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# Students hold the phone for clean water

*UNICEF's Tap Project uses cell phones to supply clean water*

► **By Logan Jones**  
staff writer

UNICEF volunteers at USU are working to cut the number of the world's population without access to safe drinking water in half by 2015, and they aim to provide this resource by challenging students to give up something far less vital — their phones.

The UNICEF Tap Project makes it possible for one day's worth of clean water to be donated to a child in need for every 10 minutes students can go without touching their cell phones.

"I love that this is a donation process that's designed for college students," said Madison VonSosen, a freshman volunteer. "We don't have that much money to give out, but you just



sacrifice 10 minutes on your phone, and that's donating to the foundation."

By visiting [uniceftapproject.org](http://uniceftapproject.org) on their smartphones, students can contribute to the cause by hitting "Begin" and

letting their phones sit still while a timer logs the minutes.

"It's so easy," VonSosen said. "You get on the website with your phone, and it'll tell you all the directions and the cool facts about the amount

of water you've donated. I'll be in class and I'll want to be on my phone playing games and stuff, but instead I'll get on the website and then listen in class and donate water at the same time."

Once finished, the option to share the results on Facebook and Twitter appears in order to increase the project's reach.

"It's always good to help people and to do your part for the world," said Alex Tekere,

a volunteer. "As a student, it helps remove the distractions from you. The Tap Project helps me look over some of the

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*'Sister Wives' visits Logan, tours USU*

► **By Lis Stewart**  
news editor

Three members of the world-famous polygamist Brown family from the reality television series "Sister Wives" were spotted around Logan last Friday.

USU freshman Abby Roberts was in the Merrill-Cazier Library with her friend when Kody, Janelle and Madison Brown showed up with a guide and a camera crew for a tour. Madison has a \$6,000 scholarship to the school and is considering attending, according to the Logan Herald Journal.

"It was cool to see the camera crew and stuff," Roberts said.

Roberts and a few people followed the crew at a distance around the library as they were shown its various features, including The Borrower's Automated Retrieval Network (BARN). Although Madison asked if they wanted pictures with her, a university official with them explained photos were not allowed.

Roberts says she knew of some of the family's teenagers while attending high school in Lehi and has seen a few episodes of the show, so she was interested when a friend told her some of the Browns would be touring campus.

The group was also spotted at The Beehive Grill in Logan earlier that day. A photo of Kody, Janelle and Madison posing with two employees was posted on the restaurant's Facebook page.

"Sister Wives" chronicles the lives of Kody, his four wives — Meri, Janelle, Christine and Robyn — and their 17 children. Although the show started out in Lehi in 2010, the Browns moved to Las Vegas by the show's second season because of threat of prosecution for practicing polygamy.

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## Student passes away from cancer over spring break

*Felipe Benitez remembered for big heart, energy*

► **By Manda Perkins**  
staff writer

Felipe Benitez of the Psi Sigma Phi multicultural fraternity passed away Monday, March 10. The 19-year-old freshman was fighting lymphoma, a type of blood cancer, since the diagnosis in February 2013.

Services for Benitez were held the weekend at the end of spring break. A friend and fellow student, Alice Acosta, said Benitez requested his funeral to be a celebration of his life rather than a

time of mourning; family and friends wore white in his honor.

"He was always happy and was always flirting with girls," said Cristofer Farfan, a member of Psi Sigma Phi and a close friend of Benitez. "He always had a positive attitude."

Members of the fraternity nationwide initiated an online fundraiser via [gofundme.com](http://gofundme.com) to help the family cover funeral costs. Sixty-seven people have donated thus far at a total of \$3,695 after the website's cut.

"He was a young man that left you speech-



**BENITEZ**

less when you felt his energy and witnessed his positive attitude," wrote Leandro Rodriguez, a member of the fraternity in New Jersey, on the GoFundMe site. "You never heard him complain. He fought long and hard."

All proceeds from this year's Step Show, hosted by the fraternity and Theta Nu Xi multicultural sorority on Friday, April 11, will also benefit Benitez's family.

Benitez was the only boy of five siblings. He graduated from Cottonwood High School, where he was a lineman on the football team.

Franciso Queto, who joined the fraternity with Benitez, said he always wore a smile and had an even bigger heart. He loved USU and his fellow "Phiman."

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## New logo approved for USU Student Association

*Use of USU Athletics's bull image is allowed for the first time*

► **By Danielle Manley**  
assistant news editor

The USU Student Association changed the name of its organization in October, and the logo for the new name was approved recently.

"Since we met at our fall retreat, there's been a lot of groundwork that's gone into this," said USU/SA President Doug Fiefia.

The logo was difficult for Fiefia to achieve because he wanted permission from USU Athletics to use the bull. He said USU Athletics has never authorized an organization to use its symbols.

"We've fought a lot of battles, and we've won them all because students matter at Utah State," Fiefia said.

He also had to get approval to use the bull from USU Public Relations and Marketing, which is where the design came from.

Another difficult part has been

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In brief

Campus & Community

Accident injures former football player, kills one

A woman was killed and a man critically injured while changing a flat tire on Interstate 15 when they were hit by a semi-trailer rig. Mailefihi Tuaone, 27, of West Valley City was killed instantly when the couple was struck by the trailer. Her companion, Monte Keiaho, a 25-year-old Logan resident, remains in critical at the Intermountain Medical Center in Murray as of Monday evening. Keiaho is a former USU football player.

Utah Highway Patrol said the couple had pulled their car off to the right-hand side and were completely in the emergency lane when they were hit by the trailer. The investigation is ongoing and it is unsure if the driver of the rig drifted into the emergency lane or if the couple stepped out into the travel lane.

MS patients look to use cannabis oil for therapy

Multiple sclerosis patients in Utah are looking into uses of medical marijuana as a treatment option for their symptoms. Doctors at the University of Utah said this is not going to change the way that MS is treated because it only helps one symptom.

Cannabis oil, found in the marijuana plant, in spray or pill form can sooth MS symptoms of muscle tightness, according to findings released by a panel of nine doctors after a review of 291 clinical studies.

These findings may help spread the marijuana movement already active in Utah and call for a broadening for the state's hemp supplement law, which as of last week was signed into law by Gov. Gary Herbert, allowing patients with life threatening epilepsy access to the oil.

Gender gap in legislature expected to increase

The gender gap in the Utah Legislature will likely increase this year as Speaker of the House Becky Lockhart and four other women will be vacating their seats. Utah currently ranks near the bottom of the nation in percentage of women in the Legislature at 45, according to the Rutgers Center for American Women and Politics.

