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Roadster — Nye County Commissioner Bob Revert with the 1917 Model T he customized.

Beatty: Local folks don't fret over nuclear safety

By John Evan
Staff Writer

This is Beatty, 113 miles north of Las Vegas, 330 miles south of Reno — a little nowhere town pushed up against the Nevada-California border ... where Death Valley, the most inhospitable piece of real estate in the United States, begins.

All frontier towns have stories to tell and here in Beatty local legend has it that an entire wagon train was swept up by the fierce desert winds and buried alive in a huge sandbank. Settlers bound for the promise of California who simply disappeared in a desert sandstorm. Or so the story goes.

It was silver that drew men to Beatty around the turn of the century. But it was never a bonanza town. Not until a newer, more exotic metal came along. Not until uranium. On July 27, 1951, an atom bomb test at Frenchman's Flat — just 45 miles southeast — decided Beatty's future, decided how the 900 men, women and children who live in this sunblasted, one-stop-light town will earn their keep.

The Nevada Test Site begins out there — just beyond the rangeland that sweeps off to the horizon line. To the south, U.S.

Ecology operates a low-level nuclear and toxic waste dump site. Since 1962, the nation's nuclear waste, PCBs and other hellborn contaminants have been buried — like the lost pioneers of Beatty legend — in the desert sand.

And there is perhaps more to come. Yucca Mountain, the high-level dump site for which Nevada is a leading candidate, is right here in Beatty's backyard.

"This isn't Reno and this isn't Las Vegas," folks in Beatty are wont to say. "If they're going to put it somewhere, they might as well put it here."

The people of Beatty have lived with Oppenheimer's offspring for more than 30 years and, as nuclear consciousness rises, so, too, does it fall.

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Bob Revert's Shell station at First and Main is the kind of place small boys with dollars in their fists are sent for quarts of milk. It's a place where ranchers fill up their pickup trucks, where townspeople rent videos — Beatty doesn't have a movie theater. A guy in overalls stops by to bor-

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Judicial College aids consistency in courts

By Elizabeth Dahl
Staff

The National Judicial College has a new dean who says he is committed to making the college as good as any of America's leading law schools.

William B. Lawless, who became dean Sept. 1, said his goal is "to elevate the National Judicial College, in terms of judicial education, to the highest quality."

"I think it's an excellent school at this time," he said.

Lawless has been a New York Supreme Court justice, dean of the Notre Dame Law School and president at Western States University College of Law.

Lawless said he wants to enlarge the staff and faculty of the Judicial College and broaden its curriculum.

There are about 150 faculty members from all over the country and UNR, according to Jane Nelson, director of the degree program and special projects. The faculty, most of them judges, come to the college to teach courses from one to four weeks at a time.

The college offers courses in two areas, general and advanced. The general courses are introductory courses for new judges. The advanced or special courses serve as refresher courses for judges already on the bench.

General courses last from three to four weeks, Nelson said, while special or advanced courses usually last one week.

The college also offers a master of judicial studies degree program. Judges must complete at least 32 credits from the Judicial College.

"I think it's really exciting that the National Judicial College is located in Reno," Nelson said. "It could have been anywhere."

Lawless agreed.

"We think Nevada should be held up to the nation," he said. "Coming here now is like a homecoming for me."

Lawless was a faculty adviser at the founding session of the Judicial College in Boulder, Colo., in 1964 and has since served on the college's board of directors.

The Judicial College is a non-profit organization. It is affiliated with the American

Bar Association, which gives \$750,000 a year to the college. Other support comes from the state of Nevada.

"The state is frankly the primary supporter of the college," Lawless said.

The Legislature granted \$2.5 million in a challenge grant. Now, the two funds total more than \$6 million because the Judicial College raised more than its \$2.5 million share. The two funds are invested separately in stocks, bonds and certificates at varying rates of interest.

"It's really difficult to say how much that comes to," Barbara Devinney of the Judicial College's public information office said.

The college receives the annual interest on the invested funds.

The state also provides the facilities for the college through the University of Nevada System. The college shares a building with the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges on the UNR campus.

The college was established in Reno at the urging of Max Fleischmann, who provided a grant to create the institution. That grant ended in 1985.

Dean Lawless said the Judicial College plays a vital role.

"I think it's critically important," he said. "We're in a sense the founder of judicial education at the national level."

Lawless said the college gets judges together to compare experiences and rules in different states. For example, he said, a New York judge told his peers that he is not present during jury selection in civil cases. This leaves him free to attend to more pressing matters. Other judges agreed that this was a good idea.

Lawless said the college also plays a role in helping justice to be more evenly applied because different states have different sentences for the same felonies.

"We try to get all the judges to get together and concur on the maximum ideal time for a certain felony," he said.

Jane Nelson agreed that the Judicial College is important for judges.

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International dinner festive success

By John Nelsestuen
Staff

It was a festive, exotic night of mingled aromas and music from around the world.

Lawlor Events Center's Hall of Fame Room was filled with more than 100 kinds of international food, song and dance from several countries.

Underlying the revelry, however, was a tone of serious resolve — all profits from the eighth annual International Club dinner went to support Greek graduate student Spiros Vrontinos' battle against Hodgkin's disease.

Club President Muhammad Shamim presented a check for \$1,000 to Manos Margakis, chairman of the American Society of Civil Engineers' Vrontinos Cancer Fund.

According to club activities chairman Sanjeev Shelar, the Friday evening dinner was the largest and most financially successful international dinner in recent years.

A highlight of the dinner was provided by Shashwati Bagchi, niece of UNR math Professor Sitradi Bagchi, who flew from her

home in Pittsburgh, Pa., to perform several traditional dances from her native India. She is a high school student who has been studying Indian dance for six years.

Shelar said he and Professor Bagchi had arranged for Shashwati to be in Reno for the dinner and then back to Pittsburgh for graduation from dance school the next day.

The crowd of more than 300 students, faculty and community members was also entertained by students of the Malaysian Students Association, the Korean Students Association and several international students.

Another highlight of the dinner was when Dean of Student Services Roberta Barnes was given an award in appreciation for her efforts with the International Club.

Barnes said she loves to attend the club's events and that the club is important for all.

"The International Club brings us all together as one," she said. "As K.B. Rao (former international adviser) says, 'When someone sneezes in Africa, we all feel it.'"

UNR minority students form organizations

By Davida Wright
Staff

Of 9,947 students attending UNR, only 730 fall under the categories of Asian, black, Hispanic or Native American. And this represents an 18 percent increase from last year's 620.

These students attend UNR for much the same reason as the majority students — convenience. The minority students mainly come from Las Vegas and the Bay Area. Reno is far enough from home, yet not too distant for holidays.

These two areas have large minority populations, yet few of them consider attendance at UNR because it is not seen as a school that welcomes minorities. They say this is because of a shortage of ethnic studies courses, minority faculty and student organizations.

"What UNR does have to offer for minorities is a chance to open doors," Fabiola Chavez, director of the Minority Student Affairs office, said. "For example, if a black student went to a black college and became student body president, he wouldn't be the first. But at UNR he would have a challenge and an opportunity to be a role model."

Chavez does not think the university is

prejudiced as a whole but said the problems lie in certain areas and with certain people. She thinks, rather, that the school is trying to help minorities.

"By establishing this office (Minority Affairs), they've recognized the need," she said.

The 730 minority students are spread throughout the colleges, both undergraduate and graduate, Chavez said.

Of the 229 Asians, 25 are graduate students. The Asian students major mostly in sciences, English and business.

Of the 165 blacks, 14 are graduate students. The group tends to major in business.

Of 241 Hispanics, 32 are graduate students. They generally major in education and sciences.

There are 95 Native Americans at UNR. Twelve of these are graduate students. They range greatly in areas of study.

Hispanics have the largest minority population, yet tend to be the most apathetic about racism, according to Chavez.

"This is a result of the '50s," she said. "Many felt that if they left their language and culture, they would be more acceptable. It is a mistake to hide who you are. Behind every

accent is another language and unless you speak three, don't look down on me."

Chavez said people need to have cultural pride and should confront racist issues instead of ignoring them.

"The only way to stop is by enlightenment," she said.

David Torres, newly appointed affirmative action officer at UNR, has not run into any race problems in his first few weeks at the school. Torres, who came to Reno from Weber State in Ogden, Utah, said to begin combating racism, students must first become more involved in campus organizations. Second, he said, they must become more involved with their peers.

"People are taught to be racist," Torres said. "These people have to be educated."

Torres said UNR is not doing enough for minorities and that he believes the university needs more minority students and faculty.

Minority students have formed several campus organizations. Blacks, for instance, have formed the Black Student Organization (BSO), which has recently made an effort to establish a scholarship fund to attract more blacks from Nevada high schools.

"The BSO is an asset," Vic Walker, the

organization's president, said. "Its purpose is to help provide black students with a base to work from. It helps them adjust to the campus more easily. It's a culture shock to a lot of these students because they come from high schools or junior colleges with a large minority population."

Black students have also formed their own fraternity, Kappa Alpha Psi, which was given initial recognition as a colony last year. A sorority, Delta Sigma Theta (Delta Bound), is still gathering members.

"In an institution such as UNR, it is important for minorities to form groups," Bobbi McDaniel, Delta Bound leader, said. "The school caters to the majority, so we, the minority, have to unite and speak out."

Other minority groups include the Hispanic Student Organization, the Asian Student Association and the American Indian Organization, which recently attended an out-of-state conference to boost its organization's recognition.

"I believe that these clubs are good," white freshman Michelle Rodman said. "They don't give me a bad impression. Only that they want to form a brotherhood, like the Greek organizations."

English professor blasts TV

By Bob Fiero
Staff

His office is tucked away in the basement of Frandsen Humanities. It is in a secluded hallway under an exit sign.

No number is above the door, only a three-by-five card with the name, office number, telephone number and office hours of the occupant — Robert Harvey, associate professor of English.

To get Harvey to talk is simple. You ask him a question and he's off and running for about 10 minutes.

Harvey, reaching for the first of many cigarettes he smoked during a recent interview, said he doesn't think UNR's incoming freshman are adequately equipped with the language and communication skills necessary for college.

"In the early '50s, students were better trained in the basics: grammar, sentence structure, sentence ordering and all that stuff," he said. "Today, students are careless. They can't spell. Most of them don't know how to spell 'receive' and 'believe.' They don't understand the difference between 'lie' and 'lay.' But then not very many students do. They make a lot of the nitpicky errors like apostrophes and contractions."

He reached for another cigarette, leaned back and continued.

"Students today are far more sophisticated about how human beings interact," he said. "Television takes them everywhere."

Seat belts are now Nevada state law

By Lisa Essary
Staff

These days the expression "buckle up for safety" isn't just a helpful safety tip. Senate Bill 152, mandating the use of seat belts, became law in Nevada July 1.

The bill was controversial even in the Legislature, where it was rejected at least once before finally passing. And even then it was close.

Many of the 64 legislators — 21 senators and 43 assemblymen — had reservations about the seat-belt law, with much of the controversy centered around individual freedom and the lengths to which government power should extend.

Sen. Donald Mello, one of seven men who served on the Senate Committee on Transportation, said he would not have voted "yes" on the bill unless he were sure it would be

He said he thinks television has its positive points but it also has its negative side. The positive is that the world is within reach of any television dial.

"You can be in any part of the world you want with television," Harvey said.

He said the negative is that imagination is encouraged to be visual rather than linguistic, making linguistic training worse now than 35 years ago.

Harvey should know. He started teaching at the University of Chicago 35 years ago. After he taught there for three years, he taught five years at Northwestern University and two years at the University of California-Berkeley. He has been teaching English at UNR since 1962.

Harvey said another negative point of television is that people don't write anymore.

"I think the high schools are in trouble in this country," he said. "Students don't write enough. Across the board, television has robbed a whole generation of linguistic and literary training."

Harvey said high schools should make linguistics more interesting by including such things as word games, sentence games and increased writing, "especially in the last two years of high school."

"English 101 should be taught at the high school level and not in college," he said. "Instead we are teaching remedial English at the college level — things they should have learned in high school."

amended in several ways. One of the amendments Mello was responsible for was one that says a person may be cited for the safety belt requirement only when he is stopped for another suspected offense.

"I was a little concerned about the state being able to tell people what they have to do," Mello said. "My personal feelings are that people shouldn't have to wear their seat belts. But after the amendments were made, I felt that it was for the betterment of the state."

Statistics reveal that seatbelts do save lives and reduce injuries, saving money for the government. It is the government that ends up paying for uninsured accident victims. The result should be savings for the taxpayer.

Still, SB 152 is contradictory in some respects and confusing in others. It's contradictory in that all commercial vehicles are ex-

Study program lets students sample out-of-state schools

By Scott Trolio
Staff

The UNR National Student Exchange may be just for you if you like to travel, make new friends, see different places.

The National Student Exchange (NSE) is a program that gives opportunities for UNR students to attend participating NSE schools for either a semester or a year without having to pay nonresident fees.

To participate, a student must be a sophomore or junior during the period of exchange, have a 2.5 GPA, be a full-time student in good standing, be a resident of Nevada and agree to return to UNR for the same period of time as the exchange.

Founded in 1968 with just three schools, the program has now expanded to include more than 50 colleges and universities from Hawaii to Maine. UNR became a member of NSE in 1972. The program is funded on campus through ASUN.

Kathy Carson, the UNR coordinator for the NSE program, says there are many reasons why students choose to take part in the program. However, the opportunity to encounter a new living and academic environment seems to be primary.

"On the whole, I would say students participate in the program in order to experience a different place and university," she says. "Many of our students are looking to experience a larger campus. UNR is very nice and comfortable with approximately 10,000 students, but we have several schools in the program that are more in the 30,000- to 40,000-student population range and that gives you a completely different experience."

Although transferring to another school for a semester or a year might seem like an academic hassle, Carson says the application process is actually simple.

"Students turn in their application be-

cluded from the law. This includes school buses. This means everyone in Nevada needs to buckle up except children traveling every day in school buses. Also, Nevada's \$25 fine for not wearing a seatbelt is higher than nearly every other state with seatbelt laws.

The legislators who voted "no" did so mainly on the basis of individual rights.

tween Dec. 1 and March 1 of the preceding year they wish to transfer," she says. "The coordinators then meet in the middle of March for a conference, where we negotiate these exchanges one by one. I then notify the students if they have been successfully placed in the school of their choice.... There is not a long waiting process."

