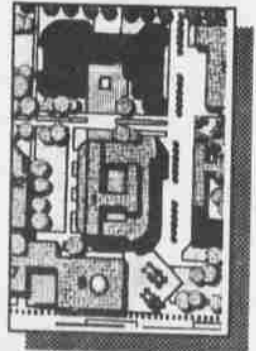




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Gays seek acceptance on campus

by Sandra Krekorian and Tonya Lomeo

As stated in the *New and Improved College Book*, the University of Nevada, Las Vegas is a "great place to be gay."

However, Ken Tomory, a gay UNLV student who is open about his sexual orientation, said this is not necessarily true.

"Maybe if you are openly gay, but if you are a closeted person, no," he explained. "The UNLV administration and university does not address sexual orientation or homosexuality."

Tomory went on to clarify that there is not any place to be gay and completely happy because "you will always have to worry about who is going to be passing judgement on you."

According to Mike Gentile, president of Delta Lamda Phi, a progressive fraternity that openly accepts gays, "It seems that Las Vegas in general is more accepting than the campus."

Tomory also voiced complaints toward the campus multicultural center which does not address homosexuality, propos-

ing the question, "Is it really multicultural?"

A member of the Delta Lamda Phi, who wished to remain anonymous and shall be called Martin, said it is a very difficult experience to openly express one's homosexuality on campus and in the community as well.

"When someone comes out, it doesn't just affect them, but everyone else as well," Martin said. "It is a very difficult process to go through. I don't feel that everyone needs to know of my sexual orientation. If someone asked me if I was gay, I wouldn't deny it."

Alyssa Hill, a lesbian student on campus, stated that most responses to her homosexuality have been positive.

"I came out in December 1990," Hill said. "It is a very liberal environment. There are environments that are conducive in bringing out your sexuality."

A heterosexual fraternity brother, who chose to remain

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E&P, MSU program budgets top \$100K

by Tonya Lomeo

Approximately \$136,000 will be spent during the 1992-93 academic year to provide entertainment for UNLV students, according to the budgets for the Moyer Student Union Program Council and Student Government's Entertainment & Programming.

Some students feel this is too much student money being wasted on the duplication of entertainment activities by two separate entities.

The programming similarities between the two entertainment departments include lectures, concerts in the courtyard and comedians.

Student Body President Joel Kostman agreed with the assessment that too much money is being spent on duplication of activities.

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Kostman said. "I would like to see that money be used for something like scholarships or safety."

Kostman also went on to explain that he did feel the programs were important "because if life was just coming and going to the university, there would be

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Marcy Bruno, running as an independent, was named Homecoming Queen Saturday. photo by Rick Ninteen

Homecoming Queen wins one for the independents

by Daniel W. Duffy

Marcy Bruno became the first independent UNLV Homecoming Queen in eight years.

"I hope that I have motivated the independent students to get involved in activities that are usually dominated by Greeks," Bruno said. "I am not against the Greek community, I just feel that students do not have to be Greek to be successful in campus activities and I hope, by my success, I have proven that."

With the Greek stranglehold on the coveted crown in recent years, an independent candidate has to defy the odds to win. Bruno explained the race itself can "be like getting thrown to the lions."

"Due to the competitive nature of the Homecoming race, it sometimes causes candidates or their supporters to win at any cost," Bruno said.

With the current process, a candidate can be disqualified due to "someone else's malicious behavior," she said. "For example, if someone were to relocate a candidate's flyers on top of another flyer of any type, or put two flyers on one bulletin board or post a flyer on a undesignated posting area, the candidate can receive fines that can lead to disqualification."

There is a \$30 refundable entry fee upon application for Homecoming Queen. If a

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candidate is fined for a violation of the rules, the money will be taken out of the \$30 deposit. If a candidate receives \$30 or more in fines, she is disqualified.

"I was charged \$14 in fines due to posting violations at the second Homecoming committee meeting," Bruno said. The fines were tabled to a later meeting and were eventually dropped.

"The rules are inadequate because they allow someone else to disqualify you," Bruno said. "However,

the CSUN Homecoming committee was not out for blood or to disqualify candidates. They did their best to keep candidates in line while looking out for our best interests."

Bruno expressed concern with the Greek housing question posed to her by *The Rebel Yell*.

"It is good that independents can express their opinion on issues that affect the student body, but it had little to do with the Homecoming race," she said.

Bruno is delighted that she won as an independent candidate and will use the position to enhance independent involvement at UNLV.

"I am going to incorporate my winning as an independent into my work as a student ambassador and with freshman orientation by setting the example that you don't have to be a Greek to be involved," Bruno said.