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Guard Katia Gallegos calls out a play during practice on Oct. 28

by Alberto Silva Fernandez/The Prospector

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Golding was recently at Abilene Christian University where he led the Wildcats to the past two NCAA tournaments. This is season 11 of Golding's career as a collegiate head coach and his first season here as UTEP. Golding's record as a head coach is 158-144.

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The epidemic of school shootings in America

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For years, the United States has dealt with hundreds of mass shootings in schools, from Columbine High School shooting in 1999 to more recently at Timberview High School Oct. 6. Shootings seem to inevitably happen every year, either in a school or shopping center, they have become “normal” in our lives as Americans. Each year we hear of a new and devastating shooting that rocks the nation, yet a country we allow these acts to be repeated.

With the familiar feeling of devast- ation, heartbeat and distress, it has increasingly created the feeling of anger and confusion for many. The question always lingers whether nothing will change or if this might be the one shooting that can change the course of our future. Though the earliest school shooting is dated back to July 26, 1764, church-theater school shooting in U.S. history has been Columbine and unfortunately it has been the blueprint for so many other offenders across the country.

As the new sports editor, there are a couple of goals that I hope to accomplish in my time with The Prospector. One of my main goals is to do my absolute best to make sure every sport is both included and heard. I hope to make sure I can get coverage for every sport possible and try to make sure that not only are the more popular sports included in The Prospector, but also the ones that don’t receive the same amount of attention. One of the reasons I am chosen as the new sports editor for this semester, and I am excited to help contribute to both this section and this paper’s success in whatever capacity possible.

I am a multimedia journalism major with a minor in rhetoric writing here at UTEP. I am also a freelance photographer and videographer on the weekends when given the time and opportunity.

From the shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary to Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, each shooter idolized and were inspired by the two shooters in Columbine. The disturbing similarity is something that could have been prevented, if only something was done after the shooting in 1999.

Other similarities found in each situation include how easily each perpetrator can bring a weapon onto school grounds, even with the increasing changes in security. From metal detectors to the increased se- curity presence on school grounds, mass shootings continue to happen across the nation and not just in a school setting.

It has continuously been shown that guns find their way into the hands of the wrong people and damage the lives of the innocent. Whether purchased legally or illegally, guns should not be in the hands of those not mentally capable of handling them responsibly. A process must be put in place to not get rid of guns completely, but limit the opportunities for guns to be put in the wrong hands.

Since 1999, there have been over 256,000 students exposed to gun violence across the nation, not including misfires or thwarted attempts. Even with no school shootings happening during the COVID-19 pandemic, noting that for most of the 2020-year students completed the school year virtually, there have been 24 school shoot- ings in 2021, with the last one being recorded Oct. 12.

School shootings, as these statis- tics show, are not a rare occurrence in the United States. For the past 20 years, the families of each victim of various massacres have fought and continue to fight for gun control. Whether it be for complete banning of firearms or limiting access to them, they have not given up hope for a better future.

More recently, students from across the country have come together to help stop the epidemic of school shootings. Through this fight began back in 1999 after Columbine, students of Marjory Stoneman Douglas have organized the March for Our Lives movement back in 2018—a small step taken in hopes that school shootings be prevented and that not another innocent student should die due to unnecessary gunfire.

March for Our Lives and other organizations like Sandy Hook Promise and Protect Our Schools have dedicated their time to bringing both Republicans and Democrats together to combat the issues that lead to gun violence and particularly school shootings. The possibility of a shooting occurring could end if everyone set aside political beliefs and remembered that another child should not have to die for us to realize something needs to change. Instead of picking sides, we should come together to accept firearms do not belong to schools and to protect current and future generations of students.

As a nation we must remember that it is not normal for a 20-year- old to remember school shooting drills based on experience; no person should have to deal with that trauma at any age, let alone at the age of 6 or 7 years old.

