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Police lag with daily log

By Eric Leake
UNLV Rebel Yell

Campus police violated federal law when they failed to post a timely report of campus crime.

The Clery Act requires a posting of all campus crime incidents through a daily police log within two business days of the events.

All federally funded institutions must comply with the law or face fines up to \$25,000 per violation, and, in severe cases, withdrawal of federal funds.

"We're making the best good faith effort we can to comply with that act in every way, and sometimes we lag behind by a couple days," UNLV Police records custodian James Morrow said. "It's nothing intentional ... we're trying to do the best job we can with the resources we have, both human and technological."

Morrow said the wait for police report approval, recent staffing shortages and a heavy workload delay log postings.

"From a practical standpoint, I think that any delay in access to this information is potentially extremely detrimental to the health and safety of students on campus," said Mark Goodman, the executive director of the Student Press Law Center.

"Equally important, it's against the law," Goodman said.

He dismissed excuses of daily log delay due to staffing shortages or the wait for police report clearance.

"For most campus police or security departments, they are already maintaining this log," Goodman said, "they just are not making the log accessible to the public."

"Who knows what other problems there are in the department if the record keeping is so inadequate that they can't maintain what is really a very basic log."

Monday, the UNLV Police Daily Media Log was more than five days behind. The log is available through the police Web page at

police.unlv.edu and on hardcopy in the police lobby. Police have posted the log late throughout the semester, though it was updated Wednesday evening after calls by the *Rebel Yell*.

The U. S. Department of Education enforces the Clery Act.

"It's the law, it needs to be done," Morrow said. "The issue is the information is not getting to records sometimes within that two business day period, and when that happens, obviously we can't adhere to the letter of the law."

Morrow said he does not know why the reports take so long to get to records and that he is unaware of any efforts to streamline the process.

UNLV Police Chief Jose Elique and Sergeant Don Drake, who oversees police report submission, were unobtainable for comment.

Morrow said the UNLV Police daily log contains more information than required.

"In addition to trying to post timely and accurate information, we're trying to post enough information there that when someone's reading it, it's of some help," Morrow said.

Daily logs need only include "the nature, date, time and general location of each crime; and the disposition of the complaint, if known," according to the Clery Act. Anything that names a protected identity or hinders an active police investigation is exempted.

The daily log must be in a format easily understood and posted for public inspection.

"The whole idea behind this legislation in the first place was the belief ... that the more informed people are the less likely they are to become victims of crime," Goodman said.

The Clery Act is named after Lehigh University student Jeanne Clery, who was raped and murdered in her campus dorm in 1986. Clery's parents championed the campus safety legislation after learning that Lehigh students were not informed of 38 violent crimes committed on campus in the three years prior to their daughter's death.

Dancing Away



Mary-Beth Butman / UNLV Rebel Yell
Steve Lunak, a swing student from UNLV's Ballroom dance department, performs with Suzanne Land at the Alumni Amphitheater Wednesday.

Annual report: 76 burglaries

Jamie R. Homampour
UNLV Rebel Yell

The UNLV Department of Public Safety recently published an annual report showing a rise in campus burglaries and aggravated assaults.

Approximately 76 burglaries and 20 car thefts made up 96 of the 110 serious crimes reported in the year 2000. In 1999, there were 69 reported instances of burglary.

The other 14 crimes reported in 2000 included two non-forcible sex offenses, three robberies, six aggravated assaults and three arsons.

The report only details those crimes that are reported to campus police.

"There are probably a lot of people who have petty theft, like people stealing their cell phones, who don't bother to report it because they think they will never get it back so why bother," Sgt. Don Drake said.

Aggravated assaults on campus, climbed from one in 1999 to six in 2000, the report reads. One of those assaults took place in the dorms.

"One of the most under reported crimes is sexual



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Health officer passes on

By Sarah Joyner
UNLV Rebel Yell

UNLV Occupation Safety Officer Gregg Calvird, 58, passed away Friday after being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

"Calvird was a very valued energetic team member and colleague," said Larry Tirri, UNLV director of environmental health and safety. "It is a terrible loss for the department."

Calvird became an officer at the university in 1999. Before that, he worked as a contractor for the Nevada Test Site, providing hazardous material training for the university as a form of community service.

"When Gregg came to work with us he had no knowledge of mold contamination, but within a short time period it became his specialty," Tirri said. Everybody at UNLV called him "Mr. Stachy" due to his extensive knowledge of stachybotrys mold, Tirri added.

Calvird was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer on his birthday Oct. 1. He is survived by his wife, son and daughter.

"His death was very sudden," said Calvird's daughter, Sarah. He died three days after he married his wife Cindy.

Calvird's family established a memorial scholarship through the UNLV Foundation to assist graduate students of microbiology.

A memorial in honor of Calvird will be conducted at UNLV's Moyer Student Union 201 at 11:30 a.m. today and at Canyon Ridge Christian Church at 7:00 p.m.

Assistant Technician Becky Delacruz has known Calvird for more than three years.

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CAMPUS:
Director of African American studies & regent disagree on raising GPA standards



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Walt Disney's newest film "Monsters Inc." is sure to scare up a few laughs



TEXTS:
Persons age 18-24 continue to have the highest smoking prevalence

Anthropology prof to speak

UNLV Rebel Yell

The Women's Research Institute of Nevada (WRIN) is hosting an author's reception Nov. 8 for UNLV anthropology professor Martha Knack whose new book, "Boundaries Between: The Southern Paiutes, 1775-1995," recently was published by the University of Nebraska Press.

The reception, which is free and open to the public, will be held 4-6 p.m. at the Teaching and Learning Center, located on the third floor of the Lied Library on the UNLV campus.

Knack began her initial fieldwork on the Southern Paiute social structure in 1973. She spent more than 20 years conducting archival research and contemporary oral histories, which resulted in this ethnohistory.

In the book, Knack explains

that before the arrival of the Euro-Americans, Southern Paiutes foraged the arid hills and valleys of southern Utah, Arizona north of the Grand Canyon, southern Nevada, and southeastern California. She relates the history of the Southern Paiutes from their first contacts with European trappers and traders through the end of the 20th century. It is a history that proceeds from encounters with Mormons, miners, and the military to the modern-day struggles over federal policies.

Knack is the author of several books, including, "As Long as the River Shall Run: An Ethnohistory of Pyramid Lake Reservations, Nevada," and "Native Americans and Wage Labor: Ethnohistorical Perspectives."

For more information about the reception, call WRIN at 895-4931.

Empty MSU space filled



Thomas V. Carrow / UNLV Rebel Yell

The Grove will soon become an arcade and lounge for students.

By Abel Rodriguez

UNLV Rebel Yell

The ongoing dilemma of what to do with the vacant space in the Moyer Student Union — the Grove — is settled.

The area is set to become an arcade and lounge available to all students. Officials close to the arrangement budgeted \$25,000 to renovate the space, including new carpeting, tiling, furnishings, more video games, an electronic dartboard, two billiard tables and a ping-pong table.

"The change was triggered by feedback from the students," said Sunny Martin, assistant director

of the MSU. "[We are] trying to make multiple people happy by putting the game room in a more premiere location."

Martin explained that there would be less open space now.

An area for tables and chairs will be available along with access to board games. Also, students can reserve the room for special events and meetings. The hours will be the same as the information booth, 8:00am-9:00 pm Monday-Friday, Martin said.

Now, the only problem the school is having is finding a name for the new room. The MSU is conducting a contest to do so.

Students may suggest a title for the room at the information booth in the MSU.

The winner(s) will receive a \$25 credit on their Rebel Card plus the recognition of coming up with the new name for the room. Suggestions must be turned in by Nov. 28 and will be chosen at an MSU Advisory Board meeting on the following day.

The space formerly held a Greek Lounge. Before that, it housed a gift shop.

Greek organizations will now use the space adjacent to the Grove to exchange information and list postings for others to see.

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Correction

Due to an editing error, the article "Soyinka asks for unity, supports UN" misidentified Glenn Schaeffer as the endowed Chair of the Creative Writing program at UNLV.

Errors may be reported to the UNLV Rebel Yell via e-mail at unlvry@yahoo.com or via telephone at 895-1512.

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Health Sciences seat filled

By Sarah Joyner
UNLV Rebel Yell

Student senators elected Juan Sanders, a sports injury management major, to fill the Health Sciences seat Monday.

"I look forward to connecting the students in my department," Sanders said. "I am eager to set up a hub type of relationship."

Sanders came to UNLV three years ago and held two campus leadership positions since that time. He served as a councilman for the Minority Science Student Program, a church leader and a member of the rugby team.

Sanders said that he did not run for the Senate position at the beginning of the year because he was not aware that there was a need for a senator in his department.

Sen. Jessica Zarndt (Health Sciences) said, "I was impressed with his leadership experiences and his charisma" after voting for another candidate.

"I voted for [another] candidate because we had been working together via-email on a newsletter," Zarndt said.

There remains a vacancy on the Senate.

The College of Student Development - those students not decided on a major - lacks adequate representation in student government. No applicants have bid the seat.

CRIME LOG

OCT. 31

Location: JOHN S. WRIGHT HALL

Summary: A COMPUTER AND ZIP DRIVE WORTH \$2816.00 WAS STOLEN BETWEEN 10/23/01 AT 4:00PM AND 10/30/01 AT 8:00AM.

Location: LOT Z

Summary: A 1990 BLUE TOYOTA CAMRY WAS BROKEN INTO BETWEEN 9:15AM AND 2:45PM ON 10/30/01.

Location: LOT P - NORTH OF THE

Summary: AN EMPLOYEE'S 1995 WHITE ISUZU HAD ITS REAR LICENSE PLATE STOLEN BETWEEN 10/30/01 AT 2:00PM AND 10/31/01 AT 11:50PM.

