, but the movie sort of neuters his character about two-thirds into the movie. After that, the movie becomes fairly predictable.

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Profile

Marketing major is a model student

“I love the marketing aspect of anything in business and my goal is to finish school but I do want to pursue modeling.”

- Marylee Hughes, senior marketing major

BY BEATRIZ A. CASTAÑEDA

The Prospector

Marylee Hughes is not a common girl, or an ordinary student.

This senior marketing major is working on her degree while doing what she loves to do most, model.

“I started when I was about 13,” Hughes said. “I’ve also done acting since kindergarten.”

Hughes said she enjoys modeling and not necessarily for the fame or the money.

“I like the artistic part,” Hughes said. “It was never to be a model but to formulate the art involved, because I love the theatrical part of it.”

Hughes does not get paid for modeling but said out-of-town jobs usually do provide compensation.

Hughes also works several times a week at her part-time job as a server at a local restaurant. She said it can get tough when exams come up, and

she, ultimately, has to pile everything together.

“It gets difficult when I have to get time off of work,” Hughes said.

However, Hughes said she has been working since high school, and it does not stop her from doing what she loves.

“I do know how to time manage everything, because it’s what keeps me going,” Hughes said.

Hughes said there have been times when she has had all-nighters. There have been situations when she has an exam the next day and a modeling shoot the previous night.

David Quintanilla, a local photographer, said he remembers when Hughes started working with him nearly five years ago for an agency called Celestial Production.

Quintanilla said he immediately liked the way she posed and modeled because it was natural.

“She’s one of my favorite models that I work with,” he said. “She al-



JESUS PEREZ / The Prospector

Marylee Hughes, senior marketing major and professional model, poses at the Complicated Artists Photography Exhibit Sept. 18 at the First Avenue Lofts.

ways brings everything to the camera and knows what she’s doing.”

According to Quintanilla, she is one of the few people that has a face where the photo will turn out great.

“I don’t say that about any model,” he said.

Quintanilla said Hughes is very focused with her studies as well as her modeling career, and she works very hard to keep those two balanced, Quintanilla said.

Quintanilla has done many photo shoots with Hughes from working

with animals to traveling to locations, such as Austin, White Sands, the Concordia cemetery and just about anywhere there is a photo shoot opportunity.

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“**Restroom Woes: The Legend of the Drippy Cheesy Burritos**” can be viewed online at Miner Movie Makers’ YouTube channel.

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During the competition, the Miner Movie Makers pushed each other to stay awake as long as possible. When they announced that the group had won second place, Gannon said, it was a great feeling to know that the film was able to compete with all the other filmmakers in town.

Their films have also been shown at the Plaza Classic Film Festival's Border Shorts, which is a showcase of short films that were produced locally.

They also entered the Coca-Cola Aspiring Filmmakers Contest.

“It’s really all about the experience,” said Stephanie Soto, secretary of Miner Movie Makers.

Soto said the organization helps students figure out what exactly they want to do in film.

“Whether it’s directing, screen-writing, producing, editing, etc., here they can experiment all of the different aspects and develop all of their skills and imagination,” Soto said. “It also helps to build up their portfolio for future school applications and or jobs.”

The students are currently working on an entry for a contest hosted by AT&T called, “Simplify Your Life.”

The contest calls for them to create a video about how AT&T’s online services can simplify and improve life. The grand prize is \$20,000.

To join the Miner Movie Makers or to pitch film ideas, students can attend the club’s weekly meetings at 5 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays in Union Building East, Room 102.

The club has a \$20 membership fee. For more information on Miner Movie Makers, visit www.facebook.com/minermoviemakers or www.youtube.com/MinerMovieMakers.

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This is not exactly a great film. It may not even be a good one. But the thing is, it’s a lot of fun to watch.

I have some complaints on what it does to certain characters and the conclusion to the plot is rather random. It felt like the script was not done when they started filming, and they added a completely ridiculous reveal of the true bad guy’s identity. But the enjoyment I had watching it

made me ignore most of my problems with it.

Now if only they could turn the very final scene before the credits start into a full-length film, I would be there at midnight on opening day.

4 out of 5

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“Some of my favorites have been in Quintanilla’s exhibition,” Hughes said. “He had me portray a version of Tinker Bell, and it was different and I enjoyed it thoroughly.”

Hughes plans on continuing her modeling career after graduation.

“I love the marketing aspect of anything in business and my goal is to finish school, but I do want to pursue modeling,” Hughes said. She wants to ultimately combine those two in the near future. Hughes realizes it is ambitious to aim for those goals.