Once students are placed, they are not left to fend for themselves. In the majority of cases, their host coordinator provides the student with a "care package" that includes various materials, such as financial aid applications, along with a timetable telling the students when the various materials must be submitted.

"One of the responsibilities of each of us as coordinators is to make sure that our students get the right materials at the right times," Carson says.

Since its inception at UNR, the program has grown to the point where between 16 and 22 UNR students per year take advantage of it.

"Word of mouth seems to have been the best advertising for the NSE," Carson says.

Any major may participate. NSE is located in Room 103 of the student services offices in Thompson Hall. Inside the office, students will find catalogs for all the participating schools as well as a wealth of other information about these schools.

Carson says that now is a good time for students to begin doing research if they are interested in going away for fall 1988 or spring 1989. She encourages students to come in to talk to her.

"I would be more than happy to sit down and go into detail about the program and help them decide if they would like to pursue it," she says.

Assemblyman Joan Lambert of Reno said although she voted against the bill, she thinks it is a good idea to wear a seatbelt.

"I think it's extending the government into yet another area," she said. "It's going too far. I know one assemblyman who used to be an avid seat-belt wearer but since the law passed, he never does. He's mad."

Nevada oral histories produce raw material

By Lisa A. Tardiff
Staff Writer

As the tape whirred almost imperceptibly, Andrew Ginocchio spoke in his halting 94-year-old voice of his early days in Reno in the years 1910 through 1940.

His interviewer, Tom King, director of the oral history program at UNR, questioned him carefully in his precise voice, trying to draw out the essence of the man's knowledge about the beginnings of Reno.

It was the making of history — literally. "Oral history is not history," King said in an interview in his office last week. "Oral history is primary source material for the process of historiography. We produce raw material."

Historiography is the process of gathering material to assemble as history.

"History is not casually assembled," he said.

Oral history is no exception but King has changed the direction of the program since he became director in 1983. Mary Ellen Glass, the program's founding director, began in 1965 with a concentration on biographies.

"She generally selected prominent Nevadans whose names were known throughout the state," King said in an article in the Southwest Oral History Newsletter.

The biographies included William Harrah and Sen. Alan Bible — just two of the 100 biographies Glass did, King said.

King, who earned his Ph.D. in history at the University of Florida, has redirected the program from biographies to selected topics.

"Although one or two biographies of prominent Nevadans are still done annually," he said, "it is now more common for the oral history program to identify a topic for intensive study."

King said the interviewer must do intensive research into all the available material on the topic before conducting interviews.

"We then use directive questioning to

bring out information about a specific topic," he said.

More than 60 oral interviews have been completed since 1983 using this approach, King said. Some of the completed histories include the Washoe Indian history and culture, development of Las Vegas, history of ranching and agriculture, the Comstock lode in Virginia City, the history of Carson Valley and the ethnic groups of Nevada.

In 1985, the program received national recognition by the American Association for State and Local History in "a commendation for superior research and production in the Carson Valley project," King said.

King's latest oral history addressed the ethnic group issue in his work with Ginocchio.

Ginocchio, an Italian immigrant, came to Reno as a 17-year-old blacksmith in 1910. By World War II, he had built the Reno Iron Works into the largest in the state.

"We produced an oral history which continues to build our collection of statements on ethnicity in the social and economic history of Nevada," he said.

Ginocchio's daughter, Andrea Pelter, ordered 400 copies of the transcripts for personal use.

"I believe this is the first time I've heard of this type of order for an oral history transcript," King said.

The oral history library has been used for a number of books, however. King said he knows of at least 27 books that were written using information from the program, at least 50 articles, five theses or dissertations and an "undeterminable number of student papers."

In process now, King said more work is being done in southern Nevada than ever before.

In 1986, Jamie Coughtry, a history MA from UNLV, was hired as a research associate for southern Nevada. She is working on an investigation of the Las Vegas black commu-

nity. Her initial interview will be with Lubertha Johnson, a black activist since the 1940s.

King also said work is being done in Virginia City — the transformation of a mining ghost town into a tourist attraction — and five oral histories on the experiences of women in the booming mining towns of Nevada in 1910. The history of the Nevada State Museum is also being done.

The oral history material is available in bound book form or on tapes on the second floor of the library.

"The oral history program has also produced two television works broadcast throughout the state and 40 hours of primary-source videotape," King said.

King said he believes Nevada is an ideal state to practice oral history.

"Nevada's brief past, combined with an extraordinarily small population, makes the

state an ideal environment for the practice of oral history," he said.

Outsiders often have the wrong impression of Nevada, he said, which is especially noticeable at out-of-state conferences.

"A fellow conferee contrives to read a Nevadan's identification badge without actually appearing to look at it," he said.

"So," he says, arching an eyebrow, "you do oral history in Nevada. Interview any slot machines lately?"

"Getting anything from the prostitutes?" (Wink. Wink.)

"Everyone within hearing range is suddenly attentive."

King said he doesn't mind the wisecracks because it usually prompts lively discussion — that first-meeting awkwardness rarely lasts long when there's a Nevadan in the group, he said.

Rain relieves western Nevada

John James
State Climatologist

October was unusually warm statewide — the third month in a row temperatures averaged well above normal in western Nevada.

Reno had the second-warmest October since records began being kept 100 years ago with an average of 56.3 degrees, or six degrees above normal. October 1933 was really balmy at 59.6.

Considered together with September (up 4.8 degrees) and August (up 4.4 degrees), the past three months might have tempted naive citrus growers to begin planting in the Truckee Meadows.

It was not as warm in southern Nevada. Las Vegas averaged 3.4 above normal at 71.0 degrees. However, Laughlin reached 107 degrees Oct. 3, only one degree below the October high set in Las Vegas Oct. 1, 1980.

For those polar bear fans, Wildhorse Reservoir in the northeast dropped to 5 degrees Oct. 16, not even near the state record of -10 degrees at Mountain City Oct. 26, 1970.

It was also a wet month in Nevada, with 1 1/2 to 3 times the normal precipitation over much of the state. For example, Reno had .54 inches (159 percent of normal), Las Vegas had .49 inches (196 percent), Ely had 1.45 inches (245 percent) and Yerington had .79 inches for 304 percent of normal.

This was welcomed as relief to parched western Nevada, where the July-to-September period was the fourth driest of this century in Reno, with only .03 inches of rain.

The combination of warm temperatures, lack of rainfall and resultant high evaporation added to last winter's drought and made it difficult to plant in non-irrigated areas in extreme western Nevada.

State study reveals sexual bias in Nevada court system

By Janne Hanrahan
Staff Writer

If you're going to court in Nevada, your sex may help determine whether you win or lose your case, according to a recent survey of judges and attorneys.

Women looking for protection from a violent spouse may have to look elsewhere: the survey indicates this is one of the areas where courtroom justice fails.

Men seeking custody of their children can also expect to encounter prejudice, the survey shows. In many cases, attorneys say they recommend against even taking such a case to court because the judges will be unlikely to find in their favor.

The survey was conducted by the Supreme Court-appointed Task Force on Gender Bias in the Courts. Two public hearings on the subject, one in Reno Oct. 9 and one in Las Vegas Nov. 6, were also held.

Jane Nelson, director of the master's degree program at UNR's Judicial College, chairs the Advisory Committee to the Task Force. Nelson said the findings in the public hearings generally agree with those of the survey.

The focus of the survey was not just discrimination, Nelson said.

"We wanted to find out whether men and women were being dealt with on the basis of myths and stereotypes," she said. "Whether there are ... attitudes about men and women that don't fit today's realities."

Nelson said the survey confirms that women and women's issues were often viewed as less important by the courts.

Besides difficulty in obtaining court protection in spousal abuse cases, the study shows that women did not fare well in child

support or spousal support cases.

Child support, though it can be awarded to men who have custody of children, is still primarily considered a women's issue because it is still generally the woman who has custody, Nelson said.

One attorney responding to the survey said in six years of practice he had seen 20 cases where the man should have gone to jail for failure to pay child support but only one case in which the man actually went to jail.

Spousal support — formerly known as alimony — was said to be "laughably low" in Nevada by one male attorney. Another called the whole issue a farce. Spousal support, according to Nelson, is rarely awarded at all anymore in Nevada and when it is granted, it is only for a short time.

Women in Nevada courts also encounter discrimination in more subtle ways, the study shows. This type of discrimination extends to female judges, attorneys and witnesses as well as litigants.

Nelson said women are often the recipients of remarks about their appearance and other inappropriate comments that suggest they are less credible than men.

One of the purposes of the study, she said, is to point out the inappropriateness of this behavior.

"A lot of people are not aware of what these subtle signals may be," she said.

But according to the survey, men come in for their fair share of discrimination too, especially in the areas of child custody and awards for disfigurement, which are typically lower than those given to women. And in sentencing a criminal, Nelson said, judges will often consider a woman's family obligations but rarely do so for men.

Respondents also said men receive longer sentences than women for similar crimes.

Nelson said the survey was sent out to all judges and attorneys registered in the state. More than one-fourth of those surveyed responded, she said.

Present at the hearings were judges, attorneys and individual litigants who had been contacted through advertisements in newspapers.

Nelson has received two awards as a result of her work with the Task Force: she was

named woman of the year for 1986 by Reno Business and Professional Women and recently received the soroptimists "Women Helping Women" award for 1987.

The Task Force, established a year ago by the Nevada Supreme Court, will present complete findings and recommendations by February 1988.

Nelson summed up the findings so far: "There are definite areas of problem but the majority of people felt that overall men and women are treated equally and fairly."

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"There's no formal training to become a judge," she said.

Some justices of the peace in rural areas may not even have law degrees, she said.

Even if judges do have a legal background, they need to learn how not to be advocates, how to be fair to all sides and how to make decisive rulings without wavering, Nelson said.

A judge also has responsibility for the flow of cases through the entire courthouse.

Judges need to know if they should allow expert testimony and expert evidence.

"They need to learn how not to be flimflammed by experts," Nelson said. "They have to be able to rule quickly, consistently and fairly. It requires scientific knowledge."

The college helps train judges to do that because it has faculty experts from the leading edge of technology, she said.

Nelson said the amount of time judges spend together is good, especially the new judges in general courses.

"They can make friends and open up to

each other, admit there are things they don't really know," she said. "They might find it very hard to admit to people in their court that they have problems or questions."

Nelson said judges often feel isolated. For most, their friends have been attorneys. But new judges must distance themselves from attorneys to avoid charges of favoritism.

"A judge spends most of the time in court up there on the bench alone," Nelson said. "For a lot of judges, you're the only judge in town."

Judges make lasting friendships in class sessions at the college, Nelson said. At least one-third of all class time is devoted to discussion, so judges can share their problems and concerns.

Lawless wants even more judges than the 1,500 a year who now regularly attend.

"We must make available scholarship funds for those judges who come from states financially unable to send them here," he said.

Tuition ranges from \$475 for a one-week course to \$1,000 for a four-week course. Judges can stay in the College Inn for \$158 for one week, including meals, or \$799 for four weeks.

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Purity the issue for candidates

Introducing the next president of the United States ... Who is it going to be? Without an incumbent for the first time in 20 years, that seems to be an extremely unfathomable question right now.

One answer could be whichever of the candidates is found to be pure and stable enough to remain in the race by March, when the crucial Super Tuesday rolls around.

Already, two top Democratic candidates, former Colorado Sen. Gary Hart and Delaware Sen. Joe Biden, have been forced to drop out because of their lack of purity. Hart was having a little too much fun away from home and Biden was lying and plagiarizing like crazy.

In addition, Republican candidate Pat Robertson's past has been found to be less than pure — he got his wife pregnant before they were married — and he has lied a little. Those kinds of facts just don't catapult a longshot candidate into the White House.

Although he probably is undoubtedly pure these days, former Nevada Sen. Paul Laxalt dropped out in part because of his lawsuit against the Sacramento Bee, which was filed because the Bee claimed a Laxalt-owned casino was tied to organized crime.

So who does that leave us?

The Republicans:

We could go with the soulless Vice President George Bush, who has about as much charisma as a mortician.

We could choose New York Rep. Jack Kemp, whose right-wing ideas make the second-term Reagan wince.

We could vote for Kansas Sen. Robert Dole, who is only a tad more interesting than Bush.

Finally, we are forced to consider former Delaware Gov. Pete du Pont and former Secretary of State Alexander Haig. They don't have a chance — which is probably just as well — but they are running.

The Democrats:

Four of the Democrats seem to blend together — Missouri Rep. Richard Gephardt, former Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt, Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis and Tennessee Sen. Albert Gore. They may be qualified but all four can't be president at the same time. We will no doubt find it hard to figure out which one is the best and so not choose any of them.

That leaves two possibilities.

The first is Jesse Jackson. He wasn't ready in 1984 but he has matured considerably since then. He speaks eloquently, knows where he stands on the issues and has become a serious candidate.

Nevertheless, Jackson probably can't win because he is black. No matter how much progress has been made in the area of race in this country, there is a long way to go before a black man becomes president. It must be admitted that there are still many, many racists out there who just couldn't bring themselves to vote for Jackson, not because of his philosophy but because of his color.

Jackson may be the most charismatic and honest candidate at this point but his chances are slim.

Only one name remains: Paul Simon. The Illinois senator, who has had 11 books published, should be the next president considering the current crop of candidates.

He is the most intelligent of the bunch, the most well-spoken, mature and rational.

And, most important, he is not a "TV candidate." Instead of looking good on TV and saying nothing but what the video-public wants to hear, he offers his viewpoint on an issue — with no ifs, ands or buts.



Officialese an effective tool for government

Military Official: "At 0308 hours, the 204th Airborne squadron participated in a pre-dawn vertical insertion. The insertion was preceded by a tactical air-support mission, provided by the 32nd Bomber squadron at 0230 hours ..."

Hospital Official: "The patient experienced a terminal event at 4:26 p.m. ..."

Scientist: "The experiment was aborted upon the unprecedented premature rapid uncontrolled oxidation of the control substance ..."

Typical response to the above: "Please speak English."

From the same people who brought you the newest advance in oral hygiene, the "wood inter-dental stimulator" (sometimes known to us dummies as a "toothpick"), and the "peacekeeper" (a.k.a. "MX missile" or "people obliterating device"), the above examples are classics of euphemistic neo-Orwellian officialese blather that have washed over us in recent years, leaving us gasping for a breath of clear thought. Here are the entries from the Concise Confusespeak Dictionary:

Pre-dawn vertical insertion: an early-morning paratroop drop.

