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UTEP CREATES ITS OWN CRITERIA FOR TIER ONE



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BY ALEJANDRO ALBA

The Prospector

Since 2009, when UTEP was designated as one of Texas' emerging tier-one institutions, the university has been pursuing that status, which would give the institution national recognition and access to millions in funds.

According to UTEP President, Diana Natalicio, the university is getting closer to attaining that designation.

"We think that we and UT Dallas are probably next because we keep developing our research," Natalicio said. "I don't think it will take but a couple of years, but it's based on a three (or two)-year average."

Across the state, seven universities were classified as emerging tier-one universities by the Texas Legislature: UT Arlington, UT Dallas, UT San Antonio, University of Houston, Texas Tech, University of North Texas and UTEP.

Natalicio said she is not willing to give up the university's mission of ac-

cessibility by trying to become a tier-one institution.

"It's (tier one) going to affect it (UTEP) for the better," Natalicio said. "The way we look at it, there is no trade off between access and excellence, we want to be the best UTEP for all the students that come to us for access to excellence."

Although the definition of a tier-one university is not clearly defined, there are still criteria in Texas to gain that status as outlined in House Bill 51. There is also a criteria to be met by universities to receive funding from the National Research University Fund.

A tier-one institution is typically known to be a university that has more than \$100 million each year in research expenditures, awards at least 100 doctoral degrees per year, is recognized by respected national organizations and has faculty members who are members of the National Academy.

According to Cathy Delgado, research and policy analyst at UT Sys-

tem, in order to access funds provided by NRFU, the university must meet further requirements provided by the legislature.

The NRUF funding can only be accessed when an emerging university has met the criteria.

"In a nutshell, to get access to funds, an institution must be classified as an 'emerging research' university by the (Texas Higher Education) Coordinating Board, have annual restricted research expenditures of \$45 million or more and meet four of the following six criteria: \$400 million endowment, 200 Ph.D.s awarded annually, high-achieving freshman class, high-quality faculty, membership in a national honors society and a commitment to graduate research," Delgado said.

Since there is no universally accepted definition on tier-one status, the criteria may be modified by the emerging university, according to Delgado.

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Students react to bomb threat

BY AARON MONTES AND KRISTOPHER RIVERA

The Prospector

From throwing gang signs to throwing street traffic signals in a moment of uncertainty, Carlos Soria, used his street smarts to direct traffic at the roundabout on campus when traffic began to get congested after students, faculty and staff were ordered to evacuate campus on March 26.

"These are all my fellow Miners. I'm not going to let them down," Soria said. "There was a little bit of a traffic wreck and I helped make sure all the cars and students got out...trying to alleviate everything at the same time."

Soria, who said he was an active gang member in Los Angeles, is now a freshman criminal justice major.

Soon after he began directing traffic, Soria said he got help from a state trooper, who arrived at the scene. He said a staff member had to call to request help from police.

"I had a trooper show up and he just stayed on his side," Soria said. "We worked as a team and finally we had some more patrol show up, (El Paso) PD and UTEP police."

If this was a real threat, Soria said that it seemed some of the UTEP Police did not know what they were doing.

"There was a lot of backup. I think it took too long, but then again it's a big campus. There's a lot of us students," Soria said. "It's all of our duty no matter what. If any of us are in a situation like that, it's our obligation to help our citizens."

A crime and incident log from the UTEP Police Department shows that police received a call about a bomb threat March 26 at 12:38 p.m. A staff member at the UTEP Library received the phone call with the threat.

"We try and get as much information on the person who is calling and making the threat or sending the message and making the threat. Whatever that might be in regards to the transmission or communication," UTEP Police Chief Clifford Walsh said. "And, we try to get as much information as we can from anyone and everyone who might have received that call or calls, email or the text or whatever form it came in."

Students, faculty and staff received an alert from the Miner Emergency Alert System at approximately 2 p.m.

Campus was considered to be safe by the time the press conference was held at 3 p.m. at Mundy Park.

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Column

Successful evacuation?

BY EDITORIAL STAFF

The Prospector

Students, faculty and staff made their way off campus at approximately 2 p.m. in whatever possible way they could, all due to an evacuation issued by the UTEP Police Department. The mass departure was due to a bomb threat the university received.

Although officials state the evacuation was a success, student voices say otherwise. As students, we believe there was a lack of direction during the evacuation and a lack of urgency to the situation.

A police report issued by the UTEP Police Department stated that the bomb threat was reported at 12:38 p.m. Therefore, it took more than an hour for officials to evaluate the situation and alert everyone on campus. Once the alert was sent via text and email, it took another hour and a half to evacuate everyone from campus.

The two hours that it took to evacuate campus and analyze the threat could have been potentially life threatening. If it had been a scenario where a gunman had entered the campus, or an actual bomb had been in place, many lives could have been lost.

We, as students, did not see much of a police presence, neither UTEP or El Paso Police, leaving staff, faculty and students in charge of the evacuation.

We feel that the university emergency procedure could be improved with guidance and assigned evacuation areas. In other schools, hospitals and buildings, there are always evacuation procedures that address

certain areas to go to in case of a fire or a potential bomb threat.

One example would be to direct students located at the Union to use the University Avenue exit, rather than cutting through the middle of campus to get their cars and go home.

At the time of evacuation, students were trying to retrieve their belongings and reach their cars, whether they parked in a near lot or the remote lots. In hopes of reaching their cars, many students showed up to the shuttle stops, but were not picked up. The bus that provides transportation for disabled students in front of Union East did not pick up any students either.

Students were then left to walk on foot to reach their cars and disabled students were left stranded, waiting for a potential ride home, or had to get on city buses that were still running when the evacuation was taking place.

