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A PANEL PRESENTED a variety of perspectives on immigration reform Friday, where James Morales, USU vice president of student services, and Kim Hernandez, visiting history professor at USU, were participants. MEGAN BAINUM photo

Forum confronts issues on immigration reform in U.S.

By MEGAN BAINUM
assistant news editor

Misconceptions about immigration, and the effects migrants have on the U.S., the economy and the community were discussed in a forum hosted Friday at the Presbyterian Church.

Nathan Hult, one of the event planners and a member of the Presbyterian church, said the forum came about because a discussion started within the church, particularly with the Hispanic congregation, about the current news regarding immigration. He said the church felt the need to get the facts out there and talk about the issue with the community.

"There are two sides to every issue, and we wanted to get both sides together, in a friendly and welcoming environment, to talk to each other and find common ground and work toward any kind of a solution we can," Hult said.

James Morales, USU vice president of student services, and Kim Hernandez, a visiting history professor for the university, were present at

the forum and offered their stories and expertise.

Morales said it is important for people to realize immigrants have a whole life story to tell; that their lives are "not just how people see them right now."

"Students and others don't see the whole picture," Morales said, "by that, I mean when you hear about immigrants you typically look at them how they are now, how they are struggling to get their foot in the door and adjust to a new culture and life."

He said from only that perspective, people get a "very limited view." Morales said his family immigrated from Mexico more than 30 years ago. Morales is the youngest of eight children, the first four were born in the United States and the last four, including himself, were born in Mexico. However, despite being an immigrant, Morales said he would consider everyone in his family "model citizens" and citizens who have contributed "quite a bit" for this country.

"I think the most we have ever done, as far as breaking the law, are speeding tickets. All of my brothers

and sisters have graduated college. We serve our communities and have worked our butts off to be where we are today," Morales said.

He said his parents taught him the importance of a hard work ethic and that has carried him his whole life. He explained if someone had seen them as a younger family, they would never have guessed where he and his family ended up.

"That is the problem with looking at immigrants as having only one story to tell," he said, "you miss the bigger picture."

Hernandez spent her portion of the evening talking about the history of immigration. She explained the process by which the United States got to where it is now and the unintended consequences that most immigration laws have brought about.

"The unanticipated consequences of all these past laws in our country are responsible for the current heated debate about immigration we are seeing today," Hernandez said.

The federal government is respon-

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Cooley: CIL exams most efficient way to test on literacy

By BENJAMIN WOOD
editor in chief

At last week's meeting of the General Education Subcommittee, statistics were provided by Computer Science Department Head Donald Cooley to councilmembers on the necessity of Computer Information Literacy (CIL) tests.

According to his documents, only 45 percent of students pass all six tests on their first attempt.

Cooley, who is working outside of the country, was absent during the meeting Tuesday when the council voted 14-2 to remove the CIL tests from the general education graduation requirements. Before becoming final, the issue will come before other USU committees, but in all likelihood, students who enter USU in fall 2011 will not be required to take the CILs in their current form.

In Cooley's seven-page document, he recommended the testing remain in its current state.

"I believe that there are at least a few members of the committee who are not fully aware of the logistics associated with the current CIL system, and obviously questions remain about the need for a CIL requirement," Cooley said. "Obviously, my vote is to keep the CIL requirement and its funding model as (Committee Chairman) Norm (Jones) has proposed ... I do not believe there is any other approach that is comparable in terms of cost or efficiency."

CIL Director Alex Potter, an ex officio committee member, said the committee vote included a grandfather clause, which does not make the decision retroactive to include current students.

Other statistics showed that from 2006-10, pass rates have declined for each of the six tests, some by margins as high as 17 percent. In 2010 the first-try pass rates ranged from 60 percent of students for the Operating Systems segment to 95 percent on the Electronic Presentations segment.

Potter, who attended Tuesday's meeting but does not hold a voting position, argued in favor of keeping the graduation requirement for CILs. He said studies have shown a correlation, modest but nonetheless existent, between students that complete their tests during their first years at USU and success in college.

"That means there's something there," Potter said.

Potter said a prevailing argument for removing the graduation requirement was that most students are already familiar with the material, a view he said is not reflected in the dropping pass rates.

"Half the people fail at least one on the first try," Potter said. "I think the reason students don't like doing it is because they think they know everything. The results don't show that."

Jones, the committee chairman, said the vote was focused on

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Food services puts foot down on students abusing meal plan access

By ROB JEPSON
staff writer

The Junction, located near the Valley View and Mountain View Towers, announced that it will no longer be allowing students to carry out small articles of food from the dining hall.

As of last week, any student caught trying to take out food will be referred to management to be dealt with on a case-by-case basis.

Lindsey Wiltshire, the Junction's customer service manager, said, "In the past two months we've seen people fill their backpacks full of bags of chips and bring in plastic containers, then sit down and eat a sandwich, then have a

pasta made and pour it into the plastic containers and take it out. It gets to the point where it's like, we're not your grocery store."

Wiltshire said some customers have complained, saying that because the Junction is an all-you-can-eat service they should be allowed to take whatever they want.

"The thing is," Wiltshire said, "we're all-you-can-eat while you're here, not all-you-can-eat and take with you."

Nathaniel Lovelady, a resident of the Mountain View Towers, said the new policy punishes the many because of the few.

"If someone was taking out their whole backpack full of chips then they're obviously breaking the rules in the old policy, so they could still get

in trouble for that. But I don't think it's fair to make everybody not be able to take out everything just because of that," Lovelady said.

Adam Sims, another Towers resident, said: "I think for the most part it could stop a lot of people just because it could frighten them like if they get caught or something like that. But I think for the most part if you have people that have been doing it, will still do it and still find ways. So, it just doesn't make sense to me to just punish everybody else for everyone else's misdeeds."

Falisha Johnson, a resident assistant in the Valley View Towers, said she didn't think the new policy was a big

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STUDENTS WHO TAKE FOOD with them after eating a meal in The Junction or The Marketplace, will no longer be allowed to do so. Employees have posted signs throughout the eating facilities to warn students that the rule is enforced and anyone who is caught abusing their meal plan will be stopped. STERLING BOIN photo illustration

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Clarify Correct

A story in Friday's statesman said that Monte "Junior" Keiaho had been dismissed from the football team as a result of assault charges. Keiaho was dismissed for violating team rules. His assault charges were a separate and isolated incident.

A graphic on the front page of Friday's Statesman showed a USU deficit of \$310 Million. That sum is actually a deficit for the state of Utah and is not tied solely to USU.

Nat'l Briefs

Florida family killed in their home

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — A north Florida family of four was found slain in their modest suburban home, and police were searching for anyone who may have wanted to harm the woman and her three children.

Detectives said it was a violent crime scene inside the home, but wouldn't elaborate on how the family was killed. The single, stay-at-home mother and her twin 6-year-old girls and 3-year-old son were slain.

"We are trying to find out if anyone would want to harm the family," police spokesman David McCranie said.

The neighborhood had burglaries in recent years, though the crimes had waned with increased police patrols.

Plane emergency at JFK airport

NEW YORK (AP) — A Moscow-bound flight carrying about 200 people returned safely to John F. Kennedy International Airport after an engine failed Sunday night, authorities said. No one was injured.

Delta Flight 30 reported one engine had failed shortly after takeoff, said Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman Laura Brown. The plane departed at about 4:40 p.m. with 193 passengers and 11 crew members, Delta Air Lines said.

The plane dumped fuel before landing back in New York at about 5:50 p.m., Brown said.

Passengers were put on another jet, which was scheduled to depart for Moscow at about 8 p.m., Delta said.

More than 100 firefighters and other emergency crews went to the airport to await the plane's arrival, the Fire Department of New York said.

Earlier reports of a fire on one of the plane's wings were incorrect, said FAA spokeswoman Holly Baker said.

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Top 10 Surprises In Sarah Palin's New Book — Nov. 18, 2010

10. It's one, long run-on sentence.
9. Lists her favorite things to gut.
8. In 2008, she voted for Obama.
7. She plagiarizes the stuff George W. Bush plagiarized in his book.
6. Averages six "You betcha's" per page.
5. In high school, was voted "Most Likely to Serve Half-Term As Alaska's Governor."
4. Comes with a caribou jerky bookmark.
3. There's also an edition that's been translated into English.
2. Explains why they call her Baba Boeey.
1. Palin recently worked as a Tina Fey impersonator.

Catholics react to Pope's comments

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Some Catholic believers in the Americas greeted Pope Benedict XVI's comments on condoms as a sign that the church was stepping into the modern debate in the fight against AIDS, though the church was adamant Sunday that nothing has changed in its views banning contraception.

Churchgoers had praise and wariness for the pope's comments that condoms could be morally justified in some limited situations, such as for male prostitutes wanting to prevent the spread of HIV.

Others cautioned it could open a doctrinal Pandora's box. And the exact meaning of what the pope said was still up for interpretation.

"That's a theological mind trap," said Wendy Lasekan, a 47-year-old stay-at-home mom, after Sunday morning Mass at Saint Michael Catholic Church in Worthington, Ohio, a suburb of Columbus.

"In some cases, it would be justifiable — or acceptable — to use a condom," she said. "If your goal would be to prevent the spread of AIDS, that would be a charitable act."

Several more believers who spoke to The Associated Press following Sunday services in the United States and South America felt the pope's comments marked a tentative step into a more modern stance in the global fight against AIDS.

Jean Jasman, an 81-year-old state worker from Montpelier, Vt., called the stance a departure from church doctrine on condom use, "but it's to the betterment of humanity, if we can help prevent the spread of this horrendous disease."

Lois Breaux rolled her eyes when asked about the Pope's statements as she was leaving Mass at St. Kieran Church in the Coconut Grove neighborhood of Miami.

"About time — and it wasn't enough," she said. "As a Catholic, they need to recognize this is an epidemic. The church needs to stand up and say what he did, but he should have gone further."

Vatican officials strongly emphasized Sunday that the church's position on contraception has not changed.

In an interview, Benedict says that in certain cases, such as for a male prostitute, condom use could be a first step in assuming moral responsibility for stemming the spread of the virus that causes AIDS.

The Holy See's chief spokesman, the Rev. Federico Lombardi, stressed that Benedict was not "morally justifying" the unbridled exercise of sexuality and the church's main advice in the fight against AIDS remains the same: promoting sexual abstinence and fidelity among married couples.

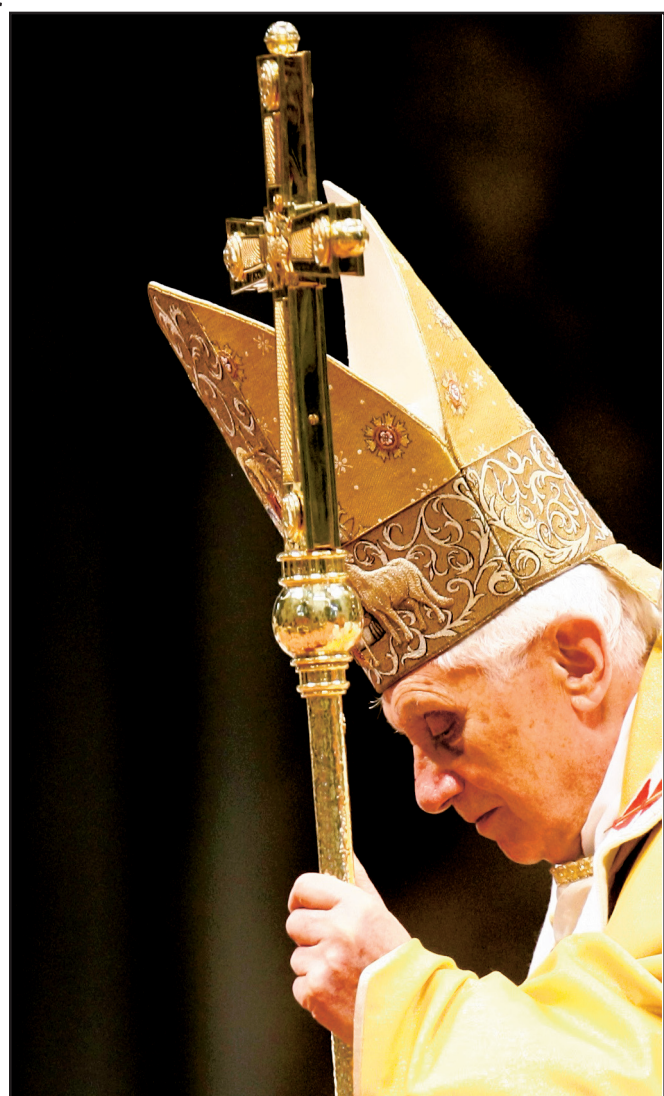
The pope's comments caught some followers off-guard with the frank discussion of a taboo topic.

