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## Student Ambassadors promote UNLV

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UNLV's Student Ambassadors are ready to do their part to promote the university, no matter how far from home. Ambassadors are preparing to accompany UNLV President Maxson on a trip to Reno on Oct. 21. There they will present Reno high school students with information about UNLV.

The goal of the Student Ambassador Program, according to Lucy Klinkhammer, program director, is to "represent the university, both to the local and state communities, as well as here at the university itself."

"The real purpose is to spread the good news about UNLV," Klinkhammer said. "When it comes from a student, it is most sincere."

The program has 24 students, all of which work as volunteers. Student Ambassadors are required to have a grade point average of at least 3.0, and carry a minimum of nine credit hours. Ambassadors visit all high schools in Las Vegas, as well as attend the President's faculty and staff reception.

Henry Shield, a junior majoring in finance and fellow Am-

bassador Sandy Ceresola went to Elko last year as part of the Student Ambassador's "Scholars calling scholars" program.

"We traveled up there to help recruit the top five to 10 percent of the high school students," he said. "We present a slide presentation of the campus, and gave information and answered questions." Shield said that more than 100 interested students attended last year's meeting.

Shields is preparing to attend the Reno presentation this year.

Student Ambassadors are specially selected by a committee consisting of Coordinator Carl Cook and two faculty members. The selection involves an interview by the committee after which the "best and the brightest" are given the jobs.

The program was started six years ago by six pre-med students who, based on their shared experiences, decided they wanted to promote the university excellent academic program.

The Student Ambassador Program interviews for new ambassadors in April. Meetings are usually the first Saturday of each month. So get that GPA ready and spread that winning smile across your face. You may become the next ambassador on campus.



Student Ambassadors - Pictured left to right. Joe Beja, Richard Newton, Liz Barns, Tracie Gust, Takaji Kittaka, Bethany Souza, Chris Robertson, Dr. Maxson, Vena Santana, Adonna Miller, Andrea Gerlak, Krista Rhea, Lisa Isernhagen, Randi Smith and Sandy Ceresola.

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## 39-year-old graduate student dies after collapsing in library

by Billy Naftaly  
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Steven Robert Plemons, a 39-year-old graduate student, died Tuesday after collapsing in the

UNLV library. He was pronounced dead at Desert Springs Hospital of suspected heart failure.

Two UNLV students going to the third floor of the library to do research found Plemons lying on the floor.

"I came in here to study and saw a body just lying there," said Matthew Hunt, a freshman. Hunt was accompanied by a friend, Darren Dimaya.

Campus police were called and Officer Eugene Jezwinski arrived at 5:30 p.m.

According to Jezwinski, two to five minutes later Plemons

stopped breathing.

"He was breathing real heavy and then, all of a sudden, he stopped," Jezwinski said.

At that point, Jezwinski began to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). Hunt offered to assist.

"The officer asked me if I knew CPR," explained Hunt. "I said 'yes' and began to help."

Dimaya kept a check on Plemons's pulse.

Jezwinski said paramedics arrived within about 10 minutes and continued CPR. After another 10 minutes, Plemons was taken

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## UNLV Law School gains acceptance

by Audrey Conway  
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The possibility of a law school at UNLV is gaining consideration with an increasing number of people.

University Regent Shelley Berkley said, "Nineteen years ago, when I was UNLV student body president, I was appointed to the President's Committee to discuss whether or not UNLV should have a law school. At the time, population considerations made the idea not impossible, but today we are

in a position to make this law school a reality," said Berkley.

Berkley bases her position on recent population growth in Nevada, and said that the state now has the ability to support a law school. The earliest estimate of a construction date is around 1994, but Berkley emphasizes the fact that the university has other needs which must be met before the law school can become UNLV's first priority.

"I am confident that UNLV will have a law school in the near future; the question is how soon we can make it happen," Berkley said.

Nevada is one of three states without a law school, and the number of Nevada residents who leave the state to obtain a law degree is increasing yearly. There are programs which contribute tuition money to Nevada residents in out-of-state law schools, who return to Nevada and practice law after graduation. Like many, Berkley said she feels that Ne-

vadans should have the alternative of remaining in their home state.

Berkley said, "It doesn't matter if we only graduate 50 or 70 new lawyers in the first year. What matters is a law school being developed for those 50 or 70."

The Board of Regents has requested the state legislature to allot \$600,000 in funding for researching into the feasibility of a UNLV law school, and President Robert Maxson will be making a formal presentation to the Board about curriculum possibilities.

"As an attorney, I appreciate how important it is to donate time and money toward answering questions about curriculum," said Berkley. "If Nevada residents have the desire and the qualifications to attend law school, why should they have to go elsewhere?"

Berkley said if UNLV and Nevada populations continue growing at their present rates, a law school will no longer be merely an attractive possibility but will become a necessity, the likelihood of which should be addressed now.

"A great university is defined by its great professional schools," said Berkley. "UNLV should have a law school to serve the people of Nevada and the students who now study out of state."

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## From the Editors

Enough is Enough.

As of next Tuesday the Yellin' Rebel will be published in an abbreviated format.

This is due to the fact that we have not received our computers yet and we as Editors have been pushed to our limits as to how much time we can spend trying to put the paper out twice a week.

For two months now we have worked seven days a week, 12 hours a day to bring the students of UNLV the best possible paper we can with the equipment we have and we just can't continue at this pace.

We have missed classes, missed assignments, missed everyday life and missed our families.

We have tried working out the arrangements with the bureaucratic red tape on

campus to no avail. Nobody is willing to work for us or cut us any slack.

We have tried our best to keep our part of the bargain by putting in the time to put out a paper twice a week but there is only so much a person/persons can do.

As soon as we receive our computers and our proper equipment and it is all completely set up we will begin with the complete issues again.

We can not apologize for our decision, but we hope that everybody understands.

Thank you  
The Editors

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