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UTEP prepares for César Chavez Day

BY MARIA ESQUINCA

The Prospector

¡Si Se Puede! was a defining and defying cry of the United Farm Workers. The cry, potent with its emblematic power, is still used and heard today.

The slogan was adopted during President Barack Obama's 2008 presidential campaign and was translated to "Yes We Can!" It was used to mo-

bilize millions of voters and was the symbolic slogan of change throughout his presidential campaign.

It wasn't until the 1960s and 1970s that the chant was first heard through marches amongst defiant fists raised in the air by the United Farm Workers to demand economic and social justice. The key leader of this movement was César Chavez, a Mexican-American farm worker.

Chavez has been described as a tireless campaigner, who rallied throughout the country, leading marches and hunger strikes to push for legislative change that would protect and further the rights of farm workers.

The precedent Chavez left behind is something that is still remembered today.

"Cesar Chavez stood up for a lot. The Chicano movement really embraced him. It (his efforts) embodies what the

Chicano movement is about," said Arturo Chavez, senior Chicano Studies major and president of the Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlán Del Chuco, the UTEP chapter of a national student organization that promotes Chicano education.

César Chavez Day is celebrated as a holiday day in California and as an optional holiday in Colorado and Texas. It is also celebrated across oth-

er states including Arizona, Michigan and Tennessee.

Arturo Chavez said he believes the holiday should be an opportunity for introspection on how to continue the struggle.

"As students, we should inform ourselves to know how we can make this community better," he said.

While some students such as Chavez use the day for introspection, see CHAVEZ on page 3

FRONTERA

Impacto de protestas Venezolanas afecta a estudiantes

POR CASSANDRA ADAME

The Prospector

Conflictos civiles en Venezuela son difíciles de comparar frente a manifestaciones más pacíficas, como las de César Chávez en Estados Unidos. Sumando sus particularidades, estas se pueden retroalimentar una de la otra.

Medios de comunicación son herramientas clave para que las manifestaciones aumenten o ayuden a disolver los conflictos y peticiones de los manifestantes.

Laura Hernández, estudiante del tercer año de ciencias biológicas, tiene familia en Venezuela. Ella dijo que trata de informarse de lo que esta pasando haciendo llamadas telefónicas además de usar redes sociales como Facebook y YouTube.

Estoy preocupada y triste por lo que esta pasando mi familia, dijo Hernández. "Desafortunadamente, mi abuela y mi tío viven en San Cristóbal (Venezuela), donde es probablemente uno de los peores lugares

ahorita y Caracas obviamente. Mi tío le dice a mi mamá que el puede oír disparos desde la casa".

En Venezuela a partir de las manifestaciones "12F" y "La Salida" del 12 de febrero orquestadas por miembros de la oposición Venezolana: María Corina Machado y Leopoldo López, así como grupos estudiantiles, canales de televisión y radio fueron clausurados por el gobierno Venezolano. Haciendo más difícil el entendimiento del conflicto.

La inestabilidad económica, falta de productos básicos y el incremento de la violencia causa en la población un sentimiento de angustia.

"Mi mamá me estaba diciendo que una amiga de ella estuvo esperando cuatro horas para poder comprar harina de arepas y esta harina es esencial en la dieta Venezolana", dijo Hernández.

Estudiantes resienten fuertemente los estragos de la situación en su país.

"Si estas metido en un país donde no puedes ejercer tu profesión, no hay

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- Daniel Centeno, profesor de lenguas y lingüística.

leche en el supermercado y piensas ¿Para que estoy estudiando? Ni siquiera puedo montarme a un avión he irme, porque ya no hay vuelos", dijo Daniel Centeno, profesor de lenguas y lingüística. "Es una situación desesperante, una sensación semejante a la

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Estudiantes se muestran a favor de la paz en Venezuela el 20 de febrero.

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COLUMN

God bless gay marriage

BY JAVIER CORTEZ

The Prospector



Among the things that make the United States great—the pursuit of happiness, freedom of speech and increasing diversity—equality is not one of them, specifically marriage equality.

Where the U.S. might be progressive and liberal in one aspect, equal rights for the LGBT community is one issue that is moving slower than a snail's pace.

Yet another state has denied gender equality, with gay marriage being ruled unconstitutional in Michigan last week on March 21. Thanks to something written in the Bronze Age (the Bible), gay marriage in all 50 states will have to wait just a little longer.

We can all have our opinions about gay marriage and what effects it might have on our society, but the one reason why we can't move forward on this issue is religion.

Religion has slowly but surely impeded progress. The U.S. is one of the most modern religious countries in the world. According to the Pew Research Center, 73 percent of the U.S. population identifies as Christian, which includes Protestants, Evangelicals and Catholics.

The religious text that most Christians follow is the Bible. It clearly states its opposition to homosexuality.

Leviticus 18:22 of the Catholic Bible states: "You shall not lie with a male as with a woman; such a thing is an abomination."

Leviticus 20:13 of the same Bible states: "If a man lies with a male as with a woman, both of them shall be put to death for their abominable deed; they have forfeited their lives."

Now in today's society we might not feel the need to execute people who

practice these "abominable" acts, but we still condemn and show bitterness to the LGBT community. We might not articulate our feelings about homosexuality in the same fashion as the Bible, but we still do spew our negativity.

Whether you think so or not, if you have negative feelings towards homosexuality, it stems from the Bible. If you voted against gay marriage, it stems from the Bible. If you have ever made fun of or patronized a gay man or women, it stems from the Bible.

Religious text is the sole reason for prosecution of gay marriage and gender equality.

There are no Atheistic, Buddhist or Humanistic groups that protest gay marriage on street corners and spread propaganda about the connection between homosexuality and bestiality.

Only 17 states have legalized gay marriage. It is progress in comparison to past years, but it is not a number that we as a society should be proud of. Gay marriage has been legal in all of Canada since 2005.

Religion has only been a toxic hindrance to the U.S. The majority of Americans have pushed what should be their private beliefs onto society. Thomas Jefferson said more than 200 years ago that the majority should not decide the rights of the minority.

In conclusion, we need to understand that it is okay to have our own personal beliefs. We have freedom of religion in this country—which I am all for—but using your religion (Christianity) to perpetrate lies, myths and hate is not what this country is about.