NOV. 1

Location: MARYLAND PARKWAY

Summary: A VICTIM, WHO WAS NOT A MEMBER OF THE UNLV COMMUNITY, WAS ROBBED OF THEIR PURSE AT KNIFEPOINT BETWEEN 12:45AM AND 12:53 AM. THE SUSPECT APPEARED TO BE A HISPANIC MALE WEARING DARK PANTS, A LONG, BLUE SHIRT AND JACKET, A THESPIAN HALLOWEEN MASK AND RIDING A BLACK OR BLUE BMX BICYCLE.

Location: BIKE PARKING DORM AREA

Summary: TWO BICYCLES BELONGING TO A STUDENT WERE STOLEN. THE FIRST WAS A MOUNTAIN BIKE STOLEN BETWEEN 9/16/01 AND 9/17/01. THE SECOND WAS STOLEN BETWEEN 12:00PM AND 12:30PM ON 10/28/01. BOTH WERE STOLEN FROM THE BIKE RACK BETWEEN THE A AND B DORMS.

Location: RED4-THOMAS AND MACK LOTS

Summary: THE BACK WINDOW OF A STUDENT'S 1986 MAROON TOYOTA CAMRY WAS BROKEN OUT BETWEEN 8:00PM ON 10/31/01 AND 7:00AM ON 11/1/01.

Location: RED4-THOMAS AND MACK LOTS

Summary: THE VEHICLE DOOR LOCK AND IGNITION SYSTEM TO A STUDENT'S 1996 BLACK SATURN WAS DAMAGED BETWEEN 10:00PM ON 10/31/01 AND 1:00PM ON 11/1/01.

Location: INNER CAMPUS - GENERAL AREA

Summary: A GOLF CART WAS STOLEN BETWEEN 10:00AM AND 12:00PM ON 10/30/01.

Location: LOT W - WEST OF WARNER LIFE

Summary: UNKNOWN PERSON(S) ATTEMPTED TO STEAL A STUDENT'S 1989 RED PONTIAC FIREBIRD BETWEEN 10/31/01 AT 1:30PM AND 11/1/01 AT 12:00PM.

Location: MOYER STUDENT UNION

Summary: VIDEO GAME MACHINES WERE VANDALIZED AND MONEY WAS STOLEN BETWEEN 8:00AM ON 10/31/01 AND 4:00PM ON 11/1/01.

NOV. 2

Location: SWENSON STREET

Summary: VEHICLE STOPPED AFTER A FEMALE WAS OBSERVED LEAVING THE VEHICLE WHILE IT WAS IN MOTION.

Location: ARTEMUS HAM CONCERT HALL

Summary: A VACUUM WAS STOLEN BETWEEN 6:30AM ON 10/27/01 AND 2:00PM ON 10/29/01.

Location: TMC PARKING - BLUE 3

Summary: A STUDENT'S BLUE 1996 MERCURY TRACER WAS BROKEN INTO BETWEEN 9:30AM AND 11:30AM.

Location: LIED LIBRARY BUILDING

Summary: A STUDENT'S BACKPACK WAS STOLEN BETWEEN 11:30AM AND 11:35AM.

Location: LIED LIBRARY BUILDING

Summary: A STUDENT'S BLUE JANSPOUR BACKPACK WAS STOLEN BETWEEN 10:00AM AND 10:10AM.

Location: TROPICANA AVENUE

Summary: FOUR VEHICLES WERE INVOLVED IN A COLLISION WHEN ONE FAILED TO MAINTAIN ITS LANE OF TRAVEL.

Location: RED8-THOMAS AND MACK LOTS

Summary: A STUDENT'S VEHICLE WAS BROKEN INTO BETWEEN 9:15AM AND 2:00PM.

Location: LOT E - EAST OF MSU BY BOOKSTORE

Summary: A STUDENT'S BLACK 1992 NISSAN SENTRA WAS STOLEN BETWEEN 9:30PM ON 10/30/01 AND 6:30PM ON 11/2/01.

Location: LOT M - NORTH OF SHS

Summary: A STUDENT AND ANOTHER SUBJECT WERE FIGHTING. THE INCIDENT WAS SUBMITTED FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

NOV. 3

Location: INNER CAMPUS - GENERAL AREA

Summary: SUBJECT ARESTED FOR AN OUTSTANDING WARRANT.

Location: BOOKSTORE - BARNES & NOBLE

Summary: POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR THE FOLLOWING SUSPECT IN REGARDS TO A SHOPLIFTING INCIDENT: A WHITE OR HISPANIC MALE, 5'8", 160LBS, SHORT BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES, WEARING A BLACK UNLV BALLCAP, CARRYING A GREEN BACKPACK, POSSIBLY ANSWERING TO THE NAME OF "SCOTT", AND FEATURING A TATTOO OF A BLACK SUN ON THE BACK OF HIS NECK.

Location: TEMPORARY LAW SCHOOL

Summary: A VENDING MACHINE WAS BROKEN INTO BETWEEN 11/1/01 AND 11/3/01 AT 1:45PM.

Location: SAM BOYD STADIUM

Summary: A VEHICLE STRUCK A PEDESTRIAN.

Location: SAM BOYD STADIUM

Summary: A 1997 WHITE CHEVY TAHOE WAS STOLEN BETWEEN 11:45AM AND

3:00PM

Location: SAM BOYD STADIUM

Summary: SUBJECT CITED FOR STEALING TRAFFIC CONES.

NOV. 4

Location: TMC PARKING - BLUE 1

Summary: SUBJECT ARRESTED AND BOOKED INTO THE CLARK COUNTY DETENTION CENTER FOR OUTSTANDING WARRANTS.

Location: RES. LIFE SOUTH BLDG C

Summary: A STUDENT WAS TRANSPORTED BY AMBULANCE AFTER TAKING ECSTASY.

Location: CHEMISTRY

Summary: A VENDING MACHINE WAS BROKEN INTO BETWEEN 4:30PM ON 11/2/01 AND 10:30AM ON 11/4/01.

NOV. 5

Location: SWENSON STREET

Summary: SUBJECT ARRESTED FOR POSSESSION OF A FALSE ID AND THREE OUTSTANDING WARRANTS.

Location: RODMAN HALL

Summary: A STUDENT REPORTED THAT THEIR COMPUTER MONITOR WAS BROKEN.

Location: JUDY BAYLEY THEATER

Summary: A STUDENT'S UNATTENDED BACKPACK WAS STOLEN BETWEEN 2:30PM AND 5:15PM.

NOV. 6

Location: DESERT RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Summary: A SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT WAS TRESPASSED.

Location: BIKE PARKING INNER CAMPUS AREA

Summary: A 20" SILVER NEMESIS BIKE AND A 24" BLUE MOUNTAIN BIKE WERE STOLEN BETWEEN 10/2/01 AND 10/23/01 AT 8:00PM.

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REPORT

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assault," Drake said.

The number of underage drinking arrests is down from the previous year while the number of arrests made for drug violations is up. There were 13 drug arrests made on campus in 2000, up from six in 1999, according to the report.

Even though alcohol violations were down in 2000, underage drinking remains a major concern for campus police.

"Just from looking at the stats we have had a lot more alcohol related incidents in the residence halls compared to last year," Drake said. "We are having more problems with alcohol related incidents at the

frat houses. Metro has been complaining a lot to us about the frat parties."

Campus police became concerned with the emphasis students place on alcohol after Rebel Ruckus.

"At that particular event we had people showing up with kegs of alcohol, and why people would think that's legitimate really surprised the officers. There were a lot of alcohol related problems at that event particularly in the parking lot," Drake said.

The report detailing the areas of crime for this year should be released early November 2002.

"These are crimes that have been reported, and we are required by federal legislation to report them to the community," said Jose Elique the campus police chief.

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270-2102
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293-0098
Broadway Pizzeria • 259-9002
Café Mastrioni • 367-7511
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Chiarelli's Deli • 293-6600
Coffee Pub • 367-1913
Cold Stone Creamery (all locations)
Cool Beans • 697-6327
Courtyard Deli • 222-0594
Da Franco • 648-6699

Dairy Queen • 737-0700
De Riso's Pizzeria • 255-4250
The Egg and I • 364-9686
El Burrito Mexican Restaurant • 255-1069
El Mexitaco (all locations)
Fazoli's Italian Restaurant (all locations)
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298-3003
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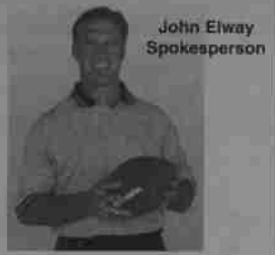
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Wednesday, Nov. 14
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Thursday, Nov. 15
University Forum Lecture: Medieval Music - A Lecture with live performance of examples. Barrick Museum Auditorium. 7:30 - 9 p.m. Contact: Kay Williams: 895-3401

Noon Scene Featuring David Himmel in the MSU Alcove.

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Friday, Nov. 16
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Las Vegas Philharmonic Concert II: Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall. 8 - 10:15 p.m. Contact: Keith Neel: 258-5438. Seniors and Students \$18 \$36 \$54. Call for tickets: 895-ARTS

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Monday, Nov. 19
Christmas Carol The Award-Winning Musical Adaptation of Charles Dickens' Enduring and Joyful Classic. Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall 10 - 11:15 a.m. For tickets, contact: American Theatre Arts for Youth: (702)215-563-3501

University Forum Lecture: Travels in the Former East Germany. Barrick Museum Auditorium 7:30 - 9 p.m. contact: Kay Williams: 895-3401

Noon Scene Featuring Monkey Guy in the Alumni Amphitheater

Tuesday, Nov. 20
UNLV Wind Orchestra Concert II Artemus W. Ham

Concert Hall 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Contact: Tom Leslie 895-3734. Admission price TBA

Wednesday, Nov. 21
Question & Answer: Drug & Alcohol MSU 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 27
Noon Scene Featuring 'Opera Tenor' in the MSU Alcove.

