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17 MIPs given out this year

► **By Chris Farnes**
senior writer

There have been a total of 17 incidents involving minors in possession (MIP) since the beginning of August. Many of the incidents reported by the USU Campus Police have involved multiple charges to students with MIP.

"Since the beginning of last year we have seen a marked increase in the number of arrests for incidents of minors in possession of alcohol," said Steven Mecham, chief of the USU Police Department. "It seems like every year the new freshman class brings their own personality," Mecham said. "It seems like last year we had a lot of kids that wanted to try alcohol. I guess and it is carrying on to this year."

The Utah State University website defines Utah's MIP law: "It is unlawful for any person under the age of 21 years to purchase, attempt to purchase, solicit another person to purchase, possess, or consume any alcoholic beverage or product. The maximum penalty is six months imprisonment and/or \$1,000 fine plus suspension of driver's license up to one year; Class B misdemeanor."

"I would say that 17 incidents so far are about normal," said Ryan Barfuss, USU's drug and alcohol prevention specialist. "Last year was really crazy but this year we are staying just a little above the normal rate of MIPs. There are some years that are really quiet and then there are really crazy ones like



MCT campus photo

last year."

USU students that are charged with MIP are typically: given a court fine of \$525; put on probation for 6-12 months (which associated fees); put through a Project Reality class at the Cache County Jail; perform and pay for community service; must get a letter from their parents acknowledging the charge; can be suspended from the university for recurring charges and are put through Barfuss's Prime for Life class.

"If a student is mandated to take the class there are four required

classes that are usually two hours long," Barfuss said. "We teach a curriculum that is called Prime for Life. It is a risk reduction class. It is more than just talking about what alcohol does to the body; it goes into decision making skills and the choices and consequences that accompany alcohol."

According to Barfuss, when the number of MIP's increase, sexual crimes increase as well. All five of the sexual assault/rape cases reported to the Health and Wellness Center were alcohol related.

"Of the sexual assaults and rapes that we had last year 100% were alcohol related. The number nationally is only 75%," Barfuss said. "Alcohol is the number one weapon of choice when it comes to sexual assault and rape, especially here at Utah State."

Barfuss said 80% of USU students do not drink at all. Of the 20% of students that do drink, only five to eight percent drink dangerous amounts of alcohol. He also said it is a misconception that out of state students are charged with MIP more than instate students are.

"We looked into the causes of the increase of MIP's last year and what we found was that it was about 50/50 of MIP's for instate and out of state," Barfuss said. "Though this year there have definitely been more out of state students."

Barfuss said while out-of-state students have been drinking longer and more, it is the instate students whose health will suffer more due to their drinking, with many succumbing to alcohol poisoning.

"The instate students usually come from a background where

they never drank or their parents never drank and they come here and they try to keep up with their peers," Barfuss said. "They say things like 'You did five shots? I'll do five shots! They don't know what they're doing and make mistakes, like binge drinking or drinking while on an empty stomach."

Sierra West, a senior majoring in family consumer science education, is currently seeing out the last month of her court mandated probation for her MIP charge in February. While Barfuss said that the typical MIP fines can add up to \$800-\$1000, West has had to pay considerably more.

"Overall I have paid almost \$2000 for my MIP and everything associated with it," West said. "I thought a lot of it was overkill because I am not an alcoholic by any means. I always drink very responsibly; my blood alcohol content was only .017 that night, not even enough to be charged with a DUI, so I thought it was silly."

West, like many out-of-state and international students, must adjust to the change of law and culture surrounding alcohol when they come to USU.

"I come from a completely different culture," West said. "I am from Wyoming and when I got drunk underage back then the cops would pick me up and drive me home and that was it."

Mecham stands by Utah's stringent alcohol laws and the no toler

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Morty's opens doors

► **By Melanie Fenstermaker**
staff writer

Those passing Morty's Café on Friday may have seen a steady line of people, a newly finished interior and customers ordering for the first time what co-founder Ty Mortenson said are "the best

burgers in town."

After months of imagining, fundraising and building, Morty's, which is located on the corner of Darwin Avenue and Aggie Boulevard, was open to the public on Friday.

"It's been a lot of work, but a lot of fun too," Mortenson said. "A lot of creative fun."

Although the menu offers a wide variety of choices and

experiments with international flavors, Mortenson said burgers are the restaurant's staple food.

"We're getting creative with just the standard burger," Mortenson said.

In addition to its 'iconic,' or classic burger, Morty's menu advertises six other burgers: Hawaiian, Yucatan, Sunny Side, Kimchi, Italian and Iberian.

"We have some interesting items that people may not be familiar with," Mortenson said. "We're still providing the classic options that people love, but we're also doing interesting things."

Preston Parker, a co-founder with Mortenson, said patrons who try each burger will receive t-shirts that have "I toured the world of Morty's" printed on them.

Morty's team has worked to create an atmosphere and menu that they hope will appeal to USU students and the Cache Valley community.

Parker said the menu offers many local, fresh foods. Morty's will incorporate foods from local businesses such as Café Ibis, Rosehill Dairy and Crumb Brothers Artisan Bread. Some of its produce comes from its own garden on the roof. Parker said he picked the restaurant's tomatoes himself Friday morning.

"What other place is there that can say, 'I picked every tomato that is being used today. I grew it and picked it myself,'" Parker said. "It can't get fresher than that."



Ryan Costanzo photo

JUNIOR JORDAN LOWE walks out of Morty's Cafe. Morty's Cafe had its grand opening on Friday.

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Open-air Poetry and a Beverage

POETRY AND A BEVERAGE was held on the quad on Saturday. It was the first time that Po-Bev has been held on the quad as it is usually held in the Taggart Student Center international lounge.

