The Prospector

The Young Democratic Socialists define socialism on the border

BY MICHAELA ROMÁN

The political organization aims not just disseminate democratic socialist ideals, but also build a united front working toward economic and racial justice.

"What we’re trying to do is continue that political revolution through self-education, community involvement and having group discussions about these issues," said Dominic Chacon, YDS member and senior environmental science major.

"In this country, labor has always been extremely racialized and exploited and there’s a long history of workers they were always met with resistance," Solis said.

Chacon said he wants students to become involved in movements that are already happening, such as Black Lives Matter or stopping the Dakota Access Pipeline.

"We could sit around for hours and read (Karl) Marx and philosophers, but I think I think the best political education is activism itself," Solis said.

Chacon says intersectionality is a topic YDS also wants to address.Intersectionality is the theory that oppressive groups find common ground at one place or another.

"For example, one case that we’re trying to back up is the downtown area in Durango," Chacon said. "We’re trying to give a voice to the residents." YDS has created a movement called People before Profit, which does not agree with using eminent domain to displace residents in Durango, which is located near the Union Plaza downtown, for the proposed multi-million dollar multi-purpose arena.

In four days, YDS helped Paso Del Sur, a local organization that works for the rights of residents in El Paso’s barrios, collect 200 signatures at Leech Grove on the sees YDS on page 6
Beyoncé got snubbed

By Leslie Sariñana

Sunday night left most of us wondering what the hell went on with the voting at the Grammy Awards. In recent years, the Grammy Awards have been criticized for whitewashing, as artists from underrepresented minority artists have not won such awards.

One of the biggest criticisms of this year's show was that Taylor Swift's "1989" won Album of the Year over Kendrick Lamar's "To Pimp a Butterfly." The Grammy Award review board's prestige and validity have been questioned due to this continuing pattern. Even Frank Ocean didn't submit any of his recent work for Grammy consideration, explaining, "That institution certainly has nostalgic importance. It just doesn't seem to be representing very well for people who come from where I come from, and hold down what I hold down."

This year's show seemed promising at the start with the announcement of winning Chance the Rapper the Best Rap Album for his independent album "Coloring Book," and Solange Knowles snatching an award for "Cranes in the Sky." But as the night progressed, Adele won two Grammys for both Record and Song of the Year. Not to discredit "Hello," but it was a total snub of Beyoncé's "Formation."

In the end, Adele took home the coveted Album of the Year award. This is Adele's second record for Album of the Year. She first won the award in 2012 for her album "21." "25" became the world's best-selling album of 2015 with 17.4 million copies sold within the year. That's an impressive record to hold, considering Adele's best album thus far. She considered quitting the music industry after "21," but instead she decided to just take a hiatus and "live a little," as she explained.

Her transition from "21" to "25" was drastic without taking away from her original essence. In the four years between albums, Adele's personal life also changed drastically. She became a mother and retreated to a more low-key lifestyle. She's at a more stable and mature place in life, but this album is all about being nostalgic and looking back. "My last record was a break-up record, and if I had to label this one, I would call it a make-up record. Making up for lost time. Making up for everything I ever did and never did."

"25" is about getting to know who I've become without realizing. And I'm sorry it took so long, but, you know, life happened," explained Adele.

Released in November of 2015, "25" became the world's best-selling album of 2015 with 17.4 million copies sold within the year. That's an impressive record to hold, considering she released her album with little over a month before the end of 2015. For months we could not escape her messages than "25." Just a stronger album with deeper messages than "25."

We still have to give it to Adele though, she was great in her comeback. The strongest argument Adele has is her impressive vocals. Vocals, vocals, vocals! Adele has some of the best pipes in the music industry and they somehow got better on this album. All award shows aside, "25" is Adele's best album thus far. She considered quitting the music industry after "21," but instead she decided to just take a hiatus and "live a little," as she explained.

Her past two losses for AOTY can be justified because Beck's "Morning Phase" and Taylor Swift's "Fearless" stood above "I Am Sasha Fierce" and "Beyoncé." But "Lemonade" was more critically acclaimed and received more praise than "25." It was a stronger album with deeper messages than "25."

I don't think we have made an error of fact, e-mail the editor at michaela.roman@gmail.com.
Randi Zuckerberg to make a stop on campus

BY ADRIAN BROADUS
The Prospector

While President Donald J. Trump plans to construct a wall between Mexico and American borders, he has also begun to talk about breaking down the walls between church and state.

The Johnson Amendment has been recently questioned and there is talk about repealing it, according to Trump. Evidently, only Congress is able to repeal the Amendment, but Trump can push for it.

The Amendment prohibits all 501(c) 3 non-profit organizations from endorsing or opposing political candidates, which includes churches and other religious sects. Currently, a church or other non-profit organization violate this law, they can lose their tax exemption status.

During the National Prayer Breakfast speech, Trump hinted at “destroying” the Johnson Amendment, but Trump can push for it, according to Trump. The Amendment would certainly make it easier and perhaps more likely for political activism to rise, both for liberal and conservative causes.”

Horak said that the real hit the country will experience is the First Amendment. “The separation of church and state is an essential component of our democracy that is included in the establishment clause of the First Amendment. Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, ‘Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof,” Horak said. “The repeal of the Johnson Amendment may blur the distinction between religion and politics, but the First Amendment will continue to ensure they remain separate.’

It could also create estrangement in religion as well, where conservative religious leaders could go up against liberal religious leaders on several issues.

