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TWO TEAMS TWO DIFFERENT PATHS



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BY JAVIER CORTEZ

The Prospector

Basketball season has rolled around again and the mounting expectations are looming for the 2014-15 UTEP men's basketball team. Coming off a 23-11 season and with only one player departing from last year's squad, head coach Tim Floyd's Miners have the decks stacked in their favor.

In the offseason coach Floyd addressed the Miners biggest problem from the 2013-14 season—lack of depth in the backcourt. Instead of looking for a single backup for senior point guard C.J. Cooper, Floyd signed three guards with impressive high school resumes—Trey Touchet, Omega Harris, and Lew Stallworth. Floyd remarked in early October that the heavy recruitment of guards pertains to his theory of life.

"One of my theories in life—everything in excess," Floyd said. "We don't have point guards, so we said let's go sign four of them. We got a lot of guys that are capable of playing in the backcourt this year."

In the Orange & White scrimmage this past Saturday on Nov. 1, freshman guards Harris and Stallworth showed that there wouldn't be any backcourt problems to come

in the next four years. The combination of Harris and Stallworth can prove to be lethal but more importantly prototypical.

Whereas Stallworth plays the classic role of a pass first, vocal, point guard who doesn't turn the ball over, Harris plays perfectly off Stallworth as a great off the ball guard who can score from outside or get to the basket off the dribble.

The immediate comparison that fans will attribute to Harris is that of Randy Culpepper—an undersized scoring guard who could score from long range, get to the basket, and dazzle the fans with fast break dunks. Coach Floyd went a step further and compared Harris to UTEP legend Hernell "Jeep" Jackson—a defensive stalwart during his four years in El Paso and a fan favorite.

"I've compared him to Jeep Jackson," Floyd said. "I think we're looking at a lot of that same kind of speed and flare. He has a chance to be a great player here one day. I don't know when it will happen, but some day he has a chance."

“We’re going to play hard, that’s all we can promise and we’ll let the stats speak for itself. Just at the end of the day, we’re going to play hard and bring intensity.”

- Camaesha Turner,
junior guard women's
basketball team

BY JAVIER CORTEZ

The Prospector

After a historic season that saw the UTEP women's basketball team soar to new heights, the 2014-15 squad will be drastically different in terms of players, excitement, fan support and on-court success.

There is a massive hole left once the season ended last April. The Miners lost three seniors, but not your three run-of-the-mill seniors; they lost the winningest senior class in the history of the program—Kayla Thornton, Kelli Willingham and Kristine Vitola.

Thornton was arguably the best female player to ever wear the orange and blue, Willingham is the program's all-time leader in 3-point field goals made, and Vitola is the all-time leader in games played and third all-time in blocks. Then an even bigger blow came, junior guard Jenzel Nash, who was second on the team in points per game last season is out for the season as she is expecting her first child.

To recap, the Lady Miners lost their four best scorers, two best rebounders, best-shot blocker and their best long-range shooter. Although the fan support is usually scarce for the women's team, the few loyal fans that do support the team have become accustomed to winning season after winning season under head coach Keitha Adams.

When three seniors graduated that means that leadership has left as well. Senior guard Stacie Telles said she is willing to fill that void along with fellow senior Chrishauna Parker.

"As a senior point guard, I have to try to step up and lead this team," Telles said. "CP (Chrishauna Parker) is also helping me with that. When us two get together we just try to keep everyone focused and ready to go."

Like the men's basketball head coach Tim Floyd, coach Adams does not have it easy before the confer

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Miners put on a show in Orange & White scrimmage

BY JASON GREEN
The Prospector

There was no Drake to introduce coach Tim Floyd like there was at the University of Kentucky. Nobody came out to the court dressed in KISS makeup like they did at Michigan State, and there weren't any motorcycle wrecks like Tubby Smith's at Texas Tech.

This was the fourth annual Orange and White scrimmage that officially kicks off the men's basketball season. Although the theatrics and celebrity appearances were lacking when compared to other schools, the game itself probably outdid anything that you will see at other schools. When it comes down to it, would you rather have second-rate celebrities or a chance for the fans and coach Floyd to get a look at what we have to look forward to this season?

UTEP is always at a disadvantage when it comes to having a fired-up group of young students to get rowdy at things like the Orange and White scrimmage. UTEP is a commuter campus and the student body is scattered around all of El Paso during most weekends. This is why schedul-

ing the scrimmage just before a home football game was probably a very good idea. The attendance seemed to be about the same as last year.

Perhaps advertising it as a scrimmage is selling it short. The slam-dunk competition and 3-point shootout took place prior to the game. The crowd, which was smaller than any home game will be this season, was still arriving during the two very entertaining competitions. Those people who got to the Don Haskins Center 20 minutes late may not have any idea that junior center Hooper Vint can even shoot the 3, much less make it to the finals of the shootout.

If the chance to get a look at the incoming freshman such as Omega Harris and Terry Winn or the chance to see the seniors such as Cedric Lang and Julian Washburn in one more scrimmage isn't enough, who knows if loud hip-hop music and spotlights is going to change anything. That being said, perhaps making it look like a little more than a well-organized practice could help to get people a little more excited.

For die-hard basketball fans such as sophomore history major Hannah Timberlake, the show takes a back-

seat to just getting a preview of this year's team.

"It was way more than what I was expecting," Timberlake said. "I was very impressed with both teams. I enjoyed the dunk contest and the 3-point contest."

UTEP doesn't need over-the-top theatrics—it's their style. That's not to say that introducing the lineup with a spotlight on the individual players wouldn't help. At least the crowd would get a chance to put a face to the name-speaking of names, it would have also helped to have the Don Haskins Center's usual announcer as well. Freshman guard Trey Touchet was called Terry Touchet a few times, and the lack of enthusiasm from the announcer put a damper on the festivities more than the late-arriving crowd.

The players made sure that the lack of theatrics and familiarity with the roster didn't keep the crowd out of it. The theatrics were entirely provided by the White team and it was better than anything that Drake could have done. Coach Floyd was impressed by the energy in the building following an epic come back by the White team.

"It was fantastic," Floyd said. "They were excited and chanting. It wasn't like an all-star game, to where people don't know who to cheer for. They were in on every play. I doubt we'll have a game in this building all year long as exciting as the orange and white scrimmage. It was fantastic."

The crowd may have arrived late from their tailgating prior to the football game, but they weren't disappointed by what they saw when they did arrive. The White team was led by freshman point guard Lew Stallworth and freshman combo guard Omega Harris. Their comeback from more than 20 points down to win the game in double overtime has some season ticket holders such as Chris Estrada excited about the future.