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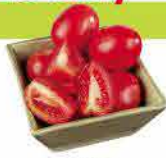
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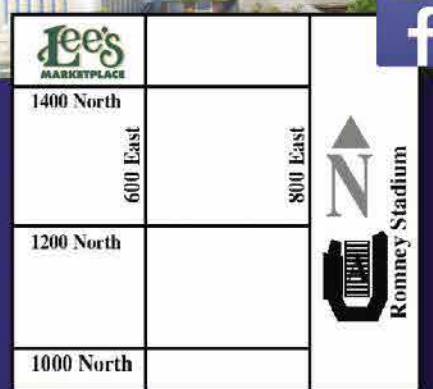


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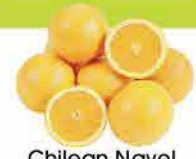


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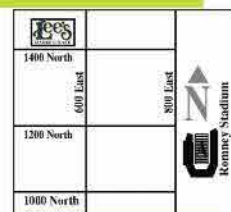
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White house security breach

The White House has boosted its security measures after two men, on separate occasions, attempted to enter the White House. The first occurrence was on Friday when an Iraq war veteran jumped the fence. The man, who was suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder, jumped the north fence of the White House property and sprinted past the northern doors before he was stopped by security.

According to Secret Service spokesman Brian Leary, the man was carrying a Spyderco VG-10 folding knife and a 3-and-a-half-inch serrated blade in his pocket.

The second incident occurred Saturday when a man drove his vehicle up to a security barrier and attempted to walk up to the White House.

Climate change protests

Tens of thousands marched through Manhattan on Sunday to warn against the damaging effects of climate change. Groups across the globe joined in their respective areas, asking policymakers to take action.

More than 120 world leaders will meet on Tuesday for the United Nations Climate Summit with the purpose to galvanize political will for a new global climate treaty by the end of 2015.

U.S. carries out air strikes

The U.S. and its allies carried out air strikes on the Islamic State in Syria on Monday.

The U.S. has already carried out 190 air strikes on the Islamic State in Iraq this year. However this is the first time that the U.S. has executed air strikes in Syria.

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Observatory opens up skies

► By Christopher Campbell
senior writer

Crowds lined the rooftop of Utah State University's Science and Engineering Research building Friday night to look at stars, planets and nebulae through the lenses of several telescopes during the first public open house of the semester.

James Coburn, the teaching laboratory supervisor for the department of physics who runs the observatory, said the monthly public nights take place because they are in demand.

"We get calls all the time, you know, 'Can we go to the observatory,' and we say 'We're gonna have a public night,'" Coburn said. "And then that gives them a chance to come."

Bryant Ward, a sophomore physics major and teaching assistant who works with students at the observatory, said the open house is a good way to reach other people and educate them.

"It's fun for the public, for one thing, and it's just a good outreach," Ward said. "It's good for educating people for the science and getting people aware of what's going on."

Coburn said astronomy has been an important subject to study since ancient times when people used stars as their primary means of navigation. Presently, that is not so much the case, but it is still important because there is

more out there than Earth.

"The Earth, when you look at it, is a pretty small place compared to everything else out there," Coburn said. "And if we're gonna say, 'All right, we're just gonna look at our little planet,' then we're gonna be centered on ourselves."

Coburn said understanding astronomy helps understand the place of humanity in the universe. He said there could

be as many as one hundred billion stars within Earth's galaxy is in and one hundred billion galaxies in the universe.

"So that's a hundred billion stars," Coburn said.

Ward said the study of astronomy is important because it explains the origins of humans.

"There's kind of a joke in physics," Ward said. "People say, 'What is physics?' and you say, 'It's the science of everything,' and astronomy is similar to that. Everything is basically astronomy. We were created from astronomy. Astronomy is us. Astronomy is



Mikayla Kapp photo

THE TELESCOPE IN THE OBSERVATORY points up at the sky to view the stars. The lighting in the observatory is red to help see the sky better.

everything that's out there."

Lura Craner, a USU alumna who brought her young children to the event, said this was the first time she had been to the observatory and her experience was awesome.

"The kids have never seen such big telescopes," Craner said. "It's pretty awesome to see stars that are so far away."

Coburn said the observatory was built in 2009 as a laboratory for students to use for their class. There are currently two classes that use it, which comprise a total of about 800 students.

"Goal number one for the observatory was for students

to be able to use it," Coburn said. "We also have some student projects, like senior projects and upper-division physics projects and then third goal is to get the community a chance to look through a state-of-the-art telescope."

Ward said Logan is a great place to study astronomy because it is not very big and it does not have a lot of light pollution.

According to the observatory website the next public night is October 24.

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Friday, Sept. 12

• While doing routine foot patrol at Mountain View tower, USU Police observed individuals who were being loud after quiet hours. Contact was made with the individuals and subsequently two individuals were arrested, one for MIP Alcohol and the other for Supplying Alcohol to a Minor. The RA for that building was advised of the arrests.

• USU Police spoke with an individual about some domestic abuse that might be happening between a friend and her boyfriend.

• USU Police arrested a 19 year old female who attempted to run from police after leaving the Pike house. The student was determined to be highly intoxicated.

Monday, Sept. 15

• Complainant reported to USU Police that someone has accessed their e-mail account and has been sending concerning e-mails to her parents. Police are currently investigating.

• USU Police received a crime report stating that a seat and pedals from a bike were stolen over the weekend while the bike was parked in a bike rack on the south side of Loam.

• USU Police responded to Mountain View Tower for an elevator alarm. The cart was stuck between the 4th and 5th

floors. An individual had tried to open the doors while the cart was moving. The individuals were let out of the elevator and the elevator was reset. The individual was made aware that he could be responsible to pay for any damages to the elevator and wages for personnel to fix the elevator.

Tuesday, Sept. 16

• USU Police responded to Mountain View Tower on a fire alarm. This alarm appeared to be caused by someone burning food in a lobby micro-wave. The alarm was silenced and reset without further incident.

Thursday, Sept. 18

• USU Police observed an individual chalking a sidewalk with an advertisement for a band playing at WhySound. Police allowed the individual to clean up his chalk graffiti to avoid any clean up charges.

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Sunday, Sept. 14

• USU Police responded to 765 N 800 E to assist Logan City Police with a disturbance call. LCPD requested assistance with two individuals who were intoxicated. They were trespassing from the property and told not to come back.

MIP

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ance policy of his department.

"We try to work together to get the word out because we

would just rather not make these arrests," Mecham said. "We take a low tolerance to minors in possession. We believe that if we can get them stopped early that will help them in the future because alcohol can be devastating for students."

Both the campus police and

Barfuss' prevention office will be involved in the production of the USU Alcohol Awareness Week, which will take place October 27-31.

