

# NEWS

## Campus police to sponsor rape lecture

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Anticipating her lecture at a May 1 seminar on prevention of sexual assault, campus police officer Rochelle Sax gave a private screening of *Not Always a Stranger*, a production made by University Police, to the *Yellin' Rebel* last Thursday.

Though in existence for nearly three years, the audio-visual presentation has timely significance in connection with the upcoming seminar, scheduled for the Moyer Student Union Ballroom. Time for the event, and Officer Sax's precise topic have yet to be announced.

Sax, latest winner of the August Vollmer Award, given to outstanding Criminal Justice students who simultaneously work

in the field, participated in the production of the film, which attempts to educate students about the dangers of sexual assault, including some preventive techniques.

"Yell 'Fire!' rather than 'Rape!'," the narrator suggests, explaining that probability of getting intervention is thus higher.

"People come to fires, out of curiosity perhaps, but they don't tend to rush to violence," the officer explained afterward. She added that the odds of an attacker fleeing when discovered by a third party are good enough to warrant use of the technique.

The presentation makes much of well-known defenses, such as keeping keys handy for use as potential weapons, but encourages flight as the better response whenever

possible. In addition, the viewer is told to call police immediately with as detailed a physical description of the assailant as possible.

Statistics for rape, termed sexual assault in Nevada, are quite sobering. Sax said one-third of collegiate women will be victimized by the crime on or off campus during their school years. But only 30 percent of attacks are "blitz rapes": sudden, stealthy assaults.

Sax indicated that fully 60 percent of rapes are committed by acquaintances, many times during dates, hence the term *date rape*. A wider term, *acquaintance rape*, is legal parlance for assaults occurring outside dating relationships.

Another 10 percent are miscellaneous assaults,

including gang rape.

Once a fresh assault is reported, the film states, the following services are available to the victim, free of charge:

—Examination at a hospital, transportation included, with no obligation to press charges (DO NOT BATHE BEFORE BEING EXAMINED.)

—Counseling services

—Clothing provided as necessary (original is held as evidence in event of charges)

Reported rapes at this university are rare, but awareness and prevention remain a top priority with campus police, the officer indicated.

The film is not slated to be shown at the May 1 seminar, but Sax seeks to promote it increasingly as a UNLV resource.

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## Calendar of Events

April 26

**CONCERT:** "Collegium Musicum." Black Box Theatre; 8 p.m. 739-3332.

**SEMINAR:** "Coping with Change." Dungan Humanities 213; 7 to 9 p.m. 739-3394.

April 26 and 28

**DANCE CLASSES:** "Master Classes and Choreography" with Janet Perkins. Alta Ham Fine Arts 110; 11:30 to 12:50 p.m. Free. 739-3827.

**FILM:** "Destination Nigaragua." MSU 201; 7:30 p.m. Free.

April 27

**CONCERT:** UNLV Community Band. Artemus Ham Hall; 8 p.m. Free. 739-3325.

**SPEECH FESTIVAL:** Speeches by Communications Studies students. Wright Auditorium 103; 7:30 p.m. Free. 739-3325.

April 28

**POETRY LECTURE:** "Patricia Goedicke: A Poetry Reading." Wright Hall 116; 7:30 p.m. Free. 739-3533.

**FILM SERIES:** "Late Autumn." Wright Auditorium 103; 7 p.m. Free. 739-3401.

## Students declare Tark Not Guilty

by paige white

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A majority of students surveyed in a small, informal poll conducted by *The Yellin' Rebel* said UNLV is not guilty of National Collegiate Athletic Association violations.

The 20 participants in the survey were asked, "Is UNLV a major violator of NCAA rules?"

Only one person responded "yes" and asked that his answer be clarified.

David Dreibelbis, 22, a Management Information Systems major, said while he believes UNLV is guilty of infractions, but not the only violators of NCAA rules.

"I feel that UNLV is probably guilty of infractions as well 75 or 80 percent of

schools in the nation," he said.

Fifteen others said UNLV is not guilty of violations.

"I don't think we do anything worse than anyone else," Joe Bunin, a Business and Economics major declared. "I just think we get picked on because we got caught once. The NCAA hates Tark [Runnin' Rebels Basketball Coach Tarkanian]."

Patrick Polk, 22, an anthropology major, also said UNLV is being unfairly singled out.

"Did you see that thing with Kentucky?" Polk asked, referring to the recruiting scandal there.

"That ended up like on the twentieth page [of the newspaper]. Something happens at UNLV and it's

on the front page."

He added that the "Las Vegas" image hurts the school.

Steven Lee, 24, a Marketing major, mentioned the recent problems at Kentucky in his response as well.

He said UNLV is not alone in violations.

"It has to be all and all or none and none," he said.

A 23 year-old Hotel major, Mike Chesley, also answered the question with a definite "not."

"I don't think they are guilty and I think they are better off than a lot of other schools," he said.

Four of the people questioned said they did not know whether or not UNLV is guilty of major NCAA violations.

**Rape Prevention Workshop**  
May 3rd 6pm MSU Ballroom  
Refreshments will be served



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