Religious leaders have many ways of making it clear where they stand on certain issues outside of actually endorsing a candidate from the pulpit,” Horak said. “Persons of faith are usually well aware where their religions or denominations stand on issues, though they may or may not vote in line with their religious beliefs on every issue.”

Although Trump is behind the idea, it does not just favor the conservative side, according to Villalobos.

“However, there are also liberal voices in religious institutions—including in sanctuary cities, where religious leaders are sometimes known to provide sanctuary to immigrants,” Villalobos said.

As such, an increase in political activism through religious entities could ensue across the conservative and liberal spectrum, as well as to potential third-party movements.”

Catholic religious organizations or other movements could stem from third-party movements. Also, even if it were enacted, Villalobos believes that some church leaders may choose to stay out of politics.

“Other religious leaders, who have tread more cautiously in the past, and believe strongly in keeping politics away from their sermons, will likely continue to keep that separation in place for ethical reasons,” said Villalobos.

National polls such as the Roper Center for Public Opinion Research’s iPoll and the Latino Decisions poll have shown that a majority of both the general public and the clergy oppose churches endorsing political candidates.

“At the least, it (repeal of the Johnson Amendment) will further blur the lines of the separation of church and state by allowing religion and politics to mix more than before,” Villalobos said. “Though it would not immediately violate the Establishment Clause or Free Exercise Clause, some would worry that it might eventually blur the lines too much and eventually lead to legal disputes over whether politically-driven religious influence may delve too deeply into public policy.”

By Adrian Broadus

Inter-American Jewish Studies Program, said that Zuckerberg’s varied life experience—advertising executive, graphic designer, played in the Rock of Ages on Broadway, children and adult non-fiction author—will appeal to a broad audience.

“I think that her talk here will be incredibly beneficial for students that are interested in theater, dance, business, graphic design—in media of all sorts—in journalism,” Cappell said. “Bring all of those things together, not to mention, religious studies, Jewish studies and how (Jewish) values—that’s one of the things that I want to focus on. I always want to bring it out in our guests—are the ways in which Jewish values and Jewish ideas help animate all of their aspects in all of the work that they’ve done.”

Cappell also said that one of the core Jewish values that stood out to him when looking at Zuckerberg’s career was “the notion of giving back.” In 2016, Zuckerberg appeared on a show on Oxygen TV , “Quit Your Day Job,” which was to help female entrepreneurs get their foot in the door of their chosen field. Zuckerberg has invested in more than a dozen women-led startups and serves on the board of the Professional Diversity Network, an organization that works to close the gender gap in Fortune 500 companies.

With the recent election having been influenced by “fake news” and Facebook, Zuckerberg thinks that now will be a very interesting time to have Zuckerberg speak about social media and the role it plays in distributing information.

“This is one of the reasons it’s so important to hear her and one of the reasons I wanted her to come and talk about these issues and these topics, about the role of media and the responsibility of social media. I think we’re seeing some changes in Facebook and other media sources in how they’re doing that,” Cappell said. “Some of the more recent controversies we’ve seen are complicated with ‘fake news,’ has actually been shot down within a few hours, so a little bit of skepticism might be beneficial here, but I think that one of the things that Randi (Zuckerberg) will address.”

Zuckerberg’s visit is sponsored by the Inter-American Jewish Studies Program as well as grant money received from the Jewish Federation of Greater El Paso.

A reception and book signing will follow the event.

By Jason Green

New York Times best-selling author, Harvard graduate, Emmy-nominated television anchor, early Facebook marketing manager and current media mogul, Randi Zuckerberg, will be speaking on campus at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 21, in the Undergraduate Learning Center, room 106.

Zuckerberg will discuss the “role of media in our increasingly complicated lives,” such as balancing media with family and the responsibility of platforms such as her brother, Mark Zuckerberg’s company Facebook, in the digital world according to the flyer distributed in advance of her appearance.

Ezra Cappell, associate professor of English and director of the Inter-American Jewish Studies Program, said that Zuckerberg’s varied life experience—advertising executive, graphic designer, played in the Rock of Ages on Broadway, children and adult non-fiction author—will appeal to a broad audience.

“I think that her talk here will be incredibly beneficial for students that are interested in theater, dance, business, graphic design—in media of all sorts—in journalism,” Cappell said. “Bring all of those things together, not to mention, religious studies, Jewish studies and how (Jewish) values—that’s one of the things that I want to focus on. I always want to bring it out in our guests—are the ways in which Jewish values and Jewish ideas help animate all of their aspects in all of the work that they’ve done.”

Cappell also said that one of the core Jewish values that stood out to him when looking at Zuckerberg’s career was “the notion of giving back.” In 2016, Zuckerberg appeared on a show on Oxygen TV , “Quit Your Day Job,” which was to help female entrepreneurs get their foot in the door of their chosen field. Zuckerberg has invested in more than a dozen women-led startups and serves on the board of the Professional Diversity Network, an organization that works to close the gender gap in Fortune 500 companies.

With the recent election having been influenced by “fake news” and Facebook, Zuckerberg thinks that now will be a very interesting time to have Zuckerberg speak about social media and the role it plays in distributing information.

“This is one of the reasons it’s so important to hear her and one of the reasons I wanted her to come and talk about these issues and these topics, about the role of media and the responsibility of social media. I think we’re seeing some changes in Facebook and other media sources in how they’re doing that,” Cappell said. “Some of the more recent controversies we’ve seen are complicated with ‘fake news,’ has actually been shot down within a few hours, so a little bit of skepticism might be beneficial here, but I think that one of the things that Randi (Zuckerberg) will address.”

