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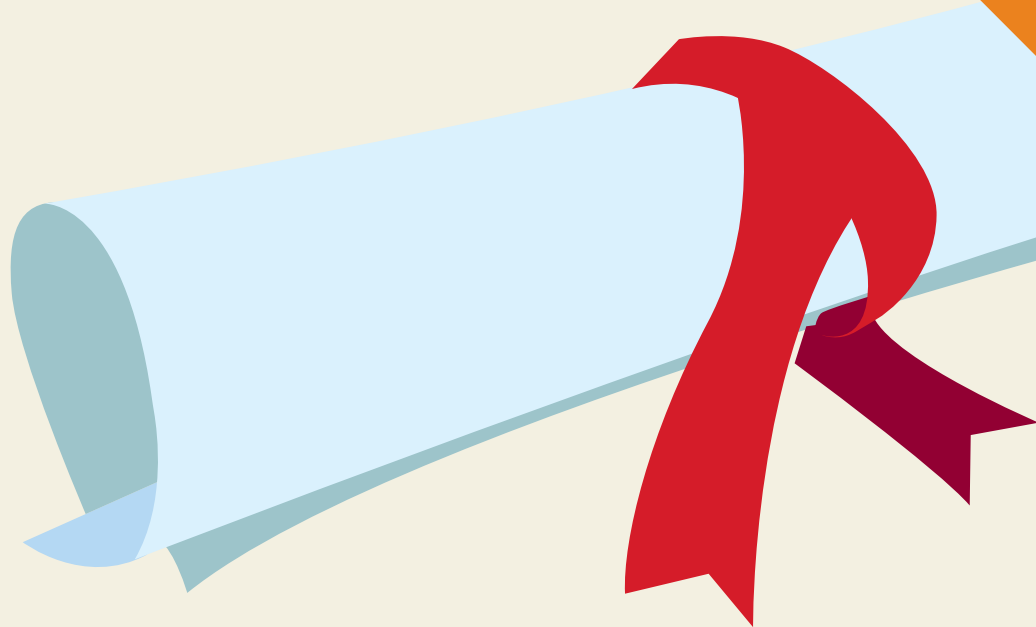
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OPINION

2017 was a year to forget

BY JASON GREEN
The Prospector



Remember when 2016 was coming to a close and all of those celebrities were dying and we all said, “OMG, I can’t wait for this year to be over so we can get to 2017 and it’ll be so much better?”

Well, 2017 is coming to a close and it’s time to look at the bright side of this piece-of-shit year. On a whole, it seems like we lost a lot less celebrities this year. However, those celebrities who didn’t die were busy raping and sexually harassing every woman that they came in contact with. In fact, it turns out there has been 45 total accusations in a recent Media Call report, not counting politicians.

Speaking of penises, if you have one, it should be inside your pants while at work unless you are using the bathroom. Can we all agree on that? I could have sworn it was that simple, but apparently not in 2017 America.

Remember in kindergarten, when you would walk down the hall and the teacher would tell you to keep your hands off the wall, off the kid next to you, off your privates and off everything? Well, that still applies in 2017. Even if your hands are still the size of a kindergartner and you happen to sit at a bigger desk than the teacher now. You can’t go around grabbing women by their privates, President Trump.

Speaking of our joke of a government, we all knew it was coming in 2017. We thought 2016 sucked because Trump won and we were dreading the inauguration. Wow, were we naïve. Little did we know that this year would be one giant fan and Russia had just elected a giant pile of crap that was going to hit it and spray doo-doo all over us. Good visual, right?

Everybody now has Trump-supporting Facebook and Twitter friends who they can no longer associate with. Our university is full of DREAMers and other classmates who come to school daily wondering if they will be back the next day, as Republicans have off and on again repealed and replaced the Obama-

era Dream Act. The national anthem has become a global controversy and nobody knows if they have health care or will lose their house, car or kids by paying the new Republican taxes. The GOP pushed through a midnight version of the controversial Republican Tax Reform Bill, with handwritten notes in the margins and pet projects thrown in such as allowing drilling in the Alaskan Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

About halfway through this dumpster fire of a year, I left Facebook and Twitter. Two things happened in rather quick secession. One, I stopped feeling such a strong desire to drink vodka, get a pet bear and eat borscht—not sure where that was coming from. Possibly from Congress having over 3,000 examples of Russian advertisements used to influence American thinking in their possession. Two, I was just happier in general.

There continues to be a mass shooting almost every week—403 in 2017, according to the Mass Shooting Tracker website—and our politicians don’t care enough to do anything to stop them. We continue to have a washed up, orange, insecure former reality TV star for a president and his impending impeachment is taking way too long. But, that all bothers me way less.

Without social media, I’ve watched so many movies with my son, I’ve taken my wife on more dates, I’ve taken my family to UTEP football games (speaking of shitty years) and I’ve explored El Paso like never before.

Yes, 2017 sucked in myriad ways, but we’re still alive and this year is ending. Time goes on. It always will, as long as Kim-Jong Un, who has seen his country testing 23 long-range missiles in 2017, wants it to. Nobody can tell you how to feel.

I decided a long time ago that no matter how many people disapprove of my political affiliation, religious leanings (or lack thereof), life choices or anything else I do, I tell myself how to feel about me – because in the end, I’ll be the one in this skin when it’s wrinkly, stinky and falling off.

Don’t let a giant elephant turd of a year bring you down, peeps. Be the wolf. Wolves don’t lose sleep over the actions of sheep.

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A thank you and farewell to El Paso

BY AUGIE TOURIS
The Prospector



It’s with a bittersweet tone that my stay in the Sun City will be coming to an end this Friday. I’m excited to graduate with my bachelor’s degree in creative writing and to head back home to the frozen tundra of Buffalo, New York, while I decide which university I’ll attend for my fifth year of college football and my master’s degree.

Since 2014, the journey that the college process has taken me on has been full of ups and downs, with the positive moments being uplifting and the negatives leaving lessons on the table.

This column has no deep undertones or wily quips in it. It’s simply an opportunity for me to write a thank you letter on a higher platform, to you, El Paso, for some of the most memorable years of my life thus far.

It’s an ode to a city that’s often forgotten in the grand scale of Texas and its distant location from the common hotspots of Dallas and Austin.

El Paso has instilled in me an appreciation for the border and the culture that comes with it. The culture of tremendously hard-working and friendly people, who welcomed me with open arms in 2014 and never made me feel

homesick, despite being 1,900 miles away.

El Paso is its own desert existence, nestled into its own geographical region. It’s nearly a Washington D.C. of the desert, an entity of its own, touching Texas, Mexico and New Mexico.

The summers are crippling hot and the winters are friendly and mild. When snow falls from the sky on that one chosen day per year, it’s a celebration in itself. The dry desert packs a certain feel, an aura that doesn’t exist elsewhere. The sunsets are streaked with palates of orange and red hues that cascade over the landscape and illuminate the city before nightfall. The nights are crystal clear and simply stunning when viewed a few miles out of the city.

It’s a city of diehard sports fans that have endured for many years. As a Bills fan, I can relate. In fact, El Paso and Buffalo have more similarities than one might think.

They’re both border cities with views, whether of the Franklin Mountains or Niagara Falls, that takes one’s breath away. Both towns are blue collar and hospitable, with folks who are happy to see visitors and welcome them with open arms, eager to share their culture and norms.

I’d like to think that an El Pasoan would feel the same sense of being at home should they ever travel to Buffalo.

In the midst of what can seem messy, a bright future lies ahead. Every city goes through its rough

patches, and as the seemingly endless construction shows immense progress, as UTEP gets a new athletic director, the theme of better days is right around the corner.

When the roads are clear and bustling, the city will flow like never before.

UTEP athletics will rebound under Jim Senter’s fresh and much-needed guidance. The constantly developing land, from the Montecillo area all the way down Mesa Street, is a harbinger of a quickly growing city. The promise for an exciting future has never been higher.

To my former teammates I say thank you for these last four seasons. To my friends at the Prospector, I’m grateful for the platform to express my thoughts to a bigger audience and to work in a professional but friendly setting. To my professors, I’m appreciative of the learning process you’ve continued to tap into as I develop as a writer and improve. To El Paso, I’m thankful for three and a half years that I’ll never forget.

I look forward to visiting the Sun City in the future, and wish everyone the absolute best of luck.

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Opportunities for recent grads: Internships and jobs

BY ELENIE GONZALEZ
The Prospector

With winter commencement around the corner, thousands are getting ready to graduate from college and begin their careers.

Today's market may not seem promising, but that should not deter graduates from hunting for a job. According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers Center for Career Development and Talent Acquisition, 91.9 percent of employers rate the job market at good to excellent for new grads.