The number of women filing to run for the legislature is low, threatening to widen the gap further. Fifty-five of the 249 total people who filed to run for the Legislature by the deadline on Thursday were women. At least one of the open seats will be filled by a man, as no woman filed to run in the election.

Utah Democratic Party chair resigns due to health

Chairman of the Utah Democratic Party Jim Dabakis resigned Monday due to undisclosed health issues. Despite his resignation, Dabakis said he would still occupy his Salt Lake seat in the Utah Senate and is continuing campaign plans for the election in November.

Health issues began to arise for Dabakis near the end of the March legislative session. Dabakis sent an email to fellow party members on Monday morning informing them that he would be resigning to fight medical issues for the upcoming months.

► Compiled from staff and media reports

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Diversity Awards announced

► By Marissa Neeley  
staff writer

The USU Diversity Award recipients were announced last week. There are awards for administrator, faculty, staff, student and community.

Garth Wilson of the USU Eastern Blanding campus received the administrator award; Dr. Robert McPherson of Blanding received the faculty award; Juan Carlos Vazquez from the Center for Persons with Disabilities received the staff award; Indhira Hasbun, a graduate student in engineering received the student award and the Museum of Anthropology received the community award.

"The purpose of the USU Diversity Awards, now in its 20th year, is to recognize those individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to further the principles and values of affirmative action, equal opportunity and diversity," said Stacy Sturgeon, director for Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity at USU.

"Utah State University values the tremendous diversity reflected on our campus, within our community as well as throughout the state we serve," she said. "Valuing diversity allows us to share ideas, and in doing so enriches all of our experiences personally and professionally."

Calls for nominations go out and the USU's Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity advisory council reviews the nominations for the awards. After consideration and discussion, they collectively decide on the award recipients.

Recipients of the awards receive no monetary prize in recognition of their

accomplishments.

"We know there are individuals and organizations doing great things worthy of recognition," Sturgeon said. "They don't do these things for a monetary prize or even for recognition; they do them because they are passionate about helping to make a difference. Often, the recipients don't even know they have been nominated. When I call to notify them of the award and to thank them for their efforts, they are so surprised and reply with such gratitude and humility. It is truly an honor to speak with each recipient and to hear more about their work."

Leon Anderson, head of the sociology, social work and anthropology department, submitted the nomination for the Museum of Anthropology.

"The Museum of Anthropology at USU has been fostering an appreciation of human diversity for many years with its various in-house exhibits, public programs, K-12 teaching trunks and traveling exhibits," said Patricia Lambert, director of the Museum of Anthropology. "In fact, the primary goal of the discipline of anthropology is to explore and develop an appreciation for human diversity and the shared legacy of our common humanity."

Juan Carlos Vazquez, multicultural director for the Center for Persons with Disabilities, received notice that he was the a diversity award recipient a few weeks ago, nominated by a friend and mentor to him.

He said he believes his nomination of the award has to do with his continuous involvement addressing areas of diversity within the university setting and at the national level in conferences



Photo courtesy USU Museum of Anthropology

**USU MUSEUM OF ANTHROPOLOGY MEMBERS** received the community diversity award for fostering an appreciation of culture and diversity among the community, students, faculty and staff.

providing cultural and linguistic competence trainings and presentations at various levels.

"I feel very humble for being nominated and awarded for doing something I am passionate about it," Vazquez said. "It means a lot to me to be recognized for contributing, among many other qualified and caring individuals at the university, to address and actively engage in issues of diversity, providing knowledge in the area of cultural and linguistic competence to staff, faculty, students and members of our community."

Dr. Robert McPherson, a history professor at Blanding, said the demographic in Blanding is 50 percent Native American, primarily Navajo and Ute tribes. Native Americans make up 60 percent of the student population.

"Our campus is all about diversity," he said. "We have other background, but we deal with diversity everyday."

McPherson said he feels appreciative about receiving the award because it recognizes the campus.

"It is a very unique campus," he said. "We have Utah State teaching centers that broadcast classes to on and off the reservations. We bring higher education right into Navajo communities. We also broadcast into Colorado to two Ute reservations, Towaoc and Ignacio."

This award is also an opportunity to recognize the students who are taught at Blanding, McPherson said.

"Diversity is very much a real thing," he said. "Native Americans are now a majority minority. Our campus is a small part of a large university. There is a lot of poverty and limited economic development that offers all sorts of involvement. The only way to understand others is to be exposed to other ways of thinking."

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Phone

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things I stress over today."

The innovative donation style will be the focal point of USU's World Water Week, which seeks to raise awareness of the estimated 768 million people worldwide living without a sustainable source of clean water.

"It's so simple, and it's such a small sacrifice for one kid to have a great day," VonSosen said.

Volunteers like Tekere and

VonSosen have organized several events during World Water Week in order to raise student interest in the cause.

The first event, held at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the TSC auditorium, is the Logan Out Loud charity night. Student volunteers will then give a formal presentation of the Tap Project at common hour at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday in the Student Learning Center.

Students will also have the opportunity Wednesday to purchase water outside of the TSC during the "Buy Water to Give Water" promotion, which runs

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- Begin the challenge right away.
- Donate to provide even more clean water to kids. One dollar can provide 40 days of clean water.

from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"It's the best way to give to those who don't have any when you don't have anything yourself," Tekere said. "I've learned to appreciate the smaller things we take

for granted in life and appreciate the ability for a person to achieve in life if they have the basic necessities provided for them."

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The Police Blotter

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Anonymous reporting line: 797-5000  
EMERGENCY NUMBER: 911

Monday, March 17, 2014

• USU Police responded on a report of a suspicious person west of a building in Aggie Village. The person was gone upon arrival.

Tuesday, March 18, 2014

• USU Police received a report of a found rabbit. Officers took custody of the pet and returned it to a resident east of campus.

• USU Police were dispatched to a residence hall on a possible suicidal person.

• Police filed a report on a wallet found on campus. The wallet was released to the owner.

• Police filed a report on a chained necklace found in the Strength and Conditioning building

on campus. The necklace was secured for safe-keeping.

• USU police assisted Cache County Sheriff's Office on an incident of a USU student driving under the influence and the drug arrest of another USU student. Police also transported a third USU student home from the arrest location.

Wednesday, March 19, 2014

• A complainant reported to USU Police that a vehicle failed to yield to them while crossing the road. The complainant did not want the driver cited but wanted the driver to be spoken to about yielding to pedestrians.