To put it simply, school shoot- ings in America happen because guns are easily accessible to those not mentally capable nor qualified to handle them. As a country we must realize that we cannot stand aside and let these massacres to be repeated. Rather, we must unite and accept that no student should be put in a situation like that ever again.

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For about a year and a half of being isolated from everyone, one thing most can agree on is the lack of human touch. Whether it be psychosocially or sexually, people across the globe were forced to be alone without knowing when the next time they would get to see, let alone touch, someone else. That deprivation of touch paired with the return of normal life has led to an intense spike in sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and sexually transmitted infections (STIs). Data collected by the El Paso Public Health Department showed a spike in cases of both STDs and STIs. From January to August, there has been at least a 100 case increase compared to statistics from this time last year.

"Given the restrictions put in place to slow down the spread of COVID-19, we understand many individuals might have chosen to forego annual STI testing," said Angélica Carrillo, director of the Department of Public Health. "For this reason, we believe many STIs went undiagnosed/unreported and transmitted to others without knowing they were being infected.

Across the city or closer to school, students and faculty can find help anywhere, even a few blocks down from the school campus.

"Though there are many clinics around El Paso, you can always stop by UMEC check in and get a quick STD workup for your own peace of mind," said UMEC nurse Kayla Del Rasso. "We have higher cases because people aren’t taking care of themselves; it’s OK to live your life, but your actions have consequences.

For students at UTEP, educating yourself on the severity of STDs and STIs is as important as using protection. With a taboo subject like sex, students must not hide from the idea of safe sex. “Being tested and being honest with your partner is the right thing to do,” Mora said.

“Communication is the key; we encourage all sexually active individuals to openly discuss with their partners what prevention methods are best for them," said Mora. "Routine testing also prevents spread of disease and early treatment, as living with one STI increases the risk of becoming infected to HIV and other STIs.

Students are encouraged by other students to not be embarrassed by getting tested or wanting more information on STIs and STIs. UTEP nursing student Clarissa Raya knows it can be scary to be so open over something so sensitive. “People can always learn the signs and symptoms and get tested,” said Raya.

"It’s better to be safe than sorry; I’m sure others are scared, too, but you want to stop it before it gets too serious."

Even with testing and treatment after any infections, students are encouraged to follow safe sex practices, so they are not exposed to STDs or STIs.

"We highly encourage our community to engage in safe sexual practices to prevent acquiring an STI; routine STI testing as part of their annual health checkup is highly recommended, especially when it comes to knowing our HIV status," Mora said. "Condom usage, PEPP, using latex when engaging in anal sex and being honest about one’s sexuality all help reduce the risk of contracting an STI.

Even if you believe you are practicing safe sex, being tested should no longer be taboo but rather a part of our normal lives and trying to remain healthy. Just like any health concern, take this one seriously and protect not only yourself, but others.

Numerous clinics throughout the city offer free and/or reduced cost STI testing, for more information, please contact the El Paso Community Care at 915-212-0200 Option 5 or call 2-1-1 for referrals to community health clinics.

"There is a community resources board that can be reached at 2-1-1," said UTEP President Emerita Dr. Natalicio, "anyone is encouraged to reach out to us and we will guide them to the right resources that can help them.

Diana Natalicio was considered a pioneer in higher education among the community and praised for giving small El Paso campus into a national research institution while expanding college access for Hispanics. The University of Texas at El Paso has stated that it looks forward to sharing more about the new major institute in the coming months.

UTEP announces new Institute for Hispanic Student Success

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As a result of the money raised during the gala event, UTEP President Emerita Dr. Natalicio was able to provide the funds needed to establish the Diana Natalicio Institute for Hispanic Student Success to continue her legacy.

"Dr. Natalicio was a leader of great inspiration," Wilson said. "She led a team of people who built a university that defined inclusive excellence for Texas and for the nation. We continue to build on that foundation today.

The announcement of the new Institute for Hispanic Student Success has received support from state and federal representatives and as well as local public leaders.

"It’s important that we recognize the contributions of Hispanic Americans in the community," said Wilson.