"The two that surprised me were Lew Stallworth and Omega Harris," Estrada said. "I could see Lew running the point and Omega Harris at the two guard. That's a good combination right there. We are very excited for this season."

Timberlake also came away impressed by Stallworth as well.

"He was awesome," Timberlake said. "He played good defense, played good offense. He could steal a ball,

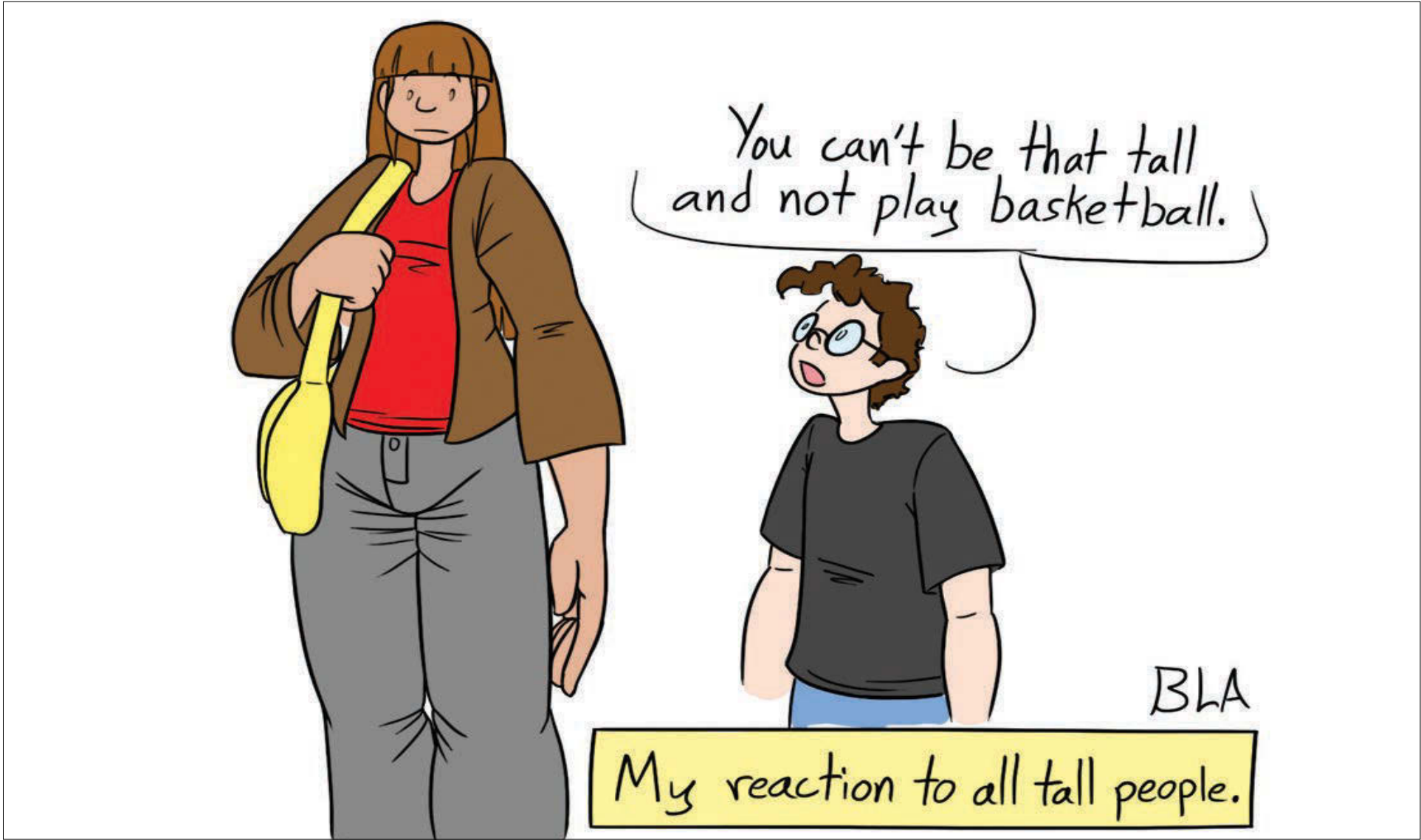
run a fast break. Just all around really good. Great hustle."

The fans of the only basketball team in Texas to win an NCAA championship probably don't need more than just good basketball to get butts in the seats. We have good basketball here and that's what the intelligent UTEP sports fan wants to see.

You don't need Drake or motorcycles to get you fired up for the season if you are a Miner fan. All you need is Stallworth running the point to perfection, Lang dominating down low, and maybe even Winn hitting the game-winning free throw at the end of double overtime. It is good basketball that brings in the fans and every year the Orange and White scrimmage is bringing in more and more.

If the scrimmage is any indicator, the fans aren't going to want to arrive late anymore. They definitely aren't going to want to leave early. This season began with an amazing scrimmage and looks like it will end with a tournament run—and hopefully a few more butts in the seats at the Don Haskins Center.

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El Paso remains politically and socially inactive

BY MARIA ESQUINCA
The Prospector

Nov. 5 marks the celebration of Guy Fawkes Day, which commemorates the Gunpowder Plot conspirators, a group of Roman Catholics led by Robert Catesby, who attempted to blow up the Parliament in England to fight for religious freedom.

Since the 1600s, the iconic angular white Guy Fawkes mask has taken on a larger meaning and has become symbolic of activist groups protesting inequalities such as the Occupy Wall Street movement and other political movements. Many would go so far as to say El Paso is quiet when it comes to local activism.

Eric Chavez, senior psychology major, was involved in the Occupy El Paso movement, which focused on border issues such as immigration and violence in Ciudad Juárez.

However, the movement eventually broke up due to challenges unique to the border city.

"The city is notoriously known to be apathetic when it comes to political stuff. There wasn't support there since the beginning," Chavez said. "That's the nature of El Paso, it's hard to mobilize people and it's because we're a working class."

According to data by the El Paso Association of Realtors, 40.5 percent of the population is made up of blue-collar workers and only 16.8 percent have a bachelor's degree, while 23.9 percent did not complete high school.

"This is a working-class society, basic survival has trumped activism," Chavez said.

These unique factors in El Paso have led some to have a bleak view of activism in the city.

El Paso is notoriously politically inactive. The city has one of the lowest voter-turnout rates in the entire country. According to the Secretary of State's Office, only 9.5 percent of El Paso's registered voters turned out for 2014's early voting. El Paso is the only large Texas county to have a turnout below 10 percent.

