Nationally reknowned baton twirler to perform at UNLV

The UNLV Star of Nevada Marching Band will be attracting more attention this season with the addition of baton twirler, Cheri Stonehocker. Stonehocker is the former featured twirler from Mount Carmel High School in San Diego where she performed for three years.

Stonehocker maintained a 3.0 GPA while participating as a football and basketball cheerleader as well as being an active member of the Associate Student Body. For the past four years, Stonehocker has taught baton twirling at the YMCA in Escondido.

At the age of four Stonehocker was introduced to twirling by her mother's interest in the activity.

"My mom taught twirling lessons when I was younger, so I started twirling through her," Stonehocker explained.

Meeting people all over the United States and being rewarded for her special talent has kept her involved with twirling.

"I was brought into it because of my mom, but it became something I was really interested in, " said Stonehocker. She now finds herself practicing at least 15 hours a week to perfect the gift she was given.

She began twirling competitively when she was five for the National Baton Twirling Association (NBTA).

Stonehocker said of her first competition, "I was in awe about actually getting something for everything I put in..." Since the age of eight, she has accumulated over 750 trophies and awards, including seven state titles, two international titles and one world title. Stonehocker has also twirled in the 200 year celebration of the Constitution in Philadelphia and in the Pasadena Rose Parade after her band was chosen to represent San Diego.

Winning the world title at the age of 13, said Stonehocker, was the most exciting competition of all.

Stonehocker will be transferring from Palomar Junior College to UNLV this fall and majoring in Hotel Management. She'll continue twirling as a hobby and as an activity UNLV football fans will be able to enjoy.

Cheri Stonehocker

Thomas Leslie, director of bands at UNLV, explains that when Stonehocker had sent in her audition tape, he rejected it because he was "looking for a twirler that was more trick oriented."

But the baton twirler didn't let that stop her; she revised her routine and traveled to Las Vegas to do a live audition.

Leslie commented, "Her live audition was more showy. She excluded a lot of presence and projected a very vivacious image. I'm sure the UNLV audience will fall in love with her."

The UNLV Star of Nevada Marching Band will begin their season when the Rebels host their first home football game September 1.

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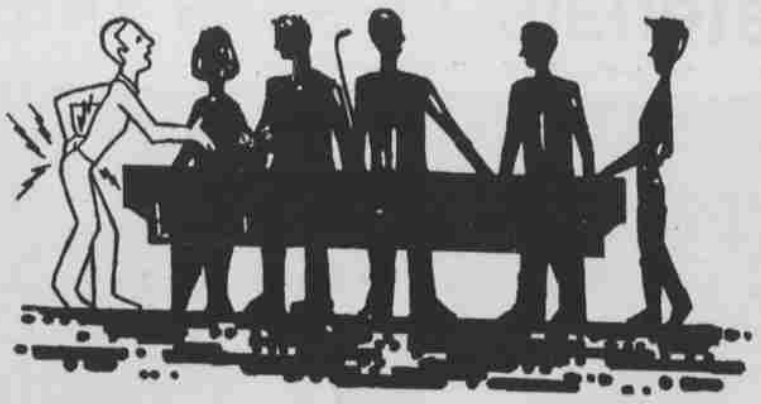

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News In Brief

Metropolitan Police Department

The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department will be hosting the Fourth Annual Public Safety Career Fair and Exposition called, PUBLIC SAFETY CAREER FAIR 90. This event will be held on Saturday September 8, at the Cashman Field Center from 9 am to 3 pm, and is free for the entire family. The career Fair is a great opportunity for the public to learn more about the various public safety agencies and organizations in Southern Nevada.

Several organizations will be giving workshops with helpful tips taking a written exam and oral interview. The public will see canine demonstrations, home security and fire prevention displays, hear about drug awareness programs and be able to speak to the agency members on an informal basis. Nevada Child Seekers will fingerprint young children and provide identification cards and United Blood Services will be conducting a blood drive.

Public safety equipment will also be on display which include fire trucks, patrol vehicles, motorcycles, paramedic vehicles and a helicopter.

We encourage everyone to attend and the public safety organizations which serve the citizens of Southern Nevada.

For further information, contact Tony Arnone or Ben Kim at 799-3497.

There will be many county and state agencies participating in this event including UNLV POLICE.

Student Health Center offers free gifts

FREE! No purchase necessary! Back to school free gift kits available at Student Health Center.

Women's kit includes: Soap, deodorant, mouthwash, gum, and candy.

Men's kit includes: Shaving cream, deodorant, gum, candy and mouthwash.

Available for a limited time. Approximately 950 gift packs left.

One per student only.
Hurry while supplies last.

Brought to you as a service of the Student Health Center and Student Health Advisory Committee (a division of student government; Ken Tomory, director.)

Free help classes available

The following are free to all faculty, staff and students:

1. **Narcotics Anonymous**
   Every Wednesday night 8-9:30 p.m., Beam Hall Room 216
2. **Alcoholics Anonymous**
   Every Thursday night. 5:30-7 p.m. Beam Hall, Room 218.
3. **Smokers Anonymous**
   Every Wednesday night 8-9 p.m. Beam Hall, Room 224.

Community College attendance up, degrees down

Nearly 4.9 million students attended two-year colleges in 1988, an increase of 21 percent in just 10 years, but the schools awarded 5 percent fewer associate degrees than in 1978, the American Council on Education (ACE) reported.

ACE researcher Deborah Carter noted only a third of the students at two-year campuses enroll intending to transfer to a four-year college. She did not speculate why the number of associate degrees has fallen.

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co-chairperson of the Southern Nevada Names Project, which creates quilt panels to memorialize those who have died of AIDS.

Although the trip to China is hosted by the CMA and sponsored by the Citizen Ambassador Program, delegates must pay all their own expenses, including travel, food, and lodging. Tomory works several part-time jobs to support himself and pay for his UNLV education. He hopes private donations will help offset the $6,000 cost of the trip.

Anyone interested in contributing to Tomory's travel fund can contact him at 739-3370 or 736-1199.

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Among the topics covered wil be the identification of hazardous materials in the air, ground, and water; management principles; fundamentals of toxicology as related to hazardous materials; analytical methods; risk assessment; legislative relations; treatment and disposal of waste; transportation; remediation; and waste minimization.

For information about these courses, call Dr. Lawrence J. Tirri at 739-3579 or 739-3510 or J.D. Akenhead at 739-3851.