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## ANOTHER GAME...



# Parking woes: A cautionary tale

BY NICOLE CH VEZ AND DIANA ARRIETA

The Prospector

While student parking permit prices have not increased this academic year, students who don't purchase a permit and park illegally may face expensive consequences.

On Sept. 22, Jose Ornelas, sophomore kinesiology major, along with two other students were detained after they allegedly attempted to remove a parking boot at one of the Student Health Center parking spaces in the IC-7 parking lot of the Union East Building.

Ornelas said he wasn't aware of how many parking tickets had been issued for his black Nissan Sentra until he got the boot. According to Ornelas, he will have to pay a total of \$395 in fines, plus a booting removal fee of \$50. Ornelas, along with many other students, does not have a permit to park on campus.

"Sometimes I parked on campus or in some lots. I have got some tickets, but I didn't think they would get me since my car is not registered," said Carmen Carrillo, senior multidisciplinary studies major.

Paul Stresow, director of Parking and Transportation Services, said this is a common misconception among students. The university's parking regulations state that when any vehicle accu-

mulates five or more unpaid citations or uses a fraudulent or stolen permit, they may be subjected to immobilization with a wheel clamp or boot.

Brandon Goodall, sophomore criminal justice major and Ornelas' friend who was one of the detained students. He said nine UTEP Police officers and Parking and Transportation Services staff members were on the scene and made them sit on the pavement while they inspected the boot to see if it was damaged.

Stresow said two of his staff members were present at the time of the incident and that UTEP Police officers were involved, because boot removal is considered criminal mischief or theft if the students attempt to take the boot with them.

The students were released after the officers determined there was no damage to the boot. The car remains booted as of Sept. 26. According to parking regulations, the vehicle's owner has 72 hours to claim the car before impounding.

For Stresow, parking regulations at UTEP aren't very strict compared to other universities in the state. At UT Arlington, UT Pan American and UT Brownsville campuses, three unpaid

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NICOLE CHAVEZ / The Prospector

## Campus

# Authentic Bhutanese temple set to call UTEP home



Special to The Prospector

**After being on** display in 2008 at the Smithsonian Folklife Festival in Washington D.C., an authentic Bhutanese Buddhist "lhakhang" (temple) will make its way to UTEP to help continue the relationship between the university and the nation of Bhutan.

BY ADAM MART NEZ

The Prospector

The relationship between the Himalayan kingdom of Bhutan and UTEP has grown considerably throughout the years. The construction of new buildings in the style of Bhutanese architecture has continued a 98-year-long tradition.

Soon, an authentic Bhutanese Buddhist "lhakhang" (temple) will be displayed at the center of campus.

The temple was handmade in Bhutan for the 2008 Smithsonian Folklife Festival and given as a gift to the people of the United States. UTEP was given the privilege of showcasing the temple permanently.

"It's a wonderful project and an exciting link to the kingdom of Bhutan; to have been favored as the place where they wanted their temple to be rebuilt," UTEP President Diana Natalicio said. "It's a very big honor for us."

The temple was erected as a temporary structure at the National Mall

in Washington D.C. for the festival in 2008. After three months of painstaking and handcrafted work, pieces of the temple were transported from Bhutan to D.C. and reassembled.

"Once the festival was over, the people of Bhutan were going to give the people of the United States this temple with the provision that it be rebuilt on the campus at UTEP because of our special relationship with them," Natalicio said.

That relationship began when Kathleen Worrell, wife of the first dean of the Texas State School of Mines and Metallurgy (now UTEP), was captivated by a photo-essay about Bhutan that appeared in an April 1914 issue of National Geographic. She thought that this unique style of fortress-type architecture, the Bhutanese dzong, would be the perfect architectural style for the buildings of the school.

The 40-by-40-foot temple was disassembled and the pieces were brought to UTEP to be reconstructed

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Column

# El Paso still struggles to attract headliners

BY WILLIAM VEGA  
The Prospector



One of my favorite things to do is to go to concerts, but living in El Paso, it's very difficult to get to see people I really enjoy. My concert search usually consists of me looking on the Ticketmaster website, ticketbully.com, reading Doug Pullen's blog on the El Paso Times website, checking out the Speaking Rock free concert series, etc. I also "like" a lot of bands on Facebook, my favorite bands that I would love to see in concert, who keep their fans up to date with tour announcements. But nine out of 10 times, these bands never roll through El Paso.

I'm getting tired of seeing bands post their tour dates and locations and seeing them stop in Houston, Dallas and Austin, usually in three-consecutive days, then jumping over to Albuquerque, Phoenix or Denver two days later.

What is it with El Paso and not getting good bands to make a stop here? I'm not saying El Paso does not get good shows, but I feel the city misses many opportunities.

Take the Neon Desert Music Festival, for example. One of the biggest music festivals in the United States is just 11 hours away and takes place usually in mid-April every year. I'm talking about Coachella, of course, and it brings in some of the best bands in the world to kick off the music festival season.