Here are just a few of organizations hiring right out of college, according to Glassdoor and Indeed:

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

AMAZON

The popular company is always looking for new talent to join the ever-growing company, which is currently the second-highest-grossing company in the nation.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON

Johnson & Johnson is looking for candidates for the 2018 Finance and Leadership Program. The FLP is a two-year program designed specifically to prepare future generations of business leaders within the accounting and finance organization.

CHICK-FIL-A

Chick-fil-A has a Business Internship Program for those who want exposure to a variety of business leadership programs.

EDUCATION

SOCORRO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

The SISD has vacancies year-round for certified teachers from all grade levels. They currently have 13 openings for teachers at several of their campuses, ranging from elementary to high school.

EL PASO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

El Paso Independent School District - EPISD has plenty of positions for certified teachers and paraprofessionals at most of their campuses, from grades pre-k through 12th.

DALLAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

If you want to broaden your horizons, the DISD is always looking to recruit teachers from El Paso. Their career site has openings for 21 bilingual teachers, 14 ESL teachers and 33 special education teachers.

HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Houston Independent School District - HISD currently has 89 vacancies to fill for certified teachers in all grade levels. If you haven't yet received your certification and are working toward that path, they also have openings for associate teachers and substitutes.

ENGINEERING

LOCKHEED MARTIN

Lockheed Martin is a popular choice for candidates with an engineering degree. The company was voted Candidate's Choice's Best Places to Interview for 2017 by Glassdoor.

NASA

NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory located in Pasadena, Calif., is hiring electrical engineer interns. JPL's Early Career Hire (ECH) program provides recent college graduates with an opportunity to immediately utilize the knowledge obtained through their studies to gain related work experiences in alignment with their professional goals.

FITBIT

Fitbit, creators of the popular fitness watch, are looking for interns to join their growing team at their headquarters in San Francisco.

IBM

IBM Systems, located in Los Angeles, has openings for entry-level design engineer interns to develop their hardware and semiconductor products.

EL PASO ELECTRIC

El Paso Electric routinely hires new employees in different engineering positions. Visit El Paso Electric's career website for more information.

HEALTH SCIENCES

LAS PALMAS MEDICAL CENTER

The local hospital is currently looking for social workers to fill some vacancies at their medical center.

FIVE STAR SENIOR LIVING CENTERS

Senior assisted living and nursing homes are often looking for social workers, wellness coordinators and therapists to join their team. Five Star Senior Living is one of those in need of a social worker.

LIBERAL ARTS

FIRSTLIGHT FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Firstlight Federal Credit Union will be looking to hire a community and media relations specialist. There are other openings for those with a liberal arts background. FFLCU offers different jobs that can be found on the company's website.

U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION

CBP opens their application year-round to hire new agents for Customs and Border Patrol. Many students with criminal justice degrees choose to seek an opportunity with the CBP.

DISNEY

Disney is a huge company that is always hiring for positions across the board. Disney Professional Internships is a program for recent grads looking for their next opportunity. Those with communication degrees, public relations and degrees of that sort are encouraged to apply.

NURSING

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S AFFAIRS

The VA has openings for registered nurses to fill, according to their website.

LAS PALMAS MEDICAL CENTER

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Tax reform could affect thousands in U.S.

BY LESLIE SARIÑANA

The Prospector

Early Saturday, Dec. 2, the U.S. Senate took a midnight vote on the new tax bill. It was passed on a 51-49 vote. All Democrats and only one Republican voted no. The new bill is a rewritten version of an earlier bill passed by the Senate panel and was only given to the Senate hours before the vote. The bill eliminates a lot of tax deductions.

The entire bill is 479 pages and is the largest overhaul of the U.S. tax code since 1986. Here's a breakdown of the major clauses in the bill:

- There will no longer be a penalty for not having health insurance created by the Affordable Care Act. According to the Congressional Budget Office this will result in an additional 13 million people without health care coverage by 2027.
- Deductions on medical expenses have changed with the new bill. Currently, if someone's annual medical expenses are above 10 percent of their qualified income, the amount above that threshold may be deducted. The new bill has lowered that percentage to 7.5 of a taxpayer's annual income.
- Taxpayers are also no longer allowed to deduct state and local income or sales taxes, but can still deduct up to \$10,000 in state property taxes. This could lead to wealthier taxpayers, who previously invested in public colleges, cutting that spending since they

- no longer receive a tax break.
- The standard deduction is doubled from \$6,350 for a single person and \$12,700 for a married couple to \$12,000/\$24,000.
 - Deductions for personal exemptions are repealed, but the child tax credit is doubled from \$1,000 to \$2,000.
 - As for colleges and universities, both the Senate and House bills would create potential new tax burdens for higher education institutions and could, as college leaders predict, adversely affect charitable giving and state budgets that support public colleges and universities.

• The Senate's tax bill does not include the House's provisions to strip many tax benefits for students pursuing a college or graduate degree or paying off their loans, making it a significant improvement over the House's tax bill. The House's bill would also tax graduate student tuition waivers as income, a change that some say would make graduate education unattainable for many students

What's next? Senator Paul Ryan will appoint negotiators on Monday, Dec. 4, to a committee that will work to meld the bill with the one the U.S. House of Representatives passed Nov. 16. The final tax bill is expected to land on the president's desk for signature by the end of the year.

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CURRENT LAW		SENATE TAX PLAN	
10%	\$0-\$9,325	10%	\$0-\$9,525
15%	\$9,326-\$37,950	12%	\$9,326-\$38,700
25%	\$37,951-\$91,900	22%	\$38,701-\$70,000
28%	\$91,901-\$191,650	24%	\$70,001-\$160,000
33%	\$191,651-\$416-700	32%	\$160,001-\$200,000
35%	\$416,701-\$418,400	35%	\$200,001-\$500,000
39.6%	\$418,401 or more	38.5%	\$500,001 or more
Standard deduction:		Standard deduction:	\$12,000
Personal exemption:		Personal exemption:	Eliminated

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The current law versus the proposed Senate tax plan and how it would affect income of all sizes.

	Current deduction	Current deduction & exemptions	Deduction under G.O.P. bill
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Single, no children	\$6,350	\$10,400	\$12,000
Married, no children	\$12,700	\$20,800	\$24,000
Married, two children	\$12,700	\$28,900	\$24,000
Sources: I.R.S.; House Ways and Means Committee Proposed deduction amounts are comparable to the current 2017 levels and would increase with inflation in 2018.			

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Tax reforms that could affect thousands of Americans starting the 2018 tax year.

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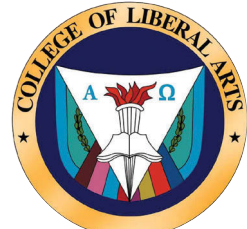
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OURVIEW

Protests this fall plead for a safe Dream Act



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1. After SB4 was blocked, hundreds of El Pasoans protested in downtown El Paso in support of immigrants in the U.S. 2. Cheyanne Lozano, a member of the Academic Revival of Indigenous Studies and Education chapter at UTEP, speaks at the Union Plaza Stage in support of the Dreamers, who could face deportation as nearly as next year. 3. Students protest in front of Representative Will Hurd's office, calling for a Dream Act to be put in place. 4. Andrew Torres, a sophomore majoring in anthropology, speaks at the student-lead walkout protest.

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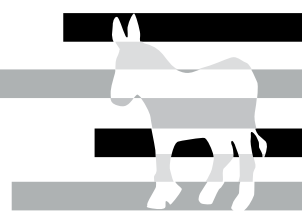
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YOUR PRESIDENT



A recap of a year under President Trump

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No matter what your political position may be, we can all agree that the Trump presidency is anything but boring. Every day there are new headlines about the administration's latest outrage, so much so that a lot of the actual policies get buried under tweets or rhetoric—or the ever-growing Russia scandal. Instead of going over outrages or political triumphs, we decided to look at the executive orders and new policies that the Trump administration is creating. This list is not comprehensive and the effects of many policies are still too new to measure, but given that Trump has signed more than 30 executive orders in his first 100 days, there is still a lot to look at.

Environment

Late in February, Trump signed an executive order calling for federal agencies to revise the Clean Water Rule that expands the types of bodies of water protected by the government to include streams, ponds and smaller bodies. Former President Barack Obama implemented the rule. Trump is expected to either eliminate or revise Obama's rule.

Later that year, Trump ordered a review of national monuments. Instructing the Interior Secretary to review any national monument created in 1996 over 100,000 acres. Trump called the Antiquities Act, which gives the president the powers to declare national or historic landmarks, an "abusive practice." Up to 25 existing national monuments could be impacted.

On July 1, Trump declared that the U.S. will withdraw from the Global Climate Accord, known as the Paris climate accord, which has the support of nearly 200 nations. The U.S. cannot legally withdraw until 2019.