In Brazil, home to more Roman Catholics than any other country, 71-year-old Idalina Fernandes said she thought it was strange when she first heard the news.

Speaking shortly before Mass began at St. Mary of the Lake Roman Catholic Church in Lakewood, N.J., 42-year-old Jason Randall said he strongly supports the church's position that forbids the use of condoms and other contraceptives.

But he felt the pope's comments show that sometimes exceptions are needed for almost every rule.

"I think that the church needs to realize that sometimes you have to make adjustments with the times," said Josephine Zohny of Brooklyn, N.Y.



POPE BENEDICT XVI WALKS with the pastoral staff during a mass in St. Peter's Basilica, at the Vatican, Sunday. AP photo

Officers broaden search for gunman in Utah ranger shooting

MOAB, Utah (AP) — The search for a gunman accused of critically wounding a Utah park ranger stretched into a second day Sunday as helicopter and boat crews combed a



UTAH STATE PARK RANGER Brody Young was shot three times Nov. 19 while patrolling the popular Poison Spider Mesa Trail. AP photo

rugged Utah canyon and law officers broadened their pursuit to include a railroad line.

The Grand County Sheriff's Office said in a statement that more than 160 officers from around the state were searching an area near the Colorado River southwest of Moab, an area famous for red rock canyons and natural arch formations.

The search near Dead Horse State Park began after Utah State Parks Ranger Brody Young, 34, of Moab, was shot three times Friday night while patrolling the popular Poison Spider Mesa Trail, authorities said.

The search area on Sunday consisted of 15 square miles of rugged terrain that authorities say has likely given the gunman the "upper hand" in avoiding capture, Grand County Sheriff James Nyland said. Three helicopters were included in the search Sunday and authorities were also searching freight cars along an area railroad line.

"He pretty much knows where we are at all times because of the number of people we have," Nyland said at a press conference.

On Saturday, authorities tracked

the man's footprints in a canyon along the Colorado River, recovering his rifle, backpack and a tattered, bloody T-shirt. However, Nyland said authorities still believe the man is armed, the Salt Lake Tribune reported.

The backpack contained canned goods and an empty gun holster believed to hold a .40-caliber handgun, according to the newspaper.

"We consider this individual armed and dangerous. As we're tracking him we have to keep that in mind — the security of the trackers — and we're having to move pretty slow," Nyland said.

Authorities found a new set of footprints they were tracking on Sunday before sunset.

Young stopped a vehicle at the trailhead, and gunfire was exchanged between him and the driver, said parks spokeswoman Deena Loyola. It was not clear what sparked the violence, and Nyland said authorities have not yet been able to interview Young.

Nyland had told The Associated Press that the ranger had been shot in the arm, leg and the stomach area, and he underwent surgery at St.

Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction. The hospital declined to comment.

Loyola said in a statement Sunday Young remained in critical condition.

Authorities planned on searching the suspect's silver Pontiac Grand Am on Sunday. Police have not released the suspect's name, but Nyland told reporters at a news conference Sunday that the man's previous criminal history involved only misdemeanor traffic warrants, according to KSTU-TV.

Family members were stunned by the shooting, saying Young has faced tense work situations but never alone. His family says he is a friendly, outgoing ranger.

Young and his wife, Wendy, have three children. The couple are outdoor enthusiasts who once worked as river guides in the Moab area.

Loyola said Young, who has been a ranger for more than four years, was speaking to medics and at the hospital.

The Poison Spider Mesa trail to the south of Moab is among Utah's best-known biking runs with enthusiasts calling it an especially challenging but scenic loop that rises more than 1,000 feet.

Pentagon trying to get DADT ban lifted this year

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon's top leaders warned Sunday that if Congress fails to repeal the ban on gays serving openly in the military, the courts may order changes that military leaders consider too fast or poorly thought-out.

The Pentagon is trying to make it easier for the Senate to consider lifting the ban in the current postelection session. Defense Secretary Robert Gates said Sunday he will release a study of the effects of repeal on Nov. 30, a day earlier than planned.

That could allow the Senate Armed Services Committee to hold hearings on the ban the same week.

The report on the impact of lifting the ban is

meant as a guide for Congress as it considers what the Pentagon hopes will be a gradual and carefully calibrated change.

The Washington Post has reported that the study concludes the military can lift the ban with only minimal and isolated incidents of risk to the current war efforts.

"The timing and the legislative approach and so on, that is completely up to the Congress. All I know is if this law is going to change, it's better to be changed by legislation rather than have it struck down by the courts," Gates said.

Pentagon Press Secretary Geoff Morrell said later that Gates pushed his staff to deliver the report a day early in order "to ensure members of

the Armed Services Committee are able to read and consider the complex, lengthy report before holding hearings with its authors and the Joint Chiefs of Staff."

The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff said he supports Congress using its lame-duck session to end the ban known as "don't ask, don't tell."

"The courts are very active on this. And my concern is that at some point in time the courts could change this law and in that not give us the right amount of time to implement it," Mullen said on ABC's "This Week."

Mullen said he supports ending the ban because asking people to lie about themselves "goes counter to who we are as an institution."

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Junction: Employees enforcing that students don't take food with them

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deal. "The Junction is a business, and just like any other business they have a right to set their own policies. And, I mean if you go to any other all-you-can-eat place like Chuck-a-Rama they don't have carryout policies. So I don't know why the Junction should be any different and people are getting up in arms over it."

Johnson said she never carried out food, and she wasn't affected by the policy change. The new policy still allows students to take out liquids, but only in the approved mugs which are for sale at the Junction.

John Delaney, an undeclared freshman said, "It's probably good. I wish you could still take like one cookie out or whatever. But I like

the idea of needing a mug, cause you know I've known people who go in with a gallon of milk and fill up the milk, you know? And that's not right for them.

The policy change was initiated by Executive Chef Donald Donaldson. Donaldson said that the new rule was triggered by an increase of students breaking the carryout rule. He said in the past year, especially since September, he has seen students filling their backpacks with fruit, stocking up on instant

oatmeal packets, and filling jugs with liquid. "You know it's like, if you've got 1,400 people and you know you see a certain amount of instances that you've got to make an assumption that there's a lot more unseen, too."

He said along with minor abuses of the policy, people were committing major theft.

"I started to think that, you know, where's the line? It seems to be turning out that it's got to either be a hard line or a soft line. And I had to

make a decision whether it was going to be all or nothing, and unfortunately it came down to nothing," he said.

Donaldson said he understands the perspective of students, and that he and his staff are not trying to be "dirty, rotten, sons of guns about it," but repeated violations of the policy end up costing Dining Services a lot of money.

"A lot of drips fill up a bucket," he said, "and that's the way it is with this business."

Comments and suggestions concerning this issue can be submitted to a comment box inside the Junction.

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"The Junction is a business, and just like any other business they have a right to set their own policies."

— Falisha Johnson,
Valley View Towers residents
assistant

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Friday, Nov. 12

• USU Police responded to assist Logan Police and Fire Departments on a report of gas leaking from a meter. Even though police could not find any broken gas lines or any gas leaking, Questar Gas company performed some maintenance on the LDS Church's gas meter.

• USU Police received a report of a stray dog running at large in the area of Mountain View Tower. Police followed the dog around campus and attempted to catch the dog, but were unsuccessful. Logan City Animal Control was notified and responded to the area, but by this time the dog had crossed US-89 and traveled down to the Island Neighborhood area.

• USU Police received a report of a person who may have been drugged unknowingly. Police are investigating.

• USU Police responded to a fire alarm at the HPER building on USU Campus. Police investigated and found that something broke the smoke detector beam in the west pool area and that there was no fire. The alarm was reset.

Saturday, Nov. 13

• Police responded to a smell of marijuana that was located in the east storage room of the Rich Hall building. Police located one homemade bong and a marijuana pipe.

• USU Police found a building on USU campus that had been broken into. Police are investigating.

• USU Police are investigating a suspicious incident possibly involving drugs that occurred in Central Campus Housing.

• USU Police responded to Aggie Village for a report of a suicidal female with a knife. Officers contacted the lady without incident. The woman was transported by ambulance to the Logan Regional Hospital.

• USU Police responded to the Fine Arts area for a suicidal individual. Officers located the individual and the individual was transported to the Logan Regional Hospital by Ambulance.

Monday, Nov. 15

• USU Police received a report of a male sitting inside a white pickup truck for over four hours. Police arrived and the individual was not in the truck any longer.

Tuesday, Nov. 16

• USU police was dispatched to the HPER Building on an individual who had dislocated her arm.

• USU Police and Logan Fire Department responded to a medical assist in the Fieldhouse. A female student was working out when the student's knee became dislocated. Logan

Fire Department ambulance transported the female to the hospital.

Wednesday, Nov. 17

• Police responded to a suspicious odor call in the Rich Hall building. Police made contact with two individuals who were smoking marijuana. Both individuals were arrested for possession of marijuana.

• Complainant reported to USU police that she has been receiving prank phone calls. Police are investigating.

• Complainant reported to USU police that a dog had been left in a vehicle and appeared to be cold. Contact was made with the dog owner and advised of the complaint.

Thursday, Nov. 18

• Police responded to the area of the Meat and Poultry Farm on two trucks that were blocking the USU shuttle drop off area. Police made contact with the drivers and issued warnings.

• USU police responded to an accident involving a vehicle and a deer.

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Get a taste of turkey farming

By NIKKI LIVES
staff writer

Brothers are next to cousins, aunts are next to grandpas, and mothers are next to sisters as the family gathers around the unusually large Thanksgiving table.

The table is adorned with an array of scrumptious food choices. Fluffy stuffing, candied yams, steaming mashed potatoes, smooth gravy and decadent pumpkin pie adorn the table and each smell wafts through the house.

The tantalizing turkey lies steaming in the middle of the table on a large silver platter and Dad leans in to carve the traditional bird. Now it's out of the oven and on the table, but weeks ago, it was back in a turkey farm.

Mark Johansen from Mt. Pleasant, Utah, spends his days farming turkeys.

Johansen wakes up every morning and goes to perform his daily morning check of the birds. He takes the time to check the equipment and make sure it works properly in order to keep 20,000 turkeys thriving.

"Every morning we check for dead birds and take them and dispose of them," Johansen said. He also walks through all the barns to check the food and water as well.

He said they have automatic feed systems in each barn, and as the turkeys peck at it and eat, they automatically refill from the 11-ton silos outside the barns. The automatic water system works in a similar way, and Johansen said they give the turkeys chlorinated water to fight off diseases.

"The turkeys never go without food or water," Johansen said. "We also make sure that the environment is prime living conditions for them."

Johansen said the farm uses dry shavings to keep the turkeys clean and keep dust levels down. They also have automated ventilation systems in the barns to keep the temperatures the same, 90 degrees during the day, and 40 degrees at night.

"We constantly have to make sure the vents are working. The turkeys can pile or suffocate if they aren't what they ought to be," Johansen said. "We never hope for those days."

Johansen goes back throughout the day for an afternoon and evening check as well, but the number of turkey checks varies throughout the stages of the turkey's lives.

Johansen said newborn turkeys have to be checked about every two hours during their first

week of life because "it's like housing 20,000 newborn babies."

"We get the birds right out of the egg. They are roughly a day old before we start growing them," Johansen said.

The farm receives nearly 20,000 turkeys at a time, but lately the cycle has been a little faster, and Johansen said he receives about 10,000 turkeys every seven weeks.

After six weeks, the turkeys are let loose into a bigger barn, where they become "like adults." Johansen said it is critical that during this time they make sure the turkeys eat a lot of feed and so that they can turn into good meat.

He said the turkeys get processed at about 13-19 weeks, and by then the toms, or male turkeys, can weigh up to 43 pounds and the female hens can weigh about 15-16 pounds, depending on how they decide to raise them.