When I heard that Neon Desert was going to take place April 30 of this year, I immediately thought I'd be seeing some bands from Coachella making a stop in El Paso before they either began or resumed a tour going east.

That was not the case, however, as many bands either took a break or skipped El Paso, again.

Look at my favorite band right now, Cage the Elephant, who didn't play

until April 29 following their April 16 showing at Coachella. They skipped El Paso completely as they began a new tour that started in Memphis. I had a chance to see this band in concert a few days before Coachella in Albuquerque and this is not a band that will sell out arenas right now. They would have been perfect for Neon Desert.

But there seems to be a ray of hope with Jim Ward's new venue Tricky Falls. The place has only been open for a few weeks and it has booked notable indie bands that I would have never imagined coming to El Paso.

The venue kicked things off with Bright Eyes, a well-known name in today's music scene, booked Wayne Static of Static X and even has a show with both The Limousines and The Sounds.

Possibly the biggest name that will be playing here is Taking Back Sunday Oct. 5. The band has been to El Paso in the past, recorded their newest album at Sonic Ranch Studios here and even has a song titled "El Paso" on that record. However, up until the opening of Tricky Falls, they were not set to come here. We can most likely credit Ward with bringing them back here and I hope that more concerts like that can continue showing up.

When it comes down to it, El Paso doesn't have a bad music scene. We bore The Mars Volta, a Grammy-award winning band, and Ward is a popular player in the music business with his multiple projects, including Sparta (who will be playing a reunion concert Nov. 17 at the venue). I feel that Ward is now in his element with a genuine concert venue and his music influences can only assist El Paso in getting back into the indie/alternative-rock music scene.

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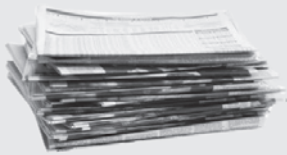


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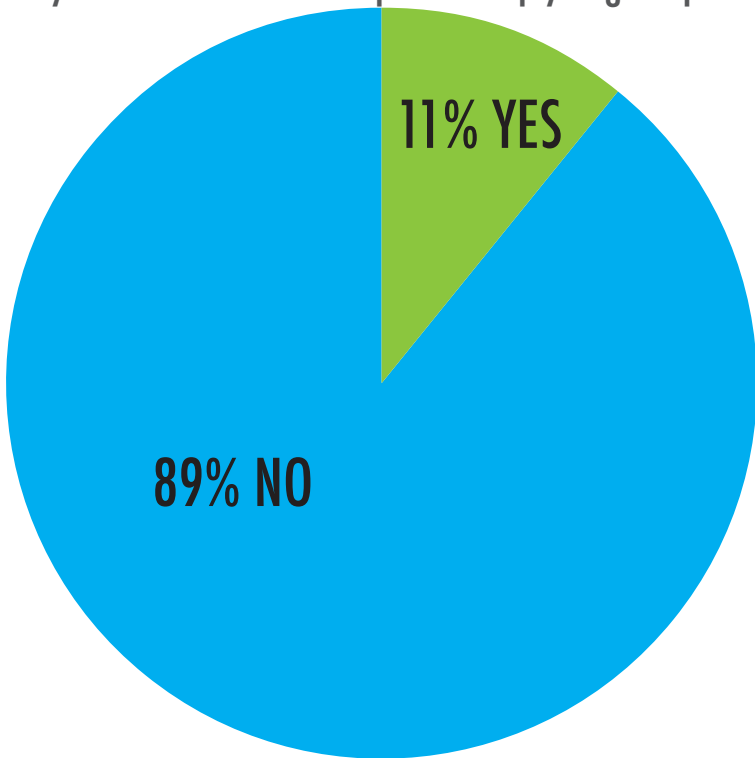
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Politics

# O'Rourke set to take on Reyes for house seat

BY CHRISTIAN GUERRERO  
The Prospector

Former El Paso City Council Rep. Beto O'Rourke will challenge eight-term incumbent U.S Representative Silvestre Reyes in the Democratic primary March 2012 for a spot in the U.S. Congress.

In what could be a very close race, one of the main deciding factors could be which candidate can earn the youth vote.

Gregory Rocha, associate professor of political science, said one of the things O'Rourke would try to do is appeal to younger voters, who usually don't vote in primary elections.

"If he can get others who normally don't participate in these elections, then it can work well for him," said Rocha. "If he can introduce something new and unique with Facebook and Twitter, but it all depends on the constant effort to remind everyone they are important."

Jacklyn Allen, senior criminal justice major, said she thinks O'Rourke is just feeding his ego, and he is aiming to be at the level that Reyes has been for eight terms.

"I would prefer Silvestre Reyes, because Beto O'Rourke is not well expe-

rienced. I don't think he really cares for what's going on in El Paso. I don't think anyone could get as high as Silvestre Reyes," Allen said. "To be in congress, you need much more experience than what O'Rourke has, and plus he is young and not qualified just yet to fill that chair."