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University Forum Lecture: John Steinbeck: America's Writer. Discussion of the author's pluralistic view of America, his humanistic concern and his ecological vision. Barrick Museum Auditorium. 7:30 - 9 p.m. Contact: Kay Williams: 895-3401

Jazz Café 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. MSU Alcove

Friday, Nov. 30
Nuclearism and Nevada - The 'Politics of Science' and the Post-1987 Yucca Mountain History. Barrick Museum Auditorium. 6 - 9 p.m. Presented by the Yucca Mountain Education Project. Contact: 895-3394

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Bush limits public access to his records

By Grace Bloodwell

Harvard Crimson

(U-WIRE) CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — President Bush's order Monday granting former presidents greater authority to withhold records requested by historians and other researchers is causing discontent among academics, who say the government is illegitimately blocking access to valuable resources.

The order is a modification of the Presidential Records Act of 1978, which requires disclosure of particularly sensitive records 12 years after presidents have left office.

Bush and White House officials say these measures are being put in place to ensure that no information will be released which could lead to a breach in national security.

But some historians and scholars see the order as a smokescreen for the Bush administration's desire to conceal potentially embarrassing records from past administrations.

The records, scholars claim, contain no information that would assist a terrorist attack.

Some historians point out that there are strict exemptions that keep important information protected from the public, and that these restrictions are sufficient to protect sensitive information without Bush's new order.

"There are good reasons to worry about what Bush is doing. He was trying to restrict the release of papers before Sept. 11," said KSG assistant professor Barry C. Burden.

The papers Burden refers to are documents from former President Ronald Reagan's administration.

The release of some 68,000 records from Reagan's administration has been delayed three times, and Thursday's order may suspend release for an additional 90 days.



Reuters

President George W. Bush takes measures that some say conceal potentially embarrassing records from past administrations.

"Maybe the interest of national security was being invoked in Bush's attempts to withhold documents prior to Sept. 11, but we don't know for sure," Burden said. "Sept. 11 has made [Bush's] order easier to implement. Now it looks less like the actions of a Republican trying to protect another Republican."

There is concern over the implications of withholding presidential documentation. Assistant professor of government Bear F. Braumoeller said withholding information may not always be in the best interest of

the public.

"The Presidential Records Act has to balance a legitimate governmental need for secrecy against the public's legitimate right to know what its government is doing," he said.

Braumoeller said government officials may use the order as an additional means to block necessary public exposure of government secrets.

"[The order] in fact pushes the balance substantially toward the government's side by creating seri-

ous impediments to public access. No academic could be happy about it — that's predictable."

Bruce Craig, director of the National Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History, told the Chronicle of Higher Education that he anticipates a lawsuit challenging the order in the near future.

In anticipation of such a challenge, White House officials have said that scholars would be allowed to sue if they believe specific documents have been withheld without good cause.

Senators present new visa security

By Fitz Vo

The California Aggie

(U-WIRE) DAVIS, Calif. — In an attempt to tighten the loopholes in America's immigration and visa system, which allowed terrorists involved in the Sept. 11 attacks to enter the United States, Sens. Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) and John Kyl (R-Ariz.) introduced on Thursday the Visa Reform Entry Act of 2001. The bill aims to strengthen counter-terrorism efforts by connecting law enforcement with a centralized "lookout" base to prevent fraud and illegal entry into the country.

The proposed bill comes after Feinstein's retraction of a similar and more specific student visa bill that would have placed a six-month moratorium on the issuance of international student visas and increased tracking of international students on college campuses.

"The student visa bill is now part of this larger bill," said Feinstein press secretary Jim Hock. "The only thing she didn't choose to pursue was the six-month moratorium."

One of the suspected hijackers in the Sept. 11 event, Ahmed Alghamdi, remained at large in the U.S. after his student visa had

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Poll: Most college students support war

By Sheryl Shapiro

Brown Daily Herald

(U-WIRE) PROVIDENCE, R.I. — College students in general strongly support the U.S. war efforts in Afghanistan, according to a recent survey by the Institute of Politics at Harvard University.

Seventy-nine percent of college students nationwide support U.S.-led air strikes on Afghanistan and nearly two thirds back the use of U.S. ground troops in the war, according to the poll of 1,200 randomly selected undergraduates across the country.

Seventy-one percent of male undergraduates said they would serve if the draft was reinstated and they were selected, while 26 percent said they would seek other options.

"This year's survey of undergraduates is critical because the bulk of the soldiers called to serve are young people," said former Arkansas Sen. David Pryor, director of the Institute of Politics, in a press release.

The students polled between Oct. 17 and Oct. 25 also expressed strong approval of the federal government. Sixty percent of undergraduates said they trust the government to "do the right thing," compared to 36 percent in 2000. Seventy-five percent trust the mil-

itary, while 69 percent trust the president and 62 percent trust Congress.

The survey indicated a low political involvement among students, as 72 percent said they did not participate in any government, political or issues-oriented organization.

However, 71 percent of the students said they have donated blood, given money or volunteered in relief efforts stemming from the Sept. 11 attacks.

The poll, part of an annual study of college students' attitudes toward public service and government, had a 2.8 percent margin of error.

These numbers are low compared to the 92 percent of the general population that supports the U.S.-led air strikes, according to an October ABC News survey.

"The fact that student support for the war is so high is significant," said Erin Ashwell, a Harvard senior who co-authored the report and developed the questions with the Boston-based opinion research firm SWR/DellaVolpe.

The sample is reflective of the general population of students at four-year colleges across the coun-

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Taliban recruits Muslim students

By Alex Kingsbury

DC BUREAU

(U-WIRE) MANCHESTER, England — The Islamic extremist group al-Muhajiroun has claimed that it has recruited hundreds of British Muslims to fight for the Taliban in the war with the United States and its anti-terror coalition.

The group, which targets young Muslim men at university campuses across Britain, has been under the watchful eye of the government as their recruiting drives continue. Al-Muhajiroun officials say they have sent up to 1,000 British-based Muslims to fight for the Taliban cause. However, some who are convinced to join the Taliban cause are disillusioned as to the realities of the situation.

Abu Mindar, 26, who was recruited near London by the al-Muhajiroun to fight in Afghanistan, recently told the Times newspaper that what was portrayed by al-Muhajiroun as a holy war was led by "lunatics and liars."

Mindar, who traveled to Afghanistan to fight for the Taliban, said that he was sneaked into the country, handed an AK-47 assault rifle and told to shoot at an enemy he could not see. He called the experience "chaos." Mindar, who left his wife and family in London, fears that the British will arrest him for treason and the



courtesy photo

Warfare continues in Afghanistan.

Taliban will execute him for desertion.

Lord Rooker, the Home Office Minister for Britain, said last week that those Muslims who fight for the Taliban might face treason charges if they attempt to return to the United Kingdom. Though the British government warned those who would fight for the Taliban Prime Minister Tony Blair has said that contrary to the "inflated claims" made by al-Muhajiroun the real number of British Muslims who have joined the cause is more likely "a handful."

"If you take up arms against your own country, whether in that state or abroad ... that's an offense under the 1351 Treason Act," said Rooker. "We will take out the rotten apples and they will be arrested."

The Treason Act, though once a

capital crime, is now punishable by life imprisonment.

Al-Muhajiroun have been recruiting on British university campuses since the terrorist attacks on September 11th in Washington, D.C. and New York which left thousands dead.

Many in Britain have warned Muslims in their country against extremism. While touring Islamic Relief, a charity organization in London, Prince Charles called on his countrymen to reject extremism.

"Extremism is driven by ignorance and fear, and a sheer inability ... to acknowledge our common humanity, also the deeper spiritual truths which actually unite all mankind on a deeper level, and, I am sorry to say, the reality of pain in areas of conflict in the Middle East," he said.

Med schools see decrease in aps

By Aviva Goldmann
Daily Californian

(U-WIRE) BERKELEY, Calif. — Fewer students applied to U.S. medical schools for the fifth straight year — a drop with varying effects at some University of California medical schools.

A report released Friday by the Association of American Medical Colleges showed medical school applications for the 2001-02 school year were down 6 percent from the previous year.

"Do young people still want to become doctors? Considering the downward trend in the applicant pool, the answer could well be 'no,'" Jordan Cohen, president of the association, said in a statement released Sunday.

Although officials cannot pinpoint the exact causes for the continuing decline, some officials agree schools need to convey more effectively to prospective applicants the holistic approach they take in admis-

sions.

Medical schools received 2,230 fewer applications for 2001-02 than last year, making a total of 34,859 applicants this year. The number of underrepresented minority applicants also decreased by 4.5 percent from last year, from 4,284 to 4,091 people.

There has been an acute decline, particularly among black men, Cohen said.

Cohen stated in the report the importance of GPAs and MCAT scores are overemphasized and may be deterring some qualified applicants. He urged the association not to use academic criteria as the primary factors in admissions.

"(We tend) to underemphasize — because they are harder to measure — the personal characteristics we are seeking in our applicants, and overemphasize the more easily measured indices of academic achievement," Cohen stated.

He said medical schools should stress the importance of personal

characteristics such as leadership and altruism.

But the decline in medical school applicants does not demonstrate a crisis in searching for potential doctors. The applicant pool is more than double the number of available slots, Cohen said.