However, the turkeys do not get processed on Johansen's farm. He ships the turkeys overnight in semi-trucks and trailers to the Moroni Feed Company.

"There are about 60 growers in our valley and we all own and contribute to the feed company," Johansen said.

The Moroni Feed Company is a processing plant in Moroni, Utah, that ships the turkeys raised on Johansen's farm throughout the Western United States. Johansen said some of their turkeys go as far as around the world.

"The grower's side doesn't change much around Thanksgiving," Johansen said. "It's not any more busy now than any other time of year."

Johansen said Norbest, the company that sells his turkeys, gets busy around Thanksgiving time because they ship out more than three and a half million pounds of refrigerated turkey that have never been frozen.

"Turkey farming is a business that's changed over the years. Get your costs in line or else you don't survive," Johansen said. "Efficiency makes all the difference."

Johansen said things around the farm have been tight the last three years, but he enjoys it for his family. He has three boys that have grown up on the farm and said, "It's a good way to raise a family, work hard, and see your success from working hard at the end of the day."

Johansen said turkey farming is enjoyable but hard work.

"It is critical to manage well in order to survive and that's all we strive to do."

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THE LIFE OF A TURKEY on a farm can be short. They are grown for about 13 - 19 weeks and then are sent to be processed, sometimes weighing 43 pounds. MCCLATCHY TRIBUNE photos



Nowhere to go? Check out these places for Thanksgiving

By RONALD WALLACE
staff writer

Thanksgiving is a great American holiday many of us anticipate. We gorge ourselves on turkey with mashed potatoes and gravy, top it all off with desserts usually consisting of many kinds of pies and puddings, and then maybe sit back and watch a football game.

One thing that's unfortunate as this holiday comes around is some people on campus have no place to go. Some students' families may live overseas, some can't afford a visit and some can't get away from work and other responsibilities.

For students who are looking for things to do on Thanksgiving, there are places that will be open where you can go and get something to eat, maybe even reminding you of a home-cooked meal.

It might be your first Thanksgiving meal away from home, your first Thanksgiving in Logan or your first Thanksgiving ever. This is a great opportunity to experience a great American tradition or make a new tradition. There are also plenty of opportunities to have fun if you're looking for something to do over the holiday break.

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WITH SOME STUDENTS unable to go home for Thanksgiving, some may wonder what options they have. There are many different places open, both for Thanksgiving meals as well as places for entertainment. CARL R. WILSON photo

Black Friday Smarts

By KASEY VAN DYKE
staff writer

After a day gorging on turkey, pie, potatoes and stuffing, the thought of trying to find a new outfit might sound completely unappealing.

But Black Friday is one of the busiest shopping days of the year for one reason: sales. With some stores opening in the wee hours of the morning, Black Friday is a shopper's dream.

This year, try something new, challenge yourself with a budget or just enjoy the time at the mall. Planning on joining in the retail relay this year? Check out these tips:

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Try bold colors: "Don't be afraid to experiment with different hues, especially really bright shades. Color is an excellent opportunity to express your personality and set yourself apart from other people. It's one of the best ways to cultivate a signature style of your own."

Splurge now and then: "If an item catches your eye, like a great bag, and you know you'll wear or use it a lot, then invest in it."

Mix high- and low-end: "You don't have to wear labels to look great."

Be your own stylist: "Find something that inspires you — like a favorite movie."

Hit the big stores first: "Tiny boutiques are awesome for browsing, but if you're looking for the best sales, hit the major chain stores first. They have more merchandise to get rid of and more turnover, so their sales are better."

Check the back room: "Found the perfect piece but it's sold out in your size? Don't fret! Ask the salesperson to check the inventory at other stores. Shipping is often complimentary, especially if you go through the store instead of heading online right away."

The Budget Fashionista

Know what looks good on you: "Just because it looks great in a magazine doesn't mean it will look great on you. Be honest with yourself about your body. It will save you time and money."

Know the names of sales associates: "Sales associates are a great source of information on upcoming sales and have access to friends-and-family coupons, which offer up to an additional 25 percent off store merchandise. Some might even let you use their employee discounts."

Leave the debit and credit cards at home: "I have a friend, who shall remain nameless, who views paying for purchases with plastic cards as not spending "real" money. Paying with cash gives you an instant visual indication of how much you're spending."

Head to the outlet malls: "Shopping at the outlets of your favorite stores and designers can save you a bundle."

Remember the 70/30 rule: "Fashionistas with limited budgets should follow the 70/30 rule: 70 percent of your closet should be classic pieces, 30 percent trendy pieces."

Go as cheap as possible on trendy items because they have a short closet lifespan; purchase these pieces at stores like H&M, Target, Forever 21, Wet Seal, Urban Outfitters, etc. Go designer on classic pieces like black suits coats, evening and purses."

Recycle fashion: "Pay a visit to your mother and/or grandmother. While you're there, offer to help clean out her closet. You'll be amazed at the goodies you'll find."

If you are unable to visit a relative's closet, hold a clothing swap party with your friends. Ask everyone to bring unwanted, high-quality clothing to exchange for similar items from other party-goers."

Locate the nearest thrift store: "Use thrift stores to add a bit of originality to your wardrobe. Print out my guide to designers and

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Student thinks cheesecake is heaven in a pan

By JESSICA BLACK
staff writer

US: What do you see yourself doing in five years?
RM: I hope to be running or working at a therapeutic recreation facility and dealing with people who have disabilities.

US: What is your favorite childhood memory?
RM: Definitely jumping in the land cruiser with my dad almost every weekend and going down the canyon and dinking around in the sand and creek. Finding cat-tails, lizards and trying to catch little fish in the creek. I would just run up and down that little creek to catch the fish.

US: What was your most embarrassing moment?
RM: That changes from week to week just depending on how the week has gone but recently I was showering at a friend's house and the people there didn't know I was there and I came out and it was awkward. I was clothed so everyone was okay but I was pretty embarrassed.

US: What's the best piece of advice you've ever received?
RM: It was given to me by a friend about relationships and she said to take notice on how you act with them alone, and how you act with them when you're around other people and see if it's the same consistently. You want to make sure you're not putting on a show for either group of people.

US: If you could be any super hero who would you be and why?
RM: I would be Storm because when I was a little kid we would play X-men on the trampoline and I would be Storm or Rogue, just depending on the day, but Storm could fly and control the weather so I can make it snow when I want to. I could go

skiing whenever I wanted to.

US: What is your favorite dessert?
RM: I love cheesecake because it's like heaven in a pan.

US: Do you have any stupid human tricks?
RM: I can wiggle my ears and I can do them one at a time.

US: What are your talents?
RM: I can play the piano and I can communicate well with people of all ages. I do really well with small children and older adults.

US: If you could be anyone in past or present for a day who would you be and why?
RM: I would just like to be a better version of me. A richer version of me. A done-with-school version of me.

US: Do you have a motto? What is it and where did you get it from?
RM: I'm a professional and don't argue with me. You will note that I don't tell you what I'm a professional of, so I could claim professionalism and not have anything connected to what we're doing but it's fun to say.

US: In a battle to the death who would ultimately win, Batman or Spiderman? Why?
RM: Well Spiderman has eight times the natural strength of a man because he was bitten by that crazy spider, and he has that web stuff that he can use but batman has all this cool high technology. So Batman doesn't have to be even close to Spiderman to beat him so I would have to say Batman cause he's ripped and has really cool toys.



REBECCA MOSES IS a senior in parks and recreation from Blanding, Utah. If she could be any super-hero she would be Storm. *JESSICA BLACK photo*

US: What has been your greatest adventure?
RM: When I first left home, I had all my stuff packed in my car and I was headed over to Cedar City to visit my sister before the semester started and I was in the middle of nowhere when I got a flat tire. I then had to unload my entire car to get my tire out of my trunk on the side of the freeway. I was out there sobbing because it was the first time I'd left home and I was all alone. It was so ridiculous but it was a really great all-by-myself adventure.

US: What is your favorite Disney Character and why?
RM: I love the Little Mermaid because when I was a little girl she had red hair and I had red hair

and that was so awesome to me. I also love Mulan though cause she kicks butt and she's a little different. Which I like cause I'm a little bit different.

US: What is your favorite prank that someone has played on you?
RM: When my roommates got my phone and texted all these people that I was engaged. They got my brother, and they got some coworkers that I'd worked with the year before so I was getting phone calls and text messages and my old boss called me and wanted to know what's going on and I had no idea what was going on. I got on the bus and this kid that I hardly knew asked me if I was engaged and I told him no, but it lasted forever.

US: If you had an infinite supply of money, what would you do special for someone else in your life?
RM: I would give it to the person in my family who was having it the hardest right then.

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search for pieces like vintage jewelry, designer dresses and quality inexpensive coats."

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Make a list and set a budget: "List the people you plan to buy gifts for, the type of gifts you plan to buy and how much you plan to spend. Include the cost of cash gifts, holiday travel, extra food, wrappings, decorations, greeting cards and postage. If it relates to the holiday season and it costs money, add it to your budget."

Shop around: "A 'sale' price isn't always the 'best' price. Some merchants may offer a sale price on the item you want for a limited time; other merchants may offer items at a discount everyday."

Look for price-matching policies: "Some merchants will match, or even beat, a competitor's prices."

Go online: "Check out websites that compare prices. If you decide to buy from an online merchant, keep shipping costs and delivery time in mind."

"Carefully consider bargain offers that are based on purchases of additional merchandise. For example, "Buy One, Get One Free" or "Free Gift with Purchase." If you don't really want or need the item, it's not a deal."

Clip coupons: "Coupons are useful when they save you money on what you're already planning to buy. Check coupons for any restrictions."

For example, do expiration dates apply, or do you have to spend a certain amount before you can use the coupon? Some retailers will accept expired coupons, and even coupons from their competitors. Check with the retailer before you leave home to learn their policy."

Ask about sale adjustments: "If you buy an item at regular price and it goes on sale the next week, can you get a credit or refund for the discounted amount?"

Consider layaway: "Layaway purchase plans are designed for people who want to buy merchandise without using credit or paying the full price immediately."

When you use layaway, you typically make a deposit - usually a percentage of the purchase price - and pay over time until you have paid for the item in full. In exchange, the retailer holds the merchandise for you. To avoid problems, get the store's layaway policy in writing."

Keep an eye on your wallet: "Don't flash cash. Keep an eye on your credit or debit card during transactions, and get them back as quickly as possible. If your cards are lost or stolen, report the loss or theft immediately to the card issuers."

Ask about refund and return policies: "Many merchants may have different refund and return policies for sale items. "For example, clearance merchandise may be on final sale, meaning no refunds or exchanges."

Keep good records: "Whether you're ordering by mail, phone, or online, it's important to keep detailed information about the transaction, including your order number, shipping costs and dates, warranties, and refund and return policies."

Ship early: "If you're sending gifts to out-of-towners, factor in extra time for shipping. If you wait until the last minute, you may pay a hefty price for express or overnight shipping."

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Put a Little **ROMANCE** Into Your Life

Easy ways to dress up for the upcoming holidays



The holiday season is here! As classes start winding down and suitcases get dusted off, we can't help

but daydream of our much-needed break from school. It's finally time for family gatherings, crackling fires, holiday goodies and of course, holiday parties!

Ah yes, the parties. There is the work party, the family party, the New Year's party, the Christmas party, the just because party ... you get my point. With so much going on during this festive season, figuring out what to wear can easily become an unneeded source of stress.

One of the easiest ways to avoid a yuletide meltdown is to find a basic dress that can be dressed up or down and worn to different events. Seems easy enough, but with so many styles to choose from it can be difficult to find the most versatile and flattering dress for you. Before you go shopping here are some key things to keep in mind:

Look for neutral colors. There is a reason the little black dress is a must have in every girl's closet. A neutral-colored dress can be paired with endless accessories, giving you more looks.

Look for classic styles. A dress that's too trendy will have limited wear. Instead opt for a classic style with trendy details.

Look for fit. It doesn't matter how amazing a dress

is, if it's not right for your body type, chances are it won't look very flattering. It's easier to work with what you have rather than against it.