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Marathoners race through Cache Valley

► **By Sadie Herrera**
senior writer



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Last weekend Cache Valley welcomed hundreds of runners, participating in the 16th annual Top of Utah Marathon.

The annual race takes place in Logan on the third Saturday of September and invites newcomers as well as those who regularly participate in marathons. Todd Hugie, race director, said he has been involved since 1999. In 1980, he started a running club in the valley, acting as the club president. The chamber of commerce asked his group to create a race and the Top of Utah Marathon was created.

Hugie said Utah State University students and faculty play a large role in the race. Students and faculty volunteer and USU is a major sponsor for the event. The USU athletic department advertises the Top of Utah Marathon and the marathon is a source of advertisement for USU. The university also helps with the gifts that are given out to the winners.

Hugie said he sees the race as an economic and health benefit to Cache Valley.

“Our goal as a running club is to promote health and fitness,” Hugie said.

Race participant Valerie Byrnes said the marathon acts as an “economic boom” for Logan.

“It brings in a lot of people from all over,” Byrnes said.

Hugie said he has seen a lot of appreciation from the runners, one of his favorite aspects of the marathon.

RUNNERS FILL THE STREETS IN THE TOP OF UTAH MARATHON in Cache Valley. Last weekend celebrated the marathon's 16th year in Logan.

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Festival headliner provokes thought

“20,000 Days on Earth” offers insight about life from the mind of a brilliant singer/songwriter.

It is the 20-thousandth day of the life of Nick Cave, an actual person who makes sense of the world by writing and performing his music. It is obvious that he has suffered a lot for his craft. In one scene, he describes his childhood as being wonderful, having grown up with a father who was supportive of him. However, in writing his music, he has put himself in some dark places, transforming into a melancholy figure with a history of drug abuse.

Before seeing this film, I was confused about what it was. Its Internet Movie Database page says Cave plays himself. Because of this, I assumed it would be a straight documentary. This assumption turned out to be wrong as the film opened. It starts with Cave doing a flawlessly-written narration that could have only been scripted. While there is a definite documentary feel to it, it is a fictionalized look at the singer's life. Cave helped pen the script, which explains how the major themes are from his point-of-view.

In the 2014 Sundance Film Festival, “20,000 Days on Earth” won best directing and best editing. It completely deserved to win in those categories. Not only is the dialogue great, the visuals and transitions are interesting and all of it works together to make a point.

The main theme is the importance of memory preservation. In the dialogue, Cave talks about how he thinks life is



Christopher Campbell

Film critic
4.3/5 stars

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Utah State alumna fights ALS for ten years

► **By Sadie Herrera**
senior writer

Though the ALS ice bucket challenge raised awareness for Lou Gehrig's disease, the lack of a local ALS Association Chapter hits home for one Utah State University alumna.

Kim Maibaum, a Cache Valley resident, has lived with ALS for ten years. ALS, or amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, is a disease that attacks the nerves that control voluntary movement of the body resulting in muscle stiffness, weakness and paralysis, according to als.org.

Maibaum has outlived her life insurance; the life expectancy of those with ALS is between two and five years. Sept. 16 marked Maibaum's tenth year of living with ALS. Though the ALS Association does allow funds to be donated through als.org, Utah does not have an official chapter.

Born and raised in New York, Maibaum attended USU and went on to become an interpreter for the deaf for 22 years, even interpreting for President Bill Clinton before her diagnosis at age 50.

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Photo courtesy keepkimhome.blogspot.com

USU GRADUATE KIM MAIBAUM in her Cache Valley Home. Maibaum was diagnosed with ALS at age 50.

Humans of USU: Grad student's spirit animal is a lion



Mikayla Kapp photo

GRAD STUDENT ADAM ALROWAITI describes his large, close-knit family during an interview near the TSC fountains on Friday afternoon.

The Utah Statesman interviewed Adam Alrowaiti, a first-semester grad student in political science from Saudi Arabia.

Utah Statesman: What do you want to be when you grow up?

Adam Alrowaiti: I'm planning to be in the academic field, especially a university professor in my country. ... That's my ultimate dream: to be a professor in my country. Since I was in elementary school that was my goal.

US: What is your favorite autumn activity?

AA: I just like to take advantage of the rest of the good weather before winter so I like to go hiking, walking. Especially here in Logan, I hear that they have very good hiking trails, very beautiful canyons so I'd like to go. Actually, I'm going this Sunday with a couple friends; we are going to some cave here in Logan Canyon.

US: Where's your favorite place to eat in Logan?

AA: So far I think my favorite place to eat in Logan is the Golden Corral. I like the food there, plenty of food,

a lot of people we can talk with so it's my favorite place.

US: What is your favorite thing about yourself?

AA: My favorite thing in myself is that I love my family and my family loves me. Especially my mom, she considers me her favorite so ... I am proud that I am her favorite son.

US: What gives you confidence?

AA: It gives me more confidence, especially when dealing with people that I know, that I love to be social with people. Especially that I have many brothers and sisters back in Saudi Arabia so I have many nieces and many nephews. They are together almost 50 of them, 50 nephews and nieces. We are a big family so I like to go out with them and talk with them, know about their problems, about their issues so when I talk with people I just discover them from this experience.

US: How many brothers and sisters do you have?

AA: We are in total 15. I'm number 12.

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Wendy Shelton, a friend of Maibaum's, said that though the state pays for 17 hours of aid a week, Maibaum struggles financially for her at-home care, not wanting to live in a nursing home. This leaves Maibaum up to \$3,000 in debt monthly, said Valerie Byrnes, a long-time friend of Maibaum. Since she has passed the life expectancy, Maibaum's insurance has not been covering her needs, which encouraged her friends to start raising funds to help support her.

"There was a whole team of people who used to take care of Kim," Byrnes said. Many were or are USU students, she said.

Maibaum's only relative is a sibling who lives in another state.

"Her friends have become her family," Byrnes said.

Anika Jeppsen, a junior majoring in math, started working as a licensed CNA for Maibaum in 2009. Though school prevented Jeppsen to continue working with Maibaum, Jeppsen and others helped raise approximately \$10,000 through art auctions, dinners, live band performances, a dessert night and a yard sale between 2012 and 2013 for Maibaum. Jeppsen also created Maibaum's blog, www.keepkimhome.blogspot.com, to help raise awareness and funds. She and other aides wanted to use local means and fundraising rather than contacting the government for assistance.