This was a major inconvenience for many, adding to the student traffic on campus and delaying the evacuation from being entirely successful. Even after most of the traffic had died down around campus, students could still be seen walking through campus around 3 p.m. It was obvious that the efforts to vacate the campus fully was not enforced at the time of evacuation and after the fact.

Should there be future circumstances similar to this, campus security should invest in training to increase their response time and efficiency in dealing with the large population of faculty, staff and students.

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Do you think the bomb threat evacuation was successful?

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UTEP plans on reaching tier one within the next three years.

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“There are so many ways that the legislature has carved this out. What we try to do was cut through all that detail and say, ‘okay, here are the two things that we have to get done, \$100 million in research and 100 doctoral degrees. If we do that we’ll have quality graduates and all of that,’” Natalicio said.

According to a chart provided by University Communications, UTEP is close to be declared a tier-one status university, however, to access the NRFU funds, the university has other requirements to meet.

When becoming a leading research institution, a university is supposed to have high standards of admission in order to have an outstanding freshman class.

Schools in Texas already considered tier one are the University of Texas at Austin, Texas A&M University and Rice University.

In order to increase UTEP’s standards, higher SAT score requirements would need to be implemented and require a certain academic standing for incoming freshman.

“I think SATs don’t tells us what students can do, we have proof of that over and over again at UTEP (with successful students), so why would we use a test that we don’t believe in to deny people into the university,” Natalicio said.

According to Natalicio, most people don’t think that UTEP can provide both access and excellence, but she begs to differ.

“We are trying to develop a new module,” Natalicio said. “A lot of people are skeptical about it, (but) we are teaching them that you don’t have to say, ‘Well, if you want to serve your region you can’t be a research university’ or ‘there can’t be a research university in El Paso.’”

Trying to defy the expectations of a research institute, Natalicio expressed that chasing after prestige might not be the best option.

“What always worries me about these kinds of criteria is that they drive investments, so universities make bad choices because they want to chase after things they think are prestige, so they invest in things like library books and SAT enrollment,” Natalicio said.

The criteria set by the Texas Legislature details the number of volumes the library of a tier-one university should have, but according to Natalicio, it’s silly to chase after goals that are not in the best interest for the university.

Instead of investing in different volumes, Natalicio suggested investing in online databases that are used more often than physical copies of books. According to her, purchasing printed materials would be a failed investment.

Delgado said that many universities face the same issue of distress when

it comes to qualifying to be tier one. But even though the guidelines are set, universities still find a way to go around them.

“Some institutions go way over the mark for some criteria and others are lagging behind so, (they’re like) ‘can we get more points for one,’” Delgado said.

In trying to make up for other requirements, UTEP decided to put an emphasis on scientific research.

Natalicio said tier-one emerging schools are being lead by research funds, but mainly in the STEM areas (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math).

“Research right now is defined by how many dollars it attracts,” Natalicio said. “And right now the focus is on the areas of science and engineering.”

By having the focus on the engineering and science buildings—that recently received renovations and new lab installments—Natalicio said that the Liberal Arts buildings are slowly decaying, but not much can be done for them.

“We try very hard at UTEP to provide funds for the arts,” Natalicio said. “I wish we can have a new building for the arts or a massive renovation for the Fox Fine Arts (Center for Visual and Performing Arts), but the only thing people are interested in funding are the STEM areas.”

Paulina Lopez, Collegiate Liberal Arts Senator for SGA and senior corporate and organizational major, said it’s discouraging how the university puts Liberal Arts aside in the road to tier one.

“The fact that it’s done willingly and on purpose is sad because there are students who want a good education, and if they don’t invest in us, then we can’t give them much in return,” Lopez said. “Everyone uses the Liberal Arts Building, even STEM students, they use it to do their basics. It serves a very wide population and not a penny has been invested in that building for years.”

Lopez said she is attempting to bring more attention to the Liberal Arts by creating projects that would raise awareness and even funds for the college. However, she still feels that the change and commitment should come from the administration.

“It’s not fair for us students to get less attention. I understand that we get less funding, but complete disregard is disappointing,” Lopez said.

In the bio-sciences fields at UTEP, million-dollar grants have been received that have helped the university grow towards the goal of \$100-million in research expenditures.

Jorge Gardea-Torresdey, professor of chemistry and environmental science and engineering chairman, is one of the faculty members who have received sizeable funding to continue his research in nano particles.

“Tier one is to produce news to the world, and we have research in the biological sciences field that is known around the world. You go to Europe and people know what UTEP is. To be tier one, you need to produce quality students, bring grants and produce scientific world-class research,” Gardea-Torresdey said. “You need to follow where the money is. If you follow what you like, you are not going to get funded and you need to get funded to get your supplies and to pay your students.”

Currently there are 1,400 students who are working at research labs conducting research and getting paid through grants, Gardea-Torresdey said.

The Department of Chemistry is already at tier-one level, according to Gardea-Torresdey. The research being done by his group—about 20 people—is on the effects of nano particles in the environment.

For this particular research, Gardea-Torresdey’s group received a five-year grant of \$24 million from the National Science Foundation. Currently, they

are in the application process to receive five more years of funding.

The high amount of funding for research translates not only into quality education, but also economic impact within the region.

According to the UT System, for every \$10 million in annual research expenditures, 334 jobs and \$8.6 million in wages are added to the local economy.

“We set the goal at \$100 million, we started at \$8 million in 1991 and we are at \$76 million, so we have made

steady progress toward that goal,” Natalicio said.