There are four basic body types. The key to dressing according to your shape is to achieve a balanced silhouette. In other words, making

the most of your assets and minimizing the flaws. When finding a dress, these are the basic rules for each body type:

Pear Shaped - Toss the skintight dress and look for a dress with an a-line skirt. A fuller skirt will de-emphasize the lower half of your body and create balance. Dresses with empire waists and two-tone dresses (light on top, dark on bottom), will also help de-emphasize a fuller lower-half.

Hourglass - Curvy girls look great in dresses that emphasize the waist. Look for v-neck wrap dresses or dresses that have an accented middle. It will create a more defined waist and accentuate your curves. Avoid dresses with pleats and ruffles, they can add bulk.

Wide on top - If you have broad shoulders, you want to emphasize the bottom half of your body and soften the top. Stay away from boat necks, strapless tops, and halters. Instead try v-necks or scoop necks. Look for full skirts and dresses that have soft flowing fabrics.

Athletic - Athletic body types can get away with wearing almost anything. Look for dresses that add softness to your frame, such as lace, ruffles and flowing fabrics. If you work hard to stay in shape, show it off! A halter or strapless dress is great for accenting arms and shoulders.

If you're a little thicker in the waist, look for dresses with details at the waist or wrap-styles; they will create a more defined waistline. Skirts that fall above the knee will make your toned legs look longer. Rummaging through your closet and trying to decide what to wear to holiday parties is a thing of the past.

With a great-fitting dress and few fun accessories, this holiday season you can be the best dressed, with the least effort. 'Tis the season to be jolly indeed!

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Nowhere: Find both fun and food

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Golden Corral

The Golden Corral will be open from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Randy Threlfall, marketing manager, said they will be serving everything you would be expecting at a Thanksgiving feast from home.

Golden Corral is a buffet, so it's all-you-can-eat. The menu will be regular price, but all day long they will be serving their Thanksgiving dinner so you can come in as early as you want. Threlfall said that they usually get a good number of people coming in for Thanksgiving and all are welcome.

Angie's

Adam Lowther, one of Angie's managers, said a charity is offering a meal at their restaurant from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. The food will include yams, stuffing, turkey, and everything else you would expect to fill you up at a Thanksgiving dinner table.

The whole meal is free. There will be an opportunity to make a monetary donation, but it is not required. Any amount will be appreciated. They will continue serving until they run out of food.

Hamiltons

Located at 2427 N. Main, this higher-end restaurant is offering a Thanksgiving meal from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. It will feature not only turkey, but prime rib and seafood in addition to sides and desserts. This meal for those who want to splurge will be buffet-style and costs \$28 per person.

Elements

One of Cache Valley's newer restaurants, located at 640 S. 35 East, will be offering a special on Thanksgiving for \$15.95 per person. It will feature a choice of dessert - baked apple galette or spiced pumpkin cheesecake - in addition to a traditional Thanksgiving meal served in gourmet style. Elements will be open from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Cache Valley Fun Park

The park offers many things to do such as bowling, roller skating, arcade games, billiards and more. General manager of the Fun Park, Lee Stevens, said the Fun Park will be open from 4-10 p.m. on Thanksgiving day.

Stevens said usually for Thanksgiving they get a fair crowd but it varies from year to year. Since it is a holiday they will also be offering cosmic bowling with black lights that night.

The Movies

From Stadium 8 in Providence to Cinefour in North Logan, you have many options in Cache Valley for movies. The Providence theater as well as Movies 5 and University 6 can be found online at westatestheatres.com, and you can look online or in the newspaper to see the listings and times for budget-theater Cinefour, which costs \$3 per ticket.

Additional information gathered by Chelsey Gensel - ronald.wallace@aggiemail.usu.edu



WITH THE HOLIDAY SEASON approaching it can be hard to find clothing to wear to holiday parties. The key to dressing well is to focus on dressing for your particular body type. MCCLATCHY TRIBUNE photos

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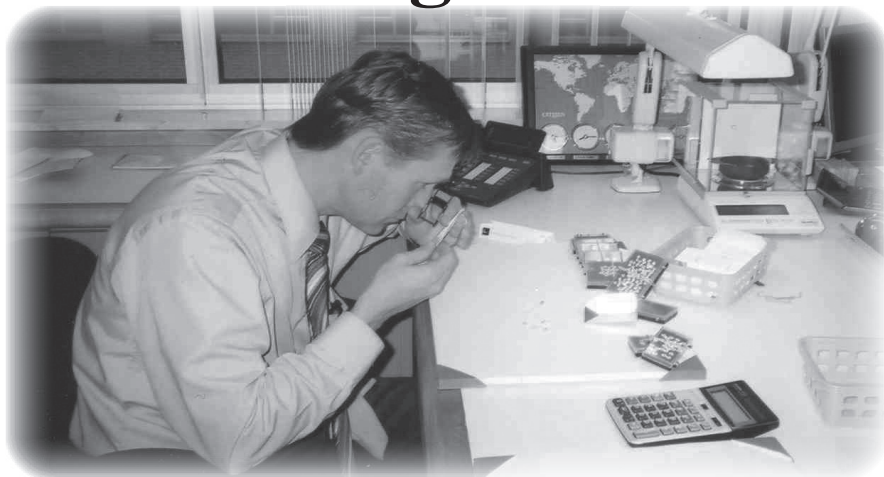
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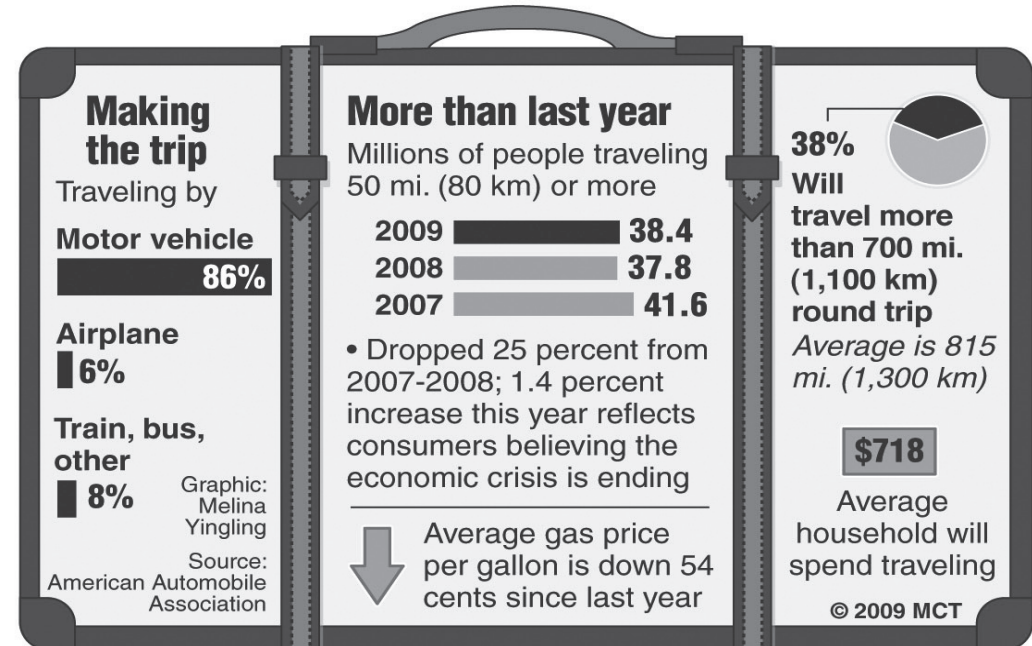
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Green lights it up from deep as Aggies quiet T-birds

Last year's road losses have USU wanting payback

By TYLER HUSKINSON
web editor

The Utah State Aggies (2-1) bounced back from their difficult road loss to BYU Saturday night as they defeated the Southern Utah Thunderbirds, 66-53.

The Thunderbirds (1-2) have yet to win a game at home this season. Senior guard Brian Green led the Aggies with a career-high 19 points on 5-of-7 shooting from the floor and 4-of-6 shooting from 3-point range.

"Brian Green is playing really well for us," Morrill said. "That is certainly helping us, when you have a guy making shots, and he is making shots. He is just such a terrific shooter, so confident and plays so hard. He's a fireball out there. He's an awfully fun kid to coach."

Aggie senior forward Tai Wesley scored the first two points of the game, but the Thunderbirds responded with two free-throws and it looked like the Aggies were in for a battle. Two free-throws from senior forward Pooh Williams put the Aggies up by two, however, and they would lead the rest of the way.

The Aggies played very stingy defense on the Thunderbirds especially in the first half. The Thunderbirds hit only 25 percent (5-of-20) of their shots from the field. They shot better in the second half, but the Aggies held them to just eight field goals.

"I thought we played hard, which was a factor in us defending pretty well," Morrill said. "Other than No. 13 (Ramell Taylor) getting away from us a little bit, our defense was pretty solid."

Senior forward Taylor scored a game-high 22 points and 20 of those points came in the second half. He didn't get much help from his teammates however, as he was the only Thunderbird to reach double-digits. Senior guard Ryan Brimley was second best scorer, coming off the bench

and scored nine points for the Thunderbirds.

The Aggies stretched their lead to 10 points at the end of the first half, but seven straight points from Taylor to start the second half cut the Aggie lead to 36-32.

The Aggies would respond however, as a Wesley lay-up sparked a 13-0 run that was capped by a fall away jumper from Williams. Green hit a 3-pointer and four consecutive free-throws as a part of that run.

"When you come down here, you know it's going to be a fight," Morrill said. "We are glad to get out of here with a win."

Aside from Green, the Aggies struggled in the second half with free-throws, as they hit only 7-of-12 attempts. The dismal free-throw percentage didn't affect the outcome this time around however, as the Thunderbirds committed too many turnovers.

"We were close but then we stopped executing, too, which is also disappointing," Thunderbirds head coach Roger Reid said. "I thought we played hard but we've got to play smart, too. We can't let them control the game, and we did, we let them bump us and push us around, and we stopped executing."

Wesley was the only other Aggie to reach double-digits, finishing with 12 points on the night. Wesley's 12-point performance moved him into 15th place all-time in school history.

The Aggies will now prepare for two home games this week. The Aggies will face the University of Utah Utes on Wednesday and the Northeastern University Huskies on Saturday. The Aggies will be looking for revenge on both teams as they lost to the Utes on the road last season, 68-67, and they lost to the Huskies 64-61 last season on the road as well.

Both games will tip off in the Spectrum at 7:05 p.m.

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SHOOTING GUARD BRIAN GREEN lets a shot go from 3-point range during exhibition play against Laval earlier this season. Green shot 4-5 from behind the 3-point line to contribute to 12 of his 19 points against Southern Utah Saturday. TODD JONES photo

By TYLER HUSKINSON
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The Aggies will be looking to average two close road losses from last season this week. They will take on the University of Utah Utes on Wednesday and the Northeastern University Huskies on Saturday.

Aggies vs. Utes

Keys to the game

1. The Aggies must improve their free-throw percentage: They were able to make 8-of-10 in the first half against the Southern Utah University Thunderbirds on Saturday, but sputtered in the second half as they only hit 7-of-12 shots for 58 percent. The Aggies did finish shooting at 68 percent, which is far better than the 57 percent they shot against the Brigham Young Cougars, but there is still room for improvement.

2. The Aggies will need big play from their big men: Aggie head coach Stew Morrill said the Cougars presented a huge problem with their size. If that was the case with the Cougars, the Aggies might be in trouble down low against the Utes if they don't plan on battling all night. The Utes' starting center, sophomore Jason Washburn, stands at 7'0" and junior back up center David Foster stands at 7'3". The Aggies will need to play strong and have a nose for the ball if they don't want to be dominated in post on both ends of the ball.

3. The Aggies had better not underestimate the Utes. Even though head coach Jim Boylen has lost some of his best players and best recruits, this is still an in-state battle and the

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Vandals team up with Mother Nature to spoil senior day

By MARK ISRAELSEN
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For all the Aggie fans in attendance, Saturday night's football game was wet, cold and miserable; wet and cold because of the weather and miserable because of the play of their Utah State Aggies. In the last home game of the season, Utah State struggled to find a groove offensively and got thumped by the Idaho Vandals, 28-6.

"It was an extremely disappointing loss," head coach Gary Anderson said. "We got beat soundly, and the score dictates what happened. That's not the way you want to send the seniors out."