Air support: air strike or bombing run.

Terminal event: death.

Rapid uncontrolled oxidation: explosion.

Does the government actually think that directing CIA operatives to "terminate with extreme prejudice" will make their actions any less intense than if they simply told them to "kill"?

It certainly won't change the fact that the victim is dead ("terminally living") or the fact that the agent is committing licensed murder ("the diplomatic removal of competition"). So why continue to play the euphemistic enhancement game? The government does many pointless things but this isn't one of them.

The phrase "terminate with extreme prejudice" is most likely the product of thousands of man-hours put in by psychiatrists, psychologists, psychoanalysts and any other psychos who may come to mind. The finished product is tailor-made to compel others to commit the unspeakable by creating a detached, fairly innocent image of murder. Termination: well, that's kind of like losing your job, right? You can find a new job soon enough. No problem. Kind of temporary. Nothing like death — the ultimate end-all of earthly existence.

The establishment uses these phrases to detach us from the gory details. The Random House Dictionary defines euphemism as "the substitution of a mild, indirect, or vague expression for one thought offensively harsh or blunt." The government has seen fit to take it one step beyond "indirect" to "very nearly opposite." What was once a "bombing run," or somewhat euphemistically an "air strike," has been perverted verbally into something anybody anywhere near where the bombs were exploding would definitely not call "air support."

Now, it is obvious that the government's idea of "air support" and what we would call a "bombing run" are the same thing: planes dropping a bunch of really nasty surprises with the intent to destroy everything that gets in the way. It is also obvious, to put it another way, that no matter what catchy little moniker we attach to it, the reality of the event has not been changed. We could call it "Sunday in the park" and it

would not change the fact that widespread death, destruction, murder and mayhem has just occurred. The physical reality is unchangeable (from a verbal standpoint).

Ah yes, the physical reality isn't changeable. But the mental reality is. "Air support" conjures up images of the valiant attempts by brave Americans in their noble aircraft paving the way for the triumphant arrival of our powerful yet somewhat vulnerable (in the most noble of ways) land forces. Kind of makes you want to sing the national anthem (if you could just hit those high notes), doesn't it? "Bombing run" brings out all the negative aspects — the death of innocent people, the destruction of non-strategic elements such as homes and playgrounds and the general unpleasantness of the whole thing.

Yes, the government does know what it is doing when it calls the invasion of Grenada a "rescue mission." The officials who think up these verbal gems know full well they aren't going to change anything.

Except maybe our minds.

E. Dale Flippo

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Smokers should have personal liberties, too

The basis of democracy in this country hinges on personal liberties that each and every individual in this country holds. When a government limits those individual liberties they must weigh those liberties, which we all hold dear, to decide what constitutes an endangerment to the welfare and safety of the public.

There are certain rights and privileges granted to all persons and we should hold these as sacred to our personal well-being. As citizens in this country and in this state, I would argue that these rights and privileges should not be limited by arbitrary reasoning. Our state Constitution grants us, as citizens, certain rights, including defending our personal liberties. (Article I, Section I). Also, the Constitution of Nevada specifically states that, "This enumeration of rights shall not be construed to impair or deny others retained by the people."

By the Faculty Senate's support of a resolution that would ban smoking in university buildings, they are denying the rights and/or privileges of smokers — arbitrarily. This is why:

1. In order to deny any rights or privileges retained by the public, one must weigh the right to smoke vs. the rights of non-smokers, i.e. no smoking in classrooms, library, etc., the non-smoker is not forced into a smoking environment. Therefore, nonsmokers are granted free will to approach a smoker or to

inhale second-hand smoke from that smoker. In other words, each non-smoker has the free choice to evade the smoker. All this while the smoker still retains the right to smoke.

2. By arbitrarily stripping free choice away from those persons who smoke, there is a disenfranchisement of a rather large portion of students, administrators, faculty and staff. Those who do smoke will not be able to exercise their free will to do so. It has always been my belief that, in order for the healthy survival of democracy, the rights of individuals must not be infringed upon. And, when these rights have been infringed upon, nothing good has come out of it.

Take for instance Amendment 18 of our U.S. Constitution — prohibition of intoxicating liquors. Through this we can see that when an arbitrary infringement of free will occurs, there is no other option but public outcry. Even though, at the time, there was a strong social and moral movement for prohibition, the rights of the individual were not taken into account and it

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Schlegelmilch

was because of this that the prohibition had to fail. You can and should apply this directly toward our campus and this no smoking resolution.

3. Here's to Jake Highton for his hypocritical view of personal rights.

4. Any law to ban smoking is, and always will be, unenforceable. What do these people plan to do? Have armed guards in the hallways of our buildings arresting and fining people for smoking? Please. The only difference that I can really see is that instead of smokers depositing their ashes and butts into ashtrays, they will be putting them out on the floor.

5. Finally, I must make a plea to the ASUN Senate to not pass any such resolution. Remember that you were elected by the students, both smoking and nonsmoking. And, if you pass something so arbitrary in nature, you would not be fulfilling your responsibility to those whom elected you.

I cannot and do not understand why we must constantly try to legislate individual freedoms. To the smokers out there: try to attend the next ASUN Senate meeting and uphold your rights to democracy.

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Letters

Let Iranians go to own schools

With the recent events in the Persian Gulf and Iran in the last few months, especially the past week, I believe something has to be done about the Iranian citizen that passes himself off as a student in the United States.

Last Sunday, Iran officially declared war on the United States. I believe since Iran has taken the major step of declaring war on the United States, no matter how much it means, something should be done about Iran's so-called students and their propaganda. During World War II how many of the enemy's citizens came to the United States to attend school? As a student and a decorated Vietnam veteran, I think something should be done to send them back to their own country and let them attend their own schools instead of wasting our taxpayers' money.

Michael A. Fewless

Sagebrush sucks

I have been reading the Sagebrush since I was a freshman some four years ago. When the first issue of this school year proclaimed that the paper would be better than ever, I looked forward to journalistic and management excellence. I am sadly disappointed.

On a whole, the work being done for the paper is sub-par. Numerous errors in the editing department stand out. For example, what does a debate on smoking between Jake Highton and John Marschall have to do with drug testing? See your lead story in the Nov. 3 issue. A superfluous element of that nature should have been used as a related sidebar to both your smoking debate article on page two as well as the lead story. Remember the phrase, "see related article, pg. X?" The drug testing sidebar could then have been easily condensed and included in the lead story, making up for taken space!

This is only one minor problem. Numerous syntax, style and factual errors have continually made it into print as can be judged by letters complaining of treatment; letters that you have run. No one is perfect but it almost appears as if you don't care. The editorial staff of the Sagebrush is a paid entity. You are earning wages to ensure that the newspaper is being run to journalistic standards, that is, fairly, honestly and accurately.

Perhaps it is simply that you are all overworked. Judging by the number of articles done by Lisa Tardiff in the Nov. 3 issue four, it appears you are shorthanded. I know Lisa very well and know she is a writer of outstanding talent, but the pressures of her job, school, raising a child and writing for the Sagebrush are telling in her writing. She would normally catch the irrelevance of the Highton/Marschall debate to the main body of the story if not so pressed for time.

Now you must be thinking, "OK, smartass, if you are so good, show us what you can do!" I put in my time with the Sagebrush in my beginning and advanced reporting classes, back when the reporters were unpaid. We were, however, expected to live up to journalistic ideals. In addition, I am a PR major and it would be unfair for me to take a spot otherwise

We need to learn about our enemies

"Perhaps three of the perceived characteristics of the country — the presence of the past, the tension between the individual and the state, the simultaneous love and fear of the government — work in concert to produce the fourth characteristic: a sense that in life grief flows continuously in and out of happiness, and happiness in and out of grief."

—Roger Rosenblatt
Time, Oct. 26

The United States and the Soviet Union are playing a new ball game. And in the midst of the Soviet Union's new policy of "openness," the Soviets have never seemed so mysterious or frightening.

In Roger Rosenblatt's article for Time, he examined the quality of Soviet life and the most intriguing concept to me was the lack of the pursuit of happiness.

The pursuit of happiness is one of the basic rights of any American. It is usually equated with "the good life" (read: money).

The attainment of a college degree is usually a frank and avid step toward a good-paying job and position and stature in the social world. Such pursuits should be examined for their effectiveness (do they make us happy?) and for their appropriateness (is there something else that we should be doing?).

Any dialogue with the Soviet Union will be useless unless it is an informed one. Otherwise, we will be backed into a corner of hidden taboos and persecutions. In any case, we will feel the presence of Joe McCarthy. We will feel the resentment of the Jews, who are still openly persecuted in the Soviet Union. We will experience the fears that are always present during any candid discussion of Marxism, that seductive and violent philosophy that has thrown the 20th century into alternating chaos and tension.

The state of ignorance about the Soviet Union and about Marxism in general is appalling in this country. It is impossible to convincingly argue against a Marxist state until Marxism is itself understood, in all of its thundering logic and eventual contradictions and religious auras. Such stuff should be required reading in the United States.

While American schools seem to be educating children to run computers and to compete in a capitalist society, Marxism is ignored as though Americans will never need to be prepared to confront it.

We are paying for that ignorance as Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev presents us with a series of deals and we are at a loss as to whether to believe him. We don't know the structure of his philosophy. We might as well be cavemen, educated only in fear, throwing occasional stones into the other camp.

The Soviet people are told little about their history, yet they believe in their government. This blind faith is quite religious in its implications.

The Soviets have no compunctions about teaching this "religion" in their schools.

The United States and all Western democracies are facing a challenge that we are emotionally unprepared for because of a lack of public sanction of religion in our school system and intellectually unprepared for because of lack of the study of communistic roots and assumptions.

What is happiness, anyway? The Soviet people have swapped it for acceptance.

They sacrifice their freedom and the right to question their government to a god of morality, which operates on the assumption that the ends justify the means.

With the advent of nuclear power, we can't win a war with the Soviet Union. Without a widespread understanding of Marxism, we can't win a war anywhere else, either. The world is at a stalemate.

We have a chance, as a race of people, to evolve into a higher life form or to sink into a sort of submission that the world has never known before. We can't assume the superiority of capitalism. We are being called upon to prove it.

We can't assume the sanctity of the human spirit without accepting the responsibilities of freedom.

We can't equate happiness with money. We can't accept the illusion of the dollar as proof that our system works. We have to indulge in the most painful and serious self-examination that free people have ever subjected themselves to.

Pulling out of Vietnam was a reaction to two very different forces. One force was the refusal of young people to die for a cause they found neither clear nor just. The other force was a systematic support system from communist countries, which thrived on the ignorance, apathy and self-indulgence that capitalistic countries are famous for in Moscow and Hanoi and Peking.

The eternal vigilance, which is called for by the extreme right in this country, should not be used to persecute those who would discuss the ramifications of communism, good or bad. The vigilance must be placed upon ourselves as we set our own priorities and define our own morality. The fact that we do not know our enemy could turn out to be the

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open for someone in the print field.

Management problems also exist at the Sagebrush. On Oct. 30, I knocked on the back door of the Sagebrush office and handed you, Mr. Schumacher, a classified ad along with \$1 to assist in my search to locate an individual to be the subject of a photo essay. Do you remember that, sir? You assured me that it would be in the Nov. 3 issue. Imagine my dismay when I discovered that not only wasn't my ad in the classifieds, there was also an ad of your own that promised you would crack my

skull if I didn't buy one!

I think it's time that you took a step back and reassessed the operations of the Sagebrush. If you intend to live up to your promise of a higher quality newspaper, I suggest you start practicing what you preach.

Now I doubt that you will have the journalistic integrity to print a blatant letter of this type but you can start on the right track by proving me wrong here.

Steve Zuelke

Beatty from page 1

row Revert's power drill and the "regulars" come and go, stopping for a cup of coffee and to speculate about Beatty and Nye County politics.

Bob Revert is also a county commissioner. So it is not uncommon for Revert to take care of county politics while he rings up a loaf of bread or raises a hood to check the oil. Except for a couple of years at UNR and a stint in Vietnam, Revert has lived all of his 43 years in Beatty and he understands the ex officio, small-town way of doing things. "The lifestyle is slow," Revert says. "It's a quiet little town. One of the best places in the world to raise children."

Revert labels himself a "conservative Democrat, pro-labor, pro-mining, pro-cattle." He proudly points to his 1986 reelection as commissioner on a bargain-basement \$200 budget. His only expenditure was for gasoline to get him around to meet his far-flung constituents.

"I hardly campaigned at all," Revert brags. "I just figured I'd get through it all right."

Nye County, Revert says, is one of the 10 fastest-growing counties in the nation and he is already looking ahead to changes he is sure will come.

"I'd like to see a full-time doctor, a drug store for senior citizens and a full-fledged grocery store," he says.

But when he looks toward the mountains framed against the morning sun — toward Yucca Mountain, one of the contenders for the dump site — he shakes his head.

"It's history," he declares. "It will never happen."

He hopes. The occasional rumbly and shakings, on the other hand, are something folks in Beatty can live with.

"The county is heavily dependent on the test site," Revert says.

It is Beatty's bread and butter and while the test site brings problems to the town's doorstep — the arresting and prosecuting of anti-nuke demonstrators — the booms out there in the desert mean a boom for Beatty.

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Lt. Gus Sullivan, a 10-year veteran of the Nye County Sheriff's Office and the son of Nye County's justice of the peace, is a collector. Some people collect stamps, string or baseball cards. Sullivan collects photographs of anti-nuke protesters.

Every protester Sullivan has brought in for booking looks out from the pages of a photo album. Hundreds of Polaroid mug shots. The one Sullivan prizes most shows him shaking hands with actor Martin Sheen.

"He's very open, very positive," Sullivan says. "He's friendly."

Sullivan also has arrested Mac Clark, a noted character actor, and singer-songwriter-movie star Kris Kristofferson. Beatty's jail has only three cells and during large protests there is never enough room to hold the hundreds waiting to be processed. And so the hallway is pressed into service. Sullivan remembers seeing Kristofferson, off by himself in a corner, isolated, alone in the crowd.

"He was really quiet," Sullivan says. "He kept to himself." More than 700 people turned up at the test site on Mother's Day to show support for a nuclear freeze. Sullivan bagged 448 of them.

"I was doing all the arresting," Sullivan says good-naturedly. "So only one officer would have to go to court, not the whole department."