Jeppsen said she saw the message of the ALS ice bucket challenge as a positive thing that raised awareness. The blog and fundraising also helped with awareness not only for ALS but for Maibaum's struggle.

"Sometimes we don't realize how devastating other diseases can be," Jeppsen said, making it more crucial to help the cause. Statistics from alsa.org show that nearly 4 in 100,000 people have ALS.

Though Maibaum has the "slow and progressive" type of ALS, Byrnes said Maibaum still lives life to the fullest. She frequently uses her power chair and the bus. Her aides take her to the Logan Tabernacle to listen to music and she still goes attends her church. Though the ALS has taken a toll on her body, making her mostly immobile, the disease hasn't affected her brain.

"She's smart as a whip," Byrnes said.

Though there is not currently a chapter in Utah, those interested in helping Maibaum can do so through other ways. The ALS Association offers opportunities for supporters to host their own events to support the association. Another national movement, "Walk to Defeat ALS," has over 175,000 participants annually. These types of events have raised over \$182 million to fight ALS, according to alsa.org. Jeppsen said only \$700 has been donated through the the blog so far, but links are still up to make donations.

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Film

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made up of memories that are often romanticized. There are at least two recurring visuals to illustrate this. One involves Cave driving his car while talking to people. The other has to do with television, which is shown as the film opens.

The fact that "20,000 Days on Earth" is a thinking-man's movie bogs it down a little. It offers so much to ponder that it is mentally taxing to watch. One has to view this film fully awake to appreciate it.

Cave's music is not for everyone. He does not write it with the intention of pleasing everybody. It is for himself and anyone who is interested in it. He enjoys the introspective experience of writing as well as the transformative experience of performing on stage.



Ryan Costanzo photo

LIGHTS ILLUMINATE MORTY'S CAFE on opening night. On the corner of 700 north and Darwin Avenue, Morty's Cafe opened to the public on Friday.

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Morty's is the location nearest to campus where USU students and faculty can get Coca-Cola products.

"People are very passionate about their sugary drinks, especially when it comes to Coke and Pepsi," Mortenson said. "Coca-Cola is very pop-

ular and suddenly there's none of it to be found on campus. We're just a few feet from campus, so people get excited about that."

Morty's also has a view of the valley from its upper decks, which are open to the public.

"There's no other eating establishment in Cache Valley that can get you that view of the valley," Parker said.

Although the restaurant was scheduled to open Sep. 15, the founders decided to wait a few more days to make sure they were ready for customers.

"It was better to do it right and be a few days behind our goal," said Mortenson, "than open on time and not be prepared."

Morty's owners said they believe the restaurant will be successful.

"We're very confident that it's going to do well," Mortenson said. "We have an awesome team here and we have a great location."

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Marathon

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thon," Hugie said. "It's rewarding to see their reactions in accomplishing something like this."

Hugie spent 300 hours putting the event together, all part of what he called "a lengthy and detailed process."

Byrnes pushed her friend and USU alumna, Kim Maibaum, in the race this year. Though they only participated in a portion of the event, the two have also participated in the past. Maibaum has lived with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) for 10 years. In 2005, Byrnes pushed Maibaum for the full marathon. Since then they have been participating together for sections of the marathon. Partial relays and half marathons

were available as well as the full 26.2-mile distance.

The Cache Valley Hospital made it possible for the duo this year by donating a jogger. The new jogger can be used for any event by anyone, whether it be for a future Top of Utah Marathon or even just a walk. It is available at Common Ground Outdoor Adventures.

"It's an opportunity for more people with disabilities to get out there," Byrnes said. "I don't want to but words in her mouth but I think it's a way she feels she can participate in life; life activities and be free."

Hugie credits the community for making this event happen.

"That's what makes this such a great event: the Cache Valley community," Hugie said. "Our committee works super hard, we have a lot of volunteers."

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Humans

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child in a family of 14 siblings?

AA: Actually because I'm the middle ... I can learn a lot from my older brothers and older sisters and I can teach my younger brothers and my only younger sister. I can teach them and I can learn from the others, so that's really cool.

US: What is the best part about being in Logan?

AA: The best part of Logan so far is the campus. So like, today, I have no classes, I have nothing, but I just sit out and read my book and listen to music and talk with some people if I have the chance.

US: What is your spirit animal?

AA: I've always considered my spirit animal is a lion because the lion takes very deep care of its family, so I consider myself like that. I'm very careful about my family, especially since my father passed away seven years ago. I consider myself as a father for my younger brothers and my younger sister, so that's why.

For the most part, his music is mellow with deep meaning in its lyrics. Usually not even Cave knows the complete significance of it at first.

Like Cave's music, not everyone will enjoy this movie. Its primary intention is not to entertain but to provoke thought, at which it succeeds. The dialogue is heavy with so much philosophical insight that it is impossible to capture it all from one viewing. I was lucky enough to have access on my computer so I could re-watch some of it. Even then, there is probably more I missed.

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Aggie soccer splits pair of weekend games

By Laura Miego
staff writer

Utah State women's soccer concluded its non-conference portion of the season on Sunday, splitting a pair of games at the Chuck and Gloria Bell field over the weekend.

USU first battled the Utah Utes. The Aggies came out at halftime with a 0-0 draw and four shots on goal to Utah's five. Four minutes into the second half, Utah forward Mariah Elmer blasted an unassisted goal into the top right corner for the first score of the game. Six minutes later, Ute forward Natalie Vukic hit her first goal of the match and pushed the lead to 2-0. The visitors scored their third and final goal in the 64th minute of the game, as Ute midfielder Katie Rigby scored off an assist by midfielder Kaycee Buckley.

"I thought the first half we came out strong," said head coach Heather Cairns. "We obviously didn't take advantage of our chances. I think we put one or two of those in early in the game and its a different game. We kept them in it until half time, and then I think we let 0-0 game become 2-0 too quickly."

The Aggies finished the match scoreless despite nine shots on goal.

"We didn't respond very well after they scored that first goal," Cairns said. "It really put us back in our heels. We have to learn to get through that, you're going to get scored on. You're not going to get a clean sheet every game, so I don't think we responded well enough for that."

