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Although a decade has passed, the memory of the Sept. 11 attacks is still etched in people's psyche. This is especially true for Ezra Cappell, director of the Inter-American Studies Program, who lived just a mile away from the World Trade Center.

"I was living in the East Village of New York, downtown on 2nd Avenue and 14th Street, so about a mile or less than that from ground zero," Cappell said. "I woke up to the commotion; there was a tremendous amount of sirens and things like that going down 2nd Avenue because a lot of the first responders were taking that route. I turned on the TV and saw what was happening, then went up to the roof of our building and I saw the twin towers on fire."

As the news spread of the attacks, Cappell said many other people began making their way to the rooftops to watch the events unfold.

"It was quite remarkable to watch the events as they were unfolding there and to know that thousands of people just lost their lives. It was just unspeakable," Cappell said. "We knew we had just witnessed something awful and life altering for New York, the country and for the world at large."

As Cappell and others stood on the rooftops, they knew the world (see SEPT. 11 on page 4).
A generation of fear

In Oct. 2001, controversial director Michael Moore released his documentary film, " Bowling for Columbine," as a reaction to the Columbine High School shootings in 1999. In the film, Moore explores the possible causes of the shootings and also questions what caused the event and who was involved.

One topic Moore examined closely, while that made him the most controversial, is the role the media has played in recent shootings. Moore believes that the media sensationalizes events to gain ratings and that this contributes to the fear that people feel. He also argues that the media often misrepresents events, which can lead to further fear and anxiety.

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Impact on the border
According to Dennis Bixler-Marquez, director of the Chicano Studies program, before the Sept. 11 attacks, the border area was generally ignored, but after the events, news and stricter policies came into effect that had an immediate and long-lasting impact.

"It brought the southwest border into the national spotlight," Bixler-Marquez said. "For the most part, this area had been ignored. We just weren't on the agenda that day and then, after that, we were. We didn't know what was happening, we certainly felt that the news sank in that this attack was going to happen, " said Corey Bailey, director of the Student Development Center.

According to Schafer, one of the big challenges that many students had to face immediately was they really didn't increase the money available to university Career Center, a system called SEVIS (Student and Exchange Visitor Information System) that was introduced to help keep track of international students, called SEVIS, which was rolled out in 2005, Zweig said. "The idea itself wasn't new, a prototype called CFEPS had been in development for some years before the attacks. However, there was a new impetus to get that implemented, even though it was reported that the majority of the terrorists used tourist visas to enter the U.S. Zweig said one change that came right after the Sept. 11 attacks was the requirement that part-time students who cross the border (both from Mexico and Canada) as legitimate. It was gratifying to see that in a time of great security concern, the government made efforts to take care of these international students."

Cappell said he hopes the lesson that everyone can take from the tragedy of the Sept. 11 attacks is one of tolerance and understanding. "One of the things that I hope people will take from this is that when tragedy strikes, whether it be in the form of a terrorist attack or death and murder, which is what actually happened on Sept. 11, it's very important to think about how they can help and remember, bigotry and hatred," Cappell said. "I think that everyone needs to consider that we need to work together to help the world."
9/11 - 10th Anniversary

We shall never forget.
Latin Grammy winner Camila will perform at the El Paso County Coliseum at 8 p.m., Sept. 10.

BY AMBER ORDOÑEZ

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Camila’s 2005 album, “Todo Cambió,” which includes the hit singles, “Como el Viento” and “Quise Enamorarte,” debuted at number one in Argentina and was certified platinum. Camila’s 2007 album, “Mi Corazón,” was also certified platinum and includes hits such as “Quédate” and “Perdóname.”

Camila’s music is known for its powerful vocals, catchy melodies, and heartfelt lyrics. She has won numerous awards for her music and has been recognized as one of Latin America’s most talented musicians.

Camila will perform at the El Paso County Coliseum on Sept. 10, and tickets are available for purchase online or at the box office.

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BY ANDRES RODRIGUEZ

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Montelongo said. “I know that it’s good. “

The Happy Monk has daily specials where customers can get different beers at a lower price. “We will have a small menu of appetizers and homemade food, “ Longoria said. “Mainly it will cause of the El Paso weather, “ Longoria mentioned that within the Hoppy Monk is about to be appetizers and homemade food people can enjoy.”

The Hoppy Monk offers over 100 draft international beers. The bar will also be featuring food items starting September. According to Longoria, other future plans include Hoppy Monk merchandise and a member rewards card called “The Hoppy Club.”