Cohen attributed the downward trend in the number of medical school applicants to growing interest in business degrees, the "apparent loss of autonomy doctors used to enjoy" in the rise of the health care system, and predictions that salaries for physicians are on the decline as many medical students must pay debts nearing \$100,000 after graduation.

A growing perception that doctors are no longer respected but are "oppressed" by the health care system may also be contributing to the apparent waning of interest.

Officials from the association were unavailable for further comment Monday.

Feds taking olympic security steps

By Nora Frost
The Latent

(U-WIRE) WACO, Texas — The U.S. Secret Service Uniform Division, the FBI and the Federal Emergency Management Agency are three federal agencies that are participating in the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City. These agencies "are responsible for planning for counter-terrorist security" for the winter games, the Salt Lake Olympic Committee Web site says.

"People say with that much security, it's going to look militant, but it's not," said Erik Morken, a Baylor University senior who interned with the SLOC. Morken said he is planning to accept a management position with SLOC security after graduation this December.

"People will feel safe," he said. "Tourists will be aware that [security is] there and they will feel safe, but there won't be a militant feel."

International Olympic Committee President Jacques Rogge said in an interview on NBC Today that the government has updated the original \$265 million security budget by \$30 million to \$40 million.

"Everything is under control," Rogge said. "The security strategy does not need to be overhauled. It requires a bit more personnel and equipment, and that's underway."

Federal, state and local law enforcement and public safety agencies compose the Utah Olympic Public

Safety Command. The Secret Service, FBI and FEMA will be part of a new "national procedure to provide the public safety for National Security Special Events such as the Olympic games" since the Atlanta Olympic Park bombing in 1996, the SLOC Web site says.

A special U.S. National Guard unit of 22, named the Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team, from Buckley Air Force Base in Colorado also will be at the Winter Olympics. These weapons and medical specialists are "trained to respond to biological, chemical or nuclear attacks," the Associated Press reported.

"We'll be there in case things turn ugly," Lt. Col. Fred Hoon, the unit's commander, said in an Associated Press article.

Morken said the people he has talked to at the SLOC have not mentioned the possibility of terrorism.

Several French skiers said that they are scared to travel to the United States, according to Reuters.

"Like everybody I'm worried," Frederic Covill, a French skier, said. "As the Olympics is a huge event, it is an obvious target. But I want to go there. For the moment, I refuse to think about all this. I'll make up my mind two days before."

Morken said he does not have any terrorist anxieties and he is "confident" the security team will be able to handle "what will go on." In all, Morken said the games must continue.



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try, she said.

Some students who are critical of the war said the results of the survey did not reflect the sentiments of students on their campuses.

Mary Jirmanus, a Harvard freshman and member of the Harvard Initiative for Peace and Justice, said she thinks a larger number of Harvard students are apathetic or against the war effort.

"I would say there are a lot more people who are opposed to the use of military intervention than are doing stuff about it," she said. "My friends would say

they don't think what we are doing is right and would bring up the same arguments as I would, but they won't go out and actually do anything about it."

Jirmanus said HIPJ's first rally attracted 800 students and the group has a mailing list of 200 students, of which approximately 60 to 70 are active organizers and participants.

Jirmanus, who is also involved in the Boston Campus Anti-War Coalition, which represents the efforts of concerned students at colleges and universities in the greater Boston area, said the group is holding a regional campus conference against war and racism this weekend and expects 300 students.



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VISA: 23 million use program

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expired. Another hijacker, Hani Hanjour, entered the United States with a fraudulent student visa that was never verified by Immigration and Naturalization Services.

The INS reported that 23 million people from 29 countries arrived in the U.S. under the "visa waiver program" with no visas and hardly any scrutiny.

The INS also said that even though 7 million tourists, business visitors, foreign students and temporary workers visited the country last year as non-immigrants, they have no reliable method to track how many have left the country after their visas expire.

"In the past, our nation has been relatively lax about enforcing our immigrant policies," Feinstein stated in a press release. "We can no longer afford to operate this way. We recognize America's openness to newcomers contributes to our strength as a nation. But in these unprecedented times, we have seen terrorists take advantage of the openness."

The Feinstein-Kyl legislation aims to create a new centralized "lookout" database that would provide the INS and federal law enforcement all the information necessary to monitor, track and alert proper authorities about visitors to the United States who might be capable of doing harm.

Additionally, the bill proposes the development of a "SmartVisa" card that would place a person's biometric information such as fingerprints, retinal scans or face recognition on identification cards, according to the release.

Other security measures such as the reformation of

the visa waiver program as well as the student visa program were also included in the bill, along with new screening procedures for entering foreign nationals.

Another provision in the legislation proposes to prohibit persons obtaining student visas if they come from terrorist supported states, the release stated. However, Secretary of State Colin Powell could waive this ban for students who pass an extensive background check and if the student is determined not to pose a threat to national security.

"INS is required and the universities are required to get information from the INS on whether or not a student fails to show up to school," Hock said. "Up until now, they haven't been able to get that implemented. This legislation would require them to do it. They will ensure that to make it happen."

According to the release, 500,000 foreign nationals entered the country with foreign visas, Feinstein said in previous speeches that the foreign student visa system is one of the most under-regulated visa categories. She also said that foreign visa officials have succumbed to bribes, noting an incident in the early 1990s when five officials at four California colleges were convicted of taking bribes and providing counterfeit educational documents.

"These changes must be put in place rapidly as it is important that we work together to reform our immigration system to prevent the entry of those intent on inflicting terror and destruction in our society," Feinstein stated.

The closure of the Senate building in Washington, D.C., would not affect the Senate's vote on the bill, Hock said.

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UNLV will help not restrict

By Rainier Spencer

Associate Dean College of Liberal Arts

One of the arguments that has been referred to again and again in the debate over raising UNLV's entrance GPA to 3.0 over several years is that it would selectively limit the access of certain groups to the university.

The charge that we're trying to keep certain groups out of UNLV is a particularly galling one. UNLV President Carol Harter has done more to increase faculty, staff and student diversity at UNLV than any president in the institution's 44-year history. From my own perspective as Director of the Afro-American Studies Program here, I couldn't support the raised standards if I felt they were designed to keep Afro-American students out.

The fact is that access is only one part of the story. No one is talking about the huge problem we have with minority retention. Minority students in particular drop out of UNLV after three or four semesters at an alarming rate. What good is access if that access doesn't lead to success? We are setting students up for failure if when we admit to them they are not prepared for university-level work. They may be able to squeak by their introductory courses while on academic probation, but what happens when they hit their upper division work? The activists fighting for access aren't around for those students then.

This isn't Nevada Southern anymore, and hasn't been for quite some time. UNLV is a major university, and entering students are expected to perform at that level. The question

before us isn't one of elitism or of keeping certain groups out. No, the question is whether you blindly push under-prepared students into the university where they will fail after a few semesters, or whether you care enough to guide those who need more work to the community college where they can build the skills they need for success at the university.

There is access to the higher education system. I would prefer to see an under-prepared student go first to the community college and shore up her or his academic skills enough to be successful at UNLV, rather than see that same student enter UNLV, only to drop-out after two or three semesters. In the end it's not just about access, for access is meaningless if it doesn't lead to success.

Foods to die for: Everything

By Somer Weller

UNLV Rebel Yell

If an awful, cancerous disease does not end up killing you, watching the daily news probably will. I am so tired of hearing day in and day out that everything I eat, drink and inhale causes cancer or some equally horrid disease.

In the salon where I work, a regular client came in and canceled all of her nail appointments because she had seen a report on "20/20" that claimed acrylic nails cause cancer. At first, I didn't believe her. I figured it was just a lame way of saying that she hated our salon. I could not accept that a respectable news media would run such a stupid story.

I went to the "20/20" Web site to see if the client had been telling the truth. What I came up with was even worse than I had imagined. The basic idea was that the longer someone's fingernails are, the more bacteria they collect and the more likely someone is to develop a horrendous affliction. The story said nothing about cancer, but I can see how bacteria and cancer might sound like the exact same thing.

I decided to see if there were

any more critical health warnings on the site. I came across a piece called "Birth control and your nose." The report claimed that birth control is bad for women because it dulls the senses in the nose and therefore decreases sexual interest. How's that for some useful information, women? Let's all go out and have tons of children because we wouldn't want to hinder our sexual appetites.

On another unrelated Web site I found a list of foods that supposedly kill.

They include anything with sugars or sweeteners, margarine, water containing purifying agents, meats, eggs, cow milk, soft drinks, fruits which are non-organic and foods that are bad for your blood type, whatever type you may be.

So I guess if you don't want to die you're supposed to drink unpurified water, become a vegetarian and only shop for foods which complement your blood type.

It makes sense to me.

Thanks for the information, but I would rather eat what I like and die a few years earlier than spend my entire life undernourished and worrying about everything that's on my plate.



Libertarians protest Isolationism

Ian Jankowitz

Guest Submission

I am writing to clarify some obvious mistakes in the article written by "Lew the Libertarian," published on Monday, Oct. 29 titled "Being A Patriot." There were many flaws in the article, the main two being his confusion of the term "Libertarian" and how this relates to U.S. foreign policy, as well as ignorance in relation to which countries do and don't have terrorist problems.

Mr. Whitten seems to class Libertarians as those who were encouraging the United States to revert to the pre-World War I foreign policy of isolationism. This policy dominated United States affairs until roughly 1917, when America entered World War I and encouraged America to concern itself with its only foreign issues in order to develop and grow as a country. This failed in the 20th century for a variety of reasons mainly surrounding pressure from European countries for help in ending World War I.