Richard Flores, teaching assistant and graduate student in political science, said that although Reyes is also from El Paso, he has forgotten or overlooked many of the issues in El Paso because he spends too much time on the national scene in Washington, D.C.

"I think Beto O'Rourke will stand a pretty good chance running against (Reyes) if he is able to motivate people to vote for him in the primary," Flores said. "It's a crucial responsibility for somebody who goes to the House of Representatives to represent their constituencies in the area, and a lot of that has to do with employment prospects and economic stability."

O'Rourke is well known in El Paso, being the son of the deceased El Paso County Judge Pat O'Rourke. Rocha said people might remember the Charlotte's Furniture scandal from 2010 when the IRS raided O'Rourke's

mother's business then there might be an obstacle, but people should focus on what he has to offer and disregard his personal life.

"Personal things can be brought in, there's no doubt about that and it will probably happen if the race gets real close. They will have to go beyond the traditional issues," Rocha said.

Jesus Garcia, senior digital media major, said he believes El Paso could use the fresh input O'Rourke has to offer and even though he is young, age couldwork to his advantage.

"I have lived in El Paso all my life and, honestly, I think El Paso seems a bit stagnant," Garcia said. "I think we can use the change and see what O'Rourke has to offer. It's not like Reyes has done a bad job, I just want to see if O'Rourke can do better."

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citations will lead to car immobilization.

“We are trying to give them a chance,” Stresow said. “We give them three warnings before booting.”

UTEP students say parking permits are too expensive and refuse to buy a permit. At UT-Arlington, students pay \$130 for a yearly permit with access to all student lots. Student permits can be bought at UT-Brownsville for \$60. Parking permits at UTEP range from \$90 for remote parking to \$277 for garage parking.

“It bothers me to see that students who don’t have permits often park in areas where they are not supposed to,” said Paola Bustillos, junior biology major. “I understand that parking is expensive, but it’s also not fair for

those of us who pay and then have our slots taken by those who don’t.”

Stresow said several years ago, students could park at any available student parking.

“The university eventually changed this and decided to start doing the parking divisions so students wouldn’t have difficulty finding available parking slots,” Stresow said.

Kyle Alvarado, senior English and American literature major, said the parking system at UTEP is fair and effective.

“I think the parking fees we pay and the overall UTEP parking system is pretty good,” Alvarado said. “I mean, we get year-round service, so I think it’s fair.”

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# National

## Groups help immigrants, local residents learn to coexist

**BY DANYA P. HERNANDEZ**  
Scripps Howard Foundation Wire

WASHINGTON - With about 1.3 million immigrants coming into the United States each year, it is not easy for some people to cope with the changes that occur in their communities.

Several organizations around the country are lending a hand to communities with high numbers of immigrants, advocating for tolerance and interaction to end hate crimes.

The Center for American Progress hosted a presentation Sept. 20 about an initiative called “Stronger Together: Community Integration of Newcomers.”

The initiative seeks to “conquer fears and grow stronger by embracing differences.”

Several experts on immigration said it is important to bring members of the community together so that they can get to know each other and understand each other’s cultures.

“It’s in everybody’s interest to have community cohesion and build stronger communities,” said David Lubell, executive director of Welcoming America.

Lubell said he has experienced the change that community integration brings. He compared the positive outcome the program brought to cities such as Shelbyville, Tennessee, where Welcoming America was a success, to Columbia, Tenn., where a mosque was burned down in 2008. The two

towns, both south of Nashville, are about 40 miles apart.

“It was a town that had a huge growth of Somalis and Latinos, mostly from Mexico, and there’s a lot of tension,” Lubell said of Shelbyville. He said his group used billboards and other methods to spread positive images of immigrants.

“As a result, you saw a lot of cohesion a lot of people finally coming together and understanding,” he said.

Other speakers shared similar experiences.

One example is a series of hate crimes in Patchogue, New York, in 2008, where a group of seven high school students got together at least once a week to hunt down Hispanics. They beat them in what they called “Beaner Hopping.” These crimes led to the murder of Marcelo Lucero, a 37-year-old Ecuadorian immigrant.

Since then, the residents united to bring the underlying causes of these crimes to light and provide more security to residents.

The Lucero case is featured in a new documentary, “Not in Our Town III: Light in the Darkness,” produced by Patrice O’Neill, executive producer of the Working Group. The film is part of a series that began as a half-hour PBS special 15 years ago that continues its efforts to advocate dialogue and community action.

“What we’ve been excited about is the people who have formed groups not because there was an incident but because they saw a story, they saw a film and they said, ‘We want to prevent that from happening,’ and that’s where the real possibility lies as well,” O’Neill said.

These organizations are working to promote a more positive view of immigrants, emphasizing the values and contributions that they bring along.

“They are adding activity, stimulating the economy,” said Mayor Laurent Gilbert of Lewiston, Maine. “We had vacant housing Downtown, so these landlords who own those buildings with available housing certainly now they have filled that up. So, of course, you have to look at what would happen if they weren’t there. What would happen to these landlords?”