Especially when it comes from a book that is homophobic, pro-slavery, misogynistic and has no scientific backing whatsoever as our reason to impede rights for all in the U.S.

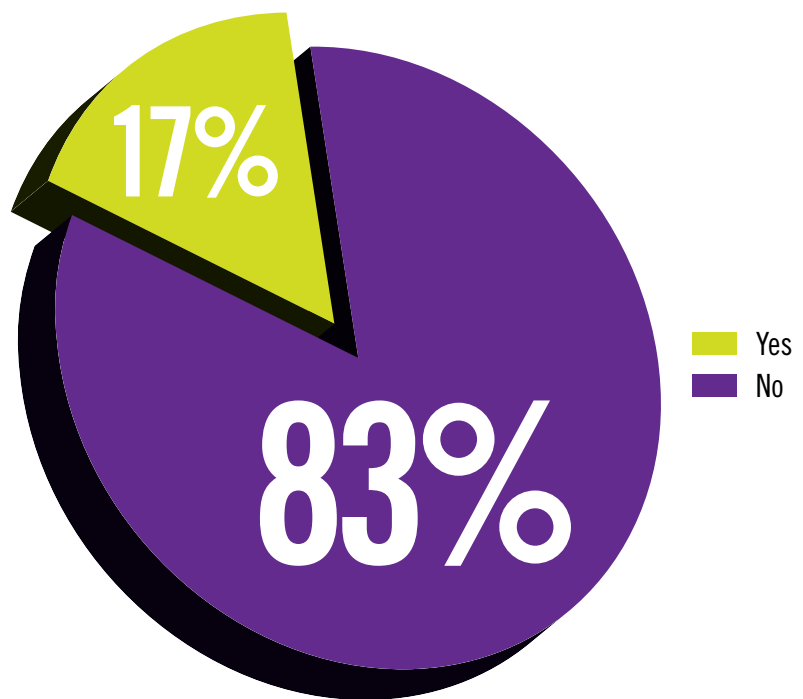
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Book presentation by Todd Miller, Author
Date: Tuesday, April 1, 2014
Place: Rubin Center Auditorium
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Sponsored by the Professorship of Border Trade Issues
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**RUBEN SALAZAR:
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Documentary Screening by Phillip Rodriguez
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Place: Union Cinema, Union East Bldg.
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& LOS ROMÁNTICOS**

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Sponsored by Chicano Studies Program
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others such as Tajei Lee Roy Harper, sophomore history major, will celebrate it in a more lighthearted fashion.

"I will probably be going to the movie," Harper said, referring to "César Chavez," a debut film with Mexican actor and director Diego Luna that will premiere March 28.

In honor of the holiday, the Chicano Studies department will be hosting a series of events in honor of César Chavez called the "Chicano Studies Celebration."

According to Dennis Bixler-Marquez, director of the Chicano Studies department, the "César Chavez" movie is estimated to be one of the biggest events of celebration.

"I think the big differences this year are the films that are coming out," Bixler-Marquez said.

The events at UTEP have been coordinated by Chicano Studies since César Chavez passed away in 1993. In the past, the celebration has included marches that have been successful in gathering together up to 10,000 people.

The events are open to both the UTEP and El Paso community.

Bixler-Marquez believes the celebrations are important to not only commemorate César Chavez, but also to present an opportunity to learn about the present conditions faced by farm workers.

"It's important for students to know where food on their table comes from, that it's harvested by an actual human being," he said.

In California, César Chavez Day became a legal holiday after Governor Gray Davis signed SB984 into

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They always eliminate the people that look like us.

”
- Arturo Chavez, senior Chicano Studies major

law on August 18, 1999 to be first celebrated on March 31, 2000.

The law requires all public schools to close. In addition, the California State Board of Education requires schools to integrate curriculum about the farm workers movement in the U.S.

In Texas, the holiday has been particularly threatened. In 2011, State Rep. Tyron Lewis, R-Odessa, introduced legislation to remove César Chavez Day as a state holiday.

A year later, there was outrage after UTEP attempted to remove the celebration of the holiday. UTEP President Diana Natalicio later approved the holiday to be celebrated that year the Friday before March 31.

"They always eliminate the people that look like us," Arturo Chavez said.

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FINANCIAL

Trained students prepare taxes free of charge to those with low income

BY HELEN YIP

The Prospector

April 15 is just around the corner, and for students, taxes may be last on the proverbial plate. But it may not be that bad this season since students can now have taxes prepared by a professional or by a trained student for free.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program, or VITA, is a program being offered by the College of Business students at UTEP and the Internal Revenue Service.

Juan Pena, senior accounting major, has been helping with this year's VITA program and is grateful to have the experience.

"We went to a course for a total of 16 hours, then we had to take an exam to get certified," Pena said. "It was a great experience. I had a gentleman who was very pleased with the money he got back."

VITA has also started a partnership with UTEP in order to help parents file their taxes before the deadline for

Free Application For Federal Student Aid applications are due.

Carmen Gonzales, program coordinator in the office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs at UTEP, said the partnership was initiated because lower-income families might not be able to afford help to ensure they filed their taxes before the FAFSA deadlines.

"We started last year in a two-pronged program, which involves FAFSA, and now free tax service for

households of \$52,000 or less," Gonzales said.

FAFSA gives priority to students with documented financial need whose applications are received by March 15. The latest deadline to complete and submit FAFSA applications is June 30.

VITA will continue offering free tax preparations until the tax deadline on April 15. Gonzalez said the sooner the better for students and their families who haven't filed their taxes in order to complete their FAFSA.

VITA was formalized in 2000 into a separate division from the IRS. The Stakeholder Partnership Education and Community division handles the VITA program.

"We are the community organization of the IRS," said Erik Nevarez, a tax consultant for the IRS-SPEC program. "The earliest example we have is The Tax Reform Act 1969, basically allowing tax payers to gain knowledge and education."

Nevarez said the act was instituted to allow for educational services to make it easier to file taxes.

"As (VITA) evolved, it provided more of a community service—somebody who knew the actual aspect of a tax return, which provides the service to somebody who had no means to access to any service without a fee," Nevarez said.

Arturo Valenzuela, graduate student and president of Beta Alpha Psi, an honor organization for financial information students, has been helping with this program for two years.

"Nevarez asked me if we wanted to participate," Valenzuela said. "We go

every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to the designated sites."

