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Peace group receives threats

By Babette May-Herrmann
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Shortly after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, a group of UNLV students formed a Peace Coalition on campus, denouncing any kind of war waged on Afghanistan, in addition to criticizing the media for neglecting to provide alternative opinions on how to bring Al-Qaeda's leader Osama bin Laden to justice.

Although the coalition's mission statement said their intentions are to promote peace and non-violence, some members' claim they are the victims of violent threats.

A political science major from Europe, who preferred anonymity fearing his safety, said, "We have received lewd threats from random people. One Muslim girl was being stalked by someone, and received threatening calls."

The recent terrorist attacks posed an imminent concern on the minds of many UNLV students about the possibility of the U.S. going to war with Afghanistan. Late yesterday morning that possibility came true when American and British armed forces launched military strikes on Afghanistan's ruling

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Police force contains high powered weapons

By Jamie R. Homampour
UNLV Rebel Yell

Campus police have Colt A2-M16 semi-automatic assault rifles in the campus armory.

"We are trained to use [the rifles] specifically for instances that require deadly force," Sgt. Don Drake said in a recent interview.

Police authorities said the weapons are used only as a defensive measure against hostile situations.

"[UNLV] is a very safe place to come, study and conduct the business of learning. It is the mission of the campus police force to maintain that atmosphere," Campus Police Chief Jose Elique said.

Campus police would not disclose any specific informa-

tion about the rifle, citing tactical reasons.

"I do not need to know what is in the metropolitan police department armory in order to feel confident in their capability," said Vice President of Student Life Rebecca Mills, referring to the confidential nature of the weaponry.

Even though that capability exists, the rifles are not deployed on a day-to-day basis, Elique said.

The weapons are only deployed upon approval of the campus police chief or the deputy

campus police chief.

Campus police armed themselves with the assault rifles on Sept. 11 as a precaution, Elique said.

"We were not sure if there would be an attack on the institution," he added.

The weapons also found their way onto campus when former Vice President candidate Joseph Lieberman spoke to students last Fall, Elique said.

"If the decision were mine, I would have kept the police

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Colt A2-M16 Semi-Automatic Assault Rifle

Homecoming begins



Sophomore David Quiroz paints a window outside the Moyer Student Union to prepare for the Homecoming festivities this week. The Rebels will cap the week when they face San Diego State Saturday.

Eric Leake / UNLV Rebel Yell

SENATE WINNERS

Student senate elections took place Wednesday and Thursday. Approximately 2,478 votes were cast, up from 1,827 votes cast in last year's elections. Those figures do not indicate the exact number of voters. Some students voted for more than one candidate.

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Controversial proposal may freeze student visas

By Nicholas Weeks
UNLV Rebel Yell

Thousands of international students across the country might face governmental interrogation as a response to the terrorist acts committed Sept. 11.

In a bill recently proposed by Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., a six-month moratorium on student visas could allow the U.S.

Immigration and Naturalization Service to finish and implement the INS Foreign Student Electronic Tracking System.

"This may be controversial, but there has to be the recognition that this is an unprecedented time in our country," Feinstein said at a press conference.

The Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant

Responsibility Act of 1996 gave the United States Information Agency and the Department of State the power to develop a database to electronically monitor foreign students studying inside the U.S.

The system requires universities to report the enrollment status of international students to the government through a Web-based

program. For example, the UNLV Office of International Student Affairs would report any international student who withdrew or dropped below full-time student status.

Currently, international students make up approximately five percent of the UNLV student body at the undergraduate level and four percent at the graduate

level, totaling 4,287 students.

Sook Hollingshead, the international student services director at UNLV, said he has not made any procedural changes to the international student programs since Sept. 11. There were, however, feelings of anxiety among foreign students, especially those

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STUPIDITY: Himmel attacks the intellect of those who worry of viruses carried via mail



SCHOOL: Sometimes students find classes the most difficult part of balancing life's tasks



EVENT: More than 200 students attended the seventh annual 'Take Back the Night'

Students join national campaign to stop drug war

By Thomas V. Carrow
UNLV Rebel Yell

An emerging group of UNLV students say they want the U.S. to put an end to its unjust War on Drugs.

"Our purpose is to cultivate and maintain the high ideals of justice, freedom and personal responsibility that the War on Drugs has taken from the average citizen," said Jesse Underwood, the president of the group.

The organization is an affiliate of Students for Sensible Drug Policy, a national organization committed to providing education on harms caused by the Drug War. SSDP contains 149 campus chapters.

Underwood is a sophomore majoring in psychology. He began organizing the group earlier this semester, expanding its membership to about 30 students. All the members of the group agree that the U.S. needs to reevaluate its laws because "the war on drugs is a waste of time and money."

In 1969, the Nixon adminis-

Number of sentenced inmates in Federal prisons, by most serious offense, 1990, 1995, and 1999

Offenses	Number of sentenced inmates in Federal prisons			Percent change, 1990-99	Percent of total growth, 1990-1999
	1990	1995	1999		
Total	56,989	68,101	119,185	109.1%	100.0%
Violent offenses	9,557	11,321	13,355	39.7%	6.1%
Homicide*	1,233	966	1,498	21.5	0.4
Robbery	5,158	6,341	9,354	81.3	6.7
Other violent	3,166	4,014	2,503	-20.9	-1.1
Property offenses	7,935	7,524	8,682	9.4%	1.2%
Burglary	442	164	195	-55.9	-0.4
Fraud	5,113	5,629	6,553	28.2	2.3
Other property	2,380	1,731	1,934	-18.7	-0.7
Drug offenses	30,470	51,737	66,360	124.4%	60.9%
Public-order offenses	8,585	15,762	26,456	208.2%	28.7%
Immigration	1,728	3,612	10,156	487.7	13.6
Weapons	3,073	7,519	9,494	208.9	10.3
Other public-order	3,784	4,631	6,806	79.9	4.9
Other/unspecified*	442	1,757	2,332	427.6%	3.0%

Note: All data are from the BJS Federal justice database. Data for 1990 and 1995 are for December 31. Data for 1999 are for September 30. Data are based on all sentenced inmates, regardless of sentence length.

*Includes murder, nonnegligent manslaughter, and negligent manslaughter. **Includes offenses not classifiable or not a violation of the United States Code.

tration spent \$65 million on the Drug War; in 1982 the Reagan administration spent \$1.65 billion; and the Bush administration budgeted an estimated \$19.2 billion to continue the fight through 2002, according to the Office of the National Drug Control Policy.

That money should not be used to fight a senseless war, instead it should be put into education, Underwood said. This

nation has spent more money to construct prisons than to build universities, he added.

The U.S. incarcerated more than 2 million persons at year end 2000, according to the Bureau of Justice Statistics. Approximately 20 percent of state prisoners and 60 percent of federal prisoners are incarcerated for a drug-related crime, a sevenfold increase since 1980, according to the

ONDCP.

"I don't think it's necessary to have that many nonviolent drug users in jail," said sophomore Lindsey Rybski, the vice president of the group. "Prison is clearly not acting as a deterrent."

Rybski and Underwood plan to use campus as a campaign tool, scheduling guest speakers, offering informational forums tailored around the nations drug

policy and drafting letters to campus officials.

One letter, Rybski said, is already in the making.

"We plan to have every person in the group write a letter to UNLV President Carol Harter asking her to justify the [the Higher Education Act of 1998]," Rybski said.

That act prohibits anyone who admits a past drug possession conviction from receiving federal student aid for a year. Students convicted of selling drugs lose aid for two years.

SSDP strongly opposes the act, labeling it discriminatory and unfair.

Another group on campus - the College Libertarians - also oppose all drug sanctions. Underwood said he has not considered a partnership with any political party.

SSDP meets every other Thursday in the Moyer Student Union Room 203 at 3 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Oct. 18. All students are welcome.



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LSAT registration up 25 percent

By David Glynn
Cavalier Daily

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LOTTESVILLE, Va. -
According to the Law School Admissions Council, 25 percent more law school hopefuls will take the LSAT this month than October 2000, the largest jump ever in a single year.

The LSAT is a standardized test required for law school applicants.

Last October, about 45,000 people registered to take the LSAT. This October the number should top 60,000, according to LSAC spokesman Ed Haggerty. LSAC will not calculate the final number of test takers for this month until the test has been administered. The June 2001 LSAT saw an 18.6 percent jump in takers from the previous June.

The nation's most popular provider of LSAT instruction, Kaplan Test Preparation, also is reporting a significant increase in LSAT class enrollment, though Kaplan spokeswoman Bonnie Eisner said she did not have exact enrollment statistics for LSAT courses.

Both LSAC and Kaplan officials partly attribute the large increase in LSAT interest to the nation's floundering economy.

"It appears that there is a significant interest in law school because it seems that when the economy is weak more people apply to law school," Haggerty said.

Before the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, the national economy was already in a downward spiral. According to The Washington Post, before the attacks, economic growth was about 4 percent higher than the

previous year. It is now approaching 0 percent. The declining economy supports theories that a strong relationship exists between economic stability and student interest in the LSAT.

"We have seen a significant increase" in applications, Eisner said. "Basically, the increase in enrollment is tied into the economy."

She noted that when the economy is struggling, students think law school provides a good education and entry into a lucrative job market. She added that the increase in test takers for the LSAT and test preparation classes is an aberration.

"On the whole interest in law school has been decreasing for the last 10 years. This is a tremendous increase," Eisner said.

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Taking a stand against abuse at 'Take Back the Night'

By Brandon Johnson
The UNLV Rebel Yell

More than 200 people gathered at the amphitheater Thursday to participate in a forum against domestic violence, titled "Take Back the Night."

The event returned for its seventh year to include several campus and community resource information booths, a protest march, music, speakers, and a candlelight vigil.

An interactive experience depicting the dynamics of abuse - Journey through Abuse - heightened student awareness on the topic.

"We hope to raise awareness, dispense prevention information, remember former victims and celebrate the recoveries of abuse," said Lora Watkins, the event coordinator.

Fellow coordinator Conee Spano is pleased with the success

of the event.

"I'm very excited by the number of people who have participated in the event," she said.

The original 1972 event "Take Back the Night" took place in San Francisco as a protest against growing trends of sexual assault and violence against women. Since the time of its inception, a wave of "Take Back the Night" marches and rallies has spread across the nation.

Included among the myriad of resources for prevention information were notices alerting students of upcoming events such as the free support group for victims of sexual assault, sponsored by Community Action Against Rape. Free depression screenings will be held Oct 11, sponsored by the Center for Individual, Couple and Family Counseling.

For information regarding the screenings, call 895-3106.



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In its seventh year, 'Take Back the Night' drew more than 200 students who took part in a series of activities for the Domestic Violence Awareness month event.



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Attacks might hurt some charities

By Tim Elfrink
The Maneater

(U-WIRE) COLUMBIA, Mo. — Following the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, many have turned to charitable organizations as a means of helping with relief efforts. Meanwhile, some charities not associated with the Sept. 11 disaster relief are anticipating a drop-off in donations.

