

# Honors convocation a rewarding experience

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UNLV students, faculty and guests filled Artemus Ham Hall April 18 for the 30th Annual Honors Convocation, sponsored by Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

UNLV President Carol Harter, Provost Douglas Ferraro and the Board of Regents joined Nancy Master, Phi Kappa Phi president, to honor hundreds of UNLV students from 12 colleges for their academic achievements.

Faculty from a variety of colleges and departments received outstanding research, outstanding teacher and faculty service awards.

Featured speaker, Dina Titus, Nevada state Senator and UNLV political science professor, in her convocation address, said the ceremony was an opportunity to "recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of my colleagues, both faculty and students."

The honorees have proven themselves, Titus added. "So I say, go to it and good luck."

Jennifer Brekke, a senior accounting major, plans to do just that.

Brekke received the Bank of America Nevada Business Scholarship, the UNLV Alumni Association Department Scholarship, the Arthur Andersen Scholarship and the Elaine Wynn Valedictorian

Scholarship, making her a top honoree.

"It was an honor being recognized for my personal achievements," Brekke said, who was also honored in last year's convocation. "It was nice to be in the presence of so many academic achievers."

Brekke was honored for the Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award, given upon graduation to the student in the College of Business with the highest grade point average. Brekke's cumulative 4.0 won her the award.

She will also receive the Alpha Kappa Psi Scholarship Certificate and the Accounting Department's Outstanding Senior Award upon graduation.

"UNLV provided quality education," Brekke said. "I was very impressed with the university."

"It always feels great to be honored," said Scott Rapoport, a senior accounting major who received the Nevada CPA Foundation for Education and Research Scholarship and the UNLV Student Access Scholarship.

Rapoport was recognized for his membership in various honor societies, including Phi Kappa Phi, Golden Key and Beta Gamma Sigma, for business and economics students.

"Nobody really knows about your achievements when

you're walking around campus, so it's nice to be recognized," said Rapoport, who plans to attend medical school after graduation.

UNLV students weren't the only ones in the spotlight.

Darlene Unrue, an English professor, received the Distinguished Professor Award,

while Brendan O'Toole of mechanical engineering was named the Alex and Faye Spanos Distinguished Teaching Award recipient.

## Schwartz

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I heard about it," said Tim Morgan, a sophomore athletic training major and Schwartz' fraternity brother of two years. "The only girl he's ever talked about is his girlfriend. They've been together for like three years. They're always together."

"Something's really wrong here," Morgan said.

"Scott's behavioral patterns that I've observed in the past four years indicate that he would not have done this," Izzola said. "Everybody just shakes their heads when you mention Scott being involved in something like that. It's so

out of character."

"A knife. I just can't picture it," Shawna Campbell, liberal arts senator, said.

"You just don't want to believe things like this," said Campbell, who has known Schwartz through student government for approximately three years. "You hope there's some kind of mistaken identity but...(the evidence) sounds pretty hard."

"It's all very, very uncharacteristic of what Scott Schwartz seemed to be."

Schwartz' preliminary hearing is scheduled for May 6.

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