Although it’s a different playing field, Natalicio said she understands where the university stands and where it should stand in the near future.

“Really what tier one means is that you are competing with universities that are playing at the top level in research and you do it year after year,” Natalicio said. “That is where UTEP will be.”

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Question of the week

What do you think of the bomb threat and the evacuation?

Photos by Aaron Montes and Michele Torres

**ABRAHAM CARRILLO**

Junior graphic design major

"I think somebody just wanted a longer spring break. I guess it could also be an excuse not to do midterms. I actually did have a midterm. I had left my truck on campus because there was a lot of traffic and when I went back at 5 p.m., there were still cops with their dogs searching. They even stopped me and asked me what I was doing here."

**ANA LUNA**

Sophomore biology major

"I was at home and my sister called to see if I was at school and I told her I wasn't. She told me there was a bomb threat and that they were evacuating everyone, even in the dorms. I couldn't believe this could happen here or for what reason."

**EDITH HERNANDEZ**

Freshman psychology major

"Well I think it was kind of unorganized because we are not used to that happening here but I think we did very well getting everyone out in five hours."

**ELENA TESTERMAN**

Freshman geology major

"I guess the evacuation was like what are we supposed to do? The professor didn't even know what to tell us or what to do. Then there were people still standing around and it's like 'hello we are supposed to evacuate and you are still here?' You never know nowadays what people are capable of doing."

**JAQUELINE ARREOLA**

Junior industrial engineering major

"I don't know. I was just really scared. I saw it on twitter and saw everyone leaving so I started walking to my car. There was a lot of traffic. It took me 10 minutes to get out of the parking lot. Someone created their own line to get out but it still took a while."

**MAGAN WEATHERLY**

Freshman kinesiology major

"All in all I think it went pretty smoothly. The first text that I got was kind of confusing because there are different kinds of threats so I didn't know what to do. If it was a shooting threat, you aren't supposed to be going outside so they should have clarified."

**BRYAN ADAMS**

Senior psychology major

"I feel bad for that guy that called in that fake bomb threat. I hope he enjoys 15 years of prison."

**CAROLINA DE LUCA**

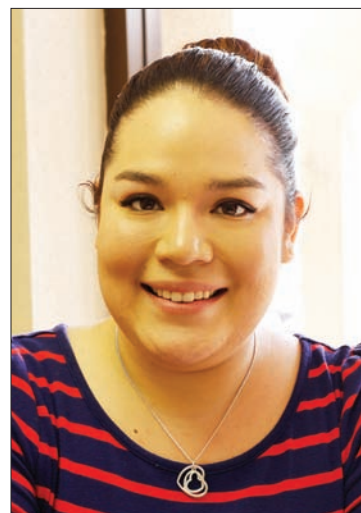
Senior communication major

"I was around UTEP, I don't have a car so I started walking right away. You don't know if it's a fake alarm or not, everyone was freaking out at first, but then everyone came out ok."

**HUGO NUÑEZ**

Visual art education major

"I feel like we have to take precaution and not just assume that it was fake because one of these days it might just happen, you just never know."

**JACQUELINE FIGADORA**

Junior psychology major

"When I first heard about it, I didn't know what was going on and I got a lot of text messages from my family, but I told them I was at home and they were relieved. I didn't have to deal with the traffic trying to get out of campus."

**JANETH ESPINO**

Freshman business major

"The first I heard of it was from a message from a friend on Facebook and I also heard it on the radio. I felt like someone wanted more spring break, but I'm glad nothing happened."

**JESSICA JAUREGUI**

Junior criminal justice major

"I think it was fake because I feel like things were moving slow and if it were real, things would have happened faster."

**KRISTEN HERNANDEZ**

Public health graduate student

"I think it was handled well because I received the miner alert, three messages and two emails from the president and campus police. So I think the correct measures were taken."

**MIKE TORRES**

Senior biology major

"Wherever the person is going they won't have to worry about tests for the next 15 years."

**STACEY EARRON**

Freshman computer science major

"I think it took a long time to develop because there were still people-including me-walking around wondering what was going on."

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Event

Indian festival of colors welcomes spring season at UTEP

BY SABRINA NUÑEZ

The Prospector

Known as the festival of colors and a major celebration in India that marks the beginning of spring, the Holi festival will take place at UTEP for the first time from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 6 in the patio of the Chemistry-Computer Science Building.

The event is hosted by the Indian Students Association and the entrance fee will be \$6, which will include a package of non-edible powder color and water balloons.

"Traditionally we started celebrating Holi due to many mythological, social and cultural reasons and one of the major mythological reasons is that the term 'holi' comes from Holika. She was said to carry a kid who used to preach for a god, (by) walk(ing) through fire because she was resistant to fire," said Sanghamitra Majumdar, graduate student and chemistry major. "Whatever the mythological stories are, the ultimate moral of all the mythological legends is the ultimate victory of good over evil. It's basically when everybody in India celebrates, no matter what caste, what religion, what level of society they are."

Holi is traditionally celebrated by throwing colors and a bonfire, which signifies the burning of Holika and by association, evil.

"In Indian mythology, we say a man is made of seven colors, so it's said by applying this, you are complete by the seven colors," Majumdar said.

The colors used during Holi are usually bright, including pink, red, orange, yellow and green, among others.

"The colors have to be safe so if you go to a traditional store in India, you'll see them as heaps and you just choose which colors you want to

buy," said Mahesh Narayan, associate professor of chemistry. "In the U.S., in bigger cities in the Hindu grocery stores, they're already packaged whereas back home, it's loose powder so you can just take a scoop and take however much you want and then it's packaged."