As funds flow toward disaster relief, other charities might face a decrease in donations.

"We're still waiting to see any kind of effect on our donations," said Kris Jorgeson, spokeswoman for Doctors Without Borders, an international medical aid organization. "There's obviously a limit to what people can give, and we certainly encourage these funds to go toward disaster relief."

Most of the charities not involved in disaster relief, includ-

"This is not a tornado, a flood or an earthquake, but an attack on U.S. soil."

Jerry Larsen,
Salvation Army spokesman

ing Greenpeace and the American Cancer Society, said it is far too soon to gauge the effect upon donations. But they also stress the need to continue with their organizational goals.

"I think we all engaged in an appropriate moment of pause, and now our work continues to be very important," said Johnathon Lamy, spokesman for World or Bread, a hunger relief organization. "The best way for us to pay tribute to the victims is to continue to help the poor and hungry."

Greenpeace is taking a similar

approach and is focusing on its environmental work.

"Our thoughts are certainly with the victims, but we must continue with our work," Greenpeace spokeswoman Karol Gregory said.

Many groups agree that the uniqueness of this disaster makes for a difficult situation for all involved.

"We've had to deal with this just like everyone else," said Jerry Larsen, director of Territorial Disaster Service for the Central Territory of the Salvation Army. "This is not a tornado, a flood or an earthquake, but an attack on U.S. soil."

Organizations such as the American Red Cross and the Salvation Army, which have dedicated most of their efforts to the Sept. 11 attack relief, have seen great increases in donations since the attacks. The Red Cross in particular has experienced an outpouring of funds. The organization received more than \$200 million as of Sept. 27. That total represents the largest outpouring of funds in the organization's history.

"The support we have received is truly unprecedented," said Red Cross spokeswoman Stacy Grimsson.

National disaster units remain on alert, and additional security measures are necessary for the disaster. The influx of donations to the organization is also unprecedented.

"The people of America are always ready to respond, and they have responded with very generous hearts," Larsen said.

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Conflict Page

Timeline since Sept. 11

Source: CBS

Sept. 11, 2001

Government buildings around the U.S. are evacuated and financial markets are closed. The FAA shuts down airports and bans commercial flights. The military tightens security on the East Coast. Rescue workers pull survivors from the rubble. Several buried victims alert rescuers by cell phone, while some trapped police officers fire their guns to attract attention.

Sept. 12, 2001

NATO's governing council declares that if the attacks were directed from abroad, they would be considered an attack against all 19 NATO member nations. Arab Americans and Muslims are attacked, threatened and harassed in a backlash over the terrorist blood bath, prompting President Bush to urge people not to take vengeance.

Sept. 13, 2001

The president and first lady visit 11 hospitalized survivors of the Pentagon attack. The Transportation Dept. permits commercial and private flights to resume, but schedules are in disarray, and security is heavy.

Afternoon

At the Pentagon, the last of the fires is extinguished and some employees return to work. The NFL calls off games for the upcoming weekend. Major league baseball, the PGA Tour and the NHL had already suspended events. Bond trading begins but other markets are closed. Searchers find the black boxes of the crashed hijacked airliners in Pennsylvania, and at the Pentagon.

Sept. 14, 2001

Firefighters on motorboats enter a flooded commuter rail tunnel that connects with the World Trade Center, trying to find survivors. New York's three airports reopen after being closed Thursday when a dozen people were temporarily detained. The FAA says Boston's Logan International won't reopen until stricter safety measures are in place.

Afternoon

At the National Cathedral, President Bush leads four former presidents - Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter, George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton - and the nation in prayer. All over the country, similar services are held to commemorate a National Day Of Remembrance. FBI identifies 19 as hijackers. President tours attack site in New York. Lawmakers unite to give president full power - and money - to fight terrorism.

Sept. 15, 2001

Afghanistan threatens Pakistan and others with invasion if West is allowed to use their airspace or military. Continental Airlines says it will lay off 12,000 workers. Bush warns of long war. Funerals held for first of the New York victims.

Sept. 16, 2001

Attack victims remembered in church services across the country. Vice President Dick Cheney leads the call for American investors to show patriotism and buy stocks when markets reopen Monday. Pakistan sends delegation to meet with Taliban on handover of bin Laden.

Sept. 17, 2001

Stocks fall steeply as markets open for first time since the attack. Family of victims of United Flight 93, which crashed in Pennsylvania, hold memorial service attended by first lady Laura Bush. U.S. Airways says it will lay off 11,000 workers. President visits the Washington Islamic Center and decries recent acts of violence against Muslims. Major League baseball resumes.

Sept. 18, 2001

President leads nation in moment of silence to mark one-week anniversary of attacks. Financial officials investigate whether bin Laden tried to make a profit on attacks. After Pakistani delegation leaves, Taliban says it needs proof bin Laden is to blame. Airlines seek government bailout and takeover of insurance liability on attack claims. Grand jury empaneled to hear evidence.

Sept. 19, 2001

Foreign leaders begin visiting White House to show support. Top economic officials discuss how to bolster economy as stocks continue their fall. Taliban offers to meet with U.S. delegation. More bodies pulled from rubble in New York. Celebrities plan TV salute. Boeing plans to lay off 30,000. U.N. postpones its annual meeting in New York.

Sept. 20, 2001

Islamic clerics ask bin Laden to leave Afghanistan. U.S. and Britain build military presence in Gulf. Stocks fall, even though Alan Greenspan calls long-term prospects strong. President asks Congress for airline bailout of \$5 billion in cash and help with lawsuits. He gives speech to nation, demanding the Afghanistan hand over bin Laden and appointing Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Ridge to new cabinet post for domestic security.

Sept. 21, 2001

Taliban rulers refuse to hand over bin Laden. German authorities say terrorist cell began planning attacks as early as 1999. Northwest Airlines says it will cut 10,000 jobs. Stocks fluctuate wildly. Number of missing climbs to 6,333 at World Trade Center, where fires still burn. NATO switches defense ministers' meeting from Naples to Brussels because of security concerns. Celebrities hold TV salute.

Sept. 26, 2001

Crews work to dismantle last standing remnant of the World Trade Center; pieces of the seven-story facade are preserved for possible memorial. Area is declared a crime scene off limits to cameras. Death toll at trade center rises to 300, missing number remains 6,347. Death toll at Pentagon 189, Pennsylvania crash 44.

Sept. 27, 2001

Crews work to dismantle last standing remnant of the World Trade Center and onlookers are forbidden to photograph the site. Mayor Rudy Giuliani bans single-occupant passenger vehicles from a large section of Manhattan for security and safety reasons. Residents of the surrounding area are allowed back into their homes. City life begins to get back to normal with more people going to movies, restaurants and Broadway shows.

Oct. 2, 2001

President Bush authorizes the reopening, under tight security, of Reagan National Airport outside Washington for the first time since Sept. 11. Lawmakers say armed air marshals will be on every flight. The president also makes his second visit to New York since the terrorism. City officials say 5,219 people are still missing, while 289 of the 344 confirmed dead were identified.

Oct. 7, 2001

American and British forces completed a day of punishing air attacks against Osama bin Laden and his Taliban hosts inside Afghanistan, targeting both bin Laden's training camps and Taliban military installations, many around the city of Kandahar, where the Taliban rulers are based.

Sunday's Attacks



Al-Qaeda

Name means: "The Base"
Source: CBS

Reportedly Has Operations: Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, Morocco, Turkey, Jordan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Syria, Xinjiang in China, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Malaysia, Myanmar, Indonesia, Mindanao in the Philippines, Lebanon, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Yemen, Libya, Tunisia, Bosnia, Kosovo, Chechnya, Dagestan, Kashmir, Sudan, Somalia, Kenya, Tanzania, Azerbaijan, Eritrea, Uganda, Ethiopia, and the West Bank and Gaza in Palestinian areas of Israel

Goal: To establish a worldwide Islamic regime by routing out "non-Islamic" governments and expelling Westerners and non-Muslims from Muslim countries

Strength: May have hundreds to thousands of members; extremist groups Egyptian Islamic Jihad and parts of al-Gama'at al-Islamiyya, the Islamic movement of Uzbekistan and the Harakat ul-Mujahidin also fall under the umbrella of Al-Qaeda

Overview: The head of Al-Qaeda, Osama bin Laden, and his top men usually are based in Afghanistan. Bin Laden is the Emir-General and oversees military, finance, religious/legal and media committees. The organization initially was developed in the 1980s when rebels in Afghanistan drew international support and funding from countries, including the United States, which did not support the U.S.S.R.'s occupation of Afghanistan. The rebel network organized thousands of Islamic fighters worldwide. Bin Laden came to head the organization in 1989 after the withdrawal of Soviet forces. His father was a wealthy contractor who renovated the Muslim holy cities of Mecca and Medina. Some estimates place the terrorist's worth around \$300 million, however, the United States has frozen a large portion of his money. Many also claim he is a billionaire. Al-Qaeda receives money from donations, profitable front-organizations and by laundering money from legitimate Muslim organizations. Al-Qaeda is backed by Islamic leaders and groups in authoritarian states, particularly those in the Arabian Gulf Region. The group has a humanitarian facet, drawing financial support from powerful Muslim groups and communities to give aid to needy Muslims, but also uses contributions to fund its operations. The network uses terrorist acts such as bombing, assassination, kidnapping and extortion to advance its mission of a worldwide regime.



Military Equipment in Afghanistan Source: MSNBC

Taliban

Ground forces: Approximately 50,000 troops armed with a variety of light weapons including: AK assault rifles; machine guns; rocket-propelled grenades; and recoilless rifles. The Taliban also boast approximately 650 armored vehicles including the Soviet T-62, T-54 and T-55 main battle tanks, BMP infantry fighting vehicles, BTR troop carriers and BRDM-2 scout cars.

Artillery: 76mm mountain gun, 122mm and 152mm towed guns, 107mm and 122 mm multiple-rocket launch systems, 82 mm and 120 mm mortars.

Air defense: 23 mm ZU-23-2 automatic cannons, 100 mm anti-aircraft guns, possibly U.S.-made Stinger surface-to-air missiles.

Air power: 10 Su-22 fighter-bombers, 5 MiG-21 fighters, 10 transport helicopters, 40 cargo airplanes. Many are inoperable due to lack of spare parts.

The Northern Alliance

Ground forces: Between 12,000 and 15,000 troops armed with a variety of light weapons including: AK assault rifles; machine guns; rocket-propelled grenades; and recoilless rifles. The Northern Alliance owns between 60 and 70 armored vehicles including the Soviet T-62, T-54 and T-55 main battle tanks, BMP infantry fighting vehicles, BTR troop carriers and BRDM-2 scout cars.

Artillery: 107mm, 122mm, 140mm, 220mm multiple launch rocket systems, 82mm, 120mm mortars, 100mm, 122mm, 152mm towed guns, 76mm mountain guns.

