Movies on the Lawn offers free outdoor entertainment

BY ALEJANDRO ALBA

The Prospector

With only the second night into the summer movie series event Movies on the Lawn, the turnout has been great, according to spe-
cial event's assistant director, Ei-leen Laidler.

"First night we got a little over 100 people," Laidler said. "Now there are more people, and it will hopefully keep growing.

Movies on the Lawn is a brand new event hosted by UTEP's Of-
face of Special Events. Every Thurs-
day from June 9th to July 28th, a movie will be played on the lawn in front of the Geological Sciences building.

"We tried picking a bunch of blockbuster," technician Gustavo Barrera said. "Most are from the 80's."

The idea of this event had been under development for some-
time, but it was until Earth Week that their idea was executed, said Laidler. During that time, Special Events had set up their big, inflat-
able screen and played Disney's "Finding Nemo" for the crowd to watch.

"We had a great turnout with 'Finding Nemo' that we decided to orga-
nize this summer movie series as a con-
tinuation to the Cinema Novo," Laidler said.

Flyers are to spread the word about the event said Laidler. In the meantime, the Office of Spe-
cial Events has promoted the event through Facebook, its website, and the online newsletter that is sent through email.

"I have also done my part to pro-
mote the event," Barrera said. "I have posted the calendar on Face-
bbook in order for all my friends to know about it."

Eight movies will be played over the summer on the 8 feet by 15 feet screen that is up on the lawn. "Toy Story 3" was the most recent showing.

Energy

Summer work schedule provokes mixed feelings

BY AMOUSHA VALODYA

The Prospector

The long summer days are even longer for some UTEP employees. The university instituted a four-and-
half day work schedule for most departments this summer. The sched-
ule, which still requires 40 hours per week, was initiated as a way to con-
serve energy, said UTEP President Diana Natalicio in an email message sent to employees.

"It is also provides a nice benefit to our employees giving them Friday after-
noon off, a two-and-a-half day week-
end, to spend with their families over the summer," Villa said. Villa said some of the offices that operate under the normal work hours of Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. include financial aid, all deans' offices, the president's office, and the scholarship and academic advising offices.

"We ensure the majority of the needs, primarily of students, are ad-
dressed and they can take care of is-
sures they may have on a Friday after-
noon," Villa said.

"I'm not a big fan of this (summer) schedule for a couple of reasons," Baily said. "One, I'm not sure it actu-
ally saves the university money. We still have to have buildings open. The other reason, for me, it lengthens the four days and even though we get off a half-hour later, it seems to throw ev-
erything off."

Erika Portillo, coordinator for Stu-
dent Development, said she loves the summer work schedule.

"Even though I'm not a morning person – starting work at 7:30 a.m. is not ideal – I love getting off early on Fridays," she said. "I feel like every weekend is a long weekend."
Warning: not for consumption by minors

BY SAL GUERRERO
The Prospector

So I was sitting in my room trying to drown out Conan and attempting to think of the next amazing idea (yeah right) for a column. I needed something good, something real good, something that would catch, and hold the attention of the best damn demographic out there: The 20-something year-old male.

I could have gone as clichéd as it comes, writing about baseball, the all-American sport or even about the opposite sex. Like my advice is really going to help any guy get a girl. (yeah right)

Friday night when you so desperately need it. But that gift that keeps on giving, even the next morning if you’ve had too many. It’s beer.

I should warn you, I do not condone drinking and driving, or for that matter, drinking and flying. With that out of the way, let us begin.

With the summer months well in effect here in El Paso, it is important to choose the right beverage for all occasions. Your standard American beers will do, but if you want to stay fresh and as hip as a beer drinker can be, choose anything from the Spoetzl Brewery company, also known as Shiner. I am a bit of a homer for anything Shiner, so you can see why this would be my first suggestion.

Shiner carries a small, but tasty, variety of specialty beers that has been around for a little over 100 years now. On average, you can find Shiner Bock, Shiner Light, Shiner Blonds, Shiner Hefeweizen (my favorite) and Shiner Black Lager at any grocery or liquor store around the city. Shiner Bock is their flagship beer, which unlike most beers (type of beer), won’t give you that punch-you-in-the-face-type flavor of true German beer. Personally, I recommend the Hefeweizen, as I would regard it as a light-Hefe that leaves the distinct taste of lemon and orange peel, but doesn’t linger like most wheat beers.

If Shiner is too mainstream, another of my favorite beers for the summer is Monty Python’s Holy Grail Ale. It is made by a UK company called Black Sheep Brewery PLC and the name is just as good as the taste. Like the Shiner products, Holy Grail Ale is a dark beer (pale ale), but with a light aftertaste. It has a hoppiness to it, but the flavor is not overpowering.

