

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Meatball festival



Take 11,520 meatballs, 2,880 rolls, 115 gallons of sauce, 2,640 slices of pizza, 560 gallons of soft drinks, throw in Las Vegas' most popular entertainers, add carnival games, and you have the ingredients for an entire day of food and fun. It's the ninth Annual Meatball Festival sponsored by The Vineyard Restaurant, Sunday, Oct. 14 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the Boulevard Mall. The shopping mall is donating their parking lot to Opportunity Village for the event benefitting Las Vegas' intellectually handicapped citizens.

The pre-festival Walk-a-thon begins at 9 a.m. where participants will be competing for prizes donated by Target Stores. Donations collected from walk sponsors will be used for the many training programs at the non-profit facility.

Highlights of this event will take place at 1 p.m. when local media representatives form three-man teams and attempt to eat two pounds of meatballs in record time. Right after, the free entertainment continues with the Legends in Concert cast.

Opportunity Village is 100 percent local and all proceeds stay in Las Vegas to benefit local intellectually handicapped adults. For more information call 384-8170 extension 5.

"Natural" Body Building Championship

Body By Design will host the Nevada National Body Building Championship on Saturday, Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. at UNLV in the Artemus Ham Concert Hall.

The event is a drug-free body building contest. Drug free means no use of drugs for at least five years. A polygraph test is used to confirm that drugs have not been used. This means of testing is the most cost effective and is 95 percent accurate, according to Body By Design owner, Rodney Taylor.

The event will include pre-judging at 11 a.m. Prejudging is comparison posing by the contestants in each category. The evening finals at 7 p.m. will include the individual posing to music. A winner will be chosen in each of the divisions. One men's and one women's overall winner will be chosen.

The cost to attend the prejudging is \$5. To attend the evening finals of the Nevada National Body Building Championship is \$20 for reserved seating. To attend both the prejudging and the finals is \$18. KLUC Radio's Julio the Gardner will be the Master of Ceremonies for the evening.

Tickets are available at all ticketron outlets and at the door. For more information, call Rodney or Stephanie Taylor at 367-3201.

Parking lots closed

The student parking lot located at Harmon and Gym Road will be closed from Oct. 18 to Oct. 24 for improvements.

The parking lot between the Museum of Natural History and the Geoscience building will be closed indefinitely as of Oct. 17 due to the construction of the new Computer Science building.

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Student sentenced for library theft

by Roy Theiss
Staff Reporter

Recently a University of Nevada, Reno student was sentenced to five years in prison for stealing valuable documents from their library. Head of Special Collections for UNLV, David Robrock, said he is unaware of anything ever being stolen from our special collections. This is primarily because special collections is housed in "closed stacks," Robrock said.

In a closed stack area, books are behind walls and a user has to give the librarian the call number so they can be retrieved. Then the user has to read them in a room that is monitored by the library.

"Nothing leaves special collections including photo copies, (the staff makes them) and this reduces theft potential." In addition to the strict guidelines for

viewing something valuable or historic, special collections has a special alarm system which staff sets upon leaving.

"If someone hides in special collections and wants to leave later, they will set off the alarm," Robrock said.

Robrock said he thinks most people are honest and respect the materials. "Ninety-nine percent of the people are honest and that is equivalent to 1,800 people."

One subject that may entice theft is gambling. The Gaming Resource Center in Special Collections is number one in the nation, Robrock said. He said because of the spread of legalized gambling, "It is a hot topic around the country." Robrock added that more people are doing their theses and dissertations on casino management and people from around the country want to use our infor-

mation.

Another valuable topic, although relative by nature, is southern Nevada. "Not everyone would say documents about Hoover Dam or the Basic Magnesium Industry, which created Henderson overnight, are valuable. But a person interested in history and the war effort, would. During World War II, our import of magnesium was cut off and the community of Henderson was built from scraping the desert," Robrock said.

Robrock said the southern Nevada topic has great research potential. Early land deeds and petitions to incorporate Clark County are stored in special collections.

"They are very valuable to us but once you get away from Las Vegas, people would shrug about its value," he said.

Shock waves from the S&L thrift crisis

According to Time Magazine, taxpayers will have to pay more than \$1 trillion to clean up the savings and loan mess.

Broken down, this amounts to \$30 a month for every household over the next 40 years.

Even allowing for inflation adjusted dollars, the amount is still nearly twice the cost of the Vietnam War and almost four times as much as the Korean War.



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