With this announcement comes the new Institute for Hispanic Student Success to continue UTEP’s proud tradition as a Hispanic-serving institution. This new institute will use research and evidence-based practices to develop future Hispanic and Latinx leaders, innovators and entrepreneurs, according to a statement released by the UT System.

Chancellor of the University of Texas System, James B. Milliken, expressed his appreciation for Dr. Natalicio.

"It was an honor to work with Dr. Natalicio," Milliken said. "She was a visionary leader who was always focused on improving the lives of Hispanics in our community and she will be greatly missed."
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Katia Gallegos preps to lead team to victory

By Julia Lucero The Prospector

UTEP’s Point Guard Katia Gallegos is a D1 student-athlete, who relies on her family’s support to honor her heritage on the court and her achievements.

According to the UTEP 2021-2022 women’s basketball roster, Gallegos was the first Miner Sophomore since 2008 to be a first-team All-League Honoree. Her assist average (5.0) was the second-best in school history by a sophomore. She started all 25 games her sophomore year, and was on the 2021 and 2022 Nancy Lieberman Award Watch list. Despite all these prestigious honors, Gallegos said her focus is on her team.

“It is cool having recognition, but at the end of the day, my goal is set for more conference USA, like championship as a team. That’s really my goal right now, just trying to put in my two cents to help this team to win and lead them,” Gallegos said.

Gallegos said that her coaching staff prepares her well, not only on the court but off. Knowledge about press conferences, interviews and how she presents herself to the media.

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Wanting to succeed plays a key role in her athletic and personal life. When Gallegos was younger, she loved to watch American basketball player Russell Westbrook and became inspired by him, Gallegos said.

Gallegos was born in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico and moved to the United States when she was 8 years old.

When she moved to the United States, she was excited that most basketball courts were indoors, unlike the ones she would play outside in Juarez.

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BY VICTORIA RIVAS

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After a year of fans virtually supporting UTEP’s basketball teams, the upcoming 2021-2022 season will soon return, and fans are excited to attend games and support both teams.

“I’m glad we will now be able to attend games again because the environment is vibrant and different,” said UTEP student Jorge Marin.

UTEP men’s basketball team begins their season 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, with a home game against Western New Mexico. Fans can take advantage of the “Golding Ticket” special for the home opener to celebrate the start of Joe Golding as the new head coach of the men’s basketball team.

All tickets from the navy and green sections will be $5 only while supplies last. Students can call 747-UTEP or visit www.utepminers.com/tickets to purchase their tickets.

“From day one, we’ve talked about getting butts in the seats and back in the Don Haskins Center,” said Head Coach Joe Golding in a press release. “We want that place to be packed. It used to be one of the toughest places to play in the country. We have to do our job to put a very exciting team on the floor.”

UTEP women’s basketball season starts at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, against the University of the Incarnate Word (UIW) at the UTEP’s Don Haskins Center.

The women’s team will also play an exhibition game with St. Mary’s Sunday, Nov. 7, at the Don Haskins Center before the season starts. “I love basketball, and this is my first semester at school. So, I think I will attend a basketball game to support UTEP,” said UTEP student Michelle Chavez.

UTEP’s athletic teams have gotten a good start, and as fans prepare to fill UTEP’s Sun Bowl Stadium for the upcoming home game on Saturday, Nov. 6, both UTEP’s basketball teams hope fans go and support them and fill the Don Haskins Center as well.

“As we are nearing the first tip-off of the season, ticket sales are the most important way to support our team,” said Kevin Baker, women’s basketball head coach, in a press release. “Buying a ticket, wearing orange, and being loud are always the best way to contribute to the success of our basketball program. We need our fans in the stands. We will put a very exciting team on the floor, and they will be fun to watch. This is going to be another great season.”

Six UTEP men’s basketball games have been selected to be broadcast nationally or streamed through well-known outlets like CBS Sports Network and ESPN+. Four out of the six games will be played at the Don Haskins Center.