“If people have a love for it, modeling can be for anyone,” Hughes said. “If they just do it to become famous or to make themselves feel better, then no, but if you have a love for art, you can find beauty in every picture and it can be for anyone.”

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Model Marylee Hughes balances school and modeling.

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Football

Miners unhinged in Birmingham

BY ALEX MORALES

The Prospector

The Miners went to Birmingham, Alabama, looking to become bowl-eligible for the first time since 2005, but UAB had other plans as they came back to defeat UTEP 21-6.

UTEP (5-2, 2-2 Conference USA) went into halftime leading 3-0 and kicked a field goal early in the third quarter to go up 6-0. From that point on, it was all UAB.

The Blazers (2-4, 1-2 C-USA) scored 21 consecutive points to end the Miners' four-game winning streak. UTEP's defense gave up 500 yards to UAB, which is the second highest since the Houston game when they allowed 648 yards.

Miners were held to a season low of 229 yards on offense. UTEP was only able to register 80 yards on the ground. Senior quarterback Trevor Vittatoe completed 15 of 33 passes for 169 yards and threw three interceptions. Vittatoe's first interception of the game came after his last 106 passing attempts. This was also the eighth game of his 43-game career that he has thrown two interceptions or more in one contest.

Senior wide receiver Kris Adams once again led all receivers for the Miners with four receptions for 44 yards. Senior running back Donald Buckram played in his third game of the season and finished with 11 carries for 38 yards.

UAB was led by junior quarterback Brian Ellis, who had an efficient afternoon completing 20 of 28 passes for 272 yards with three touch-



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Senior running back Donald Buckram avoids a tackle. The Miners lost to UAB 21-6 Oct. 16

downs. Two of his three touchdowns were to senior receiver Frantrell Forrest. Forrest had seven receptions for 99 yards with his second touchdown putting the game out of reach for UTEP. Senior tight end Jeffery Anderson had four receptions for 93 yards and also had a touchdown.

The Blazers had six players run the ball for a total of 240 yards. UAB's

leading rusher was senior running back Justin Brooks who had 13 rushes for 81 yards. He averaged a little more than six yards a carry.

The Miners once again suffered injuries to key players on their team. Redshirt freshman Germard Reed left the game with an apparent knee injury. Junior backup center Nathan McCage suffered an injury, junior

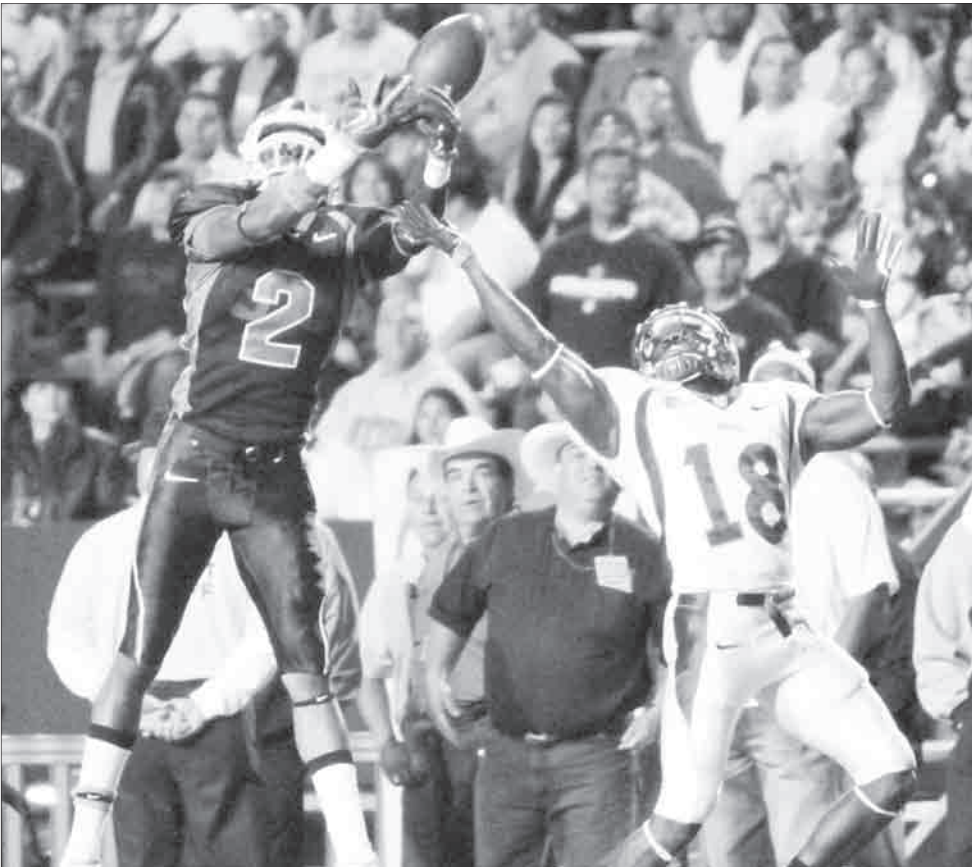
linebacker Royzell Smith dislocated his shoulder, junior cornerback Antwon Blake suffered a hip pointer and Vittatoe injured his leg and shoulder.