Thursday, March 20, 2014

• USU police responded to Aggie Village on a

noise complaint. Upon arrival, loud talking could be heard coming from the address. Contact was made with the responsible tenant and a verbal warning was given to keep the noise level down.

• USU police and the Logan Fire Department responded to the Aggie Parking Terrace on a report of a car fire. When they arrived they were not able to find any evidence of fire or smoke. The vehicle in question was able to drive away without incident.

• A female student reported being harassed by a group of young males as she rode her bicycle on campus. Police are investigating.

• A student reported the theft of his iPad from the Cazier Library. Police are investigating.

► Compiled by Marissa Neeley

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# Professor presents research on memory

*Young adults can reduce risk of Alzheimer's with lifestyle changes*

► **By Katie Larsen**  
staff writer

There may be things people can do while they are young to avoid Alzheimer's disease, according to a USU assistant professor's presentation in the Merrill-Cazier Library on March 19.

The presentation was part of the USU Center for Women and Gender's Brown Bag Lunch lecture series.

"These are events where the women faculty of USU can come and present their work," said Melissa Keller, the USU Center for Women and Gender senior staff assistant.

According to the findings from Maria Norton's study, "Cache County Study on Memory Health and Aging," people who live in the Mountain West are at an even greater risk for developing Alzheimer's.

"We that live in the Intermountain West. We live in the region of the country that has the highest projected and most

rapid growth of Alzheimer's cases," Norton said. "Utah leads the Mountain West for Alzheimer's."

Alzheimer's is a type of dementia that is thought to have two causes, Norton said. The peptide beta amyloid causes a build up between neurons, blocking messages the brain. Then the tau protein tangles the ends of neurons. The result is loss of brain tissue over time and symptoms ranging from memory loss and confusion to problems speaking.

"There's surgeries. There's insulin for diabetes. There's chemotherapy for cancer. There are serotonin transporters for depression and mood disorders," Norton said. "There's all kinds of treatments

and therapies out there that can either slow down or arrest these diseases. With Alzheimer's disease, unfortunately, what we are facing to today is we don't have a cure, and what we do have can only help with some of the symptoms."

Most USU college students fit in the early stage of mental aging, but Norton said care still needs to be taken to lower risks for Alzheimer's.

**Maria Norton**  
assistant professor

*"With Alzheimer's, unfortunately, what we are facing today is we don't have a cure."*

"That could be an 18- or 30-year-old person, but this person still needs to watch and think about what they can do to prevent Alzheimer's disease,"

Norton said. Education, exercise, diet and certain medications can help lower one's risk for Alzheimer's disease, she said.

"Fruits, vegetables, low-fat dairy, lean meats, fish and whole grains, we found that people that ate this type of diet had significantly high-

er functioning at the beginning of our study and maintained it throughout our study," Norton said.

Those who try new pursuits that increase brain actively, like learning new languages, were also found to lower their risk for Alzheimer's, she said. However, exposure to pesticides, head injury, and psychological stress were found to increase the risk for Alzheimer's.

"You can't always prevent yourself from getting a car accident, but you can wear a helmet, and you can wear a seatbelt and you can drive defensively," Norton said.

USU student Ashley Shields said the presentation was worth attending.

"She answered a lot of questions that I had," Shields said. "Some of the stuff she talked about I think I'm already doing like exercise, but I didn't even think about diet. The increase in Alzheimer's makes sense because of the baby boomers and stuff. My parents and my husband's parents are baby boomers, and that would definitely put a strain, having people you would have to take care of. It's a hard disease. They are not themselves."

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**ASSISTANT PROFESSOR MARIA NORTON** talks about her study on Alzheimer's disease and how people can take preventative measures when young to avoid memory issues in the future.

## Congrats to Arthur Wallis, newly elected Natural Resources senator



Mikayla Kapp photo

**ARTHUR WALLIS** is a junior from Preston, Idaho and was announced the winner for the Natural Resources senator seat Thursday afternoon. The race re-opened when Patrick Adams, the only candidate at the time, dropped out.

## Logo

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developing a compromise between the three organizations — Athletics, Public Relations and Marketing and USU/SA.

Linda Zimmerman, the Student Involvement and Leadership executive director, said she felt the logo was an enormous accomplishment because of the difficulty of the compromise.

"I thought today was a successful day when that came out," she said.

But in order for the groups to come to a compromise, USU/SA agreed to rules set by Public Relations and Marketing, as well as USU Athletics.


Use of the logo cannot be used outside of the USU/SA Executive Council, it can't be altered in any way and design and application must be approved by Trademark Licensing director Heidi Adams.


"It is solely for anything that comes out of your offices," Zimmerman told the council. "This is solely for the direct officers."


Examples for acceptable use of the logo includes meeting agendas for the Executive Council, student government shirts and merchandise, student government business cards, letterheads and event posters.

Fiefla sees the logo as a way for students to recognize events sponsored by the USU/SA student government.

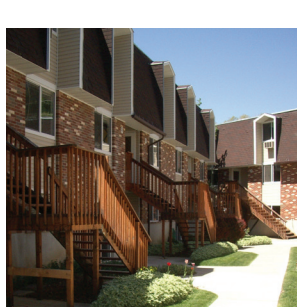
"I think the biggest thing is, it will now be on everything internal marketing," Fiefla said. "We will no longer use, internally, Old Main, and the idea behind the logo is to show students where their student fees are going."

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## Wives

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in Utah, where there are laws against it.

Kody and his wives filed a lawsuit in 2011 on behalf of their family and other polygamists, arguing Utah's anti-polygamy laws violate freedom of religion. The Browns are fundamentalist Mormons who believe polygamy brings exaltation in heaven.

There are approximately 38,000 fundamentalist Mormons who practice or

believe in polygamy, Time reports.

U.S. District Judge Clark Waddoups ruled that parts of Utah's anti-polygamy laws are unconstitutional in December.

The ruling makes it so families practicing plural marriage can no longer be prosecuted for cohabitation with multiple women, according to Time. It is still illegal to obtain multiple marriage licenses.

There are four seasons of the show so far, and several of the 17 children have left for college or started tour-

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ing potential campuses. An episode showing some of the campus tour will air during the fifth season, though the date has not been released, according to The Herald Journal.