If a lighter flavored beer isn’t for you, then I suggest trying anything from the Stone Brewing Co. Their most popular beer would be the Arrogant Bastard Ale, which is rated as a “strong” beer because of the hoppy flavor that sticks around the back of the tongue as well as the nose. This is fairly popular beer because of the strong taste and high alcohol content (7.2 percent). If that still does not suit your palate, then pick up a pint of their Double Bastard Ale with an alcohol content of 11.2 percent. Stone Brewing Co. also makes Stone Imperial Stout Russian Ale that has a dark-bitter chocolate taste, unlike Guinness, but with the same aromatic smell of coffee. Of course, these great beers come with a price, but to the aficionado, cost is no object.

Now if flavor and sipping isn’t your thing, but you also want to stay away from the standard Budweiser and Miller Lite, then pick up a can of Pabst Blue Ribbon (PBR). This has been a standard in the Midwest for 150 years and still continues to this day. The beer itself is light with a crisp taste that dissipates quickly. The best part is that it is cheaper than most bottled water, but twice the fun. Even without a drink special, PBR can be found at most bars for no more than $1.50 to $2 a can.

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Professor re-discovers lost species of frogs

**BY CANDICE MARLENE DURAN**

The Prospector

After more than 60 years of being considered extinct, four species of the frogs in the Democratic Republic of Congo were re-discovered by UTEP assistant professor Eli Greenbaum and his colleagues.

"It was really exhilarating to see frogs alive that people thought were extinct," said Greenbaum, who teaches biological sciences. "People had not seen these things since 1954. People were asking themselves if they were extinct!"

Greenbaum, who specializes in evolutionary genetics, began his efforts through a program with Conservation International. Its worldwide initiative is to look for 100 species of lost amphibians.

"They had a grant program that was set up to do that project so I helped my African colleague apply for that money," Greenbaum said. "He used that money to go back just a few months ago to look for more of these things, but he didn't find any!"

Greenbaum's expedition was partially funded by the National Geographic Society's Committee for Research and Exploration. This was his fifth trip to the Congo and the second time he and his team re-discovered a frog species.

Greenbaum said that the trip to the Congo was filled with hardships and tough challenges. Some of the problems they faced included health hazards, tough economic conditions and the difficulty of just trying to make their way through the jungle.

"There were a lot of tropical diseases such as malaria, and I caught dengue fever while I was looking for these things (frogs)," Greenbaum said. "Dengue fever is basically like a really bad flu and in a place like Congo, being sick is no fun!"

Greenbaum said that he believes one of the main reasons why the frogs remained undiscovered was due to its habitat.

"It was really difficult for us to walk in there to find these frogs," Greenbaum said. "And that's why nobody had done it before, because it's physically very demanding and there are problems with infrastructure and other stuff!"

After re-discovering the frogs, the next big challenge was proving they were the missing species.

At UTEP, he took the frogs to the Biological Sciences building to examine their DNA. He compared them to their descriptions in the scientific data recorded in the 1940s.

"You have to go back into this literature that was published by the Belgians in the 1940s and '50s, when they described these frogs for the first time," Greenbaum said. "And then we ask, okay is this frog in my hand—does that match what this Belgian guy is talking about in French in 1950?"

One of Greenbaum's students, Nancy Conkey, junior biological sciences major, assisted with the identification of the frogs. She said they were not sure their primers for testing DNA would work with the frog samples.

"We confirm, okay is this frog in my hand—does that match what this Belgian guy is talking about in French in 1950?"

"Sometimes, when it's new, the primers that are known don't work for something new," Conkey said. "And we don't have primers for something that we don't know anything about. With PCR (polymerase chain reaction) being around for about 20 years, and the frogs being extinct for over 60 years, we didn't really have anything to work with except for the primers that were known. So we just took what we knew and applied it to something we assumed would work."

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Fernie Medina, senior biological sciences major, said the project...
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According to Greenbaum, frogs are going extinct for many reasons with one of the causes being a fungus that has recently spread worldwide through trade. Greenbaum said that frogs are like babies, and when they are exposed to something new they get sick very easily.

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### Entertainment

**Summer fashion trends beat the heat**

**BY NATALIA AGUILAR**  
*The Prospector*

Summer has officially checked in to the city of El Paso bringing along its blazing temperatures that only seem to get hotter with the heat rise is a wide set of mod fashions and trends for both men and women.

"Gold is what's really in right now as far as jewelry," said Paula Garza, sales associate at Luka 7. "There's also a trend with hints of feminine looks going on.

Lace, sheer neutrals and whites are playing a major role in fashion right now, but in contrast is the look of brights, color blocking, bohemian patterns and florals. "Color blocking is really popular right now. We are currently suggesting color combinations such as orange with purple and electric blue with a bright red," said Sonaya Mectezuma, owner of Fashu. "There's a contrast between color and big and delicate jewelry."