Narayan said he has always seen people wear white at Holi festivals because the colors make a bigger impact, which is more fun. Aside from the colors and fun, Narayan said he wants the festival to bring cultural awareness to the UTEP campus.

"We want (people) to know about this cultural aspect of India and we also want to know what kind of vibes they get from it after having participated in it," Narayan said. "There is one component that is getting to know a little bit about the Indian culture and the second aspect is just to have fun and enjoy themselves."

This year, Holi's official date of celebration is March 27, but the festival date can be changed. Originally, ISA planned to host the celebration on March 30, but chose to push it back a week because of possible conflicts with other events in accordance with Easter weekend.

"Most of the Indian celebrations we have here (are) not always on the day of the celebration because of jobs and everything," Majumdar said. "In India we get holidays on those days but here we don't get holidays on those days so we are forced to celebrate them on the weekends."

This is the first year ISA will host a Holi festival at UTEP.

"We are excited. We want everyone to participate with us and that is why we are excited, to play Holi with everyone in the community," said Arka Talukdar, graduate student and



SABRINA NUÑEZ / The Prospector

The Holi festival will take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 6 at the Chemistry and Computer Science Building patio. The photo above is from UT Austin's Holi Festival in 2011.

electrical and computer engineering major.

Majumdar said she is hoping to begin the celebration with a short performance explaining the significance of the festival.

Food will also be sold at the festival, including Indian samosas, which are fried or baked pastries stuffed with meat or vegetables, and lassi, a yogurt-based drink.

"We have provided food in previous events (at) UTEP and people's response is pretty good so we hope this time they will be excited to have Indi-

an food. We are trying some different items this time, so hopefully everyone will like it," Talukdar said.

The event will also feature Indian music from famous Bollywood films.

"In many movies, Holi is featured as a theme around which the song and dance routine has been based so there are several popular song and dance routines in Bollywood history, which is known to all of us growing up back home, so we'll probably just use one of those song numbers to play on that day and everybody knows it and ev-

erybody knows to sing to that tune so it's pretty popular," Narayan said.

Despite the cultural aspect of Holi, Majumdar said celebrating the traditions of the festival will remind her of being back in India.

"It will make me miss my home less so I will kind of get the smell of India again and I would just like to have that taste that we are celebrating, it's not only my friends in India celebrating, it's me too, even though I am so many miles away from India," Majumdar said.

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"This kind of situation affords us the opportunity to go back and look at our plans and see how we can do better," Walsh said.

Walsh said he was content with the response and evacuation time, but some students said they had some trouble.

"On foot a lot of people got out, but by vehicle, not very fast," said Henry Raybuck, senior kinesiology major.

Sandra Kidd, junior multidisciplinary studies major, said she thinks people driving out of campus is effective, but only if done in an orderly manner. She was observing the traffic from the roundabout area on campus.

"If people just get in their cars and not try to race to get out faster than the next guy... I've seen some near accidents," Kidd said.

Kayla Villegas, sophomore social work major, said the evacuation went very slow and some students did not seem to take it serious.

"Everybody was really slow and you'd think being threatened by a bomb, but a lot of people were just standing around--by the bookstore it was completely jammed," Villegas said.

Villegas is also a disabled student with a rare condition called Morquio Syndrome, which causes an inability to walk. During the evacuation, she had no assistance, much like other students who said they did not have access to the Miner Metro shuttles to get to their vehicles.

"I had to go all the way around campus from the bookstore and head towards the Don Haskins Center. I am a resident at Miner Village and it was really hectic because I wasn't given any assistance," Villegas said. "I am very independent,

but I thought to myself that there are other students who need more assistance and I thought it was shameful that people weren't as courteous as they should be."

She also said she thought UTEP and El Paso police responded slowly to the threat.

"I was very upset because it's a bomb threat; there should be assistance right then and there, not an hour later. It's ridiculous," Villegas said.

"Even though we're not as big as Dallas, Houston or Austin, we should still have that protection and backup. Knowing we don't have that is ridiculous," Villegas said. "Who knows what they'll do now, and hopefully they'll be getting a bomb squad, but we have to go through a threat to get it now. We should already have it. It's sad to say, thank God nothing happened, but it's sad to say that if anything did happen we would have had a lot of losses."

She also added that the Miner Alert message did not give details as to how far outside of campus students should have evacuated.

"They didn't really tell you to the extent of how far to go," Villegas said. "Everybody was literally at all the little restaurants like the McDonald's, the Whataburger, Kinley's and everything."

There is a criminal investigation being carried out and UTEP PD has been unavailable to further comment on details of the investigation.

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AARON MONTES / The Prospector

(Top) Carlos Soira takes initiative in clearing traffic on campus. **(Bottom)** Senior Terry De Leon and senior Sarah Vera, both mathematics majors, are picked up by senior biological sciences major Stephanie Trujillo on the way up to the Remote parking lot.

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New tea house offers variety of flavors and classes

BY LEONARDO MONTAÑEZ
The Prospector

New to the downtown area, Tea + Garden offers several organic teas in a relaxing and smooth environment. Kaya Smith, owner of Tea + Garden, felt the need to help the local business scene and decided to open her tea house last January, offering organic tea and baked cooking. “We offer organic and loose leaf tea, all fair trade and all of our lids are biodegradable, and our cooking is also organic,” Smith said. “We have over 36 kinds of teas, including green tea, red tea, oolong, white tea and yerba mate.” Tea + Garden also sells equipment for making teas, such as teapots, and also provides other services to their customers.

“We offer organic and loose leaf tea... all of our lids are biodegradable and our cooking is also organic.”

- Kaya Smith,
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Tea + Garden offers organic teas, tea making equipment and workshops.