"We want change, but a small group of people—of passionate individuals—can't do everything," said Stephen Contreras, senior nursing major. "They and their ideas can't flourish. Hence, why people say El Paso sucks."

Emily Roth, staff member at Annunciation House, a migrant house for undocumented immigrants, said population might also be a factor that affects the community's view of activism.

"You think of us (activist groups) as a big protest march with thousands of people marching down the city and you don't see a lot of that," Roth said.

Despite the perception that El Paso is a non-participatory city, sociology and anthropology professor, Josiah Heyman, stressed that El Paso has a strong active community.

"We're not at all lacking in activism. The activism here is reflective of being on the border," Heyman said.

Some organizations with strong activist components include the Border Network for Human Rights, the Border Farm Workers Center, La Mujer Obrera and the Annunciation House, among others.

"We have the type of activism that comes out of being in the border and there's a lot of it," Heyman said.

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(Top) Guy Fawkes Day will take place Nov. 5. (Bottom) Protesters begin picketing in front of the Abraham Chavez Theater for the start of the Occupy El Paso Movement.

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2014 ACA enrollment to rise with increase seen from college students

BY JOSE SOTO
The Prospector

Starting Nov. 15, people can begin signing up for an affordable health-care plan as enrollment for the second year of the Affordable Care Act opens. Under the ACA, consumers may now enroll and purchase a plan that best suits their health needs.

In 2013, the act expanded the number of Americans with health insurance by 10 million. Although it had a rocky start—mainly due to glitches on the official website—the ACA has allowed for access to health coverage

for many people. It is expected that the number of enrolled Americans will continue to increase this second time around.

Enroll America is a non-profit, non-partisan organization whose mission is to maximize the number of American's enrolled and help them receive health coverage. They also try to help consumers be knowledgeable about the facts and options of enrollment.

Jose Medrano, the Texas border region leader with Enroll America, recently spent five days in El Paso help-

ing increase awareness of the act and enrollment in the borderland.

“Like Brownsville, El Paso is a border city,” Medrano said. “This demographic is crucial to the expansion of enrollment because there are many individuals who perhaps do not understand the concept and function of the act. That is what we are trying to establish here, a general understanding.”

Medrano also said that certain factors such as language barriers and low income within a community are integral for the organization to address in order to provide them with the adequate information.

“Certain circumstances allow people to be eligible for certain plans, marketplaces, etc.,” Medrano said. “This is why we try and host as many events in order to provide this information for the community.”

Although enrollment for 2013 ended in March of last year and this year's enrollment commences on Nov. 15, Medrano said that certain predicaments could allow for someone to qualify for what is known as special enrollment. This can include a termination from a job, bearing a child and death of a spouse.

Monica Gaytan, Texas community lead organizer for Enroll America, said that the organization has been conducting community outreach by tabling at events and recruiting volunteers. Gaytan said that they have also been collaborating with partners, Enroll El Paso Coalition, to ensure an easy and accessible enrollment process.

“Some important factors that people should know are the documents they need to have and bring when enrolling. This includes their passport,

social security, income tax, pay stubs, etc.,” Gaytan said. “We encourage the community to get informed and ask questions by attending informational events on the Affordable Care Act to know and understand what the Health Marketplace Insurance is, as well as to visit enrollment sites and the website.”

Jeorgina Balderrama, senior nursing

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- Jose Medrano,
Texas border region leader
with Enroll America

major, is enthusiastic about health care reform. She said that this act will change the way the entire health system works, from the governmentally run health care agencies to the doctor's office.

“This act is something that is going to affect the entire health care system and all of its users,” Balderrama said. “I truly believe that everyone should have the opportunity for health care and should know of the opportunities to receive it.”

Balderrama also said that as a nursing student, she believes that health

promotion and prevention is the only way to optimal health. With more people being able to afford health care, Balderrama said that the public's general health will improve, since people can afford procedures such as yearly check-ups and immunizations.

“Any means that creates an easier route for people to have these opportunities should be considered and promoted to the community,” Balderrama said. “Being knowledgeable about the ACA, as controversial as it may seem, can help people determine the best way to receive health care.”

Medrano said that it is important for college students such as the ones at UTEP to understand and comprehend the process of enrollment in order to assist other people, especially family members.

“The student body, like the one at UTEP, is integral to us because they are extremely helpful at relaying the information to older family members, who perhaps do not speak English or do not understand the process,” Medrano said. “Also, this demographic is susceptible to circumstances that might entail them to enroll for health care under ACA. College students are a group expected to be one of the highest enrolling class this time around.”

For more information about Enroll America, visit enrollamerica.org. For more information on the Affordable Care Act and to enroll, visit healthcare.gov. Medrano and Gaytan encouraged students to visit the Student Health Center, located at the Union East Building, room 100, for more information.