The Libertarian reasoning for America to withdraw troops from other countries is not to protect American interests at home, but rather to prevent the double standards occurring in U.S. foreign policy. As demonstrated by both the current "War on Terrorism" and The Gulf War, America supported these dicta-

torial regimes in order to promote its own influences in the area. During the Cold War, it was America that supplied arms and training to the Taliban's troops in order for the Taliban to kick the Russians out.

Ten years later, the people they once supported transformed into the enemy. Similarly, in Iraq, during the Iran/Iraq wars, America supplied Saddam Hussein with arms, technology and training in order to ensure that they would beat Iran and therefore promote U.S. interests in the area. Once again, 10 years later Hussein used U.S. weaponry and technology to fight the Americans in The Gulf War.

Ultimately, it is this that the Libertarians are protesting. They aren't encouraging a return to Isolationism as stated by Mr. Whitten, but rather to bring U.S. troops home to avoid the double standards being created in U.S. foreign policy.

The second problem with Mr. Whitten's argument is that the examples he gives for success with Isolationism as a reputable foreign policy is Australia and Sweden. As an Australian, I was deeply offended by the ignorance being displayed by Mr. Whitten on this issue.

Throughout the 20th century, Australia has made a concerted effort to be involved in world political

affairs, although this was often to a lesser degree than America. This is simply due to a smaller population and less resources. In World War I, Australia sent more troops to fight than America did. More recently, Australia just pledged 1,500 troops to the War on Terrorism. They are currently on their way to Afghanistan.

Similarly, Australia has recently had a number of terrorist issues to deal with. Post-Sept. 11, the MLC center (a big Australian insurance company) in Indonesia had a bomb threat where they found a package that was in fact a bomb and was proven to be linked to bin Laden's Al Qaeda.

The University of New South Wales, one of Australia's top universities, recently had three bomb scares in one week that are linked to the recent terrorist attacks in the United States. Recently, bin Laden announced a Jihad on Australia for its involvement in the war on terrorism. Clearly Australia isn't an isolationist.

I suggest that Mr. Whitten check his facts more thoroughly before writing his articles. As a proposed Libertarian, be clearer on the arguments of your fellow Libertarians when presenting them. As well as this, please don't show your educational ignorance by discussing the foreign policies of countries that you clearly know nothing about.

A call for cell phone-free roads

Leandra Binder

UNLV Rebel Yell

A few weeks ago, I was in a car accident. It wasn't very serious; it just shook me up. Some dumb lady slammed into my poor little car's rear end. When I pulled into a nearby parking lot and managed to start my heart up again, that's when I saw it. The cell phone. Oh, no. I'm a statistic. I thought.

The woman got out, still assuring the person on the other end of the line that she was all right. I wanted to lecture her. No one can lecture like me. I yell and scream. I use big words. I quote Scripture and statistics and bring forth curses from Hell. I didn't lecture her though. I was sick, and I didn't have the energy. Instead, I just sighed and checked to see if my trunk still opened and closed while she finished talking.

My experience made me wonder what many have wondered before me: why do people use cell phones while driving? Do they have a death wish? That's the only logical explanation I can come up with.

A person is inside a 3,000 pound hunk of metal, filled with gasoline, that is capable of moving at an average of 80 mph, which the driver alone controls. Pedestrians are running into the street. Other giant hunks of metal are abruptly stopping in front, swerving all around and forever changing lanes. It's the driving test from Hell. The last thing a person needs is to be concentrating on something else.

I request that this person would leave me out of their suicide attempt. Driving is not the same as walking and chewing bubble gum at the same time. Chewing doesn't require thought; it's a natural thing. No one is thinking, "chew, chew, chew..." Besides, even if the chewing person is an idiot and trips, they're walking. Falling down doesn't have a high mortality rate among those whose teeth are still strong enough to chew gum.

Talking is very different. Talking should require thought. If anyone is talking without thinking at all, they probably don't have anyone to talk to. Thus, they pose no threat. However, anyone who is thinking about what they are saying when they should be thinking about driving needs to decide between their life or their conversation. If this decision can't be made, at least stop driving behind me.



Linda Howard's response

By Linda Howard
University Regent

I do not write this as a response to the one written earlier on this subject by a gentleman who is a UNLV Director of the Afro-American Studies, even though the gentleman did attack me personally and has continued to do so in subsequent statements.

I interpret his remarks as a plea of help for one who has lost his way in the jungles of academia, whose mind is seemingly clouded with self-importance. That makes such a person incapable of distinguishing the forest from the trees. If a professor finds himself in such a state, it would be inappropriate for him to be elevated from the forest floor by being adverse to others. The professor could render a better service to the university by using his research capabilities to find the truth.

Let us deal with the facts: The problem that minority groups seem to have with our university system is not a 3.0 GPA, but rather one of the retention. The admission requirement of a 3.0 GPA seems to be a phantom issue. The information that I had requested from UNLV, some of which, appeared in the Nov. 4 *Review Journal*, indicates that students entering UNLV with less than a 3.0 GPA, do just as well as students who enter with a 3.0 GPA or higher; and in many cases they do better. To make the GPA a sole admission entrance requirement would prevent many of those students, minority and others, from matriculating successfully in higher education environment.

So the debate should not be about students having a certain GPA to get into our university, but about why university retention rates are so low. If we deal with retention rates, then the arguments should shift to whether or not we have the appropriate faculty and

administrators to address this particular issue. The low retention rate seems to suggest that there is a lack of focus on the intellect, citizenship, student's well-being and character.

The lack of such focus seems to engender a judgment on the part of those who are responsible for the education of our students. A judgment which allows faculty and administrators to be more appreciable of those students who have been predisposed to higher education by being the sons and daughters of accountants, bankers, doctors, lawyers, etc. It is my belief that if our university system focuses on the characteristics of intellect, citizenship, a student's well-being and character, we would no doubt be forced to plan for the success of students through the coordination of academics and student services. I further believe this would no doubt lead to identifying those factors which cause low retention. I would tend to believe that a university would want to know those risk factors that are a bar for student achievement rather than putting forth unjustifiable methods which are unproven in academic circles.

Would it be asking too much to have faculty and administrators spend some time in determining a student's style of learning? Would it be asking too much of the faculty and administrators to make a student aware as to how to take good notes? I think not. If we are going to utilize our university as a means of greater improvement in society, these things should become an obligation of any university system.

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Hanna Fletcher

Hanna's Humor

The Beach: No lifeguard on duty

I celebrated my birthday last weekend at one of the most insane clubs in Las Vegas - the Beach. Where else can you drink tequila from the crotch of a bartender in a gladiator costume, become gift wrapped in streams of toilet paper and win a free drink in the distinguished fake orgasm contest?

Partying at the Beach is like running around on the set of "Baywatch" - if Pam Hasselhoff and Carmen Electra were undulating in the sand in a drunken orgy. Everywhere you turn there are women in thong bikinis and men in coconut oil. If Satan and the seven deadly sins were looking for willing converts, this would be their gold mine.

Unlike some of the other clubs in Vegas, the Beach is not snotty, exclusive or elitist. The crowd is so diverse you're likely to run into Borg, the sexy international exchange student from your philosophy class as well as the professor of that same course. They'll both be doing body shots off a bikini-clad waitress, riding the club's display surfboard like it's a circus pony, and straddling their neckties in burlesque fashion.

I got to enjoy this spectacle with no guilt because it was my birthday. Birthdays are the only day of the year when you can break your diet, consume ridiculous amounts of alcohol and practice the positions of the Kama Sutra with someone who isn't your fiancée without burning in Hell.

In fact, every birthday I try to do something that would get me

arrested and placed in a mental institution in several of the Bible belt states. This year I turned two children's party hats into a Madonna-style seud missile bra and lit the points on fire. Flaming Barbie boobs might not get you a date with the bartender but it certainly clears a path for you to the bar.

If only this outfit attracted the good-looking guys, and not the universally disgusting men salivating over every woman in a cone bra. It never fails when I go to a club. The most uncoordinated, unappealing man wants to dance with me. You know - the guy in the leopard-print M.C. Hammer pants and sheer mesh 80s T-shirt. He's the only guy in the club doing the running man dance while trying to rub up against me like a rabies-inflicted dog in heat. Why? Why?

At least my favorite birthday guest entertained me: my mom. As I looked down from the balcony, where I was hiding from the abnormal dancing guy, I saw my beloved mother on her knees between the legs of a well-oiled hunk clad in only a flimsy loin-cloth. She was joyfully taking a shot from a tequila bottle firmly placed in his crotch. It's then that I realized - my mother is not like other mothers.

But that's the joy of the Beach - every night is like Halloween. If you're a stressed-out, do-good student, you can be a 'bad to the bone' dominatrix.

How does that saying go? "Life's a beach." If life only were that good.

Gay orgs shove their acceptance

Scott Laird
Guest Submission

Am I the only gay guy who thinks the gay movement is bunk? The Gay Straight Freedom Alliance and other gay oriented groups around campus stand more for hypocrisy than they do for diversity.

How can you call your organization a celebration of diversity when you seemingly abhor everyone who has an opinion not in line with yours? Instead, you get together and complain about whomever doesn't seem to see things the way you do. I would join, but I gave up going to church a long time ago.

The bra burning and picketing lost popularity in the 1970s. Oh sure, we're still oppressed today, but

I don't really feel it is appropriate that we have to import bigots like Fred Phelps from Kansas in order to stage our little panty bunching counter-protests.

I also find the displays picturing Lily Tomlin to be in poor taste. True, she has lived with a woman for a number of years. True, she has made allusions to the fact that she may be lesbian. Has she come out? No. The display is not only defamatory, but it is also a slap in the face to her wishes to not be labeled.

Stop shoving acceptance in everyone's face. Stop with the "gay is good." Trust me, there's a lot of gay jerks out there. Gay organizations make more of an issue out of being gay than anyone else. A lot of

people really don't care.