Air defense: One ZSU-23-4 self-propelled anti-aircraft gun, ZU-23-2 truck-mounted automatic cannons, Stinger surface-to-air missiles.

Missiles: FROG-7 surface-to-surface missiles, Scud-B short-range ballistic missiles (25-30 missiles at most).

Air power: Eight transport helicopters, three to four cargo airplanes.



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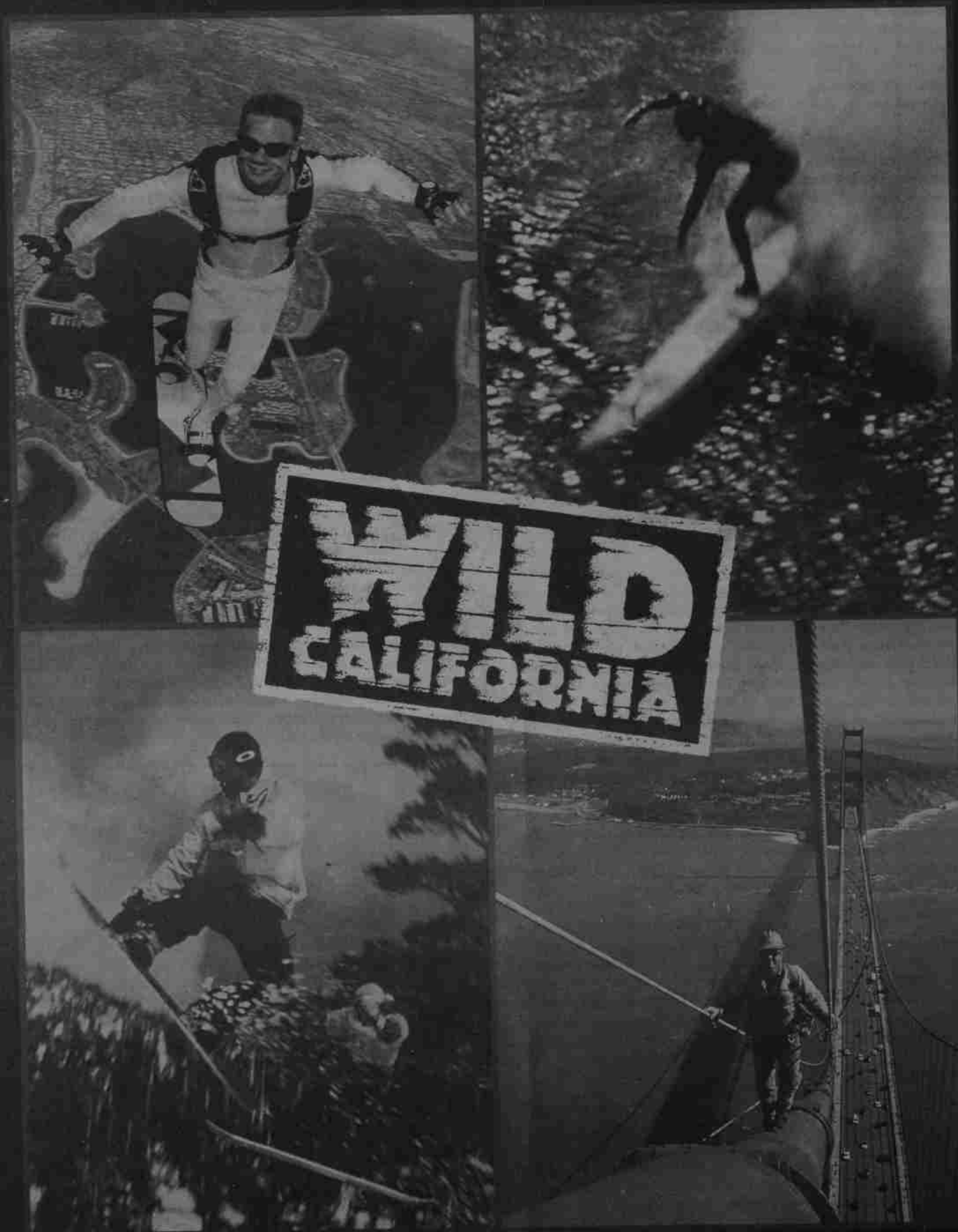
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RIFLES

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force armed with their side arms and police shotguns," Elique said. "If the rifles were ever needed because of a hostile situation, I would rely primarily on the metro SWAT team who have the resources at their disposal."

Should a campus police force have access to sophisticated weaponry?

"I think it is necessary to take precautions to ensure that our students are safe on campus. There is no reason for the students to worry," Student Body President Paul Moradkhan said.

Fellow student Rosine Frengie agreed with the student president.

"I think they should have them because calling in Metro SWAT is going to take a hell of a lot longer than going to the armory to get [the rifles]," said Frengie, a senior majoring in political science.

Another student said it's horrible to endorse the usage of guns on a college campus.

"I don't think we need a weapon of war at UNLV," said Kevin Mullinax, a former marine.

Business marketing junior Steve Johnson is not concerned with what campus police have in their armory because he feels there would never be a threat that would warrant assault level firepower.

VISAS

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who are of Arab descent.

"Many Americans don't know how shocked international students have been, or how deeply they sympathize with Americans," Hollingshead said.

The total price of implementing the system is \$32.3 million. Feinstein wants the U.S. government to pay for the system, instead of having foreign students pay a \$95 fee, as proposed in the past.

There is minimal opposition to electronically monitoring students, although the National Association of International Educators and the U.S. Student Association are wary.

"We're concerned that any program that gives the INS any more information can be used inadequately," said Corye Barbour, legislative director for the USSA.

The NAIE said that it does not support any program that is especially burdensome to the students.

"We have disagreed strongly with the assumption that foreign students — one of the smallest categories of nonimmigrant visitors and already among the most closely monitored — should be singled out with tracking," the NAIE states on its Web site.



THREAT: Media criticized

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Taliban military locales and several training camps used by Al-Qaeda, an action the Peace Coalition strongly oppose.

"I don't think the families of the victims would want this to happen to other families, especially since the Taliban wish to negotiate," one member said. "The United States called it a war right away, and people are supporting the president without question."

Another coalition member criticized the media for being one-sided, neglecting opinions and information from

peace-promoting sources.

"Students feel we have to go to war, and there are alternatives out there that are not being discussed or shown in the mainstream media," said Jason Halprin, a graduate student majoring in sociology.

Aaron Walker, a junior majoring in film and English, said, "I think the media is clever and they put what they want you to believe. The media is promoting the mainstream of war."

Coalition supporters also feel Sunday's attacks against Afghanistan are just another terrorist attack.

"We want to defeat terrorism, but we are using terrorism

ourselves," said one student who declined to give his name.

"They are terrorist acts, and we are a faceless enemy. It's horrifying that the U.S. can sit 75 miles away and launch attacks," Walker said, referring to the naval attacks.

U.S. dropped 37,500 food packages into remote areas of Afghanistan to help feed thousands of displaced refugees just nine hours after the attack as part of a \$329 million humanitarian effort.

"I don't think that food is going to the people who need it," he said.

An anonymous student said, "Deadmen can't eat, what is the reason for sending men food

they can't eat?"

Halprin said he thinks the United States is making the right decision by sending humanitarian relief, but he is concerned about how viable it is for the people of Afghanistan to obtain the food.

"It seems more complicated than what the media and president make it to be," he said.

The UNLV Peace Coalition will conduct their first educational session in the Alumni amphitheater this Thursday at 7 p.m.

The group's goals are to present the student community with different viewpoints and alternatives to war in the Middle East, Halprin said.

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Editorial

Where are UNLV's activists?

Last week, thousands of student protesters gathered in the nation's capital to advocate peace amid global tensions. West Virginia University students organized a 24-hour peace vigil. Students at Columbia put together a fundraising charity dinner and silent auction. Cornell students camped out as an effort to promote the idea of peaceful justice. And dozens of other campuses across the nation listened to an organized voice for peace.

And here, at UNLV, students walked by half-interested, as a handful of activists passed out white peace ribbons from the UNLV Peace Coalition card table.

The ribbons may have implied "we care," but the student response didn't.

Activism is something sorely missing from the UNLV campus.

There have been times when UNLV students organized and partook in demonstrations, some of which got results. Students fought desperately for KUNV when its programming was taken out of their hands. When the conduct of university police was questioned, rallies and protests led to the formation of the police advisory board. Last year, students and community members organized nonviolent counter-protests to the gay-hating Rev. Fred Phelps's group's campus visit. Their efforts livened the campus, energized the community, initiated debates, and forced changes — the fruits of activism.

Universities have traditionally been the bed of such changes. Even today, universities continue the student-activism tradition. At Yale this year, student protesters forced the university and its partner to allow the generic, royalty-free manufacture of the AIDS drug, Zerit to combat the worldwide epidemic. Forty-six Harvard students staged a three-week sit-in to secure a raise for underpaid food workers.

So where are UNLV's student activists? Did they all leave after Phelps's visit, or graduate after police concerns were addressed? Are there no issues the UNLV students care enough about to act?

Activism traditionally surges at times of strife or social unrest. With the recent events home and abroad, activism across the world has skyrocketed. Maybe UNLV students don't care as much as their worldly counterparts, but there must be something they do care about — cafeteria food, the plus and minus grading system, football or something.

A belief has been defined as something upon which a person is willing to act upon. Doubtlessly, UNLV students believe in something, though you wouldn't necessarily know it by looking around campus.

Big Brother is coming to get you

By Hubert Hensen
UNLV Rebel Yell

In the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Americans have become angry.

But even more dangerous, they have become afraid. This is a great worry because people fear that their safety might be at risk. The terrorists have accomplished their goal of establishing terror within the nation.

However, no matter how scared people may get, we must not give in to that fear. As President Franklin Roosevelt stated, "We have nothing to fear but fear itself." If we give into our fears we may very well be in for even more fear in the future.

In recent weeks, because of people's fears of further attacks by terrorists, there has been a lot of talk about civil liberties and giving them up for safety.

Attorney General John Ashcroft is talking about the government having access to student's files without the

knowledge of that student if the government shows "probable cause." What may be deemed as probable cause today might be any cause in the future. We must take a stand against these attempted intrusions.

We must not give up our freedom for negligible safety from terrorists because we will then lose our safety from the government.

As one of our forefathers, Thomas Jefferson, said, "Those who desire to give up freedom in order to gain security, will not have, nor do they deserve, either one." Those who are willing to throw away their rights for safety will end up with neither.

The classic tale of the negative utopia involves a state that has stripped people of all rights and privacy. We cannot risk the same thing by giving away our rights out of fear. Several books have shown us versions of this

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Support needed for teams

By Jeremy P. Young
UNLV Rebel Yell

I am disturbed with the lack of support shown by students and faculty at some on-campus events. Since the beginning of the season, I personally have missed maybe three of either the men or women's soccer teams games.