Coach Cairn aimed to make adjustments for the Aggies' game on Sunday.

"Riverside is a very good squad," Cairns said, "they are regionally ranked. They have a really dangerous striker that we are going to have to keep an eye on. It's going to be a good game. I imagine it's going to be a tight game like this, so again I think we would love to go up first. If we don't we need to battle through it,

those are going to be our goals on that." Sunday's match started as a defensive struggle. Utah State's offensive opportunity did not come until the 42nd minute of the game, when freshman midfielder Erin Rickenbach gained control of the ball and passed it off to senior Lexi Morgan, who scored the game's lone goal.

The physicality of both teams combined for a total of 21 fouls in the match, Utah State with eight and University California Riverside with 13, including a yellow card caution to forward Tyler Cunningham in the 75th minute of the game. The game ended with the Highlanders shooting on goal 19 times and the Aggies seven.

"I think this game was big for a couple of reasons," Cairns said. "One, because we wanted to bounce back. We thought we only played half of the game on Friday, so we wanted to definitely bounce back from that. Two, Riverside's a good team. They were a PK away from making the NCAA Tournament last year. They're regionally ranked. And three, we really wanted to end on a good note. This is the end of the non-conference portion of our season, so we wanted to make sure that we ended on a high note going into the start of conference play next Friday at Colorado College."

Morgan added that the win was especially big for the team's conference implications.

"This is huge," Morgan said, "we felt really disappointed about Friday and it was really good for us to come up with this win. Especially going into conference, we needed this momentum to keep it going and hopefully go into conference with a high and feeling good about ourselves."

Morgan's goal earned USU the win and a 4-3-1 record.

"My goal, Erin Rickenbach had it trapped underneath her somehow and I kind of went around Erin and the ball just popped out and she shielded it perfectly," Morgan said. "It popped out to me and I hit it as hard as I could and it

went right in. It was pretty lucky but it was good."

Junior goalkeeper Jeannie Woller earned her third shutout of the year. Woller's recorded six saves during the game to add to her season save total of 27 and a save percentage of .711.

"I think it's huge for our morale coming off a game on Friday against the U where it was a 3-0 game," Woller said. "I don't think it necessarily showed how we played that game, but it hurts a little bit. With a score like that to be able to come out and hold it the last 15 seconds left, 15 minutes of the entire game. It's a huge boost for us especially with conference starting next week, there is nothing better than a win before that."

Woller credited the entire Aggie defense for her shutout this game.

"I didn't know I had six saves," Woller said. "It was a lot of defensive effort across the board. Six saves, six shots on goal to be saved, so the defensive effort across the back was completely awesome. Coming off of getting scored three times in the last game but as a goalie you get scored on. You have to be able to bounce back from that and to show it today with a shutout, it feels nice and it's definitely an entire defensive work."

Woller added that her mental focus heading into games has a major influence on her play.

"To prepare for this game for me, I



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SENIOR BROOKE LARSEN-LEAVITT kicks a ball Saturday against the University of Utah. The Aggies begin conference play on the road this Friday against Colorado College.

definitely focused on what I can control because sometimes shots are great and forwards are great players," Woller said. "It's being able to see the positives and not focus on the negatives. I didn't get a shutout, so what, I got scored on, so what, it happens to every goalie. To be able to move forward and do well for that into the next game and to see pass that on to stuff like that it's really cool and

helps anyone on the field."

The Aggies will be back on the road this week as they head to Colorado Springs, CO to open conference play on Friday Sept. 26th. USU will take on Colorado College, a newcomer to the conference, at 1 p.m. USU will then play at Air Force on Sunday, Sept. 28th at noon.

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Visiting far-off stadium brings fresh perspective

Brad Ferguson



Show me the Scotsman

Call me what you may, a traveling Aggie of sorts, but I was in attendance with some 18,000 plus Red Wolves fans in Jonesboro, AR last Saturday night. My wife and

rel Garretson for an 81 yard TD reception, jumping for joy and waving my little white USU flag felt like I had just laughed during a Sarah McLachlan animal cruelty commercial. Cheering felt like I had sneezed during a solemn moment of silence. I felt like the guy who claps way too early during the end of the Star-Spangled Banner.

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"These poor Red Wolves fans, we're going to absolutely destroy them", I said cautiously. "Three-time Sun Belt Conference Champions doesn't quite mean much for a team like us." Little did I know, this ASU football team would actually be the ones to crush my own dreams, not

you're here" smile. What was once uncomfortable now confused me. For the first time in my life, cheering felt awkward. Even when Hunter Sharp pulled in a pass from Dar-

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STUDENTS THROW CHALK at the beginning of last Saturday's white-out game against Wake Forest.

the other way around. 14-14 with three seconds left in the game, Utah State has the ball on the ASU 21-yard line. With Nick Diaz's foot to put the game to rest, the offensive line breaks down and the kick is blocked.

Here's another awkward situation; do you angrily throw your hat to the ground and yell towards the kicker, or do you say to the home crowd,

who has now gone to a euphoric state of excitement, "Overtime should be fun"? Though overtime proved to be the downfall of the Aggies that night, I am one fan who states firmly that sportsmanship lives on in Jonesboro, Arkansas.

My family and I received countless well wishes of safe travels home, along with multiple "thank you's" for coming all the way out there. Over-

Logan, think twice before heckling their committed fans. You could very well be in their shoes one day. As for any BYU fan that comes to Cache Valley, let them know loudly that Cougars don't belong here. This will be ok.

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Hamblin sisters add depth to USU soccer

By Kalen Taylor
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Soapbox: For those who say sexism doesn't exist anymore, you're wrong

Noelle Johansen



The haps

Oh no, not another rant about sexism from an agitated woman. She probably doesn't shave her legs, hates men and plays rugby. Well, the last one is true. And the first one every other week, but that's just because I'm lazy and my shower has two temperatures: glacier and lava.

Anyway. What does rugby have to do with sexism? Allow me to explain.

Rugby culture is rich, colorful and, occasionally, crude. I love it. There is a song we sing after matches that assigns a theme to every day of the week. Monday's a working day, Tuesday's a practice day and Wednesday's a ... well, Wednesday's another day. For the two years I have been playing rugby and singing this song, Saturday has been a rugby day. Some of the other days change depending on the team or region, but Saturday is always a rugby day. Until last week.