Fans can buy season tickets, group tickets and single-game tickets. Depending on the game, prices start at $8 for women’s basketball and $10 for men’s basketball.

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Miners fall in close game against FAU

Miners ready to battle undefeated Roadrunners after loss to Owls

By Levi Carlos
The Prospector

UTEP Miners drop to (6-2, 3-1 C-USA) on the season after a loss on the road to Florida Atlantic University (5-3, 3-1 C-USA) in Boca Raton, Florida. The Miners are (3-2) all-time against the Florida Atlantic Owls and have never won a game in Boca Raton. This is the first time the Miners and the Owls have met since 2016.

Only one game back from the front runners No.16 UTSA Roadrunners, this game gave the Miners the opportunity to tie the Roadrunners in conference play. The Miners fought hard to come back against the Owls but came up short in a game that ended with a final score of 25-28.

“We just didn’t score enough points to win the football game,” said UTEP Head Coach Dana Dimel.

It was a slow start for the Miners, trailing by four points in the first quarter. In the second quarter, the Miners managed to get more points on the board with a touchdown reception by junior tight end Trent Thompson. This was Thompson’s second touchdown reception of the year, tying the record for touchdowns received by a tight end in a single season since 2018.

The touchdown was not enough to give the Miners the lead and they went into the locker room down by four points at the half. It was a disappointing third quarter for the Miners, who did not manage to put points on the board and went down by 11 points going into the fourth quarter.

It was do or die for the Miners going into the fourth quarter and it started off poorly when the Owls scored a touchdown to go up by eighteen points. However, the Miners nearly managed a comeback with 3 minutes left on the clock. Miners redshirt junior running back Raymond Awaat scored a five-yard rushing touchdown with 2:50 left on the clock and they managed to convert a 2-point conversion cutting the deficit to 10 points. Following the touchdown, the Miners tried an onside kick and were able to recover it.

On the ensuing drive redshirt sophomore quarterback Gavin Hardison threw a 49-yard bomb to wide receiver Tyrin Smith and the Miners were able to cut the deficit to three points with 2:02 left in the game.

The Miners’ defense kept them in the game with a late stop that gave the offense the ball with less than a minute left in the game. In the end the Miners were not able to capitalize on their opportunity and were handed their first conference loss of the season.

Defense played a big part in this contest with the Miners holding the Owls to 280 yards. They have allowed less than 300 yards in six games this season, their most since doing so eight times in 1966.

“The defense played fantastic, but we didn’t play well enough to win,” said Dimel. “We played really good football and got ourselves back into and had a chance to get ourselves to make a play at the end of the game and couldn’t quite do it.”

The Miners had their four-game win streak, which was their longest since 2010, snapped by the Owls and dropped to 2-2 on the road this season. The Miner’s 3-1 record in C-USA remains their best through four games since joining the league in 2005.

The Miners’ next game is at home against the undefeated Roadrunners at 8:15 p.m. MST Saturday, Nov. 6 at the Sun Bowl. This game will be the Miner’s “Salute to Troops” game.

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Boum was a 2021 All-Conference USA third team member and ranked third in C-USA in scoring with 18.8 ppg, as well as fifth in the league in total points with 450. He also led the Miners in steals with 34.

UTEP also has six new members on the team this year that include point guard Kezza Gifa, forward Alfred Hollins, forward Kevin Kala, forward Bonke Maring, guard Jorell Saterfeld and forward Jamari Sibley.

“Change is hard, it’s not easy, and it feels like there’s so much we are trying to do. We are changing things on both sides of the ball,” Golding said in a post-practice interview Oct. 27.

Hollins is a recent addition to the team, transferring from Oregon State and has been putting in extra work this offseason after not having played a game since December of 2020.

The Miners are looking to improve after finishing last season fifth in C-USA West with a record of 8-8 in the conference. Last season, Souley led the team in points with 18.1 points per game, free throws with 81.3% made and three-point field goals with 38.7% made.