These games are, like football and basketball, free to all students and faculty, yet virtually no one from the university community attends. I was personally embarrassed by the turnout when the men played the number five-ranked team in the country, and the defending national champions, the University of Connecticut.

Please spare me the "soccer's boring, and I don't understand it" whine. If soccer is boring, then it's because you don't understand it. But you can't learn about it sitting at home or in the dorm watching movies or "Jerry Springer." And one doesn't have

to drive to the outer edge of the city to see the soccer teams play, they play right here on campus. There is no charge for parking, and I can tell you from experience, if you understand the game, there is no more exciting place to be in Las Vegas on a Friday night than when the men are playing, especially if they happen to be in a closely contested match. When Coach Barto gets excited, the energy he exudes feeds into the rest of the stadium.

Of course the women's team is no where near boring either. This year, Coach Abdulla — a UNLV alumnus — has built a program that has great aspirations of faring well against top-rated teams throughout the conference.

Of course, I'm not expecting you to give up your weekend to the great game of soccer. The women played last Tuesday night against the team that should become our newest and

closest rival, the Wolf Pack from the University of Nevada, the school we affectionately call Reno. But even on Friday nights, the games usually kick off no later than 7:30 p.m. This means that they end before 10 p.m., and we all know that parties in Vegas don't get into high gear until close to midnight. That even gives you time to go home and change.

So why is there no support? Student Government, as much as I would like to have nothing to do with them, threw a barbecue a few weeks ago. They planned and announced free food to the first 100 students that showed up. I'm fairly certain that less than 50 students actually made it there. I know this because the referees, none of whom are UNLV students with the exception of myself, were all invited to help finish off what was there. (Thanks go out to CSUN by the

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Idiots send virus to other idiots

By David Himmel
UNLV Rebel Yell

As if biological warfare wasn't enough, some idiot, who lacks the ability to function in a social situation, created another worry for Americans over-reaction. It's called the Klingerman virus.

Originally this waste of time was called the Klingerman virus when it started in April 2000, but was cleverly renamed after the attacks on Sept. 11. But this is not your typical e-mail virus, oh no. It's much worse ... if it were real.

And if it were real, it would be sent to your house in a blue envelope that says "A gift for you from the Klingerman people." And if it were real, when you opened it, it would release sponges that contain a virus capable of giving you severe dysentery until you die.

But it isn't real. It's a hoax, you know, a stupid joke thought up by stupid people for stupid people to believe. There is no record of the Klingerman virus on PubMed, a medical publication database, nor is it in any of the news data bases of the *Chicago Tribune*, the *New York Times*, the *Washington Post* or CNN.

There is no point to these viruses. If people want to be scared, think of Ebola and Anthrax. Those may not give you dysentery, but they'll cause a similar reaction.

But I figured what the hell, let's have some fun ... so I made up my own viruses. After all, I want to make a difference too.

The Mrs. Goldberg virus: A package is sent to your home, when you open it, Mrs. Goldberg pops out scolding you for not finishing your chicken soup.

The Evangelist virus: A box, wrapped like a Christmas present, once opened emits 13 disgustingly stubborn and poorly dressed evangelists telling you that you will burn in hell if Christ is not accepted into your life. The kicker to this one is that even if you accept Christ, these people will still be upset because nothing is ever good enough for them.

The Remember Me? virus: A letter from your ex-girlfriend or boyfriend telling you how happy they are without you and how much they've changed, causing you to delve into a deep depression surrounded by alcohol and lots of tears, which



makes you question your self-worth all over again.

The Himmel virus: This one is bad. It is a result of thinking about all the morons out there who create and then get scared of these viruses. It makes you want to think of your own so maybe, just maybe, you can try and understand what the less intelligent population is thinking. By the end of the first day you are reduced to a bumbling fool with no memory and the inability to count to seven.

My grandfather once told me that there are only two things to be afraid of. One of those things was my mom with a wooden spoon in her hand after a rough day. The other one, he said, were the idiots. They'll rot your brain.

Do not fault on the default

By Elaine Vigneault
UNLV Rebel Yell

I just bought the computer game "The Sims," a people simulator. On my first game, I accidentally made all the people exactly the same because the default human is a white, adult male.

"We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal" didn't mean all humans, and didn't even mean all men. Black men were not equal to white men and women were not equal to men. Still today, it does not refer to all humans.

The word "men" will never refer to all humans no matter what your English teacher tells you. I have been taught that in many contexts "he" really means "he or she." But it doesn't stick. Every time I read "mankind," I think of a race full of men. Studies show that most other people do, too.

In class we talked about an assigned reading, and many of the students referred to the authors as "he." I told them that not only were the author's genders

unknown, but that it was co-written, therefore plural. Most of the guys argued that my comment wasn't relevant, even though we were discussing assumptions and implied premises. The next day when the teacher referred to another author as "she," many students wondered what we were talking about. Many seemed shocked to realize that their logic textbook was written by a woman.

Men are the standard; women and non-gendered people are the other.

Since language reflects, as well as creates ideology, many people have consciously tried to use gender neutral terms. Some techniques have been the he/she or s/he.

My own natural tendency is to use "they." Unfortunately, "they" can result in poor English. What some English teachers forget is that language develops and evolves to suit the needs of the people using it. In fact, English used to have gender neutral pro-

nouns: "ou" and "a," reports aetherlumina.com. "They" is slowly becoming widely accepted. Since "they" or "them" solves the gender problem, and does so in an intuitive way, "they" seems like the obvious solution.

Because "they" is plural, it would have to be changed to both singular and plural. Another method is the use of "ze" instead of "he" or "she." For possessive, "hir" has been proposed, (pronounced like here). An additional suggestion is "it" and "its" because they can easily substitute for singular pronouns. But "it" sounds like we're talking about objects, not people. A better solution is needed. We don't have to make English P.C. or feminist. All we have to do is strive to find and use words that actually symbolize the truth. The rules of language are not enough to change the meanings.

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Lewis Whitten

Lew the Libertarian A true Rebel Radio station

Ever wonder why it is that thousands of people all over Las Vegas can make calls worldwide on their wireless cell phones, but your radio only has two good stations and the reception is terrible?

For years, the technology has been available to create the ultimate radio, a radio with digital sound and thousands of stations. Listen to whatever you want from wherever you want to. Listen to hundreds of Howard Stern rip-offs 24 hours a day in every language. Every brand of heavy metal would be available at your fingertips. Every rapper subgroup would have a home on the dial. If you want to listen to some of that new "soccer mom" country music, take your pick.

This is not science fiction; the ability to make these radios exists.

So why aren't all these flavors of ear bubblegum available to us? Two words: money and politics. Way back in the good old days radio stations were setting themselves up on the Mexican border and sending powerful radio waves all across the country. Who do you think the big American radio companies went crying to? Who else but the ultimate problem solving team - the federal government. They decided the government shall regulate radio waves and created the Federal Communications Commission. From that moment on, the little guy had

no chance.

We don't have these hi-tech radios because the big media companies like competing with each other in the so-called free market. And if an entrepreneur wants to build a station, the FCC denies them the right, not because there is no room on the dial, because the million dollar stations don't want any competition.

Politics even destroyed the valley's best alternative station, KUNV. We know the guys with the money wanted the station all to themselves, but I doubt the local rock stations were sad to see it go either. Petitions would never save the student-run format; only big money would have saved KUNV.

Here's my idea for a true Rebel Radio station. The students have some money to spend on a new station. For less than \$30,000, we could put up a big transmitter and send out a signal strong enough to hit everywhere within a 10-mile radius. No Nevada politicians, who value their political career, would touch us. Then let Washington, D.C. send in the FCC's finest to smash our equipment and hit UNLV with a big fine. For two or three days it would be one big party and some great programming.

Then we could go back to the original plan, which, I think, is to broadcast out of a boom box duck taped to the big flashlight statue thing.

It's not so queer to be gay

By Clinton Ray
Rusthoven
Guest Submission

I attended high school in Vista, Calif. While there, I began searching for the perfect college campus.

I love performing and being outgoing, naturally I thought about the city of Las Vegas. I visited UNLV's spacious campus and then became enthused about attending.

Another consideration for attending UNLV was my assumption that the students might be much more liberal and accepting of who I am, and that they would then accept others for who are.

Who I am?

I am gay - attracted to members of the same-sex, a homosexual.

Upon my arrival at UNLV there were many new faces and obviously I quickly wanted to become a part of the social scene. Eventually I began interacting with my peers and every person who was willing to interact with

me. I am going to be perfectly honest by stating that most of the guys my age and some of the women were very apprehensive to talk with me.

What did some of these guys have running through their minds forcing them to distance themselves from me? Were they afraid of what they saw, or of what they did not know? I don't know, but I do know that these guys were also entertained with distancing themselves from me.

The women looked at me with stares that harbored threatening reactions.

In spite of the guys and girls being un-familiar with who and what I am about, I still respect them and care about their concerns.

Now what? Well, with October being a month of national awareness of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender issues, I thought this submission could be about solutions and ideas of coming together in a way that people can better comprehend each other.

For one, we can all assure

ourselves that, as humans, we are equal. Knowing that, is it possible for us to not get all excited about the appearances, ideas, actions and anything else that might be slightly different from one's own?

If one is going to be able to thoroughly think about coming closer to understanding, then he or she must be willing and able to take the initiative in doing so.

I have to try to take the initiative towards understanding why students might feel compelled to have such a reaction towards me. If we all could take this inquisitive approach, then just imagine where our society could be culturally. It would be such bliss and peacefulness to not have to worry whether our differences will set us apart from enjoying our time at college and in life.

Rebels, I know we can come closer, especially in these times, to better appreciate all of us as not just different, but as equal with beautiful individual qualities about us

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way.)

Students are supporting a football team with no credible chance at saving the season, yet a winning soccer team doesn't rate as an acceptable outing for an evening? And for those of you who plan to use the "we don't know when the games are" defense, schedules are printed in that nifty handbook that student services handed out the first day of classes. Of course, if you were to go to a game, you would hear the announcement about the

next home game.

So please, don't limit your support to the classic socialization events, the ones where everybody goes to be seen and hang out and not really pay attention to what's going on. Remember that college is about more than classes, and it's about more than football. It's about trying new things. And if you don't understand the game of soccer, come find me. I'll be on the far end of the bleachers, sitting in University Affiliation section. You'll know me; I may be the only one there.

Arab students are still American

By Jermaine D. Lloyd
Guest Submission

While standing outside my afternoon class on the day of the terrorist attacks, I noticed some friends chatting. One of them walked over to another student who appeared to be of Arabic descent. I thought nothing of it.

Later, my friend told me he and the Arab-American student were friends and that he had noticed he was not wearing his traditional garb, which he usually wore. The Arab-American student said to my friend that he did not feel safe in his customary clothing.