Last week, Sunday was a rugby day. The song says Sunday is the Lord's day, and is sung more quietly with mock-reverence. But last week's game and two more this season are scheduled on Sundays.

So? Loads of high school, college and professional athletes play Sunday games regular-

ly, no problem. Whether athletes choose to play on Sundays or Saturdays or Thursdays is a personal decision. But there is a different problem: we don't get a choice. In our women's rugby union, we play league matches on Sundays because the experienced referees we need to call a fair game are occupied on Saturdays. Said referees work on Saturdays at high school, club and college rugby matches around the state — played by men's teams.

Sexism happens in many forms, from blatantly obvious to less so. I do not think that the experienced referees are thinking to themselves, "I'm not going to work a women's rugby game on Saturday because they are women and are therefore inferior athletes." I do, however, recognize a subtle nevertheless disturbing inequality and discrimination based on gender. My team as well as other women's

club teams in our union must settle for Saturday games with subpar referees or sacrifice our Sundays to have games with fair calls. For those unfamiliar with rugby, just imagine how an inexperienced referee can throw a football game.

Our union scheduled games on Sunday because "referee shortages on Saturdays persist within the union and Sunday matches afford our women's teams the potential for better assignments," according to an email from Amy Rusert, our conference representative. Not all our players are personally comfortable with playing on Sundays; only 16 played last Sunday. Fifteen players are required for a full team, meaning we had only one substitute. (We still beat Idaho State University, 59-0.)

The point is not whether athletes should play on Sundays or not. The point is every team of any sport should have equal access to experienced referees, regardless of the days their games are scheduled and regardless of their gender.

This is a single experience that proves to me a depressing truth: sexism is still very real today. For further evidence, actress Emma Watson launched a global

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Voting is essential for student voices

Casey Saxton



Asking questions, getting answers

Understanding issues and participating in the voting process is essential for students who wish to have a voice in what the government does. I hear all the time that students get ignored and aren't taken seriously. With that said, I've been astounded at the number of students I've met over the last few weeks who couldn't care less about voting and who don't have a clue what's going on in government. Most go out of their way to avoid the subject.

If any of you who fit that description are reading this column, do you realize the impact your vote can have on your life? Elected officials create policies and laws that have an enormous amount of control over what you do. They control the roads you drive

on, the sidewalks you walk on, the quality of the food you eat and even the air you breathe. They're responsible for the police, the fire department and our national defense.

Additionally, they collect taxes on income, sales and property. They run our health-care system and education system. They control your stu-

dent loans and cost of tuition. They insure our banks and control trade with other countries. They control your access in or out of the country. The truth is the government has a hand in almost every aspect of your life, and by not exercising your right to vote, you're forfeiting your voice for how things should be run.

My question this week is for my peers. Why is voting not more important to you?

I don't have the answer. I don't understand. I'm one of the oddballs who follow politics and government closely, but I know most don't. If you have a good answer, please let me know what it is. I'm not interested in excuses like, "The system is broken," or, "My vote doesn't count." The system will only get better if more people start getting involved, and at the very minimum, vote.

Regardless of your voting experience in the past or your attitude toward the process, get involved this year. That's my challenge to you. Cache County has adopted a vote-

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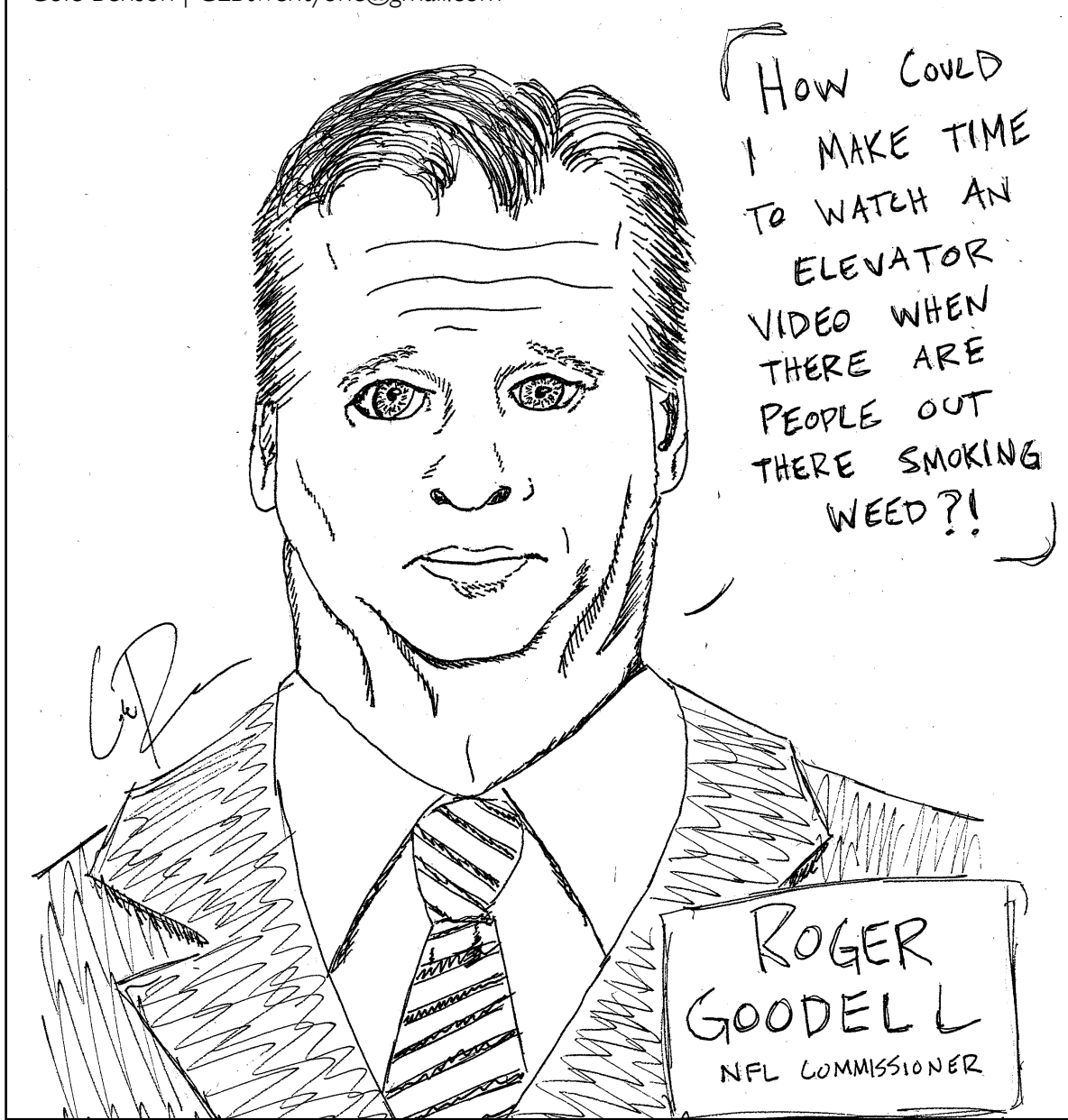


