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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dwali Celebration

Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority Inc. will host Dwali, the Hindu festival of lights, from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the Student Union West **Patio.** The festival is observed by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains, with its main theme the triumph of light over darkness and good over evil. For more information, email yolanda.escobedoo1@utrgv.edu.

Hallo-Flute Concert

The Flautistas will perform at 7 p.m. at the UTRGV Performing Arts Complex in Edinburg. The concert will also feature the UTRGV Guitar **Ensemble**. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, call 665-3881 or email patron@utrgv.edu. **TUESDAY**

Movember

Kappa Theta Fraternity will host a fundraiser from noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Student Union Commons (staircase area) in Edinburg. The fraternity wants to help raise awareness about men's cancers. For more information, email adam. bostano1@utrgv.edu.

WEDNESDAY Breakfast to go

The Baptist Student Ministry will provide free breakfast from 8 to 9 a.m. at the Main East Front Lawn on the Brownsville campus. For more information, call 383-7491.

Résumé workshop

Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity Inc. will host a résumé workshop from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Oleander Room at the Student Union in Edinburg. The workshop, part of Beta Week, will be co-sponsored by Career Services. For more information, email lambda.beta86@gmail.com. THURSDAY

Holy Mass, confession

The Catholic Campus Ministry-Brownsville will conduct confessions from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Room 1.004 in the Main Patio Paraiso and in Room 1.002 of the Main Courtyard West Wing in Brownsville. The ministry invites students, staff and the community to the **Holy Mass Celebration**. For more information, call 541-9697.

Lip Sync Battle

Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity Inc. will host a Lip Sync Battle Social from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Cafe at the Student Union in Edinburg. The battle is part of Beta Week and is open to all students. For more information, email lambda. beta86@gmail.com.

Student Concert
The Student Chamber Ensembles will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the **Texas Southmost College Arts Center** in Brownsville. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, call 665-3881 or email patron@utrgv.edu. **FRIDAY**

Sigma Tau Delta will host a used book sale fundraiser from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Quad BBQ area in Edinburg. Books will range from \$1 to \$3 and will be of a diverse selection. For more information, call 665-8752.

Freedom Network conference The Texas Freedom Network will

host a conference from 5 to 10 p.m. at the

University Ballroom and from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday in Room 1.101 of the Student Academic Center in Edinburg. The conference will bring the Brownsville and Edinburg chapters together for an educational session on social justice, justice/health/rights, reproductive LGBTQIA information/issues and media training. For more information, email juanita.rivaso1@utrgv.edu.

Cello concert

Music Assistant Professor and cello player **Katherine Decker** will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Texas Southmost College Arts Center in Brownsville. Admission is free. For more information, call 665-3881 or email patron@utrgv.

SATURDAY

Piano concert

The Celebrating Chopin Piano Concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Texas Southmost College Arts Center in Brownsville. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, seniors and students with a UTRGV ID. They can be purchased at http://patron. utrgv.edu/ or at the door. For more information, call 665-3881 or email patron@utrgv.edu.

Food Sales

Fruit cups

Pre-Medical **Bio-Medical** Society will sell fruit cups from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. today in the Library CTY A area on the Edinburg campus. For more information, email chelsea.gerlickio1@ utrgv.edu.

Cupcakes

Sigma Tau Delta will sell cupcakes from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. today and Wednesday at the Student Union East Patio area on the Edinburg campus. For more information, call 665-8752.

Shaved ice

Methodist Student The **United** Movement will sell Kona Ice from noon to 2 p.m. today at the University Ballroom lawn on the Edinburg campus. For more information, email captivatingslg@ gmail.com.

Hot dogs/Hamburgers

The Operation Smile Club will sell hot dogs, hot Cheetos with cheese, nachos and water from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Library CTY A area on the Edinburg campus. For more information, call 874-

Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority Inc. will sell hot dog and burger combos that will include chips and a soda from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday in the Library BBQ area on the Edinburg campus. For more information, email captivatingslg@gmail.com.
Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity Inc. will

sell burgers from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday in the Quad BBQ area on the Edinburg campus. For more information, email betalambda@phiota.org.

Spiropapas

Alpha Sigma Tau-Epsilon Beta Chapter at UTRGV will sell spiropapas from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at the Student Union in Edinburg. For more information, email info@ast-epsilonbetachapter.org.

Conchitas preparadas The Latino Medical Association will sell Student conchitas preparadas and Gummy Bears with chamoy from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday

on the Campus Outdoor Grounds in Edinburg. For more information, email alma.delamora01@utrgv.edu.

Baked goods

The Rehab South Club will sell cake pops and cookies from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. today at the Student Union lawn in Edinburg. For more information, email antonio.aguirre@utrgv.edu. The British Culture Guild Club will

sell baked goods from 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday at the Student Union West Patio area on the Edinburg campus. For more information, email britishcultureguild@ gmail.com.

Pizza

The Japanese Animation Club will sell pizza, sodas, chips and chili dogs in Quad BBQ area from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday on the Edinburg campus. For more information, call 371-3306. The Student Accessibility Council

will sell pizza, chips and drinks from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Student Union East Patio in Edinburg. For more information, email elizabeth. rodriguezo5@utrgv.edu. The **REHAB Club** will sell pizza from

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday in the Mathematics and General Classrooms front lawn on the Edinburg campus. For more information, call 665-2660. Association of Latino

Professionals for America will sell pizza from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday in the walkway of the Robert C. Vackar College of Business and Entrepreneurship building. The Health Occupations Students of

America will sell pizza from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday in the Library CTY B area in Edinburg. For more information, email hosa.utrgv@gmail.com.

Bubble tea

The Filipino Student Association will sell bubble tea and water from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday in the Library CTY A area on the Edinburg campus. For more information, call 507-0372. **Tostadas**

The Tex-PREP will sell tostadas from

10:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday outside the Engineering building on the Edinburg campus. For more information, call 665-2522, Ext. 2592. Chinese food

The Chinese Language and Culture **Association** will sell traditional Chinese food and drinks from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday in the Library lawn on the Edinburg campus. For more information, call 882-5111. Chick-Fil-A

International Student The Organization will sell Chick-Fil-A combos for \$5 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Student Union in Brownsville. For more information, email aldo.banueloso1@ utrgv.edu.

