

News In Brief

Saturday Aerobics

The City of Las Vegas Stewart/Mojave Sports Center, 275 N. Mojave Road, welcomes all teens and adults to participate in "Saturday Aerobics." Both beginner and intermediate levels are available every Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. The one hour class has a \$2.00 drop-in fee or monthly fees of \$15.00. For more information, call 386-6563.

Three on three basketball league

The City of Las Vegas Municipal Sports Unit is now organizing a three on three adult basketball league. Registration will be accepted June 20-28 at the Stewart/Mojave Sports Center, 275 N. Mojave Rd, at a cost of \$100.00 per team with a \$6.00 per game officials fee. Play will begin on Wednesday, July 11 and continue each Monday and Friday thereafter at 6:00 p.m. Call 799-2089 for league play locations.

Racquetball tournament

The City of Las Vegas Stewart/Mojave Sports Center, 275 N. Mojave Rd., will host a summer racquetball tournament June 29-30. All divisions are available, including beginner, intermediate, and advanced at a cost of \$10.00 per person. Enrollment is limited and must be made by June 28. Call 386-6563 for starting times.

HIV testing available

Starting in June 1990, on an ongoing basis, HIV testing will be available by the Clark County Health Department at the Student Health Center the last Wednesday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This will be a free service to the UNLV community.

Symphony discounts

The Las Vegas Symphony Orchestra offers a 25 percent discount on all UNLV faculty, staff, and full time student season and single tickets. A \$4.00 student ticket is also available in the balcony. Season tickets for the 1990-91 concert season are now available for purchase. For more information, call Ext. 3420.

UNLV-TV

University of Nevada, Las Vegas, announced recently the debut of UNLV-TV—a new university cable TV channel made possible by a donation from Prime Cable. The educational channel will broadcast gavel to gavel coverage of the Las Vegas city council and other government proceedings and will be carried on Prime Cable Channel 31. UNLV-TV will officially go on the air Monday, June 25, at 7:00 p.m. with taped coverage of the June 20 city council meeting.

Canine frisbee championship

The City of Las Vegas Department of Parks and Leisure Activities will host "Come 'N Get It", the local Canine Frisbee Championships on Fri. June 22. Formerly known as the "Ashley Whippet Invitational", the annual contest will take place at Lions Park at 5:00 p.m. The event is free to contestants and spectators alike. Awards will be presented and registration will take place at the time of the event. Call 386-6297 for more information.

Museum requests volunteers

Lied Discovery Children's Museum, in development since 1983, will open this September. Men and women interested in volunteering for the museum are invited to get in on the ground floor. Come to a Museum Volunteer Recruitment Meeting on Tuesday, July 10 at 9a.m. or Wednesday, July 11 at 7p.m. The meeting will be held in the first floor program room at the new Las Vegas Library across from Cashman Field, 833 Las Vegas Blvd. North. Use the main library entrance. Contact Barbara Bernardi at 382-3445 for more information.

Assistance for new students lacking at UNLV

By Kara Kelley
YELLIN' REBEL

Each fall, 45 percent of all previous freshmen don't return to the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

"Lack of classes, space, and professor time are a few reasons for the loss of students," said Jay De Leonard, assistant director of student activities at UNLV.

"Many of the problems new students find are typical of a growing university such as UNLV," he said.

"There's not much of an instituted effort here to welcome students," said Leonard. "Orientation is about the only program that welcomes students to UNLV, and its main thrust is registration."

Leonard, who is in charge of the orientation program, said his focus is on making orientation as comprehensive as possible.

"By my figures, if the attrition rate would drop by ten percent, UNLV would receive over half a million dollars in additional tuition revenue," Leonard said.

According to Leonard, orientation

will include a campus tour, information on residence halls, the library, financial aid, how to become involved in college counseling, advisement, and health services.

"After orientation, the students are pretty much on their own," Leonard said.

Tony Stefanelli, a sophomore, said it's the student's responsibility to get involved.

"It's not really the fault of the university if you're not active," he said. "It's the student's fault."

"The orientation I went to wasn't as effective as it could have been, but I was able to rely on my father (a UNLV professor) for information. Yet, for someone who doesn't have any knowledge of college life, that person would have to be more assertive and willing to learn," Stefanelli said.

Stefanelli suggests that if someone is having trouble socially, they should get involved in the Greek system.

"Fraternities and sororities really have a lot to offer," he said.

Biology major JoAnn Pelaez spoke of her experience at orientation. "I didn't really learn any-

thing new that I hadn't already known from high school and they used some college terms that I wasn't familiar with. But they did have a lot of people helping with questions, so whatever questions I had, I could have asked them," she said.

Even though orientation is the only official program that helps students adjust to college life, UNLV does offer other services free of charge to UNLV students.

Academic Advising for undeclared majors can be found on the second floor of the James Dickinson Library. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. by appointment only. Academic Advising also offers tutoring on most subjects. Their number is 739-3177.

Another service offered is psychological counseling. The counseling center can be found on the second floor of the William D. Carlson Education building. The center is closed this summer but is scheduled to reopen for the fall semester. For more information, call 739-3253.

Free legal counseling is also offered through Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada. Appointments to see local attorney Adrienne Cobb can be made through the CSUN office at 739-3477.

Do these services help students feel they are a part of the university?

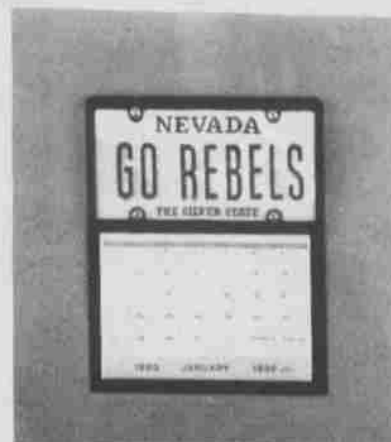
Pelaez said, "You can't say overall you're a part of it. You have to make yourself a part of it."

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