We as Americans have the responsibility of making the distinction between a terrorist group and innocent Arab-Americans who had nothing to do with the recent attacks. We must not forget our country's days of McCarthyism, Jim Crow and the World War II Japanese internment camps. We must

never regress as a society to those extremes again. History is destined to repeat itself if we do not learn from it.

Governor Kenny Guinn recently held a meeting on discrimination and hate crimes to deter violence against Arab peoples in the wake of the terrorist attacks. Guinn also expressed his concern about prejudicial profiling. "Let's make sure that doesn't happen to a single innocent person in Nevada," he said.

America is a great country because we were built on diversity. Israeli writer Amos Oz said, "The real struggle is not between nations or religions, but rather within them — a battle between fanatics and everyone else." Let's keep those words in mind and refrain from stereotyping Arab-Americans.

Jermaine D. Lloyd is the newly elected student senator for the college of Liberal Arts.

off the mark by Mark Parisi



A BAKER'S COUPLE

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

In response to Somer Weller's article, "Too much work for Lied copies," in the Sept. 27 issue of the *Rebel Yell*, I have this to say:

Ms. Weller, you were honest at the beginning when you said, "I didn't notice those signs until I hit the print key." I have used the Lied Library computers since the new library opened and had to obtain a Rebel COPY card also. Signs are posted everywhere requiring prints to be paid by the use of the card. As a college student one assumes you can read, but as you so aptly put it, you did not. Having to purchase a Rebel COPY card and purchase copy privileges is nothing compared to the hassle experienced using the previous antiquated system at the Dickinson Library. We should thank our lucky stars that we have such a technologically savvy library in which to prepare our assignments instead of wasting the reader's time with this type of nitpicking.

Caron Schwahn

To the Editor:

My name is Harry McMullan and as of last Saturday I took a vow of silence in protest of the selections for the Rebel Variety (sic) Show.

I did not make the show, but that is not the reason behind my protest. The major reason is the lack of Greek representation in the show. While there are four Greek organizations in the show many that tried out did not make the show, including me the last years comedy winner. The reason of major concern is the selection committee, comprised of Greek members who might be biased.

Since two of the four Greek organization that made it were represented by two of the three judges. As well as the speculation of a participant who got in the show due an influential position on campus. The number of Greeks is alarming considering that they are the main participants in the homecoming festivities. As well as the majority of the Variety show audience.

On a side note I would like to tell all those prospective winners

not to expect the advertised prize money seeing as how it has been one year and I have yet to receive my check. For the details of my protest it is quite simple, I will not speak until next Saturday or until I have answers to my questions. This means that I do not speak in class, at home, at the drive-thru, or even on the phone with my parents in Oklahoma.

Harry McMullan IV

To the Editor:

Reference *Rebel Yell* Sept. 27 front page story, "Regent Howard seeks job..." Regent Linda Howard who is a UNLV student is considering applying for an internship position at our Center for the Academic Enrichment and Outreach as a minority student recruiter.

There is a small question of whether this would be a conflict of interest for Ms. Howard. To wit: holding a paid position at a university in which she governs as a Board of Regents member.

First, I applaud Regent

Howard for first seeking advice from the state attorney general and ethic commission on this question. Would that other officials follow her praiseworthy example?

I say, student Howard should apply, and get the position. I support her appointment as minority recruiter. Further, the salary is only \$14,000 to \$27,000 a year. And, most importantly, her salary will be from grant money.

Regent Howard has time and again showed her integrity, commitment and dedication to we students and our interests on the Board of Regents.

Further, her work in the Las Vegas community for all people is well known.

She has often served on committees without pay and helped disadvantaged school children.

I suggest all those students and administrators who support student Howard to let their voices be heard with our UNLV administrators. Ms. Howard exemplifies the honest, dedicated, efficient officials that are greatly needed at our UNLV.

And, for the record: I'm not related to student Howard-don't personally know her nor have personally met her. But, I do know an honest, dedicated official when I see one, who will make a great UNLV administrator and serve us well; and benefit our entire community.

Student Linda Howard for UNLV recruiter!

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To the Editor:

I would like to thank you for your article in the *UNLV Rebel Yell* titled "Muslims worried of severe hate crimes." These types of articles will help eliminate the hate crimes against any group.

Thanks again and keep up the good work.

Best Regards,
Ahmed

To the Editor:

On October 1 you guys published a little section in your opinion about Honda cars. Well I'd hate to say it, but that was pretty rude. I know it's only the opinion section, and everyone is entitled to their own, but sometimes being blunt can really offend people such as me.

I may not know much about cars, but I do know quite a bit about Japanese made cars. Hondas, nissans and toyotas are all Japanese made cars and they aren't a big waste of metal. It's not the matter of having a fast car (because there is no where here in Las Vegas to drive fast unless you're

breaking the speed limit) but having a RELIANT car. And yes Japan does make a sports car, in fact Honda has one. It's called the S-2000. Also, these types of cars aren't gas eaters either. Honda also has a hybrid car called the Insight that runs on gas and electric and gets 72 mpg. I'd say that's pretty good.

Like I said I know it's only an opinion, but that WAS pretty rude to say ... especially when there are many people who own a Honda, nissan or toyota. Ask yourself this, for how many porches you see on the road how many Japanese cars do you see?

Jennifer McDonald



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bleak future such as "1984" and "Brave New World." All oppressive governments feed off of fear. We must not allow our fear to overcome us, because if we do, the future will hold nothing but an age of even more fear.

Since the attacks on America, we have seen people willing to give up all sorts of freedoms to feel safe. It is obvious we need to take better precautionary measures.

However, we cannot start tossing our rights out the window. Unless, of course, people would like to live on the set of the reality show "Big Brother" permanently.

The nation's schools already appear like prisons. There are

cameras hanging from the ceilings and roofs every 10 feet. One cannot do a thing without being watched. This is when safety is taken to the extreme.

And it will not stop terrorism. Somebody intent on destruction needs only a few seconds, and random acts that happen over a span of a few seconds cannot be stopped that quickly.

We must protect ourselves from the dangers of an overbearing and oppressive government by remaining calm and rational. It is very important that we do not let our fears lead to our own destruction.

We must protect and defend the intent of the Constitution and the founding fathers who wrote it.

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Recognize domestic violence month

By Jeantell Jackson
UNLV Rebel Yell

October is known as National Breast Cancer month, but many people forget that this month is also National Domestic Violence Awareness month.

Domestic Violence Awareness month, which is symbolized by the purple ribbon, was first held in Oct. 1987 and evolved from the first Day of Unity, which was observed in Oct. 1981. This day was established to unify women who were affected by domestic violence.

This day later turned into a week of activities and eventually into an observed month.

Everyday there are women and even men who become victims of domestic violence or, as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) prefer to call it, intimate partner violence. CDC defines this act of violence as "the intentional emotional and/or physical abuse by a spouse, ex-spouse, boyfriend/girlfriend, ex-boyfriend/ex-girlfriend, or date." They find this term more appropriate because the term domestic violence often overlooks male victims and violence between same-sex partners. The elderly, children and relatives are also often overlooked.

Everyday four women die in this country as a result of domestic violence, according to FBI statistics. That's approximately 1,400 women a year.

While in college, the last thing students really think about is domestic violence, mainly because of the stereotype



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According to the FBI, everyday four women die in this country as a result of domestic violence.

that domestic violence only involves a married couple. It is not just middle-aged women who are victims of these crimes. Every year more young women are finding themselves caught up in this violence. Between April and June last year 1385 victims were in a dating relationship with their offender. Also 908 victims were

between the age of 18 and 24, according to the State of Nevada Domestic Violence Statistical Form.

Thursday, a handful of students, survivors and supporters united to remember those victimized by domestic violence during Take Back the Night, but was that enough? Will one rally make a difference?

The fight against this violence is an ongoing one that needs to be recognized by all. Many are affected by these acts; either by being victims themselves or by witnessing a family member or friend experience it.

There are several people who are victims, and do not realize that they are. Intimate partner violence is not only physical, but also verbal. Words are as damaging and can break down a person's self-esteem eventually causing life-damaging problems.

Not only do many victims fail to realize they are being abused, there are also potential offenders who do not understand that grabbing their partner's arms or giving them a little push also qualifies as domestic violence.

"National Domestic Violence Awareness month provides us with a special opportunity to emphasize that domestic violence is a crime, to warn abusers that they will be prosecuted, and to offer victims more aid and support," President George W. Bush said.

"We can and must radically reduce and work to eliminate this scourge from our land," Bush said.

There are several places to receive help or protect oneself from potential harm. For instance, Safe Nest is known for its reliable help and can be contacted at 646-4981. There is also a statewide toll-free domestic violence hotline at 1-800-500-1556. Remember silence is more harmful than the abuse received.

Take Back the Night offers support



Martin Holmquist / UNLV Rebel Yell

Spectators had the opportunity to read facts on domestic violence in the "Journey Through Abuse".

By Evelyn Turner
UNLV Rebel Yell

Lisa screamed over the phone to the 911 operator as she watched her stepfather beat her mother. "He's drunk. He's drunk again, and he doesn't know what he's

doing," Lisa said. She then screamed as she watched her stepfather push her four-year-old sister to the ground. As Lisa waited for the police, her horrifying screams got louder as her stepfather grabbed her infant sibling.

"This event brings awareness and offers support."

Joy Venglik,
assistant coordinator and artistic contributor

This was a 911 tape that Abby Silver, Chief Deputy District Attorney, played for the audience during the 7th annual "Take Back The Night" event Thursday night. As the taped played, the audience held their candles tightly and shook their heads in dismay.

"Fifty to 60 percent of all domestic cases, children are the witnesses, and the statistics have not gone down. They have gone up," Silver said.

Take Back the Night is an event to speak out against violence, remember victims, support survivors and celebrate recovery. This was the first year the event featured the Journey Through Abuse exhibit. This exhibit gave event-goers an emotional trip through domestic violence. There were pictures of battered women and alarming statistics that seem unimaginable.

Seventy-eight women are raped in every hour of the day, equaling 683,000 a year.

So far in Nevada there have been 25 homicides in relation to domestic violence — all women.

After walking through the exhibit, those in attendance gathered to begin a march that spanned across the UNLV campus and then onto Maryland Parkway. "No Excuse for Abuse," were the words that were exclaimed by those who participated in the march that included men, women and children. The UNLV women's choir gave a beautiful performance of a poem entitled "Weep No More."

There were over 35 different organizations that helped plan this event. Lori Watkins, the activities coordinator for the Sexual Assault Prevention Program, was the host for this year's event. Along with Watkins were several men and women from a variety of different organizations in Nevada to help those who are victims of domestic violence.

Wendy Kameda of the Clark County Legal Services helps victims get civil protection orders and to enforce punishment.

"Lack of financial resources is why the victims go back," said Kameda.

"This event links the community with the college cam-

pus," said Jodi Tyson, director of the Nevada Coalition Against Sexual Violence.

Joy Venglik, assistant coordinator and artistic contributor said, "This event brings awareness and offers support."