“We want members to try different beers,” Longoria said. “For every certain beer they try, they will get points and eventually rewards.”

The Hoppy Monk is open from 3 p.m. to 2 a.m. every day. For more information, visit www.thehoppymonk.com.

The Happy Monk asks for the beer that’s being featured, lower price. “I think these beers are famous because of the El Paso weather, “ Longoria said. “I’m really excited for the concert, “ said Ileana Delval, freshman psychology major. “I just love the lyrics and the passion in their music. I’m sure it will be an amazing show.”

During that first encounter, one may instantly feel attracted to someone because of their appearance, but once they open their mouths, disappointment may set in. Although it may be easy to meet people, quality people are hard to find. The attraction may be based on physical attractiveness, shared cultural interests and even a personal conversation. Psychologists analyze that attractiveness as “lust at first sight,” and researchers also say that the first intense attraction will fade if nothing other than romance. If someone keeps smiling, keeps eye contact with you for a long time, they might be interested in you, but that may only be for that short moment of time. They’re probably just trying to find someone to go home with.
The last time UTEP faced off against the SMU Mustangs, the Miners surprised everyone by putting up 10 points against SMU's 32. UTEP went on to win the game, 35-19. SMU is coming off a victory against the University of Texas at Arlington, winning 27-16. The Miners are hoping to duplicate that success as they take on their first conference opponent of the year: the SMU Mustangs. The Mustangs are entering this contest on a three-game losing streak. They have lost to the University of Texas, Kansas State, and Oklahoma State. The Miners are looking to take advantage of the Mustangs' recent struggles.

Football

Maturity, focus propel seniors to leadership

BY FRANKIE RODRIGUEZ

Keeping his teammates focused and assisted, senior defensive and punt returner Ismael Valeri has led the Miners to the most successful season in school history. Valeri has been named the Conference USA special teams player of the week twice this season.

Valeri's success on the field has been mirrored by his success off the field. He has become more focused than ever before and is now ready to lead the Miners to another victory against SMU.

Valeri said, "I'm ready to lead and help the team to a victory. I'm ready to show everyone what I can do and what the Miners are capable of."
Miners looking to keep streak alive at next invitational

BY KRISTAL OBLINGER

The Miners will look to continue their 8-0 start to the 2011 season when they take on Baylor, Lamar and Mississippi State at the MCM Elegante Invitational Sept. 9-10 in Beaumont, Texas.

The Miners aren’t the only team off to a good start, the Baylor Bears have opened their season 6-1 averaging 332 kills. Senior middle blocker Briana Tolbert is leading the team with 65 kills and a .391 hitting percentage.

“Baylor is a really good match up for us because they have some really nice athletes that we match up well with. We are going to need to test ourselves against those type of players,” head coach Ken Murphy said.

“We’re especially trying to get good at defending against outside hitters which Baylor has to test us and see if we are getting better.”

Also on the team is senior libero Allisson King, who is second on Baylor’s all-time digs list. King has earned top-Defensive Player honors and ranks second with 4.70 digs per set.

“There isn’t a big difference on how we look at our opponent before a game,” senior libero Stephanie Figuraro said. “Just that we play with respect even though we know Baylor is going to be one of the toughest teams we face this weekend.”

Unlike Baylor’s strong start, the Miners will also take on Lamar University, which is 1-4 this season. They lost their last two games against Louisiana-Lafayette and Texas Christian University. Among some outside hitters, Sierra Whittaker holds the top spot for cumulative kills at 64 out of 219 as the team’s hitting average is .183 after eight games.

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Whittaker added 10 kills to the sets against Louisiana-Lafayette but quickly fell behind two sets. Lamar managed to win the third 25-22 but was unable to keep their composure and lost their fourth set 25-23 despite Lamar’s lead during the fourth set.

“A lot of it depends on using our strength when we try to figure out an opponent, we get lost,” junior outside hitter Bridget Logan said. “What we need to do in order to beat all these teams is play our game and play it at a high level.”

UTEP will end its stay in Beaumont, Texas Sept. 10 against the Mississippi State Bulldogs at 3:30 p.m. Already six matches in, Mississippi has a record of 2-4 and racked up a .243 hitting average during their match with Army Sept. 3. The Bulldogs won that match and the Community Bankers Classic 3-1.

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As for the Miners, they are off to their best start in Murphy’s tenure as head coach and are just one win away from tying the school record for consecutive wins in a season. The next best start for UTEP came in 2000 when they went 7-1 before going on a 13-game losing streak.

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