Zuckerberg’s visit is sponsored by the Inter-American Jewish Studies Program as well as grant money received from the Jewish Federation of Greater El Paso.

A reception and book signing will follow the event.

By Jason Green

New York Times best-selling author, Harvard graduate, Emmy-nominated television anchor, early Facebook marketing manager and current media mogul, Randi Zuckerberg, will be speaking on campus at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 21, in the Undergraduate Learning Center, room 106.

Zuckerberg will discuss the “role of media in our increasingly complicated lives,” such as balancing media with family and the responsibility of platforms such as her brother, Mark Zuckerberg’s company Facebook, in the digital world according to the flyer distributed in advance of her appearance.

Ezra Cappell, associate professor of English and director of the Inter-American Jewish Studies Program, said that Zuckerberg’s varied life experience—advertising executive, graphic designer, played in the Rock of Ages on Broadway, children and adult non-fiction author—will appeal to a broad audience.

“I think that her talk here will be incredibly beneficial for students that are interested in theater, dance, business, graphic design—in media of all sorts—in journalism,” Cappell said. “Bring all of those things together, not to mention, religious studies, Jewish studies and how (Jewish) values—that’s one of the things that I want to focus on. I always want to bring it out in our guests—are the ways in which Jewish values and Jewish ideas help animate all of their aspects in all of the work that they’ve done.”

Cappell also said that one of the core Jewish values that stood out to him when looking at Zuckerberg’s career was “the notion of giving back.” In 2016, Zuckerberg appeared on a show on Oxygen TV , “Quit Your Day Job,” which was to help female entrepreneurs get their foot in the door of their chosen field. Zuckerberg has invested in more than a dozen women-led startups and serves on the board of the Professional Diversity Network, an organization that works to close the gender gap in Fortune 500 companies.

With the recent election having been influenced by “fake news” and Facebook, Zuckerberg thinks that now will be a very interesting time to have Zuckerberg speak about social media and the role it plays in distributing information.

“This is one of the reasons it’s so important to hear her and one of the reasons I wanted her to come and talk about these issues and these topics, about the role of media and the responsibility of social media. I think we’re seeing some changes in Facebook and other media sources in how they’re doing that,” Cappell said. “Some of the more recent controversies we’ve seen are complicated with ‘fake news,’ has actually been shot down within a few hours, so a little bit of skepticism might be beneficial here, but I think that one of the things that Randi (Zuckerberg) will address.”

Zuckerberg’s visit is sponsored by the Inter-American Jewish Studies Program as well as grant money received from the Jewish Federation of Greater El Paso.

A reception and book signing will follow the event.
Is there something you feel strongly enough about to protest?

Claudia Hernandez, Alonzo Martinez, Andrew Rios, Nina Tito/ The Prospector

Andrea Hernandez
Freshman criminal justice major
"Immigration because it has always been an issue in the United States, but especially in El Paso because it is a border city and now with Trump’s ideas about building a wall.”

Briana Vercenial
Junior education major
"No, I'm a very easy going person, I'm not one to get all riled and rowdy. Let people do whatever they want.”

Ferran Mayoral
Freshman mechanical engineering major
"Right now I don’t feel that I have anything to protest about, because right now there is nothing bothering me enough to protest.”

Jaqueline Williams
Freshman psychology major
"For woman’s rights. There was a giant protest in Washington D.C that I believe made a big impact, but here in El Paso I think less was done.”

Jaqueline Thomas
Senior political science major
"I don’t believe we should be protesting right now, because people are being violent and vandalizing things.”

Jazmin Lozano
Sophomore nursing major
"I would join a protest where people are against the immigration ban.”

Michelle Calderon
Junior human resources major
"About Trump’s recent legislation affecting residents and immigrants. I think it is unfair, especially coming from a country built on immigrants.”

Margot North
Junior criminal justice major
"Yes, for abortion. If it is for safety, I agree. If it is for other reasons, I don’t agree.”

Valerie Gallegos
Junior biochemistry major
"I stand against abortion. I believe that every person has the right to life.”

William Jacobo
Sophomore multimedia journalism major
"Against Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos, because of her lack of experience and her recent ideas to cut back on funds.”

Now Hiring
Account Executive

Do you like advertising?
Do you like challenges?
Are you outgoing and self-motivated?
Do you have excellent communication skills?

Requirements:
Full Time UTEP Student
GPA minimum of 2.0

For more info:
500 W University Ave.
Union East Bldg Rm 105
Demonstrators hold hands on the border in unity against Trump’s proposed wall

Marisol Sanchez is an alumna of UTEP who participated in the protest. "I don’t think it’s right to separate families, to build walls, to divide people who had no choice coming here," Sanchez said. "My parents were able to bring me here legally, but there are other people who didn’t run, who don’t have the same blessing I have, so I want to stand up for those people.”

Treviso said that locking arms on the bridge was to show people in Washington D.C. that both El Paso and Cd. Juárez stand as one community. "Crossing this way towards the United States it stands for the American dream," Treviso said. "Because realistically, that’s what the United States was founded on, the idea of finding a place where you can make your life better and prosper and push yourself to be a better person.”

HOLDING from page 1

of the wall as well as the expansion of border security.

Marisol Sanchez is an alumna of

UTEP who participated in the protest.

