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## UNLV Debate Team ranked 11th nationwide

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Yellin Photo / Robert Anderson

Fairshow - Balloons ready to race during this year's 12th Annual Fairshow, Nevada Championship Hot Air Balloon Race held at Clark County Community College.

The UNLV Debate Team is ranked 11th in the nation, higher even than such notables as The United States Air Force Academy, Texas Tech University, and Pepperdine University, according to the rankings released Oct. 16 by the Cross Examine Debate Association (CEDA). The rankings are based on team performance at tournaments sanctioned by CEDA throughout the year.

"We are very proud of our early season success," said Tom Murphy, director of Intercollegiate Debate and Forensics Program and debate coach.

According to Murphy, strong performances at the Utah Fall Scrimmage at the University of Utah in September were responsible for the ranking.

Since then, the team has competed in three other tournaments. At the Raisin Center Invitational on Oct. 6-7 at Cal State Fresno, the teams of Jennifer Cole/Marc Sperberg and Wendy Finmark/Paul Rooker repeated their winning performances with second and third place finishes,

respectively. Cole and Sperberg also received awards for fourth and fifth place speakers in the novice CEDA division.

"Had they included the tournament in Fresno, we would have been ranked in the top ten," Murphy said. "The rankings are often skewed because some tournaments do not send in their results on time."

At the D.L. Miller Invitational on Oct. 13-14, held at Cal Poly Pomona, the team of Greg Shively/Wendy Finmark placed in octofinals and Jason Gordon took second in the Lincoln-Douglas division. Jeff Bradley also tied for fifth speaker in the open division.

Most recently, the team competed at the San Diego State University Tournament. At this tournament, not only did the debate team of Mike Stock/Sean McConville break into octofinals, but the UNLV Debate Team's "Individual Events" members did very well also. Mike Stock, placed third in oral interpretation, and Cathy

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## Last Senate meeting of 1989-1990 session brings harsh questions from senator

*Senator questions President and Senate's actions*

by Karen Splawn  
Staff Reporter

Some fireworks occurred at last week's Senate meeting when outgoing Sen. Kelly Best (engineering) scolded Student Body President Joe Bunin for getting up and leaving during meetings, and suggested Bunin sit in the gallery instead of at the senators' table. His actions, Best said, "really make me feel like I'm nothing."

Bunin responded by saying that the only time he ever gets up during the meetings is to handle important business, and that Senate President Gina Polovina can handle everything without his being there.

"I don't just lounge around

the office," Bunin said. "And if you [Best] don't like it, go away."

Best also complained about the way funds are being spent by Student Government.

"If we keep giving out \$30,000 each session, there's going to be no money [in the budget] by next April," he said.

Outgoing Sen. Monica Ricci (liberal arts) said that the Yellin' Rebel had criticized Student Government too much, and Vice President BJ Willard-Engel added that those who are hard on Student Government can "f--- off."

In other actions, Senate President Pro Temp Pore Bud Bennemen (business and economics) was voted Senator of the Year by his peers.

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Today the count rises to 200 and 6

We need our computers to "Give us a fix"

In spite of our pleas We do without these

And this combination just doesn't mix!

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## From the Editor's Desk

### Sticks and Stones Yellin' Rebel misusing student funds?

Bonar Tucker

So, you did see it. The two-page flier plastered all over Moyer Student Union last Thursday by "a concerned student" brought several interesting responses. Both administrators and students commented, argued, and inquired as to whether or not the flier held any truth and to ask just what we were going to do about it.

It was difficult to decide whether to ignore the false accu-

sations or defend this newspaper from the untrue criticism. I was told by one that "arguing with a fool is a problem because the innocent bystander cannot tell the difference." That holds a lot of truth.

Still, I feel the students (who were urged in the flier to "demand accountability") deserve a response.

Witnesses saw the concerned student author the accusations.

This is one who was not asked to join the staff of Yellin' Rebel this year, due to numerous problems in the past. Does the phrase "disgruntled ex-employee" ring true here?

As far as the flier's information, it is full of holes. The statement that the editors of this paper "are requesting a share of the advertising revenue" is false.

When, and if, that request ever

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