Health care

On his first day of presidency, Trump issued an executive order that was aimed at weakening the enforcement of the individual mandate. The mandate requires everyone to purchase health care that was enacted under President Obama to ensure low premium costs. Weakening the mandates caused healthy individuals to opt out of buying health insurance, causing premiums to rise.

Less than a week later, the Trump administration canceled millions of dollars worth of advertising for Obamacare enrollments, cutting enrollment by nearly half a million people by some estimates. In August, Trump cut 90 percent of advertising again.

In early October, Trump issued another executive order that instructed agencies to allow loopholes that allow people to buy health insurance outside of regular markets through short-term health insurance plans and association health plans. Association health plans allow smaller business to buy health insurance together. The aim of the order was to allow more people to buy health insurance without having to go through Obamacare. Critics said that short-term health insurance plans have lower benefits, while again drawing individuals away from the Affordable Care Act.

The next day, Trump announced he would cut cost-sharing reduction payments to insurers that held out-of-pocket costs for low-income people down. The policy change could raise

premiums for some while increasing the deficit by \$26 billion by 2026, according to the Congressional Budget Office.

Immigration

Within his first week, President Trump signed two executive orders that dramatically changed immigration policy. The first called for the "immediate construction of a physical wall on the southern border." Expanding on the Secure Fence Act signed by former President Bush. The order also increases the number of detention facilities and gets rid of the "catch and release" practice, where until an individual goes to immigration court they are not held in detention facilities.

The second order threatened so-called "sanctuary cities" by withholding federal funding if a city does not comply with detainer requests from Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Two days later, Trump signed another executive order, known as the "Travel Ban," which barred admission to the U.S. for immigrant or nonimmigrant people with visas from Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen for 90 days. Federal Judges immediately blocked the order, the case went up to the Supreme Court that allowed some aspects of a revised travel ban executive order to go through. Parts of the order are still being contested in court.

Working with Republican Senators in August, the administration started to push a skill-based immigration approach, while cutting the amount of immigrants allowed into the U.S. by half.

Trump announced the end of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals in September, giving Congress until March 5 to find a solution that will impact over 690,000 protected immigrants from deportation.

In early October, Trump sent a letter to Congress listing its immigration "principles," which includes the border wall, increasing the difficulty for these seeking asylum, restricting family-based legal immigration and implementing the E-Verify employment verification nationally. If the Democrats agree to these principals, Trump has suggested that he would be willing to sign legislation allowing for DACA recipients to stay.

The demands have led many to believe that a "deal" with the Democrats is unlikely.

Infrastructure

On Trump's second day in office, he focused mainly on infrastructure, starting with an executive order that expedited environmental reviews for "high priority" projects, such as pipelines. He also introduced two presidential memorandums that same day calling for the expedited review of new permits for constructing the Keystone XL and Dakota Access oil pipelines.

Trump also signed another memorandum that same day calling for the Commerce Department to review the impact of federal regulations on manufacturing and request feedback from industry stakeholders on how regulations could be removed or simplified.

Education

In late April, Trump signed an executive order reviewing the federal government's control over national education policy. Calling for states to have more control over curriculum and administration, Trump asked the education secretary to "rescind or revise" any regulation that violates federal "direction, supervision, or control."

Economy/Trade

In his first week, Trump removed the United States from the Trans-Pacific Partnership, the 12-nation trade deal negotiated under former President Obama. Trump declared that the U.S. would negotiate individual deals. Critics say they are slow-moving and largely unsuccessful as well as diminish possible economic growth and American influence in Asia.

Trump also instituted a hiring freeze on federal civilian employees throughout the executive branch excluding the military, cutting the federal government by around 9,000 employees in the first six months. The freeze was partially lifted in April, when Trump instituted a memorandum ordering agencies to submit workforce reduction plans that will be implemented in the 2019 budget.

At the end of his first month, Trump introduced his "Two-for-One" executive order that removed two regulations for every new one introduced. Trump cited small business as being hampered because of over regulation as the main reason for the mandate.

Trump also ordered a review of the financial regulations including the Dodd-Frank Act, which was introduced by the Obama administration that placed significant regulations on the financial industry after the recession.

Rolling back more Obama-era protections, Trump signed an executive order in February revoking the Fair Play and Safe Workspaces order, which ensured that businesses adhered to labor and civil rights laws.

Signing two trade executive orders in late March, Trump asked for officials to develop and implement ways of combatting customs violations. Customs violations cost the government \$2.3 billion in revenue over 14 years. Trump also ordered officials to produce an "omnibus" report naming partners that the US has a large trade deficit in goods, which he says will result in "necessary and lawful action."

The Trump administration instituted a "Buy American and Hire American" policy for federal agencies. The executive order also looked to improve

protections for American-made goods and review the H-1B visa program for skilled workers.

On his 100th day in office, Trump also created the Office of Trade and Manufacturing Policy, which is aimed at protecting American manufacture workers. He also ordered a review and possible renegotiation of all U.S. free trade agreements, including the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and the World Trade Organization pact.

Justice

In his first month, Trump successfully nominated Neil Gorsuch to fill an empty Supreme Court seat.

Early in his second month, Trump signed three executive orders aimed at reducing crime and criminal organizations. The three executive orders created a task force on crime reduction and "illegal immigration," enhanced the protection of law enforcement by increasing penalties of assaults on officers and strengthened federal law regarding international criminal organizations.

The president gave an executive order that created a commission combating drug addiction and the opioid epidemic. The commission recommended in July that Trump declare a national emergency, after finding that more than 33,000 people had died of an opioid overdose in 2015. Trump soon declared a public health emergency, which is one level short of the recommendation, giving the administration access to the Public Health Emergency Fund. Critics said that the declaration is not enough and that the emergency fund is nearly empty.

In early May, Trump created a Presidential Advisory Commission on Election Integrity. The panel asked for data from the states on their elections, which many states denied over issues of privacy and states' voting rights.

Foreign Policy

One of the first major changes on foreign policy, besides the TPP ruling, is moving away from the long-held two-state policy solution between

Palestine and Israel. Trump was reported saying that he could live with alternatives. Recently, there have also been reports that Trump is planning on announcing the recognition of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, making the possibility of the two-state solution even more distant.

A barrage of cruise missiles was fired into Syria after the Syrian government released chemical weapons against civilians, which was the first direct assault on the Syrian government by the US.

Despite claiming that it was a "bad deal," the Trump administration extended the Iran Nuke Sanctions while also adding other sanctions to the country as well.

Trump rescinded the U.S./Cuban relations that Obama had worked toward in a presidential memorandum, like discouraging migrants from Cuba and removing talks of broader communication between the two countries.

In August, Trump vowed to introduce a new plan to "win" in Afghanistan.

Trump also imposed sanctions in Venezuela over the continued crackdown on democratic protests and claims of rigging the presidential election by the Nicolas Maduro regime. This is the fourth round of sanctions by the U.S.

During his visit to the United Nations, the president said that the U.N. does not pay its fair share of the costs and continuing his "America First" policy. More alarming for many members, Trump said that he would "totally destroy" North Korea, a member of the U.N. Trump has leaned heavily on his rhetoric against North Korea, leading to tensions between the two countries, which have not been this high in more than a decade. However, despite his rhetoric, Trump has not actually changed any U.S. policy when it comes to North Korea.

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Through his first President Donald Trump has signed off on 30 executive orders and has caused a nationwide change.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Was the college experience worth it?

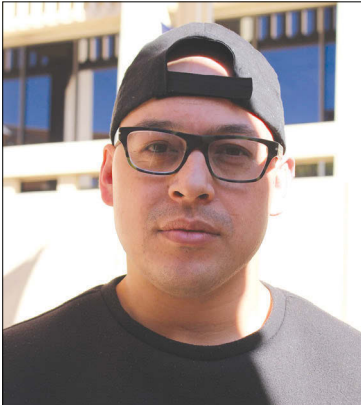
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ALBERTO CHAPARRO
Senior graphic design major
“College is overpriced but not overrated. Seeing a lot of people struggling to find a job after college doesn’t give me any high hopes after graduating. I don’t really think it’s been worth it.”



JADE WILLIAMS
Senior English and American literature major
“College was definitely worth it because I gained a lot of confidence.”



MARK SALAZAR
Senior political science major
“I definitely believe that education is really important. I am currently completing my second degree and it’s definitely been worth it.”



ROSA PEREZ
Senior cellular and molecular biochemistry major
“My experience at UTEP was really worth it. UTEP is one of the few universities that allows undergraduates research while being here.”



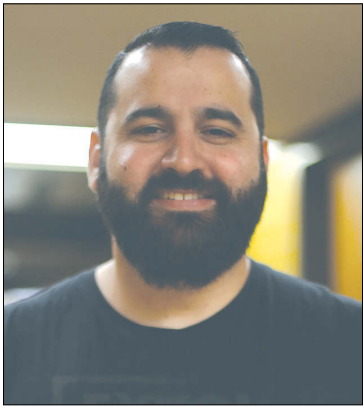
PABLO NEVAREZ
Senior multidisciplinary studies major
“I think the college experience was worth it because I met a lot of people and it finally awarded me with a career.”