“I don’t think it’s right to separate

families, to build walls, to divide

people who had no choice

coming here,” Sanchez said. “My

parents were able to bring me here

legally, but there are other people

who didn’t run, who don’t have the

same blessing I have, so I want to

stand up for those people.”

Treviso said that locking arms on

the bridge was to show people in

Washington DC that both El Paso and

Cd. Juárez stand as one community.

"Crossing this way towards the

United States it stands for the

American dream," Treviso said.

“Because realistically, that’s what

the United States was founded on,

the idea of finding a place where

you can make your life better and

prosper and push yourself to be a

better person.”

Follow Christian Vasquez on Twitter @chrismvasq
Statistics professor works to preserve land

Associate professor of statistics, Amy Wagler is making efforts to get more students involved in the Frontera Land Alliance.

In December of 2015, Wagler was named a member on of the Board of Directors for the Frontera Land Alliance, a non-profit organization working to protect water, wildlife, natural areas, farms and ranches.

“It’s an honor to be part of this board, I’ve always been passionate about our environment and I hope to make a difference,” Wagler said.

“There will be no places for our wildlife or to hike if we don’t take action to help preserve our land and help make a voice for the community saying ‘we want this land for recreation and its beauty.’”

Wagler was born in Oklahoma City and discovered her love for the environment when she and her family traveled to southern Colorado for the summer. Now she is able to combine both of her passions at the Frontera Land Alliance.

Wagler and Janae Reneaud Field, the director of Frontera Land Alliance, were able to set up a project where some of her students were able to be part of a study in which they analyze the value of houses based on their proximity to green or natural spaces.

“I really want us to focus on education and outreach because I think people aren’t going to immediately understand our mission,” Wagler said.

“Wagler is working to protect water, wildlife, and positive female role model for students and the university.”

“Wagler’s teaching style has helped me in my portfolio and decided the winner from that.”

Marcela Martinez, a senior majoring in applied mathematics, said Wagler’s teaching style has helped her understand what her career demands of her.

“Dr. Wagler has been a great influence and inspiration in my life. I really want to go into a career in the field because I think of her as a mentor and she is the kind of professor I want to be like,” Martinez said.

“So actually, having the chance to have someone as a guide for my future goals is inspiring and encouraging.”

Students in Wagler’s class worked with data regarding Frontera Land Alliance’s stance on whether or not the proximity of green spaces affects house values.

One of those students was Karla Martinez, senior mathematics major said this was a great learning experience. It also gave her the necessary tools to continue with her college career.

“This your future land for your community and we’re going to start Friday afternoon sessions to have outreach for students so that we can bring more of them to our organization and give leadership roles,” said Wagler.

“Dr. Wagler is an empowering and positive female role model for students like myself,” Martinez said. “She has made a positive impact on my academic career as I hope to pursue a master’s degree in statistics.”

Wagler said she would like to see more UTEP students involved with Frontera Land Alliance.

“This your future land for your community and we’re going to start Friday afternoon sessions to have outreach for students so that we can bring more of them to our organization and give leadership roles,” said Wagler.

“Dr. Wagler is an empowering and positive female role model for students like myself,” Martinez said. “She has made a positive impact on my academic career as I hope to pursue a master’s degree in statistics.”

Wagler said she would like to see more UTEP students involved with Frontera Land Alliance.

“Dr. Wagler is an empowering and positive female role model for students like myself,” Martinez said. “She has made a positive impact on my academic career as I hope to pursue a master’s degree in statistics.”

Wagler said she would like to see more UTEP students involved with Frontera Land Alliance.

“Dr. Wagler is an empowering and positive female role model for students like myself,” Martinez said. “She has made a positive impact on my academic career as I hope to pursue a master’s degree in statistics.”

Wagler said she would like to see more UTEP students involved with Frontera Land Alliance.

“Dr. Wagler is an empowering and positive female role model for students like myself,” Martinez said. “She has made a positive impact on my academic career as I hope to pursue a master’s degree in statistics.”

Wagler said she would like to see more UTEP students involved with Frontera Land Alliance.

“Dr. Wagler is an empowering and positive female role model for students like myself,” Martinez said. “She has made a positive impact on my academic career as I hope to pursue a master’s degree in statistics.”

Wagler said she would like to see more UTEP students involved with Frontera Land Alliance.

“Dr. Wagler is an empowering and positive female role model for students like myself,” Martinez said. “She has made a positive impact on my academic career as I hope to pursue a master’s degree in statistics.”
UOEP cello professor Zuill Bailey wins at the Grammys

BY LESLIE SARINANA

UOEP cello professor and artistic director of El Paso Pro-Musica, Zuill Bailey, won two Grammy awards for his work in classical music. Bailey was nominated for Best Classical Instrumental Solo for his performance of "Tales of Hemingway" and for Best Classical Compendium. Bailey recorded "Tales of Hemingway" with the Nashville Symphony Orchestra.

On his win, Bailey wrote in an email, "I am so humbled and so overwhelmed by this amazing moment. Sitting with my son Mateo made it even more special. This has been a wonderful journey. The CD, "Tales of Hemingway", written by Michael Daugherty and conducted by Giancarlo Guerrero, was such an exceptional experience for me and I cannot thank them enough for this honor. I dedicate this award to my family for all of their love and support. I am so grateful to call El Paso home!"

Bailey has an impressive and extensive musical background. He has bachelor’s and master’s degrees from the Peabody Conservatory at John Hopkins University and the Juilliard School. Bailey made his New York recital debut in a sold-out performance at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. He has also performed at Carnegie Hall, Disney Hall, the Kennedy Center and the United Nations.