Kennedy led in rebounds with 5.9 rebounds per game. Bieniemy led in assists with 4.0 assists per game. And Verhoeven led the team with 3.4 blocks per game and 62.7% of his field goals made.

The team is encouraging the people of El Paso to come out and support them for their season opener and hopefully make the Don Haskins one of the toughest places to play in the country again.

The Miner’s first game takes place 7 p.m. MT Tuesday, Nov. 9 against the Western New Mexico Mustangs at the Don Haskins Center. Additionally, UTEP will play five of their first seven games at the Don Haskins Center, including the Golden Turkey Classic Nov. 22 and Nov. 24.

Tickets can be purchased by calling the Eisenberg Family Ticket Office at (915) 747-UTEP, email tickets@utep.edu, visiting www.utepminers.com/tickets or in person (Brumbelow Building on UTEP campus, 201 Glory Road) Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Seven UTEP Athletes earn All C-USA Honors

The Miners men and women’s cross-country teams both placed fifth Saturday, Oct. 30 at the 2021 Conference USA Championship at Frank Linke Park in North Carolina. Seven Miners also received All Conference USA honors.

Eight men traveled to the C-USA Championship: Gabriel Armiño, Tinas Cheruiyot, Maxwell Kipkosgei, Rodgers Korir, Yousif Mohammed, Juan Olmos, Michael Sims and Kenneth Talavera. Heading into the championship, the Miners were ranked number 11 in the Mountain Region.

There were six women who traveled to the C-USA Championship, and they consisted of Carolyn Chepkosgei, Karoline Dolan, Ruth Jerubet, Joan Kaimaiwa, Jacqulyn Orozco and Victoria Ovalla.

“The team has prepared well by participating and doing well during the regular season meets that we took part in,” UTEP Head Coach Paul Ereng said in an interview prior to the C-USA Championship.

The Miner men finished with 79 points in the 8K event, and the women tallied 151 points in the 6K race.

Junior Rodgers Korir and fresh-
The Miners are 6-1 for the first time since 2005 and are 3-0 in conference play for the second time ever. Afer the win against LA Tech the Miners are eligible for a bowl game for the first time since 2014. The Miners’ defense has continued to put up big numbers; in the win against LA Tech, freshman running back Deion Hankins recorded multiple rushing touchdowns for the fourth time in his career, and the first time this season. Sophomore wide receiver Jacob Cowling recorded his tenth 100-yard receiving game of his career, tied for the fourth-most in school history and three yards shy of tying the school record of 13. Junior wide receiver Reynaldo Flores recorded a career-high in receiving yards for the second straight game. Sophomore quarterback Gavin Hardison recorded 283 yards against LA Tech, which is his most passing yards against a Conference USA opponent.

The Miners’ defense has shown no signs of stopping, as they continue to dominate every single week. In the game against LA Tech, the Miners held LA Tech to its fewest points ever in a Conference USA game, which is the second fewest allowed by UTEP. The defense also recorded multiple safeties for the first time since 2015. Junior defensive end Judrian Taylor recorded a career-high of 3.5 sacks and tallied 6 tackles. Three Miners posted their first interceptions at UTEP: junior linebacker Tyrone Knight, sophomore cornerback Tory Richard- son, and sophomore defensive back Tyson Wilson. This is the ninth time that UTEP has met UTSA. UTSA currently leads the series 6-2 with a win streak of four. The last time these two teams met was Nov. 14, 2020, at the Alamodome where UTSA’s offense put up a record high of 600 yards and came out victorious with a score of 21-52. The last time the Miners won against UTSA was Oct. 22, 2016, which resulted in a five-overtime game with a score of 52-49.

UTEP hosts UTSA at 8:15 p.m. Nov. 6 at Sun Bowl Stadium. UTEP students qualify for free tickets to all football games with their Miner Gold Card. To sign up for your free ticket visit student-tickets.utep.edu for information. All stats for UTSA found on UTSA Athletics official website, goutsa.com. All stats for UTEP found on UTEP Athletics official website, utepminers.com.

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