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## Fiesta Americas event celebrates Latino culture



Samantha Behl photos

**FIESTA AMERICAS** brought people from different cultures together. Students from LSU performed Latin dances for during the program (above). Attendants ate beans, rice and chicken before the festivities began (left). Audience members participated in a jalapeno-eating contest during the program's intermission (below).



### *Different 'flavors' come together for LSU's event*

► **By Chris Campbell**  
staff writer

On Friday morning, Sandra Martinez, a sophomore majoring in sociology and president of the Latino Student Union, worried that not enough people would come to Fiesta Americas because many tickets were still available. But by the time the event started, the turnout was so good that she was worried there would not be enough chairs for everyone.

The event, which took place in the TSC Ballroom, included a dinner of rice, beans and chicken, several Latino dances and music sung in Spanish. It was put on by the LSU as a way to celebrate Latino culture.

"I think it went fantastic," said Brooke Lambert, LSU adviser in the Access and Diversity Center. "They've been working hard all year long for this."

The students put in about 50 hours just to learn the dances, said Erica Colvin, owner of Connection Social Dance Studio in Logan and choreographer of the event. She enjoyed working with students in LSU because it was a big group, and each dancer had a slightly different style from different regions with their own flavor.

"Bringing all of that flavor together into one place, it just works," Colvin said.

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# A raving review: judging others is checked at the door

Ever since I saw “Miss Congeniality” at age 10, I’ve been intrigued by the thought of a rave. When our high school senior class was in charge of the annual Sadie Hawkins dance, instead of the traditional hay bales, plaid and cowboy hats, we went for glow sticks, paint splatters and black lights. So it should really be no surprise to anyone that at the ripe old age of 23, I decided to attend my first real rave, Get Lucky 2014, and it was awesome.

Now, I by no means have turned into a rave expert overnight, but I’m guessing just by showing up, I know more about it than at least half of those reading this column. So here’s a bit of what I saw, smelled, heard and felt. And keep in mind, the first cardinal rule of raving: no judging.

I saw skin and a lot of it. How to dress was something I stressed about hardcore, but in the end, I decided to dress “conservatively” in a black t-shirt and turquoise, shiny leggings that look they came out “Zenon: Girl of the 21st Century.” Once you’re there though, you realize no one cares what you’re wearing at all.

Walking into the venue at Saltair in West Valley felt like walking into a movie. I panned from right to left, just taking in the lights, the people, the smoke, and I smiled because it looked really, well, cool.

Throughout the night I saw people making out, making friends and making enemies. There were people exchanging kandi, those bracelets made from beads you’d use in elementary school. I saw people drinking and smoking, and I saw security guards telling people when they were out of hand. It made some of my friends nervous to hear I was going to a rave, but once I got there I wasn’t afraid at all. People are just people, and if you’re cool with them, they’ll typically be cool with you.

I smelled a lot of smoke — the kind that comes out of machines to set the mood, the kind that comes from a plant now legal for recreation in Colorado and the kind that’s berry-flavored. I smelled people who could have used a little more deodorant,



Mariah Noble

That’s so ravin’

like you usually do when you go to a crowded place. I smelled the food they sold for people with the munchies. It made me laugh.

I heard the music. Some songs were familiar, but I didn’t know the words to most of the stuff. It’s been very recently that I’ve actually chosen to listen to EDM, but the set list had some pretty well-known names on it: Above & Beyond, Tritonal, Manufactured Superstars and Pegboard Nerds. It was so loud I could literally feel my nostrils vibrating with the beat of the bass. I heard the difference between the dubstep and trance music. After the show, I couldn’t hear much of anything for a bit.

I felt the energy from the DJs and how much they connected with the people there. I felt the confetti raining down on us after they fired the cannons. I felt the love ravers have for each other. It gave me the impression that one of the best parts about raving is that everyone belongs. No one is

going to force you to do anything you don’t want to do. You’ve got to be cautious, duh, but shouldn’t you act that way anywhere? I definitely felt accepted. I felt confident to be amongst friends, trying something new. I felt tired from being in there, moshing for the better part of six hours. But mostly I just felt happy because of the combination of it all.

Look, I understand raves aren’t for everyone, and I bet your doubts are all valid. But if you have a friend you trust who’s familiar with that scene, I don’t think it’s such a bad thing to try at least once. Go with them and try to see past the stupid choices people make to try and fit in. Hopefully when you do, you can see a little bit of what I saw and you’ll feel like you belong, too.

Maybe you’ll even get some



Mariah Noble photo

**TONY MCGUINNESS OF ABOVE & BEYOND** performed at a rave in West Valley Saturday night.

kandi.

– Mariah Noble is a junior in the JCOM department and a proud Hoosier. She tries to keep it real and see things as they are. For comments, concerns or whatever else, shoot her an email at [m.noble@aggiemail.usu.edu](mailto:m.noble@aggiemail.usu.edu) or send tweets to @mnoble127.

# Humans of USU:



Mikayla Kapp photo

**WHITNEY ASHLIMAN AND CAMERON DEELSTRA PLAY WITH THEIR DOG, LUCY** on campus. The two attended high school together and are now dating.

## Freshmen Cameron Deelstra and Whitney Ashliman describe their dream jobs and apathy towards March Madness basketball

The Utah Statesman interviewed Cameron Deelstra, a freshman in biomedical engineering, and Whitney Ashliman, a freshman in graphic design, both from Smithfield, Utah.

**Utah Statesman:** How do you know each other?

**Cameron Deelstra:** We went to high school together and we’re dating now. This is Lucy. She’s our dog.

**US:** Who do you think will win the NCAA Tournament?

**CD:** I don’t think either of us really know who’s still in it. I didn’t do a bracket this year. I think I’m going to go with Oregon, unless they lost yesterday. I didn’t watch the game.

**Whitney Ashliman:** So it’s basketball?

**CD:** Yeah, March Madness. She would have no idea.

**WA:** Too busy with school and the dog.

**CD:** She says Oregon, too.

**US:** What temperature would you say it is appropriate to wear shorts and sandals?

**WA:** I’d just say 60, but I don’t know. I see some crazies wearing flip flops.

**CD:** 42 for me.

**US:** What is your favorite instrument and why?

**WA:** I was just thinking last night it was the accordion because we were watching a movie with a sweet accordion in it, “The Book Thief.”

**CD:** It made her cry.

**US:** What is your dream job?

**WA:** I really have a passion for graphic design, but dream job just opens up everything else. I was thinking it’d be really fun to be a dog trainer.