Sullivan spent four weeks testifying against protesters following what has been the biggest single roundup so far. "Naturally, it gets real old," Sullivan says. "I was on the witness stand saying the same thing over and over."

Because of the tremendous backlog the Mother's Day protest generated, the Nye County district attorney now refuses to prosecute protesters. Anyone charged with the misdemeanor of crossing into the Nevada Test Site now has no real obligation to pay the \$315 fine. The arrest is, in effect, a formality.

The arresting procedure at the test site has been refined to a science, Sullivan explains. Anyone who crosses onto restricted land is arrested, handcuffed and bused to a trailer a mile from the site where each is cited and then released.

"It's kind of frustrating when you're working the demonstrations and nothing is happening," Sullivan says. "On the other hand, how the case is handled is not my concern."

Unlike big-city police departments, where criminal wrongdoing is handled by the numbers and often with hostility, Beatty brings a small-town informality to law and order. "At first, it was basically the same people," Sullivan says. "We were pretty much on a first-name basis."

As the demonstrations grow in size and nuclear freeze groups such as the American Peace Test in Las Vegas draw larger numbers of activists, Sullivan's job has become more difficult.

"A lot of people I don't recognize now," Sullivan says. "It's



John Evan

Beatty mainstays — Ken Priest (left) and George McGillivray share a friendly moment at the Beatty Senior Citizens Center.

different. The main thing I want is for no one to get hurt."

Sullivan winces when he describes the half-dozen times protesters have blocked the roads to the Nevada Test Site and refused to move.

"We had to carry one guy from the road, into the car and into the cell," Sullivan says. "That's where it's a touch too much. Someone could throw out his back."

The Sheriff's Department deputizes volunteers on the heavy protest days to assist the 60 department regulars.

"If one of them has a problem (and uses the badge to bang heads) he doesn't come back," Sullivan says.

It is 5 p.m. on a Friday and Sullivan is ready for two days off. He works the Monday through Friday day shift. Week-ends are reserved for his five kids, ages 12 to four months.

Sullivan slides into the squad car he drives home each night.

"I can understand why they're doing it," he allows as he fires up the black-and-white. "I don't like the outcome of nuclear war."

But he is, first of all, a lawman. "I think it's necessary ... to keep the peace," he says with no uncertainty.

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The Beatty Senior Citizen's Center, just up the road and a quick right from the sheriff's office, is throwing a Halloween dinner party.

In the kitchen, a complex assembly line is in operation. Turkey and mashed potatoes hit the plate first. The plate is then passed to a sweet-faced fellow in a wheelchair who ladles gravy. Yams and green beans are handled by slotted-spoon experts and, finally, a bun completes the entree.

Elderly men and women in Halloween costumes, — gypsies, bar girls and a man dressed as a waitress — serve the meal.

Camaraderie and laughter fill the room.

Some of these seniors have come from as far off as Death Valley and every one of the 75 seats is taken. There is not an unwrinkled, under-50 face in the place.

An hour later the meal has been eaten and folks walk, teeter and roll home.

Ken Priest, 80, lingers to reminisce a while about the old days. Priest came to Beatty 30 years ago. A toolmaker by trade, he is now the town's Episcopal minister.

"There were 256 people when I first came to Beatty," Priest says, "and I knew them all."

Priest chooses his words with care, locks his steel-blue eyes on his listener. He speaks softly and clearly.

"The thing that keeps this whole thing going is money," is how Priest explains the nuclear activity and Beatty's absence of resistance to it. "Most people, one way or another, worship the dollar. They may not say so but..."

Priest throws up his hands and laughs. He does not finish the thought.

Mary Seago, a Beatty resident of 25 years, is all gussied up in a black gown. She has had her hair done for the special occasion. Seago is the secretary-treasurer of the Health and Welfare Board and — right off — she wants to say that one day Beatty hopes to have a full-time doctor.

That local matter taken care of, she addresses a concern that goes beyond Beatty — far beyond.

"I feel these protesters have the right to protest," Seago says. "That's what our country is based on. I wish I had the courage of conviction at that age."

No one in the room argues with her.

The gypsies, bar girls and the kitchen assembly line, their work for the evening finished, sit down to their Halloween meal.

The man dressed as the waitress strips off his wig and dress to a chorus of laughter and ribbing and takes his place at the supper table.

"We've got enough of them to kill everyone on the face of the earth," Priest says, returning to his subject. "We don't need any more."

Raymond T. McGillivray, 81, is a retired heavy equipment operator. He has lived in Beatty for 20 years.

"Well, I guess they're entitled to their opinion but I don't have to listen to it," McGillivray says of the protesters. "I know they're causing a lot of trouble we don't need."

He chuckles to himself.

"I noticed they don't get their names in the paper any more," McGillivray says. "Boy, are they disappointed."

Priest laughs along. The two have been friends for a long time. While McGillivray disagrees with the protesters methods, he is nevertheless sympathetic with their cause.

"The problem with this country," Priest says, looking to McGillivray for agreement, "is that we have no idea of the future because it can be blown up in about 15 minutes."

"I get concerned about my son's future," McGillivray interjects, rubbing his hands and looking at the floor. "It don't look too good."

Now it is Priest's turn to interrupt.

"I worry about my grandson," he says.

"Yeah, I know," McGillivray says.

They understand — these two old men.

Priest eases his beat-up blue sedan down the deserted Beatty streets. A prayer book sits by the gear shift and an empty coffee cup is tipped over on the dash.

"We get rocked every once in a while," Priest says as he looks out on the town he has grown old in, "and I guess that's scary."

Several of the buildings — his church included — have cracks in their foundations from the tremors.

"But you should have been here when they were lighting them off in the sky," he says.

"Now that was scary."

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The light from the convenience store spills out into the gathering dark.

Inside, Rocky Ruhneau, store manager, stacks Ho-Hos, Ding-Dongs and fruit pies on metal racks.

Born and raised in Los Angeles, Ruhneau gave up the hurly-burly for the quiet life in Beatty.

"I had a house and everything anybody could want," Ruhneau says. "I decided to leave. Three days later I was gone. It takes a certain breed to commit themselves to a place like Beatty."

Ruhneau had two businesses in Los Angeles. He owned his own drywall business and, on the side, manufactured edible underwear for Frederick's of Hollywood.

Now, Ruhneau works in a convenience store in a small Nevada town and he has never been happier, he says.

Words roll out of Ruhneau like lump coal down a steel chute. Sometimes, he says, the protesters come into his store on the way to the test site or on their way to jail.

"I think everybody is entitled to his own opinion and I respect them for it," Ruhneau says. "I don't think the protest-

ers will get what they want. You know the old saying: 'You can't fight city hall.'"

Ruhneau finishes with the Ding-Dongs and the plastic flats used to deliver pastries.

"If the big one happens," Ruhneau says. "I hope that sucker lands right on our heads. I don't want to see what will become of it."

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Fran York bought her spread in 1971. It is not a cow-and-sheep outfit — it is the local brothel.

"I'm a jack-of-all-trades here," York says, gesturing to the colorful, suggestive paintings on the wall and the worry-free carpet on the floor. "I don't have a maid or a cook and I do my everyday books. I try to answer the door all the time."

York, lounging in the receiving room in a housedress and pink booties, has had enough of business life.

"There are so many men owning the places," York says. "One of these days, madams are going to be outdated. In fact, I wish someone would buy this place. I just want to retire."

With an old wrecked airplane at the entrance, 1.9 acres of real estate, a golf course under construction, three trailers and a business license, Fran's Ranch can be had for \$350,000.

York came to Beatty in 1971 from Las Vegas. She employs three girls — one of whom is brand new. She says she likes the friendliness of a small town and will stay in Beatty when she has had enough.

"I don't depend on local people," York says of her clientele. "I've had some protesters come in but very few."

Fran says her brothel is feeling the impact of the culinary worker's strike at the Nevada Test Site. The shutdown, now in its eighth week, has emptied the billfolds of about 3,000 employees.

"It really hurts," she grouses. "The impact goes from Tonopah to Vegas and it's going to be a lot longer (after the strike is settled) before they come back."

York gets up to let a customer out. The door is dead-bolted and she jokes with him when he fumbles with the lock.

"Around here we make our men screw their way out," York chuckles.

Now she settles back on the sofa, crosses her legs and addresses the subject everyone in Beatty has been asked about at one time or another — the proposed high-level dump site.

"It would create a lot of new jobs," York says. "More money for the community."

The madam doesn't worry about the possibility of a nuclear accident.

"If there's any damage done, it was done long before I got here," she says. "If people are so worried about it they don't have to live here. They don't have to live in Nevada."

The phone rings. The portable beige phone is seldom beyond arm's reach and now she pulls out the silver extension antenna. The call is from Los Angeles.

"OK," York says. "Are they going to reimburse us for all these phone calls and the postage? It's supposed to be on the credit card. I hope they don't sent it c.o.d."

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G.L. Coffer's "Fleur de Lis" ranch is the biggest cattle

"I'm for peace. But living in America is a privilege and one I don't want taken from me. In order to maintain the liberties and freedoms, we have to maintain the deterrent."

— LaRene Younghans

spread in the greater Beatty area. Coffer runs more than 100 head of cattle on his 920 acres and the 75,000 acres of pasture he leases from the Bureau of Land Management.

"We're just a little family outlet," Coffer says. "Just trying to live and let live. No use trying to be a millionaire."

Coffer tilts back a rickety chair and pushes the engineer's cap up out of his eyes. A native of Newborn, Ky., he speaks lovingly of the four reservoirs he has built in the desert.

Now 75, Coffer bought the place 30 years ago and besides ranching he worked as a truck driver for Nuclear Engineering for 10 years.

"I enjoyed it," Coffer says of his Nuclear Engineering job. "I did as I pleased."

In April 1976, the Environmental Protection Agency published a "Radiation Survey in Beatty, Nevada and Surrounding Area."

Among other things the report said: "For almost 13 years radioactive materials sent to the site were to have been buried under the terms of state licenses. In actual fact, large quantities of radioactive materials sent to the site for burial were diverted to the site for private use."

Military clocks, compasses, carpet, electric motors, tools, toolboxes, drill pipe and plywood are some of the "believed buried" found in homes and businesses of unsuspecting Beatty residents.

Radium-226, cobalt-58, cobalt-60, plutonium-239 and uranium-238 were among the isotopes identified in the EPA report.

The report concluded that "there were many items which contained enough radioactive material to pose health hazards and require major decontamination costs should these items have been broken open and the radioactive materials released into the environment. It should also be noted that there exists the possibility of higher exposures from radioactive materials at locations in areas not covered in the survey."

Coffer climbs into his pickup truck — he's a Chevy man — and heads out to the pasture land where his seven thoroughbred horses graze.

"All that nuclear waste," Coffer scoffs as he powers past a cemetery of old Packards on his ranch. "I hauled it for 10 years and it didn't seem to bother me."

Coffer turns off the dusty road and wheels the Chevy up a

bluff overlooking his rangeland. Ducks swim in one of his reservoirs at the base of the bluff.

"Lots of times," Coffer says, gazing across the long flat valley, "I just sit out here in the summer and look at the green fields."

One photograph in the EPA report shows a corral on Coffer's ranch. The caption beneath the photo reads: "Contaminated metal shipping container in use as stock watering trough..."

Coffer stands by the watering trough featured in the photo and admires one of his thoroughbreds.

"I don't think there's any other horse than a thoroughbred," Coffer says. "We plowed corn with them back in Kentucky. My father wouldn't have anything else but a thoroughbred."

Coffer runs his horses in Ely, Elko and Wyoming Downs. "My favorite time anywhere is when I'm at the races with my horses," he says, grinning.

Coffer's BLM land runs along the test site boundaries. Protesters trying to infiltrate the test site have cut through the Fleur de Lis.

"I run 'em off," Coffer says. "They'll find another way but not through here. We don't need those protesters I think they're paid by another country."

"I think they should put them all in a pile and dispose of them. As far as I'm concerned, without this nuclear stuff, any other country, like Russia, could take us over."

The road from the Fleur de Lis curves around a rocky cliff. A single coyote dashes across the road and disappears in the ditch. Just around the curve, Coffer's neighbors, LaRene and George Younghans, are working in their yard.

Four ducks and two geese swim in the creek in front of the white-and-red ranchhouse. The Younghans' two dogs, "Tank" and "Rebel," and the cats, "Scotty" and "Licorice," meander across the yard.

The Younghans moved to Beatty six years ago from Las Vegas. George has worked at the test site since 1962. LaRene, chairperson of the Beatty Town Advisory Board, worked at the test site for 30 years.

The Younghans run 30-40 head of cattle and three horses on their 100 acres and the 1,800 acres of land they lease from the BLM.

"We've got one skunk we're trying to get rid of," LaRene says, smiling.

"Haven't caught him yet," George adds.

Like many Beatty residents, the Younghans believe in nuclear deterrence.

"I'm for peace," LaRene says. "But living in America is a privilege and one I don't want taken from me. In order to maintain the liberties and freedoms, we have to maintain the deterrent."

"There are people who would like to own the good old U.S. of A.," George adds.

George and LaRene Younghans are native Nevadans. George's family is second generation. He was born in Sparks. LaRene, born in Reno, is a third-generation Nevadan.

The Younghans share the non-nonsense, God-and-country convictions of many Nevadans.

"We believe in the right to protest," LaRene says. "There is a legal way to protest and a non-legal way to protest. There's a difference between protesters at the gate and those who would infiltrate the site."

"You can see their point," George continues, "if you're not really narrow."

The Younghans are skeptical of the government's reassurances that the nuclear repositories are safe.

"I don't trust the people who are doing the studies or the results they present," Younghans says. "But, worst of all, I don't trust the information they have and don't give to the public."

Two weeks ago, the government reported to Beatty residents on the movement of nuclear residue in the water table. They presented information about water from the northeast corner of the test site but they ignored U-20-Nancy.

Water originating near hole U-20-Nancy is more closely linked to Beatty's water supply than the area detailed in the report. Tritium from a nuclear test 20 years ago in the U-20-Nancy hole disappeared in the soil.

The ducks at the Younghans' "oasis" swim in the water from U-20-Nancy. From there, it winds up — one way or another — in the faucets of Beatty.

"These folks are trusting," George Younghans says of his neighbors and friends. "Any time they dump nuclear garbage in your backyard you should be concerned. They don't know what it can do."

"Something that lasts 10,000 years — how do you comprehend what that means to the future?" LaRene asks. "We haven't even had written history that long."