The Aggies came into the game with high hopes, as they had the opportunity to notch their first three-game winning streak since 2001, and their first five-win season since 2000. This game was also very important for the 23 seniors on the USU football team, as it would be their last chance to play in Romney Stadium.

Before the game, all the seniors were honored for their accomplishments in helping to build the USU football program, but despite the improvement, a loss like that is hard to swallow.

"It's tough," senior running back Derrvin Speight said. "I never thought my last game at Romney Stadium would go like this, but that's football, someone has to lose and unfortunately, it was us today."

The Aggies came out in the first half and got on the board first when kicker Peter Caldwell knocked in a 44-yard field goal with 4:29 left in the first quarter. The drive leading to the field goal was anything but easy for Utah State though, as they twice had to convert on fourth down, the second conversion coming on a fake punt where QB Diondre Borel passed to linebacker Bobby Wagner for the first down.

"I believe in being aggressive," Anderson said. "We were moving the ball decently, and

I don't think that fake punt was overly risky. We executed it very well and got three points out of it."

USU's lead didn't last long though, as Idaho's QB Nathan Enderle found WR Eric Greenwood in the end zone with eight seconds left in the first quarter for the first of their two touchdown hookups. Following the score it was Idaho's turn for a gutsy move, but their surprise onside kick attempt backfired and set up the Aggies in good field position. A Borel scramble and Idaho penalty set up Utah State in prime red zone scoring position on the 12-yard line, but once again the Aggies had to settle for three.

"You have got to execute in the red zone," coach Anderson said after the game. "When you get in the red zone and only get three points twice, that is not winning the red zone, I don't care who you are. You have got to get to the end zone. Our production of red zone offense and defense against theirs was the difference in the game."

Down 7-6 the Aggies began to struggle on the offensive end, whereas the Idaho offense was just getting started. Following the field goal, the Vandals marched the field but the Aggies "D" saved a touchdown when senior cornerback Curtis Marsh picked off a pass in the end zone.

"I think that defensively we did well in the first half," said junior linebacker Bobby Wagner. "In the second half I felt that we failed to execute on defense. Offensively, I feel like we struggled all game."

The Vandals, led by quarterback Nathan Enderle, kept coming though, and with 1:18 left in the half Enderle found Greenwood in the end zone for another touchdown to make the halftime score 14-6.

After a half where they trailed by eight and had only 37 passing yards, things couldn't get much worse for the Aggies, right? Wrong. Cue the weather. The second half started and so did the rain and snow, hardly something a struggling offense wants to see.

During the snowy second half, the Aggies



SOPHOMORE RUNNING BACK KERWYNN WILLIAMS chipped in 17 rushing yards and eight receiving yards on a total of seven touches during Saturday's 28-6 loss to Idaho. Williams was also responsible for 74 yards in the return game. TODD JONES photo

offense was inconsistent and failed to take advantage of many opportunities. USU was held scoreless in the second half, and for only the second time all year, they finished the game without a touchdown.

"I felt like we worked hard to establish our defensive and offensive lines but failed to

get anything established," Speight said. "We failed to score in the red zone when we had chances early and that really hurt us."

With 83 rushing yards on the day,

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UTAH STATE CENTER BANNA DIOP goes up for a shot during Saturday's 65-62 loss to Montana. Diop chipped in with 17 points, nine rebounds and two blocks but was unable to lead her team through a poor shooting performance in the second half. *CARL R. WILSON photo*

Football debrief: The good, the bad and the ugly of Idaho

By **JAKE IPSON**
staff writer

In the Utah State versus University of Idaho game on Saturday, there were plenty of the bad and the ugly throughout the game. The game started off ugly due to bad weather that became even worse. As the snow began to drop, so did the Aggie passes.

The Good: Looking for something good in the game, one play stood out from the first quarter. The Aggies ran a fake punt play on a fourth-and-seven from the Idaho 29-yard line. Kicker Peter Caldwell tossed the ball to quarterback Diondre Borel who was lined up as a receiver. Borel then completed an 11-yard pass to linebacker Bobby Wagner for a Utah State first down. The Aggies came out of the gate playing aggressive football. In the first quarter, the Aggies were two-for-two on fourth down attempts. Kicker Peter Caldwell went 2-2 on field goals in the game.

The Aggies running game looked good at a combined 139 yards. Utah State's rushing attack was led by running back Derrvin Speight with 80 yards, but it was a team effort on Saturday. Running back Kerwynn Williams rushed for 17 yards in the game but also contributed 74 yards in punt and kick returns and added eight yards receiving on three catches. Both Utah State and Idaho ran the ball 37 times. The Aggies were more successful on the ground and outgained the Vandals in rushing by 27 more yards.

The Bad: Throughout this game there was plenty of bad, which is usually the case when the

only scoring is two field goals in the first half. Utah State was held scoreless in the second half. USU's passing game struggled. The snow did not start falling until the second half, yet Borel was 7-of-15 in passing for a total of 37 yards in the first half. Granted, the weather was cold but that didn't stop Idaho QB Nathan Enderle from going 12-15 for 140 yards and two touchdowns in the first half. Both touchdowns thrown for Idaho were against the defense of Curtis Marsh, although he did have one pick that saved another score.

The passing game would have excelled if the receivers had held on to the passes. There were several pass plays that saw the ball fall through the hands of the receivers. Borel finished the game 14-of-35 for 103 yards and two interceptions.

The Ugly: Not only was the weather ugly on Saturday, so was the Aggies' red zone offense. The final stats show Utah State scoring 2-2 in the red zone, but those were field goals. At the end of the first quarter, Idaho attempted an on-side kick that USU recovered on the Idaho 40, but they failed to secure a touchdown on the drive. The Aggies benefited from two Idaho penalties, including a personal foul that gave the Aggies a first and 10 from the 12-yard line, but settled for a field goal, their second and final score of the game.

It was hard to see the senior Aggies leaving their final game at Romney Stadium with a loss. The seniors have one more chance to wear Aggie blue on Dec. 4 when they go to Boise to face the Broncos.

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Vandalized: Idaho stuffs Aggies

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Speight's career year continued. After losing star running back Robert Turbin to a torn ACL in the offseason and starter Michael Smith to an injury, the 5-9, 209 pound Speight has made the most of his starting role. In their previous two wins, Speight rushed for career highs, with 114 yards against New Mexico State, followed by a 125-yard, three touchdown performance against San Jose State.

Speight has been one of the main catalysts in the Aggie offense all year as he has rushed for almost 700 yards and eight touchdowns on the year. He hasn't always been such an integral part, though. Following a solid freshman season, Speight was injured his sophomore year and as the team changed, he got buried in the depth chart. But the Texas native stayed patient and has turned this season into the best of his career.

Speight's play wasn't enough on Saturday

though, especially in the second half, when the Aggies' game got worse with the weather. Neither team was able to do much in the third quarter as they both battled the elements, but the fourth quarter, and the game, belonged to Idaho. The Vandals scored two more demoralizing touchdowns in the final quarter to put the game away and thoroughly defeat the Aggies.

"We need to improve our consistency," Wagner said. "We need to be more physical on the offensive line and defensive line. They made plays today that we should've been able to stop."

The Aggies now have the week off before they try to pull off the impossible upset over No. 3 Boise State on Dec. 4 in their final game of the season.

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Aggie women fall apart in second half, lose to Montana

By **MARK ISRAELSEN**
staff writer

The search for its first regular season win is still on for the Utah State women's basketball team. The Aggies dropped to 0-3 on the season after losing 65-62 against Montana on Saturday. USU led by 11 at halftime, but struggled to keep Montana off the offensive glass and let the Lady Griz come back and snag a three-point win.

"Rebounding and us not converting from the free throw was why they were able to get back into that game," USU coach Raegan Pebley said. "They flat outworked us and I don't ever want to see that out of our team again."

For most of the game, Utah State had trouble boxing out and oftentimes was outthrustled to the ball, which led to a 27-21 rebounding advantage for Montana at halftime, with 14 of those rebounds coming on the offensive end. However, despite the rebounding differential, this game was déjà vu from a week ago. The Aggies played well early on and jumped out to 13-4 lead.

USU held the lead throughout the first half, mainly due to impressive passing and a good first half by sophomore center Banna Diop. USU totaled 13 assists to just 6 by Montana in the first half, and Diop led all scorers at halftime with 14 points to give the Aggies a 35-24 lead.

"Our offense was good,"

said Diop, who finished the game with a career-high 17 points. "We all know what our teammates can do and we just give them the ball."

The second half started, and the momentum of the game began to shift. USU maintained their lead early in the second half, but the Lady Griz kept fighting and started to chip away at the lead. After a 7-0 run, Montana got within one, and the game was on. With nine minutes to go, Montana took their first lead of the game, 47-45, but the Aggies responded as the action went back and forth.

"The momentum shifted to their side in the second half, and that helped them quite a bit," Pebley said. "We played better defense, but defense isn't defense if you don't rebound."

The Aggies Achilles' heel this season has definitely been their free-throw shooting, and in Saturday's game, that was apparent once again. In a tight second half battle where every point was important, the Aggies only shot 9-17 from the charity stripe, and finished the game 13-25, barely over 50 percent.

"We've been having that problem a lot," Diop said. "We need to focus more on our free throws. We have to work on it, because we've been missing too many."

Pebley said she is concerned about her team's lack of free throw success, not just because they are losing easy points, but because of the way it can

change an opponent's game-plan.

"We got ourselves to the foul line with a lot of those higher percentage shots," Pebley said. "(But) we need to convert from the free throw line. They'll stop fouling you if they are getting hurt from the line."

Despite their rebounding and free throw problems, the Aggies kept themselves in the game thanks in large part to the play of forward Ashlee Brown. Brown scored 12 points in the second half, and finished with the game with an impressive stat line of 16 points, 9 boards, and 6 assists. Utah State's bench though, was outscored 33-13 by Montana, which ultimately proved too much for the Aggies to overcome.

With 44 seconds to go, Montana had a five-point lead and were able to hold on to the 65-62 victory. Montana hit their free throws down the stretch and it was just enough to fend off the Aggies despite Utah State having several good chances in the last minute.

When asked about what changes they'll make, the answers were pretty obvious for Pebley. "Continuing to get better defensively, finishing it with rebounds, and not getting outworked to the defensive boards and loose balls."

The Aggies now turn their focus to in-state rival BYU, who they will play Nov. 23.

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Preview: Aggies looking for revenge

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Utes probably won't go quietly.

X-factor: Junior forward Morgan Grim spent the first two years of his collegiate career as a Ute. He might be the most motivated Aggie to beat the Utes Wednesday night. He is familiar with the Ute's system and he is familiar with the Ute's big men, which should play a big role in Wednesday's outcome.

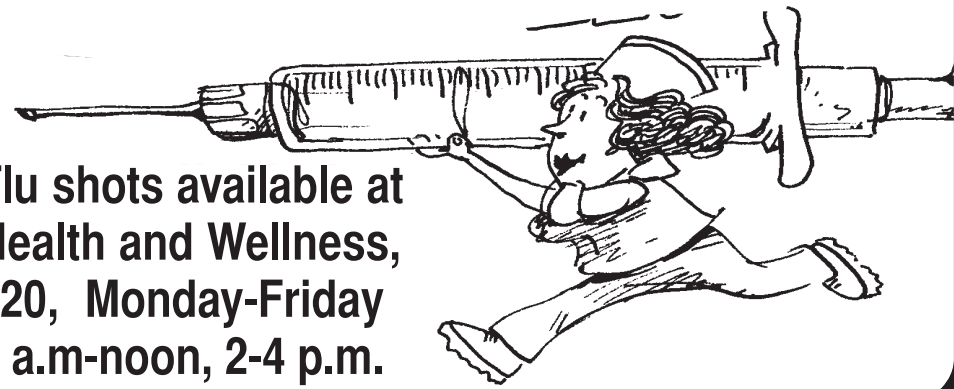
Aggies vs. Huskies

What to watch for: The Aggies loss on the road to the Huskies last season came when the

Aggies were still searching for their identity and the ability to win on the road. The Huskies are in the rebuilding stage, especially with the loss of Matt Janning, but the ever consistent Huskies tout another possible Colonial Athletic Conference Player of the Year in senior guard Chaison Allen. Allen is averaging 16.7 points a game and will be a handful for the Aggies backcourt. As with the Utes on Wednesday, the Aggies better be in top form if they want the win over the Huskies.