It's time to hang up the culottes and capri pants, boys. There are men out there who find occasion to be gay without feeling the need to shop in the Jr. Miss section at Penney's. Discrimination because you're gay? It happens, but in small pockets. Discrimination because of your "activist, and thus holier than thou" demeanor?

Discrimination because of your self-service and disdain for all things straight in nature? More than likely, yes.

Maybe you shouldn't be fighting for equality for gays. Maybe you should be fighting for equal rights for men in capri pants. Just remember the two are not linked.

Letters to the Editor

To the editor:

Last week I e-mailed editor Mike Zigler to see if the *Rebel Yell* would be interested in coverage of the Warren Buffett lecture. Unable to produce coverage of the lecture in a timely fashion, I asked if I could approach it from a UNLV business class prospective on what they learned and valued from the lecture. That approach was approved by Zigler.

Dr. McAllister, professor of a UNLV Advanced Organizational Behavior class, and the students themselves allowed me to cover their discussion.

The article I wrote is not the one that appeared in last Thursday's *Rebel Yell*, although it carries my name. Nor is the "your" grammatical error so clearly pointed out by English student Anthony Patricia in

Monday's letter to the editor.

First, I want to apologize to Dr. McAllister for what turned out to be misrepresentation. Also a quote of his was attributed to "one student." I would also like to apologize to the class for sharing their insights for coverage in the *Rebel Yell*, which also turned out to be a misrepresentation.

Next, an apology goes to Dan Stewart for the *Rebel Yell* printing he "left the lecture surprised" when he didn't convey or say that to me in his interview.

Lastly, I would like to apologize to all the students who truly could have benefited from the real coverage of this subject, and though unable to attend themselves, may have been able to glean information from other students.

I had a hard time with several of

those I interviewed convincing them that the *Rebel Yell* is a credible information source. This is not my first time writing for the *Rebel Yell*, but it will be my last. It will also be the last time I read it.

We have been asked in our journalism classes to support the "Yell." However, many of us who have been victims of such hacking choose to no longer do so.

Shame on whoever edited my piece. Perhaps if they spent less time rewriting someone else's work they would have more time to find credible stories of their own.

The *Rebel Yell* seems to be more interested in publishing lobotomized articles, salacious smut and quotable foul language than it is newsworthy information.

Sylvia Harber

To the Editor:

I can not believe Ms. Weller compared Al Gores military service in Vietnam to Dubya's flying experimental planes no further away than the Texas boundaries. Mr Gore had eight years to prepare for the presidency, while Bush Sr. took his son aside at age 45 and told him it was

time to stop his boozing and drug-ging and to get his act together. He then made him run for Governor and with his connections, Jr. was elected.

If Bush Sr. would have gone in and actually kicked Saddam Hussein's butt the way he promised to, long before the Democrats came

into the picture, we wouldn't be dealing with this mess now. Now his daddy is helping him to try and make up for the past.

What a waste of space in your paper.

Linda Lane
Senior

off the mark

by Mark Parisi



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Death increases while usage declines



Adam Hill & Mike Zigler / UNLV Rebel Yell

Students can give their tobacco to Clark County Health Department volunteers during a three-day UNLV 'Working to be Tobacco Free' campaign starting Tuesday. Students first must sign a pledge card to try and quit smoking. In return, students will receive a \$5 gift certificate with a chance for a \$50 UNLV bookstore gift certificate following a check-up.

By Jeantell Jackson
UNLV Rebel Yell

Yellow teeth, gum recession, shortness of breath, black lungs, bad breath and stained fingers are the many joys that come with smoking. Why would anyone want to stop smoking?

How about the fact that in the next 24 hours, 1,810 Americans will die from tobacco use, according to the American Lung Association. Approximately 430,700 people die from tobacco related diseases each year.

Not only do thousands of tobacco users die each year, but also those exposed to environmental tobacco smoke, known as second-hand smoke. Each year about 3,000 non-smokers die from lung cancer and an estimated 62,000 die from coronary heart disease.

The UNLV Health Center along with the Student Health Advisory Committee and the Clark County Health District are doing their part to make sure UNLV students do not become tobacco statistics. Tuesday will begin the UNLV Working to be Tobacco Free campaign. The three-day event will touch on cigarettes and smokeless tobacco, such as chewing tobacco and passive smoke.

"We want to increase awareness of tobacco," health educa-

tor Bridget Monhan said. "People do not realize the dangers of tobacco and second-hand smoke."

Students will have the opportunity to receive a \$5 gift certificate with pledge cards, obtainable when students turn in their tobacco products to volunteers of the CCHD Tuesday through Thursday and pledge to try to quit their tobacco habit. Volunteers will later conduct follow-ups on those who pledge. Those who keep their promise may receive a gift certificate towards the UNLV Book Store for \$50.

Participants of the event will offer information on tobacco and its effects through demonstrations and informational pamphlets. Blackened lungs and heart damage are among the many effects that the volunteers will show. The pamphlets will include material on the myths of weight loss, weight gain, stress and smoking.

Television and magazine advertisements continually warn smokers and potential smokers on the dangers of smoking, but people continue to smoke.

Nevada has the highest per capita smoking population in the country with 31.5 percent of Nevadan adults smoking, according to the Oral Cancer Foundation. Tobacco is the leading cause of deaths and disabilities, killing 10 million people every year

within 20 years.

Prevalence of smoking among persons age 18-24 years has not increased significantly; this age group continues to have the highest smoking prevalence, according to the U. S. Department of Health and Human Resources.

Though the dangers of tobacco are continually preached, how to break the habit needs attention. It may not be easy, but it is possible.

The National Institute of Health and the American Cancer Society suggest that those who really want to quit tobacco use can by first making the positive decision to do so. Then, choose the best method, cold turkey or gradual cessation. Supportive friends and family are also recommended as well as cleaning all possessions that have scents of tobacco. For smokeless tobacco users, chewing a cinnamon stick can be used to replace chewing tobacco. All should drink large amounts of fluids, not alcohol, to rid the body of nicotine.

Products such as Zyban, an antidepressant, can assist with nicotine withdrawal symptoms.

Students looking to quit can receive support by calling the Nevada Tobacco Users helpline at 877-0684, or by visiting the Student Health Center.

Men's sexual health as important as women's

By Evelyn R. Turner
UNLV Rebel Yell

Men's health is apparently overshadowed by women's issues. Women have Breast Cancer Awareness Month, but why don't men have Testicular Cancer Awareness Month? After all, it ranks as the most common cancer among men ages 20 to 25.

Taking good health for granted is easy to do when you're young.

Similar to the requirements women have for monthly breast exams, Thriveonline.com suggests men conduct testicular examinations.

"The most important thing is prevention, and a testicular self-exam to check for lumps is the best way," said Tina Saddler, nurse practitioner at the Student Health Center.

Signs to look for are a small, painless lump in a testicle, or a slightly enlarged testicle. Other possible symptoms include a feeling of heaviness in the scrotum, a dull ache in the lower stomach or groin, or a sudden accumulation of blood or fluid in the scrotum.

If these symptoms are detected, it does not mean cancer has developed, but you should see your doctor.

"Most men don't get tested because they think they have to do a swab test," Saddler said.

For the last six months, the Health Center has conducted urine exams in place of the swab test for men's sexual health.

Testing for HIV and other Sexually Transmitted Diseases can help ensure sexual health for life. Ignoring a potential problem doesn't eliminate it. Early detection is essential and can prevent transmission to a partner.

According to the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease, more than 20 STD's have been identified and more than 13 million men and women in this country each year.

Saddler added that herpes and HPV, the cause of genital warts, are big problems on college campuses.

With the high demands of college, it is hard to find time to exercise and eat healthy. Walking, running or playing a quick game of basketball are all easy ways to squeeze in a workout, contributing to a physically and sexually healthier and happier life.

Saddler offered three suggestions to maintain such a life: Maintain responsibility of your own



Evelyn Turner / UNLV Rebel Yell

Walking, running and lifting weights are easy ways to squeeze in a workout, which contributes to a healthier physical and sexual life.

health. Protect yourself and others from STD's because men can have

them without symptoms. Lastly, men should also take equal respon-

sibility for contraceptives to prevent unwanted pregnancies.

Emmys fashionably late



the winner is...

Drama Series "The West Wing,"
Comedy Series "Sex and the City"
Actor, Drama Series James Gandolfini, "The Sopranos"
Actress, Drama Series Edie Falco, "The Sopranos"
Actor, Comedy Series Eric McCormack, "Will & Grace"
Actress, Comedy Series Patricia Heaton, "Everybody Loves Raymond"
Supporting Actor, Drama Series Bradley Whitford, "The West Wing"
Supporting Actress, Drama Series Allison Janney, "The West Wing"
Supporting Actor, Comedy Series Peter MacNicol, "Ally McBeal"
Supporting Actress, Comedy Series Doris Roberts, "Everybody Loves Raymond"

By Erik Ball
 UNLV Rebel Yell

Anne Heche even thought the security at the 53rd Emmy Awards Show in Los Angeles was crazy. Metal-detectors, armed security guards and roof top SWAT team officers accompanied the array of celebrities Sunday night, battling television ratings and the determined Diamondbacks.

The setting for the popular television awards show was unusually awkward, and attendees didn't know what to expect as host Ellen Degeneres took the stage donning a leathery swan-dress mocking the Iceland pop star Bjork. The rather thick atmosphere was lifted as star presenters ribbed lightly and addressed the evening in respectable tones.