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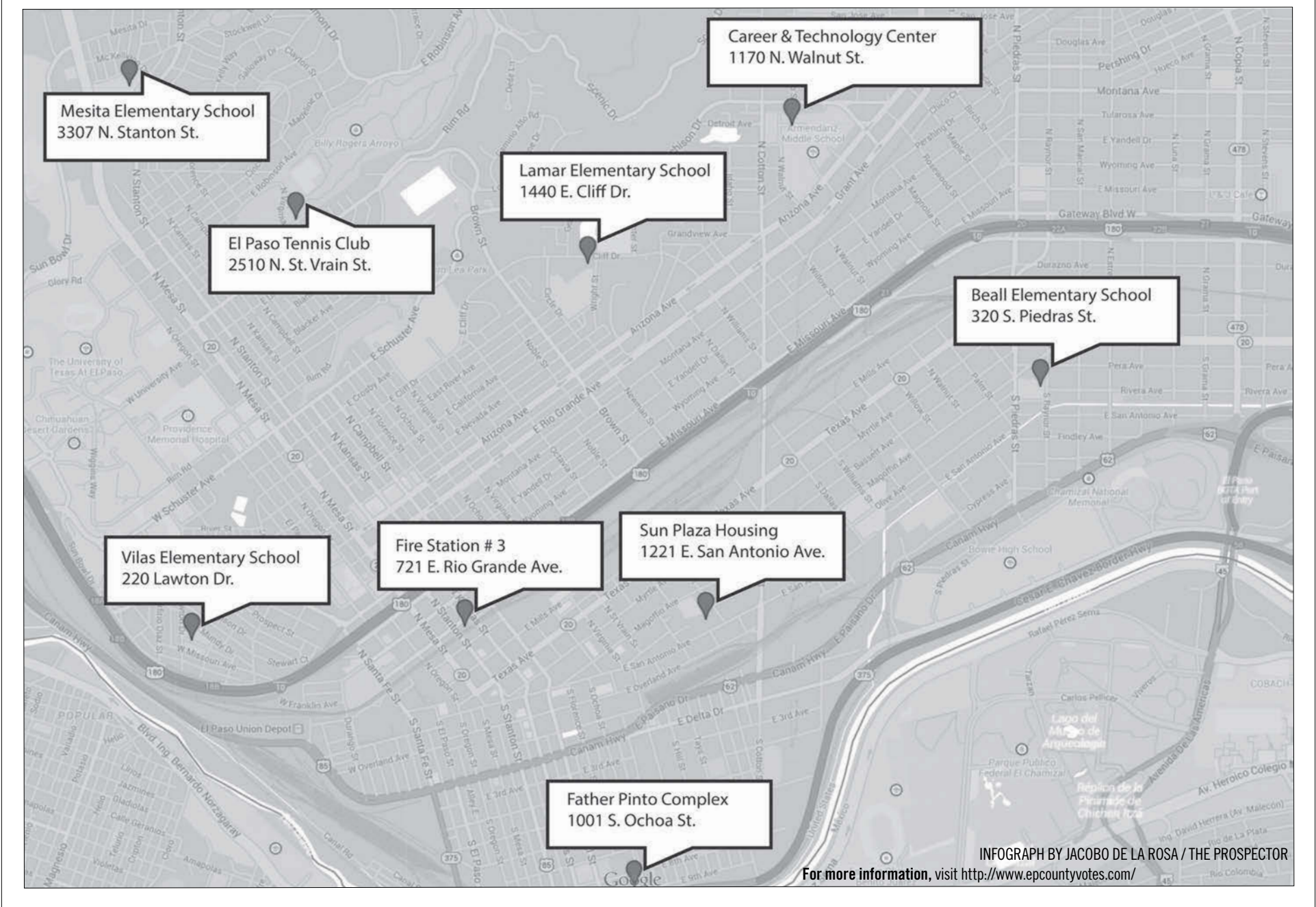


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Election process still has room for improvement nationwide

BY LORAIN WATTERS
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WASHINGTON – Long lines, broken machines and untrained poll workers may not be a thing of the past. Two reports have examined these issues and more to make states aware about what they can improve for midterm elections.

“Did We Fix That?”

Released Tuesday, this report analyzed 10 swing states and whether they have improved since the 2012 election or what they still need to work on. The analysis was done in these swing states because elections are expected to be particularly close and because more voters may turn up than at most midterm elections.

“No one state that we reviewed failed to implement any of the recommendations, but no one state implemented them all, either. We imagine that this is true for the rest of the states,” said Allegra Chapman, director of voting and election at Common Cause and co-author of the report, “Did We Fix That?”

Common Cause analyzed recommendations of the Presidential Commission on Election Administration, established in 2013 to improve voters’ experiences.

Colorado was the most “satisfactory” of the 10 states in adopting the commission’s 19 recommendations.

Colorado has done the most since 2012 to provide the most options for voters – voting in person, dropping a ballot in the mail or in a secure drop-off location and allowing voters to register and vote on the same day.

“These reforms allow voters a number of options and not obstacles and should be emulated across the country,” Chapman said.

Elections Performance Index

This Pew Charitable Trusts report evaluated election performance for 2008 and 2012, including wait times for voters in all 50 states.

Rhode Island had a five-minute wait time in 2008, which went up to 12 minutes in 2012.

“We’ve taken steps for this election to help voters get through the line – giving instructions to poll workers to tell voters to have their ID ready, making sure they are in the correct line and making sure the voters are in the right place to vote,” Miguel Nunez, planning specialist for the Rhode Island Board of Elections, said.

Montana’s wait time in 2008 was six minutes and went up to 16 minutes in 2012. Florida had a wait time of 28 minutes in 2008, which rose to 45 minutes in 2012.

“After working with the legislature in 2013, effective and historic changes to elections laws now give Florida’s voters more access. This included increasing voting hours and expanding early voting locations,” Brittany Lesser, communications director for the Florida Department of State, said in a statement.

Lisa Kimmert, deputy for the Montana Elections Division, said that the ballot for the 2012 election had five issues that were lengthy and complex.

“This year’s ballot only has two issues, so we aren’t anticipating long wait times,” she said. “We have had practice training with all counties on how polling places should be set up,

we will set up check-ins and have an app that lets voters see where they should vote based on where they are registered.”

The Common Cause report also dealt with long waits.

“This report is a tool for election officials to look at and fix their own process, specifically long lines on election day,” Stephen Spaulding, policy counsel at Common Cause and co-author of the report, said. “Adopting some of these recommendations wouldn’t cost an exorbitant amount of money – such as online voter registration would actually save money in the long run.”

One of the recommendations was to expand opportunities for early voting or no-fault absentee voting.

The report rated Alaska, Arkansas, Florida, North Carolina and Pennsylvania unsatisfactory for not providing online voter registration.

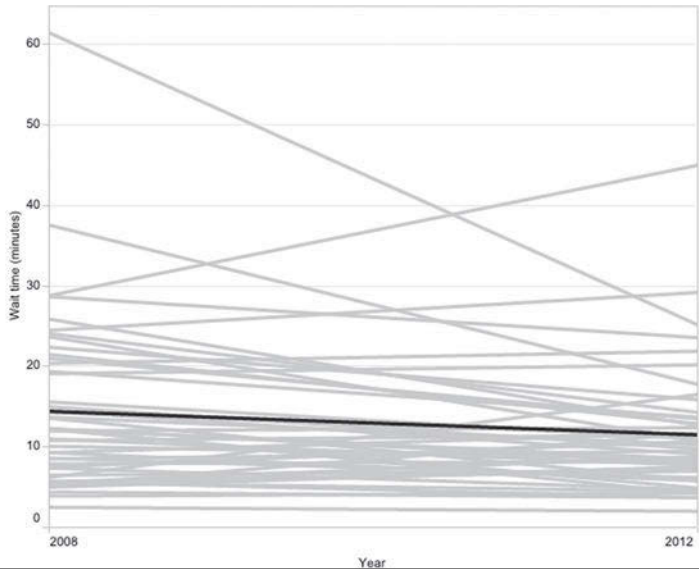
The presidential commission recommended that states adopt online voter registration and improve the way voter registration agencies, including departments of motor vehicles, sync driver’s license registration data with statewide voter registration lists.

The commission said instructions for using voting machines needed to be in plain language, and the machines should work. All states scored unsatisfactory for this recommendation. Spaulding said that some machines were found to be running on 2005 technology.

“If we keep allowing this, the machines will break down catastrophically,” he said.