Chicken plates

Delta Zeta Theta Omicron will sell chicken plates from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Saturday in Lot C of the Edinburg parking lot. The chicken plate will include a drink. For more information, call 458-2976.

Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority Inc. will sell chicken plates for \$7 from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday in the Lot G-3 in Edinburg. For more information, email maria.neyra01@ utrgv.edu.

--Compiled by Brenda Garza

The following are among the incidents reported to University Police between Oct. 18 and 23. the UTRGV Chapel. She later located it that everything was fine and that she did

Oct. 18

7:32 p.m.: A student said she lost her passport and wanted to document the incident. She believes she lost her passport on the Brownsville campus but is uncertain. No passports have been turned in to University Police.

11:59 a.m.: In Edinburg, two students were involved in a minor accident. A woman driving a GMC Yukon exited a parking lot and failed to yield, striking a GMC Sierra, driven by a man. The collision caused minor damage. Oct. 20

3:18 p.m.: A staff member reported a student was being harassed by her exboyfriend. Shortly after, the UTRGV dispatcher contacted the student over the phone. The student told the dispatcher

not wish to file a report, nor did she want officers to be sent to the area. Officers were advised to be on the lookout for the man driving away in a gray Honda Civic. The student left the area before the officers' arrival. The staff member reported the female student and the unknown man were arguing outside the building. He intervened when the man grabbed a paper from the student's hand and said, "You are not leaving." The staff member said the man was confronting the student in regard to her current relationship. Officers were unable to locate either one of the parties, who left the area in separate vehicles. Oct. 21

12:46 p.m.: A student reported her cell phone was taken while she was at at a local Wal-Mart store. A detective is working with the retail store and victim to identify the suspects. Oct. 22 9:53 a.m.: At the Casa Bella student

housing complex in Brownsville, a student was exiting the apartments and said he was picking up belongings from his ex-girlfriend's room. A UTRGV officer recognized him from a previous incident. The resident assistant was notified of the incident and confirmed the student had failed to check in as a guest. Both students were informed of the violation of the Residential Life rules and regulations and were told the incident would be forwarded to the Student Rights and Responsibilities Office.

--Compiled by Megan Gonzalez

New labor rule to make 450 UTRGV employees nonexempt

THE RIDER

The new final rule on overtime, which will take effect Dec. 1 throughout the United States, will convert 450 exempt UTRGV employees to nonexempt, university officials say.

"There have been changes in the exemption rules for positions. The threshold for a nonexempt position is being raised ... from \$23,600 to \$47,476 and so, jobs that are lower than that exemption threshold will have to be nonexempt if they are currently exempt,

said Michael James, UTRGV chief

Human Resources officer.

Currently, UTRGV has 1,131 exempt employees and 942 nonexempt. When the final rule takes effect, the university is expecting 681 employees to remain exempt and 1,392 to become nonexempt, said Kristina Chavez, compensation manager for Human Resources.

The new overtime law updates the regulations for determining whether white-collar salaried employees are exempt from the Fair Labor Standards Act's minimum wage and overtime pay protections, according to the U. S. Labor

Department website.

"Currently, if you are exempt, the way that you account for your time is that at the end of the month, you report the time that you are actually away from work," James said. "If you are nonexempt, you have to report the hours that you work during a given week, so every week you have to report your actual hours of work.

Chavez told The Rider discussions are being held regarding the salaries of those employees who will become nonexempt.

"We are still discussing something with individual division heads. The problem is, overall, the university is not able to adjust everybody's salary because that would be a huge amount that could not be funded," she said.

Chavez said employees who work more than 40 hours after Dec. 1 may be paid



MARIO GONZALEZ/ THE RIDER

"If [employees] do work more than 40 hours, yes, it would be overtime. However, since we are [a higher education institution], we don't have to pay this out; we can do comp time,"

she said. "The recommendation [for individual supervisors] is going to be to do this through comp time.

University Marketing supervisors were alerted two weeks ago on the new final rule on overtime through

Supervisors were alerted last week by HR. ... However, I am not sure when the [UTRGV] employees will be alerted," Gonzales told The Rider in an interview last Wednesday.

James said the new final rule on overtime will impact UTRGV exempt

Right now, [UTRGV has] 170 job titles that will have some sort of exemption status change and so it's going to have quite a bit of an impact on us," he said.

James said UTRGV will manage employees hour for hour after the final rule takes effect.

"If they are currently exempt, we are not reporting hour for hour and we are going to now have to report their time hour for hour," he said. "It's going to have a bigger impact on those [employees] who are going from being exempt to going nonexempt because it's going to change the way they have to account

their time at work."

James said UTRGV employees' benefits will not be affected after Dec. 1.

The Rider contacted Staff Senate President Michael Aldape, but he declined to comment.

UTRGV faculty will not be affected by the new final rule on overtime due to an exception to this law, Chavez said.

Schools and higher institutions are generally covered by the FLSA's minimum wage and overtime provisions, according to the U.S. Labor Department website. Many employees at these institutions are exempt from the new overtime rule. Professors are exempt if their primary duty is teaching, tutoring, instructing or lecturing.

"[The final rule on overtime] is a federal law that [UTRGV has] to comply with and we are going to comply with it,' Gonzales said.

-- Jesus Sanchez contributed to this report.

Patches of creativity and a scent of pumpkin spice



MARIO GONZALEZ/THE RIDER PHOTOS



Kinesiology junior Kaylah Ortiz laughs as she cleans the inside of the pumpkin she is carving.

Engineering senior Felipe Herrera punches a hole in a pumpkin as he carves a design last Tuesday during a pumpkin carving contest on the Student Union lawn in Brownsville



What are you going to dress as for Halloween and why?



'I haven't really given it much thought, but I will probably be like Mother Nature or something because I like dresses and I have a dress with lots of flowers and I have a flower crown. So, it is very

Denisce Palacios International business and theater sophomore

"I would dress up as an Angry Bird, a yellow Angry Bird, because I think it's funny and I have dressed up as an Angry Bird with sunglasses. So, I think I'll do it again; it was pretty cool."