Although it’s not an easy process, the speakers described changes brought by integrating new immigrants into the community as necessary and said community members are encouraged by success stories.

“You need active community members who are willing to take this on and also willing to go through the discomfort. I think this is a really important point. This is not going to be comfortable, it’s going to be difficult,” O’Neill said.

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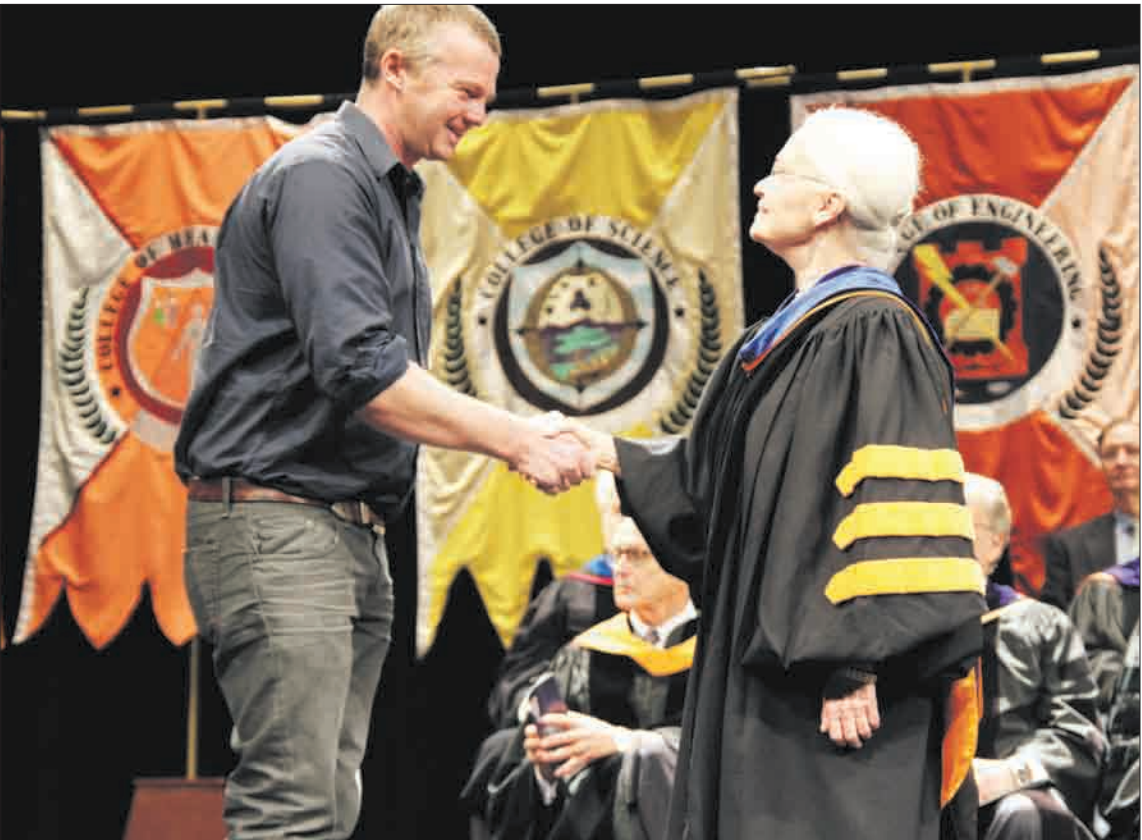
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**Left:** In honor of the ceremony, the “Mining Minds” pickaxe, located in middle of the roundabout on Sun Bowl Drive and University Avenue, was lit up orange and blue.

**Above:** UTEP President Diana Natalicio congratulated faculty and staff for their years of service at the university Sept. 20 at Magoffin Auditorium.

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The authentic Bhutanese Buddhist "lhakhang" (temple) was on display in the summer of 2008 in Washington D.C.

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somewhere on campus. Since 2008, it has been mostly rebuilt and kept in a climate-controlled environment. Gregory McNicol, associate vice president of Facility Services, led the team that took the temple apart in D.C. and relocated it to El Paso. His crew had to learn from the Bhutanese craftsmen how the temple was pieced together. Traditional dzong structures typically do not use nails, but use a tongue-and-groove technique. After reconstruction, the next step is finding a location. This has proven to be an arduous task for Natalicio and McNicol. "We wanted to delay the construction because we were in the process of doing an update on our master plan for the campus," Natalicio said. "We wanted to be sure that the structure fit into the master plan, or else we would have to take it down and rebuild it

again and that probably wouldn't be good karma." The proposed location is Memorial Triangle, between the Geological Sciences Building and Magoffin Auditorium. "It was that careful balance of trying to find the right location that took a while, and I'm really happy at where we are at right now," McNicol said. "The delay in finding the right spot is going to be worth it, because we want to present it in the best possible light." Furniture and tapestries in the Bhutanese style were also brought to El Paso and will be installed inside the temple once it is rebuilt on campus. The temple will also include artifacts and costumes from Bhutan, and will serve as a center for Bhutanese culture in the heart of UTEP.

