

RENO HAPPENINGS

Lisa Fuller Sets Shot Put Record

Hug High School's Lisa Fuller put the shot 43 feet, 1/4 inch, unofficially the longest throw ever by a Nevada high school girl, last week at the Mack Relays at Carson High School.

According to Fuller, the record throw surprised her.

Well, all this season I haven't been throwing the shot well," Fuller said. "I just thought I'd make it up this week. You know, a friend of mine on the team asked me how far I thought I could throw it and I told her 43 feet. And I did."

Fuller believes Mickey Cutler, the men's weight events coach for the University of Nevada-Reno track team, has been a big factor in her recent success. Cutler is helping the Hug girls on a part-time basis. He excelled in the discus, shot and javelin during his collegiate career and was the Class AAA state discus and shot put champion as a student at Wooster High.

"He was saying that there were little technical things we can work on," Fuller said. "He helps us a lot

because he's positive. He'll say something like 'That was good, but you could have done this.'"

Hug head coach Tim



Lisa Fuller

Hoover said Fuller's success comes from mental strength.

"I think she has good mental discipline and she also has emotion on her side."

Fuller, a senior, hopes to continue her track career next season at UNR. Wolf Pack coach Tony Melody is involved in recruiting athletes since the UNR women's team will jump from club status to NCAA Division I.

Whistlers from all over the world prepare for annual competition

Wet your whistles and get ready to "Pucker-up". The Carson City Chamber of Commerce announces the World's 10th International Whistle-Off will be held on Saturday and Sunday, August 22 & 23, 1987 at Mills Park, Carson City, Nevada.

The Whistle-Off, held in Carson City every year since its 1977 inception, is a melodic whistling competition. The credit for the 1st "Whistle-Off" held October 1, 1977, goes to a computer firm that envisioned a contest between human whistlers and a whistling computer. After a year's hiatus and the elimination of the computer, the Carson City Chamber of Commerce decided to annually sponsor this truly unique musical event. Whistlers come from all over the U.S., Mexico, Canada, England and Australia, home of the 1984 grand champion, Roy Thoresen; Ralph Weitering. Contestants may compete in any three of

the following four categories: Solo Classical music; Solo Popular music; Novelty whistling and Dual competition. There is a limit of 60 contestants. Preliminary competitions start at 9 a.m. and run until 5 p.m. on Saturday, August 22. From 9 a.m. until noon on Sunday, August 23, preliminaries continue. The exciting finals begin at 1 p.m. Sunday and run approximately until 4 p.m. when the winners are announced and the grand champion is chosen.

Five experienced judges score the whistlers on a scale of 1 to 5 in three areas: Artistry of Whistling, Interpretation and Performance. The judging panels' credentials are highly scrutinized before being chosen. Besides the glory of it all, the grand champion and 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in all categories receive trophies. The grand champion will also receive round trip air fare to the Caribbean courtesy of American Airlines.

This year the World's 10th International Whistle-Off will be held once again in Mills Park... over 40 acres of beautiful park located on highway 50 east in Carson City, Nevada. The two day event is held entirely outdoors with plenty of food and beverage available. Admission to the "Whistle-Off" is free and spectators may bring blankets and chairs or sit on the bleachers or park benches.

a deadly weapon, then taken for mental evaluation to Lake's Crossing Center For the mentally Disordered Offender.



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GLAD RAGS: Kristie Radcliffe, left, and Kim Bell embrace at their graduation from Sierra Nevada Job Corps Center in Stead Wednesday. Radcliffe got her vocational diploma as a medical assistant and unit coordinator while Bell received her high school equivalency diploma. The graduations are held monthly at the center.

Shooting by Reno police ruled justified

A Reno Police shooting review board on Thursday ruled that the police shooting of a man who threatened officers with a gun at a motel Tuesday was justified.

Chief Robert Bradshaw then ordered sergeants Chuck Kendricks and Steve

Pitts and officers Dave Keller and Jim Johns immediately returned to duty.

The board determined through witnesses and a review of the case that the officers shot Leon Lofton Jr., 36, in defense of themselves and other officers. Lofton

had twice aimed his gun at the police when they arrived to investigate a disturbance call at his room at the 7-11 Motor Lodge, 465 W. Second St.

Lofton, who suffered two minor wounds, was jailed for investigation of assault with



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Psychiatric exam ordered

Psychiatrists will examine Suzanne Chilow to determine if she is competent to stand trial on an attempted murder charge after allegedly trying to shoot a murder defendant in a Reno courtroom.

Washoe District Judge Peter Breen delayed Chilow's scheduled plea Tuesday and ordered the examination. He called for psychiatrists to report back to court May 28. They will determine if she understands the charges against her and can assist her attorney, Herb Santos, in her defense.

Chilow, 38, of Sparks is charged with attempted murder and possession of a concealed weapon for pulling a gun in court April 2 and aiming it at Eileen Cunningham, who was being arraigned with two co-defendants on charges of murdering unemployed waitress Kathleen Kennedy, Chilow's friend. The pistol's safety was on and no shots were fired.

Santos made the request for the competency examination, which has to be granted under Nevada law. Chief Deputy District Attorney Ken Howard is prosecuting the case.

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