Valenzuela said that although Turbo Tax is a nice piece of software, he said he has seen occasions where the tax preparers have gotten the client more of a refund than when they did it on their own.

According to Valenzuela, anyone who has a domestic tax return and makes less than \$52,000 a year may take advantage of the free tax return service.

"There are professionals doing this too," Valenzuela said. "People who already work in accounting firms—they just do it to volunteer."

SPEC collaborated with students at UTEP and the Coalition for Family Economic Progress to offer the VITA program.

CFEP started in 2006 as an alliance of more than 21 private, public and non-profit organizations that have been working toward economic advancement for El Paso families.

Government Employees Credit Union and Workforce Solutions Upper Rio Grande have teamed up to provide locations and equipment for the teams to prepare tax returns.

You can find locations for free tax help on Saturdays at CFEP's website at freetaxeselpaso.org or call 838-9608.

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película 'El Ángel Exterminador, de Luis Buñuel'.

Centeno ha vivido en los Estados Unidos desde hace cuatro años. El es nacido en Venezuela y estudiado en España. Tiempo después regresó como profesor universitario de periodismo a Venezuela.

"Yo me veo con 18 o 20 años estudiando periodismo, en un país donde los medios de comunicación están censurados. Los periódicos están cerrando o los cierra el gobierno al igual que las televisoras, no se esta importando papel, en especial para que no salga el periódico y luego si hablo me meten preso", dijo Centeno. "Nosotros somos el futuro de una nación que no tiene futuro".

Por otro lado, las manifestaciones de César Chávez fueron menos censuradas, pero históricamente hablando, las manifestaciones pacíficas son igualmente reprimidas así como las que no lo son. El gobierno en los países usualmente usa sus fuerzas federales contra eventos que

toquen directamente sus intereses político-económicos.

"Cesar Chávez llevo un modelo de actividad política de desobediencia civil, sin violencia, inspirado en personajes como Gandhi y Martin Luther King Jr.. Esto no quiere decir, que no hayan recibido agresión por parte de la policía o grupos de choque pagados por compañías agrícolas", dijo Dennis Bixler-Márquez, director del programa de estudios Chicanos.

Si bien no se gana literalmente una lucha por parte de los protestantes, es el eco de sus voces las que con el tiempo ayudan a cambiar el pensamiento de una sociedad.

"De las manifestaciones de Cesar Chávez surgieron grandes movimientos de concientización en zonas urbanas, haciéndoles saber de donde provenían los productos vegetales que consumían y las condiciones deplorables que los campesinos sufrían", dijo Bixler-Márquez.

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What are you going to do on César Chavez day?

CHRISTINA ESQUIVEL/MICHAELA ROMAN / THE PROSPECTOR



ANGELA SIMENTAL

Freshman cellular & molecular biochem major
"I'll probably just go to the gym and catch up with things I need to do like getting my license."



EDDIE ROSALES

Junior digital media production major
"I made no plans for the day so I'll probably catch up on my film class with editing and shooting."



FABIAN MARQUEZ

Junior psychology major
"I'm just going to spend it studying and preparing for my classes. I have a test that same week so that's basically all I'm going to be doing."



FRANCIA ORTEGA

Freshman mathematics major
"I'm going to be spending the day studying for my calculus test."



FRANCISCO WOO

Senior electrical engineering major
"Studying for my signals and electronics test and try and catch up on sleep."



JENNIFER RINCON

Freshman biological sciences major
"On César Chavez day I'm going to go out to dinner and the movies with my friends"



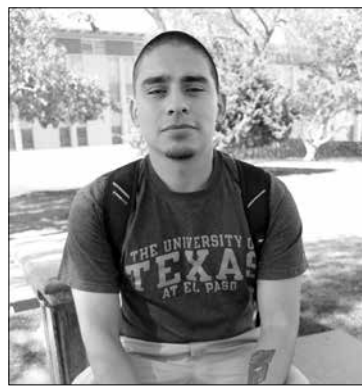
JESSICA MARTINEZ

Junior psychology major
"I will be studying for my psychology quizez and my classes. Also sleep and catch up on relaxation time."



LUIS REZA

Freshman pre-pharmacy major
"I'm just going to go to the gym as usual and spend some time with friends."



RUBEN RAMOS

Senior physics major
"I will be spending César Chavez day reading about his history and a lot of things we should be grateful for because of him."



VALERIE NUNEZ

Freshman biological sciences major
"I'll be spending it studying for my calculus test the next day and maybe get some rest or go to the gym."

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TENNIS VS LOUISIANA MONROE & WESTERN NEW MEXICO
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SOFTBALL VS NMSU
TUES | 3.04 | 6 PM

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SOFTBALL VS SOUTHERN MISS
SUN | 3.09 | NOON

SOFTBALL VS NORTH TEXAS
FRI | 3.21 | 2 PM | 4 PM - DH

SOFTBALL VS NORTH TEXAS
SAT | 3.22 | NOON

NATIONAL

New initiative uses digital approach to protect women

BY CATHRYN WALKER

SHFWire

WASHINGTON – A new program will allow women around the world to receive emergency care by simply pushing “send.”

A victim of extreme physical abuse can send an email message to the Global Partnership to End Violence Against Women to ask for emergency funds of up to \$5,000 for medical care, legal assistance, shelter or evacu-

ation. She will also be connected to a long-term care provider.

The partnership, a collaboration between Vital Voices Global Partnership, the Avon Foundation for Women and the U.S. Department of State, announced the Gender-Based Violence Emergency Response and Protection Initiative Thursday in an effort to end violence against women.

“Advancing gender equality is not only the right thing to do, it is the smart thing to do,” William Burns, deputy secretary of state, said. “The

Gender-Based Violence Emergency Response and Protection Initiative builds on these efforts.”

The initiative is the first emergency response program of its kind, Cindy Dyer, vice president of human rights for Vital Voices, said.

“The statistics shock me,” Fergie, the singer and an Avon representative, said. “One in three women will be a victim of partner violence in her lifetime. That is totally unacceptable.”

A 2013 study by the World Health Organization found that 35 percent of women worldwide have been victims of physical or sexual violence and 38 percent of murdered women were killed by an intimate partner.