After you graduate, what do you plan on doing with your life?

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ANA PAULA GUTIERREZ
Senior business administration major
“After my graduation, I plan to move to Mexico City and find a job in order to become a university professor. I also want to get my master degree in London and my Ph. D. in Mexico.”



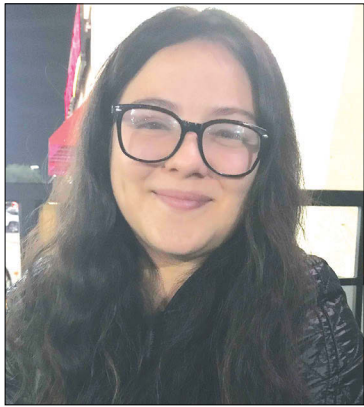
CAMERON TORRES
Senior microbiology major
“I’m going to get my Ph.D. with a focus on molecular virology. I want to do a study on infectious disease. It’s my goal to get involved in government research labs.”



MARIEL DOMINGUEZ
Senior business administration major
“I am planning to find a job related to my major. I would like to work in transportation and supply departments in factories. After two or three years I would like to apply for graduate school.”



ISRAEL SANCHEZ
Senior history major
“I hope to spend more time with my family while looking for a job. I want to enjoy more parts that El Paso has to offer.”



MIREYA MORAN
Senior international business major
“I am planning to look for a job in my area. I would like to work in Phoenix or in Mexico, as I am from Tabasco. I would also like to go back home.”

IN BRIEF

STUDENTS PRESENT ASCARATE RESEARCH

A civil engineering group presented research to better water quality at Ascarate Park to El Paso County Commissioners Court during its regular meeting. The students were asked to restore lake water quality and protect it from golden algae blooms and fish kill. The proposed plan is being proposed to continue through 2021, per the El Paso County. For more information, visit epcounty.com/video.

\$1.2 MILLION GRANT AIMS TO ENHANCE ADVISING

UTEP is one of five schools in the UT System to receive a share of \$8.2 million to fund innovative campus-based projects to better advising on campus.

UTEP PRESENTS ‘A CHRISTMAS CAROL’

The UTEP Department of Theatre and Dance will host “A Christmas Carol,” the story of Ebenezer Scrooge an old miser, who after being visited by different ghosts is transformed into gentler man, at the William and Marie Wise Family Theatre, Fox Fine Arts Center. The dates for the show are Dec. 9 and 15 at 7:30 p.m., Dec. 10 and 17, at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$14 for adults; \$12 for UTEP faculty/staff, seniors, \$10 for military groups and alumni, and \$9 for UTEP students and children.

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The best and worst jobs of 2017

BY RENE DELGAILLO
The Prospector

According to Federal Reserve data by the advocacy group Young Invincibles, millennials are worst off than their parents when it comes to job salaries, student loan debt and home ownership rates. The data showed that millennials earn 20 percent less than baby boomers did at the age in life. Millennials also have a median net worth of \$10,090, 56 percent less than it was for baby boomers.

White millennials, who despite making less than white baby boomers, are still making more money than Black and Latino millennials.

These are the 10 best and worst jobs for 2017, according to the yearly report from CareerCast, a database for job industries. The report looked at 200 jobs and used key metrics like income, projected job growth, work environment, amount of physical work required and stress to determine their ranking.

8 Fire-fighter

Median Salary: \$48,030
Projected Growth: 5 percent

7 Advertising sales

Median Salary: \$50,380
Projected Growth: -3 percent

6 DJ

Median Salary: \$30,830
Projected Growth: -11 percent

3 Logger

Median Salary: \$37,590
Projected Growth: -4 percent

2 Broad-caster

Median Salary: \$38,870
Projected Growth: -9 percent

1 Reporter

Median salary: \$37,820
Projected Growth: -8 percent

9 Occupational Therapist

Median Salary: \$81,910
Projected Growth: 29.04 percent

8 Software engineer

Median Salary: \$100,690
Projected Growth: 17 percent

7 Math-matician

Median Salary: \$111,298
Projected Growth: 22.31 percent

4 Information security analyst

Median Salary: \$90,120
Projected Growth: 18 percent

3 Operations research analyst

Median Salary: \$79,200
Projected Growth: 30 percent

2 Medical services manager

Median Salary: \$94,500
Projected Growth: 17 percent

1 Statist-ican

Median Salary: \$80,110
Projected Growth: 34 percent

WORST JOBS

10 Taxi driver

Median Salary: \$24,300
Projected Growth: 13 percent

9 Retail sales

Median Salary: \$22,900
Projected Growth: 7 percent

5 Pest control

Median Salary: \$33,040
Projected Growth: -1 percent

4 Military personnel

Median Salary: \$27,936
Projected Growth: N/A

BEST JOBS

Below are the best jobs in 2017 according to CareerCast. Note the significant jump from the worst paying jobs to the top paying jobs and their projected growth.

6 University professor

Median Salary: \$72,416
Projected Growth: 15.24 percent

5 Data scientist

Median Salary: \$111,267
Projected Growth: 15.75 percent

10 Speech Pathologist

Median Salary: \$73,250
Projected Growth: 22.65 percent

For more information and a full list of the different careers, where they rank among the top or bottom careers and more, visit CareerCast.com.

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OUR VIEW

A look back at the most prominent shows of the year



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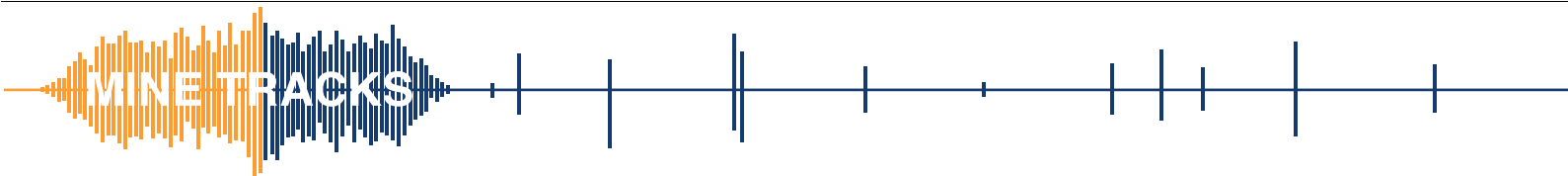


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1. **Elton John** performed at the Don Haskins Center two days before his 70th birthday on March 23. 2. **Logic** performs at Neon Desert on May 28. 3. Pop-punk legends **Green Day** played for a sold-out crowd at the Coliseum on March 2. 4. At **The Drive-In** returns to El Paso playing at the Coliseum on May 7, after releasing their first album in 17 years. 5. **Guns N' Roses** performs for a nearly sold-out crowd at the Sun Bowl on Sept. 6 as part of their "Not in This Lifetime" tour.



Editor’s Prospector Music Award picks of 2017

Artist of the year

Adrian:
Quavo worked tirelessly throughout the year, spreading himself on seemingly every hip-hop album that was released this year. 2017 brought Quavo a world-wide tour and tons of highly acclaimed features.

Leslie:
Mac DeMarco is among few artists who keep the same sound and don’t sound tired. His eccentric personality and soft melodies are one of a kind. For being such a goofy guy, his music can be very serious. His ability to be both make him a strong artist and one of my favorites.

Eddie:
Mac DeMarco grew leaps and bounds this year. Not only did he show his critics that familiarity doesn’t necessarily equate to staleness when it comes to his sound. Yes, he might use the same dreamy synth + lo-fi guitar formula in most of his recordings, but it is an endearing recipe that has made him a worldwide success.

Album of year

Adrian:
“Scum Fuck Flower Boy.” As this year wraps up, there’s only one album that was so entirely well-rounded with dominant lyrics, skilled production and interesting features. Unlike his previous albums, this project featured a lot of risks.

Leslie:
“This Old Dog” is without a doubt my favorite album this year. This album puts you in a trance you never want to wake up from. You have to admire the way DeMarco arranges the music so well in this project. I know this is one I’ll keep playing for years to come.

Eddie:
The word I would use to describe this album would be sincere. DeMarco is at his most vulnerable in this album. Perhaps the only criticism found here is the lack of the artist’s colorful commentary on serious matters, but his more professional tone is a strength of this LP.

Biggest surprise of the year

Adrian:
Who knew Jaden Smith could spit bars on tracks like “Breakfast,” or hit catchy hooks on “Ninety” or work effectively with a well-produced product and turn it into something admirable.