Eduardo Garcia Biomedical sciences freshman



'I'm gonna be dressing up as college student Spider-Man because all I have is a mask and I'm going to be wearing my everyday clothes."

Armando Valdez Theater freshman

"I'm dressing up as Lucy and Charlie Brown. That's gonna be a couple's costume. And other than that, I'm gonna wear cool scary makeup."



Carina Gonzalez **English senior**

--Compiled by Ana Cahuiche and Gabriel Mata



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Michelle Espinoza THE RIDER

It's that time of the year again. Zombies, witches, vampires and Harley Quinns will be roaming the streets tonight.

What was once a holiday about honoring the undead spirits has now become more about costumes and candy. This holiday, which was once called All Hallows Eve, originated more than 2,000 years ago.

It is believed that Halloween's origins date back to the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, which was

treats were left out to please the evil spirits and ensure an

overflow of next year's crops. This custom evolved into what is today trick-or-treating.

In my childhood, I counted down the days on my calendar in excitement for Halloween. This was the one night of the year where we could dress up to be whoever we wanted to be

I was everything, from the pink Power Ranger to Princess Atta from "A Bug's Life." Just like most kids at that age, Halloween was my favorite holiday of the year.

It wouldn't even be dark outside yet, but I would drag my parents along with me throughout the houses in the neighborhood, in full costume, ready to show off my new

On top of all this, the self-fulfillment of dumping out

my hard-earned candy that night on the kitchen table

was simply the best feeling.
As I've grown older, this holiday has seemed to slip away from me. With school, work, family, friends and volunteer programs, it seems more difficult to find time to enjoy this time of the year.

My childhood memories are some of the greatest memories I have. I keep reminding myself, it doesn't matter how old you are, you can still get that nostalgic feeling and enjoy yourself on your favorite holidays like you once would before.

Now, as you drive around the Valley neighborhoods, you will see cars full of people of all ages dressed up as Elsa from "Frozen," Michael Myers from the "Halloween" film series or even Miss Fame from "RuPaul's Drag

Race."

celebrated annually on Oct. 31 by honoring the dead and celebrating their new year on Nov. 1, marking the end of summer and the beginning of the harvest season, according to History.com.

During this time the Celts believed the souls of the dead wandered the village streets at night. Gifts and treats were left out to please the order left out to please the order

October 31, 2016

The popularity of Halloween continues to grow, with Americans expected to spend more than \$8.4 billion this year on the holiday, according to the National Retail

Federation website. If you celebrate this American tradition, one thing is for certain: Be safe this Halloween. We live in a world

now where there is danger everywhere. From checking your candy for potential hazards to

avoiding frightening encounters with the infamous terrorizing clowns, make sure you're safe and aware of your surroundings at all times. So, if you celebrate this holiday filled with mystery,

magic and superstition, this long-awaited month is coming to an end.

Enjoy and "brace yourself, winter is coming."

etter to the Ed

The political power of college students

Early voting started last week in the Student Union, and many students might be feeling a bit disenfranchised or powerless. Refrains like "My vote doesn't really count, anyways" and "It doesn't matter, lobbyists have all the real power" are all too familiar to those doing voter engagement work on college campuses. I'd

like to address both of these arguments for anyone who feels powerless in this political system. First of all, know that your vote absolutely does

count. Even with the Electoral College, your votes for down-ballot candidates are critical. And even with the Electoral College, your vote for president can matter— Texas is polling within the margin of error this year, so regardless of which candidate you're rooting for, your vote could really matter this year.

So please, vote-but don't just vote. The argument that lobbyists have all the real power has some validity-they have huge sway over policy. That's why, if college students want to see their interests represented in policymaking, they must do more than votethey themselves must become lobbyists. A lobbyist doesn't have to be a banker or an employee of a big corporation—a lobbyist can be the girl who sits next to you in sociology and always shows up late.

I'm a lobbyist in the Friend's Committee on National Legislation's Advocacy Corps, and I'll be lobbying our elected officials for comprehensive immigration reform all year. You can become a lobbyist too-it isn't hard! Interested in lobbying for immigration reform? Keep

an eye out for my lobby day events around school. Interested in lobbying for income equality? Contact me about our spring lobby weekend in Washington, D.C. Interested in lobbying for all of this, some of this, or anything else? Set up your own lobby visits! It's easy, effective and rewarding. Simply call the local offices of one or both of your senators and arrange a lobby visit! Sen. Ted Cruz (R-Texas) can be reached at (202) 224-5922 and has a McAllen office at 200 S. 10th St., Suite 1603. Sen. John Cornyn (R-Texas) can be reached at (202)224-2934 and has a Harlingen office at 222 E. Van Buren St., Suite 404.
College students have the potential to be enormous

political-change makers-let's use it!

Mimosa Thomas Biology junior

The Motivator Positive vibes from Jamaica

Lesley Robles

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UTRGV hurdler Orwell "The Motivator" Maylor rides his bike around school every day equipped with a whiteboard and a warm smile, just enough to make someone's day.

He has been virtually impossible for people in Edinburg to miss. Instead of checking Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat or Twitter, Maylor uses his free time proactively to spread kind messages to students and staff alike.

Maylor spreads messages such as "Fail big, succeed bigger," "Believe in yourself" and "Find a passion." He has been receiving a lot of attention for promoting positivity in the world. Not many people would take time from their day to bring hope to someone else.

Maylor also stands on the corner of University Drive and Sugar Road in his free time with the whiteboard and the message of the day. His messages not only reach university students, but community members as well, who take that route to go to work or home.

Maylor is not part of a student organization or religious group that requires him to promote positivity. No one is paying him, either. He is doing this selflessly of his own free will because he

cares for the overall well-being

of people.
"I care about the world and what is happening. That's why I do this every day. It's like my calling—to put a message on the board and just ride around with it," he said.

The psychology senior was

born and raised in the tropical country of Jamaica. He is the youngest of seven in his family, and came to the U.S. three years ago on a track scholarship. He first attended the University of Maryland Eastern Shore but transferred to the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley after his freshman year. Maylor aspires to become a motivational speaker graduating from college.

Maylor is a 400 meter hurdler for UTRGV's track team and also runs the 4x400 relay.

Teammates positivity campaign.