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Review

‘Bioshock Infinite:’ new utopia for gamers

BY AARON MONTES
The Prospector

The once submerged world of Bioshock has elevated to a new level in the clouds in Bioshock Infinite, an original game. You hit the ground running with the character Booker, and if you’re a returning player, you might find that your world is a lot bigger. New players shouldn’t worry however, Infinite is anything but a follow up to the original games. The large and interactive world opens up different tactical advantages during engagements with enemies such as the handymen, who

are similar to the big brothers in the original Bioshock. Handymen are very aggressive and move quickly within the environment. However, the new skyline feature allows you to swing from one position to another and gives you a tactical advantage when used correctly. You may shoot while gliding through the skyline, switch to go in different directions and knock off other units using the skyline. You are also aided by an A.I. named Elizabeth who is very useful during fights and when figuring puzzles. If you run out of ammunition, she will

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Andrea Vargas, heavily influenced by vintage fashion from a young age, demonstrates her own sense of style using vintage and modern clothing.



Vintage styles influence fashion trend

STEVEN MANSFIELD
The Prospector

Andrea Vargas, senior multimedia journalism major, is a walking glimpse into the epitome of the mid-1900s style. Drawing inspiration from the celebrities and styles of the time, Vargas can be seen around campus always looking her best and showing off the latest in vintage fashion. She sat down with The Prospector to discuss the history behind her style.

Q: HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE YOUR STYLE?

A: I would say I have different types. I have from 1940s to 1960s type of dresses. I tend to go for the vintage look – Peter Pan colors, bows, etc.

Q: WHERE DO YOU GET YOUR INSPIRATION?

A: Old movie stars like Grace Kelly and Audrey Hepburn. Dita Von Teese and Katy Perry are the only ones right now that still dress like that. I feel like

now you don't really find that kind of stuff. You have to go through thrift stores.

Q: WHAT INFLUENCED YOU TO WEAR THIS OUTFIT?

A: Since I was little I've always liked old movies and TV shows, like the Twilight Zone, and I've always liked the Housewives and how they even dress their best even if they're just at home. I've just always liked that look. I feel like you should always dress your best and you should always over-dress than under-dress.

Q: WHERE DO YOU LIKE TO SHOP?

A: ModCloth, sometimes Savers has good stuff, Goodwill, Urban Outfitters has some cute stuff sometimes, Forever 21, Betsy Johnson, those stores mainly.

Q: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CLOTHING BRAND?

A: Probably would be ModCloth right now only because they have all the retro stuff and they have cheap prices too. Actually what I'm wearing is basically from there.

Q: WHY DO YOU LIKE TO DRESS UP FOR SCHOOL?

A: I guess it defines my personality. I don't even own a pair of sweatpants. You will never see me wearing that, ever. I barely bought my first pair of jeans last year. I've always been wearing dresses and skirts before then.

Q: HAS FASHION ALWAYS BEEN A PART OF YOUR LIFE?

A: Yes, my mom always dressed me to the tee since I was little and now she still dresses up. You won't see her in sweatpants either and my grandparents are the same way. My grandpa, to this day still wears suits all the time and my grandma still dresses her best all the time. I feel like I grew up around that and I guess that is mainly where I got my style from.

Q: DO YOU HAVE ANY ADVICE FOR WOMEN?

A: Show their femininity when they dress because now you see them and they just look like boys sometimes.

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"We offer classes on herbs for free every first Saturday of the month. We will have a topic, for example herbal tonics to make herbs work as medicine for your body and things such as that," Smith said. "We also do tea parties here, the Henna Fridays and the plants, we sell them, but they are part of the place to make it a real garden and we also have Wi-Fi."

According to Smith, some of the teas are fair trade and come from all over the world like Sri Lanka, China and Japan.

"They are all ethically acquired," Smith said. "And some of the herbal we get them here from the States."

The Tea + Garden offers small, medium, large and teapot sizes that are under \$2.

Carolina Rico, regular costumer and henna artist, feels really comfortable with the new tea house in El Paso.

"It's just relaxing and soothing, new and healthy," Rico said. "Everything here is freshly made and it has a really great variety of teas, it is something you really don't see here in El Paso."

Rico admits that she has fallen in love with the store even though she has only been there four times.

"It has an incredible relaxing atmosphere, my first time here was about three weeks ago," Rico said. "But now I feel that I have a place where I can come to and enjoy, like a hiding spot that is nearby."

As local henna artist, Rico welcomes anybody interested to help the community and offers temporary tattoos made of modern temporary ink and traditional mandala.

"I utilize natural rajasthanis for my henna and mix it with 100 percent eucalyptus oil," Rico said. "I'll be here every Friday from noon to five."

Monica Veleta, sophomore graphic design major, enjoyed the new tea house and the unique atmosphere.

"I've never seen a place like this in El Paso; it is really different from other chain businesses," Veleta said. "And it is way better, cheaper and with more quality."

Veleta said the prices were affordable and perfect for young adults and UTEP students.

"As a student, I think finding a place where we can enjoy passing time is important, but most places are really expensive but Tea + Garden really makes it possible," Veleta said.

Smith, who is from Portland, Ore., brought with her the mentality of supporting local businesses and doing what she can for the community.

"It is really important for me to help the local business, that is why I welcome everything that is local, from someone who makes soaps or hand lotions, and help each other out," Smith said. "I think El Paso has a lot of potential when it comes to local trade."

Tea + Garden is located at 205 E. Mills at the Historic Hotel Cortez building and is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday and 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

For more information, call 533-3887 or visit their website at millsteagarden.com or [Facebook.com/millsteagarden](https://www.facebook.com/millsteagarden).