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Hockey wins two of three during Beehive Showcase

By LONDON HEMSLEY
staff writer

Utah State Hockey went 2-1 in this last weekend's Beehive Classic. Four different teams participated in the classic, which mixed up San Jose State, Eastern Washington, Colorado, and Utah State in a three-day slate of games.

After this weekend, the Aggies now hold a record of 21-3. USU is currently ranked second in the western region of the ACHA's second division. Eastern Washington is ranked third, Colorado is ranked fourth, and SJSU is ranked fifth.

The first of the weekend's games for USU was on Thursday against Colorado.

The Aggies held on to a 3-2 lead Thursday night at the Eccles Ice Center and kept the Buffaloes of Colorado at bay for their 20th win.

USU held their own defensively, and despite surrendering a goal midway through the third period, the Aggies maintained their one-goal lead and ended strong. Head Coach Jon Eccles was particularly pleased with the win, especially with his club's defense.

"This was a big win for us. Colorado is a club that is always tough and disciplined. We're a lot better defensively than we've been in years past. Our defenders are solid, but our forwards also do a great job of coming back defensively."

USU jumped into a 2-0 lead on the stick of David Wyman after a scoreless first period. Eccles had strong words of praise for Wyman's execution and effort.

"David Wyman is every coach's dream," Eccles said. "He gives 110 percent every night, and when he comes off

the ice, he's tired from working so hard. He's a great motivator. He's really taken on his captain's role to set the example for the team."

The most improbable and impressive goal of the night was that of Brendan MacDonald. Just over two minutes into the third period, MacDonald deflected the puck toward the Colorado zone and immediately began to give chase. Buffalo keeper Kevin Latinsky came off his line to try to deflect the puck away from MacDonald before he could chase it down. Latinsky, however, was too slow. The two players met the puck at the same time. As MacDonald hit the ice and collided with the CU goaltender, he jabbed his stick at the puck, which slid past Latinsky and into a wide open, unattended net for the third goal of the night.

Eccles said he was surprised to see MacDonald score that way.

"I lost the puck," he said. "I didn't know where it was, and all I saw was Brendan get up and start cheering. That's when I realized what an exciting goal it was."

USU has struggled historically against Colorado, and Wyman said he knew the Aggies' opponents would come ready to play. He also said the Aggies felt pretty comfortable with a target on their back.

"We like it," he said. "It's definitely a role that we've enjoyed playing and we will continue to enjoy it."

But, it was San Jose State that brought the firepower on Friday. The Spartans never trailed and managed to hand the Aggies their third loss of the season.

USU scored with 5:07 remaining in the first period on a screaming shot by Jeff Sanders to tie the score up



USU FORWARD BRENDAN MACDONALD chases after a loose puck during the Aggies' 3-2 win over Colorado Thursday. MacDonald scored the Aggies' third goal of the game against the Buffaloes, which would prove to be the eventual game-winner. **BRANDEN FONDA** photo

at one goal apiece. Twenty seconds later, SJSU took advantage of a USU defensive breakdown immediately after the face-off. Spartan Adam Steadman hit a one-timer past USU goaltender Cody Palmer to retake a 2-1 lead. USU Captain Kent Arsenault said the goal took all the wind out of the Aggies' sails.

"It absolutely crushes all hopes and all energy," he said. "For them to come down and score 20 seconds later like that was just a broken defensive play on all players' behalf. You just have to be ready and rebound off of that to get the flow going again and to get the energy going."

But the requisite energy

didn't surface quickly enough. SJSU extended its lead to 3-1 early in the second period, and that lead became 4-2 by the end of the second period.

Arsenault said the Aggies came into Friday night's game too comfortable and confident. "I think we came in a little bit, and I don't want to say it," Arsenault said, "but I think we came in a little bit too cocky. Two weekends ago we played them in San Jose, and I think we thought that we were just going to get the game handed to us."

USU's complacency showed itself in poor transition defense and shoddy neutral zone play. Assistant Coach Jay Obmerga said such behavior wouldn't get USU past the elite teams in the region.

"Every game we should treat like they're the number one team. The type of stuff that we do we can get away with against weaker squads like the U of U or BYU or Weber, but a team like this, it came a little too late. We didn't bring it the whole 60 minutes."

The third period was solid for the Aggies. Dan Cornelius replaced Cody Palmer between the pipes and didn't let another puck through. USU's passes looked crisper and their shots looked sharper. Arsenault brought the Aggies within one, 4-3, at the 12:46 mark of the third and gave USU ample time and opportunity to dig out the equalizing goal, but that goal never came.

In the final minute, USU pulled Cornelius out of the net to get an extra man in the SJSU zone, but SJSU got the puck out of its zone and scored the game-sealing goal in an open net with 30 seconds remaining.

USU then turned its attention to Saturday and the Eagles of EWU, hoping to close out the weekend positively. Obmerga said USU would need to bring a lot of energy to beat Eastern.

"We're just going to have to bring it," he said. "Their whole program is really deep. Hopefully tonight we learned a lesson, because it's going to take 60 minutes of effort from everybody."

Perhaps Eccles described the difference between Friday and Saturday best.

He said, "It was a total turnaround. I was proud of the boys for the rebound from how bad we played. We were aggressive each period, we ramped up our intensity, and just took it to another level. The defense stepped up huge. Compared to last night, it was night and day. It just changed the whole picture of the game for us."

The Aggies took a one-goal lead into the first intermission, then came out in the second period and methodically sliced and diced EWU's defense to shreds. By the time the period was over, USU had scored four goals, each one by a different player, and the Aggies entered the second intermission with a 5-2 lead.

EWU, rather than playing disciplined defense, opted to get frustrated, lash out, and spend nearly the whole second period with someone in the penalty box. This played right into the Aggies' hands.

"We had heard that they were undisciplined," Aggie defender Ty Johns said, "and we knew coming in that we were going to capitalize on our power play chances. So

we went in with the mentality of, you know, maybe provoking them a little bit here or there and then backing out of it. That's why you saw that we stayed on the power play. That's all it was."

"Number 19," Eccles said, referring to EWU's Ryan Pajimola, "We knew he had issues. So, yeah. We chirped him. Things like that really help, and our guys were more disciplined in not getting wrapped up in stuff, kind of backing out. I think the reffing was pretty good."

USU continued strong play through the third. Johns' play stood out in particular. The Aggie defenseman had two goals, one in transition, and the other a screaming slapshot from 30 feet out that snuck into the top left corner of the goal.

"It's a good feeling to come back after a loss like that and play a good team and just beat them pretty good," he said. "It was good to show our team what we're capable of. I think everybody's starting to realize now and get on board to just how good we can be."

USU hockey will take Thanksgiving off and will reconvene the following week on the road in Colorado. USU will play Texas A&M, Colorado State, and Northern Arizona in another invitational. Currently USU is undefeated on the road and will look to continue as such.

"We've had great road trips," Eccles said. "We're shooting to be number one. If we can beat them, we might be able to move into first place and then try and hold on."

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Florida teams shuffle in and out of latest football rankings

NEW YORK (AP) — Florida State moved back into The Associated Press football poll as Miami fell out, and for another week the Sunshine State avoided being without a team in the Top 25 for the first time since 1982.

With three of the top four teams taking the week off, the top of the poll was virtually unchanged Sunday. Oregon is No. 1, followed by Auburn, Boise State and TCU.

Only the Broncos played, beating Fresno State 51-0 on Friday night at home.

No. 5 Wisconsin flip-flopped with No. 6 LSU. No. 7 was Stanford, followed by Ohio State, Alabama and Oklahoma State at No. 10.

No. 22 Florida State (8-3) twice has dropped out of the rankings, but is back in after two straight victories. Miami has yo-yoed in and out of the Top 25 this season and Florida has also dropped out twice.

The Hurricanes (7-4) lost 31-17 at home to Virginia Tech on Saturday to fall out of the rankings for the third time this season.

Florida (7-4) dropped out last week after losing to South Carolina. Central Florida also spent a week in the rankings.

Since the final 1982 poll, which included

no teams from the state of Florida, the Hurricanes, Gators and Seminoles have combined for a total 10 AP national titles.

Over the past four polls, no more than one of those perennial powerhouses has been ranked in the AP poll.

North Carolina State also moved back into the rankings at No. 21. The Wolfpack and Seminoles are in a tight race for the ACC's Atlantic Division title.

Southern California, another team that used to be a fixture but has been in and out of the rankings much of this season, dropped out after losing 36-7 at Oregon State.

The second 10 starts with Michigan State, followed by Arkansas, Virginia Tech, Oklahoma and Missouri.

Nebraska took the biggest fall this week, dropping from No. 9 to 16th after a 9-6 loss at Texas A&M. The Aggies are No. 17, while South Carolina, Nevada and Arizona round out the top 20.

Joining N.C. State and Florida State in the final five were No. 23 Utah, No. 24 Iowa and No. 25 Mississippi State.

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Our View

This Thanksgiving, show us the parade NBC

In addition to gorging ourselves on a bounteous Thanksgiving meal, hanging out with loved ones and watching football, many of us look forward to watching the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Or at least, we did until they starting increasing the disappointment in degrees year by year.

We turn on the TV anticipating colorful floats, military-like marching bands and fabulous Broadway numbers complete with dancing and costumes. But instead we get to see two people we don't even care about hogging the screen, making corny rehearsed jokes and talking about their Thanksgiving dinner plans.

What happened to the actual parade being the main event on television? It seems like so long ago that we could watch the parade without superficial interruptions. Now to be fair, we are sure those two hosts work hard. They must get up pretty darn early in the morning to they can beautify themselves, rehearse those jokes and practice flirting on TV without looking trashy. But that does not mean that those of us who want to watch the parade turn it on to look at them for over two hours.

Showing the actual parade for fifteen minutes of the two hour show is not even logically sound. You would think that it would be cheaper to show more of the parade anyway. If the stars they choose to host are paid by face time on the screen, then it would be less expensive for the station to not show them as much. Or if we had our way, they don't even have to show them at all.

We want to make clear we have nothing against the Macy's parade itself. Macy's does a wonderful job of putting together balloons for the kids to enjoy, floats with singers, performing shows and a variety of other entertainments for the crowd to enjoy. Our beef is with NBC and the terrible job they are doing at making the audience happy.

Not all of us have the opportunity to travel to New York and see the parade in person, but if that opportunity ever arises for any of you, we suggest a mass boycott of NBC. We also would encourage a group of parade-goers to storm that little box where the two host sits and yap and give them a piece of our mind - or two, or three.

Here's to hoping someone at NBC sees the light and puts together a show worth watching this year.

Seven aspects of service confirmed over time

As a child I wanted to be a journalist. Not long after, my career aspirations changed to having a dual career as superwoman and queen of the world. With such alterations in my ambitions, my writing skills have since diminished - in short, don't expect much in regards to literacy appeal from this piece.