Dyer said in an interview that the rate of domestic violence doesn’t significantly vary from country to country, but the resources available to help women recover do. The initiative is building an advocacy support training program for cities in India, Nepal, South Africa and Mexico.

Click on photo to enlarge or download: Uzra Zeya, assistant secretary of

state for democracy, left; Alyse Nelson, president of Vital Voices; Fergie; William Burns, deputy secretary of state; and Sheri McCoy, chairman of Avon Products Inc., are part of the group launching the Gender-Based Violence Emergency Response and Protection Initiative. SHFWire photo by Cathryn Walker. Although the initiative launched Thursday, efforts began at the end of January.

Two victims have used the emergency resources in the past month. When a 15-year-old Syrian girl and a 3-year-old Somali girl were raped in separate incidents and left with serious injuries, the initiative provided immediate financial assistance for medical care. Both girls are now in shelters with their mothers and have been paired with service providers.

Speakers at the event launch event said that, although emergency funds and shelters are crucial to advancing their efforts, the only way to end violence against women is prevention.

“There are laws to protect women and punish their abusers in many countries, but they aren’t applied effectively and consistently,” Fergie said. “The new Justice Institute on Gender-Based Violence is designed to ensure that laws achieve their purpose and their promise.”

Dyer said she is confident that the training program will teach lawmakers and community members how to enforce punishment and promote a culture of nonviolence.

Cathryn Walker is a senior journalism major at UT Austin. She is currently participating in the Scripps Howard Semester in Washington Program. She may be reached at theprospectordaily.news@gmail.com.

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MUSIC FOR ALL

Free, public concert by Oscar Macchioni, D.M.A., UTEP professor of music, 2 p.m. on April 28 at La Fe Preparatory School, 616 E. Father Rahm Ave.

CENTENNIAL LECTURE SERIES

UTEP will host their newest centennial lecture series, which will feature Dr. Mark Wynne, vice president and associate director of Research for International Economics Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. He will lecture on “The Euro Crisis: What Happened and Why it Matters” at 5 p.m. March 27 at the Undergraduate Learning Center, Room 106. A reception will follow the presentation.

CHANGES IN MINER SHUTTLE ROUTES

Beginning March 25, 2014, the East and Campus Loop Miner Metro shuttle routes will be rerouted until early July to accommodate the construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Glory Road and Sun Bowl Drive. During this time, service to the Glory Road/ Memorial Gym bus stop will be discontinued. Riders who normally use that stop will be redirected to the Oregon Street / Robinson Avenue bus stop.

Additionally, this construction project will require the temporary street closure of Glory Road between Sun Bowl Drive and Randolph Drive. The West and Campbell Building shuttle routes will not be impacted. For more information on the relocation of the East and Campus Loop Routes please visit <https://parking.utep.edu>.

QUEERING THE DECOLONIAL IMAGINARY

Dr. Emma Perez will present her lecture entitled “Queering the Decolonial Imaginary” 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. March 25 at the Blumberg Auditorium. A reception hosted by the UTEP Graduate School and Triota will follow the lecture.

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ENTERTAINMENT

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Rubin Center to showcase 100 artists for 100 years of UTEP history

BY LESLY LIMON

The Prospector

The Stanlee and Gerald Rubin Center for the Visual Arts and the Department of Art have joined in the centennial celebration by inviting 100 artists to be featured in this one-of-kind Project Space exhibition.

Local artists, past and current faculty and art department alumni will participate in an art show entitled, "10 Squared: 100 Artists Celebrate the Centennial."

There will be 100 artists working on art pieces that are 100 cm x 100

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I think more people need to be involved in the art exhibit and even attending art shows locally and at the Rubin.

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- Marco Sanchez,
senior studio art major

cm—essentially embracing UTEP's 100 years.

Photos documenting the history of the Department of Art and the Rubin Center will complement the artworks as well.

"This show...will serve as a catalyst for raising funds for future education and outreach programming, bringing contemporary art to a new generation of artists and audiences from around the city," said Kerry Doyle, director of the Rubin Center.

Doyle also said that the university has commissioned a selection of original artwork by past visiting artists, UTEP faculty, outstanding alumni, local artists from El Paso and Juárez and even several pieces of art by youth and teens, who have participated in the Rubin Center's educational activities.

"There are so many good artists coming out of the region. I think more people need to be involved in the art exhibits and even attending art shows locally and at the Rubin," said Marco Sanchez, senior studio art major. "I would like to see these shows have some more exposure. I heard of this exhibit through faculty at the art department, and I'm looking forward to supporting friends involved in the show and seeing what art everyone is working on."

Aside from the university's centennial celebration, the Rubin Center



CRISTINA ESQUIVEL/THE PROSPECTOR

The "10 Squared: 100 Artists Celebrate the Centennial" exhibition will open on March 27 and continue until April 26 at the Rubin Center. Open house will take place from 4-7 p.m. on April 10.

will celebrate its own 10-year anniversary in 2015. During those 10 years, the center has hosted visiting artists from around the world in more than 100 exhibitions, commissions and installations.

"We are thrilled to be a part of UTEP's centennial celebrations," said Doyle. "The Rubin Center has a par-

ticular affinity for UTEP's commitment to access and excellence in the border region and we have created programming throughout 2014 that showcases how that commitment is reflected in the artistic and academic practices on campus."

"10 Squared: 100 Artists Celebrate the Centennial" will open March 27

and will be on display until April 26.

The awards ceremony for this exhibit, along with an open house, will take place from 4-7 p.m. April 10.

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REVIEW

Anson 11: too pricey for the average college student

BY JOSE SOTO

The Prospector

Anson 11 is located right at the heart of downtown, next to the Plaza Theatre and across from San Jacinto Plaza. It opened in December 2013.

Owners say the establishment offers a dining experience that will cater to the metamorphosis of downtown El Paso into a modern social hotspot.

According to history, Anson Mills, who served as an Army officer in the early 1900s, was an inventor, entrepreneur and land surveyor. He named our hometown and constructed the Anson Mills Building in 1911.

Mills was also, amongst his other impressive credentials, a food connoisseur. Fast forward more than 100 years, and the revamped building now houses Anson 11. The restaurant is financed by El Paso's multimillionaire and Western Refining founder Paul Foster.

Upon walking into Anson 11, you forget that you are in El Paso, with its beautifully decorated environment. Foster's wife, Alejandra de la Vega Foster, contracted both a New York designer and architect to design and develop the layout and aesthetics of the restaurant.