Leslie:
I had no idea what to expect from Lorde’s second studio album. Her freshman release, “Pure Heroine” was stunning and impressive coming from a 17-year-old but I had no hopes for “Melodrama.” Lorde only got better. Her lyrics, her vocals and the production are all amazing.

Eddie:
2 Chainz’s “Pretty Girls Like Trap Music.” With his most professional and focused release to date, the Atlanta rapper found a good balance of catchy and layered instrumentals with a dose of his characteristic lyrics that border absurdity.

Biggest disappointment of the year

Adrian:
HAIM. Their most recent record that had been in the works since 2014 seemed like it was going to be the group’s rise to stardom, but upon its release it felt complex and all over the place.

Leslie:
As a loyal Taylor Swift fan, there was nothing I was excited about more than the release of Taylor’s sixth studio album. The entire album (“Reputation”) was released Nov. 10 and the entire thing was a petty attack at everyone who once bashed on Taylor. Her lyrics suffered the most. She was a complete disappointment.

Eddie:
There was no project more fitting than “Reputation” for this category. Swift’s seeming absence from the public eye only fed the hype machine that surrounds her artistic mystique, and for her to release a project that feels mistakenly prepotent—to a point of hubris—was underwhelming.

Comeback artist of the year

Adrian:
I’m looking at “Pretty Girls Like Trap Music” as one of the top gems of 2017. 2 Chainz hadn’t released a serious solo album since 2015, and “PGLTM” kind of came out of nowhere.

Leslie:
Gorillaz took a 7-year break between “The Fall” and “Humanz.” The former was a very disappointing and poorly executed project. “Humanz” received generally positive reviews. They did a good job at incorporating fun sounds with slightly darker political themes.

Eddie:
Archy Marshall’s focus displayed during the “The OOZ” recording sessions is palpable. After a four year absence, the ghoulish jazz samples combined with Marshall’s post punk influence make “The OOZ” the most complex King Krule release yet.

Breakout artist of the year

Adrian:
Mac DeMarco returned to the forefront of the indie scene this year with an effortlessly masterful album. The classic under-the-radar Mac has been put to bed

Leslie:
The xx aren’t exactly a new group, but this year’s release completely changed their sound in the best way possible. “I See You” does a great job at showing just how much they can do. This is something you can’t stop thinking about. Their growth as a group make them the breakout artists of the year.

Eddie:
Brockhampton. The Texas-born hip-hop collective provided the genre with some of the most colorful verses we have seen in years. The multiple personalities and ideologies all mesh so well in all of their songs, making it difficult to find weaknesses in their “Saturation” trilogy.

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Emily Davis and the Murder Police break into the El Paso music scene

BY EDDIE VELAZQUEZ

The Prospector

As a seasoned veteran of the El Paso music scene, singer-songwriter Emily Davis is emerging with a new alternative project, spearheading the band Emily Davis and the Murder Police.

The Prospector caught up with Davis regarding this new project, graduating from college in May and how she uses her academic experience in her work as a musician.

Q: Guide me through your musical orientation as a kid. What were the first few steps you took to get to where you are now in your career?

E: I grew up heavily involved in worship at my church, my father was a musician, he was a vocalist and would tour in a youth choir as a child, so that was the initial atmosphere where I was exposed to music. I was also raised to enjoy a lot of southern rock and classic rock like Lynyrd Skynyrd, The Doobie Brothers and the Allman Brothers. There is stuff that isn't so much southern like singer/songwriters like Cat Stevens and Paul Simon. I was exposed to a lot of that and I think a lot of it still resonates in my music. When I was 15 I discovered punk rock, specifically through the band Bad Religion and that really shaped my interests as well. Around the same age, I started writing songs and playing shows.

Q: You started out as more of a singer/songwriter type of act. How has that evolved to where you are now?

E: About two years ago, I have always wanted to be in a band and I was in Cigarettes After Sex in 2012. I heard an interview with Jim Ward about what it takes to be in a band, why it could be so rewarding, and I had just released my third album and I felt like it was time to really try and find the right people and invest the time and energy into that. After trial and error with different people, we finally found the right setup and we are working on a new album. We are called Emily Davis and the Murder Police. We are gonna open up for Sparta next week—Jorge “George” Torres, Jose Macias, Tomás Tinajero. It has kinda de-

viated because there has always been the folk aspect in my music, but while that is still occasionally there, I think it is really built an alternative underbelly. It is a little bit faster and a little bit harder, and it is really fun and rewarding to play with them. We are gonna start recording in maybe February-March.

Q: Why the name, Emily Davis and the Murder Police? How did that come about?

E: We joke and we say that it has a better ring than Emily Davis and the homicide detectives. I think that where it came from is a love of John Mulaney and he has a skit about “Law and Order” and he refers to homicide detectives as the murder police and we quote it out a lot, so it kinda became something we all agreed could be our band name.

Q: Did you ever have any troubles adapting from being a solo act to a band? Now you have your three bandmates, so what have been any shortcomings that you have found? Any differences between both recording processes? Any benefits?

E: I often felt very limited in what I could do by myself and I recognized that sometimes songwriting becomes really stale if you are just doing it on your own. Some people are capable of it and I applaud that and I've tried to be capable of it over the years, but one of my own shortcomings was what I felt like were my limitations, so I guess the biggest benefit is finding people that not only complement your sound really well, but you can become really good friends with, and the benefits are obviously friendship and the whole different dynamic when it comes to songwriting and sound. You have people that are putting in more ideas so you have a bigger pool when it comes to ideas.

Q: There is a very noticeable difference between being a solo, singer/songwriter act and a band that is influenced by bands such as Bad Religion. How does that interplay?

E: We are influenced by a lot of stuff, my bassist loves metal and we don't really do metal, but that energy that is involved in metal comes through, our guitarist likes punk rock and shares a love



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of classic rock and 70s music and so I think we have a little bit of that going for us, and then yeah, Bad Religion has played a huge role in how I want to see the world and how I write lyrics and how I strive to do things musically.

Q: Bad Religion is such a socially conscious band. Is that something you try to incorporate into your lyrics?

E: My first album was 80 percent love songs, and there is nothing wrong with that occasionally—it is something that still inspires me. There are a couple of songs in that first album that have nothing to do with that, they are socially motivated and I never have an agenda to what I wanna write about. All I know is I wanna contribute to something and it doesn't necessarily have to be the case. I've written a lot of dumb songs about a lot of different things, but I do think it is important to discuss what is going on around you and music is a great medium with which you can do that.

Q: What was the transition like to college?

E: I kinda postponed college because I did wanna focus on my music for the first few years after graduating high school. I always had a desire to get back to col-

lege and get a degree. I wasn't first sure about what I wanted to do, but it felt important enough for me to try it out, and I figured I would go to school and find something along the way that interested me, and hopefully something that would inspire me to write more music. I found that in anthropology. I liked that it combined a lot of the sociopolitical and artistic aspects of a liberal arts school, but there is also a lot of science in it, especially when you look at physical anthropology—studying human evolution and material culture and archeology. It is kind of a happy medium between those two and it inspired me a lot.

Q: How would you say that has inspired not only your songwriting but your musical compositions as well?

E: I think the beauty of anthropology is that it really forces you to open your eyes and step outside yourself and it forces you to look at other communities, not only inside your own country but outside and it makes you challenge your perspectives as any good major would, but it is especially true in anthropology. So I think having a broader perspective plays a great role in any musical endeavor especially

when it comes to lyricism, which I tend to stress in my music.

Q: What would you say has been the turning point in your career?

E: I have had many turning points I think, but I had the chance to open for Greg Graffin, the lead singer of Bad Religion. He recently released a solo album and he contacted me back in March right before spring break and he asked me to open up for him for four different shows so I was able to do that. That was the dream really. If I could do anything in life, that was one of the things I dreamt about doing.

Q: Aside from this upcoming record, do you have any plans for the future after that? Maybe touring?

E: We have toured a lot the last two years. I've never released an album with a band and we've written a bunch of new songs and we are only playing new songs at the Sparta show, so that is really our focus, getting these songs really tight and get ready to record them. Certainly next summer, shortly thereafter, we can plan touring again because we love that.

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The Drums returns to El Paso for round two as part of the ‘Abysmal Thoughts’ tour

BY ELENIE GONZALEZ

The Prospector

Once a duo, but now the sole work of leading man Jonny Pierce, The Drums is heading back to El Paso to rock the stage with indie-pop angst on Dec. 10 at Tricky Falls.

This won't be the band's first appearance in town this year, as The Drums was here in March for a sell-out show at the Lowbrow Palace.

Fans can expect to hear music off the fourth studio album “Abysmal Thoughts,” which was released this summer and has been celebrated as a return to form for the New York-based project.

The last remaining founding member of the band, Pierce, wrote the album entirely on his own. Since the last album, “Encyclopedia,” was released in 2014, he has been through many trials in his personal life.