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toss you more, the same goes for vigors or power ups similar to plas-mids in the older games, which you can use instead of bullets.

There are a total of eight vigors — murder of crows, devil's kiss, possession, shock jockey, charge, undertow, return to sender and bucking bronco — which allow you to stun your enemies in mid-air and pick them off.

Elizabeth is not your ordinary A.I. however, she has the ability to open tears, which will aid you in a fight because she can pull out barriers, turrets and more.

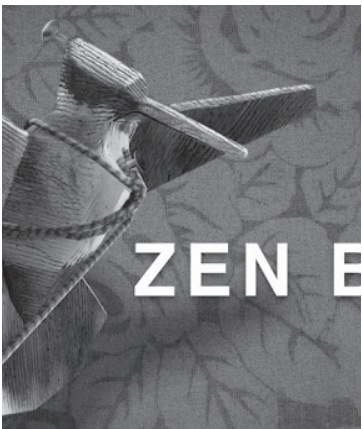
The story begins like any other game, nothing special, you just know that your mission is to bring back Elizabeth to New York from the city of Columbus in order to settle a debt, but then you find that there is much more to the game than just rescuing a girl. In fact, the story takes such a dramatic twist you'll never see it coming.

Graphically, the game is absolutely stunning, however it is much better to look at on a PC. The developers were thorough and from what I can see, the game pushes the consoles beyond their limits.

The older tech just cannot keep up with the engines that power the game's graphics, but you will not be disappointed because it is beautiful nonetheless. Throughout the game-play, it will be up to you to figure out how to venture throughout the game, you can ask for brief help to be pointed in the right direction, but it is not completely obvious.

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iPhone andROID



Photos special to The Prospector

BY LEONARDO MONTAÑEZ
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MARVEL UNLIMITED
Marvel Unlimited is a subscription-based app that offers over 13,000 issues of old and newer comics, and a catalog that is constantly being renewed. It adds five new issues every week, but it has a six-month delay on the newest releases.

For \$10 a month or \$60 a year (\$5 a month), users can read “X-Men,” “Spiderman,” “The Avengers” and “Captain America,” just to name a few. The subscription allows users to read as many comics as they wish, excluding the most recent releases, but the catalog offers classic issues that date as far back as the ‘60s.

According to Marvel.com, the app is compatible with iPhone version 4 and up, iPad 2 and latest editions and iPod touch devices.

Marvel Unlimited also allows users to download up to six comics for offline reading. The app features several services that allow the subscriber to know via email what new five comics are added to the catalog each week.

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The app has a price of \$3.99 and according to Instapaper.com, it is a universal app for both iPhone and iPad with just one purchase.

Instapaper has several features such as the built-in English dictionary that can be used even while reading offline, dark mode for night readings, lock rotation and can be synced between iPhones and iPads.

However, the most important feature of Instapaper is the amount of articles that can be saved at a time, 500, making it a must have for many readers. The app also allows users to adjust fonts, font size, margins, line spacing and optimized text.

AVAST! MOBILE SECURITY
avast! Mobile security is a free security app for Android devices that protects the device from malware and other harms.

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ZEN BOUND 2
The sequel to the multiple-award winning game, Zen Bound 2 is a meditative puzzle game that consists of wrapping wooden sculptures of different objects in a rope, giving them color using the tactile screen of the device while playing along soothing music for a soft atmosphere.

The game is available for Android and Apple devices and costs \$2.99. Zen Bound offers beautiful graphics and visuals for the user as well as low tempo soundtrack for a smooth ambiance.

According to ZenBound.com, Zen Bound 2 features over 100 levels, music by Ghost Monkey for over 45 minutes of soundtrack, with visual upgrades, new gameplay and the Tree of Tribute.

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CHUBBY'S BRONX DELI OFFERS FOOD CHALLENGE FOR THOSE WHO ACCEPT



MICHELE TORRES / The Prospector

Chubby's Bronx Deli offers a food challenge for willing customers, consisting of a 30-inch roast beef sandwich with grilled onions and jalapeños, deli mustard and provolone cheese.

STEVEN MANSFIELD
The Prospector

Students looking for a bite to eat may have stumbled upon Chubby's Bronx Deli near campus. What most

students don't know however, is that the restaurant offers a food challenge. Located at 2400 N. Oregon, Chubby's Bronx Deli offers a wide range of meat sandwiches, subs, and burgers,

as well as a mammoth meal included with the Chubby's challenge. The challenge was started in conjunction with a local radio station's morning talk show and quickly became a hit.

"KLAQ created the challenge," said Mike Annabi, owner of Chubby's Bronx Deli. "It was a thing with Buzz Adams. We did it with the morning show and we put it together as a Buzz theme and it worked out pretty well so we decided to carry the challenge on."

Little did they know that this challenge would soon begin to conquer all who dare try it.

"It is a 30-inch Joolie Mamoolie sandwich," Annabi said. "It is roast beef, grilled onions, grilled jalapeños, cooked with deli mustard and melted provolone cheese."

Two and a half foot-long sub sandwiches are not the only thing that makes this food so challenging.

"It comes with three baskets of fries, a large drink and it has to be done in

30 minutes," Annabi said. "After signing a consent form, the portions are brought out to you slowly, half a sandwich and one basket of fries at a time."

While some students gasped at the thought of the food challenge, others seemed ready to take it on.

"I can finish the sandwich but not the fries," said Vianey Chaparro, junior accounting major. "I eat foot-long sandwiches like nothing, and if the sandwich is really spicy I can eat the fries in between and it won't be as spicy."