The Younghans collect Shoshone Indian artifacts. Arrowheads, knives and beads, beautifully crafted by Nevada's original tenants, are displayed on a coffee table in the living room of the Younghans' home.

"It makes you think about the people who used to live here," LaRene says.



John Evan

Thoroughbred — G.L. Coffer, owner of the Fleur de Lis ranch near Beatty.

Raw

Murphy's tour shocks, amuses Lawlor audience

By Rhonda McClary
Staff

People entered Lawlor Events Center with faces of confusion as they located their seats. The crowd listened to the new music of Michael Jackson and the old music of Earth, Wind and Fire with excitement as they waited for the main attraction, Eddie Murphy and his "Raw Tour '87."

The audience was forced to wait for Murphy because of two opening acts, Paul Mooney and Christopher. Mooney and Christopher appeared on "The Late Show" and caught the talented eye of Murphy.

Christopher had the crowd in an uproar of laughter with his imitation of the Jackson Five. His lifesize dolls danced and sang some of the early Jackson Five tunes.

Mooney followed Christopher with a standup routine. His deep, raspy voice had the crowd laughing but shocked because of his racial overtones.

"Eddie ... Eddie," the near-capacity crowd chanted. After the introduction, there he was on two giant screens, dressed in black with a diamond brooch on his lapel.

His first comment was about the review he received of his last Reno concert visit, which he said wasn't to his liking. Murphy went on to talk about Michael Jackson's new image, Oprah Winfrey's weight, Larry Holmes' speech impediment and homosexuals.

Murphy illustrated some of his talents with an impression of Bill Cosby, during which he seemed to have transformed into Cosby with his voice, looks and body expressions. His singing talents were expressed with his imitation of reggae legend Bob Marley.

He then touched on the subject of relationships between men and women. He referred to men as "low-down dirty dogs" and women as "sneaky ... cats." He illustrated the insecurities and faults of men and women and gave a reason for each. The audience became involved with this portion of his material by answering to and agreeing with his inquisitive questions.

Eddie Murphy's "Raw Tour '87" and his "Pieces of My Mind Tour '86" contained some identical material, such as mentioning the unfairness of Joanna Carson receiving half of Johnny's earnings after their divorce.

The "Raw" concert was excellent from beginning to end. Eddie Murphy found creative, new talent with Christopher and shocking racial overtones in the comedy of Paul Mooney.

The multitalented Eddie Murphy rounded out the show with his distinctive style, personality, singing and impressionistic talents.



Paul Horn

'The Crucible' explores man's relationship with society

By Loni Harris
Staff

In a look back into the history of a particular period when hysteria is caused by a repressive, religious society, we have Arthur Miller's "The Crucible."

"The Crucible," a play performed by the Nevada Repertory Company, is about the Salem witch trials of 1692, in which a number of women and men were accused of witchcraft and some were executed.

"It has been interpreted in modern times that a sort of sexual repression brought on this hysteria," director Jim Bernardi said.

Terri Neish, who plays Abigail Williams,

a supposedly "possessed" child, said she relates her character and period of time to the McCarthy Era with the idea of denial and placing the blame on others.

"I think what it comes down to is it's easier to point a finger at someone else rather than to defend yourself," Blair Anthony, who plays the Rev. John Hale, said.

In 1953, during the McCarthy hearings, "The Crucible" first came out.

"The people thought he (playwright Arthur Miller) was making a comment against the hearings because they were called 'witch hunts' during that time," Bernardi said. "The public at large thought it was just

propaganda."

After the off-broadway revival in 1957, the play's popularity grew.

"The Crucible" seems to be less about religion and more about man and his relationships with the society in which he finds himself," Bernardi said. "Arthur Miller sees it as impossible for a person not to be a part of society."

Bernardi said he thinks the play has certain parallels in today's society in relation to the rights of the individual, such as the problems we face today with AIDS and the Iran-contra hearings.

"It's a great play, exciting theater and has

ideas that are universal," he said.

"The Crucible" will be playing Nov. 13, 14, 20 and 21 at 8 p.m. and Nov. 22 at 2 p.m. in the Redfield Proscenium Theater.

Free spicy films

Truckee Meadows Community College is presenting two free films in the "Spice of Life" Film Series called "Mustard: the Spice of Nations" and "Pepper: the Master Spice" Nov. 18 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Senior Citizen Center in Reno.

For more information, call TMCC at 673-7105.

Indermaur paints compelling characters

By Marta Murvosh
Staff Writer

In paint, Robert Indermaur isolates individuals in an environment that separates them from the rest of humanity.

A Swedish painter, Indermaur's work is being exhibited on campus in the Sheppard Gallery of the Church Fine Arts Complex.

He describes the people he paints as "lonely masspersons." Following the tradition of many European artists, he goes beyond figurative studies of the human form into the psychology of the people he portrays.

His figures have an unsurety about their stance and place in the environment he sets them. There is a sense of expectation, as if Indermaur caught each person right before he was about to do something.

His characters also look out of his paintings with an anxiousness that is very compelling. They communicate with their audience.

Indermaur's characters come from life and history. A revolutionary stands in an alley on a box with one hand upraised in declaration. A musician plays the saxophone in the street. Some of his figures conjure up the nostalgia of carnivals.

Indermaur isolates his people in their relationships to others in the paintings. In "Between Rooms — Passerby," a running figure is frozen. What he is running from or to is unclear.

The other figure in the painting regards the running man with an uncertainty that borders on apathetic fear. The only connection between the two is that one invades the other's environment.

By creating a situation that is unusual, Indermaur causes his viewers to regard and remember the individuals whom he represents more closely.

By being painted in the manner of a family portrait, the three lifesize oil paintings, "The Paint Fairy," "Old Man" and "Four Bulbs," attract the eye.

The people pictured in these paintings should not be represented in this manner. They are people of the streets, not people you find in wealthy homes sitting down for elegant dinners. They should be the subjects



Marta Murvosh

Air, by Robert Indermaur

of a street photographer, not the subjects of a family painting.

Indermaur's brushstrokes beautifully construct the individuals he creates. His paint can be loose, expansive and gestural. Yet he tightens up for rendering of the hands and facial expressions.

The personality of his characters is shown through their emotions and gestures of their hands. For this rendering, Indermaur's brush paints lines of red, green and pink. Mouths, hands and eyes appear to be carved out of

paint.

"Cat Between Rooms" depicts a man waiting by a small, open doorway. His feet are curled like paws, his toes have the same length. His hands are ready to grab.

With a line of dark paint the nose is made small and pugged. Indermaur has blurred the hair so that it rises off the man's head like cat ears pricked up at a sound. Even the shadow cast by the figure resembles a cat.

The figure in "Nomad" has a balding head that fades into the background of his environ-

ment. He is an unassuming character that disappears from the passerby on the streets. Indermaur has painted him that way.

Indermaur's pallet is limited. He uses warm browns and umbers. Usually, his whites are not cold at all. Because of his choice of pallet, the isolation and loneliness is not a cold, fearful thing — just uncomfortably familiar.

Indermaur's paintings will show at Sheppard Gallery through Nov. 30. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays.

Hypnosis is natural way to modify behavior

By Reed M. Jones
Staff

When many people think of hypnosis, they envision ordinarily sane people flapping their arms and clucking like chickens. But there is more to it than that which is so often presented in hypnotist stage shows.

For many years, hypnosis has been used for behavior modification as well as for medical purposes.

"Hypnosis is a natural state in which your level of suggestibility becomes enhanced," hypnotherapist Mark Gordon said.

Gordon practices hypnosis at the Mind Power Center for Hypnosis in Reno. He specializes in behavior modification.

He said behavior modification is where you take an old behavior and uncover its causes. Then you re-educate the subconscious to the desired behavior.

"What makes hypnosis work is that the subject wants to accept change," he said. "You have the conscious mind as a guardian and whatever that allows to filter to the subconscious, then that's what we accept."

Hypnosis makes the subconscious mind susceptible to suggestion.

"In hypnosis, you accept the things that are

acceptable to you — as long as the things don't go against your moral fiber," Gordon said.

"If I gave you a suggestion that wasn't acceptable to you, you would break the trance or just refuse to do it.

"People get confused and they think, 'when I'm hypnotized, I will be unaware — asleep.'"

He said hypnosis is "as close to sleep as night is to day" and the subject is completely aware of everything.

"You hear the sounds around you," Gordon said. "You actually become more focused. If you weren't able to hear, you wouldn't be able to hear the suggestions.

"During hypnosis the mind works so well and the law of self-preservation works so beautifully that no one could ever take advantage of you in the hypnotic state.

"That is why in the history of the world no harm or damage has been done by hypnosis."

In the medical field, hypnosis is used in many ways. For example, during childbirth a woman can be hypnotized to experience a near-painless delivery.

A type of waking hypnosis has been used for medical purposes.

"Waking hypnosis is where a patient

comes to a doctor complaining of a pain and the doctor says 'I have this elixer that is brand new on the market and this is going to take your pain away,'" Gordon said. "He gives the patient water. You see, the patient is open to suggestion so relief is accessible to him."

There are a number of uses of hypnosis for behavior modification. It can be used to quit smoking, to lose weight, to gain confidence and for countless other self-improvements.

"I've worked with people who had cocaine problems and found that the source of their drug addiction related back to when they were children," Gordon said. "There's a technique called age regression. While the person is in a hypnotic state, you regress them back to an earlier time of their life.

"I basically am a guide and they make all the discoveries. Then they can come to terms with their behavior. When they realize that, we can do some positive affirmations and they can affirm this new behavior they want."

The sensation of hypnosis is different for everyone.

"Many people have a tingling sensation in the hands or a feeling of warmth comes over the body," Gordon said. "Hypnosis is extremely relaxing.

"The more a person relaxes, the stronger a feeling of euphoria is experienced. There is a feeling of well-being, of contentment.

"In hypnotherapy, a person does not lose consciousness. Instead, he gains awareness."

And you don't even have to act like a chicken — unless, of course, you want to.

"Hypnosis is as close to sleep as night is to day."

— Mark Gordon

Boring baby stuff and a missing romp

By Randy G. Gener
Movie Critic

Attention all Reno-Sparks movie theaters!

We are sick and tired of you insulting our intelligence. Reno moviegoers are more intelligent than you give us credit for. We demand quality films, movies that matter, not the clap-trap slimeballs being hurled at us every Friday. You'd be surprised how successful they'll be.

These are the movies we want to see: "Hail! Hail! Rock 'n' Roll!" "Dark Eyes," "Hope and Glory," "Cry Freedom," "Wish You Were Here," "House of Games," "Maurice," "Matewan," "The Glass Menagerie," "Weeds" and "Barfly."

Baby Boom
Cine 3, Rated PG

In Hollywood history, 1987 will come down in movie history as The

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Rolling into ranch land without any dough

Sometimes Nevadans forget what a great state this is. But then we live up a slow Saturday night in Reno by taking an eight-mile field trip across the Washoe County line to a hidden little mecca off I-80, just past the wrecking yard and the railroad tracks, where the bars are always open and the girls are always friendly.

Then we remember.

Saturday night seemed destined to be something less than memorable. Not only were we down from UNR's depressing loss to Boise State earlier in the day but we were also still recovering from one of the most kickin' nights in recent memory at the Barrel. (Guido and I had led a group of beer-crazed collegians in forming a love circle around Jenny and her beautifully blossoming, blouse-busting hooters while we complemented Chris Talbot's lyrics with choruses of "oohs" and "ahs" and synchronized pubic thrusts.)

Let me tell ya, a long Friday night of yelling, pubic thrusting, trying to slip angry face slaps and watching Yo-yo Man put on a show with his new light-up yo-yo can really take a lot out of a Gumboman.

So, needless to say, when Johnny Vegas and I were ready to leave an old friend's birthday bash around 11:30 Saturday night we were both in a mellow mood. We even gave brief lip service to the novel idea of calling it an early night and getting some rest.

But we agreed that we'd hate ourselves in the morning if we let a senior-year Saturday night slip away without knowing "what could have been."

It didn't take us long to come up with a destination. We needed a place with no cover charge, maybe a little live music and a dance floor full of desperate divorcees. Yes, the Hacienda Del Sol would do nicely.

However, after some boppable blond left Johnny Vegas with a hug and a handshake and her bitchy but beautiful friend left me wondering if I had forgotten to clean my nose completely or something, we decided to return to our element.

We arrived at the Barrel about 1 a.m. or so, only to find the place deserted except for a few hoseheads who had a few too many and a few bimbos who hadn't had enough — a truly dangerous combination.

One of the hoseheads still hanging around was Schlong, a rather large, good-natured guy who, despite three years at UNR, had never observed the sociological wonders found only at the Mustang Ranch.

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Shelby A. Gumboman

And after Guido and Howie — two UNR veterans I have known since high school — showed up driving down Ninth Street feeling just as bored as we were, we pooled our persuasive resources and delivered our best sales pitch on the necessity of experiencing the pleasures of our nation's last haven for legalized prostitution.

Fortunately, Schlong was just drunk enough to go along.

With Guido and Howie following us in Guido's truck, Schlong and I piled in Johnny Vegas' Death Bug, cranked some INXS and motored east on I-80 to the crowded parking lot between the famed Mustang Ranch and the second house that Joe Conforte built, the Mustang Ranch II.

Once we hit the buzzer that opens the iron gate and strolled inside the plush lounge area inside the double doors, we found that dozens of cowpokes had come in everything from taxis to rental cars to Porsche 911s to work trucks to enjoy some ranchstyle hospitality.

The customers were guys pretty much like us. There were, however, two obvious differences between us and them: amorous intentions and money.

We had neither. And as we soon discovered, the working girls sensed this.

For the most part, though, they were pretty understanding. One blonde, who looked to be in her mid-20s, even offered to give us a tour. But she warned us that she could only take two of us at a time.

Evidently, if we wanted a group tour for the five of us, we had to ask one of the other girls.

In fact, the only thing close to hostility we encountered occurred after we had toured the

two Mustangs and the nearby Old Bridge Ranch and returned for a second look at the main house. The girls of Mustang didn't seem too enthusiastic about lining up a second time to introduce themselves to a bunch of curious collegians with less than \$60 between the five of them.

Still, the only time any of us felt unwelcome was when a group of bored hookers sitting at the bar in Mustang II began giggling among themselves and then asked Schlong if he was wearing makeup.