Aside from the departure of original member and keyboardist Jacob Graham, Pierce has been married, divorced and

has found new love with boyfriend Keon Smith, who is featured on the cover of “Abysmal Thoughts.”

In the album, the 36-year-old sings about his losses and heartache, much of which he blames himself for. But he's ready to be open and speak about it, which also makes this album like therapy for Pierce, where he comes to terms with his past.

Songs like “Heart Basel” and “Blood Under My Belt” explore those feelings of a failing relationship and admitting to his mistakes.

In an interview with The Up Coming earlier this month, Pierce referred to the new album as a rebirth of sorts. “This was a chance for me to really talk about real things that I'm going through, real thoughts that I have,” he said.

He also said that touring for this show has been the best time he's had in nine years of performing.

“I was able to sort of bring that spirit along with me onto the

stage and I can honestly say that I never held such a connection to the people who appreciate the music and buy the record,” Pierce said.

If exploring heartbreak and navigating through deep emotions while dancing and crying sounds like a good time, this show is for you.

The Drums will share the stage with the Indiana indie rock group Hoops, as part of their tour.

The Indiana natives recently released their collection of three mixtapes, titled “Tapes #1-3.” The compilation is available for streaming on all popular music streaming services and is the band's final step toward approaching a more serious, full-length project.

Tickets cost \$20 to \$40, which is keeping it consistent with other tour dates and may be found on www.ticketfly.com.

Doors open Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. and the show is set to start at 8 p.m. at Tricky Falls, located at 209 S. El Paso St.

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New healthy restaurant opens its doors in Northeast El Paso



Ron and Joya Bermudez co-own the Healthy Desires Café aiming to help El Pasoans eat healthier.

CLAUDIA FLORES/THE PROSPECTOR

BY CLAUDIA FLORES

The Prospector

With many options such as vegan, vegetarian and gluten-free food, Healthy Desires Café opened its doors in Northeast El Paso on Saturday, Dec. 2.

“We wanted to make a different option, I’m at the gym five days a week and one of the biggest problems of trying to live a healthy nutritious life is that there is nowhere to go that is fast and healthy,” said Ron Bermudez, 37-year-old co-owner of Healthy Desires Café.

The new café made sure every group in the community has complete access to a wide variety of plates and items they can consume.

Debra Alderete, a multidisciplinary studies student at UTEP and customer, said that this was her first time at the café.

“I love it they have wonderful vegan and vegetarian options,” Alderete said. “I’ve been a vegan over four years now and I had a wonderful portobello mushroom with kale and brown rice bowl and a chocolate cupcake.

And I will be back because it was very tasty.”

Co-owner and pharmacist, Joya Bermudez, said that as they were getting things ready to open the restaurant, the menu evolved.

“I have a lot of family that’s gluten-free, so we decided why not to just give the healthy option, but also to cater to some of the groups that don’t get catered to, especially in this area,” Bermudez said.

For many, the challenge of eating healthy comes down to cutting sugars and carbohydrates. The bakery, Buffed Baked Goods, joins Desire Healthy Café to provide the community with healthy desserts.

“Everybody is looking out for a quick fix, but there is no quick fix on trying to lose weight and nutrition is about what you put into your body,” said Silvia Ortega, owner of Buffed Baked Good. “I’m trying to bring the aspect of protein factor, low carbs and gluten-free with my pastries.”

Rose Luevano, a 64-year-old customer, said the café was an

excellent idea and really needed in El Paso.

“As we get older, there are certain things that happen to our bodies, joints. Just in general it is good to think about our future and if we can think with a healthy mind and body, things will be great,” Luevano said.

For the owners of Healthy Desires Café, their priority is to offer the community fast, on-the-go meals, but with a nutritious and healthy twist.

“From the pharmacist’s point of view, Hispanics have one of the highest rates of diabetes in the USA,” Bermudez said. “One third of all Hispanic women end

up with diabetes, which is huge. So having healthy options especially in this city is big.”

Ortega said that this venture is all about educating people about the importance of not giving up eating what they like, but to tweak what people eat and learning to eat in moderation. She said the vision is to provide quicker options such as meal preps at a reasonable price.

“As far as my pastries catering to different types of people, my pastries are gluten-free, which means they’re oat based and they’re made with brown sugar, which I’ve been able to get people off honey buns,” Ortega said. “I used to weight 250 pounds and now I’m at a healthy 160 pounds, and it’s just like I said, there is no quick fix. It is a constant struggle every day, but we need to know that what we’re putting in our bodies is really important.”

Healthy Desires Café also offers protein milkshakes, organic teas and meal preparations starting as low as \$5 per plate.

“The United States has become that ‘I’ll stop at McDonald’s and get a burger on the go’ instead of going home and preparing a salad,” Bermudez said, “I think that the most important thing is that we want to keep our family around and as soon as we start to change what we eat and consume. The healthier you eat, the longer we are around.”

Healthy Desires Café is located on the 10710 Gateway Blvd. North, St. B-8. They are open Monday through Sunday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

For more information and to see their menu, visit <http://healthydesirescafe.com>.

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Silvia Ortega from Buffed Baked Goods supplies the café with desserts.

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OUR VIEW

Celebration of Lights brightens up El Paso during the holidays



El Pasoans gathered Downtown for the Celebration of Lights on Saturday, Dec. 2. The event that was hosted by El Paso Parks and Recreation featured the lighting of the lights and holiday decorations at San Jacinto Plaza by two children and Mayor Dee Margo. The event also featured a parade, food trucks, vendors and performances by different groups.

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Men’s basketball seeking consecutive wins for first time this season



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Senior guard Omega Harris is coming off a career-high 28 point performance against New Mexico this past Saturday night.

BY DANIEL MENDEZ

The Prospector

With rivalry week wrapped up for the men’s basketball team, the squad will look to build on the success they found against rival New Mexico in an 88-76 win that snapped a six-game losing streak this past Saturday night at the Don Haskins Center.

With the win, the Miners earned just their second victory of the season.

UTEP (2-6) will continue their season long eight-game home stretch with a matchup against the Washington State Cougars (6-1) on Saturday, Dec. 9. Interim head coach Phil Johnson will be looking for back-to-back wins for his club for the first time this season.

The Miners were handed the news this past week of the sudden retirement of head coach Tim Floyd, after a loss to Lamar on Nov. 27.

UTEP promoted assistant coach Johnson to interim head coach the following day and the Johnson era is off to an intriguing start.

After getting blown out by the Aggies last Thursday, the team regrouped in a total team effort that saw senior guard Omega Harris set a career-high with 28 points, in what was a surprising win against the Lobos.

Following two defeats early in the week, the Miners showed a lack of ball movement. Something that was a problem before Floyd announced his retirement.

In the New Mexico State loss, the Miners were only able to dish out a dismal four assists.

Against the Lobos, the team recorded 10 assists, but what ultimately propelled the team to victory was their shooting percentage. UTEP hit 53.7 percent from the floor, hitting 37.5 percent from behind the arc and knocking down 77.8 percent from the free-throw line.

After starting the season on fire with a six-game winning streak, the Cougars dropped their first game of the season this past Saturday night at home. However, the loss was to Big West preseason favorite UC Davis, 81-67.

Washington State has been battle tested early with quality wins against San Diego State (93-86) and Saint Joseph’s (75-71).

The matchup with the Miners will be the Cougars’ second game this week as they go on the road and face Idaho on Wednesday, Dec. 6, before facing UTEP.

The Cougars are led by junior forward Robert Franks and sophomore guard Malachi Flynn. Franks is averaging 18.5 points per game and Flynn is averaging 17.7 points per game.

The Miners’ defense will need to force these two into taking bad shot attempts, as the duo are the only members of the Cougars who have scored over 100 points so far in the season.

Another aspect of the Cougars’ game that makes them so difficult to guard is their team’s ability to share the ball and

force turnovers. As of right now, the team has 110 assists on the season.

The Cougars average six steals per game and they will look to utilize that aggressive defense on a Miners’ team that has turned the ball over 104 times this season.

If the Miners were to somehow pull off another upset and use it to retake control of their season, they will need to get it going on the offensive side. Injured senior center Matt Willms is still the Miners’ leading scorer with 14.8 points per game.

Guard Keith Frazier should eclipse Willms while he is sidelined, as Frazier is now averaging 13.3 points per game, a stat that is steadily increasing. Frazier scored 16 points against the Lobos.

However, the ace in the hole for this Miners team is Harris, who is coming off his best game as a Miner. The senior shot nine-for-11 on shot attempts, including a perfect shooting night from behind the arc (4-4) and at the charity stripe (6-6), recording just one turnover.