Not surprisingly, the awards ceremony suffered in ratings as the majority of the population tuned to watch the very dramatic Game seven of the World Series. Some would agree that the Diamondbacks

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Book predictions relieve baseball boredom

By Louise Patterson
 UNLV Rebel Yell

I really can't stand baseball. I find it to be the most boring sport ever created. The best part of going to a baseball game is purchasing overpriced merchandise and ogling people around the park with binoculars, catching them in acts they think no one sees.

However, due to the overexposure of the World Series, for some reason I found myself inexplicably desirous to find out who would win Game seven. Instead, I resisted the urge to watch a sport I loathe, and forced myself to do something creative.

The result of this burst of energy is a festival of insensitive criticism leveled at a few choice selections for Monday's *New York Times* Fiction Hardcover Bestseller List. Short descriptions of the novels are followed by my synopsis of the plot. Please, if you are reading or plan to read any of the following books, don't blame me if they turn out exactly as I predict.

This week's #1 bestseller was Danielle Steele's "The Kiss," a novel about "[t]he wife of a cold-hearted Parisian banker [who] conducts a long-distance platonic relationship with a Washington power broker who is also trapped in an empty marriage." First, no relationship between a man and a woman is ever strictly platonic, especially if it's a Danielle Steele novel, so we can easily deduce that wife and powerman end up falling tenderly in love, without all that pesky passion and sex. Steele seems to be writing for the women who someday hope to be loved for their vivacity, independence, intelligence, profound instinct for living life to the fullest and their knack for always doing the right thing. Their physical beauty is not important, but the men of their dreams will love the way they look anyway. This is why "The Kiss" should actually be filed under Fantasy Bestsellers, but Fiction must suffice. Anyway, the two miserables don't commit adultery because they are the ones who have given their all to the marriages they are currently in, but their spouses sure do! Eventually, after a few years of soul-connecting letters and phone calls they marry and live happily ever after. Snoozefest.

The #2 bestseller this week is titled "Isle of Dogs" by Patricia Daniels-Cornwell. Its synopsis reads "When the governor of

Virginia installs speed traps on all streets and highways, an island in Chesapeake Bay declares war on its own state." Did someone actually write an entire book this boring, or was she recently inspired by the A&E special she watched on the Revolutionary War? I can't imagine squeezing more than six chapters out of a plot like that, probably because I would hate to bore my readers to death with all those unnecessary details,

such as car interiors or how Mrs. Johnson arranges all of the cow-themed knick-knacks in her kitchen. I suppose the obvious answer to how this book ends is people win. And don't they always?

She is, after all, writing for all those bored community members who like to drive as fast as they can on their way home to that little bit of purchased paradise.

Moving on to this week's #3, "Midnight Bayou," by Nora Roberts. In this masterpiece "a Boston lawyer abandons his practice and moves to the outskirts of New Orleans, where the house he is renovating seems to hold terrible secrets." Secrets that probably involve murder, a girl and a sketchy next-door neighbor. He uncovers the house's awful past and sets everything aright so that he can live happily ever after in the charming fixer-upper he got for a bargain with his "partner" Lance.

Next #4 is "The Corrections" by Jonathan Franzen, "a multigenerational saga in which a mother tries to bring her dysfunctional family together for a final Christmas at home." Basically Jerry Springer in a book, except everyone vents with a fine reconciliation at the end. They all realize the spirit of Christmas doesn't mean giving your wife a black eye, or giving "little willy" to your sister, but something else entirely. I can't imagine who is reading this book except for people like me who adore titillating tales of other people's misery and can add it to their annals of white trash heritage.

Since I haven't read any of these books, this is always my favorite type of critiquing, because I don't have to justify anything I write. The moment I read one of the foul things I have to utilize all my knowledge of plot, dialogue, development, character or otherwise, etc. and present a fair and impartial opinion, which never is any fun at all. Since this is my column, however, I plan to refrain from doing so and save that for the papers I must write in class.



Monsters More cute than scary



courtesy of Disney/Pixar

Sulley and Mike Wazowski show up for work at Monsters Inc., the largest scream processing facility in the monster world.

By Marlene Smith
 UNLV Rebel Yell

So I'm thinking to myself, as I sit through at least 25 minutes of Disney movie previews, does the world really need another Disney movie? After seeing "Monsters Inc." I will not hesitate in saying yes.

"Monsters Inc." is about the frightfully funny world of monsters and mayhem that is sure to scare up a lot of laughs.

In Monstropolis, monsters work with casual attitudes fearing only one small thing, the mere touch of the children they scare every night.

That's right, in Monster-land the monsters are afraid of the chil-

dren in our world. With one touch a monster's life could be changed forever.

With celebrity voices for the monsters including John Goodman as Sullivan, or Sulley as his monster friends call him, and Billy Crystal as Mike the Cyclops, the show creeps around fast humor that appeased children and the adults in the audience. The real star was the little girl "Boo," who got trapped in the reality of the Monster World. I'm not a huge fan of child actors, but this little girl's voice stole the show.

It was up to Sulley to help Boo get back to her world with a little help from his best friend Mike.

If you choose to brave the world of Monstropolis in *Monsters Inc.*, you will encounter many laughs. Disney has certainly outdone themselves again, creating an amazing reality that pops you in the center of a very truly hairy situation. It reminded me of a kid friendly spin on the "Star Wars" bar scene - unique and sometimes comically disturbing. For all you hard-core Disney fans, you will be treated to the obligatory tender moments.

"Monsters Inc." is cute. It's worth seeing if you have kids, nieces, nephews or if you just want to bring out the kid in you.

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EMMYS



Kelsey Grammer
Actor

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should have away walked with an Emmy of their own.

Celebrities had mixed emotions regarding the tight security. Kelsey Grammer and Sally Field both took the extra measure in stride and casually waited in line to be escorted through the metal detectors. John Spencer of NBC's "The West Wing" thought the added security made the evening a little dreary. He added, "We have to ... get on with our lives."

Many celebrities donned patriotic memorabilia saluting the efforts at ground zero and thanking various valiant firefighters and police officers.

Overall the event was warm and cozy, but the Emmys never seem to leave the tarmac in their efforts to soar with the Oscars. The entertainment value is never at a level that deems the program's dreary agenda acceptable.

Although Degeneres did deliver what most would consider a strong offering of silly bits and respectable transitions. She still has tough competition, however, with Steve Martin surely making a comeback as the newly crowned awards show king.

I find it amusing how both hosts dated Anne Heche at one time. Crazy.



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May the Bard Be With You!

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Upcoming Student Events & Activities

By Louise Patterson
UNLV Rebel Yell

NOVEMBER 8, 2001

Dr. Martha Knack of the Women's Research Institute of Nevada has penned "Boundaries Between: The Southern Paiutes, 1775-1995." Attend her **Author's Reception** at the Lied Library from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is free, and the event is open to the public.

Stop by the Barrick Museum and take a look at "Hidden Lives: Private Visions Art Exhibition." This exhibition, which runs until Dec. 1, features contemporary Irish art. Admission is free, and the event is open to the public.

Head to the Donna Beam Fine Art Gallery and see **Tim Gardner's Recent Watercolors**. This exhibit ends Saturday, so hurry and visit from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Free and open to the public.

NOVEMBER 9, 2001

Shakespeare's "A Comedy of Errors," performed by the University Theatre and directed by Michael Luegering, opens Friday at 8 p.m. Other showings include Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m., Nov. 15, 16 and 17 at 8 p.m. and at 2 p.m. Nov. 18 at the Judy Bayley Theatre. Tickets are \$10 for students. This should be a great performance, so support your fellow students.

The Bangarra Dance Theatre presents **Australian Aboriginal Dance** for one night only at 8 p.m. in Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall. Tickets are \$26-\$44 for students and, if available, are \$10 one hour prior to the show. This looks like another great show, and although it's not student-produced, how often do you get to see an Australian dance company?



courtesy photo

NOVEMBER 11, 2001

The Southern Nevada Musical Arts Society presents their **Musical Arts Orchestra and Chorus Concert I**. They will perform selections in honor of those who lost their lives Sept. 11, including Franz Schubert's Mass in A flat. Tickets are \$10 for students, \$15 general admission at the Ham Concert Hall, 3 p.m.



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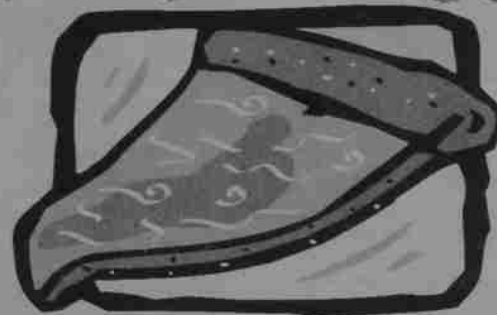
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Volleyball season nears end

Randall M Larson
UNLV Rebel Yell

The UNLV volleyball team lost its second consecutive match Tuesday night to in-state rival UNR. The Rebels won the first two games of the match but were unable to close out the Wolfpack, and saw them win the final three games.

Sophomore outside hitters Patricia Assuncao and Michelle Johnson led the Rebels offensively with 18 kills each. Assuncao also had 14 digs in what proved to be her fifth double-double of the season.

Assuncao has now earned over 200 kills, and has led the Rebels offensively in most of their matches this season. Blair Wilkes is the only Rebel to have more kills than Assuncao.

Assuncao has traveled a long way to play volleyball at UNLV, but she is doing well here. She comes from Sao Paulo, Brazil, and has been playing volleyball since she was 12.

"In 1992, when Brazil won the gold medal, volleyball was big in the nation. Everyone played in clubs," she said.

The national obsession that resulted not only produced one outstanding volleyball player for

the Rebels, but two. Assuncao was lured to UNLV by former club teammate and current Rebel Julia Goes. They played together when Assuncao was 15. When it came time to choose where to play volleyball after high school, it was the influence of Goes that helped her

"When things go bad, there is nobody to talk to. It just isn't the same talking on the phone."