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Theatre

'Xanadu' skates back to the '80s

BY NATALIA AGUILAR  
The Prospector

From Sept. 30 to Oct. 16, the UTEP Dinner Theatre will be presenting the comedy-musical “Xanadu.”

“Xanadu” first began as a movie made in the 1980s with Olivia Newton-John and Gene Kelly. In the film, a beautiful Greek muse descends from the heavens of Mt. Olympus in order to inspire a struggling artist, Sonny, to create the first roller disco. The movie became known as a complete disaster, and later, “Xanadu, the Broadway Musical.”

An entirely new and different script was written out in which the play pokes fun at the movie in an amusing and non-critical way. The soundtrack of the film was kept and used for the play, which maintains the same basic plot, but with a warped and comical twist.

Gregory Taylor, director of “Xanadu,” said he is hoping the audience will get as much fun from the play as he did.

“It’s pure, goofy fun. I saw it a total of six times. I love it,” he said. “It’s so funny. It really hits all the ‘80s things, like roller skating and leg warmers.”

Josey Mitchell plays the Greek muse, Kira, who tries to help the struggling artist with his creation. This is her tenth play performed at UTEP. Mitchell has 10 years of acting experience in which she has played parts in “Beauty and the Beast” and “The Sound of Music.”



PHOTOS BY AUDREY RUSSELL / The Prospector

**‘Xanadu,’ which runs** from Sept. 30 - Oct. 16, is a one-act musical that follows the journey of a magical and beautiful Greek muse, Kira, who descends from the heavens of Mt. Olympus to Venus Beach in the ‘80s.

“I really liked it; it challenges me,” she said in reference to playing Kira. “I’m doing a lot of things I never thought I was going to do.”

The actors have spent hours learning to master their roller-skating skills while singing and dancing all at once. The stage will be decorated with 56-mirrored disco balls, and the audience can also be part of the show, just like the play on Broadway.

“Xanadu’s” music is composed by Electric Light Orchestra, which is lively music that puts everyone in a mood for fun.

“I really want to see “Xanadu” because it looks like such a rush of sights and sounds,” said Rebecca Morales, senior organizational and corporate communication major. “I’m a huge ELO fan and the soundtrack is that of ELO.”

Mitchell said the 90-minute, non-intermission play is set to bring entertainment and laughter to all ages.

“It has a nice message,” said Mitchell. “It’s nice for people to get out of reality and have fun.”

Showtimes will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. At 2:30 p.m. Oct. 9 and Oct. 16, there will be non-dinner matinee performances at a discounted price.

Tickets will cost \$10 for 24 special on-stage seats. These tickets will not include dinner and must be bought directly from the Dinner Theatre office.

For more information call 747-6060.

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Retail

Apple Store opens doors to El Pasoans



GREG CASTILLO / The Prospector

**The Apple Store,** made its grand opening Sept. 17 at Cielo Vista Mall.

BY JERRY ALDAZ  
The Prospector

Opened to the public Sept. 17, Apple Store’s arrival to Cielo Vista Mall is another landmark of El Paso’s cultural growth.

Featuring fully-functional demos on all Apple products, including the

widely-known iPad and iPhone, the Apple Store is sure to entice gadget-seekers and assist existing users.

“I think the Apple Store is a great idea,” said Ezra Rodriguez, junior multimedia journalism major. “Dedicated Apple employees are likely to better understand the products and consumers can participate

in the full Apple experience instead of going to authorized resellers such as Best Buy.”

Located next to all merchandise, smart boards make researching Apple products a hassle-free experience.

“The smart board gives you access to handy information,” said

Apple specialist Matthew Munden. “It provides you with anything from coverage maps for iPhones to comparative specs for a MacBook Pro or Macbook Air.”

If in need of technical support or inquiries, the store’s Genius Bar is there to help.

“The Genius Bar allows you to bring in your Apple product if you have any questions or concerns about how it is functioning,” said Apple specialist. “It is where we repair relationships with our customers.”

Despite failed attempts to receive a managerial perspective on the reception, busy hallways and abundant conversations make the positive reception self-evident.

“It is definitely an inviting ambience,” said Veronica Cruz, senior English major. “I enjoy the fact that I can try out products to their full extent. Not sure if I’ll buy an Apple product in the near future, but being able to experiment with them surely makes me reconsider my next laptop purchase.”

Additional services range from iPhone activations, through both AT&T and Verizon, and personal training for those new to Apple hardware and operating systems. Accessories available include phone cov-

The Genius Bar allows you to bring in your Apple product if you have any questions or concerns about how it's functioning.