Johnson has complained about the lack of ball movement the Miners have been showing as of late, going on to say that one guy alone should be getting eight assists a game and not a total of 14 in two games. But against the Lobos, five Miners were in double digits, something they will need as the season progresses.

UTEP is in a midst of an eight-game homestand. They will look for the recipe of success they found against the Lobos as they look to get right before the start of Conference USA play.

Tip-off against the Cougars is slated for 7 p.m. this Saturday.

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Women’s basketball opens up nine-game road trip at Arkansas State

BY JEREMY CARRANCO

The Prospector

The UTEP women’s basketball team is off to a 5-1 start. The team has enjoyed playing all six of their games at home to open up the 2017-18 campaign, but now the Miners are on road for their next nine games with their first test coming against Arkansas State this afternoon.

“We are excited about it, the mentality we have when we try and protect our home court is the same mentality we will have to have against our opponents on the road at their place,” said UTEP’s junior guard Najala Howell. “I feel that if we carry that mentality and stay focused, then we’ll do good on the road.”

UTEP battled with Arkansas State during both of the Miners’ recent WNIT runs (2014, 2016). The Miners met the Red Wolves in round one in 2014 and came out on top 74-64, led by 28 points from UTEP’s all-time leading scorer and rebounder Kayla Thornton, who now plays in the WNBA for the Dallas Wings. In 2016, UTEP met Arkansas State in the second round, winning yet again 74-68.

The Redwolves (3-4) are led this season by 19-year head coach Brian Boyer, who has captured four Sun Belt Conference Coach of the Year honors (2003-04, 2004-05, 2013-14 & 2015-16). Boyer is also the Sun Belt Conference’s all-time win leader in women’s college basketball, with 306 overall wins and 176 conference victories.

As for the players, Arkansas State is led by leading scorer Akasha Westbrook, who averages 13.2 points and 4.7 rebounds per game. In the Redwolves’ recent loss at Ole Miss (74-48), Westbrook was held in check, scoring just two points.

Capturing a double-double this season in four consecutive games, UTEP’s Tamara Seda has been just what her team has expected her to be.

Seda needed to come into this new season and be the driving force on both offense and defense this season in order for her team to rebound from a very disappointing 2016-17 campaign (9-23, 5-13 C-USA).

Seda has been the Miners’ leading scorer in three of the team’s six contests. The senior earned her fourth straight double-double (18 points, 16 rebounds) in her team’s victory over the Houston Baptist Huskies this past Saturday afternoon.

Seda has 93 points and three blocks on the season, both team highs. The Maputo, Mozambique, native is also averaging a team-leading 15.5 points and 10.8 rebounds per game.

The Miners’ best win so far on the young season came against the Arkansas Razorbacks on Nov. 24, at 64-61 in game one of the UTEP Thanksgiving Classic. The victory gave the UTEP women’s basketball program their first win over an SEC team in school history.

The lone loss for the Miners came to rival New Mexico on Nov. 30 at the Don Haskins Center. The Lobos held the Miners to a season-low 25 percent (11-44) from the floor, notching 22 points off a season-high 25 UTEP turnovers.

Turnovers continued to be an issue in the Miners’ most recent win against Houston Baptist (69-62). The Miners committed 22 turnovers, which led to 21 Huskie points. UTEP will need to clean up their sloppy play if they want to be more efficient on offense.

UTEP’s first-year head coach Kevin Baker said, following his team’s 69-62

victory over Houston Baptist, that he simply can’t explain why his team has turned the ball over so many times in every game this season. So far, the 5-1 Miners have committed 121 turnovers in six games combined.

“I think it’s going to be our thing (problem) all year, I cannot explain it any more than a fan watching it can,” he said. “What I can say is that our players are trying really hard and sometimes we make a few mistakes. We will try and figure out a way to lessen those turnovers because we scored 69 points with 22 turnovers (speaking about HBU game), so we obviously left points on the court.”

Junior Najala Howell has come around nicely for the Miners as well. Howell hit four huge 3-pointers in the fourth quarter of what was a very close contest against Houston Baptist. Howell has seemed to come around and hit big 3’s in crunch time for UTEP early on this season. The junior leads the team in 3-pointers made (11) and is second in 3-point field goal percentage (.524).

“Naj (Howell) just seems to find a way to hit a big shot and to make a clutch play,” Baker said. “There’s good and bad, but more good. It’s going to give me gray hairs at times, but she’s a winner as well and you want her on the floor in crunch time because she is going to make something good happen.”

The “bad” that Baker is referring to are the turnovers Howell has committed, coming at times when the guard may be trying a little too hard to push the ball down the court. The DeSoto, Texas, native is third on the team in turnovers with 18, after Katarina Zec (21) and Seda (20).

After playing at Arkansas State, the Miners will travel back west to take



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The Miners are off to a 5-1 start on the 2017-18 season.

on Battle of I-10 rival New Mexico State on Saturday, Dec. 10 at the Pan American Center in Las Cruces. The Aggies (2-5) defeated the Miners last season 67-59 in El Paso, but the Miners were victorious the last time the two rivals met in Las Cruces (71-65) in 2015.

NMSU has already compiled as many losses as they had all of last season (26-5). The Aggies in 2016-17 won the WAC regular-season and tournament championships before falling to No. 2 seed Arizona State 74-52 in the Sioux Falls region of the NCAA Tournament.

Former head coach Mark Trakh departed to USC to become the Trojans’ head coach following the strong season, and NMSU then hired Brooke

Atkinson as the 11th head coach in program history. Atkinson spent eight years as an assistant coach for NMSU from 2003-11.

Leading scorers for the Aggies this season are Brooke Salas and Gia Pack, who both average 16.9 points per game. Salas leads the team in rebounding with an average of 9.1 boards per game.

Tip-off against Arkansas State is set for 3 p.m. MST Tuesday and 2 p.m. MST against New Mexico State on Saturday.

The Miners will not play a home game until Jan. 11, 2018, when the team returns to El Paso for their Conference-USA home opener against Charlotte.

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Sports is a business for coaches and players, forget loyalty

BY MIKE FLORES
The Prospector



There's no such thing as loyalty in sports. It's a business—and rightfully so. Players in all sports should have the right to leave or do what they please without being bashed on, since owners and coaches all around will trade or release them the second they think they can do better.

This new era of sports has shifted the mindset of being loyal. There won't be many Mike Krzyzewski's, Don Shula's, Kobe Bryant's, Tim Duncan's of the world anymore. And that's not a bad thing necessarily.

This year in college sports, coaches have shown how loyalty will always come second to money. Money talks.

Florida State was left without a coach for their final regular season game against Louisiana-Monroe because a couple of days before their contest, Jimbo Fisher decided to leave FSU for the huge contract that Texas A&M offered him (10 year/\$75 million).

Not only did Fisher leave a huge hole to fill for the Seminoles, but he didn't even have the courtesy to contact the players he left hanging. FSU's star quarterback Deondre Francois, who tore his ACL in the first game of the season, tweeted in response to Fisher leaving, "No call, no text, you could have at least said something."

If coaches like Fisher can leave whenever they like, when they're the

ones players are supposed to look up to and listen to, what kind of example of being loyal did he provide?

Over at UCF, the Knights went undefeated at 12-0 this season after going winless two years ago. UCF also won the AAC championship in dramatic fashion against Memphis, 62-55, this past Saturday. But during the overtime battle against Memphis, UCF supporters all around the nation were hit with the reality that their head coach Scott Frost is fleeing UCF for a Big Ten program in Nebraska.

Frost used UCF as a stepping stone to leapfrog to a better opportunity for him. There's nothing wrong with that, but players should have the same privilege if they decide to transfer to a better gig for them, not be forced to sit out a year when coaches all around the nation can coach the season after their departure.

It just doesn't make sense. The spectrum of loyalty in sports caters to coaches and owners when it's beneficial to them, but punishes the students if they want to do the same.

Student-athletes aren't paid, but they should be because they produce more money than coaches ever could. That's being loyal.

Aside from college football, loyalty issues surrounding the players are in every level of sports.

Fans want their favorite players to stay loyal and bash them when they leave, but why would they stay loyal?

Last year in the NBA, Kevin Durant shocked the world when he decided to flee Oklahoma City for Golden State. As much hate as Durant received, it was his right to leave.

If he wanted to do what everyone wanted him to do, that's being a follower, not being loyal. Durant anticipated the hate he would get when he made his move, but the hate was much more than he expected to the point that he couldn't get out of bed for days after his decision.

Durant was so hurt by the reactions he got. "Why the f--- did you let me do this to my life?" Durant yelled at his agent after everyone's reaction to him joining the Warriors. If his "fans" were that quick to turn on Durant, who makes them feel that way? No one would want to be loyal to that.

Instead, Durant went with his gut and it turned out to be the best decision of his career. With the Warriors, Durant won his first NBA title and won the finals' MVP.