It must have been a combination of the reddish flush caused by too many drafts at the Barrel and his embarrassment that prompted the comment. In any case, Schlong did not take it lightly. In fact, he was downright offended.

Even after we topped off the night with a late 99-cent breakfast at the Plantation, Schlong was still bitching about being dubbed "the Revlon Man" by a couple of cackling prostitutes.

Nevertheless, I think a brief visit to Mustang is a must for every male — and to avoid any sexist accusations, every female too — who has any interest in humanity, the strange, the ancient and the fascinating.

Gumboman says check it out.

And since I refuse to pass judgment on those who wish to pay for sex, for those of you who could care less about the two front-page hooker stories in Sunday's Reno Gazette-Journal and have some time and/or about 50 bucks to waste, I offer the Gumbo ratings for the three brothels we visited.

Mustang Ranch I — The queen of the cathouses. It had the best-looking girls overall, the most business and the greatest quan-

tity. Four Gumbos.

Mustang Ranch II — Definitely a step down from the larger house. A few friendly ladies, though, and more couch space. Two-and-a-half Gumbos.

Old Bridge Ranch — The smallest of the three. Old Bridge would be good for those desiring more quiet, one-on-one attention. Also, the T-shirt and souvenir selection could not compete with the larger houses and one of the girls talked like she was on some depressing drugs. One Gumbo.

Noon jazz at CFA

The second in the series of Tuesday noon student concerts at UNR will take place in the Nightingale Concert Hall Nov. 17.

This concert will feature the debut of the newly formed UNR Jazz Quintet under the direction of Professor Larry Engstrom, also new to the department this fall. The ensemble will play contemporary jazz pieces.

Also featured on the program will be a brass quintet by Ewald performed by members of the UNR Brass Quintet.

Soloists will include pianists Hwei-Jen Sung, who will play the Allegretto & Scherzo from the Op. 14 Suite by Bartok, Jackie Starkweather, who will play Debussy's "Reflections in the Water" and Brach Thompson, playing George Gershwin's Three Preludes for piano.

Flutist Kristin Lannes will play the Second Sonata by Gaubert, oboist David Heise will play the Sonata for oboe and piano by Paul Hindemith and Pat Langan will play "Scherzo-Caprice" by Clair Mussar on the marimba.

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Flipping the channels for the best new TV shows

By Randy G. Gener
Movie Critic

Many issues ago, the Sagebrush's delinquent columnist Shelby A. Gumboman wrote a whole article on how great — fatiguing, really — ABC-TV's "Moonlighting" is. Frankly, it's beginning to bore me.

It took me more than seven weeks of changing channels to find out which new primetime shows have been consistently of high quality this season. It looked futile for a while but I've finally got it down to the creme de la creme.

But first, the first-ever "Hooray! Hooray!" Awards for quality television programming go to:

1. KTVN-TV — for the inspired hour-and-a-half combination of rib-tickling "Family Ties," "M*A*S*H" and "Cheers."

2. KCRL-TV — for "Mama's Family," not really a great syndicated sitcom but Vicki Lawrence makes Bette Midler look tame, and for "Barney Miller," one of the best sitcoms of all time.

3. KOLO-TV — for taking "The Streets of San Francisco" out of the TV schedule, for "Madhouse Manor" and the fantabulous "Hill Street Blues," the best cop show ever.

4. CBS-TV — for "The Bob Newhart Show," "Designing Women," "Cagney and Lacey," "60 minutes," "West 57th" and "Murder She Wrote."

5. NBC-TV — for "St. Elsewhere" and Ed Flander's mooning, the rejuvenation of "The Cosby Show," the new "Cheers," "Night Court," "L.A. Law," "Amen," "The Golden Girls," "227" and "Family Ties."

6. ABC-TV — for "Perfect Strangers," "Head of the Class," "Mr. Belvedere" and "20/20."

7. KNPB — for the "TV Worth Watching" spots, "MacNeil/Lehrer News Hour," "American Masters" and the savage frenzy of "The McLaughlin Group."

8. KAME-TV — for the great movies, "At The Movies" and the original "Star Trek."

9. KREN-TV — for the guts to use Spanish.

And now the first-ever "Yuck!" Awards for Turkey Programming:

1. KCRL-TV — for the terminally stupid "She's The Sheriff," which should be arrested ASAP, for taking out "Benson" and "WKRP in Cincinnati" and replacing them with the crappiest hour in TV history — namely the

back-to-back "The Dating Game" and "The New Newlyweds Game" and for keeping John Carrol as the Weekend News Anchor, whose voice inflections make modulation sound like letting out gas.

2. KOLO-TV — for the annoying twice-a-minute "Something's Happening" jingle. If I have to listen to another one of those damned things, I'm going to gun the boob tube.

3. KNPB-TV — for taking "Sneak Previews" off the air.

4. All local networks (excluding KNPB-TV, KREN-TV and KAME-TV) for promoting their tele-journalists with those 20-second newspots. They look pathetic and we get advertisements, not news.

Finally, here are the best new shows this season:

Star Trek: The Next Generation
(7 p.m. Saturdays, KAME-TV)

Beam up if you can, Trekkies and non-Trekkies. Forget the old "Star Trek," for the 24th generation has begun to boldly go where no one has gone before in a brilliant new enterprise. The all-new cast and all new Enterprise make for the most rousing, gripping, amazing hour of great sci-fi fun.

Eighty-five years after the old Capt. Kirk-Mr. Spock-Bones McCoy triumvirate, executive producer Gene Roddenberry — the same creative talent who guided the original — gives us nine space-traveling luminaries headed by Capt. Jean-Luc Picard (Patrick Stewart), a no-nonsense older man who's not inclined to share either his thoughts or his emotions.

He thus creates an absorbing enigma of a character, counterpointed by Cmdr. William Riker (Jonathan Frakes), who's much more open emotionally and who's such a William Shatner lookalike you'd swear he's a descendant of Capt. Kirk.

What's even more interesting is the show's reflection of new 1980s consciousness. In the first place, there are more women in the crew: a telepath, a medic (replacing Bones) and a karate expert. There's even a separate black officer, Geordi (Le Var Burton). If you will remember, Nichell Nichols as communications officer Uhura represented both of those in the original.

Knowing that Mr. Spock is an irreplaceable asset the creators, therefore, deigned to make a Vulcan character. Instead, they have a charming humanoid who has the same mental

acuity but is sensitive to pain and has feelings. He even made love to a woman crew member during one of the episodes when the starship was infected with a mind-altering illness.

There's even a child genius (Will Wheaton) who's so delightful you'll be rooting for him every minute.

With the same outlandish situations, "Star Wars"-like special effects and the infinite possibilities of the humanity of aliens, "Star Trek: The Next Generation" follows in the footsteps of a legend and creates a spectacular entity all its own.

Hooperman

(9 p.m. Wednesdays, KOLO-TV)

From Steven Bochco and Terry Louise, the creators of "L.A. Law" and "Hill Street Blues," comes this fabulous half-hour comedy-drama that proves John Ritter's talent goes beyond the pratfalls and sexual farce seen on "Three's Company."

This time, he may go down in history as supercop Harry Hooperman, a police inspector and landlord in crazy San Francisco. The show is remarkable for refusing to use canned laughter as a weekly diet. Its plot is taut and terrific, combining a lot of action, a heapful of drama, laugh-out-loud gags and a heartfelt of drama.

For instance, in one episode Hooperman has to find his former landlady's murderer, save a heartbroken man from committing suicide, learn to love his landlady's pet dog, Bijou ("one of those horrible yapping creatures with bulging crazed eyes"), appease his ever-complaining tenants and deal with his colleagues in the precinct, headed by the ever-terrific Barbara Bosson (Furillo's ex-wife in

"Hill Street") as the captain.

Ritter is great as Hooperman, especially in his witty repartees, such as the one with red-neck "Bobo" Pritzger.

Pritzger: "Y'know your trouble, Hooperman?"

Hooperman: "What?"

Pritzger: "You're a liberal, snot-nosed civil service lifer."

Hooperman: "That was just a lucky guess."

"Hooperman" is a superman of a show. I'd feel safe with him on the streets.

thirtysomething

(10 p.m. Tuesdays, KOLO-TV)

Just from the way its title is written, you know this superb drama is going for some sort of stylistic chance. It does. It is. "thirtysomething" is the ultimate yuppie show, written by yuppies, about yuppies and loved by yuppies — the type "The Days And Nights of Molly Dodd" wanted so desperately to be. It is also the best new show of the season.

A heightened crisis-a-week, nearly operatic neorealistic TV, it is a voguish show that's shot more like a film with no master shot or two closeups.

The innovative storytelling features in one episode a "Rashomon"-like presentation of different perspectives of a marital squabble. There are moments when people will walk in and out of frame and when people talk off camera — scenes you never see on TV.

Debonair Michael Steadman (Ken Olin) and lovely Hope Murdoch (Mel Harris) meet on a blind date. They are both intense and

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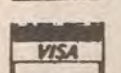
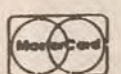
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Year of the Baby. Television and movies are going goo-goo and da-da over those cute toddlers, making everything from one of the dumbest shows you'll ever see ("Full House") to the most arresting ("Raising Arizona").

With the misguided yet very funny "Baby Boom," Diane Keaton descends from "Heaven" (her first directorial job) and goes yuppie with a terrific performance as screwball as her Lenny McGrath in "Crimes of the Heart." Maybe even more so. And this time, the movie is all her own.

Unfortunately, it is also a clanking comedy where most every gag has been done — and redone — in toddler films of the past. "Baby Boom" is predictable a few miles into the road.

But Keaton acts her sweet little heart out and gives the film a satiric zest that is openly exuberant but cynical and high-minded underneath. That's why when you come into this movie it doesn't immediately seem as familiar as it actually is. An inspired Keaton helps out greatly by giving us a touching character with whom we can sympathize.

Keaton is the "Tiger Lady," the shrewd businesswoman who has all of the answers all the time. She openly declares she is quite content with her live-in life with a man (with whom she has "great sex" for four lousy minutes every night). She says she doesn't want to have it all.

Not long into the movie, Keaton eats her own words when she inherits a baby from a longtime, long-lost-but-not-very-much-dead English cousin. As soon as that premise comes up, you know we'll have goo-goo galore and diaper fever running all over the screen. (And if you still haven't guessed that, you haven't seen a movie since "It Happened

One Night.")

Happily, we reach the most terrific part of "Baby Boom," which climaxes into unavoidably tough circumstances in her office. Her business apprentice weasels into the account she got for the company and her career goes to the brink of disaster.

Suddenly, Keaton decides to move to Vermont — this is where the film forgets its satirical feel and suddenly becomes warm and romantic. In the beginning, it says a woman can't have it all but ends up saying she can. It crosses the thin line between harsh reality and movie idealism and it does so awkwardly.

Early this year, a similar filmed essay, "Working Girls" (about prostitution), crossed the same line and suffered for it. The result? Both films let go from the level of a work of art they promised to be. But we do get a respectable enough "Baby Boom" to merit calling goo-goo good.

Diane Keaton, however, is an absolute delight. She holds up the entire film, saving it from the schlock it could've become. Sam Shephard also shows up in one of his minimalist performances but at least he has more lines than he used to have.

As for "Baby Boom," the film is only great for the first half of toddler-mania. You think this is a dispiriting review? Well, not all movies can have it all.

Fatal Beauty
Century 8, Rated R

"Fatal Beauty" doesn't really refer to Whoopi Goldberg but it should. As Rita Rizzoli (the Italian surname is never explained, only mentioned) the narcotics detective and terror of junkie street, she's such a hard-nosed, acerbic sharpshooter in this mean mama of a movie that she looks like a black Rambolina, an outrageous cross between Sigourney Weaver and Eddie Murphy.

It should be no surprise, therefore, if you get the feeling that you're watching another variation on "Beverly Hills Cop 2." That's exactly the point.

In fact, the film's producers deserve some sort of spanking for deceptively marketing "Fatal Beauty" as an all-out comedy-thriller. It isn't. It's an all-out, no holds barred, very vile action flick, coming straight out of Hollywood's high-tech factories, which produce shootouts and car chases with cold precision. The crew should really be creatively fatigued and bored by now.

Plot-wise, the film is noteworthy for only two reasons. One, "Fatal Beauty" refers to a drug that kills within seconds upon being ingested and two, its anti-drug message is more powerful than the "The thrill can kill" Clint Eastwood spot that precedes it or Nancy Reagan's concerned "Just Say No" slogan. The rest is merely a heavy-handed series of scenes showing Whoopi trying to put away drug pushers who are so stoned they'd OD dandruff just because they can.

I left the theater disappointed because the Motion Pictures Board of Review wanted to cut off what could have potentially been the most interesting scene in the movie: the torrid sex scene between the very black Whoopi and the very white Sam Elliot. The board threatened to give an X-rating, which could have been disastrous at the box-office. Instead, what we get is a nice kiss but you have to sit through the film's questionable fun to see it.

The point is, how many times do we get to see a scorching piece of interracial celluloid romp nowadays? The last time I checked, a similar meeting occurred between Mickey Rourke and Lisa Bonet in the great "Angel Heart." But even that scene had to be cut by an infinitesimal 10 seconds before the board would concede giving the film an R.

On the other hand, the board readily gave

such films as "No Way Out," "The Big Easy" and "Fatal Attraction" R ratings — all of them had equally hot, lip-smacking scenes between white folks.

Thus, I am beginning to wonder whether these events are purely coincidental or does the board have some sort of moral (racial? I doubt it) prejudice against sex between two people of different colors? If it does (and I'm just asking), some serious questions about the board's credibility as jurors of public taste must be raised. If such an event happens again, then its recent actions will be seen as more than mere aberrations.

As for "Fatal Beauty," it suffers fatally because of the drastic cut, especially in its slam-bang parts. It rates a meager "Worth A Peek" though, even if it were rated PG-13. I still say "Jumping Jack Flash" is the better-made movie.

Finally, as for Whoopi Goldberg, she has to start looking for more respectable vehicles than the ones she's been making since "The Color Purple."

But in this flick, she has one emotionally wrenching scene when she explains Rizzoli's obsessive desire to clean the streets of pushers and junkies and tearfully narrates how Rizzoli herself has been indirectly responsible for her own baby daughter's death because of cocaine overdose.

It is that one powerful scene that reminds us why we love Whoopi so much. It is that one scene when we realize that we want our old Whoopi back.