Bailey has also performed in the Moscow Chamber Orchestra and done concerts in Australia, the Dominican Republic, France, Israel, Spain, South Africa, Hong Kong, Jordan, Mexico, South America and the United Kingdom. He has also been the featured soloist performer for the Elgar Cello Concerto at the Bard Festival.

Currently, Bailey is the artistic director of El Paso Pro-Musica and the director of the Mesa Arts Series and Cello Seminar, guest artistic director of the Mesa Arts Center and professor of cello at the University of Texas at El Paso. Bailey is also an internationally renowned recording artist. His recording "Bach Cello Suites" and "Britten Cello Symphony/Sonata" went to the no. 1 spot on the Classical Billboard Charts.

In 2014, Bailey was named Johns Hopkins University Distinguished Alumni and was awarded the Classical Recording Foundation Award. Bailey has also been on NPR's "Tiny Desk Concert" series. El Paso Pro-Musica hosted a live stream Grammy watch party Sunday night at Andreas' Desert Crossing. The event was meant to benefit El Paso Pro-Musica and support Zuill Bailey at the Grammy's.

Juan Sandoval: librarian turned art collector

BY EDDIE VELAZQUEZ

With altruism as the main drive behind his art collection, UTEP librarian Juan Sandoval has amassed over 1,000 works of art that he keeps in his modest Sunset Heights apartment. "I always had poor friends growing up, so I would help them out by buying their art," said Sandoval.

The first time he bought a piece was in 1975 to encourage a friend. "In college, I used to buy original works of art for $25," he joked.

The works Sandoval has acquired throughout the years range from simple Native American tapestry to intricate and abstract lithographs made by prominent artists such as Luis Jimenez, Francisco Toledo and Marta Arat.

"I have been very fortunate that a lot of the people I helped from the very beginning have gone on to become well-known, and their works have increased in value," said Sandoval.

Sandoval was born in the San Luis Valley region of Colorado. He shared his home with 10 siblings growing up, which was a factor in his decision to live a minimalist lifestyle.

"Having had so many people in my life at all times brought about the joy of living alone," said Sandoval. Consequently, the 71-year-old librarian attributes his ability to acquire artistic works to his lone lifestyle.

"Living alone has given me the freedom to travel and most importantly help others by purchasing their art," he said.

An opening for the reference librarian position at UTEP brought him to the Sun City in 1991. He now works at the Special Collections department of the library, primarily focusing on bibliographic instruction—teaching how to do general research—and helping students with research in the subjects of art and Chicano studies.

El Paso has also influenced his approach to art collecting and the way he categorizes his own collection.

"At a certain point, you realize that if you are going to start a collection you have to focus on certain things. I decided to focus on the Latino, Mexican, Mexican-American border experience," said Sandoval.

However his collection isn't limited to just Chicano art; he also owns a vast library of texts in different languages such as Japanese, Polish and Russian.

Due to its magnitude and authenticity, the collection also draws attention from different galleries and museums such as the El Paso Museum of Art and the National Museum of Mexican Art in Chicago.

"I find it embarrassing. It brings me a lot of notoriety as a collector, more than the artist gets," said Sandoval.

As for his legacy, Sandoval plans on leaving the collection as patrimony for the Latino community. "My sister advised me not to leave this for anyone in the family, 'it belongs to the people' she said. It's a legacy I want to leave for the Hispanic population," said Sandoval.

$1 TENDER ROLLS

Limit 5 Tender Rolls per visit. Offer good at all BUSHs locations in El Paso. Offer good through Feb. 28, 2017.
Exploring your naughty side through ‘50 Shades’

BY CLAUDIA FLORES

The Prospector

50 Shades of Grey is a book series about a sexy relationship between a dominant, wealthy businessman and a beautiful college student, who meets her fate in the hands of this new partner.

According toAccessibility OPTIONS

For me, the sado-masochist game should be more about having fun than hurting the other person. Yet, there are many people who truly enjoy feeling that physical or mental suffering; well, this game is all about personal taste.

Be real, be cute when your boyfriend/girlfriend gets a little bit jealous.

We love to see them trying to protect their love, but what about Christian’s attitude towards Ana? His behavior is in no way a sort of ‘protection’, but possessiveness.

From controlling her agenda, to controlling who she is working for. There is no way that we, girls (and guys) would like to be in a relationship where the other person is controlling everything about you.

Of course this is part of the dominant and submissive game they play, but there is a big difference between the things that can be done inside the “Bed Room” and the ones that can be done outside of it.

If you like the “Fifty Shades” movies that is fantastic, and if you don’t that is great as well, but I believe it is entertaining having a different love story out there, something that does not fall into the Nicholas Sparks category, and “50 Shades” gives us that.

A love story, full of romance and passion, with the naughty side we don’t get to see in most romantic films.

LUNAS

Canadian pop band Lunas will be at the Lzwobrow Palace Feb. 16. Doors open at 9 p.m. The event is 18 and older.

EXHIBIT OF EL PASO’S BROTHEL HISTORY

Feb. 17, the Wigwam museum is having an exhibit on El Paso’s brothel history. The exhibit, EXPOSED: A Titillating Exhibit of El Paso’s Brothel History will be a free event and begins at 6 p.m.