How long did it take to vote?

Each state’s average polling place wait times in the 2008 and 2012 presidential elections



SPECIAL TO THE PROSPECTOR

Nationally, the average voting wait time has gone from 14.43 minutes in 2008, to 11.51 minutes in 2012. In Texas, the average wait time has increased slightly from 12 minutes in 2008 to 12.4 min in 2012. The state with the most drastic increase is Florida, where the average wait time went from 28.8 min in 2008, to 45 min. in 2012.

Poll worker need better training and should be recruited from public and private sector employees, high schools and colleges, the commission said.

Chapman said poll workers need to be properly trained by election day, and training for poll workers needs to be standardized statewide. This will prevent confusion among voters, over such things as what kind of ID is needed.

“The failure of providing bilingual poll workers needs to also be taken into account since our demographics are rapidly changing. We need to make sure that these polls are accessible to all regardless of voters’ fluency,” Chapman said.

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Orange and White basketball scrimmage



1. Freshman guard Omega Harris dribbles the ball down the court. 2. The Orange team watches their fellow teammates compete in the dunk contest. 3. Sophomore forward Vince Hunter attempts a between the legs dunk in the dunk contest. 4. Senior guard C.J. Cooper drives to the basket. 5. Omega Harris attempts a dunk on his way to winning the dunk contest. 6. Junior guard Earvin Morris attempts to block senior guard Julian Washburn's layup.

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BY LUIS BARRIO
The Prospector

Today's culture is infested with television and web searches. It seems today, the majority of writing comes by way of social media, where users express their feelings at that moment. Reading books is seemingly being replaced by reading tweets and online articles.

November is National Novel Writing Month, a challenge that provides an outlet for writers to sit and brainstorm with others enthusiastic about the art of writing.

Participants of NaNoWriMo are attempting to write a 50,000-word novel in a month. The idea is to write about 1,500 words per day.

While serving one of his two tours in Vietnam in the 199th light infantry with the U.S. Army, Merle Burbaugh was on duty in Long Bang Town, located in the Guangxi province of China. He was a guard on duty and it was raining when his thoughts began to circulate. He began to write about how aliens controlled the weather. With no paper, he found some brown toilet paper and began to write. Once completed, he wrapped it in an enve-

lope and sent it back to his mother in the U.S. This was the first creative writing he had done.

His "We Were Legends" novel is his most famous. It is a science-fiction comedy story about an astronaut who crash lands on a planet and most likely may never retrace his way back home. A witty sense of humor adds to the likability. Among his other books are "Circle of Seven" and "The Bounty Hunter."

He has been retired since 1988, but continues to write. Before the crack of dawn is when Burbaugh, who is 69 years old, likes to begin his writing.

"I like to write about things that are impossible. I get these weird ideas, I write them and send them out," Burbaugh said. "Anybody can write, not everybody can write well. It doesn't hurt anybody to sit down and write."

Burbaugh has 11 books on Amazon and Barnes & Noble, including four in print. He particularly likes writing science fiction.

"My most active writing time is from 2 to 8 in the morning. Then I'll edit what I have until noon and then it's time to go to bed," Burbaugh said.

He has been part of the NaNoWriMo El Paso chapter for a number of years and now participates on a support basis for other writers.

While working on the second year of her master's degree in social work and interning with the U.S. Army, Sara Polk is also the municipal liaison of the El Paso NaNoWriMo writing

unit. November can prove to be extremely hectic for Polk.

This is her second year in charge, she finds NaNoWriMo extremely helpful considering the work she does at her internship.

"In working with military personnel, there's a lot of talk of grief and trauma," Polk said. "A lot of social workers don't have that outlet to work through that. It winds up being a separate outlet of how I get through things for myself."

Two years ago, Polk was planning her wedding. She used NaNoWriMo to channel her thoughts about getting married by writing about a woman who was going completely insane trying to plan her wedding.

"It was a way to not focus on the big scary thing that I did not want to think about," Polk said.

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ENTERTAINMENT

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Local gym provides healthy food choices for the community



BY KIMBERLY VALLE
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The New You gym has started a movement that focuses on guiding fellow El Pasoans through their fitness journeys by providing a special nutrition plan menu at local restaurants.

“We were motivated by seeing all the lives that have been changed for the better through personal training,” said Elizabeth Martinez, owner of New You gym. “When you help others not only lose weight, but to live a healthier lifestyle and gain confidence.”

Local restaurant owners have reached out to the owners of New You in order to help attract a new crowd of more health-conscious people. They have spoken with the owners of these restaurants in order to help create a menu with items they already have from their meals without adding or removing any items in their menus. These healthy suggestions are made so that people don’t have to give up too much when creating a healthier option—they can quickly pick one from a menu.

These restaurants include, Barrigas, which features a healthy choice of different Mexican dishes such as tortilla soup with chicharones instead of tortillas or tacos in lettuce wraps instead of tortillas. While Carnitas Queretaro offers different menu options that are healthy including the protein omelet for breakfast, which is made of egg whites and steak.

Little Shack features seafood favorites including ceviche, fish lettuce wraps and more. Corralitos allows customers to create their own plate. Customers can choose from five different protein options, three carb op-

tions and four different veggie options to create their own healthy plate.

Koi Japanese Fusion restaurant offers the New You riceless sushi rolls, which are made with fresh salmon, crab and cucumbers instead of rice.

Martinez said the restaurants are receiving positive feedback about the menu items.

“A lot of people have been complimenting them and appreciating them—that they have that service for them,” Martinez said.

Since it has created great publicity for the restaurants, other restaurants have started contacting Martinez and her husband to create menus for them.

New You also offers nutrition counseling, body measurements, monthly consultations about where each member is standing fitness wise, one-on-one training sessions, along with complimentary water, towels for every guest and a smoothie bar.

Currently working on a project with the city called Move a Million El Paso, the owners, along with their staff, will start encouraging El Pasoans to start getting physically active, whether it is indoors or outdoors. They will also create an App called “My Fitness,” where each person may log in so that their miles can be calculated. Along with the movement, there will also be pop-up boot camps around town, hosted by New You trainers in the downtown area.

Martinez said the results of clients through before and after pictures are displayed up on their walls and this helps motivate the members to push themselves for better results.

“You don’t need a gym membership to be active. If we get El Paso more active, we can create a com-

munity of healthy living and prevent diseases, obesity, diabetes and more,” Martinez said.

Some people believe by working out daily and not watching what they eat will not affect their results, however many people have seen the difference in the bodies once a healthy nutrition is switched over on their menus, according to Martinez. New You guarantees results by providing meal preparations. Every week, the menu changes and every meal is personally approved by the gym owners to make sure it is the best healthy option for members.