At the end of the night the crowd gathered around the Alumni Amphitheater where victims and survivors had an open microphone to tell their story. Odette Larson was one of the first survivors to speak that night. Larson was born and raised here in Las Vegas. She was a victim of rape at the age of 11. Larson read an emotional and graphic excerpt from her book "Flying Sparks" that brought tears to an audience of survivors, victims and supporters.

"It made me realize the ugliness in the world and serves as a solemn reminder for people to do their part to be a good person — great event," said junior Ryan Pulliman.

There are many ways to can help those who are victims of domestic violence, through donations and volunteering.

If you or someone you know is a victim of domestic violence please seek help immediately. It could save a life.

American dream shattered by violence

By **Domonique Turner**
UNLV Rebel Yell

The American Dream. Its meaning is different for every U.S. citizen. For immigrants, however, the dream is often the same. They seek a new and better life, alleviation of the pains of poverty, and simply the opportunity to dream. This dream is often illusive to women who decide to immigrate to the United States. Women wishing to escape a life of sexual discrimination, inferior treatment, abuse and even prostitution come to the U.S. only to find themselves prisoners to that same life.

In the Philippines, Russia, India, Dominican Republic and other countries, women are faced with a high price to pay for passage to America. The price of immigration often is too expensive for these women and their families, forcing them to find alternative ways to get a step closer to their dream. Opportunists on the street tell women that they will pay for their way to America and even offer them a glamorous job in the escort service. In reality the women who accept this business agreement are selling themselves into a life of prostitution, living on bread and water and sleeping on the floor in brothel houses within our borders. But they accept because the American dream is worth more.

Once here in America, these pimps threaten to deport the women if they try to

escape or alert any authorities. These women come to the harsh realizations that not only have they missed out on their dream, but also they fear going back home to the life they fled.

Some women find their only way to get to the United States of America is through marriage to a U.S. citizen. Through organizations that are nothing more than mail order bride services, or someone they know, women will marry without loving or even knowing the groom. The women are hopeful to build a family and have their dream realized. Once they are here, they are often face living with a controlling, abusive husband who won't allow any of those things.

The pressure to maintain a family, no matter what the cost, is intensified for immigrants living in an alien environment. This sense of cultural isolation reinforces the power of an abuser, particularly if he plays the role of broker between her and the outside world. An abuser can prevent his spouse from learning English if she is a legal immigrant or citizen, and if she is not, he can refuse to adjust her legal status and threaten her with deportation if she tries to leave. The opportunity for this kind of coercion is built into our immigration system, because the undocumented spouse of a legal permanent resident may have to wait as long as seven years between a preliminary petition for residency and a green card. These situations are complicated more by the pres-



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Women and children protest the domestic abuse of immigrant women in Chicago.

ence of children who may be abused as well.

There is intense pressure and fear for any woman to leave an abusive situation, but it is even more complicated for immigrant women. While many of these stories of battered women immigrants have gone unnoticed, some stories were heard. The recognition of this as a real problem in the United States has led to many changes in immigration and domestic violence laws. In 1994, Congress passed the Violence Against Women Act. This act added a

new form of immigration relief to help victims of abuse file their own petition of permanent status here in the United States. Under this law women and children can qualify to stay in the states.

Many women can now achieve their once lost dreams of a better life. Once these women are informed of their choices and opportunity, they can reclaim the freedom they sought in America.

Nevada Legal Services and Clark County Legal Services can provide legal assistance to

battered immigrants. If you or someone you know has a similar story they can help. They inform you of your legal rights and can get you in touch with organizations that can offer interpreters, financial assistance and support. Call Nevada and Clark County Legal Services at (702) 386-1070, ext. 150, or toll free at 1-800-522-1070, ext. 150.

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'Joy Ride' worth the wait in line



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Leelee Sobieski, Steve Zahn and Paul Walker react to the handiwork of a trucker out for revenge in "Joy Ride."

By Justin George
UNLV Rebel Yell

Director John Dahl ("The Last Seduction," "Unforgettable") pairs up with first time writer Clay Tarver and Jeffery Abrams, most noted for his collaborative work on "Armageddon," to produce the latest teen thriller "Joy Ride."

Starring Steve Zahn and Paul Walker, "Joy Ride" is the story of a prank gone bad. On his way across country to pick up his secret crush, Venna (Leelee Sobieski), Lewis Thomas (Walker) makes a pit stop to pick up his freshly released inmate brother, Fuller (Zahn). Bored out of their minds, the brothers decide to mess with some truckers via a CB radio that Fuller had installed during a routine fill-up.

Infesting the airwaves under

the handle "Candy Cane," a female trucker, the boys immediately grab the attention of "Rusty Nail." After some sexual teasing, they invite Rusty Nail to meet Candy Cane in her room, which is actually the



room next to theirs, at a hotel. Once Rusty Nail realizes he has been duped, he turns the tables and the brothers become the puppets in his game. The kids are taken on a ride of a lifetime that is anything but joyous, with Rusty Nail following closely behind in the shadows.

Since "Joy Ride" borrows several elements from other teen hits, such as "The Hitcher"

and "Scream," I figured I wouldn't like it because I am tired of seeing the same stuff over and over again. Yet, oddly enough, I found this movie to be entertaining and, at times, quite suspenseful.

There was a downside however: Leelee Sobieski. For the unfortunate ones who know Leelee's story, you probably know that she was discovered in her high school cafeteria.

First of all, I would like to know what high school has talent agents strolling around, and secondly, I want to know what this agent saw in her. It doesn't matter where she is - in the middle of a sex scene or the middle of a shoot out, at her parents' funeral or at her own - she is always the same old calm Leelee who doesn't know how to deliver dialogue. Can you show me one person, besides Leelee, who ... talks ... like ... this? Fortunately, Ms. Sobieski was only in the movie for about

30 minutes tops, but I do consider her a "plot hole" because I don't know one guy (or girl) who would even drive to the end of the street to pick her up, let alone across the country.

Despite Leelee's presence, I recommend this movie for its cheap entertainment value only. However, if you are one of those people who requires complete closure at the end of films, I suggest not even bothering with "Joy Ride" because the ending is left very open and you will be left unsatisfied and aggravated.

'Broken Hearts' a funny journey

By Lauren Pena
UNLV Rebel Yell

The title "The Broken Hearts Club: A Romantic Comedy" does not do this film any justice. "The Broken Hearts Club" is not just a romantic comedy; it's a story about friendship, self-discovery and family. And while it is knee-slapping funny, it's also educational.

Unfortunately, the film was set out on limited release. "Broken Hearts Club" has not gained the popularity it deserves, and it is a movie that everyone should see, especially in this time when ignorance is still rampant.

The film chronicles seven best friends as they journey through the everyday trials of the average 20-something year old male. They play baseball together, work out together and eat together at their local restaurant hangout, Jack of Broken Hearts. They support each other during birthdays,

deaths, dating and romantic break-ups. They search for love, stability and happiness. And they all happen to be gay.

After an epiphany, Dennis (Timothy Olyphant) decides to turn in his meaningless romances for true love. As he searches for a steady companion, Cole (Dean Cain), the obvious stud of the circle, continues his playboy practices, breaking hearts on a daily basis. Meanwhile, Kevin (Andrew Keegan), struggles to accept his own homosexuality. Each character faces a specific story line, from having children to taking drugs, but despite their separate troubles, they find comfort in each other.

But coated on top of these serious underlying themes is a witty comedy. "The Broken Hearts Club" is the type of film to be watched more than once, as each time a new humorous line can be heard. The lines are executed so naturally and per-

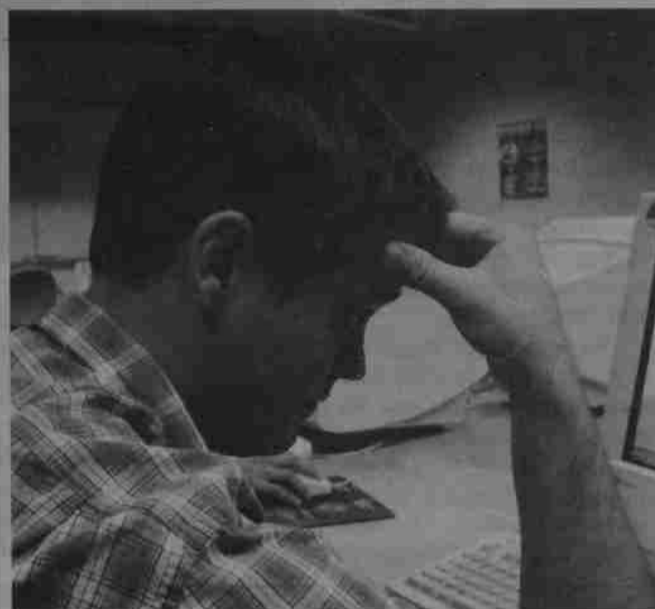
fectly that often the dialogue is not as humorous as the delivery. While three of the characters are working out on the stair masters at the gym, they spot an actor from "Young and the Restless." One of the guys quips irritably under his breath, "I am so over Y and R."

The film also gives a respectful insight into the gay culture. Both the trials and the triumphs of a gay man are exposed, while bogging down several stereotypes. Specifically, the movie touches on the hardship of self-discovery. Kevin, a "newbie," or a gay man recently out of the closet, finds solace in Dennis's reassurance and friendship.

This movie is universal. It deals with issues of friendship, love and heartbreak - things which all humanity encounters, both homosexual and heterosexual. And the film leaves you with the comforting theme that friendship transcends all boundaries.

The Ball Point

Do not allow passion blur your ultimate vision



Erik Ball / UNLV Rebel Yell

The temptation to toss homework aside and spend more time enjoying life is mind-boggling to some UNLV students.

By Erik Ball
UNLV Rebel Yell

It is hard to have passion for something you truly do not care about. I have found that as an individual who loves the art of theater, music and the written word, sitting in my math class week after week is slowly driving me insane.

I have a great respect for my professor, and I assure you this is not meant in any way to discredit his performance as an effective instructor at UNLV. In fact, he's quite good. You know someone is good at something when they have an obvious passion for whatever it is they are doing. My professor has this passion.

I, on the other hand, do not - for math, that is. I blame it on my brother, a graduated secondary education math teacher. He got all the probability genes in the family.

Working at *The Rebel Yell*, directing a theatrical performance at the high school my wife works at and managing a Red Robin restaurant will eat up a lot of your week. For those who are used to a heavy schedule, you'll understand what I mean when I say "I can handle it."

I know you're thinking "this guy's flunking his class, and this is a sorry attempt at a cry for help." Wrong. If I am ever flunking a class, I drop it. I want to graduate soon, but if it means sticking around for another semester to pick up a few classes I had difficulties with, then I'm all for that.

