

Weekly Police Blotter

THEFT & BURGLARY

Jan. 14—A forced entry into the distribution warehouse of the Thomas & Mack resulted in the loss of a large amount of liquor.

Jan. 14—A white male was observed trying to open the door of a van in the Marjorie Barrick Museum parking lot. The subject was arrested and transported to Clark County Detention Center.

Jan. 14—A hand-held tape recorder was taken from an office in Maude Frazier Hall. There is no suspect information.

Jan. 16—An unknown person(s) took several computer disks from a resident's room in the Residential Life South, Building D over the semester break.

Jan. 18—A forcible entry was made into a liquor cabinet in the Thomas & Mack Center. An unknown amount of items were taken. There is no suspect information.

VANDALISM

Jan. 15—A victim's vehicle was tampered with in Lot Y, north of Ham Concert Hall. There is no suspect information.

ASSIST

Jan. 15—A domestic battery took place off campus. The victim ran to the McDermott Physical Education Center. Metro Police were called to take a report.

DRUNKEN DRIVING

Jan. 15—A 5-year-old reported to his father that he saw a drunk driver in the Thomas & Mack Center parking lot. The father reported the man. When the officer arrived the subject was not behind the wheel and the keys were removed from the ignition.

Jan. 15—A UNLV employee was stopped on Paradise Road for reckless driving. The employee was found to be borderline drunk and was sent home in a cab. The vehicle was towed because it had a flat tire and could not be driven to a secure area.

Jan. 18—Campus police transported a subject from 4775 Topaz to the Clark County Detention Center. The subject is wanted by University Police because of failure to appear for a DUI charge.

— compiled by Cynthia Salinas

Sparks: recall effort has nothing to do with academics

Board of Regents chair now awaits hearing that will decide whether recall election will take place.

BY THOMAS MOORE
NEWS EDITOR

After serving as chair of the Board of Regents for the better part of two terms Carolyn Sparks may lose her position three months from now. Friday the petition drive that had called for her removal was certified valid.

The petitions were circulated by people unhappy that Regents Sparks and Joseph Foley voted against the board conducting an investigation about the resignation of former basketball coach Jerry Tarkanian.

The groups claim the petition movement has gone beyond the Tarkanian mess and has become a referendum on how the university and the UNLV Foundation, a private organization that handles donations to UNLV, have been run.

Sparks, however, said the recall effort facing her and fellow Regent Foley has nothing at all to do with academics. Sparks said the motive for conducting the recall was purely vindictive in nature.

"It is unfortunate that the county has to go through this," Sparks said. "I've been elected and reelected and not one person

has complained about my performance besides this group."

The hearing to see if there will be a recall election must be held within 30 days from the petition's certification and Sparks said from that point the judge has five days to decide whether or not there will be an election.

"I think the main thing the judge has to determine is if there has been any fraud in collecting the signatures or with the petition itself," Sparks said. "We plan to try to show why the election should not be held."

Sparks explained the election must be held within 40 days of the judges decision and pointed out that if it were held it would be in about three months and not during normally held elections.

"The election will probably be held toward the end of April," Sparks said. "It will be a special election, wholly paid for by the taxpayers."

Sparks also pointed out Foley's hearing is being held sooner than hers and he could have an entirely different election for the bill which would also be footed by the taxpayers.

Although accusations and character assassination has been the norm during the entire Tarkanian fiasco, Sparks said she will run on her record and won't dish the dirt. "I plan to run a positive campaign," said Sparks.

Sparks also talked about the state budget that will be an-

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Carolyn Sparks,
chair, UNS Board of Regents

nounced next Monday by Gov. Bob Miller. While the economy is improving, Nevada won't see the benefits this session. In the wrangling and jockeying that is bound to follow Sparks said the Regents plan to keep their requests modest.

"We are going to ask the legislature to restore our base budget," Sparks said. "We are not asking for any frills or extras."

In an attempt to get the funding for a new library UNLV's administration has designated this as the Year of the Library. The plan asks the state for \$3 million for planning but Sparks said the request had been downsized and was not a priority.

"We realize that it (the \$3 million) was pie in the sky. We've reduced that to \$500,000. Maybe we can get people to chip in with some private donations, but the library is not on our number one priority list," Sparks said.

New university policies bring changes for '93

BY TONYA LOMELO
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Three new policies—one making the math placement exam obsolete, another requiring proof of immunization and the last explaining options for a victim of sexual harassment—were approved during winter break.

Students taking a math class no longer need to worry about the dreaded math placement exam. Now, a student's ACT (Academic College Test) or SAT (Scholastic Achievement Test) will be substituted for the exam. A score from one of either of these tests is necessary to gain admission to the university.

Margie Wells, assistant to the chair of the math department, said the department switched because there were complaints about the old test, and because the use of the ACT or SAT scores will make it easier for students and faculty.

Robert Molson, mathematics

department administrator, said the tests cover a broader set of topics than the old math placement test and the math department does not have the resources to administer and evaluate the number of placement tests required at the university.

The policy is also employed by the University of Nevada, Reno and has been successful for UNLV's English department for a number of years. "We are just falling in line with the rest of the system," Wells said.

Wells said a score of at least 19 on the ACT or a 450 on the SAT would be acceptable and tests taken within the past three years will be valid.

However, students can still take the Math 95 course if they want to forego any testing.

For those wishing to take or retake the ACT exam, it is being offered at the Student Development Center, located in Room 252 of the James R. Dickinson Library, for a cost of \$35.

There is also a requirement, effective this semester, for students seeking admission to provide proof of immunization prior to registering for classes.

According to Liz Baldizan, special assistant to the vice president for Student Services, the immunization is "a state law being enforced through the Student Health Center."

According to the requirement statement provided by the state, the idea behind the immunization requirement is to prevent communicable diseases.

Students must obtain the form to be filled out by a health care provider and returned to the Student Health Center.

Finally, at the recommendation of Baldizan, the Faculty Senate has approved a change in the university's policy on sexual harassment. The change was the addition of a referral guide-sheet which outlines the options

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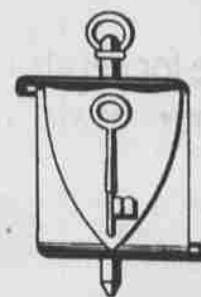
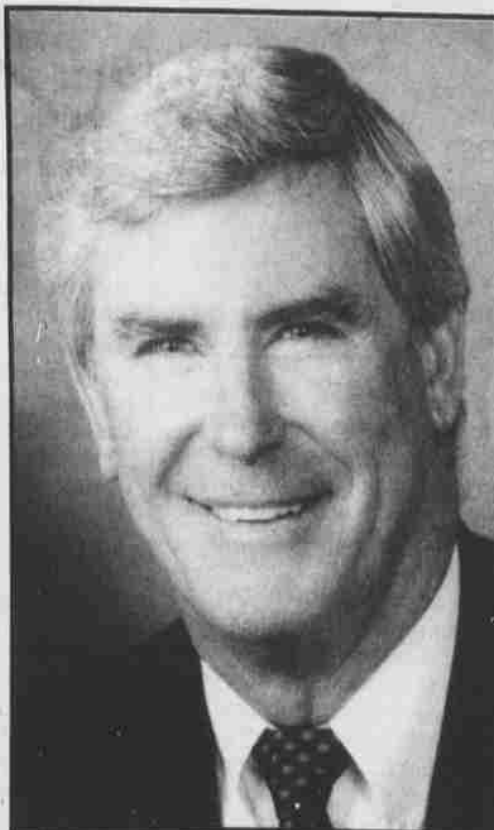
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