Personal trainer, Kimberly Rayner, senior business marketing major, said proper nutrition is important for someone who wants to gain results while they are training.

“We tell our clients there’s no reason to eat bad, you have all the resources here,” Rayner said.

If a member is unsure of what they are supposed to eat, New You hosts monthly free nutrition seminars that are open to the public. The have these seminars as part of their Live Fit EP movement. These seminars are designed to educate the community on how to eat, shop and live a healthy lifestyle.

Martinez also shares her healthy choices through The City (El Paso magazine). She writes a monthly article to provide free advice, food recipes and home exercises for the public. She also shares this information through her blog on her gym’s website.

“We feel extremely blessed to have had such a great success and we pray that we continue to grow and move in the community to help out everyone in some way or another,” Martinez said.



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(Top) Shane Martinez trains a client at New You Gym. (Bottom) Lizzie Martinez, owner, along with her husband Shane Martinez motivate El Pasoans to live a healthier lifestyle.

To learn more about healthy tips, recipes workouts and more you may follow New You’s social media outlets on Facebook—New You Fitness, Instagram @Shizzie_Fitness or @LiveFitEp, and their websites at www.newyougym.com, LiveFitEp.com, and Trainwithgirls.com.

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Centennial photo contest showcases winners in the last exhibit series



The Centennial Museum and Welcome Center presents the Centennial Exhibit Series, an interactive exhibit showcasing the entries and winners of the Centennial Photo Contest. An open reception will be held at 2 p.m. on Nov. 8 at the Centennial Museum. The winners will be announced and recognized for participating in this contest. Refreshments and live music will be provided.

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SPECIAL TO THE PROSPECTOR

The Border Theatre presents original production



COURTESY OF THE BORDER THEATRE
The Border Theatre presents their latest original production “The Fall of Wallace Winter” at the Plaza Theatre Philanthropy Theatre on Nov. 7-9.

BY JOSEPH ESPOSITO
The Prospector

The Border Theatre of El Paso will present their latest original production, “The Fall of Wallace Winter,” written and directed by UTEP alum Austin Savage, at the Plaza Theatre and at the Glasbox, 210 Poplar St., throughout early November.

“This is actually our first musical, which is surprising to a lot of people,” Border Theatre co-founder Savage said. “It’s structurally and formally a very traditional play with how the stories are told and the meaning behind the stories. It started out as an American identity and it evolved from there.”

“The Fall of Wallace Winter” is a play that portrays the modern American family household and the chaos that goes on even within families that are thought to be firmly established. The comedic performance centers around family man Wallace Winter and the conflicts between him, his family and his vision of a perfect family.

“My character is a very smart young man in high school,” said actor Frank Leal, who plays the role of Wallace Winter’s son Irwin. “He’s not the most popular kid in school, but everything he does is to appease his father, which is very difficult to do. The idea (of the play) is that everyone has a strange family. Every family is strange and that a lot of people can relate to that; I don’t think it’s uncommon in any household.”

Founded in 2010 by Savage, Carlos Rubalcava, Maria Torrez and Nathan Stal, The Border Theatre seeks to be an original border group that is “dedi-

cated to creating and developing original, cutting-edge works that explore the human experience through the artistry of theatre,” as stated on the Border Theatre’s website.

“I had just returned from Chicago when the border violence had escalated. There’s so much identity in the border community filtered through the lens of the cartel,” Savage said. “I told Chuck Smith (acclaimed director of the Goodman Theatre) that I wanted to show our own stories and he agreed with me. I had a network with some very good writers and we decided to make our own (theater).”

The Border Theatre hosts workshops with readings of plays every Wednesday at the Glasbox, a performance venue, art gallery and theater. These workshops are open to the public and those who wish to be a part of the theater are encouraged to attend them. The theater plans for a possible week-long festival of artists to take place in January 2015 as well as another theater festival entitled “This is Water” in May.

The Border Theatre will continue their performance of “The Fall of Wallace Winter” at the Plaza Theatre’s Philanthropy Theatre on Nov. 7, 8 and 9 and at the Glasbox on Nov. 14, 15 and 16.

Tickets to the performance at either location may be purchased at www.bordertheatre.org.

For more information, contact The Border Theatre at (915) 412-5283 or by email at info@bordertheatre.org.

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Grimaldi's Pizzeria is located at the Fountains of Farah Mall.

BY GIANFRANCO LANGUASCO
The Prospector

In an interview earlier this year, West Miller, a retail developer in charge of The Fountains at Farah, promised that El Paso will have its very first coal-fired pizza restaurant. A few months later it happened: Grimaldi's is that famous pizzeria that is known to be the favorite place of celebrities such as Frank Sinatra or

former NYC mayor Rudy Giuliani—not a coincidence they proudly state they have the “pizza that made the Brooklyn Bridge famous.” The sense of traditional welcomes you at first sight: an indoor dining area and a big patio, where customers are surrounded by brick walls, empty bottles hanging from the ceiling, black-and-white photos and, of course, all the tables with the traditional pizzeria tablecloths. However,

the big attraction is in the kitchen. A big coal oven ready to evenly bake your pizza. The result—an aromatic and crispy pizza with a unique flavor. But it's not only the tasty flavor, fresh ingredients or even the secret sauce recipe. Grimaldi's serves really good-sized portions of food. Order the small pizza and you will think you asked six big slices, and the same goes with the calzone. Popular toppings are jalapeños, pepperoni, meatballs and the wonderful Italian sausage. Regarding salads, it's worth trying the Grimaldi's house salad—it has excellent quality and it actually tasted fresh.

The oven-roasted red peppers added a special flavor that you cannot miss. It was hard to choose just one dessert out of a menu, but the caramel apple cheesecake was really good and the homemade cheesecakes—especially the New York style—are really worth trying. Although the menu still looks small with only salads, pizza and calzones available, this is fully compensated with their wine section. A large selection that goes from reds and whites to rosés, sparkling wine and sangria—it won't let you down. Grimaldi's Pizzeria is bringing a traditional flavor that is at the same time a fresh option among other conventional pizzerias. It's always good to not only keep the tradition, but also to enjoy it.

Grimaldi's Pizzeria is located on 8889 Gateway Blvd. West, Ste. 1200, at the Fountains at Farah. For a look at their menu, visit www.grimaldispizzeria.com/.

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Miners look to earn a bowl bid on the road

BY JUAN CARLOS NAVARRETE

The Prospector

UTEP will be on the road once again in search of their fourth-straight win when they visit the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers. More than just raking up wins, this game will serve as the first game that the Miners can become bowl eligible.