Whether it's free flowing or tight, skirts are definitely always in for the summer. High waist skirts have made a major comeback and paired with a chic pair of sandals they complete a feminine summer look.

"I love to wear bright colors during the summer and just try to mix and match flimsy skirts with cute tops and sandals," said Ana Lopez, senior fine fashions. "I'm really into patterned and big bangles for summer!"

Shorts are another classic for the summer. Not only do they alleviate from the heat, but they also play a stylish role when worn with long bohemian blouses.

"My favorite summer garment is shorts. You can wear them casually in flip flops, or dress them up with a nice blouse," said Rebecca Morales, senior organizational and corporate communication major.

Aside from skirts and shorts, more of the romper is being seen now than in recent years. It is a one-piece garment that has become one of the latest trends and women are wearing it for its commodity and stylish look.

"With rompers you can still look good while being comfortable," said Serena Martinez, visual merchandising at Ella Blu. "Bright colored tunics that can be worn with leggings or over bathing suits are also perfect for the summer."

As for men, above the knee instead of below the knee shorts are becoming a major trend.

"I like to wear short shorts above the knee," said Pablo Delgadillo, sales associate at Luka 7. "There's also a trend of impressive hardware for the Wi-fi model and $299 for a competitive pricing starting at $249 availability this holiday season. With another case of impressive hardware going on."

"Men always look for comfort and jeans are always in," said Raquel Cauron, owner of Pure Denim. "Skinny and boot cut are always in style."

"To dress up an outfit, a blazer can be worn with skinny jeans or even above the knee shorts."

"Blazers are going to continue to be in style but in light colors such as white and in linen," said Gloria Carrasco from Homeowrk. Fedora hats and feathers are two other stylish accessories. Both men and women are seen wearing a fedora whether it's during the day or at night.

"Feathers are being worn as earrings or as part of a hair extension."

So even with this unbearable heat, it is still possible to look mod and stylish with this summer's fashion trends.

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**Technology**

**Nintendo and Playstation unveil next gen systems**

**BY JERRY ALDAZ**  
*The Prospector*

This year’s Electronic Entertainment Expo (E3), which took place at the Los Angeles Convention Center from June 7 to 9, once again evolved the Los Angeles Convention Center to release acclaimed franchise titles.

"It's a system we will all enjoy to play," Fils-Aime said while presenting the Wii-U. "I think the Wii-U is going to be a very interesting console," said James Hicks, junior theatre major and long-time gamer. "Nintendo is known for shaking up the game industry with its innovations and the Wii-U's remote is no different. Sony and Microsoft will definitely pay attention to the successes and failures that the Wii-U endures."

Although Sony digressed from announcing an upcoming PS4, it challenged Nintendo’s DS portable dominance by introducing the technology-superior PSPVita.

Kazuo Hirai, considered father of the PlayStation, announced PSP Vita’s availability this holiday season. With competitive pricing starting at $249 for the Wi-fi model and $299 for a Wi-fi/3G version, PSP Vita comes standard with a 5-inch Organic Light-Emitting Diodes (OLED) screen, 560 MHz processor, motion sensing and Dual cameras, touch Pads and analog sticks.

Will this portable generation be another case of impressive hardware eclipsing quality software? Not likely. Beyond remarkable specs, Sony plans to release acclaimed franchise titles such as Gran Turismo 6, in addition to multiplayer and motion sensing gaming experiences.

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**Japanese video gaming’s proving ground.**
“There were mainly families on the first night,” Laidler said. “However, I think UTEP students are starting to be aware of the situation and coming out.”

The event is free of charge, but Special Events teamed up with Sodexo and created a movie combo pack providing popcorn, drinks and a hot dog. “We know times are still a bit hard so we are offering a convenient, economical combo pack for families to enjoy,” said Adriana Ruiz marketing specialist for UTEP Food Services.

“Students and families set up picnics on the lawn ready for the movie to go into the night. "I really enjoyed the atmosphere," said Pilar Guerra, senior pre-education major. "It really gives people something to do."

Guerra mentioned that "Toy Story 3" was one of her favorite films and that is why she went to watch it. "Now that I know how it is, I will definitely keep coming," Guerra said. The next film will be Steven Spielberg’s "E.T." at 8:30 p.m.

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**MOVIES ON THE LAWN SCHEDULE**

All movies are scheduled for 8:30 p.m.

**JUNE 23**
- E.T.

**JUNE 30**
- Finding Nemo

**JULY 7**
- Sixteen Candles

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*Movies on the Lawn offers a wide range of titles every Thursday at 8:30 p.m. on the Geology Lawn.*
Making his mark in the minor league, 11 years later

By William Vega

The Prospector

First baseman Kyle Nichols has never played on a major league team. He was drafted by a big league team but never made it to the Arizona Diamondbacks’ roster. Instead, Nichols is still playing the game he loves as he awaits that golden opportunity in his 11th minor-league season at the age of 33.

