

Accounting major wins Nevada Centennial Medallion



Danny R. Siciliano is presented the 1990-1991 Nevada Centennial Medallion as UNLV President Robert Maxson looks on.

Danny R. Siciliano has been presented the 1990-91 Nevada Centennial Medallion by Rob Moore, president of the Las Vegas Rotary Club.

The Nevada Centennial Medallion is presented each

year to the graduating senior with the highest grade point average.

Siciliano, a 22-year old accounting major, graduated with a bachelor's degree in business administration in

December 1990, earned a 3.99 GPA.

Siciliano currently is working toward a master of business administration degree at the university. He is a Valley High School graduate.

Tom Wolfe to speak Sept. 30

Noted author and social satirist Tom Wolfe will speak at the university as part of the Barrick Lecture Series on Sept. 30 at 7:30 p.m. in the Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall.

A pioneer of "new journalism," Wolfe has written a wide range of best sellers, including *The Bonfire of the Vanities*, *The Right Stuff* and *The Kandy-Kolored Tangerine Flake Streamline Baby*.

His lecture, titled "An Evening with Tom Wolfe," is free and open to the public,

but tickets are required. Tickets will be available beginning Sept. 21 at the Performing Arts Center box office. Box office hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays. For questions concerning tickets, call the box office at 739-3801.

Wolfe began his writing career as a reporter after earning an undergraduate degree from Washington & Lee University and a doctoral degree from Yale University. As a reporter he

worked for the *Springfield (Mass.) Union*, the *Washington Post* and the *New York Herald Tribune*.

His writing has also appeared frequently in publications such as *New York Magazine*, *Rolling Stone* and *Harper's*.

Among the awards Wolfe has received are the American Book Award for general non-fiction for *The Right Stuff* and the Columbia Journalism Award for distinguished service in the field of journalism.

Pro-choice group seeking members

Students for Choice, an abortion rights group, is looking for new members.

Melanie McEvoy, a sociology major who is the group's president, said students are needed to help address issues such as the actions of anti-abortion group Operation Rescue and

the future of 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision *Roe vs. Wade*.

The group will discuss other topics such as the current "gag rule" on federally-funded health clinics (where doctors are not allowed to give any advice on abortion) and the nomination of fed-

eral Judge Clarence Thomas to the Supreme Court.

The group will meet Sept. 23 at 1:30 p.m. in Room 232 of the Flora Dungan Humanities Building. For more information, call McEvoy at 456-7190 or Dean Steiner at 734-5136.

Rocky Horror returns

by William Holt

The 16 year old cult classic, the *Rocky Horror Picture Show* returned to Las Vegas May 31 to be shown on a regular basis. Sept. 7 was "student's night" at the Mountain View Theaters.

Rocky Horror is about a mad transsexual scientist who creates the "perfect" sex machine and is later killed by his alien followers when he loses control.

"It's cultness is what has kept it popular," said William E. Campbell, projectionist at the Mountain View Theaters and weekend coordinator of *Rocky Horror*.

As Campbell said, it's a movie about individual-

ity, not only of the characters on the screen, but who ever comes to see the movie. This may define the catch line of the film, "Don't dream it. Be it."

During any viewing of the movie, the audience not only sees the screen, but also witnesses live actors and actresses on stage mimicking the movie as it runs. The audience can participate by throwing rice, using water guns and screaming key words as certain scenes and characters appear in the film sequence.

First time viewers of the film are known as *Rocky Horror* virgins. The initiation process for these people include writing a 'V' with lipstick on their cheek and bending over on stage before

the show starts while the audience yells vulgarities.

Campbell said that it's not the best film in the world, but "if you go to the movie with an open mind, you will come away with so much more."

Patron Rachel Julian, said of the experience, "It gives you a chance to shed your inhibitions."

"*Rocky Horror*," started off as a play in England and came to the United States as a movie in 1975. It has become a cultural event all through the United States.

Tickets are \$7. For people who have seen it five or more times, the cost is reduced to \$5.

Group hopes to make difference in education

by Karen Splawn

A campus chapter of Future Educators of America (FEA) hopes to help tomorrow's teachers cope with social problems in America's schools, said Karen Chodikov, the chapter's president.

Chodikov founded the group last spring with education major Mary McDonough, who serves as vice president.

Chodikov said FEA will also prepare students for teaching and provide a link for teaching and the community.

"We're trying to promote high academic standards and promote self-esteem among majors," Chodikov said. "I think it's a way to become a better teacher, and to become informed with what's going on. Teaching's always changing and this is a way to keep up to date."

Today, being a public school teacher means more than teaching the R's and when Columbus discovered America. Homeless children, gangs and AIDS are just some of the much-publicized troubles teachers are

dealing with now.

"A lot of people who are in my classes aren't familiar with the problems out there," Chodikov explained, adding it's better education majors learn now that find out "after the fact."

School district superintendent Brian Cram will be one of the first speakers at FEA meetings; other lectures will focus on gangs and cultural diversity.

FEA has two faculty sponsors: Maria Ramirez, who teaches English as a Second Language and Porter Troutman, an education, instructional and curriculum professor. Troutman is coordinating a program to encourage more minorities to major in education, Chodikov said.

There are some 650 college chapters of FEA. So far, the UNLV organization has 50 members; a membership drive will be held Sept. 23-27 in the Carlson Education Building.

FEA has applied for membership in the Student Government Organizations Board, Chodikov said.

For more information on FEA, call 739-3399.

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