Although a bit cramped, the ambiance of Anson 11 is sui generis—unique to the city and a refreshing departure from the usual feel of local restaurants. With exemplary cleanliness and tidiness, the restaurant provides immediate visual appeal to the guest. Mantled on the back wall of the restaurant that is made to look like a bookshelf is a portrait of Mills himself—profiled in neon lights, the portrait presides over the dining guests.

Anson 11 is marketed as a fine dining experience normally found in big cities. The Anson Mills Building itself, having undertaken a multimillion-dollar renovation, is the mecca of the downtown revitalization.

Much hype has surrounded Anson 11 even before it opened its doors, with the word around town having it predestined to be the best restaurant in town. With many busy and interesting restaurants to compete with, Anson 11 was definitely given a big expectation to live up to.

One thing that is immediately apparent is its outstanding customer service. Upon entering, you are greeted by a well-dressed, well-groomed and well-mannered hostess. This quickly sets the sterling tone for the visit. Once you are seated, the waiter warmly introduces himself and



COURTESY OF ANSON 11

Anson 11 is located at 303 N. Oregon St. and is open Sun.-Wed. 11-12 a.m. and Thurs.-Sat. 10-1:30 a.m.

promptly offers to get you a drink. This exemplary service was exhibited throughout the whole visit. The waiter was always attentive and consistent with his friendly service.

The cocktail and wine menu at Anson 11 is superb, offering a variety of refreshing and interesting spirits and an extensive list of wines. The dining experience commences with a small

loaf of bread, complimented by a vinegar and spice fusion as a condiment, courtesy of the house. The list of appetizers, although not many, all sounded exquisite. I settled for the lettuce wraps: a subtle medley of yellow fin tuna, celery, avocado and spicy peanut salsa. Crisp and fresh, the wraps were both delicious and satisfying. Served in a set of three, the lettuce wraps were

ideal for a light choice while waiting for your main dish.

The appetizer menu also included queso fundido and a frito pie—which sounded equally as appetizing as the lettuce wraps. For my main dish, I chose the oven-roasted chicken. At first glance, it seemed rather dull, hav-

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ing no sides to accompany it, but once I began to dig in, I was delighted to see that that wasn't the case.

The chicken itself was slightly roasted, tender enough to glide through with a knife and juicy enough to satisfy the taste buds. Smothered in a bed of its own natural juices, it came with roasted Brussell sprouts, dates and a celery root puree.

Priced at \$18, however, it wasn't that grand of a chicken to cost that much. This is where Anson 11 disappoints. Yes, the food is highly recommended, but the prices, however, are not.

The oven-roasted chicken was one of the most expensive dishes on their menu, yet it wasn't anything distinctive to what is served elsewhere for a more reasonable price.

That's not to say that it wasn't good, it just wasn't spectacular. The lettuce wraps were priced at \$12 and although the yellow fin tuna was a surprising twist to other wraps found around town, it seems a tad pricey.

Don't get me wrong here, Anson 11 does offer and serve tasty food, but so do other places. It was expected that they would blow other local restaurants out of the water. Instead, Anson 11 overpriced the H2O.

Its menu was designed by Justin Sears, who has an impressive history of working in places like Florida, Japan and Thailand. Previously, Sears worked at The Greenery. Surprisingly, however, the food doesn't live up to the hype. As broke college students, we'd be better off opting to catch a bite to eat elsewhere. You pretty much are paying for the environment and the locale at Anson 11,

not so much for the delectable entrees and dishes.

Credit should be given though for the amazing customer service offered by Anson 11.

Everyone should try the restaurant at least once, just to check it off your list and see for yourself if it's to your liking. If you're strictly on a college student's budget, like most of us are, then perhaps you might consider saving up for this dining experience.

Still, Anson 11 should definitely be on El Paso's must-do list and it will surely thrive as downtown becomes the center for tourism and social life. I rate it three out of five picks.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

INDIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION—"HOLI"

Patio joining CCSB and Engineering Bldg 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

The Indian Student Association presents "HOLI," a famous Indian festival that marks the arrival of Spring, the season of hope and joy. This festival will take place Saturday, March 29, and friends and family are invited to attend. Entry ticket can be bought at the Ticket Center by March 28 for \$7 and \$10 at the door. Each ticket includes one packet of color, two balloons, one samosa (Indian snack) and a coke. It is free for children under the age of five. The colors are non-edible and non-hypoallergic.

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LIVING

Fair promotes campus health

BY AMBER GOMEZ

The Prospector

UTEP will celebrate National Nutrition month with a mini health fair 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. March 26 at the El Paso Natural Gas Conference Center. This will be the second of six fairs that the UTEP Wellness program and UTEP Human Resource Services Employee Benefits and Retirement Programs Office will offer during the spring and summer semesters.

"The purpose of having mini health fairs is to increase health and wellness awareness through providing screenings, education and prevention materials for the UTEP faculty, staff and students," University Wellness Manager Eileen Aguilar said.

The first health fair presented in the semester was on Valentine's Day to promote American Heart Month. This month is National Nutrition Month.

At this mini fair, students can expect to get their blood pressure checked for free, have cholesterol and glucose screenings and nutrition information will be available along with other activities including raffles, games, giveaways, free snacks and oral and cognitive screenings. There is also one more surprise.

"UTEP faculty and staff who are UTEP health plan members have the opportunity to take a 15 minute confidential survey that asks questions about their current health, diet, fitness, safety and lifestyle. Laptops will be available onsite, and if they do take it, they will receive a Centennial Portion Plate. Everyone will also have the opportunity to win prizes like water bottles, yoga mats, centennial salsa, and more," Aguilar said.

Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to attend this event to get to learn more about staying well and living a healthy lifestyle.

Learning more about your health is essential to a healthy lifestyle because the sooner a threat is detected, the better.

- University Wellness Manager Eileen Aguilar

"I'll try to make it out to this fair because it does a lot of good for the campus community," senior clinical laboratory major Derick Kalt said. "Preventive measures are important in healthy living and getting screened at the fair will let a lot of people know where their glucose and cholesterol levels are at. Health screenings and adopting lifestyle changes are simple steps everyone should take to live along healthy life."