Beating Chubby's challenge brings more than a full stomach and the fame. The challenge costs \$30 but if the participant wins, they are refunded their money along with a \$100 gift card from Chubby's Bronx Deli and a "Made-Man" t-shirt.

"I think it is a lot of food to eat and the time is not appropriately distributed for the challenge," said Albert Martinez, senior business management major. "But that is definitely what makes it difficult and if you

have a big stomach, you can probably finish it."

The challenge, which has been running for two and a half years, has seen many losers and only a few winners.

"Seventy eight people have tried it and only two people have successfully won," Annabi said. "One of them was a girl named Stephanie Torres and the other guy's name was Robert Castro."

Winners, Torres from Las Cruces and Castro from El Paso, are renowned in Chubby's world.

"I can barely eat a foot long from Subway and that doesn't include the fries," said Julio Ramirez, graduate public health major. "It could also be dangerous for somebody that doesn't eat or doesn't exercise as often. They eat too much and it will go over their calories per day. I personally wouldn't want to do that because I try to keep my diet and watch my calories."

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22 "Beetle Bailey" dog

23 Carpenter or Black

25 Crazy

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34 Scents

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Miners have new offensive look



FILE PHOTO / The Prospector

The UTEP football team ran plays on the first day of spring drills, March 4, at Glory Field.

BY EDWIN DELGADO
The Prospector

After a disappointing 2012 season for the Miners offense, head coach Sean Kugler and his new staff will try to get the offense going once again. After former head coach, Mike Price's departure, Kugler named Pat-

rick Higgins the new offensive coordinator in January. Higgins was the wide receivers coach at Purdue for the past two seasons and acted as interim head coach in the Boilermakers' loss to Oklahoma State in the 2012 Heart of Dallas Bowl. One of the clear changes Higgins is planning for the Miners in the 2013

season is the fast-tempo offense, which could be similar to what Boise State and Oregon are used to but probably not as fast. "We're going to change tempo, we are looking to go to a tempo that is good for us, we're trying to get as many quality reps as possible during practice and tempo is a part of it be-

cause I hate people standing around," Higgins said. Last season the Miners offense averaged only 21 points per game, which made it the 102nd offense out of 124 in FBS (Football Bowl Subdivision). The main struggle for the Miners was at the quarterback position. In the game against Houston, starter Nick Lamaison and backup Carson Meger combined for six turnovers, allowing then freshman Blaire Sullivan to finish the game and start in the following two games. "We're looking for someone that can control the game, put the ball where we want it to be thrown and not a guy that is going to go off and do what he thinks he should do, he is going to make sure he stays within the system," Higgins said. On Feb. 27 Jameill Showers, backup quarterback at Texas A&M transferred to UTEP. He is the leading candidate to get the starting spot as quarterback for the Miners over freshman, Garrett Simpson, sophomore Blaire Sullivan and senior Carson Meger. "He repeated to me 'You are our guy and we need you to come and work hard, study film and be the best quarterback you can be for the team' and (I) intend to do just that," said Showers in a phone interview Feb. 27. Possibly the strongest and most reliable position in the offense for the Miners is in the running back

"We are going to use our tight ends and running backs more than they were used in the past..."
-Todd Whitten, wide receivers coach.

position. Sophomore running back Nathan Jeffery ran for a total of 920 yards for seven touchdowns for the Miners in 2012, despite having a groin injury that limited his touches for several games. "I want to perform to the best of my ability, help the team and each other," Jeffery said. "All running backs are better than last year." Autrey Golden usually the No. 2 back in the depth chart returned two kick-offs for touchdowns last season. Among the other young running backs that will see action next season are sophomores Xay Williams, La-Quintas Dowell and junior Josh Bell. "I'm excited about the group of running backs that I have," said running back coach, Cornell Jackson. "It is a very talented group and all I want from them is to perform. Run hard and learn the new offense." see OFFENSE on page 12

Men's Basketball

UTEP's season, one of growing pains

BY AUDREY WESTCOTT
The Prospector

While the Miners did not bring home a conference title, the season gave the young team experience, as they finished 18-14 overall. The team has grown and made progress both defensively and offensively, said head coach Tim Floyd in a press release. The team was able to become more productive through conversions, something they could not do earlier in the season. Floyd, who is currently out of town recruiting, stated that he was excited about the recruiting class he has coming in and the players that he has coming back. Floyd has a strong recruiting class coming in the fall, including Isaac Hamilton, a McDonald All-American. UTEP's team roster had only one graduate student, three seniors, one junior and the rest of the roster combined for eight sophomores and freshmen in the 2012-13 season. In November 2012, the Miners had a tough pre-season schedule against the team's very competitive conferences. The Miners went up against Arizona (PAC-12), Oklahoma (Big-12), Clemson (ACC) and Vanderbilt (SEC). The absence of graduate student, Konner Tucker from a hand injury,

"Not playing as a team was one of our weaknesses in some games."
-Jacques Streeeter, senior guard.

and eligibility rules that kept sophomore transfer, McKenzie Moore, off the court until the end of the fall semester, also added to UTEP's struggle in the pre-season. Despite a rough start, UTEP began to turn its season around as the team's confidence and chemistry grew with each game. "As the season went on we grew a lot closer as a team, and that helped us figure out a lot of things," said sophomore guard Moore. "We let some games slip out from under us that we should have won, but being able to work together and know how each of us plays, we improved on being able to close out games and staying strong." With four straight home games at the beginning of December, the



FILE PHOTO / The Prospector

Guard Mckenzie Moore drives the ball to the basket past Tulane's Josh Davis. The Miners won 62-50 at home, Feb. 2.