"He has been through a lot recently, so I believe that the way he inspires also helps him as a person," said fellow UTRGV hurdler Rodrigo Silva. "I just hope he continues doing it."

Aside from being a full-time student, athlete and motivator, Maylor works for Alpha Fit as a CrossFit trainer. Despite a busy schedule, he finds the time to do

Maylor stays focused by setting a certain amount of time



SARAH CARVAJAL/THE RIDER

Psychology senior Orwell Maylor poses with his whiteboard.

for different tasks and sticking to it. The key is in being strict. That mentality is applied to his social media, studying, working out and everything else he does in a given day.

"Be strict about it. Don't get carried away with what is happening on social media. School first. You have to be disciplined. Remember your goals," Maylor said Oct. 22 in a live chat with UTRGV Social Media and Digital Marketing Manager Josse "Alex" Garrido via Facebook.

His positive outlook comes from a dark place in his life. Difficult situations often arise unexpectedly. For Maylor, rock bottom came like a storm two years ago with the loss of his mother, sister and grandmother.

"I know what it feels like to have no motivation. Just two years ago, I lost my mom and then the following year I lost my sister and my grandma," he said, recalling the traumatic experience and bitterness he

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What should I major in?

Throughout this academic year, The Rider will explore the programs of study at UTRGV. This is the sixth in a series. The Rider interviewed Layne Jorgensen, Department of Health and Human Performance professor, for information.

Department: Health and Human Performance

School: College of Health Affairs Department Chair: Zelma Mata

Prerequisites: None

What is the Department of Health and Human **Performance?** "Kinesiology comes from the word 'kinesis,' which means motion, so by definition kinesiology is the study of motion. Here we add the term human motion, so it's basically the study of human motion. You can go noncertified without any teaching associated with it, or you can go certified in which you want to become a teacher in the public schools, K-12. You can also get an exercise science degree and go that route. We also have degrees in health, noncertified and

Which classes can students expect to take? "Most of our courses are theory or content courses. We do have some activity courses that students have to learn how to dribble a ball, things that are in the cycle of motor learning domain. Primarily, they are cognitive or theory work. They do have to know how to play some of the basic sports, which are taught in most of our classes. We embed the activities into our theory classes, so the instructor will talk about how to play the game of basketball and then they will go to the gym. Some classes will have multiple activities embedded. For example, one course may gear towards teaching elementary children and then they may have five or six activities in it, where they learn how to teach children how to play fundamental games.'

What skills will students learn by the time they **graduate?** "Most of it will be acquisition of knowledge." What are some possible careers? "If you go noncertified, that's telling us that you don't want to teach. Some careers simply ask for a college degree, like some of the federal programs. For those that want to teach, and probably a third of our students want to teach in the public schools, take the certified route and learn how to be physical education teachers. Then, those who go with the exercise science route probably do not want to teach but they will go on and get a degree in occupational therapy or physical therapy or something like that. Those that take the health courses that don't go certified, the health department here or agencies out in the public domain hire people who have a bachelor's background in health. Those that go certified will be prepared to teach health in the public schools.

Who are some possible employers? "Most school districts will have about two or three teachers in the elementary schools. Then there is your junior high and high school, where you have athletic teams. They hire a lot of physical education teachers because they have a background in sports and things, so basically

UTRGV provides Safe Zone Ally Training



LESLEY ROBLES/THE RIDER

Interdisciplinary studies sophomore Judy Sanchez and biology and psychology senior Thelma Salazar attend the Safe Zone Ally Training for the LGBTQAI+ community on Oct. 19 in the Student Academic Center on the Edinburg campus. The training is open to anyone interested in learning more about the community as well as becoming an ally.

Brenda Garza

THE RIDER

Student Involvement conducted a Safe Zone Ally Training for those willing to become an ally to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning/ Queer, Intersex and Asexual (LGBTQAI+) community in the Student Academic Center on the Edinburg campus.

'The training is meant to bring awareness about the LGBTQAI+ issues, and also, how to create more empathy and bring more relations, so everyone can understand where this community is coming from," said Genesis Moreno, an English and general studies major and student assistant at the Student Involvement Office.

The program's goal is to train a network of supportive people, called Safe Zone Allies, who can provide support, a welcoming environment and give information about the LGBTQA+ within the campus community.

Asked why she attended Wednesday's Kassandra Tijerina, an interdisciplinary studies junior, replied, "I'm very open-minded [and] a people lover."

Judy Sanchez, an interdisciplinary studies sophomore, said, "[The training] is about how to approach people in the LGBT community and how to make them feel comfortable.

Greek adviser Kristen Garza and Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority Inc. President Yolanda Escobedo played key roles before the training took place by advising the sorority's sisters about the training.

"We had this day reserved," said Thelma Alvarez, a senior biology and psychology major and Sigma Lambda Gamma sister. "Our Greek leaders told us three weeks

Tijerina and Sanchez said they both learned about the event from their Greek leaders.

"I'm just here to show support," Alvarez said. "I think that it's really nice to make everyone feel welcome. It doesn't matter like what religion, sexuality or any other thing that may make you different to other people I think everyone should be included in everything and made comfortable with everyone.'

Student Involvement welcomes anyone attending the university into the program to become an Ally.

'An Ally is someone who tries to not only become aware of what's going on but also wants to gain knowledge, tries to communicate the knowledge that they have, and tries to become actively involved in the LGBTQAI+ communities," Moreno said. "It's really about empathy. It's really about letting people seeing not just the surface of someone, but seeing all of them and embracing all of

The next Safe Zone Ally Training will take place from 5 to 7 p.m. Nov. 18 at the Student Academic Center in Edinburg. All students are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Student Involvement at 665-

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SCHOOL FAIR

Meet with recruiters from healthcare/medical schools. law schools, and graduate programs. This event is open to the community.

Brownsville Campus Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2016 El Gran Salon (Student Union) 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Edinburg Campus Thursday, Nov. 3, 2016 University Ballroom 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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NOTICIAS EN ESPAÑOL 8 Día de Muertos: de México para el mundo

Rebeca Ortiz

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festividades están arraigadas en el imaginario colectivo mexicano como la celebración del Día de los Muertos. Su orígen parte de hace varios cientos de años, pero a nadie parece importarle la fecha exacta de sus inicios porque, lo de mayor importancia, es la educación de la vida de los que hoy descansan en el sueño eterno.