After a resounding defensive win against Southern Mississippi this past Saturday, the Miners will once again look to improve on their 5-3 and 3-1 conference record. Western Kentucky has a completely opposite record from UTEP at 3-5 and 1-4 overall.

For a team that is almost mathematically eliminated from bowl contention, the Miners won't be able to coast against Western Kentucky if they don't put their best effort forward. This game will serve to be almost a last chance for a Hilltoppers team that finds itself close to a knock out, so they will more than likely come out swinging.

The Miners will have their work cut out for them defensively as they go into a hostile environment at Western Kentucky. The Hilltoppers are ranked number two overall in the nation for passing yards this season. Western Kentucky is also ranked in the top 10 in points scored, something the Miners' defense will have to try to neutralize as the Hilltoppers average over 40 points a game. Coach Kugler says the Hilltoppers' offense is the best the Miners will see in conference this season.

"This will be the most explosive offensive team that we have faced all year," Kugler said. "They are really outstanding on offense. They average 41.1 points per game, which is second in Conference USA behind Marshall. They are averaging 522 yards per game, which puts them the number one offense in Conference USA and also highly ranked in the country. Every category offensively, they have been outstanding."



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The Miners will look to win their fourth consecutive game since 2005 and become bowl eligible for the first time since 2010.

On the bright side of things, UTEP will have an opportunity to put points on the board for themselves as well and continue the winning streak they are on. This season so far, the Hilltoppers allow more than 43 points per game, which explains the 3-5 record for a team that scores so many points a game.

If UTEP's defense can force the Hilltoppers to run the ball first, they should be in for a manageable game. The Miners will look to dictate the pace of the game defensively as well as try to stop their senior quarterback, who has had a great season thus far.

The Miners could find themselves in a shootout game against the Hilltoppers and could look to really cushion the season stats so far. Aaron Jones, who led the nation in rushing earlier this season, will look to take

advantage of this game to regain some of those yards back.

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- Sean Kugler,
UTEP football head coach
speaking about Western
Kentucky

The Miners could take advantage of a weak defense of the Hilltoppers and establish the run and the pace of the game early on. Western Kentucky has one of the worst defenses in the nation, but coach Kugler is more focused on his team executing rather than on Western Kentucky.

"We've got to worry about what we do," Kugler said. "I don't really worry about the other team. I worry about our team and our players and getting them prepared and making sure they're in a position to be successful. I know the coaches are putting together a good plan, I know they're focused and energized and that goes for the whole team." A point of emphasis on the game should be creating turnovers and limiting the Hilltoppers to short possessions and scoring off those turnovers. The Miners can avoid getting into a tough game

defensively if they play much like they have in previous weeks defensively. Winning the turnover battle proved to be crucial against Southern Mississippi, as they scored off turnovers three times in their 35-14 win, and forced the Golden Eagles into short possessions.

The Miners go into a road game with a lot of confidence behind them. If the Miners can secure the game early on, they can carry that confidence into the rest of the game and the season.

With a win on the road, the Miners can begin to talk about bowl games. There is a lot more at stake this week than just a win streak.

A win against the Hilltoppers and the Miners could be playing in January.

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The UTEP-Western Kentucky game on (Nov. 8) is the first meeting between these two teams in school history.

IN BRIEF

AUTREY GOLDEN AWARDED FOR HIS PLAY

Junior offensive specialist Autrey Golden was named Conference USA special teams player of the week for the first time this season. Last Saturday, Nov.1, Golden scored his first kick return touchdown of the season against Southern Miss. The 98-yard kick return touchdown was Golden’s fifth career kick return touchdown of his career. Golden is the NCAA’s active leader in kick return touchdowns. The selection as Conference USA special teams player of the week was Golden’s second selection of his career.

VOLLEYBALL OPENS NOVEMBER WITH A BANG

The women’s volleyball team notched their fifth win of the season this past Sunday on Nov.2 against the Louisiana Tech Bulldogs. Freshman Coline Coessens recorded her eighth double-double of the with 11 kills and 14 digs against the Bulldogs. The four set win was the Miners third conference win of the season, with their last wins in conference coming in mid October against Middle Tennessee State and UAB. The Miners are currently in a five-way tie for eighth place in Conference USA.

WOMEN’S TENNIS ON THE ROAD FOR LAST FALL TOURNAMENT

After success in the Aggie Invitational, Wildcat Invitational, and USTA/ITA Mountain Regional Championships the women’s tennis team will close out their fall season at the San Diego State Fall Classic. The SDSU Fall Classic is a three-day event from Nov. 7-9 that will consist of singles and doubles play. Leading the Miners into the tournament, is senior C-USA All-Conference performer Davina Meza and Florida State transfer Duda Santos.

MEN’S from COVER

As the season progresses Harris and Stallworth will be key contributors to a once lonely backcourt of one, in C.J. Cooper. In the frontcourt the Miners have seemed to improve, despite losing senior center John Bohannon the returning trio of Matt Willms, Hooper Vint, and Cedric Lang will do.

“We feel like we’re a lot deeper this year,” Lang said. “We’re gonna have guys that can come off the bench and really help us. We feel like we’re going to be really deep in post play even though we lost Bohannon.”

There is no doubt the Miners have depth at every position and have their best chance of finishing first in Conference USA. But before the Miners make their way into conference play they have a tough road ahead in the first two months of regular season play.

In the Miners will host the likes of Washington State, No.2 Arizona, New Mexico State, and on the road they travel to Colorado State, the Wooden Legacy tournament, and New Mexico State. The Miners are not doing themselves any favors with their out of conference sched-

ule. Their record after the first two months of basketball might not be as favorable as their C-USA foes, but the Miners are banking on success in conference play.

The Miners biggest challenge in C-USA is co-regular season champion Louisiana Tech. The Bulldogs lost to the Miners in El Paso by nine points last season, but advanced further than the Miners in the conference tournament nearly securing an NCAA tournament bid.

This season the Miners should not have any problems meeting their expectations, baring any bumps in the road. They have depth, experience, great coaching, and a good home crowd. Anything short of a top two finish in conference play and NCAA tournament bid would be a disappointing for the 2014-15 squad. The pressure of succeeding when there are no excuses to fall back on is the biggest challenge for this group.

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WOMEN from COVER

ence schedule to start the season. The Miners’ resolve will be tested early and often, and for the returning players the adjustment will be from playing on a great team to playing on a young and inexperienced team.

Regardless of the level of talent or depth, coach Adams has never put forth a number of wins or set expectations, and she is not going to start.