**CD:** I’d like to be a well-paid lumberjack. I love the outdoors. I like the sun. I work in a call center now, and it’s too artificially lit. I wanted a job where I could be outside all day, work hard,

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# ‘Muppets Most Wanted’ a family-friendly film

This movie review is about “Muppets Most Wanted,” but I want to start off with a quick note about the short shown before the movie. “Party Central” is set at Monster’s University, and the Oozma Kappa group is attempting to execute a party. I’ll only add that it’s hilarious. Now, back to the real review.

The Muppets are at it again. “Muppets Most Wanted” is another classic Muppet movie full of fun songs, zany antics and more than a dozen cameos.

Of course the movie begins with a song and the Muppet gang breaking the fourth wall, the wall between the audience and the characters in the movie.

Dominic Badguy (Ricky Gervais), is an international tour agent who tries to get the Muppets on a world tour. Kermit the Frog is hesitant but eventually gives in. The Muppets, including Walter — who was introduced in the last movie — are thrilled. However, there is mischief afoot.

Constantine, the most dangerous frog in the world, just escaped from Gulag Prison in Siberia, Russia, and has made contact with his number two, Dominic Badguy. Dominic leads the Muppets to Berlin, where Constantine ambushes Kermit and joins the group.

I wish I could say more, but I’m getting excited and should restrain myself to allow you maximum pleasure when you see the movie.

**Spencer Palmer**

**Film critic**

**Grade: B-**

“Muppets Most Wanted” is better than “The Muppets” in some ways. The 2011 movie was good at getting the Muppets back together, this new film gives the Muppets a chance to explore the new world they’re in.

The movie is full of fun and ridiculous songs, including “We’re Doing a Sequel,” “Interrogation Song,” and Miss Piggy’s version of “Macarena.”

The cameos are hilarious, although some have a very short screen time. Keep an eye out for James McEvoy, Tom Hiddleston and Saoirse Ronan. My favorite was Usher; the setup and execution of his appearance has been a long time coming.

Curiously, “Muppets Most Wanted” parallels the second Muppet movie, “The Great Muppet Caper,” in a few ways. Both movies feature criminals carrying out semi-elaborate heists. They also feature a song with synchronized swimmers.

If you’re into the Muppets at all, go see this movie. Take a date, go with a group, or go alone. It’s a great comedy.

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# Fiesta Americas

Near the end of the event, scholarship recipients Kendall Peterson, a senior at Mountain Crest High School, and Eneida Rosas, a senior at Logan High School, read essays they wrote about what the phrase “Si, se puede,” — Spanish for “Yes, you can,” — means to them.

Martinez said along with exposing Latino culture to USU, a big part of the event was the theme of the essay. She said “Si, se puede” represents Latinos’ determination to succeed in their educational pursuits.

Lambert said the event also represented a celebration of Latino culture through a presentation about the important role played by the man who helped coin the term “Si se puede,” Cesar Chavez.

Chavez was a civil rights leader for Latino Americans who helped gain better conditions and benefits for migrant farm workers, Martinez said. The workers did a lot of farm work

but were not making enough money to feed their families, let alone represent themselves.

“He worked really hard just to get rights for those people so they could work in better conditions, and so they could be recognized by the U.S. government that they’re not just farm workers, that they’re people, and they deserve rights,” Martinez said.

Lambert said it is important to have a diverse education of cultures in order to better understand other people.

“We’re going to be around people of all sorts of different cultures, and understanding a little bit of that can help us relate better to other people,” Lambert said.

Pablo Garcia, an undeclared freshman who co-hosted the event, said it is important to understand Latino culture because a lack of open-mindedness leads to ignorance, which then leads to misunderstanding.

“If you get to know a person’s culture and where they’re from and how they do things, then you have more understanding and appreciation for what they do,” Garcia said.

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**WHITNEY ASHLIMAN AND CAMERON DEELSTRA** plan to visit Lake Powell, California and Georgia in the summer.

# Childhood

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take my dog to work and wear flannel, grow a beard. So I’m going to say lumberjack.

**US:** What do you remember from your childhood that you’d like to make a comeback?  
**CD:** The cartoons and those sweet moon boots that were like trampolines for your shoes.  
**WA:** Sometimes I almost just have an angst against what has been invented since then more than wishing things would come back. You know what I mean? The constant cell phone attachment kind of a thing or sometimes I wish Facebook didn’t exist.

**US:** What was your most embarrassing moment?  
**CD:** When I was little, I used to have those track pants, the pull-offs. We were playing tag in the park one time, and this girl grabbed my pants and they pulled off and I didn’t wear any shorts underneath, so I ran home in my whitey-tighties.  
**WA:** You never told me that.  
**CD:** So I’d probably say that’s my most embarrassing run home.

**WA:** Were you on your way home anyway?  
**CD:** No, I was missing my pants, so I ran home to get different pants.  
**WA:** You didn’t say, “Hey, give me my pants?”  
**CD:** It was when I was little.

**US:** Do you have any summer plans?  
**WA:** I’m really hoping that we get to go to Lake Powell just because I love it so much.  
**CD:** We want to go to California, Lake Powell and Georgia this summer.  
**WA:** Georgia just because my parents are moving there, so we’re probably going to help them move, which is going to be fun but not fun at the same time.

**US:** Do you have any relationship advice?  
**WA:** I’m always friends with them first. I’m not very good at dating people just off the cuff.  
**CD:** It was a lot of hard work to convince her.  
**WA:** That’s a lie. I had a crush on you first.  
**CD:** We have proof on Facebook that I had a crush on her first.

**US:** Anything else?  
**CD:** It’s not a 50-50 relationship, it’s a 100-100 percent relationship. And that’s the way to do it.

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## FOOTBALL

# The long road back: Keeton nears return

► **By Jeffrey Dahdah**  
assistant sports editor

Spring is always eagerly awaited in Logan for the passing of snow and the re-emergence of the sun. This year, however, there is a buzz around the beginning of spring football for the Aggies.

The Aggies have won two-straight bowl games for the first time in program history and did so without star quarterback Chuckie Keeton last season. Keeton tore his ACL against BYU on Oct. 4 and had to watch the rest of the season from the sidelines. The Aggies finished the season 6-2 in his stead.

"It was a little difficult for me because I'm watching them, and the views that I had, I can see exactly what's going on and I know what should be happening," Keeton said. "At the same time, I was definitely happy with what they did. What happened last season was really what the definition of a team is. When somebody falls out, or in our case like seven people are out for the season, that's when guys step up and they make a big impact on the team."