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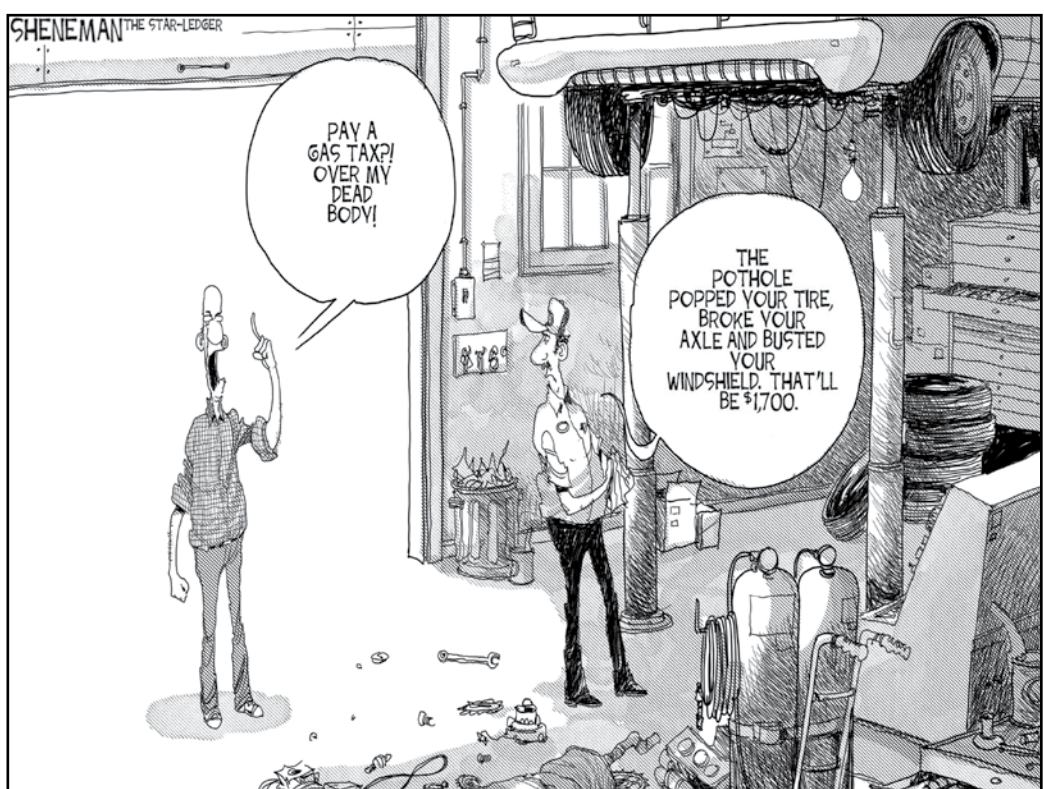
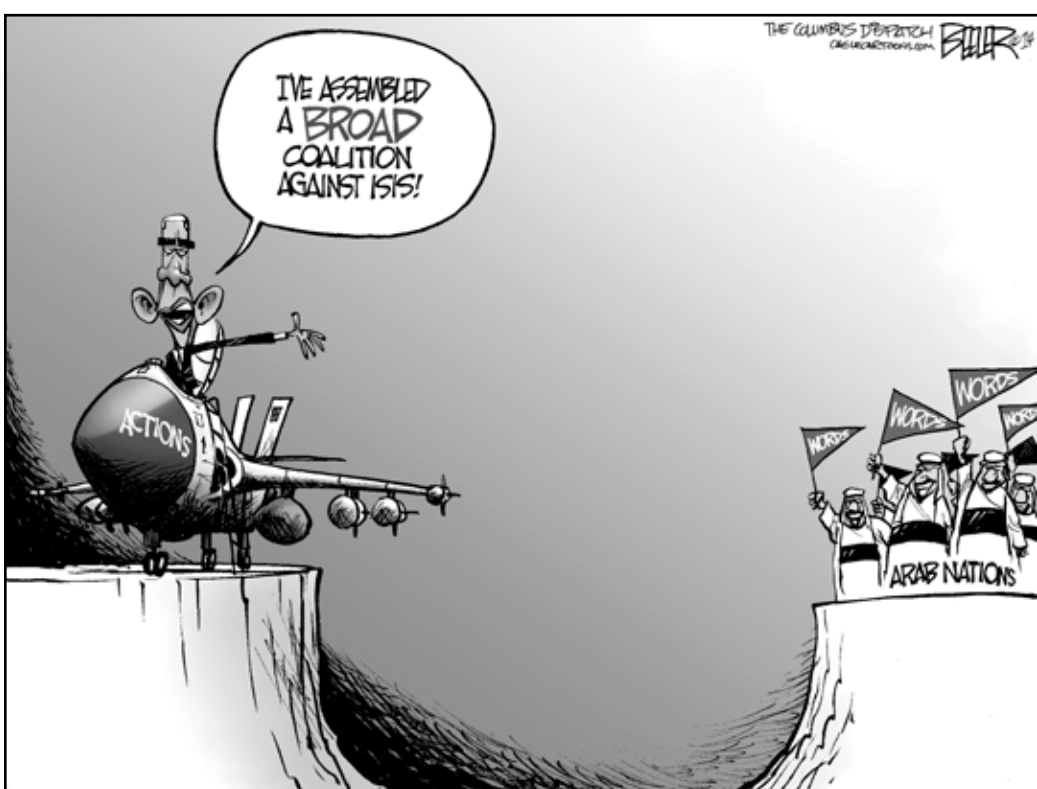
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Sexism

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gender equality campaign called HeForShe at the United Nations headquarters this weekend.