Celtics guard Isaiah Thomas finally thought he found a home in the league. Thomas' heroics of 28.9 points per game (third in the NBA), six assists per game and leading the league in fourth-quarter points (10.1) guided Boston to the first seed in the Eastern Conference. It also got Thomas a top-five finish in the NBA MVP race and an All-Star appearance.

In the first round of the playoffs against the Bulls, a day before game three, Thomas' sister Chyna Thomas passed away in a brutal car crash.

It was uncertain if Thomas would play the next day. But when game time finally came around, Thomas was suited up, crying on the bench in pregame warmups, but he decided to play because his sister would have wanted him to and because he knew all of Boston was behind him and he was loyal to that.

What a year Thomas experienced. However, in the following offseason, Thomas was traded to the Cleveland Cavaliers for another star guard Kyrie Irving despite all that Thomas and Boston went through.

That's just another example of how owners will do anything to win at all costs because at the end of the day, it's just a business to them. Nothing more.

So, players should not receive any trouble when they do the same to win at all costs.

When NBA superstar LeBron James decided to leave Cleveland for the first time in 2010, his jerseys were being burnt, he was labeled as "weak" or a "traitor," and he was one of the most hated players in the NBA just for making a decision he thought was best for his career.

To top it all off, the Cavaliers owner Dan Gilbert wrote a hateful letter toward James when he left for Miami. Some of Gilbert's word choices in his hate letter to James were, "You simply don't deserve this kind of cowardly betrayal" and "This shocking act of disloyalty from our home grown 'chosen one' sends the exact opposite lesson of what we would want our children to learn. And 'who' we would want them to grow up to become."

But, it's the other way around. That's not loyalty from the management. If James was treated like that just for leaving, the message it sends is that owners and coaches love you while you're there, but hate you when you're gone.

Instead, four years later, James returned to the Cavaliers for his love

of his city and promising to come back and win a championship for the Cavaliers—which he did in 2016.



James was more loyal to a fan base and ownership that didn't deserve him. Why would any sports athlete want to be loyal if no one is loyal to them when things don't go as planned?


In the NFL, it's common for players to sit out until they're paid the amount of money they want. While a lot of people look down on that as being selfish or unloyal to a team, it's the same thing as a regular person with a regular job doing more than they're asked or becoming more important to their company that they deserve a raise.

Just because athletes seem super-human sometimes doesn't mean they are. If they deserve more money and someone else is offering it to them, it's their right to leave if they want. Coaches do it all the time like I stated earlier. Coaches just don't get the harassment players get because not as much is expected from them.

Loyalty is an important quality that people can possess, but it's different in sports. Players don't have control over where they get drafted, if their team trades or cuts them or if they'll ever get to play.

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Six storylines for the 84th annual Hyundai Sun Bowl



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The Sun Bowl association representatives announced NC State and Arizona State as the two teams who will play in the 2017 Sun Bowl.

BY ADRIAN BROADDUS

The Prospector

The teams are set for the 84th annual Hyundai Sun Bowl as the Arizona State Sun Devils will take on the North Carolina State Wolfpack at 1 p.m. MT, Friday, Dec. 29, at the Sun Bowl.

At first glance, these two teams might not be the most eye-grabbing teams, but with a closer look, these two have the potential to duke it out for a classic matchup.

Here are some storylines to keep an eye out for:

Arizona State

(7-5, 2nd in Pac-12 South)

Todd Graham's last game with the Sun Devils

Toward the end of their sub-par season, the Arizona State athletic department decided to fire six-year head coach Todd Graham. Since his hiring in 2012, Graham has posted a 46-31 overall record with four bowl appearances and two bowl wins—2012 Fight Hunger Bowl, 62-28 over Navy, and 2014 Sun Bowl, 36-31 over Duke.

Oddly enough, instead of the department relieving Graham of his duties, they asked him to continue coaching until the end of the season.

Graham and his players are determined to have one last ride in this bowl game, and if they go out and beat a ranked team like NC State, it would be the exact way he would like to go out.

"If I was ASU, I'd name this (new football) facility after Todd Graham," senior running back Demario Richard told AZ Central. "I've seen him turn boys into men, turn people who didn't believe in God to believing in God. He's a great man. He's just one phone call away for me, and I know if I ever want to get into coaching I know who to call."

Arizona State's athletic department is expected to hire Herm Edwards, a current ESPN football analyst and previous head coach for the New York Jets and Kansas City Chiefs.

Demario Richard is the man to stop

After ASU's 42-30 win over state rivals Arizona, Richard became the fifth running back in school

history to surpass the 3,000-yard career rushing mark with his 165 yards against the Wildcats.

He is now the school's fifth all-time leading rusher and needs just 21 yards to surpass Wilford White's (1947-50) 3,173 career yards to be the program's fourth-best rusher.

In the last four games, Richard has had 100-yard rushing games. It will be up to the Wolfpack's defense to stop him and shut down Arizona State's run game.

Been there, done that

With the announcement of ASU coming to the Sun Bowl, this will mark the sixth time that the Sun Devils have come to El Paso for the bowl game.

The Sun Devils are 3-1-1 all-time at the Sun Bowl, more recently a back-and-forth thrilling 36-31 victory over Duke in 2014. In 2004, the Sun Devils beat out Purdue 27-23, with the likes of quarterback Kyle Orton leading the way for the Sun Devils. In 1997, the Sun Devils beat out Iowa 17-7, and their lone loss in the Sun

Bowl came in 1941, when they lost to Case Western Reserve 26-13. The only tie of the Sun Bowl and the bowl's lowest scoring game came from a 0-0 tie when ASU went against Catholic University in 1940.

"This is a great opportunity for us to compete against a top-notch program and close out the 2017 season right," coach Graham said in a press release. "We look forward to representing our university in El Paso with character, class and dignity."

No. 24 NC State (8-4, 2nd in ACC Coastal Division)

A season of what-ifs

Taking a sound 33-21 win over North Carolina to wrap up their fall 2017 season ended the Wolfpack's season with an 8-4 record, but it was not necessarily how they wanted the year to wrap up.

Although it was their first second-place finish during head coach Dave Doeren's time, they felt like they deserved more.

"I'm not ecstatic," senior defensive end Bradley Chubb told the News & Observer after their final win. "Eight and four wasn't what we wanted, but I know these guys next year are going to finish all these close games and do what we thought we would do this year."

We look forward to representing our university in El Paso with character, class and dignity.

-Todd Graham, Arizona State head coach

The Wolfpack hunted for a 10-win season for only the second time in school history, but losses to the likes of Clemson, Wake For-

est and South Carolina stumped any hopes of that.

Instead of a New Year's bowl, NC State will have to settle for the Sun Bowl and hope to cap off their season with a statement win.

Doeren wants a dynasty

Doeren, the six-year head coach for NC State, has had a well-spent time with the program. He's 33-30 overall at NC State, including two bowl wins in 2014 against UCF in the St. Petersburg Bowl and in 2016 against Vanderbilt in the Independence Bowl.

At 41, he became the youngest ACC coach in 2012. His first year's 3-9 record was Doeren's lone losing season with the Wolfpack. After that, NC State went 8-5 in 2013, followed by 22 wins over the next three years.

Recently, Doeren received a job offer from Tennessee, who is trying to rebuild its program in the SEC. However, Doeren declined the offer to stay true to his current program.

Bradley Chubb — start or sit out?

Standout defensive end Chubb, a likely top-10 pick in the NFL draft, has not decided whether or not to play in the Sun Bowl, per multiple local reports.

Like Stanford's former standout running back Christian McCaffrey did last year for the Sun Bowl, Chubb might sit out of the bowl game to prepare for the 2018 NFL draft.

Chubb is also coming off a dislocated finger against Boston College, so he may use the injury as a factor in his decision-making.

He was named the 2017 ACC Defensive Player of the Year, with 25 tackles for losses this season (second in FBS), 73 tackles (fourth among defensive lineman) and 10 sacks (eighth in FBS). He is also the school's career leader in sacks and tackles for loss, beating out NC State legend Mario Williams.

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1. Aug. 31, Bob Stull announces retirement as director of athletics for UTEP after 19 years (1998-2017). 2. Oct. 1, Sean Kugler resigns as head coach of the UTEP football program after five seasons (2013-17). Kugler went 18-36 with the Miners. 3. Oct. 2, UTEP hires former head football coach Mike Price (2004-12) as interim for the remainder of the 2017 campaign. 4. Nov. 25, UTEP football finishes winless at 0-12 for the first time in program history. Price finished 48-68 in nine seasons with the UTEP football program. 5. Nov. 22, UTEP hires Jim Senter as new director of athletics. 6. Nov. 27, Tim Floyd retires as head coach of the UTEP men's basketball program after eight seasons (2010-17). Floyd went 138-99 with the Miners.

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