Patricia Assuncao,
UNLV volleyball player and Brazil native on being far from home

make the decision to attend UNLV.

The only trial that Assuncao faces being so far from home is not having family close by to be with.

"When things go bad, there is no one to talk to. It just isn't the same talking on a phone," she said.

But even being far from home, she is very happy to be here. She loves the city and hopes that her time here will help her achieve the goal she has set to play professionally in Europe.

Before that comes about, however, Assuncao realizes that there

is work to be done here. That includes moving from the middle, a position she played all through high school, to her current outside position. She had to move to outside hitter because she was not tall enough to play middle at the collegiate level.

"I like to block and hit the fast balls, but if I am playing, I am happy," Assuncao said.

She feels that along with scoring points on this young team, she must fire up her teammates and share her enthusiasm during the games.

It is a constant struggle that has been noted throughout the season. With the team being so young, they have had a hard time focusing and having the mental strength to finish out close games, which has been proven twice in less than a week.

Now the Rebels have a difficult two game stretch before entering the MWC Tournament. They play BYU Friday night and then Utah on Saturday. Both home games start at 7 p.m.

Assuncao hopes she can help the Rebels to finish strong and go into tournament next week. The only way the Rebels will get to play in the NCAA tournament is to win the conference tournament.

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Jensen will finish her career known as a clutch player tallying eight goals and three assists for 19 points, but she is known more for when she scored, not by how much. Five of her eight goals were game-winning goals. In addition to her timely scoring, Jensen played both outside midfield positions and as a forward.

Krivacic played and anchored the defensive midfield for her four years, recording three goals, and one assist for seven points. Her biggest attribute was her solid play defensively and her leadership.

Polokow is the only one of the seniors to play in all 76 games, establishing the current school record. A defenseman for most of her career, she recorded three goals and two assists for eight points. Her leadership and heart will be sorely missed next year.

The Rebels finish out the year in the MWC tournament, and if they place well in it, they will have a shot

to play in the NCAA tournament.

After finishing the year at 10-6-2, the Rebels earned the No. 3 seed in the MWC Tournament, but will not have to face either of the favorites, BYU or Utah, unless they reach the finals.

The Rebels played Wyoming in the first round of a game that wasn't completed when the UNLV Rebel Yell went to press. Two weeks ago, the Rebels beat the Cowgirls 3-2 in overtime in Laramie.

The men's team, on the other hand, will be playing in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation tournament as the No. 5 seed and will face San Diego State in the first round.

The Rebels tied the Aztecs 2-2 earlier in the year. UNLV finished the regular season with an 8-7-1 record, but played four ranked teams, finishing 1-3 against those teams.

In order for UNLV to get a tournament bid they would have to win the MPSF tournament to receive the automatic bid.

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you can kiss season ticket holders goodbye.

You can give all sorts of answers for the Rebels' setback for a season, but today it doesn't matter. The Rebels had commercial and fan expectations to uphold, and still do.

First, it was to crack the top 25 for the first time in ages. After that, it was to win out most of the conference schedule and contend for the Mountain West title. Next, the Rebels needed to win their last three games to make the postseason. Now, it is a test to replenish fan loyalty - to show they aren't going to give up.

Losing 20 seniors, many at key positions, will not help matters - especially after the way UNLV handled crucial vacancies this season.

Let's be blunt. Las Vegas isn't North Carolina, where every week 50,000 people would come in religious devotion to support a winless team. Las Vegas is impatient and demands winners at the drop of a dime.

UNLV made excellent progress by shoring up the most national television coverage in school history for 2001. However, the Rebels aren't Notre Dame, who can get away with being 3-5 and still retain nationwide coverage on NBC. UNLV went 1-1 on ABC regional coverage, but

amassed a 0-3 record on ESPN. The only encouraging outcome for network television executives to consider is the Rebels weren't blown away in any of those appearances.

UNLV has a legitimate urgency, even at 3-6.

The bright side is the Rebels only have to win a couple more games. Not seven, and not three - just two.

It is Coach John Robinson's expectation to eventually inject national notoriety into the program. If that wasn't his intention, I couldn't tell by his commitment to this school. Rebel football still may be close to achieving that goal.

Shades of old Rebel woes come to mind after reminiscing about this season. However, these Rebels played a difficult schedule, and lost three games by a combined 10 points.

A lot of folks expected the team to be ready to beat those tough competitors and win those close games.

A lot of people believed 2001 to be the big year, myself included.

The Rebels must show up the next two weeks and play their hearts out. There is still much riding on their performance - unless the underclassmen want to play in front of an empty Sam Boyd Stadium.

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UNLV now sets out to win back respect

By Adam Hill
UNLV Rebel Yell

UNLV looks to close out what has been a very disappointing season on a high note, with what appears to be two evenly matched conference road games, the first of which will be a meeting with New Mexico in Albuquerque Saturday afternoon.

The meeting between the schools accounted for UNLV's most dramatic victory last season. The Rebels defeated the Lobos 18-14 on Nate Turner's touchdown catch in the corner of the Sam Boyd Stadium south end zone in the last 20 seconds of the game.

That win kept UNLV's hopes for a bowl game alive. Those kind of dramatics wouldn't have the same meeting this year as UNLV has already been eliminated from post-season contention.

The Rebels will be playing for pride and for momentum going into next season as they try to spoil New Mexico's hopes for a postseason appearance.

The Lobos enter the game 4-4 for the year and need to win at least two of their final three games to have a chance.

New Mexico is young at the quarterback position, which was taken over by sophomore Casey Kelly. He has been effective, however, racking up 320 passing yards

against Air Force two weeks ago.

His numbers weren't pretty against San Diego State last week, but his team got the victory.

Even with their recent success and UNLV's struggles, the Lobos know better than to take the Rebels lightly.

"This week, I think we'll have to be much better on offense and score many points if we want to win," UNM Coach Rocky Long said. "UNLV has a great defense and the potential of scoring a lot of points on offense."

UNLV had boasted one of the top rushing attacks in the nation, but suffered through a miserable 38 rushing yard performance Saturday. The effort dropped them to 13th in the nation on the ground.

Before the game, they were an impressive fourth nationally in rushing yards.

The Rebels hope to rebound in that category if they can get their star running backs Joe Haro and Dominique Dorsey, back healthy this week.

The Rebels lead the all-time series with the Lobos 5-3, including last year's thriller. The Rebels also sport an impressive 16-6 record in all games played against teams from New Mexico when you include their meetings with New Mexico State and New Mexico-Highlands.



Capra Jensen / UNLV Rebel Yell

UNLV running back Joe Haro (34) hopes to help the Rebel rushing attack get back on track Saturday when the Rebels play at New Mexico.

UNM, however, has defeated UNLV three of the five times the teams have met in Albuquerque.

The Lobos find themselves at 4-4 on the year and 3-2 in the conference after winning their last two games against MWC rivals Air Force and San Diego State.

The teams have four common

opponents this season, and both teams are 2-2 in these games.

Both teams lost to both BYU and Utah, while defeating Wyoming and San Diego State. Even the scores of the games are fairly similar, as they both lost to BYU by four points and were blown out by Utah.

UNLV has scored more impres-

sive victories, however, defeating Wyoming by 21 and San Diego State by 28, while New Mexico's wins came by one and five points, respectively.

The game kicks off at 4 p.m. and will be broadcast locally on KLAS TV-8 and ESPN 920-AM on the radio.

Rebels now need to win back the fans



Capra Jensen / UNLV Rebel Yell

UNLV cornerback Jamal Wynn (19) and the rest of the Rebels try to avoid watching the season slip completely out of their grasp.

By Mike Villa Jr.
UNLV Rebel Yell

'A good ass-kicking' is something the Utah Utes have routinely given to the Rebels in recent years.

But last Saturday, Utah did far more damage than just kicking Rebel tail. They gave UNLV a one-way ticket out of the post season, ensuring backward progress to a team that was on its way up. And, they shattered Las Vegas' fragile belief in the program.

Ready for the icing on the cake? The Rebels accepted it - hands down, no questions asked.

You may ask what more is there

to play for? My response: To save the entire fan base and national attention this team has worked to build the last three seasons.

Las Vegas residents have no incentive to follow their team after watching them virtually quit after halftime of the home finale.

Frankly, if the Rebels finish 5-6 by winning their last two, Rebel fans may have a light heart and retain interest for next fall. Finishing 4-7, and heaven forbid 3-8, could be a disaster. With records like the latter,

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Kickers head into tourneys

Bon Turner
UNLV Rebel Yell

When the women's soccer team takes the field this week for the Mountain West Conference tournament, it will mark the last time that the original recruiting class that started the program in 1997 will play on Peter Johann memorial field.

There are five seniors left from the original class. They are Anita Pedford, Janae Sims,

Suzanne Jensen, Robyn Krivacic and Marni Polokow.

Since the very first game they played together, these seniors were given the task to build up a program from the very bottom. As the years went by, they were provided with more help from subsequent recruiting classes, but the class of 2002 became leaders on a team that has gradually improved throughout the last four seasons.

Pedford will leave her career as

the most prolific scorer in UNLV history, with 24 goals and 16 assists for 64 points. Sims will finish right behind her with 22 goals and eight assists for 52 points.

While Pedford and Sims got most of the scoring opportunities out of the five players, the rest of the class filled in their respective roles without fault.

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Jummell Hidrosollo / UNLV Rebel Yell

UNLV women's soccer standout defender Robyn Krivacic is just one of five seniors that the Lady Rebels will say goodbye to when their season concludes.