Next up for UTEP is Tulane at the Sun Bowl Oct. 23. Last year, The Green Wave defeated the Miners 45-38 in overtime in New Orleans.

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Football

Adams, Vittatoe make a winning pair



File Photo

Senior wide receiver Kris Adams attempts a catch last year at the Sun Bowl.

BY DAVID ACOSTA

The Prospector

A big part of UTEP football's success so far this season has been the resurgence of senior wide receiver Kris Adams.

In 2008, both Adams and senior quarterback Trevor Vittatoe had breakout seasons, becoming a potent duo in head coach Mike Price's pass-first offense. That season, Adams led the team in receiving with 958 yards and 14 touchdowns. His 19.2 yards per catch were also a team best that year and he had the second most catches on the team at 50. At one point in the 2008 season, Adams scored a touchdown in eight out of nine games.

While Adams' numbers as a junior in 2009 are nothing to laugh at, he feels that he and senior quarterback Trevor Vittatoe didn't have the same connection that they had the year before. For some reason, passes just weren't coming his way Adams said. That year, his receiving yards fell to 580 on 42 receptions, still good for the second-highest on the team. The most noticeable drop, however, came in the lack of 100-yard games for Adams. While he did catch for 97 and 98 yards against Marshall and Buffalo respectively, it was a far cry from 2007, when he caught for 100 yards or more in five games, including a streak of three in a row.

“(This season) with (senior running back Donald Buckram) down, we needed to resort to some other things to win games, and me and Trevor getting back on the same page like we were two years ago has been real big,” Adams said.

Series prepares team for regular season

BY DAVID ACOSTA

The Prospector

The UTEP softball team defeated the Western Texas College Westerners, 8-1 Oct. 17 at Helen of Troy Field.

The win completed the three game homestand, where the Miners also faced the Westerners twice, as well as the University of Chihuahua. UTEP is currently playing fall training games in preparation for the 2011 season.

“We’ve been getting better as a team every game. Our defense is coming together and on offense we’re pulling hits all at the same time,” sophomore catcher Kayleigh Walts said. “I’m looking forward to when the season actually starts.”

The Miners were first to cross home plate in the bottom of the first inning. After freshman short-stop Samantha Alvilarr singled on a line drive to center and then stole second to move into scoring position, sophomore second baseman Kayla Oranger hit a hard line drive that nearly rolled to the center field wall, scoring Alvilarr. Oranger attempted to score the game's second run on the play, rounding third and being thrown out at home.

Miner pitching was strong, as starting pitcher, freshman Megan Atchinson, set the tone, going three and a third hitless innings, before being replaced by freshman Kayla Black. Black was able to keep the no-hitter going through the first out of the fourth inning before a Westerner reached base on a slow chopper back to the mound.

“We have three freshman pitchers, so we are trying to get them in these types of situations, it was good,” assistant coach Dana Lambert said.

UTEP broke the game open, putting up three runs in both the bottom of the third and fourth innings. In the fourth, Walts drove in three runs on a homerun to left that put the Miners firmly in control, 7-1.

“I didn't even know I hit it over until I rounded first base,” Walts said. “I was just up thinking, get a base hit and get these two runs in.”

The Westerner's only real threat in the game came in the fifth inning with senior Courtney Auger pitching. With one out and two Westerners reaching base on an error and a base-on-balls, WTC loaded the bases on another UTEP error on a fielder's choice play at third. Auger got the team out of the bases loaded jam, striking out the next two batters she faced.

“It's a hard situation, but you have to be mentally strong, step up and get the job done,” Auger said. “After the first out I was thinking, I need to go hard and be strong for my team. That was the biggest out of the game.”

The Miners continue their homestand at Helen of Troy Field, see **SERIES** on page. 10

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The UTEP softball team plays nine preseason games in October in preparation for the 2011 season.

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So far this season, Adams has caught for 597 yards and eight touchdowns. He has already had four 100-plus yard games against Rice, New Mexico, Houston and UAB.

"We had this going a couple of years ago, but last year, for whatever reason, they just didn't click like they did before," Price said. "(This year) Trevor always seems to know where Kris is on the field and gets him the ball."