‘LOS COLORES DE PALOMA’

UTEF student Paloma Vianey is having a solo exhibition at the Union Gallery Exhibit on the 2nd floor of the Union East. It opens Feb. 20 at 11:30 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 14, 2017

THE PROSPECTOR
Men’s basketball hits the road for important road swing

BY JEREMY CARRANCO

The UTEP Miners’ basketball team began their 2017 campaign in the Kajikawa Classic tournament in Tempe, Arizona, on Thursday, Feb. 9. The team left Arizona without a win, but put up a fight against some of the nation’s better teams.

The Miners faced off against the Stanford Cardinal from the Pac-12 in their season opener. Junior catcher Kaitlin Ryder scored senior third baseman Kiki Pepi in the third inning to tie the score at 1-1, but the pitching of freshman Allie Johnson and senior Kaitlin Edelstein was not enough to contain the powerful Cardinal, who walked 10 runs in total.

UTEP faced tournament hosts Arizona State in the second game of the season. The Sun Devils raced ahead 5-0 after a third-inning grand slam, the second time. The game only went five innings with a final score of 8-0. The Miners never found their groove and were unable to make any hits. UTEP also struggled on the mound and 10 Sun Devils were walked throughout the contest.

The Miners returned to the field on Thursday, Feb. 9 to face off against St. Mary’s University (Calif.). It was a gritty battle, but the Miners discovered fire at the plate with seven hits. However, the effort was not enough, and St. Mary’s was victorious by a score of 3-1. Senior Erika Harrison started at pitcher, playing well and staying in the game for over five innings. UTEP showed signs of progress during the contest, but two St. Mary’s runs in the sixth inning proved to be the downfall of the Miner squad. Freshman catcher Mallorie Cross and junior first baseman Taylor Sar- gent combined for five hits, with hits also added by junior second baseman Courtney Clayton and junior third baseman Hope Morens.

In their fourth contest of 2017, the Miners played the Atlantic Coast Conference’s Virginia Cavaliers tough for the entire game. Leading late, the Miners gave up three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning and were unable to respond. Pepi was walked at the start of the seventh, and pinch runner, freshman Mariah Ellis, made it to second base on a sacrifice bunt by Sergeant. Freshman Macey Brown was walked, but the Miners were unable to convert any runs despite having two runners on base.

Sophomore outfielder Ariel Blair highlighted the day with three hits for the Miners. Clayton, Pepi, freshman outfielder Pamala Baber and sophomore outfielder Lindsey Sokoloski all tallied hits for the Miners in the loss.

The Miners played no. 17 Utah in their fifth and final game, but ran out of steam. The Utes jumped out to an 8-0 lead in the first inning and the Miners were unable to register any runs in the 9-0 loss. Clayton and Ryder tallied the only hits in the game for the Miners. The Utes jumped out fast, loading the bases against Johnson with no outs. Freshman pitcher Deyvon Crete pitched for the first time as a Miner and struck out four in 3.2 innings.

Next, the Miners will compete in the DeMarini Desert Classic Tournament hosted by the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. The tournament takes place February 17-19.

Follow Jeremy Carranco on Twitter @j_Carranco22

PSU Men’s basketball opens season against nation’s top teams in Kajikawa Classic

BY AUGUSTA TOURIS

The UTEP Miners’ basketball team began their 2017 campaign in the Kajikawa Classic tournament in Tempe, Arizona, on Thursday, Feb. 9. The team left Arizona without a win, but put up a fight against some of the nation’s better teams.

The Miners faced off against the Stanford Cardinal from the Pac-12 in their season opener. Junior catcher Kaitlin Ryder scored senior third baseman Kiki Pepi in the third inning to tie the score at 1-1, but the pitching of freshman Allie Johnson and senior Kaitlin Edelstein was not enough to contain the powerful Cardinal, who tallied 10 runs in total.

UTEP faced tournament hosts Arizona State in the second game of the season. The Sun Devils raced ahead 5-0 after a third-inning grand slam, the second time. The game only went five innings with a final score of 8-0. The Miners never found their groove and were unable to make any hits. UTEP also struggled on the mound and 10 Sun Devils were walked throughout the contest.

The Miners returned to the field on Thursday, Feb. 9 to face off against St. Mary’s University (Calif.). It was a gritty battle, but the Miners discovered fire at the plate with seven hits. However, the effort was not enough, and St. Mary’s was victorious by a score of 3-1. Senior Erika Harrison started at pitcher, playing well and staying in the game for over five innings. UTEP showed signs of progress during the contest, but two St. Mary’s runs in the sixth inning proved to be the downfall of the Miner squad. Freshman catcher Mallorie Cross and junior first baseman Taylor Sar- gent combined for five hits, with hits also added by junior second baseman Courtney Clayton and junior third baseman Hope Morens.

In their fourth contest of 2017, the Miners played the Atlantic Coast Conference’s Virginia Cavaliers tough for the entire game. Leading late, the Miners gave up three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning and were unable to respond. Pepi was walked at the start of the seventh, and pinch runner, freshman Mariah Ellis, made it to second base on a sacrifice bunt by Sergeant. Freshman Macey Brown was walked, but the Miners were unable to convert any runs despite having two runners on base.

Sophomore outfielder Ariel Blair highlighted the day with three hits for the Miners. Clayton, Pepi, freshman outfielder Pamala Baber and sophomore outfielder Lindsey Sokoloski all tallied hits for the Miners in the loss.

The Miners played no. 17 Utah in their fifth and final game, but ran out of steam. The Utes jumped out to an 8-0 lead in the first inning and the Miners were unable to register any runs in the 9-0 loss. Clayton and Ryder tallied the only hits in the game for the Miners. The Utes jumped out fast, loading the bases against Johnson with no outs. Freshman pitcher Deyvon Crete pitched for the first time as a Miner and struck out four in 3.2 innings.