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On Sept. 18, indie folk band, Bright Eyes opened the venue. Alternative rock bands, Taking Back Sunday and The Main, are set to perform Oct. 5. On Oct. 7, Wayne

Other upcoming shows are Swedish new wave band, The Sounds, who return to El Paso on Nov. 12 along with The Limousines.

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Football

# South Florida too much for UTEP



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**Senior running back** Leilyon Myers runs the ball in for a touchdown against NMSU Sept. 17 in Las Cruces.

**BY DANIEL ORNELAS**

The Prospector

The Miners headed into Tampa with upset on their minds, but in the end, the no. 18 South Florida Bulls were too much to handle for them.

The Miners fell 52-24 Sept. 24 at Raymond James Stadium.

For the third time this season, UTEP had a different signal caller. Sophomore quarterback Carson Meger made his first career start as a Miner, completing 26 of his 40 at-

tempts for 240 yards with two touchdowns and three interceptions.

“I thought it was a really good effort. We played really hard, no give up on our team obviously,” Miners head coach Mike Price said in a press release. “I was very pleased with the job

Meger did for not having reps and being our third-string guy. They kind of wore him out and he made a couple of mistakes late that hurt us.”

After exchanging punts to begin the fourth quarter, the Miners, down 38-24, took possession with 11:10 left in the game. Three plays later, Meger threw his second interception into the hands of Bulls’ sophomore cornerback Ricardo Dixon.

South Florida took advantage of the turnover, driving the ball 60 yards on eight plays, capped off by junior quarterback B.J. Daniels’ 18-yard touchdown pass to junior receiver Lindsey Lamar to go up 45-24.

Meger threw his third interception on the first play of the ensuing possession. Bulls’ junior linebacker Sam Barrington returned the interception 30 yards for a touchdown, giving South Florida the 52-24 lead.

“I think UTEP is a very good football team. There’s a reason they’re a 2-1 football team. We talked about Mike Price and the football coach he is,” Bulls head coach Skip Holtz said in a press release. “I think he’s made the most of an injury situation that he’s had moving some people around.”

The Bulls were quick to strike first. Following the Miners’ opening game drive that stalled after five plays, Daniels was able to exploit the Miners’ defense, running the ball 71 yards on their second play of the game to go up 7-0.

“I tried to handle the snap a little bit-decided to just keep it down and protected-and it just so happened everybody crashed in the middle and I had an opportunity to go outside,” Daniels said.

The Miners were set up with great field position following a 67-yard kickoff return by senior running back Vernon Frazier on the ensuing possession. UTEP capitalized on the return and tied the game at seven off a four-yard touchdown run by senior Leilyon Myers.

With 13:35 left in the half, junior wide receiver Victor Marc took an option pitch 67 yards, eluding several tacklers for the score and a 28-14 Bulls lead.

The teams exchanged field goals to end the half with the Bulls leading 31-17.

Daniels threw and ran for a combined 335 yards and three scores. The Miners were out-gained 575 to 339 in total offense, giving up 373 yards on the ground to the Bulls.

Junior quarterback Nick Lamaison continued to be sidelined by a sprained right throwing shoulder. Sophomore defensive lineman Ger-mard Reed, senior safety Travaun Nixon and junior offensive lineman James Nelson were all out as well. Price said all four may be able to play against Houston at 6 p.m. Sept. 29 in the Sun Bowl.

The loss now gives the Miners an 0-21 all-time record against BCS schools.

“Obviously we came down here to play a game and win a game and we didn’t get that done. But again, they’re a heck of a team,” Meger said. “As a quarterback you always feel like you can do things a little bit better...We got a short week ahead of us, so we have to forget about this game and re-focus on next week.”

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Soccer

# Unbeaten streak stays intact, Miners go 2-0 to start conference play

**BY WILLIAM VEGA**

The Prospector

On Sept. 25, maybe a little bit of lightning may have been just what the Miners needed to finish off the Pirates. Following a 30-minute lightning delay, UTEP was able to hold off East Carolina 3-2 at University Field to start 2-0 in Conference-USA play.

“I knew our defense was playing strong and I know they scored both (goals) off set pieces...but I had confidence in our team still,” junior midfielder Tess Hall said. “We know how to finish games. We’re still going to work hard and not let them get that third goal in.”

Trailing 3-1, East Carolina was not ready to go away when they scored a goal off a throw in from the sideline near the top of the box. Junior forward Chrissy Gratz stepped far away from the sideline, ran near it with the ball, did a round off and threw the ball well inside the penalty box. Waiting for the ball was senior forward Amanda Malkiewicz who headed it in to cut the deficit to 3-2 in the 80th minute.

Following the goal, the Pirates kept pushing the ball, controlling it for the

next seven minutes. East Carolina got two more shots off in that span with a third that narrowly missed the net, but UTEP’s freshman goalkeeper Sarah Dilling punched it away in midair.

Then came the storm. With a little over three minutes to play in the contest, rain clouds started to roll in with thunder audible in the background.