En México, como en muchas otras partes del mundo, se conmemora a los seres queridos que han partido del mundo de los vivos hacia el suyo propio. Sin embargo, es México el que posee una de las celebraciones a los muertos más arraigadas y ricas del mundo entero.

Prueba de ello es que la Organización de las Naciones Unidas para la Educación, la Ciencia y la CuÎtura, (UNESCO), haya declarado la festividad indígena dedicada a los muertos en México, como Obra Maestra del Patrimonio Oral e Intangible de la Humanidad en el 2003.

El Departamento de Colecciones Especiales y Archivos de UTRGV, ofrecerá eventos del Día de Muertos de mediodía a la 1 p.m. el martes y miércoles en los campus de Brownsville y Edinburg, mismos que ya exhiben sus

La biblioteca de Brownsville ofrecerá pan de muerto y otros refrigerios durante los dos primeros días de noviembre a partir del mediodía en el Reading Room, mismo donde los estudiantes son bienvenidos a escribir y dejar su "calaverita" como parte de las celebraciones del mes.

Por su parte, la biblioteca de Edinburg ofrecerá un programa conmemorativo mañana a partir de mediodía en la sección de colecciones especiales donde estudiantes, facultad y miembros de la comunidad son bienvenidos para aprender un poco más sobre el Día de Muertos mientras disfrutan de un pan de muerto y chocolate caliente, dicho evento contará con premios y manualidades.

"Hemos tenido este evento por aproximadamente 20 años. Celebramos de distintas maneras y una de ellas es poner una exhibición en el lobby de la biblioteca cada año y este año, conmemoramos a los seres queridos del personal de la biblioteca", dijo Sean Visintainer, jefe del departamento de Colecciones Especiales y Archivos.

"Le pedimos al personal de la biblioteca que cooperaran, así que trajeron fotografías, recuerdos y cosas así que pusimos en los altares del lobby y entrada de la biblioteca".



LESLEY ROBLES/THE RIDER

El día primero de noviembre se

recuerda a los difuntos infantiles, a los

niños y niñas muertos a temprana edad,

el día dos, a los difuntos que fallecieron

después de haber alcanzado la adultez.

mexicanos, porque, cuando menos en

los últimos 100 años se ha convertido

en una compañera inseparable difícil de sustituir y a tono con el carácter festivo

de los mexicanos; la catrina, creación del

pintor-escultor Guadalupe Posadas, está

presente en todos los estratos sociales la

cual ya no asusta ni a los niños y vale la

pena recordar en este punto que Octavio

Paz nos reprochaba diciendo:

Pero la muerte no arredra a los

El día dos de noviembre del mediodía a la una de la tarde, el departamento de Colecciones Especiales y Archivos del campus Edinburg ofrecerá un evento conmemorativo del Día de los Muertos. Pan de muerto y chocolate caliente se repartirá a estudiantes y personal.

En México las conmemoraciones son variadas y regionales. Hay diferencias

Existe la costumbre de velar toda la

cómo conmemora Día de Muertos en la huasteca veracruzana que en la región del Janitzio en Michoacán.

algunos estados beber normal sobre la tumba de los difuntos y llevar conjuntos musicales para que interpreten su música que gustaba a difuntos.

Lisa Huerta Asistente de Colecciones Especiales y Archivos

cempasúchil y los antojitos que preferían

No estás celebrando

"No estás su muerte, estás celebrando su vida, la vida que tuvieron aquí. vida los

> es lo que es el día de los muertos", dijo Lisa Huerta, asistente de Colecciones Especiales y

celebrando su muerte, e s t á s celebrando su vida, la tuvieron aquí, siempre se recuerda buenos tiempos; risas, cuentas sus historias, que aprendiste de ellos, eso

'También para el mexicano moderno la muerte carece de significación". De acuerdo a La festividad indígena dedicada a los muertos en México, publicado por El Consejo Nacional para la Cultura y las Artes de México (CONACULTA), "Esta frase lapidaria ha hecho ver a los mexicanos como seres de otra especie, distinta a la mortal y humana, eso sí, imuy digna de ser

En la región purépecha que rodea el lago Pátzcuaro, los indígenas comienzan a preparar la comida favorita de sus difuntos desde muy temprano en la mañana del primero de noviembre para luego dirigirse al panteón donde permanecerán hasta la mañana del día siguiente. Una vez ahí, limpiarán y decorarán sus tumbas con flores de cempasúchil con el cual harán un arco para que los difuntos puedan regresar y con veladoras iluminarán su camino.

noche, ias platicarán con ellos, se les recordará y se comerá de los platillos preparados. Se velará y rezará por su eterno descanso.

"Desde los años cuarenta del siglo XX se ha dicho que México es un país escatológico y morboso; que sus pobladores se burlan de la muerte, juegan con ella y se la comen virtualmente convertida en dulces de azúcar; incluso se ha dicho que en México hasta la muerte

Pero de una cosa, también podemos presumir los mexicanos al hablar de la muerte: no tiene ningún atisbo histórico ni sociológico con la cultura española, esa que se nos impuso desde la conquista y esto es así porque la celebración del Día de Muertos es una mixtura de religión pagana con raíces auténticas y exclusivamente nuestra, de nuestra mexicanidad más radical, creativa y burlona. Al fin y al cabo, por eso somos mexicanos.





ANA CAHUICHE/THE RIDER

El altar de muerto permanecerá en exhibición hasta el cuatro de noviembre en el segundo piso de la biblioteca del campus de Brownsville.

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Room for improvement Under new leadership, basketball can only go up



SARAH CARVAJAL/THE RIDER

Junior returning forwards Dan Kimasa and Adonis Rwabigwi go up for a tipoff last Tuesday at practice in the UTRGV Fieldhouse in Edinburg. The Vaqueros kick off their season at home Friday in an exhibition game against the University of Texas at Tyler.

Nathaniel Mata

Tournament.

voices heard.

University in 2012.