Avoiding conflict

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Ahhh, the good life — marmot style

By Heidi Walters
Variety Editor

Sometimes I envy the marmot sunning on a rock. It can be Super Bowl Sunday or income tax day or the day of a calculus test or any other day of import to a human being but all a marmot has to worry about from day to day is simple survival and the temperature of the rock pile.

Sure, marmot survival may not be that simple — coyotes, target shooters and cars all hold perils for the lumbering, none-too-swift marmot. But all in all, that fat marmot I see sometimes hanging out on the golf course but more often up in the mountains, lolling on sun-warmed granite with only a lazily interested eye for passersby, is living the good life, the easy life.

He's got the sun, the high windy peaks, the sky, the rocks.

When the mad rush of human existence gets to me, I yearn for the places where the marmots dwell. I crave to find a nice big pile of weathered, rounded granite with a southern exposure, away from people, away from cars,

Essay

away from books and papers and televisions and radios and petty worries. When the craving gets so strong that I can't ignore it, I take off.

If I don't have a week to spend hiking into the backcountry of the Sierra — and I usually don't — just taking a day off and hiking into the foothills until I reach a place where the hills rise behind me and cut off the sight of the city suffices.

Then it's just me and the marmots, lounging in the sun with only the wind as companion.

But even then I envy the marmot. There I'll be, flopped out on a nice flat rock with the sun in my face and my troubles several miles behind me, and I'll start thinking. First they'll be nice, vacant, appreciative thoughts of how warm the sun is, how smooth the rock is, how blue the sky is, how peaceful the quiet is, how

beautiful the surroundings are.

And judging by the stillness of the half-dozing, lazily blinking marmot a couple rock piles over, he's thinking the same thoughts.

But then my mind, perhaps invigorated by the freedom of the surroundings, begins to mull over those worries I thought I'd left back where the pavement ended.

I worry about school. The rock feels a bit harder.

I worry about work. The rock is getting decidedly uncomfortable.

I worry about people I know, things that have happened. The marmot on the other rock pile, as if sensing the worry vibes emanating from my direction, waddles off the top rock and disappears into an opening in the pile.

I worry about the future, sit up, look for a

smoother rock. The sun fades behind a cloud that wasn't there when I started on my escape from "it all."

And then, cold, uncomfortable and alone, I start back for home, my mind buzzing with things I have to do when I get back. As I head down the deer trail that traces a haphazard path through the sagebrush, the sun escapes from the one ornery little cloud and I look back at the rocks. The marmot's back on top again and he's got a companion. They glance unconcernedly my way, then spread their fat, furry little rodent bodies a little more comfortably on the hot rocks.

As I reach the end of dirt and sagebrush and the beginning of pavement and grass, I

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funny and they fall in love, get married, have a baby and end up living the American dream.

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realize that, despite the pending onslaught of responsibilities to meet and problems to grapple, some of the simple peace the marmot knows has slipped into my mind.

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The workshop will be held on the TMCC campus.

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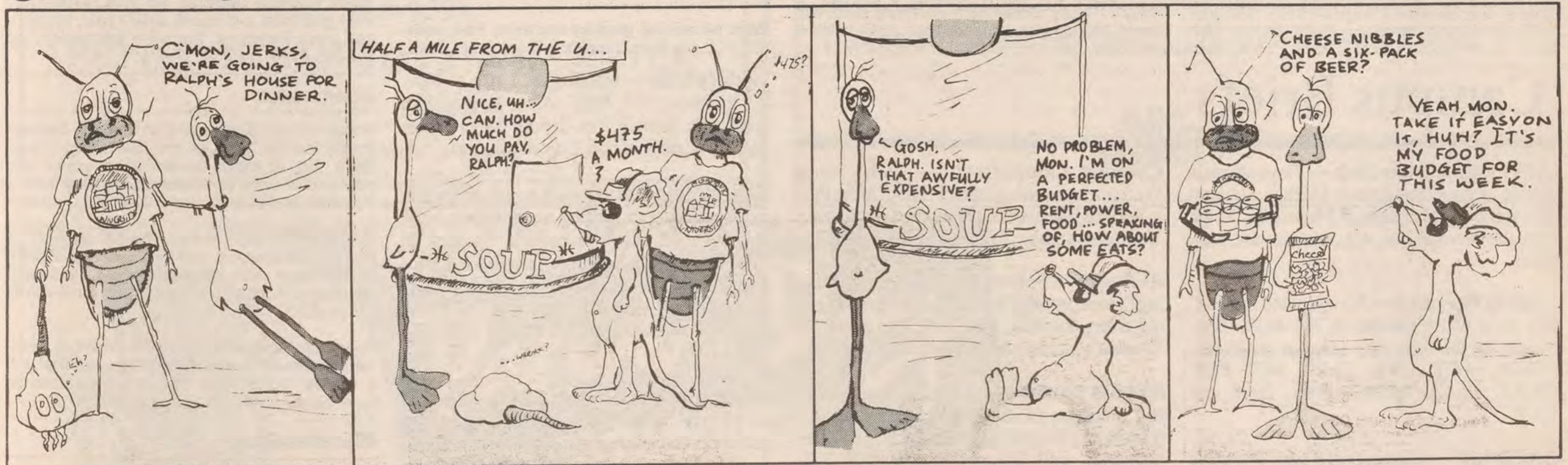
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Delta Sigma Pi — Presents Ted Wehking, vice president Nevada Banking Association. Topic: interstate banking. 12:15 p.m. Nov. 10 in Room 108, BB. Lunch provided. All students welcome!

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The American Indian Organization — Meetings at noon every first and third Friday of each month in the Nevada Room, J.T.U. All students welcome.

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Management and Personnel Association — Meeting at 4 p.m. Nov. 12 in Room 402, BB. All interested students are welcome to attend.

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4. Burger could not start against Florida Oct. 31.

Auburn head coach Pat Dye (he doesn't look like Mrs. Cleaver), feeling that Burger had been taught a harsh lesson, replaced starter Reggie Stack with Burger on the second play of the game.

But hold on sports fans. The "Wheel of Stupidity" is not over.

Iowa State freshman volleyball player Tracy Graham remains ineligible because she did not take the ACT entrance exam on a day approved by the NCAA.

Graham, a B-plus student in high school, passed the exam. The problem is that Graham

took the exam in July 1986 because her track team was competing on a nationally approved testing day in April of that year.

The NCAA requires prospective athletes to take the ACT on national testing days so it can better monitor the results.

Graham was unaware her actions would jeopardize her eligibility.

Iowa State has made four separate requests to four different NCAA committees for reinstatement of Graham's eligibility. They have all been denied.

Burger led Auburn to a 29-6 victory over Florida and started in Auburn's 34-6 loss to Florida State Saturday.

Meanwhile, Graham misses her entire volleyball season because she passed her

Big Sky scores

Idaho 14, Montana St. 7
 Montana 63, Idaho State 0
 Weber St. 46, E. Washington 23
 Northern Arizona 24, Tulsa 20

Boise State (3-3)	5 4 0
Idaho State (2-4)	2 6 1
Eastern Washington (2-5)	4 6 0
Montana St. (0-7)	1 9 0

Other scores

Dartmouth 12, Columbia 10
Kansas State 17, Kansas 17
Western State 20, Panhandle State 15
Hanover 40, Bluffton 37
Hope 48, Olivet 14
Marietta 38, Heidelberg 17
Olivet-Nazarene 26, NE Illinois 7
Brockport State 7, Hamilton 0
Bloomsburg 17, Kutztown 3

Big Sky standings

Team (conference)	W	L	T
Idaho (6-1)	8	2	0
Weber St. (5-1)	7	2	0
Northern Arizona (4-2)	7	2	0
Montana (4-3)	5	4	0
UNR (3-3)	4	5	0

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off its knees and beginning to walk," Hall said.

Ault thinks several things hurt the Pack.

"They just beat our inside backers all day," Ault said. "They were running a control route."

But Ault does not feel that was the key to the loss.

"That doesn't beat you," Ault said. "What hurt us was the kickoff coverage, the quick screen and he (Alcalde) rolled out several times and threw across field."

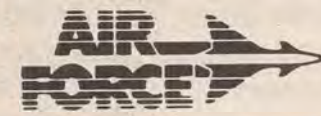
Ault thinks the defense could have played better.

"Our kids played hard," Ault said. "But you give up 36 points. That's ridiculous."

UNR plays its last home game Saturday against Weber State. The last game of the season will be Nov. 21 at Northern Arizona.

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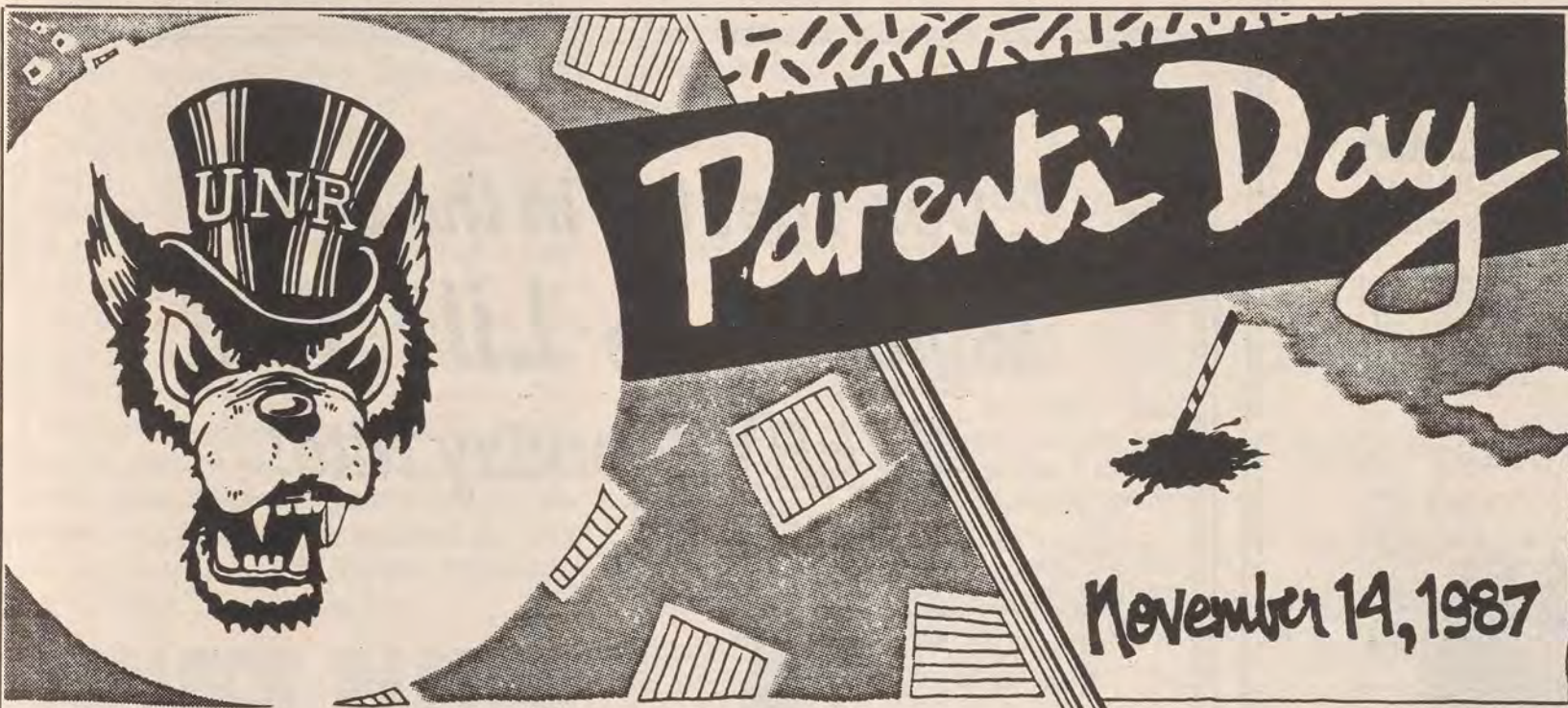
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Boise State-UNR rivalry becoming the real thing

By Geoff Schumacher
Editor

The football game against the arch-rival is the apex of a university's season. More fans come out and more spirit is expressed at a game against a rival team than on any other weekend during the season.

Many times, rivalries develop between teams of equal size and ability in the same state. Often, teams that have long traditions of playing close games build rivalries. Occasionally, opposing reputations — the ever-popular good-vs.-evil concept — are cause for rivalry.

UNR has needed a genuine football rivalry for some time and it finally has one — with Boise State, a university that has no ties of any kind to UNR other than that the two schools are in the same league.

A weird rival, yes, but a rival nonetheless. Since UNLV can't seem to fill UNR's need for a legitimate rival, Boise State will do. It happens to work out nice because the two universities are close enough geographically that fans can easily attend away games.

The tension was building last season when the Wolf Pack defeated the Broncos 21-16 on Boise's queerly blue Astroturf field. In dramatic fashion, the Pack sent 17,934 Bronco fans home bluer than their gaudy field.

The rivalry was firmly established when a record 18,150 spectators, including more than 3,500 orange-splattered fans from Boise, crowded into the stands at Mackay Stadium for the football game Saturday afternoon.

The game was intense throughout — injuries galore and hard hits aplenty — with the

Commentary

Broncos eking out a 36-31 victory.

The players on both teams performed with rivalry-style fervor. There could have been little other reason for their aggressive, heart-felt play: neither team entered the game with a realistic chance of winning the conference or reaching the playoffs.

UNR played its guts out — the Pack could have pulled out the victory in the last minute of the game — and was extremely disappointed after losing.

Boise State also played incredibly hard — otherwise it couldn't have possibly defeated the Pack.

But it was the fans that really pushed the rivalry development along.

The Boise State fans were consistently loud, cacophonous, fanatic even. And Boise State's band provided rowdy music between every play. It was louder and more inspired than UNR's band.

This, in effect, pissed off the 14,000 or so Wolf Pack fans and they responded with booming, ominous brouhaha on good UNR plays.

One of the highlights of the day's events, however, occurred after the game.

As the many Idaho-bound campers inched slowly south on Virginia Street en route to the freedom of the freeway, obsessively honking their obnoxious horns, the cranky residents of White Pine Hall shouted obscenities out their



Adrian Fox

Takedown — UNR defensive backs Ken Caleb (2) and Mike Brown (12) wrestle a Boise State ball carrier to the ground in the Broncos' 36-31 victory Saturday at Mackay Stadium.

windows at the chaotic caravan.