The resurgence of the duo not only helped put Vittatoe over the top in the Miner record books this season (he is now UTEP's all-time leading passer), but has also put Adams back in the Conference USA limelight. After the Miner's took down Rice on Oct. 9, 44-24, Adams was named C-USA Offensive Player of the Week. In that game, he caught for 134 yards, his best in 2010 conference. His 73-yard catch was his longest of the season and the second longest of his career.

"I'm the guy (Vittatoe) is looking for if he's looking down field most of the time," Adams said. "We've got plenty of (receivers) who can

get downfield, but I've been making it happen this year, and he's looking for me, I'm looking for him, so I guess without each other we'd be nothing."

Another key to UTEP's success this season has been the rest of their receiving core. In the game against Rice, he and Pierce Hunter became the first two UTEP wide outs to each catch for over 100 yards in a single game since 2007.

"It goes both ways, without the other receivers, I'm not getting open either," Adams said. "In the last few games it's been two receivers having big games, and I've had big second halves because of what (teams) are having to do the other receivers."

In the Miner's most recent game, a 21-6 loss at UAB on Oct. 16, Adams moved to seventh place on the UTEP career receiving yardage list with 2,184 yards and seventh place in career receptions with 124. Adams is also in fourth place in career touchdown receptions and has now caught a reception in 31 straight games.

"We did a lot of extra work in camp to get on the same page and work on our individual stuff together," Vittatoe said. "When we take trips, we room together and talk about what I want, where I want him to be. And he's making the plays when the ball comes to him."

For his part, Adams said, he believes the connection between he and Vittatoe has been "something special." However, he is quick to point out that the pair's senior season will not be complete until they clinch bowl eligibility. Currently the Miners are 5-2 overall and need one more win in order to become bowl-eligible.

"When its all over, I'm going to look back, regardless of the stats or the games, and say it was fun," Adams said.

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Soccer

UCF cruises past UTEP in 4-0 defeat on final home game



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Junior midfielder Katie Dorman attempts a kick past a UCF defender Oct. 17 at University Field.

BY SAL GUERRERO

The Prospector

The UTEP soccer team was unable to cap off their weekend homes series with a sweep, losing to 18th ranked University of Central Florida 4-0 at University Field Oct. 17.

The Miners (10-6, 3-5 Conference USA) could not handle the strong defense of the Knights (10-3-3, 5-1-2 C-USA), getting shut out for the first time at home this season.

"I guess we just felt it was unacceptable. It was not at our UTEP soccer standard," head coach Kevin Cross said. "We didn't play as a team. We had four people with food poisoning or the flu or something, including my assistant Jo (Radcliffe), who wasn't here. We were a little shorter in our number, but we can't use that as an excuse."

UCF and the Miners slugged it for the first 15 minutes of the match. UTEP goalkeeper Chandra Morden saved two crucial shots early on but was unable to keep the Knights at bay when Kim Newsome scored off a breakaway in the 19th minute, giving UCF a 1-0 lead.

UTEP held the Knights and went into the half trailing by one goal, but failed to capitalize after the break.

UCF's Tishia Jewell got the Knights started in the second half, coming out of the break with ease and scoring in the 46th minute, giving the Knights a two-goal advantage.

unsuccessful in their attempts. Junior midfielder Katie Dorman broke away into UCF territory but goalkeeper Aline Reise cleared the ball. Reise finished the game with four saves on the day.

UTEP was on the attack in the final 10 minutes, but their defense faltered again when UCF's Nicolette Radovic put the nail in the coffin and scored the fourth goal of the game.

This weekend series was the final homestand for the Miners. Cross said his team was battling food poisoning and a few injuries, which hindered his team's ability to counter the opposition.

"Tori (Martyn) had food poisoning so she couldn't play and we didn't start Anoop (Josan) because of a hurt ankle, but she played through it," Cross said.

Cross said senior defender Melissa Desilets and Sara Kaltwasser were suffering from food poisoning as well but only Kaltwasser sat out of the game due to the ailment.

The Miners hit the road for their final three games of the regular season. UTEP's last road series did not

fair well as they lost four straight away from home.

"Right now we are beating ourselves. The team we played was good but it is going to take a lot of character building and finding out what you need to do to step out onto the field," Josan

said. "It's been tough. With my ankle injury, being a senior and getting injured again on senior night...I'm leaning on my team to get me going and that's all we can do."

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Oct. 22-24 with games against Mesa Community College and Western New Mexico University.

"I thought we were very good defensively today," Lambert said. "We had a couple mistakes in that fifth inning, but Courtney came in and focused and got two big outs to end that inning. We hope we can carry that into the (2011) season."

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