

Wanted: a few good people

In case anyone didn't notice, there was a CSUN Executive Board election recently.

Well, at least 568 voted. That number is one of the lowest in CSUN's history (but of course, not many here vote to begin with).

It also may be a reflection of the students' disinterest with an election that gave them a choice of two candidates, total.

In the presidential race, the other two candidates were disqualified, and no one else bothered to run for the senate president's seat.

(The vice president won the primary held in March, and she

had competition.)

Students might not have been interested in participating in an election where they knew what the outcome would be. There sure can't be much excitement in something like that.

But the core problem really wasn't the quality of the of candidates or the preelection brouhaha or bitterness between rivals in the "I'll getcha for this, you rancid S.O.B." world of politics; a little sneering at one another is normal, if not beneficial to the student government process.

The problem was the complete lack of candidates. If two presidential candidates were dis-

qualified, there should have been two more to take their place.

And further, wasn't there anyone interested in having what is one of the most difficult jobs in CSUN, that of the senate president?

Student government will never develop into the influential body it should be until more people get involved.

If you feel you've got what it takes to deal with the pressing campus issues, get ready for next year and run or more importantly, vote.

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A message for the churches by Sean Higgins

Throughout the year I've accused the churches of being the cause of the suffering on earth because they add to the bible and take the name of God in vain.

The churches failed to respond in their defense; I have this message for the churches.

The thing Adam was forbidden to do is attempt to conceive the perfect glory of God with his imperfect mind.

After Jesus, we can think anything we want to about God, we are forbidden to tell our imperfect thoughts to others, forbidden to add to or subtract from the original words. The bible is forbidden fruit.

All religions are the imperfect thoughts of human beings, and they are all false and worship the beast. Every prayer anyone ever said was an addition to the bible that caused suffering.

The only way we can talk to God is silently, using the words we'd use with our best friend.

The only way to worship God

mentally is by faith alone; just believing God does exist, nothing else.

The only way to worship God physically is by loving and helping ourselves and other human beings.

The suffering equals the sinning, the world will end in one hour.

In that hour, everything added to the bible will be destroyed by fire. Birth, death, time and motion will end, the waters will dry up and the form of the earth will change.

Every human being will be put on earth and judged, except those in the womb.

Human beings receive a soul when they leave the womb and become themselves (one with God); born dead or alive doesn't matter.

Judgement is a yes or no question. Do you renounce all your religious beliefs as false, and worship God by faith alone? Yes or no; silence is an answer of no.

There will be two judgements, the same question will be asked twice. After the first, heaven or

hell; after the second, equality with God or we exist no more.

If there is one hungry person on earth when Jesus returns to judge, every living person will spend three hours in hell.

The eye of the needle that separates the rich from the poor is \$100,000 in total assets. Those with that amount or more, go to hell. The religious have the assets of their religion.

Hell is a mental state of blind, unquenchable thirst and hunger, third degree burn pain on the entire body, inconceivable depression and never any relief.

Jesus is the only son of God, but his parables are the words of a common man. These are the words of God to prepare mankind for judgement. Don't tell Jesus you didn't know, the father will forgive no one this time.

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All submissions must be sent to: The Yellin' Rebel, (care of Letters to the Editor), MSU 302, 4505 S. Maryland Pkwy., Las Vegas, NV 89154.

If you want to write a letter, you had better hurry up!
Friday is the last issue!

Answers sought on ethics question by Joseph J. Wheeler

Recently I wrote an article about ethics conference at UNLV. The point of such a conference was to discuss such things as cheating, plagiarism, rape, sexual harassment, and racial injustice. A vital component of the discussion was to have been the creation of channels to handle complaints as they occur.

The article dealt with a proposed conference because it has been put off with no future date on the agenda. All agreed, both faculty and students, that such a conference on ethics was necessary and the sooner the better.

Such an attitude demands leadership. Someone is going to have to organize the thing, prepare an agenda, ready a meeting space, and gather names of people interested

enough to volunteer. Someone will have to lead.

Who will step forward?

Any problem means an opportunity to people willing to do that which needs to be done. An opportunity exists here at UNLV for someone to lead the charge on the ethics conference and therefore become the standard bearer for the ethical base of the university. It seems an oversight on the part of those already elected to power that they fail to see such an opportunity waiting for them. Opportunities to exhibit true leadership, to bring something forward that has far reaching effects and of interest to a great many people, are rare. One would think such a chance would be snapped up. Someone will have

to lead...

Will it be the student government? Both Gina Polivina and Joe Bunin have already expressed interest in the issue. CSUN is the logical choice to organize such an event, especially since the issue so affects the students as a whole.

Will it be this newspaper? Yes, a newspaper is mandated to impartiality, but since when is being an advocate of that which is right, which is the entire idea of ethics, a breach of that traditional position? The Yellin' Rebel may not be able to run such a thing, but as far as helping to generate the initial interest and having a say in the topics under discussion it can certainly take part.

When it was suggested, to an

editor of the paper, that CSUN and the Yellin' Rebel could work together on this it was not received well. The words, "We've had problems with CSUN in the past," seemed to sum up the idea that cooperation between the student government and newspaper would be inconceivable.

Why? What were these problems? Thinking back I realized that the very problem in mind was, itself, an ethics question. The Yellin' Rebel had questioned the ethics of certain people in CSUN. The question arises of whether the paper was ethically correct in doing so. The entire thing is a question of ethics.

It's ironic. The solutions are being held in check by the problem itself. And the problem, far from

lessening, will become worse as UNLV grows even larger.

—Tired of all the leaflets advertising seminars on how to protect yourself from rape or recognize sexual harassment? There have been two such seminars on campus this semester, a clear indication that people are concerned.

—Does listening to a cheater brag about his good grades make you angry? Does it make you feel as if honesty is the worst policy?

—Disappointed that the book you need has been stolen from the library?

These are ethics questions. Right now, we have no answers.

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