During the countdown, the team is using social media to

build a connection with fans, the

campus community and their

family back home. Assistant

Women's Basketball Coach

Hannah Burleson came up with

the idea of using the popular

live-streaming applications Facebook Live and Periscope to

broadcast interviews with the

team so they will have their own

Burleson has spent the last

three years at UTRGV helping

to build the program along

with Tidwell, for whom she was

a student assistant at Lamar

"Part of my job here, with the staff, is the marketing and

promoting of our program," Burleson said. "I'm only 26, so I use social media myself.

So, I was sitting at home and

thinking of something we

haven't seen from a lot of people

Eight. That's the total number ofwins UTRGV Men's Basketball was able to accumulate last season, in 30 games. It's also the number of games they've won in conference over the last two seasons, in 28 tries.

Eight is the taste that Lew Hill's team wants to get out of their mouths quickly as he steps up to the plate in hopes of turning the program around.

That digit is going to need to increase in a big way in order for the Vaqueros to strike fear in any WAC opponent. Last season's offense was anemic compared not only to opposition, but also within D1 standings. UTRGV's 66.4 points per game were second to last in the conference and 305th out of 346 schools in Division 1.

So what happens to a bad offense when four of the top six scorers are not returning? UTRGV will be able to answer

that by the end of the season, because that's the situation it's in this year. Not too much stayed the same after Hill replaced Head Coach Dan Hipsher.

One thing for certain is that the door is open for players to step into crucial roles for Hill. The wide-open competition for starting spots and major minutes is something he loves

to see.
"That's what I told the guys when I came here, 'Everybody's even.' You got some returners who didn't play that much last year," Hill said as he prepares his team for November. "You got returners that played a lot of minutes and new guys that didn't play at all. They make me play them. Everybody's new to me, even the returning guys, so the whole situation is new. I'm molding 17 guys; I have 17 players.

Of the 17-man roster, six players return with UTRGV

experience under their belt from See BASKETBALL, Page 10



GARRIEL MATA/THE RIDER

Assistant Coach Hannah Burleson for a "Live on the Net" session on Facebook Live and Periscope as part of the 100-day countdown to tipoff.

Women's basketball connecting off the court **Bryan Ramos** to get the program out there. I felt it was something innovative that could really allow people to UTRGV Women's see what's going on with us.' Basketball Team and Head

Live on the Net

Burleson sits down with the Coach Larry Tidwell have been women for a 10-to-15-minute gearing up for the start of the interview, giving the audience 2016-17 season with a 100a closer look at what life is like day countdown to their Nov. as a Division I student athlete at 12 tipoff against the University UTRGV from their perspective. of Nebraska as part of the Preseason National Invitational

Junior forward Hildur Björg Kjartansdóttir, a team captain, said the chance to sit down and have her voice heard is an opportunity she values.
"It gives the students and

faculty a chance to get to know us better," Kjartansdóttir said. "We don't have much Kjartansdóttir time outside from school and basketball, so this is one way for them to know where we're from and how we adjusted to living here. It's as close as face-to-face to us as you can get. I appreciate the opportunity that Hannah and the coaches have given us. They put a lot of work into it, so we're really enjoying it.'

Eleven of the 18 women on the team are from outside Texas, including four international student athletes.

Senior forward Lile Havili, who is from Salt Lake City, Utah, and of Tongan descent, said the interviews help her connect with her family.

"Not a lot of my distant family

knows about where I'm at and what I'm doing, so now that they see me on Facebook with this interview, it's going to be out there and straightforward with them," Havili said. Kjartansdóttir said live-

streaming the interviews helps her reach family 4,266 miles

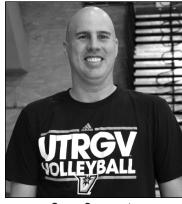
away in Iceland.
"Everybody is on social media, so I feel this is the best way to reach out to people," she said. "We use social media every day to talk to our friends and family back home. It's also for the people in our lives who can't make it to our games, who get a closer look at how we're doing

On Facebook alone, "Live

on the Net" has received over 32,000 views. Burleson said the women have relished the interview series as they prepare

'They love it. They've been really receptive and reached out to family and friends," Burleson said. "You get a little more personal insight and the more you can build relationships, the more support and fan base you'll have; things will grow and benefit our players."

To find all 25 interviews of the team and coaching staff, visit the women's social media pages on Facebook at @UTRGVWOMENSHOOPS, Twitter and Periscope UTRGVWOMENHOOPS.



SARAH CARVAJAL/THE RIDER

Name: Todd Lowery **Sport:** Volleyball Title: Head Coach **Years Coaching:** 14 (six at

National American University, six with UT Brownsville, two with the program)

Hometown: Gillette, Wyo.

What's your favorite part of coaching volleyball? "The biggest thing I like about coaching volleyball is we have the opportunity to impact people's lives, it's not just about volleyball. We get to teach them how to be a part of a team, get through life, how to work together and all those kind of things. On top of that, we love the game and it's fun to come into the gym and play every dav.

What's your favorite place to eat off campus? "Probably, Kumori [sushi] because I love sushi and it's good there."

How was the adjustment going from athlete to coach? "It wasn't that hard for me because I wasn't an athlete the second part of my college career, so I had already started getting into the coaching side of it, you know, taking stats and those kind of things. The transition wasn't that bad, but having to give up control, like you can't go out there and do it yourself. You kind of have to try to be kind of the puppet master and get them to do things you want them to do is probably the hardest part."

How do you feel coaching this team? "This team's a lot of fun. I'm excited about this team because there is so much potential here, you know, and it's a lot of fun every day to come to the gym and just see them continue to get better. And, getting to teach them things, not only volleyballwise, but also how to become a team and create a winning culture and all those things. Having a group that buys into that makes it fun to come to the gym every

Who is your favorite music artist? "I don't really have anyone, but let's go with Luke Bryan. I listen to everything, but probably, right now, that's at the top of my list."

Where would you go on your dream vacation? "I would go to Fiji. I love the beach and the warm weather, so I'd like to see it some day."

--Compiled by Sarah Carvajal

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anything at the public school level. Those that go the health route will be more in the public or private sector, like hospitals or organizations. Planned Parenthood might be one that will hire. There are a lot of organizations out there that ask someone to teach in a foreign country. There is just a broad array of opportunities, but most of them that stay in the Valley go with public school teaching.