Theater comes naturally to me. I understand it, and it is a very interesting subject to me. Math is very hard for me to grasp. I cannot understand where the techniques used in my math class will further my career. The acceptance of the fact that having to take this class is indeed a necessity only

puts that much more of a damper on things. I will however say this, I have found myself dedicating more time to other things in my life aside from my math class. (You won't find that comment coming from someone pleading for help.) I do study. Really. But I cannot feel passionate about anything I read from my math notes, whereas writing about this situation now is increasingly stimulating.

You have to be careful as a student at UNLV, or any university for that matter. You are thrown into a world where you are given the opportunity to bathe in what you love most. You are working toward the career you desire to excel in for the rest of your life. You are allowed to take a role in a subject you revel in. Again, be careful. You'll wind up like me and find yourself in a position that is too good to be true. Many flattering opportunities have come my way, and, on more than one occasion, I have taken them. The drive that I instill in my everyday routine gets me into trouble when I encounter a class like this.

True, I'm a little ADD-esque and tend to mentally wander from time to time, but the problem presents itself when I actually think about my ultimate goal. I want to be a teacher. I cannot allow the pages of my math homework to fall to the wayside simply because I find myself passionate about the pride I take in my many jobs. No sir. Math class, in all probability, will find its way into my life somewhere down the road, and for now I must take it very seriously. And I will.

For those of you who have been meddling with the idea

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Aladdin line-up 'spellbinding'

By E. M. Ball
UNLV Rebel Yell

I had a cultural experience in Las Vegas. I saw "Les Miserables" at the Aladdin Theatre. Aside from several small technological hiccups that can be attributed to opening night, it was a fantastic performance.

Based on Victor Hugo's classic novel, this epic saga combines romance, passion and humanity with a brilliant score and a heart-wrenching soundtrack.

While some of the essential character relationships lacked true appeal, and the chase between Jean Valjean and Javert never fully developed, the acting and singing were spellbinding. The most poignant scenes occurred



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The breath of Broadway at the Aladdin Theatre will provide an artistic outlet to theater buffs.

between the minor characters Eponine and Enjolras.

Most impressive were the sets, direction and orchestration. It was a fabulous performance that enabled me to walk

away from the tacky glitter and noise of the slot machines into several bloody decades of turn-of-the-century France.

This show is just one of a series of Broadway musicals

the Aladdin is putting on this year. Next on the bill is "Cats," which runs from Oct. 9-14. This is followed by The Who's "Tommy" (Nov. 27-Dec. 2). Next year, Tony award-winning "Rent" will grace the Aladdin's stage (April 23-28, 2002). "Guys and Dolls" will round off the series (May 14-19).

Tickets are reasonably priced and can be purchased in advance by calling 785-5866.

These shows are on a limited run, which adds to the urgency and mystery lacking in other Vegas shows like "The Lord of the Dance" which has been running since head bobbing, foot kicking Irish dancing was actually trendy.

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that college-life is a place where you can drown yourself in a pool of what you love, stop. Leave that thought for the fraternities. Instead, take the subject you like, and enjoy. The classes your major requires you to attend, take those very seriously. Don't let passion flow your sense of vision.



Arts & Entertainment

The only section in *The Rebel Yell* that truly believes Alice was hotter than any of the other Brady girls.

UFC kicks script to the curb

By Jon Castagnino
UNLV Rebel Yell

The Ultimate Fighting Championship is a cross between the World Wrestling Federation and professional boxing, but is it really a sport?

For those of you who have never heard of the UFC before, it pits fighters from around the world with backgrounds in several types of martial arts, such as Kickboxing and Jiu-Jitsu, against each other in an octagon-shaped ring with a fence enclosure that leaves them no way out. There are "submission" moves like the arm bar and choke hold, which, if executed correctly, leaves the opponent no choice but to "tap-out" or quit.

The UFC offers plenty of entertainment to its fan base, as does the WWF. Ring entrances are complete with loud music and pyrotechnics, but the similarities between the two end there.

Anything that has a scripted outcome in advance, such as the WWF, is not a sport. The Ultimate Fighting Championship is not molded into a drama-filled soap opera or a war of good versus evil. Its athletes are skilled in different fighting styles, competing for the right to become a

champion and wear an oversized golden belt.

That's why the UFC is more like boxing, a real sport.

"(It) is grueling like boxing. It has the intensity of boxing, the excitement of boxing," said UFC President Dana White.

Scoring in the UFC is done like boxing, using a point system with three judges in case a fight ends in a decision.

"People think it's all violence," said UFC Co-owner Lorenzo Fertitta. "Not true. These guys are respectful toward one another. They have respect for the martial arts."

That's exactly what I saw when I attended the UFC event "Victory in Vegas" at Mandalay Bay on Sept. 28. Unlike the WWF, where the "athletes" leave a soap-opera script hanging, begging the audience to pay for another pay-per-view to find out what happens next, UFC athletes seem to be fighting for their lives in the octagon for five rounds. Afterwards, they go to each other with outstretched hand and offer a pat on the back for a fight well fought.

Does that ever happen in the WWF? Not unless it's in the script.

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Gleason has the nets closed

By Ben Turner
UNLV Rebel Yell

After last season, the UNLV women's soccer team faced a huge void to fill as they lost all three goalkeepers from the 2000 roster. Shannon Wilson graduated, Kristen Puhl took a job within the UNLV athletics department and Heidi Hart left the university. Faced with filling that void, Head Coach Dan Abdalla recruited two freshman keepers, but since both keepers were not tested at the collegiate level, the goalkeeping situation was still in question. Then, senior keeper Alice Gleason announced that she was transferring from national powerhouse Santa Clara to UNLV.

The addition of Gleason put UNLV in an enviable position of having an experienced senior goalkeeper to lead and teach two freshman keepers that make up the foundation for the future for the Rebels.

Gleason says her reasons for transferring were very simple.

"I needed a change of pace and atmosphere. I had a great friend out here and it all worked out," said Gleason.

As it turned out Gleason didn't even know what was in store for her soccer career when she transferred.

"I didn't even know if I was going to play soccer here, but I needed to be somewhere else."

As it turned out Gleason's leap of faith worked out for both her and the team.

It is Gleason's leadership and experience that the team is benefiting most from.

Desiree Kelly, one of the two freshman keepers on the roster, loves the situation she has been put into.

"I've improved so much just by playing with her," said Kelly. "She helps me with my preparation and attitude during practice."



Alice Gleason,
UNLV goaltender

The attitude and vocal leadership Gleason provides the team has made them as solid as can be on defense.

All of that has come together over the past week and a half as the Rebels have shutout three consecutive opponents, two of those shutouts going to Gleason.

The Rebels, who looked a little unorganized in the back the previous two seasons, are now stifling teams with suffo-

cating defense and much of the credit must go to Gleason.

"The biggest thing with her is organization, she is very organized and she knows what she is talking about," said defender Tania Lee

One thing that stands out with Gleason, besides her stellar net minding, is her voice. Her voice is constantly heard during the game directing traffic in front of her and calmly instructing her defense.

Gleason is a player very much in control of her element and brings certainty and stability to what was once the biggest question mark of the year.

That in itself would be enough for one player to bring, but Gleason is also bent on improving those who look up to her.

"When I was at Santa Clara, I had an older keeper, and our relationship wasn't the best, but I really wanted to have a good relationship with the younger keepers here," said Gleason.

Kelly says Gleason is doing just that.

"We're each others' biggest fans, and I learn so much from her," Kelly said.

With that being said, Gleason not only can make an impact on this season, but also establish herself as a key component to the future success of the program. Not too bad for someone who didn't even know if she was going to play this year.

MACKEY

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a [junior college]. There is a lot more that they ask, such as academically. And the competition level is so much higher," she said.

She's not backing down from the challenge, however.

"I love it," she stated emphatically.

Mackey started her volleyball career a little late. She didn't play volleyball until she was a sophomore in high school. Her brother played, and he and his friends suggested she go to try-outs. She made the team and has not stopped since.

She was born in Reno, but moved to Las Vegas when she was young. While she played at Green Valley High School, her team had a chance to compete for the state title. Her Gators lost to Durango High School, though, a team that featured her current Rebel teammates, Blair Wilkes and Shannon Chase.

With her volleyball career coming to a close at the end of this season, Mackey is looking forward to her future. She is majoring in Food and Beverage and wants to follow the culinary path within that degree.

"I am thinking about opening up my own restaurant, bar or something," she said. "I think after this year I want to get on with my life and start my career."

As the Rebels season goes on and they attempt to win 20 games, Mackey encourages everyone to come out and watch the volleyball team, and to cheer

them on to victory.

"It is fast-paced and really fun to watch. The rule changes. This year will keep you into the game," she said.

Mackey and the Rebels struggled through their two-game road trip over the weekend.

Thursday night, UNLV lost a non-conference matchup with the University of San Diego in three games. Patricia Assuncao led the Rebels with 10 kills, while Leiana Oswald added seven.

Sheila Ocasio-Clemente added to her national lead in blocks with 10 on the night, while also recording six kills.

It was then time to go across town to resume Mountain West play against San Diego State. The Rebels wouldn't find much more success there as the Aztecs won in four games.

Michelle Johnson led the Rebels with 16 kills, while Ocasio-Clemente racked up nine more blocks.

Freshman setter Nicki King finished the match with 40 assists in her second game back. Assuncao and Oswald knocked down 13 kills each.

With the losses, UNLV stands at 5-7 on the season, including 2-3 in MWC play.

The Rebels continue their road swing, traveling to Utah next weekend for matches with BYU and the University of Utah.

The next chance for Rebel fans to come out and see Mackey and the rest of the team will be Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. as they host MWC rival Air Force



SOCCKER: Gleason earned the shutout

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Vazquez, who is regarded as one of the fastest Rebels, saw her first extensive playing time all year in the two games, and Coach Dan Abdalla was rewarded with stellar play from her.

"She has been working her tail off in practice, and it really showed in her performance. Hopefully other girls will see that if you work hard it will pay off," said Abdalla.

Vazquez sensed her speed was causing problems for the other teams.

"I was getting a lot of open space and a lot of room to run," she said.

One of Vazquez's opponents went one better.

"I hated playing her; she is way too fast," said Katie Collins, a midfielder for Cal Poly.

With momentum squarely on their side, the Rebels played a rare Tuesday night game against in-state rivals UNR. UNR is a second year program and was 0-8 going into the game on Tuesday.

In what has become a disturbing pattern this year, once again the Rebels played down to their opponent for the first half. In what had to be termed "ugly soccer", the teams went

into the locker room scoreless.

In the 57th minute, it was Pedford again who sparked the offense by drawing a foul just outside the 18-yard box.

Enea recognized what the defense gave her on the ensuing free kick and found senior Robyn Krivacic at the top of the box.

Krivacic struck a shot that went darting past keeper Janet Wildemuth, and the Rebels were up 1-0. Krivacic's shot earned praise from at least one of her teammates.

"Robyn stuck it in the back of the net with conviction," said Jennifer Ruiz, freshman.