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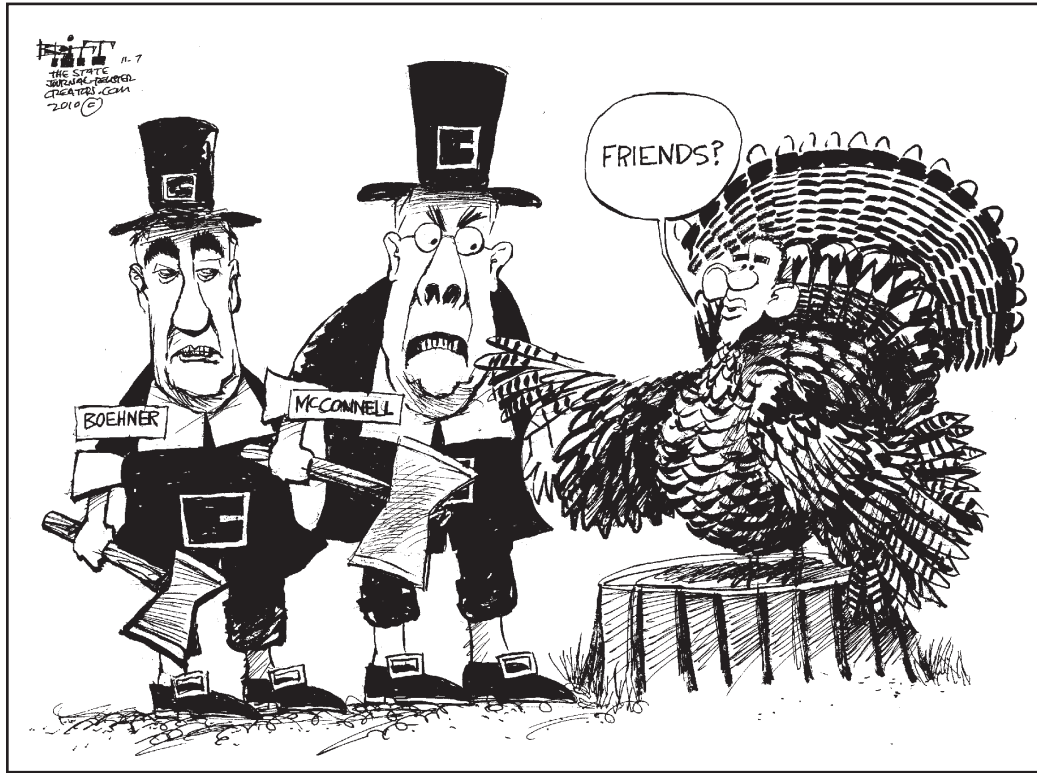
TASHA JORGENSEN

Though my views often change as I obtain more information on a subject, these seven characteristics of service have become constant. An increase in experience and knowledge has only further confirmed these key aspects of service.

First, education is a crucial aspect of service. Before you can make a change in the world you need to know where changes need to be made. As a freshman I expressed interest in joining Aggies for Africa; the director asked me what I was doing to stay educated on Africa. I realized then that picking up shoes for those in need in Africa is helpful, but Utah State would not be donating the shoes if someone had not been educated on the diseases experienced due to lack of footwear. Research has also helped PALS, a youth mentoring program in the service center, regarding the possible negative effects of a mentorship that does not continue for a long enough period of time.

While many of us complain about the high cost of education, few realize the amount other people have invested in our education. Which brings me to my second point; we have what we have because of the service of others. While others were protesting the Vietnam War, Val R. Christensen with several others decided to put their efforts into something that would improve the community. They created The Val R. Christensen Service Center, originally called VOICE. Today the Service Center houses approximately 1,000 volunteers and services on a community, national, and global

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Forum Letters

Letters to the editor • A public forum

Groups have a right to represent

To the editor:

If you could think of a word to describe Utah State University, what would it be? Would it be safe? Would it be boring? How about diverse? I would like to think that Utah State has some diversity running through its veins. With Nov. 19 this year being diversity day, I would sure hope we are diverse. We have students of all different races and ages, shapes and sizes. We have students from every religion and sexual orientation. We also have students that belong to different affiliations and groups, one of those groups being the Greek system. For those who don't know, there are eight different fraternities and sororities at Utah State.

I found the recent opinion column, "Dear Sigs, get the Ep out of Section F," to be incredibly offensive. Not only did the article attack the Sigma Phi Epsilon men, but it attacked the Greek system as a whole. The author praised the Greek community to then turn around and in the same paragraph call the Greek community elitist. Not only was this statement very untrue, but it was a huge contradiction to the aforementioned "praises." The Greek system has nothing to do with being better than anyone else, but it has everything to do with wanting to get involved and make a difference. Any house on Greek Row is a collection of individuals with similar interests at a similar stage in life.

The Sig Eps at the Utah State versus Weber State basketball game have been in attendance at most Aggie

games. They have very fairly earned their spot in Section F. As stated in the recent article, the Spectrum is OUR HOUSE. That means that it is also the Greeks' house, the STAB's house, the Black Student Union's house, the Service Center's house, and the Asian-American Student Council's house. We all have a right to be ourselves and represent ourselves there. By saying anyone of these groups is not allowed, or in the wrong, to represent their colors is like saying Wild Bill can't dress up to distract the other team because he isn't conforming to the rest of the student body. The Sig Eps flying their flag along with the Utah State flag was merely a showing of support and love that they have for the basketball team and Utah State.

The Spectrum is about the unity of all students, no matter what their background or affiliation. Just because we are Aggies does not mean we have to conform to an expected norm. We have a right to individuality and we have a right to express that individuality. My final question is this: if the flag had been blue, would it have been an issue? Or, is this a deeper-rooted prejudice that was taken out on the members of Sigma Phi Epsilon?

Meaghan Fors

Averages don't tell whole story

To the editor:

I want to correct the misleading impression that was communicated by the graph on the front page of the Statesman on Friday, Nov. 19. The graph showed the "average professor" earning \$89,100, an associate profes-

or earning \$69,000, and an assistant professor - i.e., usually in her/his first 6 years at USU - earning \$62,000.

But the truth is that there are full professors who have been teaching at USU for 25 years or more - winning awards, publishing books, ranking high in student evaluations - who do not yet earn the supposed \$62,000 of a new hire.

So, a basic math lesson: the average of \$150,000 and \$30,000 equals \$90,000 - the salary of the "average professor" at USU, according to the graph. But those two numbers - \$150,000 and \$30,000 - carry more real information about the actual state of salaries at USU than the \$90,000 "average," which is a meaningless statistic in human terms and bears little relation to the actual salary of any given professor. Some professors are very well paid while some are very poorly paid; for the most part that depends on the field and the college in which you work rather than the quality of your contribution.

What difference does this make? Unfortunately, citizens seeing these figures might very well think professors are overpaid, especially compared to the salaries of most Utahns. That false "fact" may give them another reason to support their legislators in cutting back the state education budget. And students might think being an "average professor" is a relatively lucrative career.

Averages are not false but presented without context, they are misleading. In this case, the false perception is not only unjust but can have negative consequences.

Steve Siporin

A grateful thanks to fall's Newsmakers

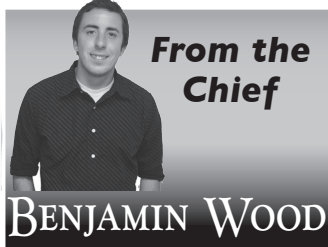
When the semester began, I invited readers to take full advantage of The Utah Statesman. I urged you - students, faculty, community members, travelers waylaid by the storm - to read, write, and BE the news.

Because news is about people, whether you're behind the pen, reading the page, or sitting naked on top of the bull statue admiring the beauty of the flashing lights. We truly, couldn't do this without you.

So, giving credit where credit is due, I wanted to take some time before we separate for the holiday to thank this semester's Newsmakers, without whom we would have nothing to write about.

Tom Atwood

Looking over this year's crop of ASUSU



From the Chief

BENJAMIN WOOD

officers we find few pot-stirrers. President Tyler Tolson, halfway through his second term in office and oozing charm out of his ears, appears comfortable in his position. Not to mention that following his nuptials earlier this year, his relevance among 50 percent of the USU population has diminished and the rest are just happy he's not a threat anymore.

Elsewhere, Executive VP Brent Crosby skirted through the election process unopposed and aside from some obscure bills in the Executive Council hasn't done much since. And I don't think anyone feels advocated by Dan Ricks.

Then there was Tom. Last year when Mr. Atwood ran on a platform of bringing high-profile acts to campus we had no doubt he would win, and no doubt his subsequent actions in office would be divisive. Say what you will, for good or ill, about some of the Programming decisions this year but one thing is certain, Atwood shook things up.

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News: Students in the headlines

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favorite band and maybe you would rather gouge out your eyes than hear We The King's "Check Yes Juliet" one more time, but it is nice to see someone beside Allred wielding the six-string on campus. What's more, the RJA street concert was a bold move, one that may have carried with it a host of visibility issues and a few injuries, but boasted an enormous turnout and also prompted Logan City to hand USU the rights to 7th North

This year's HOWL, if you got in, was met with mixed reviews and having a rock concert in the Fieldhouse turned out to be the acoustic equivalent of a house of mirrors. Atwood was only one of many involved, but took the time to issue a formal apology in the Statesman to line-stranded, would-be party-goers.

Then there was B.J. - when Atwood's protegee Skyler Parkhurst decided dropping two-thirds of our budget on a single less-than-well-received event that couldn't fill the KCH was the kind of variety students need from their collegiate experience. After all the dust settled, though, the fact remained that Novak is one of the most recognizable names to grace Cache Valley in some time.

So Tom and friends, here's to you. Everyone may not have agreed with the decisions you and your team made with our money this semester, but you delivered on your promises and we appreciate the attempt at something fresh.

Anthony "T.j." Pratt Jr.

Utah State is known for a lot of things - engineering, agriculture, business, students who care as much about entertainment as education - but generally speaking, diversity is not one of them.

When along came T.j. It seems like every time I turned around this semester I saw Pratt on campus, at events, performing poetry, and then being crowned this year's Mr. USU.

I love Mr. USU, but there is a certain expectation in my head as to the type of person who will win - I'll give you a hint, it ain't Mr. Agriculture. How awesome was it, then, to see Mr. Diversity take home almost every award they gave that night - the big one, people's choice and formal wear - and do it to thundering, seemingly-unanimous applause. For his talent he sang the male and female parts of a duet, then exploded on stage dancing to "Single Ladies." Mere weeks before, he was

performing slam poetry on the PoBev stage and just after receiving his crown, he was at the Homecoming parade waving from the back of a float celebrating USU's diversity.

Pratt, to me, represents the new face of USU. He's a man of the arts, a performer, an entertainer, 100 percent individual and from my experience, an all-around good guy who earns your attention rather than demands it.

Diondre Borel

Those of us that have been here a while are used to our share of football-related disappointment. We begin each season with a this-is-the-year optimism that slowly disintegrates into stagnant anticipation for basketball season to begin. That said, when our boys took the field against Oklahoma in the annual come-and-get-stomped preseason game, the mood inside the TSC was electric - I mean, that fake field goal? What nerve! The next couple of weeks brought our doubts rushing back as we anxiously wondered what would happen when we met the borrowed blue of the South.

Despite the injuries, despite the losses, despite the fumbles, interceptions, blocked kicks and every other heartbreak, this season will be remembered for something else. It will be remembered for one game, 17 years in the making, and hundreds of students charging the newly-christened Merlin Olsen field to hoist our quarterback above our heads.

We were never going to win the WAC, and I think I speak for a lot of people when I say that if I had to choose one or the other, I'd take beating BYU over a better standing in a conference that for all intents and purposes is crumbling apart.

Even in our losses, it has been at times ecstasy watching Borel play. To see our quarterback scrambling back-field, dodging tackles for what seems like ages only to let loose a picturesque salvo for a touchdown is a beautiful thing. I can think of few players who demonstrate Borel's level of patience and focus even as a blockade of enemy linemen come crashing down around him.

Diondre, Coach Anderson, and all the team and coaching staff, we love you. Thank you for an emotional season, your relentless dedication, and stomping the sauce out of BYU.

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Serve: The little things can make a significant difference

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level.

Val R. Christensen was a leader, which brings me to the next point; service is a key characteristic in leadership. Changes in society are due to people who have selflessly sacrificed and given their time. Individuals who have fought for our freedom whether adorned in military attire or speaking up about needed change. Beloved leaders in history have cared enough about the people they are leading to become advocates for a better future.

We all know service looks good on a resume, which brings us to our fourth point. Though service is a selfless act, the server can also benefit from involvement in service. Many of us have had an inclination to participate in service, only to become distracted and to dismiss it. When we act upon these desires it increases personal self-worth and helps us to achieve a brighter outlook on life as we look outside of ourselves. It helps us feel part of the community and our power to improve it. In addition, participation in service provides opportunities to form relationships and learn valuable skills.

Many of us have seen the commercials where someone smiles at someone else and creates a chain of events leading to someone becoming president. Though every time you smile it may not alter someone's decision to run for president, it does make a difference.

My fifth and easiest point is that the little things matter. I know several individuals who keep every thank you note they have ever received. Acknowledging someone by name, getting to know them, and thanking them for their service can be a key factor in making someone's day. We can all recall moments of kindness or attention from others that changed our outlook.