“What I am looking at right now is our growth,” Adams said. “We got a lot of young and new players. At the end of each week and at the end of each month, were we’re at. That’s what I am looking at.”

Whereas last year’s team had great experience, this team is going

through a learning curve, in which many players are getting acclimated to playing college basketball.

“We’re starting from the beginning and we’re doing a lot of learning,” said Cameasha Turner, junior guard. “It’s different; we’re young, we have to start from scratch. It’s a learning process and there is a learning curve, but we’re getting better each day.”

In the preseason conference rankings, the Miners were predicted to finish fourth. Finishing fourth is a respectable place in a conference of 14 teams, but a fourth-place finish might not be realistic to what this year’s team can actually achieve.

The Miners’ lack of depth will mean that the returning players will have to step up and play a bigger role.

“All of our returners will be expected to do more,” Adams said. “Our newcomers are learning our system and just trying to figure one another out. The returners are going to have to do more.”

Whether the Miners win more or less games, the fans can expect a group that goes out every night and plays hard.

“We’re going to play hard,” Turner said. “That’s all we can promise and we’ll let the stats speak for itself. Just at the end of the day, we’re going to play hard and bring intensity.”

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Foorball Our View: Miners dominate against Southern Miss



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1. Defensive backs Dashone Smith and Nick Gathrite celebrate after a Southern Miss turnover. 2. Quarterback Jameill Showers hands the ball off to running back Aaron Jones. 3. Junior Autrey Golden celebrates with teammates after scoring a kick return touchdown. 4. Senior running back Nathan Jeffery breaks a run to the outside. 5. Nick Gathrite celebrates in the end zone after scoring a fumble recovery touchdown. 6. Quarterback Jameill Showers dives into the end zone for a 10-yard touchdown.

Miners prime for deep run in conference tournament



MICHAELA ROMAN / THE PROSPECTOR

Junior midfielder Angela Cutaia leads the team in goals and is second in assist. The Miners come into the C-USA tournament with the longest unbeaten streak at seven games.

BY LUIS GONZALEZ
The Prospector

The UTEP women's soccer team is in Charlotte, NC, preparing to take on Louisiana Tech University in the first of what they hope will be three matches in the 2014 Conference USA women's soccer tournament. After finishing the regular season with a tie on the road against Old Dominion, the Miners' 20 points were good enough to place third in the regular season standings.

UTEP visited Old Dominion with a spot in the post season already clinched, but needing a victory to secure second place. The hosting Monarchs were in desperate need of a win that would put them among the top eight. The Miners came out strong controlling the first half completely, outshooting its opponent 7-1, but failing to beat a stingy Old Dominion defense. The Monarchs responded in the second half, but Miner goalkeeper Sarah Dilling turned away all opportunities. The tie was the third of the year for coach Kevin Cross' team and allowed Rice to surpass the Miners in the standings.

"We had a tough battle at ODU," Cross said. "I appreciate the team's efforts."

THE TOURNAMENT

Since its establishment in 1995, Conference USA has used a conference tournament to award its automatic bid into the NCAA tournament. This year will be the fourth time the tournament is hosted at Transamerica Field, home of the Charlotte 49ers, and first time since it was there in back-to-back years in 2002 and 2003.

Charlotte was second in attendance throughout the regular season, aver-

aging over 550 fans per game. Only Middle Tennessee averaged more, and UTEP barely trailed the 49ers with an average of 540 per game.

Of the 14 teams in the conference, the best eight after 10 regular season games qualify into the single-elimination tournament. The quarterfinals will begin on Thursday, Nov. 6, followed by the semifinals on Friday, Nov. 7 and the nationally televised

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- Tanner Milroy,
sophomore political
science major

championship game on Saturday, Nov. 8.

Nine different schools have lifted the winner's cup at the conference tournament championship over the years, with the now Mountain West Conference member Colorado College being the most recent winners. Memphis, now a member of the American Athletic Conference, is the winningest program in the tournament's history with five consecutive wins from 2007-2011.

UTEP has reached the championship game on two occasions—losing

both—the most recent in 2011 against Memphis in double overtime. This year will be the seventh time UTEP has qualified for the tournament since joining Conference USA in 2005. The Miners return to the tournament for a second-consecutive year after missing out in 2011. Last year's post-season run was short-lived after the Miners lost to East Carolina in their first game of the tournament.

THE FIELD

Seven other teams besides UTEP are making the trip to Charlotte for this weekend's festivities. Qualifying ahead of the Miners were the Rice Owls, in second place, and regular season champions North Texas. The Miners faced both teams at University Field, losing a close contest against North Texas and handing Rice one of its two losses of the season.

"We had an excellent season, we beat number two and nearly beat number one," Cross said. "We were very close to winning that game versus North Texas."

In the fourth, fifth and sixth spots are three teams with identical conference records and points. The host Charlotte, Middle Tennessee and UTEP's opponent Louisiana Tech all finished with a 5-4-1 record and 16 points. They are seeded in that order due to their head-to-head matchups.

Western Kentucky and Marshall round out the field of this year's conference tournament.

Among the eight teams that will be in Charlotte this weekend, only two have won it previously. The 49ers won it twice in the '90s, and Rice won in 2005, when they were the hosts and beat UTEP 3-0.

THE MATCHUP

By finishing third in the regular season, the Miners will face the

sixth seed in Louisiana Tech. They also avoid a potential meeting with North Texas until the championship game. Louisiana Tech is one of the three teams UTEP did not face in the regular season—the host Charlotte and the winless Southern Miss are the other two.

It will be just the second time these two schools meet. Last year, UTEP traveled to Louisiana and lost by a score of 3-0.

"We have extra motivation to make up for that game last year," Cross said. "We are excited to play them, but know they will be very good."

The match up pins two of the hottest teams in the conference at the moment. Both UTEP and Louisiana Tech come in with the first and second-longest unbeaten streaks. The Miners finished the season with seven straight games without a defeat, their last loss being over a month ago. Louisiana Tech has not lost in its last four contests, with their final three matches being wins.

The Bulldogs were strongest at home, but struggled on the road. In

fact, the last time they were away, at Charlotte, they were shutout en route to a 3-0 defeat. The Bulldogs only won one conference game on the road and among its defeats were a tight 1-0 against North Texas and a lopsided 6-0 against Rice.

On Thursday afternoon, the UTEP women's soccer team faces its most important test to date with the mission of adding to one of its best seasons in the program's history. Aware of the challenges at hand, the Miners seem as confident as ever in their abilities as they look to make history and win their first championship, which would qualify them to the national tournament for a second time.

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