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## University Police chief regrets involvement with secret video taping

by Tricia Ciaravino

Several questions have arisen in regard to University Police's involvement in videotaping the basketball conditioning class.

Students, faculty and the police chief himself have questioned the appropriateness of their part in the investigation of NCAA violations.

University Police have

no direct relationship with the NCAA, said Robert Ackerman, vice president for student services. However, they do have a relationship through the university.

"Brad Boone's interpretation is, 'a violation of NCAA rules is also a violation of state law. Therefore, the (campus) police department can be involved,'" Ackerman said.

Chief David Hollenbeck

said that University Police were also involved with the attorney general's investigations.

He said their "duty is to enforce university rules. One rule is that you don't violate NCAA rules. In his (Boone's) opinion, that was appropriate use for police investigation."

Hollenbeck said there are no university laws which prohibit the video taping.

Also, University Police have the same powers as the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police, so surveillance was a legal action.

"The way the law functions," he said, "it doesn't give you specific things you can do. It gives specific prohibitions. The law doesn't prohibit the use of a camera."

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*"I'm sorry I got involved with basketball cheating. If I had known about all this I think I would have tried to sign up for the class."*



— David Hollenbeck

### Students walk against waste



photo by Morgan Fisher

Marjorie Hollander expresses concern regarding the storage of waste at Yucca Mtn.

### ACLU wants regents to look into taping

by Karen Splawn

The local American Civil Liberties Union director said Wednesday that he is asking the Board of Regents to investigate the controversial taping of a college athletics class.

University legal counsel Brad Brooke said Nov. 1 he authorized the taping of the intercollegiate athletic course (PHE 130C) to make sure no NCAA rules against pre-season play were violated.

An investigation is necessary to find out if any rights were violated, said Chan Kendrick, ACLU director. All evidence, including the tapes, should be

removed from university officials, he added.

"The last thing you want is to have people who were responsible for the taping to do the investigation," Kendrick said.

History has shown any time officials involved in a scandal are in charge of its investigation, damaging evidence is covered up, he said.

Regents could either

investigate the controversy themselves, or appoint an independent committee, Kendrick said.

Political science instructor Dina Titus said students may lose their right to privacy in a public place, but Kendrick said public officials have no business secretly taping classes.

"It's even more serious when there's no criminal activity involved," he said.

### Faculty Senate gives 'slap on the wrist' for video tapings

by Bonar Tucker

In a meeting on Tuesday, UNLV's Faculty Senate mildly scolded its administration for the use of a secret camera on campus.

The senators approved unanimously a resolution which condemned the recent video tapings of a basketball conditioning class from an air conditioning vent in the North Gym.

Assistant Legal Counsel Brad Boone once again apologized for ordering the surveillance but emphasized he was trying to avoid an NCAA violation. Boone said he would continue to monitor the basketball program in other ways.

Boone assured the senate that he was not told by

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### Health Fee will again be put to vote

Students get another chance to expand health care improvements

by Ched Whitney

On Nov. 19 and 20, Student Government will hold a second special election to determine whether a mandatory \$20 per semester health fee will be charged to UNLV students.

The election became

necessary when the first ballot measure, held Oct. 2 and 3, was invalidated due to mis-wording on the ballot.

The ballot question should have read, "Should part-time and full-time students, as well as graduate students, pay a \$20.00 per semester fee for expansion

of student health services?" When the election service prepared the ballot for the first election, they left the words "full-time" off the ballot, thus voiding the question.

Lori Winchell, director of the Student Health Center, is pushing to get the fee

passed.

"Most colleges have a health fee," Winchell said.

She has done extensive research, looking at the health centers at other universities, concentrating on

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