Four minutes later Pedford came down the right side of the pitch and cut the ball inside and hit a left-footed shot that scurried by a shell shocked Wildemuth.

Freshman Desiree Kelly completed her second shutout in as many starts. Kelly's shutout, combined with the two other shutouts last weekend by senior Alice Gleason, marked the first time in program history that UNLV has shutout three consecutive opponents.

But it wasn't over there as the Rebels extended the streak to four with a 1-0 shutout victory over Northern Arizona in Flagstaff Saturday.



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Junior midfielder Kelly Janke defends the ball-handler during UNLV's last homestand a week ago. The Rebels haven't allowed a single goal in four straight games.

Tania Lee found Pedford for the only goal of the game 24 minutes into the contest and the UNLV defense made it hold up for the victory.

It was the fifth goal of the year for Pedford and it gave her 11 points on the year, tying her with Enea for the team lead.

The four game winning streak is their longest since a equivalent stretch since 1999.

Gleason earned the shutout, stretching her scoreless streak to 300 minutes.

Overall, the Rebels have not allowed a goal in 390 minutes, the longest streak in school history.

UNLV improved to 6-3-2 with the victory, while NAU dropped to 4-6-1. Mountain West Conference play is just on the horizon as the Rebels next host league rival Brigham Young in their conference opener on Oct. 11 at 7:30 p.m. on campus at Peter Johann Field.

Lady Rebs continue to shut down opponents

By Ben Turner
UNLV Rebel Yell

After coming off a disappointing 4-1 loss to Arizona, the women's soccer team stood with a record of 2-3-2 this season. That is where the team ranked going into a weekend of playing in their own UNLV/FILA tournament against Cal Poly San Luis Obispo and Utah State.

In the Friday night game, the Rebels took on the Mustangs of Cal Poly SLO in a defensive struggle.

Throughout the game the Mustangs and Rebels took turns creating offensive pressure on the other team, but both neither could put a goal away.

UNLV started to turn the pressure on in the second half creating multiple scoring opportunities, but goalkeeper Greta Shirton stymied all of their efforts.

At the end of regulation, the game was still scoreless, but the Rebels sensed that their offense would come, due to the many chances that they were creating.

In the fourth minute of the second overtime, and the 109th minute overall, freshman Blynda Bascones

earned a corner for the Rebel and Cristyn Enea found Erin Egertson by the near post. Egertson headed the ball past a diving Shirton to give the Rebels a much-needed victory. To make the goal even more special, it was Egertson's first goal in her collegiate career and it came on her 19th birthday.

"This is the best birthday present I could have asked for," Egertson said. "The strongest part of our team is that we never give up, and we all played hard tonight and got a very big win."

The win over Cal Poly marked the second win this year over a team that made the NCAA tournament last season, the other coming in a 1-0 victory over Washington State.

With a boost of momentum from the Friday night game, the Rebels were back in action on Sunday afternoon to play the Aggies of Utah State.

The Rebels came out and performed in a similar pattern that has plagued them all year. They start out slow, go into halftime and come out playing infinitely better.

Against the Aggies the Rebels outshot their opponents 12-4 in the first half, but many



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Goalkeeper Alice Gleason is currently working on a scoreless streak of over 300 minutes as the Lady Rebels have shutout four straight opponents.

of the shots were from long range and did not test keeper Tracy Brady.

In the second half the Rebels outshot the Aggies 10-2, but the quality of the shots were much better and in the 52nd minute Anita Pedford got UNLV on the board.

In a confusing clutter in front of the net Pedford stepped through two defenders and buried the shot far post to give the Rebels a 1-0 lead.

"The defenders stopped, and I ran through and shot the ball as hard as I could," Pedford said of her goal.

Ten minutes later, redshirt freshman Jessika Vazquez scored her first collegiate goal off a double assist inside the 6-yard box. The assists went to Annii Magliulo and Pedford.

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Mackey helping young Rebs



Brad Maynard / UNLV Rebel Yell

The young Lady Rebels are starting to blend together and play better in their brand new arena, the Cox Pavilion.

By Randall M. Larson
UNLV Rebel Yell

This year the story of the UNLV Volleyball team has been one of youth. The Rebels only have two seniors on the team and one of those, Julia Goes, is out with a foot injury. That leaves the responsibility of team leadership up to one person, Janna Mackey.

Mackey is a co-captain with outside hitter Leiana Oswald.

"I try to keep the girls excited and keep them into the game and help everybody focus," Mackey said.

As a leader, she hopes to inspire her younger teammates on to victory this season.

"We have a goal for 20 wins

this season. Personally I just want us all to come together and play well on the court every match," Mackey said.

Mackey and the rest of the team seem to love Cox Pavilion.

"It is awesome, it is incredible. It feels more like home," Mackey said.

Mackey is a defensive specialist, she is responsible for digging the ball and making good passes to the setter. Mackey transferred to UNLV from Dixie State University in St. George Utah.

"It was fun," said Mackey.

She enjoyed her experience at Dixie, but found it a bit of a challenge on the court as she played

under two different head coaches in her two years there.

She now is getting to fulfill a dream that she has had for a while, as she is getting to play at the Division I level and enjoying every minute of it.

"I never imagined myself at this level. All of my high school coaches told me that there is no way that I could play college volleyball. I pushed through it. I decided that is what I wanted to do and I did it," Mackey said.

She is also seeing how much tougher it is at this high level of competition.

"It is different than playing at

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Rebels earn first victory 27-12 over UNR

By Adam Hill
UNLV Rebel Yell

Freshman running back sensation Dominique Dorsey saw his first true experience as a feature back Saturday afternoon for UNLV.

For the diminutive back, that meant 180 yards and a touchdown as he averaged a whopping 10 yards per carry.

For UNLV, it meant their first victory of the season.

The Rebels defeated UNR 27-12 as they came back from a 6-0 halftime deficit to break their four game losing streak.

After losing their fourth game in a row last week UNLV Head Coach John Robinson and several players predicted they'd close the season with a seven-game winning streak and this win was first on the list. The Rebels hope this win can start to help them regain confidence and momentum.

"Basically, it gets us ready for the snowball effect," UNLV cornerback Kevin Thomas told the *Las Vegas Review-Journal*. "We've got one down, six more to go."

Thomas recorded two interceptions in the contest, returning both into good field position for the Rebels.

The first set up a field goal that made the score 10-6 UNLV late in the third quarter. On his second pick, Thomas raced the

ball inside the Wolf Pack 5-yard line. That set up a controversial Jason Thomas touchdown run that added to the Rebel lead with under three minutes to play in the game.

Some called it running up the score, but the Rebels were simply running the ball and happened to score in the process. Being a rivalry game, some Wolf Pack fans were upset with the extra score. UNR Head Coach Chris Tormey declined comment, but a few of the players thought it was unnecessary and just adds to the rivalry between the two state schools.

"That definitely adds fuel to the fire for next year," Wolf Pack free safety Ronnie Hardiman told the *Review-Journal*.

The touchdown by Thomas gave him 50 yards rushing on the day, despite finishing the first half with -12 yards on the ground. He threw for 80 yards on 6-of-15 passing and just one interception. The pick wasn't his fault, however, as his first pass of the day hit Troy Mason in the chest and the deflection was intercepted.

He clearly played well enough in the second half to win the game after struggling.

"Coming into the second half, it was a sick feeling," Thomas said. "I wasn't going to have another half like I had. Then it would mean I would have to live



Associated Press

Freshman running back Dominique Dorsey (with the ball) was once again the star of the show for UNLV on Saturday as he ran for 180 yards and a touchdown on just 18 carries in UNLV's 27-12 victory over UNR. It was the first win for the Rebels in Reno since 1979.

through another week of that. I just wanted to be myself," Thomas told the *Review-Journal*.

"In the second half, I saw some lanes, and I was taking them and I wasn't hesitating. It was fun, for the first time in a long time."

It wasn't a great day for the junior quarterback, but he did enough to get the job done.

He doesn't need to do much

when UNLV runs the ball as well as they did. The Rebels gained 313 yards on the ground, including 223 in the second half.

Dorsey's emergence continues to be a big story.

Though UNR kicked away from the nation's leading kickoff return man every time, Dorsey found a way to contribute on the ground.

"I'm just trying to get more and more into the offense each

week," he told the *Review-Journal*. "As far as getting better, it just goes off what my offensive line is doing. If they're giving me holes, I'm going to run through them and hopefully gain a lot of yardage."

The Rebels will look to keep the streak going next week as they host San Diego State at Sam Boyd Stadium and seek their first conference victory.

Performance improved in all aspects Saturday



Associated Press

Linebacker Scott Parkhurst (37) and UNLV retained control of the symbolic Fremont Cannon by defeating the Wolf Pack for the second consecutive time. It's the first time UNLV has won twice in a row in the series since 1983.

By Adam Ciepiela
UNLV Rebel Yell

As the Rebels returned home with their first victory of the season, their heads were high with relief, confidence and happiness, as they should be. The Rebels played like the Rebels of old on Saturday as they played with poise and determination as they took a step forward in turning around their season.

OFFENSE

Offensively the Rebels looked as good as they had all year as the offensive line forced upon huge holes for running backs Dominique Dorsey and Joe Haro who led the 313-yard Rebel ground attack. The Rebels had no problem moving the ball throughout the course of the day.

They had 4 fumbles but only lost one and the 313 yards more than makes up for it. Dorsey led all rushers with 180 yards on just 18 carries and the reliable Joe Haro added 56 yards of his own. Jason Thomas did not have a spectacular day however his composure was there and he started to

get back in the groove. Thomas finished the day with 80 yards passing and 50 yards rushing with one touchdown. The Rebel improvement was noticeable and commended.

GRADE: A-

DEFENSE

The Rebels had the offense going and the defense was no different. Despite the 165-yard effort from Nevada's Kretschmer, the Wolfpack could only manage two field goals, including a "go for broke" 58 yarder at the end of the half.

The defensive line got to David Neill early and often as they limited the amount of time both quarterbacks had to throw the ball. The secondary and linebackers kept both David Neill and Zach Threadgill guessing all day on coverage's as Neill had only 99 yards passing and Threadgill to only 66 yards passing. The Defensive unit played tough and aggressive and kept the offense on the field to win the game. Despite an early charge by the Wolfpack they never threatened again until it was too late.

GRADE: B+

SPECIAL TEAMS

With 143 return yards the special teams units kept the Rebels in the game the whole day and provided their usual punch. Dillon Peiffer hit a career high 41-yard field goal to boost his confidence. Gary Cook added only 3 punts for an average of 45 yards a punt. After their early struggles this year, special teams now seems to be the most consistent unit on the field. The special teams are largely going unnoticed and that's a very good thing for this team and where they came from.

GRADE: A

COACHING

John Robinson and his staff had this team prepared and fired up as the Rebels did not quit and played aggressive all night. Penalties and mental mistakes were down and the team acquired a new vigor which will be imperative as they will continue conference play.

GRADE: A

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