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Women’s Basketball

Injuries weighed down on team

BY ALBERT GAMBOA
The Prospector

UTEP ended the season with its second consecutive 20-plus win season, finishing at 22-10, going 14-3 at the Don Haskins Center.

Starting the season with adversity, the women’s team lost two of its key players, senior center Kristine Vitola and sophomore guard Jenzel Nash in the first two weeks. That didn’t stop them from getting off to a school record 17-2 start, beating notable teams such as Arizona State, Arizona, New Mexico State and Kansas State.

“I don’t think a lot of teams would have done what we did this year and how we’ve handled it-with two players going down with ACL injuries, with limitations and not that much depth on our bench. These guys battled and we handled it,” said head coach Keitha Adams.

A third injury affected the Miners midway through the season, when freshman guard, Zuberi Allen, tore her ACL, putting an extra load on the Miners’ starting unit.

The team went on to finish 3-7 to conclude the regular season and their injuries came back to get them in the tournament when they were playing their third straight game in three days.

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-Keitha Adams,
women’s head basketball coach.

There was no dancing this year for UTEP women’s basketball team, as a loss to the UCF Knights in the semi-finals in the conference tournament brought their season to an end.

Entering the tournament as a 5th seed and the defending champions, UTEP needed to win four games in four straight days to try and get back-to-back NCAA tourney bids. The Miners started day one hot, taking care of the lowest seed, Marshall. The following day, down by eight with six minutes left in the game, UTEP came back to beat 4th seed UAB by two points to advance to the semifinals.

Meanwhile, UCF came in as the 8th seed and surprised everyone after they upset the top team in conference, the SMU Mustangs in the second round of play. When the Knights and Miners met, each got off to a hot start as neither team could miss in the first half and UTEP held a three-point lead at halftime. UCF continued the hot shooting but the Miners couldn’t keep up in the second half as fatigue started to show and the Knights ran away with the game to advance to the conference finals, where they would lose to Tulsa.

“We could have played better defense. They have some good guards, good perimeter and have some good inside people,” said junior guard Kelli Willingham. “But, when we scored or made it to the line, they came right back and answered, we needed to play better defense.”

The only senior on the court was Anete Steinberga. The 6-foot-2 center out of Latvia soared in her final year at UTEP. Steinberga became the leading scorer on the team averaging 16 points per game and grabbing seven rebounds a game. She finished her career at UTEP with 1,024 total points (8th all-time in school history), earned first team all-conference honors this season and finished the year with a school record 23 straight double digit scoring games.

“She’s been a coach’s dream. Her work ethic is unbelievable, great in the classroom, great teammate, great focus, took basketball really seriously, great student, never caused me a problem off the floor, and she’s produced,” Adams said. “She’s helped us

However, UTEP’s momentum was halted by a loss against Tulsa, the only team to beat the Miners in both matchups of the regular season.

“Not playing as a team was one of our weaknesses in some games,” Streeter said. “It affected our ball movement, which ended with a lack of good shots, but this helped our team because as the season got down we learned to play as a unit on the floor, and at times we could be one of the best teams playing that night.”

The Miners finished their regular season, 10-6, earning UTEP third place in the regular season.

As the third seed, the Miners received a bye for the first round of the C-USA Tournament.

The Miners beat out Houston 80-69 for their first tournament game, but lost to Southern Mississippi 85-67, taking them out of the tournament March 15 at the BOK center.

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FILE PHOTO / The Prospector
Junior point guard, Kelli Willingham, drives the ball past a Tulane defender in a game during the 2012-13 regular season.

win games. It’s been an honor to have her and coach Anete.”

Most of the players look to be coming back next season as it was announced that Vitola would return for another senior year as well as second leading scorer, junior forward Kayla Thornton. UTEP left a big mark on Steinberga as she emotionally recalls being there for four years.

“I told them in the locker room that I would not want to play for any other

team. I loved their work and hustle, they never give up,” she said. “The school has been great, I’ve learned so much, not only about basketball but about my teammates and outside of basketball. Coach Adams has always been good to me and my teammates have been great. I’m going to miss my school and playing again. I wish them the best of luck next year.”

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OFFENSE from page 11

Last season the tight ends didn’t play as big as a role in the offense, but with Kugler, a former tight end now at the reigns, they are expected to be a lot more involved. Junior Kevin Perry has the most experience of the group, sophomore Craig Wenrick leads in yards and junior Eric Tomlinson will also be part of the rotation.

For the 2012 season the Miners were lacking experienced wide receivers and for the 2013 season UTEP will lose Mike Edwards. The good news for the Miners is that junior Jordan Leslie, who produced 973 yards and six touchdowns, will be back along with a very young group of receivers who have gained experience from last year.

“I think we got a good number of receivers that are more than capable of going out and making plays for us,” said wide receivers coach Todd Whitten. “We are going to use our tight ends and running backs more than they were used in the past, we are just going to play with two receivers, the running backs and tight ends are going to occupy the slot when we do that.”

So far, in the spring practice, junior wide receivers Jim Jones and Devin Patterson seem to be the leading candidates to help Leslie as a starter.

The offensive line will also face some challenges. Four-year center Eloy Atkinson will not be part of the team for next season nor will tackle James Nelson. Junior Mike Amdall and freshman Christian Haper are the two tackles trying to earn the starting role.

“We are adapting quickly to the new coaching staff,” Jeffery said. “We have a new offense and we are trying to get used to it and also trying to get used to each other.”

The Miners will kickoff the Kugler era Sep. 7 at the Sun Bowl when UTEP hosts rivals New Mexico Lobos.

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