

## Clubbin' it UNLV style

**Whether it's tradition or a brand-new venue, the club scene on campus has something for everyone**

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*Editor's Note: Unfortunately, we were unable to contact many organizations, although we played our best game of phone tag in the attempt. Those left out that would like to be included in a follow-up list, should send information no later than FRIDAY to:*

Stephanie Rushia, Features Editor, *The Rebel Yell*. FAX, 895-1511, send information through campus mail to Box 2011, or drop it off at *The Rebel Yell* office, on the third floor of the MSU.

"I feel so alone. There's nothing for me at my college. I want to go home."

Anyone who has gone away to school probably had these thoughts the first few days, weeks or even months of beginning or returning to college life. It's a tough world, and people aren't as nice or trustworthy as they used to be.

But that doesn't have to be the scenario at UNLV. There is, literally, something for every student at UNLV.

Organized student assemblages have been a part of university systems since their inception back in the dark ages. Many fraternities were founded in the 1800s, others started in this century. So, knowing

you have a choice, how do you find one best-suited to your personal needs?

Look no further. Your official activities guide is about to take you on a journey beyond sight and sound. Your mission: to locate and target a group that is just right for you.

As often as possible, telephone contacts are provided. The telephone prefix for all extensions provided is 895, unless otherwise indicated. If no number is given, you can contact the individual department, the student government office at ext. 3477, or the Campus Activity Center at ext. 3221.

### ACADEMIC AND DEPARTMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Many of them have requirements, many do not. Whether you want the latest information in your field or a chance to network with peers, these groups can provide opportunities that will not only fill your college days, but your professional years to come. They also offer opportunities to explore outside interests you might have.

**American Counseling Association:** National organization of 60,000. Largest non-profit organization for professional counselors. Dues: \$59.50 annually, covers workshops, home study, annual conventions and publication. For more information, call 1-800-347-6647.

**American Society for Clinical Lab Sciences:** Must be SLS major, no minimum GPA required. Some dues required, sponsored by campus faculty.

**Anthropological Society of UNLV:** President, Sally Billings. Open to anyone interested in anthropology. Dues: \$10 for students, \$15 for faculty, \$5 extra for T-shirt. Membership includes a copy of UNLV Journal of Anthropology, guest lecturers, social/academic gatherings, conferences and more. Also affords opportunity to be

published in yearly journal. Other organizations available are Archaeo Nevada Society, American Anthropological Association and Plains Anthropological Society. For more information, contact the department at ext. 3590.

**Association for Computing Machines:** Academic society for anyone interested in computer science. Meets 5:30 p.m. the second Friday of each month. For more information, call ext. 4107.

**Association of Pre-Health Professionals:** President, Rick Gross. Anyone can join. Dues: \$8 a semester, \$15 a year. Regular meetings, featured speakers, tour medical buildings. Geared towards the health care profession.

**Art Club:** President, Helene Pobst. Open to all who have interest in art. No membership dues, GPA requirements. Conducts regular meetings, provides forum for student art competition, arranges field trips to view art in the community.

**Ballroom Formation Team (DAN425):** Four-credit class, open by audition, to be on the competitive dance team. This team has won first-place honors in regionals in San Diego and at the invitational at UNLV, beating out the team that took second place in the nationals.

**Casino Executives Club:** President, Jonathan Bell. Open to any business, finance, hotel major interested in working in gaming establishments. Dues: \$30 annually, includes membership to the Hotel Association. Focus is on alternative gaming sites, such as properties off the strip, riverboat gaming, and gaming on Indian reservations. Speakers from properties tell what they expect from new executives. Community service includes Safe Street, Stand down for the Homeless.

**College Republican Club:** Presi-

dent, Jason Williams. National organization founded in Spring of '95 at UNLV. Dues: \$2 monthly, covers printing costs of promoting club. Participate in campaigns for local candidates, have access to major politicians. Goal is to become politically involved—provides knowledge about careers in political science fields. Meets every Wednesday.

**Criminal Justice Association:** President, Liz Currasco. Anyone interested in criminal justice system is invited to join. Dues: \$20 initial membership fee, \$5 annual fee. Weapons training/shooting. Meetings once a month. Community service: raised money for Ashley Mickey, donated time to St. Vincent's and Adopt a Highway.

