

SCS enacts new fee

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Once again, 1995 seems to be the year of the rising cost and a year in which free university services are disappearing. System Computing Services has now instituted a \$10 fee for their computer instruction seminars.

The seminars, which have been offered for free in past years, cover popular computer applications such as Microsoft Word, Excel and PageMaker, as well as basic instruction on operating systems such as Microsoft Windows, Macintosh and Unix.

The fee was instituted after the fall seminar catalogs were printed. Students and faculty calling to register for the seminars will be advised of the new fee. Officials at System Computing Services expressed regret at the timing of the fee enactment, but not at the fee itself, which would have gone into effect in the spring semester anyway.

The new charge for the seminars comes in response to the rising demand for the services

provided by SCS such as Internet access, training seminars, and support for people with questions regarding their computers.

Demand for these services has been rising steadily through the years, but as is common with most public services, the budget has not. As a result of this fiscal imbalance SCS took a look at their cost structure and decided that the seminars were the service that would be the best place to create revenue.

System Computing Services North, which serves the University of Nevada, Reno and the community colleges of the northern portion of the state has charged fees for its seminars for some time now and their enrollment rates have stayed constant.

By way of comparison, the cost of taking a class in a common word processing application such as WordPerfect, from a private teaching company such as New Horizons would cost \$225. The same instruction from SCS which would comprise a WordPerfect I and II seminar would cost \$20.

Advisory board seeking members

The Rebel Yell Advisory Board is looking for five at-large student representatives for the 1995-96 academic year.

The advisory board, which is responsible for hiring the editor-in-chief and overseeing the financial operation of *The Rebel Yell* is comprised of:

Tom Flagg, manager of the University News Bureau; Geoff Schumacher, city editor at the *Las Vegas Sun*; Rob Powers, from R&R Advertising; Teresa Hinds, editor-in-chief of *The Rebel Yell*; and a student government representative not yet designated. Prof. Mary Hausch, from the Greenspun School of Communication, also sits on the board as a non-voting member.

Students interested in applying for the position should contact Flagg at 895-3924.

Biology professor awarded grant

The National Science Foundation has awarded Stan Smith, a UNLV biological sciences professor, a three-year grant for \$415,000 for his project titled "Effects of Elevated CO₂ on a Mojave Desert Ecosystem."

The project involves the installation of a Free Air Carbon Dioxide Enrichment (FACE) facility at the Nevada Test Site.

It will fumigate plots of undisturbed desert on a continuous basis with elevated carbon dioxide and will examine ecosystem responses to elevated CO₂ levels.

Lockable study carrell lottery

Applications are now being accepted by the James R. Dickinson Library for use of lockable study carrels for the 1995/96 school year.

Thursday, September 7, is the final date to apply, and a lottery drawing will be held on Friday, September 8 to determine final assignments for the upcoming academic year.

Applications, which are available at the library's circulation desk, will be accepted from full-time tenured or

NEWS BRIEFS



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The water-conserving landscape around UNLV's Student Services Complex by Richard Marriotti, a landscape architect with J. W. Zunino & Associates, was recently honored in the institutional and municipal category of Aquavision's 1995 Landscape Awards and was given the American Society of Landscape Architects' (ASLA) award for the best professional design submitted. The competition is designed to award the efforts of landscapes that reflect high aesthetic and water efficiency standards.

tenure-track faculty and from full-time doctoral or master's graduate students who meet eligibility requirements.

Call 895-4893 or 895-4622 for more information.

Book sales begin

Weekly book sales sponsored by the University Library Society are underway.

Book sale hours are from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesdays and the second Saturday of each month. The sale will be held in the room off the entrance to the round building of the James R. Dickinson Library.

Anyone interested in donating books should call the library office at 895-3286.

Postpartum Support Group forming

A support group focusing on the symptoms of postpartum mood and anxiety disorders is forming at UNLV this semester.

The Postpartum Support Group will address the symptoms of postpartum depression, including inability to cope, anxiety, sadness and guilt. Meetings will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 5 through Dec. 5, in CBC room 227.

For more information call the Women's Center at 895-4475.

University Focus radio guests

Coordinator of business and professional programs in Continuing Education, Keith McNeil and Jane Jensen, vice president of community services for United Way, will be this week's guests on the University Focus radio show, a show spotlighting university faculty, staff, and events. It airs on KUNV(91.5 FM) Tuesdays at 10:45 a.m.

Announcements:

Thursday, Aug. 31
• College Survival Skills workshop, 11 a.m., Alumni Amphitheater

Friday, Sept. 1
• Boogie Nights, School Year Opening Party, 8 p.m., MSU Courtyard

Saturday, Sept. 2
• UNLV Beach House Pool Party, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., MPE

Monday, Sept. 4
• Holiday: Labor Day recess

Tuesday, Sept. 5
• Campus Roundup Organization Day, 10 a.m., Women's Softball Field

CRIME REPORT

Thursday, Aug. 24

12:40 a.m. Side Walk Cafe: Subject trespassed from property.

4:15 p.m. Frazier Hall: Admissions staff receive threats from student's mother.

11:33 p.m. T&M Center: Male subject trespassed.

Friday, Aug. 25

12:09 a.m. Visitor's Lot: All four tires flat; called for tow.

7:24 a.m. LFG: EMS response to injury; fallen worker.

10:04 a.m. Track Field: Indecent exposure; suspect arrested.

10:27 a.m. Classroom Building Complex: Homeless person caught sleeping on sidewalk; arrested.

12:42 p.m. MSU Parking Lot: Report of stolen rear license plate; front plate confiscated.

2:34 p.m. SSC: Vehicle occupant opens door and knocks off side mirror.

Saturday, Aug. 26

2:18 a.m. Off campus/Harmon and Koval: Vehicle stopped for DUI; suspect arrested; vehicle towed.

2 p.m. MPE: Student with false ID trespassed

3:07 p.m. Off campus/Tropicana and Wilbur: Hit and run accident; vehicle impounded in UNLV PD Yard; unknown suspects fled from vehicle.

4:09 p.m. Bookstore: Male subject taken into custody for shoplifting.

Sunday, Aug. 27

8:42 a.m. Dorm Bike Parking: Bicycle stolen from rack.

10 p.m. Alumni Center: Pedestrian stopped for trespassing.

Monday, Aug. 28

11:19 a.m. TBE: Radio stolen from maintenance worker.

5:25 p.m. MSU Loop: Accident involving two vehicles; no injuries; one vehicle

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