

# New Senate President Pro Tem described as workhorse

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Jack Spicer, UNLV's newly elected CSUN Senate Pro Tem is a workhorse who thrives on involvement. When he is not participating in student affairs, he is working a part-time job, carrying a full credit load at school, or playing an active role in the TKE fraternity.

"It seems strange," he said, "but the more most students become involved in outside activities, the more their grades suffer.

In my case, I discovered that keeping busy has made school more enjoyable and my grades have improved."

Spicer, 25, has been involved with CSUN for three years. In describing how he became associated with student government at UNLV, he said, "Several of my fraternity brothers were actively involved in CSUN, and it seemed like the thing to do."

When he is not at school, Spicer is working 25 hours a week for

United Parcel Service. What is good about his job is that it is in the early mornings, which allows him time to devote the rest of the day to classes and CSUN. During the upcoming holiday season, Spicer expects to be working 40 hours a week loading trucks.

Spicer said that the CSUN Constitution defines the Senate Pro Tem as the Parliamentarian of the Senate. "As a member of the Executive Board," he said, "when President, Vice

President, and Senate President are out of town, I technically become the acting CSUN President."

Spicer noted that he served as Senate Pro Tem during the 16th Senate Session, and said that the only requirement of a Senate Pro Tem is to be a Senator. He fulfills that qualification by representing the Business College.

A problem which Spicer wants to rectify concerns the by-laws of the Constitution. He noted that when a motion is presented at a meeting,

new and inexperienced Senators become lost because they do not know which part of the Constitution the by-law affects. "What I want to do is to footnote each by-law of the Constitution, so that a new Senator can look at the footnote to see how the motion pertains to the Constitution," he said.

Spicer explained that he has been a student at UNLV for seven years, and will be getting a degree in Dec. He said that he enjoys learning and plans to re-apply for

admission after graduation.

"In this day and age," he said, "one should continue getting an education. When I finally finish, I want to be as marketable as possible. I have had a lot of jobs and schooling, and I feel that this will make me the most qualified candidate for the position which I want."

Spicer is presently living at home, but will be getting married in Jan. After he is married, he plans to continue with school.

## Counseling Center sponsors alcohol awareness program

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The UNLV Counseling and Testing Center will sponsor an alcohol and drug abuse awareness program on December 9 at 5 pm in the MSU dining commons.

According to Doctor Laura Hammond, who has been coordinating the event, the Salvation Army Chemical Dependency Intervention Program will be presenting the program.

"We (the Counseling Center) felt that there was a definite need to address this issue but none of us are trained in alcohol abuse counseling," Hammond said.

The program will be educational on how to spot alcohol and drug abuse and what to do to

help.

Hammond said the program will be directed at two types of people.

"We will be addressing those people who have an abuse problem and those people who know someone with an abuse problem," she said.

"The idea is to raise awareness," she continued. "Obviously, if we focused only on those individuals who have an abuse problem, we would have a very poor turnout."

The program will feature two speakers and will last about an hour.

David Van Hatten, who is the coordinator of AA on campus, will be one of the speakers.

Hammond said that Van Hatten will present the personal view about alcoholism from his own

experiences.

The other speaker will be Dr. Mel Adkins of the Salvation Army.

Adkins is an expert in the treatment of alcoholism and he will be presenting clinical facts about alcoholism as a disease as well as general facts and myths about alcohol.

Adkins became involved in the program at UNLV because he wanted to enhance cooperation between the university and the Salvation Army.

Adkins advises people to treat friends with abuse problems carefully.

"It's important to become knowledgeable about the disease but it's just as important that you do not condemn your friend," he said.

## Fellowship will meet Dec. 3

The Las Vegas Morning Aglow Fellowship will meet on Decemeber 3rd at the Barcelona Restaurant, 5011 E. Craig Rd., at 9:30 am

Cost: \$2.50.

This month the featured speaker will be Sandy Robbins, Evangelist, and presently operating as Associate Pastor of Echoes of Faith.

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