While world peace is usually only discussed in the land of beauty pageants brings us to our sixth component. Service is the first step to achieving a Utopian community. Though many may claim to be perfect we all have both positive and negative characteristics. On campus committees are formed so they can collaborate and solve problems. In a similar fashion we can use our talents and resources to help one another.

My final thought is that you always make a difference, but it is your decision what kind of difference you make. Making a commitment to be sustainable will affect the type of world your grandchildren will live in. Raising awareness of sexual abuse could stop a cycle of abuse, which could in turn save future generations from experiencing that same abuse. Helping an adult learn to read will change the quality of their life. Extending an act of unsolicited kindness can have unlimited benefits. If you see a need, start a program to accomplish those needs. Though you may know what you want to be when you grow up, at any point you can start a dual career as a hero through service.

Tasha Jorgensen is the ASUSU service vice president.



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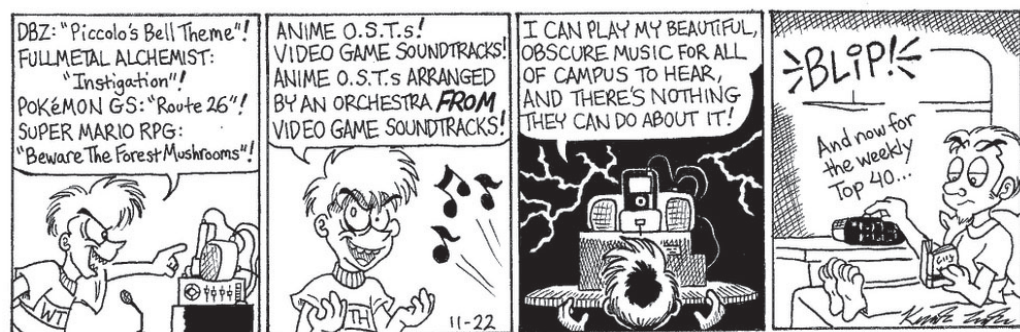
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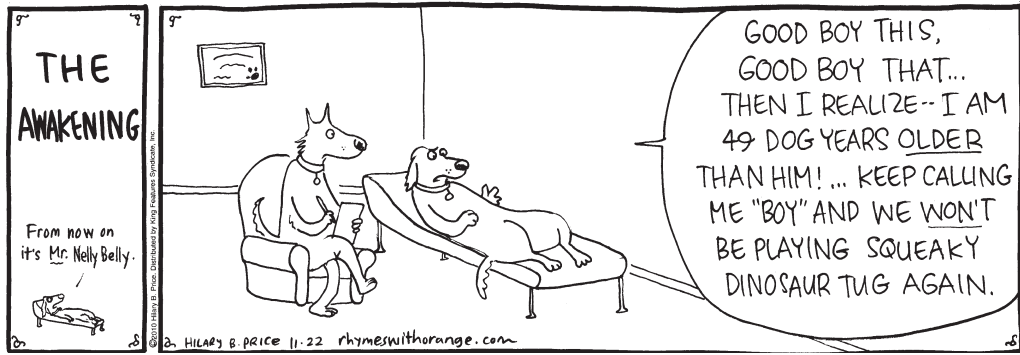
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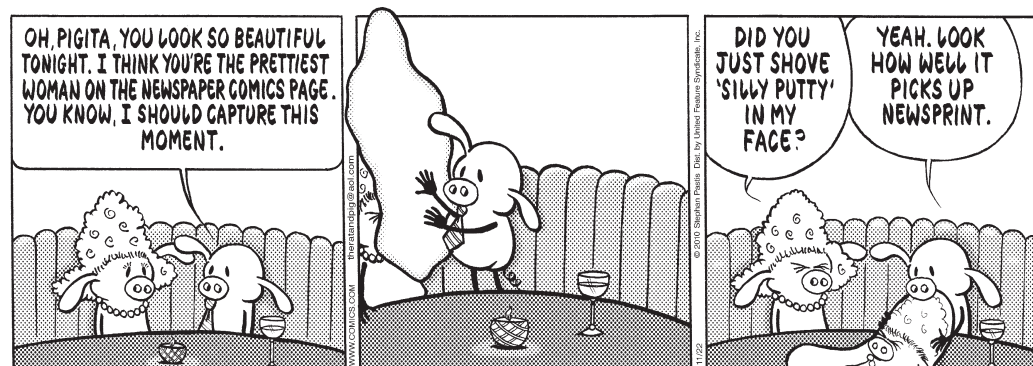
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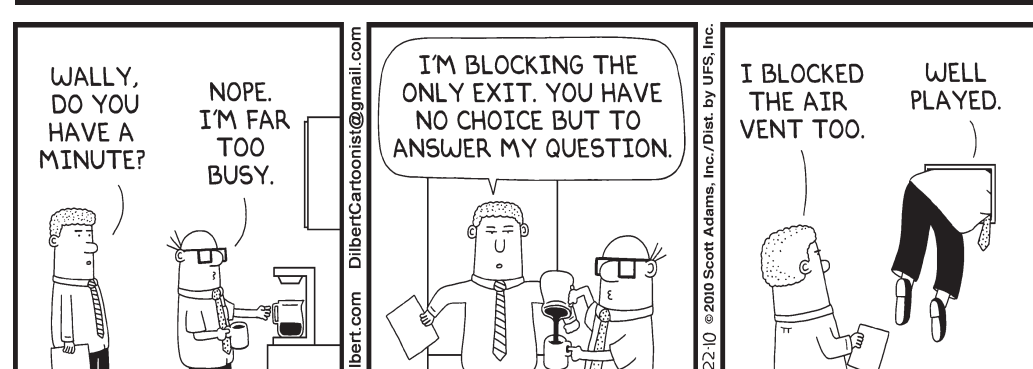
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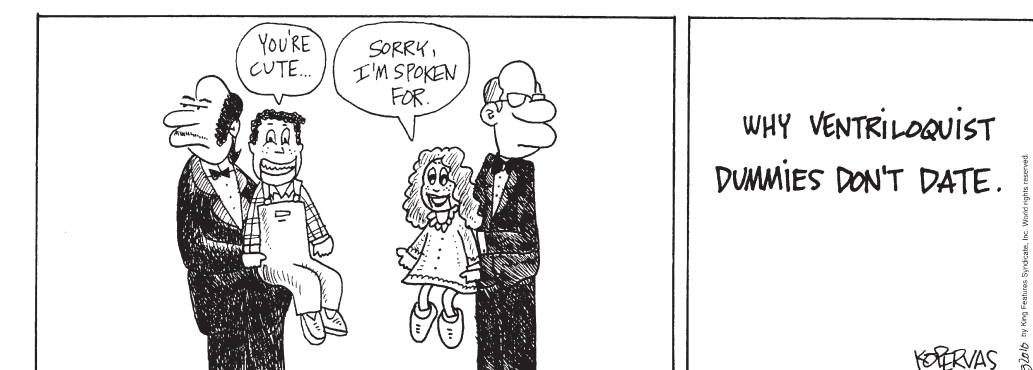
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- 13 Wood preservative
- 14 Plays the class clown
- 16 Opening with a thud?
- 17 Showy
- 18 Overseas fem. title
- 19 Staple in a Hollywood first-aid kit?
- 21 Clueless
- 25 Source of Ulee's gold
- 26 Compulsion to set up camp?
- 29 She played Emma in "The Avengers"
- 32 Mideast language
- 33 Support group?
- 34 Hoss and Little Joe's off-color jokes?
- 40 Lake near Niagara Falls
- 41 Atlanta campus
- 42 Jets coach Ryan
- 43 Civil unrest in Brest?
- 48 Fizzled out
- 49 Gulf of Finland city
- 50 Restrain a legendary soul seller?
- 55 Word with a head slap
- 57 Six-Day War country
- 58 Classy accommodations at the Spider Ritz?
- 62 Insurer of Tina Turner's legs
- 63 One transferring property rights, in law
- 64 Plenty
- 65 As terrific as they say

DOWN

- 1 Banned pollutants
- 2 Biblical resting place
- 3 Composed
- 4 "The Fox and the Hound" fox
- 5 Suffix with fruct-
- 6 Hold up
- 7 "Do you bite your thumb __, sir?": "Romeo and Juliet"
- 8 Riga resident
- 9 Old lab heaters
- 10 Isaac's eldest
- 11 Eponymous skater Alois
- 12 WWI German vice-admiral
- 14 Centers
- 15 Prods
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- 34 In accordance with
- 35 It may be found in a deposit
- 36 Outlaw
- 37 Onetime Jeep mfr.
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- 39 Pound sounds
- 43 Fluted, in a way
- 44 Old Spanish coins
- 45 Web address ender
- 46 House Judiciary Committee chair during the Nixon impeachment hearings
- 47 "Have a nice day" response, and a literal hint to this puzzle's theme
- 48 Critical moments to gear up for
- 50 Maximum degree
- 51 European capital
- 52 Hubbard of Scientology
- 53 Team acronym
- 54 John with Emmys and a journalism award
- 56 Rancher's concern
- 59 Jamboree gp.
- 60 Be in session
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Statesman **Back Burner**



Today is Monday, Nov. 22, 2010. Today's issue of The Utah Statesman is published especially for Amanda Johnson, a junior majoring in mechanical engineering from Las Vegas, Nevada.

Almanac

Today in History: In 1963, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, the 35th president of the United States, is assassinated while traveling through Dallas, Texas, in an open-top convertible.

Weather

High: 34° Low: 30°
Skies: Snow showers and wind



Monday Nov. 22

- Cross Country at NCAA Championships
- Women's Volleyball at Las Vegas
- Stuff a Bus, Romney Stadium, 5:45 p.m.

Tuesday Nov. 23

- GSS Lunch and Lecture, Library, 12:30 p.m.
- Women's Volleyball at Las Vegas
- Women's Basketball at BYU, 4 p.m.
- CIL Short Course, ANSC, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday Nov. 24

- Thanksgiving Break, No Classes
- Women's Volleyball at Las Vegas
- Men's Basketball vs. Utah, Spectrum, 7 p.m.

Thanksgiving

The Registrar's office would like to remind everyone of Thanksgiving Break Nov. 24-26, no classes will be held. Tuition and Fee Payment for Spring 2011 begins on Nov. 22.

Biggest Loser

Aggie Health Club is hosting its 2nd annual "USU's Biggest Loser Competition!" Students and faculty compete while learning healthy eating and exercise habits. Applications due by Dec. 6. Email aggihealth@aggiemail.usu.edu for applications or more information.

Peter Breinholt

Songwriter Peter Breinholt brings A Peter Breinholt Christmas to USU to kick off his Christmas concert series. This heart-warming, bright, and entertaining performance will take place in the world class Performance Hall, 4 and 7:30 p.m., Dec. 4.

Psychology study

The Psychology Department at USU is seeking individuals who are struggling with unwanted, disturbing thoughts or behaviors of a moral or religious nature to participate in a study assessing the effectiveness of psychological treatment for these problems. If you are interested or have questions please contact 435-535-1073.

Anxiety Workshop

Test Anxiety Workshop on Dec. 1 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in TSC 335. You do not have to register to attend. For information contact the Academic Resource Center at (435) 797-1128.

Shakespeare play

A Midsummer Night's Dream is a wacky Shakespearean comedy about love. Nov. 29-Dec. 11 at 7:30 p.m. Free for USU students with ID. For more information please call 435-797-8022.

You need to know...

Screening of Indoctrinate U will be shown on Nov. 30 at 7 p.m. in the TSC Auditorium

Wintersongs 2010 will be performed Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Performance Hall. Tickets are \$8 for general admission and free for USU students.

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Macey's is offering free **cooking and community classes**. Their next class will be held on Nov. 30. Cheese please! Come to a cheese tasting and give-aways. 7-8 p.m. Seating is limited so reserve by calling 753-3301.

Young Ambassadors performing group from BYU is holding a concert at Sky View High school in Smithfield. The date is Dec. 4 and the performance starts at 7:15 pm. Tickets are \$15 and available at www.skyviewtix.org

Upcoming dates at Caffe Ibis: Dec. 3 is a Downtown Gallery Walk featuring Kristi Greussendorf at 6 p.m. Zac Bettinger on Dec. 5 at 12 p.m.

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