Keeton spent the offseason rehabbing his knee and won't play in any live game situations for the duration of spring ball. However, he will start participating in passing drills in the next couple of weeks. In the meantime, Keeton is doing his best to participate and help his team during spring practices.

"Now, I'm a lot more incorporated into everything. I have a little bit more of an impact than I did during the season, but with that it's great to see all of these guys progress, and I'm definitely there to give my two cents on every play,"



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**SENIOR QUARTERBACK CHUCKIE KEETON** looks on during the Aggies' first scrimmage of the spring football season on Friday at Romney Stadium. Keeton won't be playing full-contact during spring football because of a knee injury last season.

Keeton said. "They know that that's what they are going to get. If it's a good play or a bad play, they know that they're going to hear something."

From a coaching standpoint, spring football practices have carried an air of uncertainty due to the absence of Keeton

and the success of freshman quarterback Darell Garretson last season, who replaced Keeton's original backup Craig Harrison and was under center for the rest of 2013.

"We're still kind of waiting to see," said offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach

Kevin McGiven. "(Keeton's) going through his rehab right now, and he's just trying to get healthy and stronger. He's doing some running around and making nice progress. It's been a little bit of a holding pattern for us just to see where he's at when he gets back, and

if he gets back in there and he's able to play like he had been, we'll just need to move forward and evaluate things from there."

McGiven tried to look at the injury to Keeton with a positive spin.

"It turned out to be a good

thing in terms of the depth and the future of the program," McGiven said. "Obviously you don't want anyone to get hurt and the caliber of player that Chuckie is and having a team leader and the productivity he had early on in the season and the year prior. I mean, that is a big hit to a football team, but you look at it from the perspective of the future of the program and the depth at the quarterback position."

The team relied on the running game in its offensive scheme toward the end of last season. McGiven said Keeton's return does not necessarily mean the offense will rely more on passing.

"We're going to be balanced on offense. We're going to try to utilize all of our weapons," McGiven said. "It just so happened that last year Joey DiMartino was doing a great job for us running the football and maybe protected Darrell a little bit in taking a little bit of pressure off of him, and you'd like the run game to be able to do that. We're obviously going to gauge it based on our personnel and look at that and who we think we are in our offensive identity and try to play to our strengths."

Spring football will continue without Keeton on the field, though he is optimistic about being able to strap up for fall practices.

"I've been thinking about it for a little while, it's going to be something. I really can't explain it right now or put it into detail, but I know it's going to be a great feeling," Keeton said. "I'm definitely looking forward to it, and I'm definitely looking forward to being with my guys again."

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## The sky is not falling

Rumor has it that Kyle Davis is leaving the men's basketball program. If he does, he will be the eighth player from the 2013-14 season who will not be on the roster come next winter.

The program announced last week that Jordan Stone and Danny Berger have left, and coupled with the departure of five seniors — Jarred Shaw, Spencer Butterfield, Preston Medlin, Tenale Roland and Sean Harris — the Aggies will have a very different look next season.

This does not mean the sky is falling. I acknowledge that it hurts losing seven of the nine players who played 11 minutes or more last season. I acknowledge that losing five non-seniors in the last two seasons is questionable and concerning, but come on: The Aggies are not going to go winless next season, and at some point, they will be good again.

Ever heard of a rebuilding year? That's what Aggie basketball fans are looking at for next season, though they may not be used to it.

The Aggies will be relying heavily on underclassmen next season, on 19- and 20-year-olds. If you haven't noticed, that's what is happening everywhere in college basketball. Most teams, both major and mid-major, are relying on increasingly younger and less-experienced players.

The major contributors next season will almost assuredly feature a handful of sophomores in Jalen Moore, JoJo McGlaston and Viko Noma'aea, a skilled freshman center in Elston Jones, and a couple of junior college transfers in Chris Smith and Darius Perkins.

So in short, next season's Aggies on the hardwood will be young, inexperienced and athletic. Sound familiar? Almost every

► **Jeffrey Dahdah**



**The Cardinal Rule**

other college basketball team in the country has a similar blueprint. Kentucky sees this mass-exodus year in and year out. The most hyped players in the country every season are true freshman or sophomores.

USU fans may not be used to it, but young is OK. It's even exciting. For most of the last few years, even the underclassmen have been in their early 20s due to missions. It's widely acceptable to rely on teenagers.

I'm not saying the Aggies are going to go out and win the Mountain West. I'm not even saying they will compete, but I am saying the mass-fear from fans is too hasty. The Aggies are in the conference they need to be to improve and actually have some talent.

Now I'm all for re-evaluating programs when needed, and when a program that has been used to success has had seasons like the Aggies have seen the past two years, evaluation is needed. I've been a hard critic of the coaching staff this season too, before I really thought about the situation. One of these mediocre seasons was marred by injuries and the other was a major adjustment into a conference that was much better than USU had been used to.

So to all of the doomsday fans who think the program is on the cusp of a major abyss, you may be right, but just give it another year. Let's see what happens. Who knows — maybe a younger, spunkier team is just what this program needs.

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## March Madness is beautiful

There were 52 games which resulted in 16 teams remaining in the hunt for a national title and 52 others left mourning what could have been.

More than 20 million total brackets were entered in ESPN's Tournament Challenge, CBS Sports Tournament and the Yahoo Billion Dollar Bracket Challenge. Not one of them was perfect after 25 games, although three correctly picked the 16 teams still standing.

All of this in a span of 80 hours.

I. Love. March Madness.

The first day of this year's tournament was one of the two best in my lifetime. No. 11-seed Dayton busted everyone's bracket in game 1 with an upset of "big brother" Ohio State — for those not familiar, their rivalry is eerily similar to that of USU and BYU.

No. 14-seed Mercer stunned legendary coach Mike Krzyzewski and the Duke Blue Devils and three No. 12 seeds knocked off No. 5 seeds: North Dakota State, Harvard and SF Austin downed VCU.

The three No. 12 seeds fell short in their next game, but joining Dayton in the Sweet 16 is No. 11-seed Tennessee and No. 10-seed Stanford. No. 8 Kentucky knocked off No. 1 Wichita State to get there. No. 7 Connecticut is also still alive, as is No. 6 Baylor.

If games played out according to seed, there would be four of each the No. 1, No. 2, No. 3 and No. 4 seeds left. Instead we have three double-digit seeds, and a No. 8, No. 7 and No. 6 seed. So six of the 16 teams left "shouldn't" be here.

This is why college basketball is so great.