Next, the Miners will compete in the DeMarini Desert Classic Tournament hosted by the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. The tournament takes place February 17-19.

Follow Augusta Tours on Twitter @AugustaTO

FILE PHOTO / THE PROSPECTOR

Miners faced stout competition in the Kajikawa Classic tournament in Tempe, Arizona, and now head to Las Vegas, Nevada, for the DeMarini Desert Classic Tournament.

Miners opened their season against the powerful Cardinal, who tallied 10 runs in total. Kaitlin Fife was not enough to contain the Cardinal, who tallied 10 runs in total. Kaitlin Fife was not enough to contain the Cardinal, who tallied 10 runs in total.

Miners faced stout competition in the Kajikawa Classic tournament in Tempe, Arizona, and now head to Las Vegas, Nevada, for the DeMarini Desert Classic Tournament.

Miners gave up three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning and were unable to respond. Pepi was walked at the start of the seventh, and pinch runner, freshman Mariah Ellis, made it to second base on a sacrifice bunt by Sergeant. Freshman Macey Brown was walked, but the Miners were unable to convert any runs despite having two runners on base.

Sophomore outfielder Ariel Blair highlighted the day with three hits for the Miners. Clayton, Pepi, freshman outfielder Pamala Baber and sophomore outfielder Lindsey Sokoloski all tallied hits for the Miners in the loss.

The Miners played no. 17 Utah in their fifth and final game, but ran out of steam. The Utes jumped out to an 8-0 lead in the first inning and the Miners were unable to register any runs in the 9-0 loss. Clayton and Ryder tallied the only hits in the game for the Miners. The Utes jumped out fast, loading the bases against Johnson with no outs. Freshman pitcher Deyvon Crete pitched for the first time as a Miner and struck out four in 3.2 innings.

Next, the Miners will compete in the DeMarini Desert Classic Tournament hosted by the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. The tournament takes place February 17-19.

Follow Augusta Tours on Twitter @AugustaTO

Men’s basketball hits the road for important road swing

BY JEREMY CARRANCO

The UTEP men’s basketball team will hit the road this week for the first time in three weeks as they battle North Texas (7-17, 1-11 C-USA) on Thursday, Feb. 16, and Rice (17-8, 7-5 C-USA) on Saturday, Feb. 18. The Miners are amidst a turnaround in 2017 and Florida Atlantic, Florida International.

In the Miners’ most recent game against Southern Mississippi, Artis missed a potential game-winning basket, but plenty of positives to build on. However, the Miners got some good looks from beyond-the-arc, knocking down 12 of 23 attempts for 52 percent.

The Miners have slowly improved their overall shooting percentage over the course of their last three games. Shooting 41 percent against Middle Tennessee, 46 percent against Louisiana Tech, and then 53 percent against Southern Mississippi.

UTEP will need to continue the success of shooting the ball on the road. The Miners will try to model their last road game, where they shut down a high-scoring Marshall team, 91-68, on Jan. 28. UTEP shot 58 percent from the floor in the contest, holding the Thundering Herd to just 34 percent shooting from the floor.

It has been a healthy and improved Matt Williams, as well as an overall improved UTEP defense that has propelled the Miners to score effectively. UTEP earned a total of 22 steals during the recent four-game home stand, with Ariza claiming 10 of those 22 steals.

First up for the Miners this week is North Texas. The Mean Green have lost 12 of their last 13 games, currently sitting at the bottom of the conference with a 1-11 conference record. Leaders for Rice are Marcus Evans, who leads the team in points and assists per game. Evans is averaging 18.9 points and four assists per game. Leader in rebounds per game for the Owls is Egor Koulechov, who is aver- aging 11.8 rebounds per game.

In the Owls’ last game, Evans scored the go-ahead basket and Marquez Letcher-Ellis made four straight free throws in the last 1.7 seconds of overtime to beat Florida Atlantic, 81-75. Evans finished the game with 28 points and six rebounds. The Owls are a high-scoring squad having surpassed the century mark in points three different times this season. Rice has nailed at least eight 3s in each of their last three games, shooting an average of 46 percent from the floor.

The Miners defensive adjustments may come in handy, however, the Owls have no problems relying on Evans and their perimeter shoot- ing to carry them to victory. UTEP’s last loss, which was against Louisiana Tech, could probably be blamed on the Miners’ lack of 3-point shooting pressure as the Bulldogs hit 11 3s in the game on kick-outs from inside.

The Miners will not play at home again until March 2 when they battle Old Dominion.
Women’s basketball makes one final push towards C-USA tournament

BY MIKE FLORES

In Conference USA there are 14 teams competing for a spot in the league tournament that is held at the end of each season, and only two of the 14 schools will be left behind. UTEP’s women’s basketball team currently holds the 12th and final spot in the conference with Florida International right on their heels at 13th.

With only six games remaining in UTEP’s 2016-2017 campaign, every time the young Miners lace their sneakers up, it could qualify as a must-win game.

After UTEPs (16-14, 3-9 C-USA) dreadful four-game road trip, which all resulted in losses, the Miners tied their season-worst losing streak of the year Still searching for a win in the month of February, head coach Krista Adams and her unit will look for answers when the team begins their final four games at home, which could be the most important set of games all year.