The mainly second-string team held on until the game had to be postponed for 30 minutes via NCAA rules due to lightning being within six miles of the field. The teams took shelter in opposing locker rooms and returned later to play the last 3:04 of the game.

“We were staying focused, keeping our legs warm, definitely implementing our work ethic, trying to discuss high pressure and basically working hard for those three minutes,” Hall said.

Senior midfielder Katie Dorman said they were doing more than staying focused as they waited for the 30 minutes to pass.

“We went to our locker room and our team does a lot of dancing. Dancing, stretching and biking, but that’s about it, just enjoying ourselves” Dor-

man said. “We have a great team and that translates over to the field.”

The last three minutes were dominated by East Carolina in terms of possession, but they were unable to get a shot on goal. With 49 seconds remaining, a Pirate goal was disallowed when the player was called offsides. The Miners held on to the victory.

The win was aided by two goals in the second half, assisted by Hall, who had the ball in striking distance off of free kicks. Near the corner, Hall said she was aiming to score, but sophomore forward Azia Nicholson kicked the ball in midair to give the Miners the 2-1 lead in the 62nd minute.

Hall had another free kick in the 64th minute near midfield that was headed in by Dorman to extend the lead to 3-1.

Hall was named the C-USA co-offensive player of the week for the performance and for the match before. She now leads the team with 10 points and is tied for most goals at four.

The Miners began the first conference weekend with a victory Sept. 23 when they beat Marshall 1-0 off see **STREAK** on page 10



JUSTIN STENE / The Prospector

**Junior forward Britney** Kindzierski dribbles by the goalie to score the Miners’ first goal against East Carolina Sept. 25 at University Field.



**STREAK** from page 9

a penalty kick by Hall in the 25th minute.

“There were times when we played well and times when we didn’t, but just like any of these conference games, it was hanging by a thread,” head coach Kevin Cross said. “Overall, getting two wins off two teams that beat us last year is a good way to start conference, so I’m proud of that.”

UTEP is now 7-0 at home and have outscored their opponents 18-2, the two being the goals in the East Carolina contest. They are also on a six game unbeaten streak where they are 5-0-1 in that span.

The Miners will now take on nationally ranked UCF Oct. 1 in Orlando, then travel Oct. 3 to Hattiesburg, Mississippi to face Southern Miss.

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Football

# Price explains QB decision

BY WILLIAM VEGA  
The Prospector

In a surprising move, the Miners went with their third different quarterback of the season against no. 18 South Florida Sept. 24. Sophomore Carson Meger took the snaps for UTEP, replacing freshman Jay Hall who started Sept. 17 at NMSU.

“We designed our offense (Sept. 19-23) with it in mind, that he was going to be our starting quarterback all week and entered the game thinking that way,” head coach Mike Price said.

Practice was closed during that week and with no official word as to why it was, the QB change could have been the possible reason. The team even tried to throw off South Florida prior to the game by not only warm-

ing up in white shirts as they have all year, but covering the QB’s numbers with tape on their helmets.

Three quarterbacks had legitimate chances of starting the game. Against NMSU, however, Hall went 9-for-28 with 124 yards and an interception. That performance, Price said, was the reason he went with Meger for the next game. Senior Tate Smith was the third option and entered the game in the fourth quarter for Meger on their final drive.

Meger went down twice in that drive and appeared to be nursing his wrist. Price said that he decided to replace him because Smith has the strongest throwing arm.

“(Meger) is very tough, got hit 11 times, so that showed his toughness,” Price said. “He threw the ball accurately and did a great job at the line of scrimmage checking in and out of plays.”

As for Meger, he showed the best passing percentage over the last three games. He went 24-of-41 for 244



FILE PHOTO / The Prospector

**Head coach Mike Price** speaks at the Larry K. Durham Center.

yards, two touchdowns and three interceptions.

“He did a great job. I know he threw three interceptions, but there are reasons for that,” Price said. “Other than


five crucial mistakes in the game, he played very well for a redshirt sophomore who has hardly played at all.”

The quarterback rotation started Sept. 10 at SMU. Hall took over for the initial starter, junior Nick Lamaison, when he went down with a shoulder injury that has left him sidelined since. Lamaison went down in the third quarter, which prompted Hall to get the start where he drove the Miners down the field for a touchdown.

Lamaison was expected to miss at least two weeks after that game, but may make his comeback in UTEP’s next match Sept. 29 when they play against Houston. Price said he took him down to Tampa and allowed him to warm up, but Lamaison still had trouble throwing the ball more than 25-yards deep. Due to the quick turn around, the team will hold their second and final practice Sept. 27. Price is expecting his team to participate without pads, but Lamaison will be participating fully.

Price said naming a starting quarterback against Houston will be a game-time decision.

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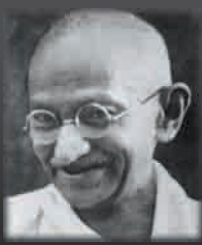
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Volleyball

# Miners open conference play with weekend split



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**Sophomore outside hitter** Jeane Horton jumps to spike the ball against SMU Sept. 25 at Memorial Gym.