**Debate and Forensics Team:** Rosie Mays, Barbara Pickering, faculty advisors. Compete in debate, performance and argumentation against other schools at the regional and national level. No experience necessary, but COS 101,105 provide rudiments to get going. Must register for COS 113 or 413 in semester. Must qualify for nationals. For more information, call Mays or Pickering at ext. 3455.

**Hotel Association:** Eleven organizations are under this umbrella at UNLV, including IHMHS, CEC, Wine Club, Professional Club Managers Association, International Hospitality Accountants, Club Managers Association of America, National Association of Catering Executives, International Food Service Executives, International Society of Minority Hoteliers and others. For information on how to join these organizations, call the hotel school at ext 3105.

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## Jean Nidetch Women's Center: One-stop help shop

**Made for a woman, but strong enough for a man, JNWC has something for everyone**

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The Jean Nidetch Women's Center is a one-stop location providing information, computerized referral network service and community social services.

Women and men on campus are offered programs designed to empower them to attain both academic and professional goals. The center sponsors workshops and group discussions that focus primarily on an individual's personal and professional development.

"The issues that we cover are as important to men as they are to women," explained Coney Spano, director of the center. "Men can use the center to have a place to go to become informed on women's issues, which will hopefully build better communication and understanding between

the sexes."

Spano sees a promising future for the women's center. "We have some great events coming up. On Oct. 19, our sexual assault awareness program called 'Take back the Night' will include a candlelight vigil, and a walk around campus to discuss the types of measures UNLV has taken to make the campus safer, and point out areas where sexual assault has occurred in the past," Spano said.

She added that representatives from local domestic violence and sexual assault groups will be attending, as well as campus police.

"Statistics show, for every one sexual assault that is reported, 14 go unreported," Spano said. "We think our campus is safe, but we need to make people aware, giving them tips on how to make it safer to walk on campus."

The women's center is also presenting a seminar called "Partners in Opportunity Part II: Exploring Career Diversity." Panelists representing diverse high-tech industry professionals will share experiences about their personal and non-traditional career paths. Also up for discussion are career opportunities that build on participants' inter-

ests and talents.

This seminar is open to the public and will be held on Oct. 18, from 7-9 p.m. at the Marjorie Barrick Museum of Natural History.

Another group of seminars being offered by the center will cover topics dealing with women's health issues. The three-part series is presented by Laura Culley at the Moyer Student Union, Room 203, from noon to 1 p.m.

Part one, "What Every Woman Needs to Know About Breast Cancer," will be held on Oct. 25. Part two, "How to Organize your Routine Health Check-up," will be held on Nov. 8 and part three, "Health and Prevention of Disease: Your Role," will be held on Nov. 29. Each seminar will emphasize the individual's responsibility toward their health.

Other important services are also provided by the center. A re-entry program, designed to ease the transition of students returning to school after a prolonged absence or entering school for the first time as a mature adult, is available.

"We provide a certificate program to re-entry students. Upon completion of attending six workshops, we award them a \$300 scholarship that will

assist them with such things as books and child care expenses," Spano said. To the center's delight, the Executive Women International recently gave \$3,000 in financial support for the program.

Every year, 10 students are selected to receive a Jean Nidetch Scholarship. Students who have overcome significant hardship and obstacles in their lives to remain in school are each awarded \$2,500.

The recipients honored this year were: Xaio Longley, Cathy R. Dufresne, Angela Molnar, John Hess, Uvette Gonzague-Francis, Jennifer Fabbri, Michelle M. Wright, Tiffany Nidert, Hope Cook and Edward Lampkin.

The women's center also provides an informational and referral service link. This computerized data base of social services available on campus and in the community provides information for referring individuals to specific campus and community social service agencies.

Another program, Women in Transition, provides a comfortable setting for individuals to discuss their anxieties, successes and goals. This support group includes speakers for those changing careers, looking for work, returning to

school, or seeking an opportunity to share life experiences and concerns.

A few of the upcoming speakers and events are: Oct. 19—Brenda Harris on transitions; Nov. 2—Shannon West on working out anger; Nov. 30—Margueriet Mathus on the women's small business program.

Meetings are every Thursday from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. in the Classroom Building Complex in Room C-211.

Spano knows her work at the women's center provides support and information to many people, helping to make life a little more bearable for those on campus and in the community. But Spano also feels that if the center is going to become better and more responsive to those it helps, more resources may be required.

"We would like to get more members involved with the women's center, we could use more financial support, and we would like to have more people volunteering their time and energy."

For more information on any service or to become a member or volunteer, stop by the center or call 895-4475.