The system is set up in such a way that any team from any conference has a shot at making a deep playoff run in March. Does Cinderella ever win the national title?

No. 8 Villanova is the lowest seed to ever win the title, and it did that in 1985. Since



**Curtis Lundstrom**

**Living the Dream**

they are a "power" conference school, I don't think we can count the Wildcats as a Cinderella.

Tennessee and Stanford both hail from "power" conferences, so naturally Dayton is the Cinderella left dancing with the big boys. And yes, odds are the Flyers don't win the national title — though it would mean my niece would win our family bracket. The beauty of NCAA March

Madness:

The "little" guys get attention they deserve and the best teams in the country win the national title. People who have little to no knowledge of sports have just as good a shot as anyone to win bracket challenges.

We all share our responsibilities and are glued to television and computer screens to watch teams we've never heard of yet picked to pull massive upsets. We all agonize and celebrate when blue-bloods like Duke, North Carolina and Kansas fall to the Mercers, Lehighs and VCUs and destroy our brackets.

It's the greatest annual sporting event in the world. The only events that top it are the Olympics and the World Cup. It's a pity those only come every four years.

You know what all three have in common? The underdog story. People coming from out of the limelight to capture our hearts and instill in us a love of sport, competition and never-say-die attitude.

So I don't know about you, but even though I still have a legitimate shot at winning my bracket pools, I'll be on board the Dayton plane. Let's go Flyers.

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Aggie Schedules

Football

**FRIDAY, APRIL 4**  
Scrimmage, 3:45 p.m.,  
Romney Stadium  
**Saturday, April 12**  
Blue and White game, 2:00 p.m.,  
Romney Stadium

Softball

**TUESDAY, MARCH 25**  
USU vs. SUU, noon, Provo, Utah  
**FRIDAY, MARCH 28**  
USU at Fresno State, 7 p.m.,  
Fresno, Calif.  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 29**  
USU at Fresno State, 7 p.m.,  
Fresno, Calif.  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 30**  
USU at Fresno State, 7 p.m.,  
Fresno, Calif.

Gymnastics

**SATUDAY, APRIL 5**  
USU at NCAA Regional Championships  
3:00 p.m., Fayetteville, Ark.  
**FRIDAY, APRIL 18**  
USU at NCAA National Championships  
TBD, Birmingham, Ala.

Men's Tennis

**TUESDAY, MARCH 25**  
USU at Weber State, noon,  
Ogden, Utah  
**Saturday, April 5**  
USU at Boise State, 10 a.m.,  
Boise, Idaho

Women's Tennis

**THURSDAY, MARCH 27**  
USU vs. Montana, 11 a.m.,  
Sports Academy  
**FRIDAY, MARCH 28**  
USU vs. Air Force, 11 a.m.,  
Sports Academy  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 30**  
USU vs. New Mexico, 10 a.m.,  
Sports Academy

Track and Field

**MARCH 26-28**  
USU at Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays,  
All day, Austin, Texas  
**MARCH 28**  
USU at UVU Invitational, All day, Orem

RACQUETBALL

Rebooting: Aggies search for female members and prepare for tournament play



Zak Ricklefs photo

USU RACQUETBALL'S CHANCE CHRISTENSEN practices at the HPER.

By Logan Jones  
staff writer

Utah State's racquetball team is looking for new recruits.

"We're trying to get a lot of the recreational players together," said Josh Greenwell, captain of the Aggie racquetball team. "We want to make them aware that there is a racquetball club here on campus that they can potentially become involved with."

The team hosted a tournament Friday, open to all USU students interested learning more about the sport. Greenwell and his teammates are especially interested in recruiting more women to play for USU's team.

"Less girls have an interest in racquetball, since it's a smaller sport," said Brooke Sherwin, one of two women on the 14-person club team. "They would like more girls to join. We used to have four or five, and now we're down to two."

Sherwin, a junior at USU, said she believes more people would try out for the team if they were more familiar with the sport.

"It's nice to be able to play here," Sherwin said. "I love being able to go have a release, something fun to do."

USU offers beginning, intermediate and advanced racquetball courses each semester.

"I've learned a lot in the class so far," said Hillary Newton, a junior enrolled in the beginning racquetball class. "I really like racket sports in general. I would consider trying out for the team if I felt good enough."

Newton said she plans on playing in Friday's tournament, but her attempts to convince friends to sign up were unsuccessful.

"They hadn't played before," Newton said. "I think people are afraid to try the sport."

Greenwell, a junior, expects the traditionally competitive Aggie squad to continue its winning trend this season despite several players graduating last year.

"We've been working mostly on improving a lot of our new players and getting ready to go to the big tournament in Portland at the end of the year," Greenwell said.

The Aggies' racquetball season will culminate in the 2014 Tournament of Champions, which begins May 14 in Portland, Ore.

"It's going to be a really competitive tournament," Greenwell said. "That's what we're preparing for right now. The top players in the world will compete, and we'll be able to interact with them and hopefully pick up a few tips."

In addition to featuring the eight best players from the International Racquetball Tournament, the Tournament of Champions hosts both singles and doubles competitions in amateur divisions.

"Our divisions will be very competitive and tends to bring the best out of everyone," Greenwell said. "It makes for an entertaining week of racquetball for everyone."

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SOFTBALL

Johnson spurs Aggie sweep of Colorado State in MWC opener

By Calvin Makelky  
staff writer

It was a weekend to remember for the Utah State softball team as the Aggies notched a sweep of Colorado State in their first ever Mountain West Conference series.

Game 1: USU 1, CSU 0 (9 innings)

Sophomore pitcher Noelle Johnson tossed nine scoreless innings and cleanup hitter Paxton Provost hit a walk-off single to give the Aggies a 1-0 win in USU's inaugural Mountain West Conference game.

Johnson was lights-out from start to finish against the Rams, striking out 14 batters and allowing four hits while earning her 10th win of the season. It was Johnson's fifth shut-out and 10th complete game of the season.

"Coming into it, I just felt confident and knew I just need-

ed to trust myself, my defense, and just let the game work out for itself," said Johnson, whose 14 strikeouts mark is second-best in USU history behind her own record of 16, which she set earlier in the year.

Sophomore outfielder Kirystn Namba hit a single to right field in the bottom of the ninth and then advanced to second after a CSU error. Freshman third baseman Victoria Saucedo advanced Namba to third after a flyout to right field to set up Provost. The freshman stepped up to the plate and drove the ball over the right fielder's head to knock in Namba for the game-winning run.