There will be another health fair on April 11 at the Union East Breezeway that will focus on Alcohol Awareness.

"Attending health fairs are important because it serves as an effective, convenient way to provide students, faculty and staff with valuable health information and screenings," Aguilar said. "These health fairs offer a range of health information, screenings, and referrals that may help to identify potential health problems before they develop or worsen. Learning more about your health is essential to a healthy lifestyle because the sooner a threat is detected, the better."

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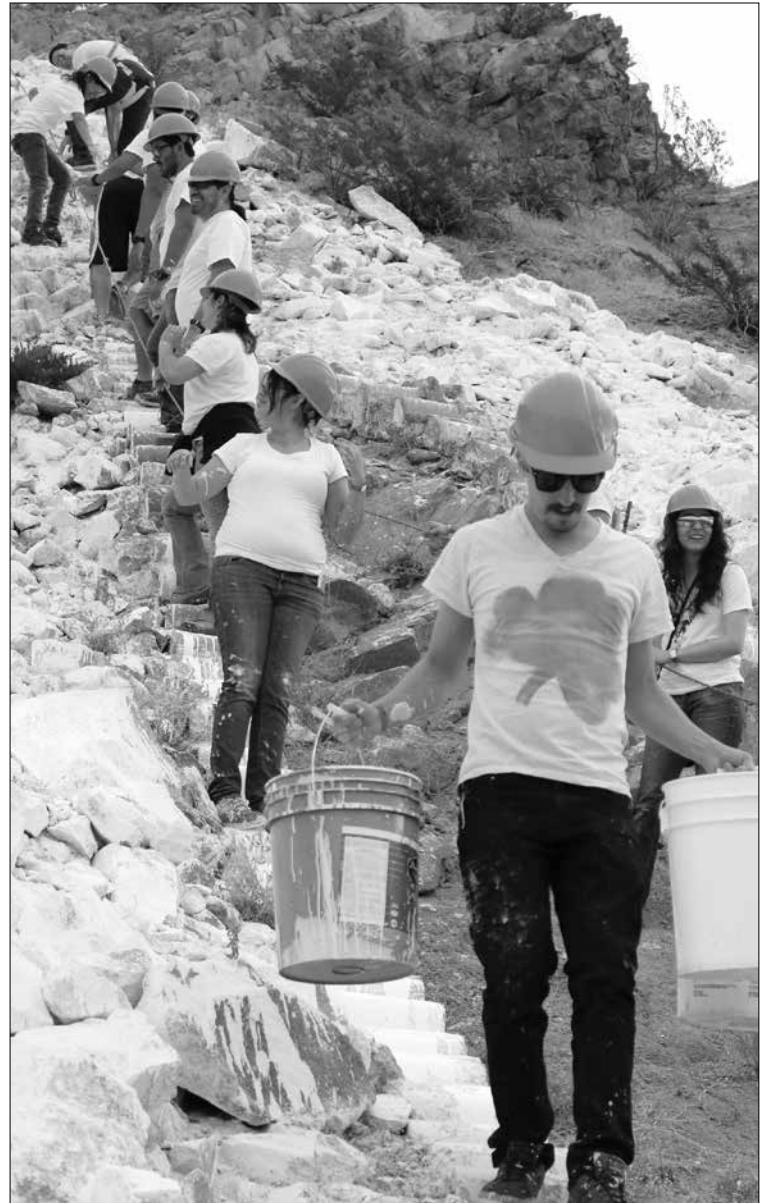
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SPORTS

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Learning to cope with adversity



MICHAELA ROMAN/THE PROSPECTOR

Freshman forward Vince Hunter sprints toward the paint in against ECU during their second round game of the Conference USA Tournament.

BY JAVIER CORTEZ

The Prospector

It goes without saying that the 2013-14 season was a crazy one for the UTEP men's basketball team. They have gone through any and every situation and in no sense of the word has their season been a typical one.

"We overcame a lot of things," said senior center John Bohannon. "We had 23 wins and that's something to

be proud of. It didn't quite end how we wanted it to, but through the circumstances I am proud of this team."

Along with Tyler Tafoya, Bohannon's career at UTEP has now come to an end. Bohannon, to no one's surprise, was emotional with the conclusion of the season, but ultimately he said he was grateful for his time at UTEP.

"It was a great four years and a great experience," Bohannon said. "It's had its ups and had its downs, but

throughout it all I loved it and I am appreciative of UTEP."

From a faraway view it would seem that the Miners underachieved. For the fourth-straight year the Miners missed out on playing in the NCAA tournament and finished the last 10 games in a tail spin. The casual Miner fan is probably disappointed by the results of this season.

Where there might be some truth to the Miners' downfall at the end of

the season, a closer look will show that the 2013-14 season was one of the best seasons the Miners have had in more than 20 years.

The only thing the Miners have lucked out on is the number of daunting injuries. With the loss of players by transferring, academic issues, de-committing and ultimately suspensions, the Miners have been through it all. Excuses were never made and the Miners still ended up winning 23 games and competing for a conference title.

"We had everyone against us early on," said junior forward Cedrick Lang. "I think we shocked some people, 20-plus wins is a pretty good season. We are disappointed though. We wanted to make the NCAA tournament, but we will come out better next year."

In some ways the Miners have overachieved with all they have been through and head coach Tim Floyd is proud of that fact.

"We were greedy and wanted more," Floyd said. "I'm proud that our guys didn't fold in December. We had a good group of kids and this team gave a lot of people hope. Hope is a great thing and it's something to look forward to."

After the December 28 debacle that saw UTEP lose three players, the Miners, to most people's surprise, played their best basketball during the aftermath. The Miners had an eight-game winning streak and at one point were on top in the Conference USA standings.

It will go unknown to most just how well the Miners played, especially certain individuals.

Junior guards C.J. Cooper and Julian Washburn played the whole year without solid backups, practically playing every minute of the game. Forwards Vince Hunter and Bohannon had to guard down a position, taking on the tougher task of playing against quicker, smaller players. Freshman center Matt Willms played the whole season with a torn labrum (shoulder).

The one solid role player that the Miners had all season long was Cedrick Lang, meaning the Miners basically played with a six-man rotation since January. In total, the Miners ended up with only eight players on scholarship and took on two football players, Alvin and Aaron Jones.