Saturday's game had all the makings of a rivalry. The tension was there and the spirit was true.

Rivalries are like the UNR Adastra Club's role-playing campaigns.

At the Adastra Club meetings, participants pretend they are superhuman characters in an epic battle between good and evil.

These characters are tortured and killed

left and right but that's why the comparison is relevant. No one is really hurt. It's just a game — like football.

In more direct words, it is much better to have rivalries on a ball field than in real life.

Next season, the UNR-Boise State game will be coined a rivalry long before kickoff. The fans certainly will be looking forward to it, their banners prepared for flight, their vocal cords greased and ready to go.

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
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The NCAA — stupidity and double standards

The governing body of intercollegiate athletics, the National Collegiate Athletic Association, is not known for common sense. It is better known for its lack thereof.

If the NCAA has been consistent in one area it has been punishment. Stiff punishment for minor infractions of sometimes archaic and mostly pinheaded rules.

In 1985, Indiana University basketball player Steve Alford was suspended for one game because he posed for a calendar.

Alford received no money for his "work" and the proceeds from the calendar, which was put together by a sorority, went to charity.

The NCAA, adding irony to its stupidity, suspended Alford for Indiana's game against the University of Kentucky, one of the most penalized basketball programs in history.

Until 1985, Indiana had a clean slate under coach Bobby Knight.

This is just one example of the NCAA's normally hard line toward rule infractions.

I use "normally" because in the last year there have been several signs the NCAA is softening its stance.

This does not mean the NCAA is getting any smarter. Cases in point:

- Pitt defensive back Teryl Austin was declared ineligible by the NCAA when it was learned he received \$2,500 from an agent. On appeal, Austin had his eligibility restored and was given a two-game suspension.

- Minnesota quarterback Rickey Foggie was declared ineligible when the NCAA learned he had received a loan for a plane ticket from assistant coach Larry Beckish. On appeal, Foggie also had his eligibility restored and was given a two-game suspension.

- The recent problems of Auburn quarterback Jeff Burger also show signs of a softer position by the NCAA.

During the summer Burger was bailed out of jail by assistant coach Pat Sullivan in violation of NCAA regulations. Burger had been arrested for illegally carrying a concealed weapon.

But before the Tiger's played the first game of the season Burger had his eligibility reinstated by the NCAA.

But Burger, obviously saving his intelligence for game time, was not out of trouble. He also faced academic suspension for plagiarism, a case the NCAA had nothing to do with but one in which Auburn University showed where its priorities lay.

Rick Hoover

Burger was saved this time by Auburn's vice president for academic affairs, Warren Brandt, who overturned a decision by the school's academic honesty committee.

The third case involving Burger displayed rampant idiocy by the quarterback, the NCAA and Auburn.

On Oct. 11, Burger went dove hunting with a teammate, accepting a free ride on his teammate's friend's plane, a violation of the NCAA's rule against "extra benefits."

On Oct. 28, Auburn declared Burger ineligible and immediately asked the NCAA to restore his eligibility.

The NCAA, leaving the country wondering who is actually in charge, restored Burger's eligibility the next day.

But Auburn took it upon itself to finally teach Burger a lesson by imposing four conditions on him:

1. Burger had to repay the teammate's friend for the airfare.

OK, this is tough. Money is hard to come by for college students.

2. Burger had to write letters of apology to Auburn President Jim Martin and SEC commissioner Harvey Schiller for initially refusing to cooperate in the investigation of the hunting trip.

This condition makes it look like Mrs. Cleaver is head football coach at Auburn.

3. Burger must perform 40 hours of community service before Dec. 23.

Free time is tough to come by for college athletes with practice and homework, or, in Burger's case, practice and defenseless bird-blasting.

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Wolf Pack swim team loses at Pacific

The UNR swimming and diving team lost its first meet of the season Nov. 7 at the University of the Pacific, 128-124.

UNR led by three points going into the last relay event but Pacific managed to pull out the victory in the race and the meet.

Freshman Gayle Camburn won three events for UNR, the 200-yard butterfly, the 200-yard freestyle and the 500-yard

freestyle. Camburn was the only triple-event winner for UNR.

Senior Mary Ellen Arrascada won the 100-yard and 200-yard backstroke events. Her time of 1:02.64 in the 100-yard backstroke was within three seconds of a UNR school record.

Sophomore diver Kristin Herzchel won both diving events for UNR.

Racquetball tourney offered by RPED

The UNR Recreation, Physical Education and Dance Department is hosting a racquetball tournament.

The tournament will be held at the Lombardi Recreation Center Nov. 13 with matches starting at 4 p.m. and Nov. 14 at 9 a.m.

Matches will be scheduled so they do not conflict with the UNR-Weber State football game Saturday.

Fees are \$6 for the first event and \$4 for each additional event.

All entries and fees are due by noon Nov. 12. Free T-shirts will be given to the first 100 paid entrants.

Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third places. A total of 10 divisions are open. Everyone is eligible to enter.

For more information, contact the RPED department, 784-4041.

This week's schedule for Wolf Pack athletics

Men's golf — today at USF Invitational, San Francisco.

Men's basketball — intrasquad game today; Picture Night, Lawlor, 7 p.m.-9 p.m.

Women's volleyball — Boise State, Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Football — Weber State, Saturday at Mackay Stadium, 1 p.m.

Men's basketball — Bulgarian national team, Saturday at Lawlor, 7:30 p.m.

Men's cross country — Big Sky championships. Saturday in Salt Lake City, 10 a.m.

Women's volleyball — Idaho State, Pocatello, Saturday, 7:30 p.m.

Women's volleyball — Weber State, Ogden, Utah. Nov. 16, 7:30 p.m.

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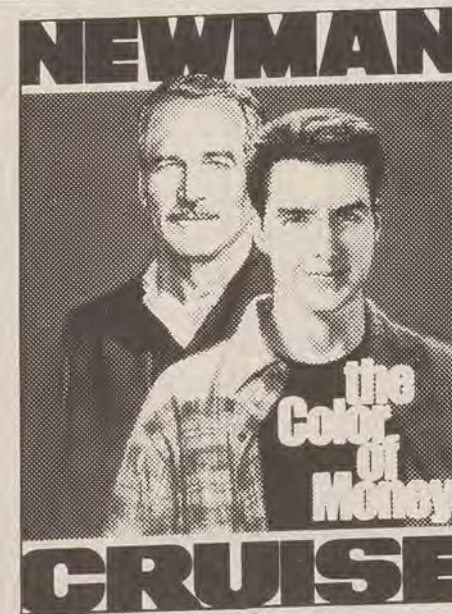


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Pack kisses playoffs goodbye

By Rick Hoover
Sports Editor

The UNR football team will not repeat as Big Sky champions.

The Wolf Pack will not be going to the I-AA playoffs, either.

And after Saturday's 36-31 loss to the Boise State Broncos in front of a record Mackay Stadium crowd of 18,150, the Pack may not finish the season with a winning record, something that has never happened during the Chris Ault era.

Now 3-3 in the Big Sky and 4-5 overall, the Pack has to beat first-place Weber State at

home and Northern Arizona at Flagstaff, Ariz., to finish above .500.

"Our backs are to the wall," UNR head coach Chris Ault said. "We just have to stand up and have a winning year."

Ault thinks the situation is partly because of the team.

"We continually just hurt ourselves," Ault said.

But mistakes were not the only reason for the loss. The biggest reason was Boise's offense.

With an attack led by quarterback Vince Alcalde and featuring Big Sky rushing leader

Chris Jackson and I-AA receiving leader Eric Andrade, the Broncos had the most balanced attack UNR has faced all year.

This balance kept the Pack guessing what the Broncos were going to do. Many times the Pack guessed wrong.

The Broncos led at halftime 9-7 on the strength of three P.K. Wiggins field goals.

From the first play of the second half, mistakes would be the undoing of UNR.

Robbie Washington received the second-half kickoff for Boise and returned it 72 yards through UNR's notoriously bad kick coverage to give the Broncos first and 10 at UNR's 23-yard-line.

Five plays later wide receiver Terry Heffner caught a 10-yard touchdown pass from Alcalde. The extra point gave Boise a 16-7 lead.

The teams traded touchdowns on their next possessions.

With Boise leading 23-14, Wiggins came on to try a 41-yard field goal and kicked it into the line.

UNR linebacker Scott Lommori picked up the ball and after rumbling a few yards, pitched it to cornerback Ken Caleb, who ran it to the Boise 16-yard line.

Three plays later, UNR faced a fourth and one at the 7-yard line when it was flagged for illegal procedure.

Moved back five yards, the Pack had to settle for a Marty Zendejas field goal to make the score 23-17.

Boise scored another touchdown on its next possession, making the score 30-17.

The next mistake came when Zaccheo dropped to pass and was intercepted by Boise State defensive back Kieth Morioka.

The Pack was saved this time by Mike Brown's interception of an Alcalde pass in the end zone.

Taking possession at its own 20-yard line, UNR took all of 47 seconds to score a touchdown on a drive capped by fullback Charvez Foger's 1-yard plunge.

Boise answered with its own touchdown but missed on a two-point conversion attempt, leaving the score 36-24 with 2:50 on the clock.

Knowing it did not have much time, UNR used as little as possible by driving 55-yards in 42 seconds, making the score 36-31.

UNR's attempt at an onside kick failed and gave the Broncos the ball at the UNR 49-yard line.

On first down Jackson ran for three yards. Then Boise followed with two passing plays, both incomplete and stopping the clock.

"We felt like we needed to get a first down," Boise head coach Skip Hall said. "We were very concerned. They had put together an excellent drive."

The second incompleteness, a third and 12 pass intended for wide receiver Steve Hale, may have cost the Pack the football game.

After the ball was dropped, which stopped the clock, the Pack wasted one of its two remaining timeouts, immediately sending Ault and the pressbox statistics crew into hysterics.

"It (the timeout) shouldn't have been called," Ault said.

With 1:03 left in the game, the Pack had the ball, one timeout and 83 yards in front of it.

On a series of sideline passes, quarterback Jim Zaccheo marched the Pack downfield.

On first and 10 at the Boise 45-yard-line, Zaccheo hit running back Lucius Floyd over the middle. Floyd was tackled inbounds, forcing the Pack to use its last timeout.

On the next play Zaccheo dropped to pass and was sacked by Bronco defensive end Pete Kwiatkowski.

Having no way to stop the clock and not enough time to get off another play, the Pack's last hope ended at midfield.

Hall thinks the victory was a precursor of things to come.

"This is a giant step for us," he said. "Reno is a good, strong football program."

"We have finally learned how to win the close games. This team (Boise) could be 7-2."

Boise State lost its three games before Saturday by a total of 15 points. Weber State handed it a 55-44 loss in the third game of the season.

"This is just a young program just getting

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Mike Hugo

Give me the rock — UNR quarterback Jim Zaccheo hands off to fullback Charvez Foger during Saturday's game.

Pack wins at home, looks to clinch playoff spot

By Geoff Schumacher
Editor

In no other sport is the importance of intensity more apparent than in volleyball. Such factors as talent, experience and the homecourt advantage can be meaningless without it.

The UNR women's volleyball team used an extremely large amount of intensity to defeat Eastern Washington in five games Saturday night at the Old Gym.

The victory improved the Wolf Pack's overall record to 16-9 and its Mountain West Athletic Conference record to 9-4. Eastern Washington fell to 20-18 and 7-6.

UNR's intensity level was raised by the importance of the match.

A loss would have forced UNR to win two of its three upcoming road matches against Boise State, Idaho State and Weber State. With the victory, UNR only needs to win the road match against Boise State to qualify for postseason play.

Also, it was the Pack's last home match of the season, which meant the last collegiate performance in Reno for the seniors. Before the match, seniors Beth Briand, Michelle

Burger, Phyllis Bustamante, Christine Byer, Susan Denison, Lisa Geddes and Kari Zimmerman were honored with flowers.

Finally, UNR was looking for revenge. Eastern Washington defeated the Pack in three straight games earlier in the season in Cheney, Wash.

"It was do or die and the girls knew that," UNR coach Lane Murray said. "It was their last performance at UNR and it meant a lot to them."

With all that on the line, it is no wonder the Pack was intense.

In the first game, the Pack defeated the Eagles 15-8. Setter Phyllis Bustamante opened the match by serving up seven straight points before Eastern Washington managed to cut UNR's lead to 7-2. UNR's 12-3 advantage was cut to 13-8 before the Pack put the game away.

In game two, the Eagles warmed up considerably, beating UNR 15-6. Eastern Washington came out strong, taking a 9-1 lead. The Pack cut the lead to 10-6 on three straight Kari Zimmerman serves but the Eagles would give up no more.

The third game was close throughout,

showing the equality of the two teams, but UNR came out on top, 15-12. UNR led 1-0 but trailed until the serves of outside hitter Lisa Geddes gave the Pack a 13-12 lead.

UNR led two games to one but Eastern Washington would not die. In the fourth game, UNR's concentration was broken. Players let balls drop in front or behind them. Serves were too long. Sets were off the mark.

The Eagles won 15-5, setting up the fifth game. That was when intensity became a real factor.

"It boiled down to the fact that we wanted the last game more than they did," Murray said.

UNR, apparently still playing in its game-four style, fell behind 10-3. But at that point, the Pack apparently realized losing the match was a possibility. And responded.

"We never gave the match up," Zimmerman said. "We kept fighting and fighting. We kept playing aggressively, not tentatively."

With Michelle Burger serving, UNR cut the Eagles' lead to 10-6. A service ace by Geddes brought the score to 10-7 and an Eastern Washington player caught over the net brought it to 10-8.

With the score 10-9, Zimmerman went to work. She served six straight points to help the Pack to a 15-10 victory.

"I didn't serve conservatively," Zimmerman said. "I tried to intimidate the girl I was serving to by looking at her. I tried to serve really tough, not just to get it over."

Zimmerman said the victory was one of UNR's most satisfying of the season.

"That was one of the most physically and emotionally played games we've ever played," she said. "It was a good effort on everyone's part, a great team effort. The team spirit means so much in volleyball. We've developed that and just now we're starting to peak. This was one of our best matches as far as hustle and intensity."

Correction

In the Nov. 6 issue in a story on the UNR tennis team, former UNR tennis coach Bob Fairman was incorrectly identified as Bob Fairbanks.

Also in the same story it was stated that Bill Victor took over the men's team from Fairman. Victory actually took over the team from Bob Deller.