

Just call me Brad

by Tricia Ciaravino

Dr. Brad Chisholm, assistant professor of communication at UNLV, is fun, friendly and energetic. These are qualities he takes into not only his classroom but also his job as chairman of the Greenspun School of Communication scholarship committee.

Every year, Chisholm and the four other committee members choose students to receive scholarships. But Chisholm doesn't feel his responsibility ends there. Last year, he called each winner and personally delivered the good news. Those who were awarded two scholarships received two phone calls.

He says this is a job he enjoys. Student response ranges from ecstatic to disbelieving. "One girl thought I wasn't serious and that it was a practical joke," Chisholm said.

He said he chose to be the chairman of this committee because it sounded like fun. He does, however, realize the importance of scholarships and supports them for three reasons.

"It's hard to make ends meet when you're a student," he said. "A scholarship, whether (a student is) working or not, will make life easier."

"It's good symbolically. Scholarships are above and beyond regular class work. (It acknowledges) good work."

"The university benefits from it also. If UNLV offers scholarships, really good students will be attracted. Scholarships make us look good."

Chisholm does have one concern, however.

"(The winners) are really grateful to me," he said. "They act like I was the one who did it. They did it. They earned it. They should congratulate themselves."

Scholarship decisions should be made by the end of April. We all know what that means. "By early May I'll be on the phone calling people," Chisholm said.

Chisholm has been teaching at UNLV for four years. He is beginning his third year as chairman of the scholarship committee.

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Professor Brad Chisholm, chairman of the Greenspun School of Communication Scholarship Committee.

Litter patrol cleans up UNLV

by Rick Nielsen

Educating the young today on the importance of caring for and respecting the environment is critical to preserving the world for the potential leaders of tomorrow.

UNLV'S Preschool realizes this, and in honor of Earth Day held their second annual litter patrol April 20.

The group of two- and three-year-olds, known affectionately as the "Hearts" sporting visors and armed with garbage bags, steadfastly scanned the campus in search of anything fitting the description of litter. And according to Ellen Berman, their preschool instructor and leader, they had difficulty coming up with much of it—a compliment to the cleanliness of the campus grounds.

The event kicked off a full day of events at the preschool. Holding their own Earth Day celebration, parents brought foods from all different cultures in an international food festival. The student group SCOPE put on a skit aimed at informing the children of different types of recycleables and the importance of using the proper containers for each.



Aaron, Melissa and Steven on their pre-school litter patrol.

"Overall the children received the message of Earth Day with a positive awareness and show concern for the environment," Berman said.

Environmental issues are not the only education the preschoolers are gaining. On May 2 at 9 a.m. in the Hendrix Auditorium, the UNLV Preschool will hold its graduation ceremony. This year nearly 30 graduates will be honored.

The preschool consists of chil-

dren of students, staff and faculty and has been in operation since 1971, however, the general public can enroll if space is available. Regent Shelly Berkley was instrumental in establishing the preschool which was originally located in Tonopah Hall.

The cost of enrollment is based on a sliding scale, with full-time students paying \$1.70 per hour and the general public paying \$2.70. Presently about 92 children are enrolled.

Best buddies promote friendship

by Tina Crinite

The idea for Best Buddies began with Anthony Kennedy Shriver and several friends from Georgetown University in the Fall of 1987. They realized that if the campus' talents were properly directed, a real difference could be made in their community.

Thus the first chapter of Best Buddies was formed dedicated to provide an opportunity for college students and persons with mild to moderate mental retardation to

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become friends.

"Friendship is a crucial element in Best Buddies and activities are designed to build lasting friendships between College Buddies and Buddies."

The activities that this program uses to develop relationships include movies, ball games, concerts, museums and recreational activities.

Benefits are received by both parties involved and the Buddies

are given a chance to make new friends, go new places and meet new people.

Best Buddies has over 33 chartered chapters and operates on 67 campuses across the United States.

"Through successful social interaction, both College Buddies and Buddies gain confidence and build a positive self-image which carries over into the classroom."

Andrew J. McGough, Western Regional Director said that they also help with the Special Olympics. "It's a wonderful and rewarding way to help others and we are hoping to generate a student interest on the UNLV campus," McGough said.

For more information about Best Buddies you can write to McGough at 1339 20th St., Rm 101, Santa Monica, CA 90404, or call (213) 829-8558.

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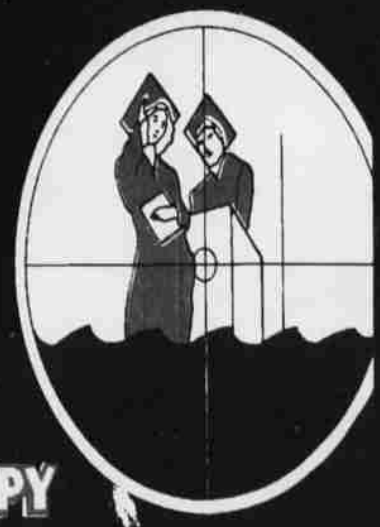
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