“My mom always told me that there is no expiration date on your dreams, so it is my dream to still get to the big leagues,” Nichols said. “I know there is a long shot and I know I’m a very small percentage guy, but as long as I have a uniform on, you never know.”

The average age on this year’s roster is 27. Nichols is not only six years above that standard but he is the oldest and has played the most minor-league seasons out of anyone on the team.

After spending three years at the University of Alabama from 1996-99, Nichols sat out his senior year from 2000-01 when he was drafted by the Diamondbacks. He played rookie baseball that first year then was moved up each season until he landed with the Diamondbacks’ Double-A affiliate: the El Paso Diablos.

Nichols joined the Diablos in 2004 but his time was short in El Paso. After just a month with the team, he was promoted to Triple-A and in 2005, he joined the Philadelphia Phillies minor league system. In 2006, he signed with the Cincinnati Reds’ organization, left all major league farm systems to play independent ball and has stayed in unaffiliated leagues ever since.

After bouncing from club to club, Nichols came back to one of his first organizations and is now a Diablo for the second straight season.

Nichols has had his opportunities with a few major league teams over the years. He said that a couple of years ago, he and his agent were in negotiations with the Los Angeles Dodgers and Texas Rangers but both teams decided to go in the direction of a “younger kid.”

Still, Nichols has no intentions of leaving the game anytime soon. He does not have a wife or any children and still keeps his primary residence at his hometown in Southport, Florida. Rather, Nichols feels that when that time comes to settle down and raise a family, it may be time to quit.

On the other hand, his teammates still think that time is nowhere near and that his time in the majors will come.

“As far as Proball goes, you can take a guy at any age. I can name probably half the guys in the major league that are over 30, right around (Nichols’) age, that are in their prime and doing really well,” pitcher Adam Rowe said.

“The difference between major leaguers and most of the guys at these levels is just that they’re stuck with it. He could land anywhere.”

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Diablos fall to first place Grand Praire

By William Vega

The Prospector

The El Paso Diablos continued their season-long struggles with the Grand Praire AirHogs, falling to the division leaders for the seventh time in seven tries this season 4-1 June 19 in Grand Praire, Texas.

The Diablos added to their troubles from the mound despite the performance from newly-acquired pitcher Scott Hodsdon. Hodsdon, who joined El Paso during their most recent road trip June 11-19, pitched seven innings, giving up three earned runs off seven hits.

Hitting did not help the starter in his third game for the Diablos as they stranded at least one runner on base for each of the first six innings.

The Diablos showed promise when they took an early 1-0 lead off an RBI single by first baseman Kyle Nichols in the first inning. El Paso did not allow a run the next two innings but gave up the lead in the third off a two-RBI single by first baseman Greg Porter.

Then the hitting problems took on a whole new form. The Diablos were unable to pick up another hit the next three innings retiring all nine batters in a row. Even the lone batter to get to a base, second baseman Antoine Gray who was walked in the eighth inning, found himself on the wrong end of a double play to end the inning.

The other two runs for the AirHogs came off the bats of second baseman David Espinosa and Porter. Espinosa homered in the fifth and Porter in the eighth to complete the dominant performance for both hitters. Espinosa went 3-for-3 from the plate with two runs and one RBI. Porter finished the day going 3-for-4 with one run and three RBIs.

El Paso has yet to defeat Grand Praire this year as they were swept for the second time. The Diablos started the recent four game series strong as they took a 5-1 lead into the seventh.

The AirHogs scored nine times that inning finishing off El Paso in game two. The game came down to the final inning. Center fielder Danny Figueroa hit a sacrifice fly to center field that scored catcher Chris McMurray to defeat the Diablos 5-4.

The El Paso Diablos remain in last place of the American Association after losing to the Grand Praire AirHogs for the seventh time this season.

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Nichols watches the ball as he prepares to field it during the Diablos’ game against the Grand Prairie AirHogs June 10 at Cohen Stadium. Nichols was the American Association’s Batter of the Week for the week ending May 29. He batted .500 with three home runs and 13 RBIs that week.

Despite a lackluster season so far, Nichols has been one key player for the Diablos gaining recognition from the American Association. He was named the league’s Batter of the Week for the week ending May 29. Nichols is also leading his team with 34 RBIs and six home runs while hitting .371.

The Diablos, down 9-6 heading into the ninth, scored twice in their last at-bat then loaded the bases for center fielder Kory Drew. Drew struck out swinging to end the game and tally up another loss for El Paso. William Vega may be reached at prospector@utep.edu.