What salary can a student expect to earn after graduation? "Well if you go the teaching route, I believe the starting salary is low- to mid-\$40,000. If you are simply getting a degree to fill the federal requirement, it depends upon what they offer. I'm not too familiar with them. Those that go with health, public

or private sector, probably mid-\$40,000 to \$50,000."

Are there any student clubs? "We have a health and kinesiology club. They meet every Tuesday in Room 142 in Health and Physical Education 2. It is a student-run club that elects their own officers. They do a lot of community service, like Special Olympics. They go out and help schools organize Special Olympic events. In February, we have a Valentine's dance here for special needs students. We get about 400 to 500 kids here from around the area.

For more information: call Jorgensen at 665-3506 or email layne.jorgensen@ utrgv.edu or Alma Arteaga, Health and Human Performance Department administrative assistant at 665-3501 or email alma.arteaga@utrgv.edu. --Compiled by Sarah Carvajal

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MOTIVATOR

felt inside. "So, in a 14-month period I lost three of the most influential women in my life.

'So that's why I do this every day because you never know what someone else is going through. For me to do this, to just try to impact people, is something I look forward to every day.'

When you can't find the goodness in yourself, the motivation for the day, understand that there are people out there who love and believe in you, like Maylor, who does so effortlessly and without fear.

Mass communication junior Eduardo Salinas is one of the many people Maylor has motivated since he started sharing his positivity.

"It's kind of stressing to be a college student, so just to see someone walking

"We all, for sure, want to do better than last year; we only won eight games. I think we all believe we can be in the top half of teams in the conference this year," the sophomore said. "But I think everybody just wants to make an improvement from last year. Eventually, the WAC championship will be a goal, but I think we just want to be a better team and win more games."

One of the players who will see action for the first time with UTRGV is redshirtsophomore Lew Stallworth. He had to sit last season after transferring from UT El Paso. The point guard, who has been a vocal presence even during his year off, will finally be able to show his abilities.

'I haven't played in about going on two years now, so to finally be on the court is something really gratifying, to see all the hard work that's been put into it,' Stallworth said.

The Southern California native, who was on hand for the end of Hipsher's time, said the most evident areas of improvement are in attitude and intensity.

"It's definitely more aggressive. There's a lot more attacking as far as defensively.

around and spreading positive messages really helps me personally because I feel that someone who is going through college that is just like me and is still being positive makes me question why I shouldn't be positive about what I am going through," Salinas said.

Maylor hopes for the world to be a better place and to create a positive chain

"If I can make just one person smile, I've already accomplished it all," Maylor

Do as Maylor and smile or say hello, and remember "no matter what happens in life you can overcome it. You are resilient enough to overcome any situation, and you can still smile regardless of what it

So, when you see Maylor on campus remember his story and how we all go through difficult situations in life. A simple smile can go a long way.

We got a lot of different traps, a lot of different presses," Stallworth said. "I would say there's just more positivity within the program. Coaches are really interested and invested in getting people better. So on our off days, we come in and watch film or we get extra shots up. They really love the game of basketball, so it's really gratifying to see a coaching staff that wants to see their players get better."

Stallworth, like many others, are vying for playing time. The starting line-up is written in pencil, rather than pen, and it's hard work that helps earn those spots.

"Coach Hill does a great job of making sure the people that play the hardest, the smartest and the best are always on the court and always on the green squad [during intrasquad]," Stallworth said. "So, as a point guard, my duty is to bring it every day, both offensively and defensively."

It will take real games and improvement on the scoreboard and schedule that will convince people outside the team that things have changed for the better with men's basketball.

The first opportunity to see new-look men's basketball team is at 7 p.m. Friday as it hosts UT Tyler in an exhibition

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a season ago, five of them in extended roles, since Nick Dixon left the team after two games and is now rejoining the

One of the key players from a season ago, and a rare bright spot through a tough year, was then freshman Antonio

Green was named the WAC Freshman of the Year for his efforts last season. The Tupelo, Miss., native scored 11.6 points per game and started in 23 of his 25 appearances in his collegiate rookie year. As freshman of the year, he led the team in three-pointers, and was second in points per game. During conference play, he led the entire WAC with 35.17 minutes per game.

He will be counted on in a major way, according to Hill. This year, he won't come as a surprise to the opposition because of the accolades he earned a season ago. The 6-foot-2-inch guard was part of the transitioning phase and said it's easy when a change is for the betterment of the group.

"It was an easy change because it was a change for the better. I felt like everything we changed, so far, has been better for the team," Green said. "I just feel like the coaching staff knows what they're doing. They're good leaders for us to follow, so I felt like it was a pretty easy exchange."

The exchange took place in the spring when Hill was announced as UTRGV's head coach. He had just finished a season with Oklahoma as an assistant under former UT Pan American Head Coach

Green said that run gives him a lot of credibility as an accomplished coach.

"Initially, we knew that he was at Oklahoma and just came off the Final Four, so we knew he knew what it takes, he said. "It was just a process of getting to know him and getting to know his philosophies.

Green, who will be called on to be a team leader, said the expectations are pretty simple: Perform better than a year ago and become a factor in the conference. It's difficult to get much worse than last year, but how much of an improvement is the big question mark in year one under Hill.

5 celebrations

around the world dedicated <u>to the dead</u>



Sergio Garcia

SOCIAL MEDIA EDITOR

1. Día de los muertos (Day of the Dead)

This holiday is mostly celebrated throughout Mexico and by people of Mexican origin who reside in other parts of the world; however, this celebration is also common in some parts of Central and South America. Some people celebrate this day by going to cemeteries and honoring their deceased loved ones by decorating their tombs, bringing their favorite food and even partying while listening to Mariachi music. In addition, altars are made with pictures of the deceased and are decorated with the things that the deceased used to like. This day is usually celebrated between Nov. 1 and 2.

2. Pitru Paksha
Pitru Paksha can be translated as "fortnight of the ancestors" and it is a period in which Hindus praise their ancestors. Rather than being a one-day celebration, this festivity is a 16-lunar day period in the Hindu calendar. Rituals and food offerings are presented to departed souls as a means of ensuring their peaceful rest.