The Miners will now look to next year, which seems promising due to the players they have coming back and coming in.

"We have Washington State, Arizona, Colorado State rolling in here and we have a big tournament in Anaheim next year," Floyd said. "We hope we will have guys that come back as improved players, in addition to the younger guys we have coming in. Hopefully, we should be ready to go and try to compete for an NCAA berth."

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FEATURE

Thornton finishes as the best in school's history

BY JAVIER CORTEZ

The Prospector

Players come and go—it's a cyclical process that happens every four years. There are fan favorites and good players that come along, but senior forward Kayla Thornton is one of those players who comes along once in a lifetime.

"It's been great having her," said women's basketball head coach Keitha Adams. "She's a great competitor, player and person. She has a lot of personality and there is never a dull moment. I have truly enjoyed her and she is a great young lady."

Adams said that if you have had the privilege of watching Kayla Thornton since her high school days, you will know that not much has changed for the El Paso native. In her days at Irvin High School, Thornton was stronger, faster and bigger than everyone else.

"My goals have always been toward getting better and improving my game," Thornton said. "I always wanted to succeed and play basketball after my college years. My hard work and dedication has brought me to where I am."

Set to finish her illustrious career at the Women's National Invitational Tournament, she has left her mark here at UTEP. Thornton has established herself as one of the greatest, if not the greatest female basketball player to wear a UTEP uniform, she is also one of the greatest athletes to

step foot on this campus in the last 20 years.

"She is one of the best athletes that I have ever coached," Adams said. "She has definitely put herself in the situation to be talked about as one of the top players in our program's history."

Over her four-year career, Thornton has set many marks and is now the proud owner of many records. Thornton has imbedded herself in the UTEP history books. Thornton is the all-time leader in points, rebounds, career double-doubles, and has been part of the winningest class in UTEP women's basketball history.

"I give thanks to God because without him none of this would happen," Thornton said. "My dedication and competitiveness and how much I love this game has made everything fall in place."

With all the individual accolades and record-breaking numbers, Thornton will be the first to tell you she did not foresee the constant success in her future.

"I never thought I was going to be the all-time leading scorer, it never crossed my mind," Thornton said. "I guess when you stay on track and have God on your side you can do things like that."

With her career at UTEP coming to a close, the next step besides graduating is professional basketball, which is something Thornton is hoping for and looking forward to no matter where she plays.

“She’s a great competitor, player and person. She has a lot of personality and there is never a dull moment. I have truly enjoyed her and she is a great young lady.”

— Keitha Adams, women's basketball head coach.

"I don't go out there trying to search for things, I just let things fall in place for me," Thornton said. "I'm going to go and work hard and hopefully it goes good. I would like to stay in the states and play for a WNBA team, but wherever God has me go, I am definitely going to play professional basketball."

Adams has had experience with WNBA prospects and has coached plenty of quality players and future

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Senior forward Kayla Thornton makes a jump shot over a Saint Mary's defender in the WNIT.

TRACK AND FIELD

Outdoor season opens with Springtime Meet

BY JAVIER CORTEZ

The Prospector

Coming off a successful indoor season for both the men's and women's track and field team, the Miners hosted their first outdoor meet — the UTEP Springtime Meet at Kidd Field.

The UTEP Springtime Meet is considered more of a warm-up event to the Texas Relays and the UTEP Invitational that will follow. Both the men's and women's did not have their full squad in competition on March 22, but the Miners that did compete showed promise.

On the women's side, freshman Florence Uwakwe and Aiyanna Stiverne finished first and third respec-



I am happy we for the season started...The team will get it together and pick it up for the weeks to come.



- Mika Laaksonen, Track and Field head coach

tively in the women's 400-meter dash. Stiverne finished with a personal best of 55.59 seconds and Uwakwe set the fastest time in the nation for 2014 with a staggering 52.79 seconds.

"I thought Florence was pretty solid in the 400," said head coach Mika Laaksonen. "But to be honest I expected a little bit more out of the team as a whole, but the wind was a factor. I still thought we would get more reasonable results all around."

Despite Laaksonen's surprise, he was not worried with the Miners picking it up in the weeks to come.

"I am happy we got the season started," Laaksonen said. "We didn't have any major injuries. Everyone was healthy so that is a good thing. I know this meet doesn't necessarily mean anything so the team will get it together and pick it up for the weeks to come."

One Miner who was not happy with his performance was senior Abiola Onakoya. The Nigeria native finished second in the men's 400-meter dash, Onakoya led most of the race but was tracked down by Western Texan College sprinter Rashard Clark.

"I could have had a better performance," Onakoya said. "Sometimes you feel like you can do better but today was not my day. I've had back issues that I have been battling for the past three weeks so that did not help, but I am working really hard to get it right."

Despite Onakoya's disappointment there were still good results to go around. The Miners swept



TANIA MORAN/THE PROSPECTOR

Senior runner Abiola sprints in the final stretch of the 400-meter run on March 22 at Kidd Field.

first through third in the women's 100-meter hurdles and took second in the women's 4x400-meter relay. Junior Monica Lopez took first in the women's triple jump.

Freshman Evans Kiprono dominated the men's 5000-meter run finishing 25 seconds faster than the second place finisher. Sophomore Sven Zellner won the men's 110-meter hurdles. The men's relay teams took third in the 4x100-meter relay and 4x400-meter relay.

In addition to the success on the men's side, former Miners All-American and two-time Olympian Mikael

Hanany set the French national record in the men's high jump with a jump of 2.36 meters (7.74 feet).

The Miner of the day was freshman sensation Cosmas Boit. Boit took home first in the men's 800-meter run and dominated the men's 1500-meter run. Boit finished with a time of 3 minutes, 51.18 seconds on March 22, giving him the 10th fastest time in the nation for the 1500-meter run.

"I felt pretty good," Boit said. "Overall, I think I did my best. The pace was kind of slow (referring to the 1500-meter race) but I had to move forward and improve my time.

It was the fastest time in the 1500, so I feel pretty good about it."

The Miners will now go on the road to Austin, Texas for the Texas Relays, which is a three day event with some of the best schools in the nation. Shortly after that, the Miners will be at the Stanford Invitational and the Texas Tech Open in early April before returning home for the UTEP Invitational.