Although the young Miners have not “protected” the Don Haskins Center as the fans are usually accustomed with, they still have most of their wins at home (5-6).

This circles back to the Mean Green of Kansas.

UNT (9-14, 6-6 C-USA) has been subpar on the road so far, only winning three of 10 games away from Denton. Two of their away victories could have gone either way as UNT needed overtime to secure both wins.

The Owls specialize in defending the three-point range. In 22 games, Rice has averaged 16.4 points per game, and averages over 18 points in conference play Taylor anchors the Miners’ offense to put up over 64 on the scoreboard each outing.

This will be second-year head coach of UNT Jake Mitchell, who came up short against Ad-"ams last season. This season, both Adams and Mitchell will get another shot with two different looking teams and with both losing key players from last year’s squads.

However, as the Miners are riding in after losing six out of their last seven matchups in the season, UNT is coming into El Paso with a season-best three-game winning streak.

Still relatively new to this C-USA battle is second-year head coach of UNT Jake Mitchell, who came up short against Ad-"ams last season. This season, both Adams and Mitchell will get another shot with two different looking teams and with both losing key players from last year’s squads.

Taylor was shut down by FAU’s defense, and the Owls own the best defense in all of C-USA, as they are the only team to allow less than 60 points per game to their opponents (38.9). Their stifling defense may cause many headaches for Adams and her team.

The Owls are the only team that can allow fewer points per game to their opponents than FAU (58.9). Their stifling defense may cause many headaches for Adams and her team.

The Owls specialize in defending the long-range shot. In 22 games, Rice has given up only 101.4 and forced teams to shoot under 30 percent from that range. Rice also has one of the more expe-rienced teams in the league, with only three freshmen filling the roster. That in comparison to UTEP, eight first-year players on the roster. The Owls like to use their first-quarter efforts to pull away from their opponents early on, as they have outscored teams by 100 in the opening period. 372-272. UTEP will need to start out fast to keep pace with the team from Houston.

For UTEP’s season finale at home, the last two schools standing on the sched-ule are the bottom two teams in C-USA, Florida Atlantic and Florida Interna-
tion. The contests between the Miners and the two Florida teams could possibly de-cide which university will receive the last seed in the C-USA tournament.

When the Miners played both Florida schools earlier in the season, it was the first time in school history that UTEP competed in back-to-back games that were decided by one point.

Finals last victory came against Jackson State on Dec. 16. Since then, the Owls’ season has resulted in 13 straight losses. Yet to earn a win in conference play, FAU (4-19, 0-12 C-USA) will likely be playing the spoiler role, hoping to put an end to another team’s season or force their opponents to fall in the standings.

Finally, with the most anticipated re-match of the season, the season-opening loss to the Owls in the closing seconds. But it was the Miners that came out on top at the end of the day.

The Miners’ top three scorers against the Panthers, Taylor (21), sophomore guard Najala Howell (19) and Seda (14) were not enough to put away UTEP’s duo of Kristian Hudson and Tashia Abalorda, which combined for 36.

If things go the way that Adams and her team hopes they will, with a little bit of skill, luck and revenue, the UTEP wom-
En basketball team could win enough of these final four games to make the confer-
dence tournament, which begins on March 8, in Birmingham, Alabama. 

Follow Mike Flores on Twitter @MikeyThe

2016 17 BASKETBALL

FLORIDA ATLANTIC
FEB. 23 / 7:05 PM
PLAY FOR KAY

FIU
FEB. 25 / 2:05 PM
SENIOR DAY

TICKETS:747-5234
Miner men finding their feet on defense and in the C-USA standings

BY ADRIAN BROADDUS

A major change to the UTEP defense by head coach Tim Floyd has proven to be a game changer for the Miners, once on a 12-game losing streak.

Two of the Miners’ key defenders Artis and Harris have aided UTEP immensely on defense. Artis currently ranks second in the league in steals, averaging 2.0 per game, and Harris ranks 10th in steals per game, averaging 1.3.

Coming up for the Miners, they will be tested on the road for the next four games. This week they will square up against North Texas on Thursday, Feb. 16, and Rice on Saturday, Feb. 18. Floyd has high hopes on their road stretch.

“To our kids’ credit, they’re improved in all areas—defensive rebounding, handling the ball, and our defensive field goal percentage are numbers that we feel we can take on the road with us,” Floyd said. “That’s what we mean by ‘Boys can win at home, it takes men to win on the road.’ We have to go guard on the road and we are going to play teams that are very, very capable of beating us. It will be another great test.”

Follow Adrian Broaddus on Twitter @Adrian_Broaddus

PICK TO SAVE A LIFE

CPR Awareness Day

Monday February 20, 2017

Union East 1st floor in front of Jamba Juice and Breezeway

10:00am - 2:00pm

Hosted by Recreational Sports Department

In honor of February Heart Awareness Month.
GET YOUR TAX REFUND FOR FREE*
Details at freetaxeselpaso.org.

Get help filing your taxes for free with Volunteer Income Tax Assistance! VITA’s trained volunteers are ready to help you.

Visit us at our UTEP location! We have many trained volunteers ready to help you get your taxes filed.

Boquilla Hall at UTEP
3490 Sun Bowl Drive
El Paso, Texas 79902
February 11 & 25: 12:30–3:30 p.m.
March 4 & 25: 12:30–3:30 p.m.
April 1 & 8: 12:30–3:30 p.m.

To find out what to bring, visit freetaxeselpaso.org or dial 211.

Service is first come, first served — so don’t delay!

*For qualifying households.