"No country in the world can yet say that they have achieved gender equality," she said in her speech. Watson, the Women Goodwill Ambassador for the UN, invited men to become advocates for gender equality and said they are also imposed upon by society to fulfill inaccurate requirements of "manliness."

"We don't want to talk about men being imprisoned by gender stereotypes but I can see that they are," she said. "When they are free, things will change for women as a

natural consequence. If men don't have to be aggressive, women won't be compelled to be submissive. If men don't need to control, women won't have to be controlled."

If anyone can get the world to acknowledge the elephant on the globe that is gender equality, it's the woman who so perfectly portrayed Hermione Granger. And if our world is such that we require a celebrity to call us to action, so be it. I'll join my voice with Watson's: recognize the problem and be a part of the solution.

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Voting

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by-mail system, which will allow you easier access to the ballot. You have to be

registered to vote to cast a ballot. If you've moved since you last registered, you won't be able to vote unless you update your voter registration with your new address. It's a pain, but it only takes a few minutes to register or register anew. You can update your registration online at <http://vote.utah.gov> or by filling out a hard

copy voter registration form. If you're from out of state, you can request an absentee ballot from your county clerk's office so you can still participate.

If more students start to make voting more important, we will have a much stronger voice.

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Horoscope forecast: Week of Sept. 23

► By Jennifer Shepherd
The Lipstick Mystic (MCT)

Aries: March 21 - April 19

The sun will be opposite your sign for a while, and this means your energy could be a little low. It's best to take it easy. Don't date six people at once. Don't try to work double shifts if you can avoid them. You'll want to spend some time chilling out by yourself.

Taurus: April 20 - May 20

You and your partner will feel closer than you have for a while, thanks to cozy Venus. You could discover new ways of connecting with your honey, even if you've known each other a long time. If you're single, you might experience a strong spark of passion with somebody new.

Gemini: May 21 - June 21

The sun is increasing your physical stamina. You'll have more energy than you've had in quite some time. You could schedule lots of dates in 24 hours. Or you might run a marathon and find that you reach the finish line faster than you expected.

Cancer: June 22 - July 22

You'll be expressing yourself really well over the next month, thanks to communicator Mercury. You won't feel as shy as you usually do. This is a great period to network, attend job interviews, and experiment with new social groups.

Leo: July 23 - Aug. 22

Mars is creating some feelings of impatience. If you've been wanting to take your relationship to the next level and your sweetheart is dragging his or her feet, you'll be tempted to issue an ultimatum. It's okay to stand up for what you want.

Virgo: Aug. 23 - Sept. 22

As Mercury prepares to go retrograde, don't make any sudden moves. You have a lot of projects and relationships going on, and you need more time to sort everything out. Don't let your partner pressure you into making any major decisions.

Libra: Sept. 23 - Oct. 23

With a new moon in your sign, you're ready to make a fresh start. If you're single, you're determined to be happy on your own. If you're involved with someone, you're focusing on healing, communication, and personal growth.

Scorpio: Oct. 24 - Nov. 2

Try not to repeat the same mistakes that you've made in past relationships. The moon is reminding you that it's easy for you to fall into bad habits that don't really serve you, and you need to make changes. Embrace a new attitude.

Sagittarius: Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

Mars in your sign is increasing your luck. If you have a crush on someone, you'll find it easier to attract this person's attention. If you're in a relationship, you and your partner will be having fun and enjoying being together.

Capricorn: Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

You could discover that you still have strong feelings for someone from your past. Venus is forcing you to take a look at emotions you may have buried about a former flame. These feelings need to be addressed before you can move forward.

Aquarius: Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

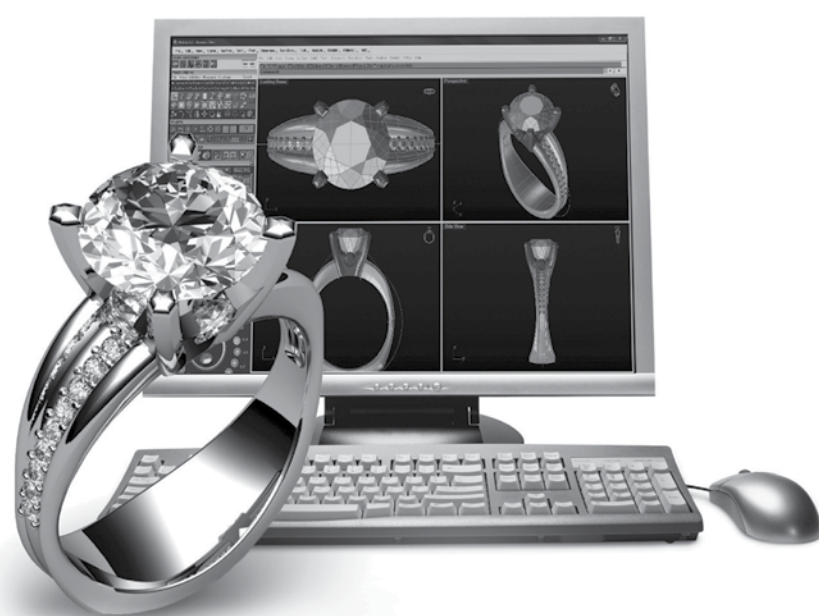
The sun is creating a bouncy, playful feeling for you. You'll want to party with good friends and keep things light and joyful. Don't engage in serious discussions just now because you won't be in the right frame of mind to focus.

Pisces: Feb. 19 - March 20

Your creativity is strong as Mercury increases your mental energy. You'll want to express yourself through art, music, or writing. Consider writing a love poem for your honey or composing a romantic song for your sweetheart.

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86/53
Wednesday
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Thursday, Sept. 25

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- Utah An Der Ruhr exhibit at 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Chase Fine Arts Center 102
- Open Streets Festival on Aggie Bull-levard at 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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- Logan Film Festival at Ellen Eccles Theater at 6 p.m. Cost is \$5 for students.
- Bus Stop show at Caine Lyric Theater at 7:30 p.m. Prices start at \$8.

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