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SOFTBALL

UTEP swept by North Texas, fall to tenth place

BY LUIS BARRIO

The Prospector

UTEP was riding the momentum of a three-game sweep March 15 and 16 against Louisiana Tech, coming into the three-game home series against North Texas. This Mean Green team was at the top of the Conference USA standings.

The Miners dropped all three games of the series, but would not walk away without having learned something from the defeat.

"This weekend was a setback," said senior Colleen Hohman. "But it was also a learning experience."

The action began March 21 with a doubleheader. The Miners put themselves in great position to climb back and win the ball game. The Mean Green went up 5-1 early going into the bottom of the third inning by

North Texas' Brooke Foster hitting a solo homer in the first, followed in the top of the third by a Jackie Miller three-run triple.

The Miners felt no despair and the rally mode turned on when junior Ashley Eldridge found the gap on a single and brought in her teammate, junior Samantha Alviallar. The Miners trailed by two runs with one out. Soon after that, the excitement grew yet again as the bases were loaded, but UTEP left all three runners stranded.

The Miners found themselves down again at 8-3 in the final seventh inning, but the rallying spirit would return.

A triple by Eldridge was followed by a run scored, as sophomore Kawehiokalani Netane lined a single off the first baseman.

Immediately following, UTEP scored another run, but a base run-



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- Colleen Hohman, senior pitcher/infielder

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With the three losses to North Texas the Miners fall to tenth place in Conference USA with a 4-5 league record, 12-20 overall.

TENNIS

Miners fall to Lobos, Aggies

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On March 22-23, the UTEP women's tennis team fell short during a rivalry weekend. On March 22 the Miners lost to No. 66 New Mexico, and on March 23, New Mexico State beat the Miners by the slimmest of margins.

Despite good individual play over the weekend by senior Rebecca Calvillo and junior Davina Meza, the overall mood of the team after Sunday's loss was gloomy.

"It was really tough," Meza said. "We were really looking forward to these matches. Individually I am happy with myself, as a team though, it still hurts, but we will have to look forward to next week."

Meza's individual success, along with her doubles partner Rebecca Calvillo, cannot be stressed enough. Over their past 10 singles matches both Calvillo and Meza are a combined 16-4 and 12-3 in dual matches for doubles.

Overall Calvillo and Meza are 20-8 in doubles together, which is impressive knowing that they have been playing less than a year together.

"They have been doing really well together," said tennis head coach Myriam Sopol. "They have a great chemistry and they play really well together. They know what to expect from each other and they have each other's back."

Sadly the same thing cannot be said for the rest of the Miners. Even though Calvillo and Meza went undefeated over the weekend, the rest of the team struggled at times and lost some heartbreaking matches.

Against New Mexico, the doubles team of Marie LeBlond and Daphne Visscher lost 8-7 (10-8) in the super tiebreaker. Losing 10-8 in a super tiebreaker in tennis is the equivalent of losing a basketball game 100-98 in overtime.

Then against New Mexico State, Gabi Vazquez nearly pulled off a tremendous comeback from 5-1 down in the final set, but eventually lost 6-4 in the third set. On both days the Miners were a win short of sweeping their two-day home stand.

"It was definitely tough," Sopol said. "Some matches were really close. None of them were taken for granted--close sets, close points and close calls. It is frustrating and they are hard losses, but we're going to rise from this and keep working really hard."

After finishing February on a strong note, winning five of their last six matches, the Miners have now hit a dry spell. The Miners are 2-5 in the month of March, playing on the road and playing tougher opponents can help explain, but the team is not settling.

"There is something that has to be changed on the team," Calvillo said. "Hopefully we can get motivated and believe in ourselves a little bit more, but we need to find out what is happening to why we can't win these close matches."

Luckily for the Miners, for the rest of March and part of April they will be at home for the rest of the season. After their four-week home stands the Miners will travel to Norfolk, Va., for the Conference USA Championships.

Even though the Miners lost two heartbreaking matches to their rivals, Sopol is going to take the positive out of the weekend and motivate the team to get better.

"We're going to keep working really hard and keep going strong," Sopol said. "The focus right now is conference play, these close losses mean that we can sure up and play well against the best teams. The mood is still positive and the girls know we still have work to do."

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ning mishap by the Miners resulted in a double-play for North Texas, which ended the game at 8-5.

"It was right there," said head coach Tobin Echo-Hawk. "That one mistake, base running at the end, killed the rally late for us. But there were some crucial plays here and there that we probably should have made."

In the end, the run support was not there against a good hitting team of North Texas.

In game two of the double-header, the Miners were no match. North Texas' Lauren Poole was on the mound. She pitched a shutout in six innings. She walked no batters and allowed just three hits. A little help from her teammates and this contest was over early.

The Miners fell 8-0, allowing the Mean Green to get 12 hits.

On Saturday in the final bout, the Miners dug a hole in the first inning that proved too deep to dig out of. North Texas jumped to a quick 4-0 lead in the first inning.

Runners need to be in a scoring position to give teams a chance to score.

Hohman walked six batters and three straight batters in the first inning.

With Hohman being a pitcher and a big power hitter for the Miners, in the second inning, she smashed the ball to deep left center field that ricocheted off the mountain. This was Hohman's sixth homer of the season.

The other part of the Miners' offense came from senior infielder Miraya Montiel. She went 3-3 with a double. Another homer in the game came from Alanna Leasau.

"We didn't hit bad," Echo-Hawk said. "We had 10 hits, which equaled their hits. Our hits weren't timely hits like we've had in the past, but we got ourselves into trouble giving up too many walks."

Hohman pitched four-and-a-third innings in the 11-4 loss. This game completed the sweep for the Green Wave.

The Miners move to 12-20 overall with a 4-5 conference record. They will move forward and rematch with the New Mexico State Aggies in Las Cruces on March 25.

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pros in her time. Adams certainly believes Thornton has a shot at the next level.

"I think Kayla can definitely play professional basketball," Adams said. "She has put up good enough numbers and has gained a lot of experience and there will be an opportunity for her to play. She definitely has the ability to play pro ball."

Whatever Thornton does in the future and however the season ends for the Miners, Thornton wants to be

remembered as loyal and hardworking no matter what.

"I just want to be remembered as the girl that would always have your back," Thornton said. "Every night I will go out there and fight for you and be competitive to the end. No matter what the situation is, I'm always going to fight."

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