BY KRYSTAL OBLINGER

The Prospector

Fans were on the edge of their seats during UTEP's match against the SMU Mustangs Sept. 25 at Memorial Gym. The Miners played a no-holds barred game winning the match 3-2.

"Our serving pressure was our biggest advantage today," sophomore outside hitter Jeane Horton said. "We had lots of aces, lots of one passes, which made it easy for us to transition and go from there."

The opening set spelled disaster for UTEP (11-5, 1-1 Conference-USA) as SMU took the lead despite the efforts from the front of the net. Sophomore middle blocker Xitlali Herrera helped keep the Miners stable with the first kill and scoring an attack error on the Mustangs. UTEP was unable to keep their composure and a series of attack errors and miscommunication on the court lost the Miners the first set.

"I think we might have just been a little hesitant and we didn't put everything together as in the other four sets," junior middle blocker Cassan-

dra Burruel said. "We really brought up our communication and just talked to each other, trusted each other so that everything worked out well."

The crowd cheered as UTEP would not let one bad set take them down. The Miners came back to win the second set 25-17 thanks to plays by senior middle blocker Marie-Therese Joyce, junior outside hitter Bridget Logan and Herrera. UTEP and SMU were neck and neck until a serve error by SMU's freshman libero Julianne Scheidler pushed the Miners into an organized lead.

"We all just over analyzed everything and just thought too hard about things in the first set," Horton said. "After (head coach) Ken (Murphy) talked to us and we got a feel for the crowd, we relaxed, took a deep breath and pulled it out."

Returning to another close set, UTEP took control instantly with a kill by sophomore setter Malia Patterson. The Mustangs came back with a three-point lead, but the Miners were not ready to give up, maintaining a tied score. Suddenly, UTEP slammed out a seven-point lead and kept SMU under them to win 25-19. The fourth set came even closer, going past the 25-point mark. Due to an attack error on UTEP's side, two kills from senior outside hitter Dana Powell and senior outside hitter Jessica Oliver gave the Miners a 27-25 loss.

"We were flat and I think it was like how we played Friday," head coach Ken Murphy said. "We haven't had a lot of confidence lately, but once we let that go and start playing hard and just relax, a lot of good things happen on our side."

The game rolled on one final set and immediately UTEP grabbed hold of a six-point lead that the Mustangs could not catch up with, granting the Miners a 15-6 win.

UTEP totaled a .259 hitting average with Herrera posting 18 kills, and Horton and sophomore outside hitter Jacqueline Cason recording career-highs of 17 and 14 kills, respectively.

Patterson scored double-digit sets, 55 for the whole match.

This win comes after a sweep against Tulsa Sept. 23 in Memorial Gym. The Golden Hurricanes beat the Miners 25-16, 25-17 and 25-17 gaining a hitting average of .317. UTEP only managed .071 and was dominated in kills, 49-24, allowing Tulsa its first league win of the season.

"I think Tulsa is really good and they are a pretty tough team, which was a good challenge for us, but I thought we could have played with a little more confidence, a little harder on defense and created some rallies that were a little longer," Murphy said. "That was hopefully the last game that we play flat and I hope a win like this helps us believe in ourselves again."

The Miners will return to the road to take on Marshall and East Carolina, hoping to get back on top of C-USA.

"I have to do it for the fans because these girls come out to every home game to support us, so we want to give them a show," Horton said. "We can do it because that is us and that's how we play, which makes us the team we are."

UTEP will play Marshall Sept. 30 in Huntington, West Virginia and East Carolina Oct. 2 in Greenville, North Carolina.

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Please send or drop off complete entry to: Students' Choice Awards, c/o The Prospector, 105 Union East, El Paso, TX 79962-0622, or drop them off at Student Publications office located at 105 Union East.

Name

Email

Class level

Phone number

How do you find out about events on campus?

How often do you read The Prospector?

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## Services

Best place to work

Best phone service

Best supermarket

Best bakery

Best tattoos

Best bank

Best place to buy textbooks

Best salon/hairdressers

## Eat & Drink

Best place to dance

Best sports bar

Best drink Specials

Best bar to end the night

Best margaritas

Best wings

Best coffee

Best international food

Best Mexican food

Best Chinese food

Best Vegetarian food

Best late-night food

Best sushi

Best pizza

Best burritos

Best buffet

Best fast food

Best breakfast place

Best spot for a romantic dinner

Best ice cream shop

Best music venue



## Campus & Classes

Favorite mode of transportation

Best make-out spot on campus

Best place to catch a nap

Best place to park on campus

Best place to work on campus

Best place to eat on campus

Best place to hangout on campus

Best place to study on campus

Best place to tail gate

## Play & Shop

Best car shop

Best bike shop

Best hair salon

Best shopping center/ Mall

Best gym

Best spa/ Massage

Best movie theatre

Best place to bowl

Best billiards

Favorite store

Best car wash