3. Bon Festival
This festival is a combination of Japanese and Buddhist practices. The purpose of the festival is to pray for one's departed ancestors and their restful repose. Families decorate their homes to receive the spirits of their ancestors. On the last day of the festival, people go to nearby rivers and release lit lanterns into the current to guide spirits to the other world.

4. All Souls' Day
Many people have the misconception that the Catholic Church is strictly against these types of celebrations; however, it has a day that honors the dead. All Souls' Day pays tribute to departed souls who went to heaven. People also pray for the cleansing of impure souls in

order for them to be accepted into paradise.

5. Famadihana (Turning of the Bones)
This funerary tradition has its root in Madagascar. While many other celebrations honor the dead by decorating their tombs, the Malagasy people actually unearth their ancestors with the purpose of rewrapping them in fresh cloth. After doing so, they proceed to dance to live music around the tomb while carrying the corpse.

Club Spotlight



Members of the American Marketing Association include (front row, from left) Vice President Alonzo Piñon, Ricardo Peredo, Brian Espinoza, Aric Garcia, Aaron Gonzales, VP of Advertising Claríse Flores, VP of Membership Sarai Madrigal, VP of Finance Jessica Guzman, Marlenne Hernandez, Pamela Alba and Carlos Camacho. Back row: VP of Design Ehiby Escalante, Jovana Lozano and Manuel Garcia.

Name: American Marketing Association-Brownsville

Purpose: To help every student on campus create connections across the Valley and network with business professionals.

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Meetings: 7:20 p.m. Tuesday in LHSB 1.314

Membership requirements: Chapter dues, \$20 yearly For more information, email: Katia.PerezFloreso1@utrgv.edu

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--Compiled by Michelle Espinoza

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT 11

Building cultural wealth Arts incubator to showcase pieces inspired by city life

Andrea Torres

THE RIDER

Guevara has always used the life in the Texas-Mexico border as inspiration for

"I was doing work in other places," Guevara said. "I did work in Mexico City. I did work in the East Coast, in the Midwest. There was something about the idea of coming back to the border and doing my work here. That felt very precious to me."

She is one of three regional artists creating pieces inspired by Downtown Brownsville as part of the Activating Vacancy Arts Incubator (AVAI) project.

"My project, essentially, represents issues that women are going through," she said. "I think that from the pieces I'm creating now, it's mostly domestic violence, as an undocumented woman and reproductive justice."

Her project focuses on the life of three local women who have described to Guevara their experiences and obstacles they overcame as undocumented immigrants. The images she is creating will measure 12 feet by 8 feet and will be covered with used clothing of different

Guevara and Valley artists Celeste De Luna and Rigoberto Ğonzalez participate in the AVAI's artist six month residency program. Their artwork will be revealed during the "Abriendo las Puertas: Activating Vacancy Arts Incubator Capstone Event" from noon to 5 p.m.



Laredo native Nancy Guevara works on a piece that will be showcased Dec. 3 in the Market Square Plaza in Downtown Brownsville. Guevara is an artist in residence in the Activating Vacancy Arts

Dec. 3 in the Market Square Plaza.

AVAI originated as an art vacancy program created by BC Workshop, buildingcommunity, which is a nonprofit, Dallas-based community design center that seeks to improve "the livability and viability of communities through the practice of thoughtful design and making," according to its website.

BC was established in 2011 in Brownsville and expanded its Activating

Vacancy program to create the art incubator in May where the artist residency program exists.

The program is funded by a \$50,000 "Our Town" grant from the National Endowment for the Arts and \$50,000 from the City of Brownsville.

"These grants go out to cities and cities working in partnership with artists to help use art as a way to build up a city and to have art that makes

impact in a region that affects the quality of life for the people that live there," said Christina Houle, AVAI program

AVAI is also composed of a curatorial committee that assists the artists with suggestions regarding the pieces they are

The committee is composed of the following members:

--Alejandro Macias, a UTRGV art lecturer and the Art Gallery at Rusteberg Hall coordinator;

--Hilda Ledezma, founder of the Carlotta Petrina Cultural Center and community services director at the Brownsville Housing Authority;

--Lidiana Ramirez, program manager and youth coordinator at Proyecto Juan

--Yvette Vela, public information officer for the Cameron County District Attorney's Office and a former Brownsville Herald photojournalist; and --Rene Van Haaften, executive director of the Brownsville Museum of Fine Art.

AVAI also sponsors and hosts events such as art workshops and symposiums.

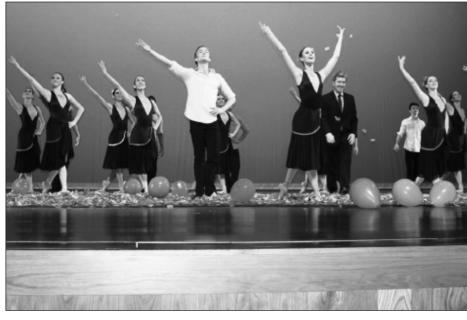
Upcoming events include: -- "Painting Workshop Part 3: Portraiture Oil Painting with Rigoberto Gonzalez," 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday at 1106

--"Noche de Filosofía: a Brownsville Symposium," 6:30 to 8 p.m. Nov. 9 in the Brownsville Artists and Musicians (BAM) venue, located at 1045 E. Washington St.

Majesty for balletomanes



Brenda Garza/THE RIDER PHOTOS



Members of Ballet San Antonio bow after their performance of "A Tropical Fiesta." Edinburg native and artistic director Willy Shives walks toward the stage after the final dance, marking the end of the tour to the UTRGV Performing Arts Complex as part of the Distinguished Artists



Ballet San Antonio, directed by Edinburg native Willy Shives, debuted "Elements" Oct. 22 at the UTRGV Performing Arts Complex as part of the Distinguished Artists Series.

Ballet San Antonio dancers Kate Maxted and Ihosvany Rodriguez dance "Don Quixote" Oct. 22 at the UTRGV Performing Arts Complex as part of the Distinguished Artists Series. October 31, 2016
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Friday, Nov. 11, 2016 CESS Building, 1.300 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Bring your résumé and dress professionally. This event is open to the community.

For more information or if special accommodations are needed, please contact the Career Center at **Edinburg (956-665-2243)** or **Brownsville (956-882-5627)**.