"Throughout the whole game, the umpire was calling it pretty outside," Namba said. "I thought 'I already struck out twice on pretty outside, I can't do that again,' so I just got on the line, shortened up and looked for that one pitch right there."

Game 2: USU 5, CSU 4

The Aggies got a big boost from junior center fielder Hailey Froton, who drove in four runs to lead the Aggies to a 5-4 victory over CSU in the second game of the series Saturday.

"Our first conference series, to start off with two wins couldn't be any better," Froton said.

With the Aggies starting freshman Cheyenne Harper on the mound and the Rams starting freshman pitcher Larisa Petakoff, both teams found more offensive success.

The Rams jumped on the Aggies early, tacking on two runs in the second inning, but the Aggies responded to take the 3-2 lead when Froton knocked in three runs with a bases-loaded single to right.

After each team scored a run in the third inning, Johnson relieved Harper to pitch the last four innings and picked up her eleventh win on the season.

Johnson surrendered four hits, no earned runs and no walks in relief.

The Aggies were led offensively by the bottom three of their lineup in shortstop Jolene Koons, second baseman Allison Lenzora and Froton. The trio combined to go 3-for-6 with three walks and four RBIs.

"It's great to have production all throughout the lineup," said USU head coach Steve Johnson. "They're confident, which is something they haven't been in the past, and right now they feel like they can play with anybody in the conference."

The win Saturday gave USU 12 for the season, eclipsing the 11-win total from last season.

Game 3: USU 7, CSU 4

Johnson flexed her muscles both on the mound and at the plate as the Aggies completed the sweep of Colorado State in their first ever Mountain West series with a 7-2 win on Sunday.

Pitching all seven innings, Johnson surrendered just three hits and struck out six. Johnson picked up her 12th win of the season, bringing her record to 12-8. All eight games during the winning streak have been won by Johnson.

"She's just a workhorse for us," Steve Johnson said. "She loves that role right now and is relishing in it."

And if her pitching wasn't enough, Johnson showcased her batting power by connecting on two home runs for five runs batted in. The power from the Aggies' No. 5 hitter came as no surprise to head coach Johnson. "Honestly, I couldn't even tell you where the pitches were. I just swung as hard as I could," Noelle Johnson said.

"We knew the home runs would come," Steve Johnson said. "She's been hitting like that in pregame and practice for months. She just hadn't teed off on one in a game yet, but she got a hold of a couple today. That's great to see, with the ultimate 'help-your-own cause.'"

With the sweep of CSU, the Aggies improved to 13-13 on the season and 3-0 in confer-



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PITCHER NOELLE JOHNSON CELEBRATES a run at home plate with her teammates during a three-game sweep of Colorado State this weekend.

ence play. USU has won eight-straight games — with Johnson earning all eight wins — which is the longest winning streak in the program since 1993. The Aggies return to action

Tuesday at noon when they face Southern Utah University in Provo.

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## Behold the senior year bucket list

For you Aggie seniors out there, the clock is ticking. Brace yourselves. Graduation is coming. As you scramble to get your commencement robes and conquer your last round of midterms and finals, here are a few senior bucket list items for you. These are practically moral imperatives, folks.

1. Become a True Aggie. Many students have already achieved the glorious title of True Aggie by their senior year, but plenty save that rite until their last year. It's never too late to ascend the Block A under a brilliant full moon. Think about it: Your diploma will be just a piece of paper, but your True Aggie card will be an immortal piece of paper.



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2. Give senioritis a swift kick in the derriere. Seniors, you have just six weeks left in your college education. Congratulations for getting to this point: Your hard work and perseverance through classes, internships, lab work, group projects and countless all-nighters is genuinely a credit to you. You'll take your experiences and your abilities — not only to learn, but to teach yourself — with you throughout the rest of your life. Here's the bucket list task: Kick senioritis out of your life for the next six weeks. Choose to care about your last weeks of school, rather than checking out early and cheating yourself out of the opportunity to finish this collegiate marathon

proud and strong. If you choose to invest in the last weeks of school, rather than go missing in action when the end is just in sight, that walk up onto the stage at graduation will be all the sweeter.

3. Hit your favorite Logan hotspots one last time. Go hike the Wind Caves up Logan Canyon and relish the first vestiges of spring. Take an evening walk through historic downtown Logan and buy yourself a guiltily oversized bag of Bluebird chocolate caramels. Take a few friends to Aggie Ice Cream and see who can survive the longest against a triple scoop of Aggie Bull Tracks. Whether your current feelings toward Logan are affectionate or exasperated, enjoy these last few weeks here. You'll look back fondly on your time in Logan down the road.

4. Write your mentors a note. Somewhere during your journey as an Aggie, you've had a professor who went above and beyond the call of duty. Perhaps they helped

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you find your academic passion; maybe they mentored you in research; perhaps they simply reached out to you when you needed a hand. Show them your appreciation. Write them a short handwritten note — it doesn't have to be “The Iliad,” guys — and let them know they made a difference. As much as our Aggie faculty enjoy research and teaching, the thing that makes them truly awesome is how much they care about connecting with and helping individual students. Let's do our part to say thank you.

5. Watch a sunrise/sunset on Old Main Hill. The first reason to do so is because Old Main Hill is one of the loveliest spots on campus, and the tranquility there at sunrise and sunset will get you through the last leg of the marathon. The second reason is because it's an excellent spot to reflect on the fact that you've just spent four-plus years attending an excellent institution of higher education. That's a privilege denied to many. A little gratitude for the past does wonders to inspire optimism for the future.

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The COLD WARRIOR

## Horoscope love forecast: March 25

► By Jennifer Shepherd  
The Lipstick Mystic (MCT)

**Aries: March 21-April 19**

The sun is making you super lusty. If you're currently single, you'll want to fix that situation as soon as possible. If you're in a relationship, you'll want to hold your lover hostage and stage a long seduction event.

**Taurus: April 20-May 20**

Saturn is making it harder for you to get what you want, romantically. If you're in a relationship, maybe you're hoping to take things to the next level, but your partner keeps resisting. If you're single, you could have your eyes on someone who doesn't yet know you're alive.

**Gemini: May 21-June 21**

Venus is bringing out your crazy side. You'll want to surprise your partner with something. Schedule a hot encounter on your apartment rooftop. Or put together a fun event at home that involves a whole new approach to love and seduction.

**Cancer: June 22-July 22**

You're not going to get what you want if you push too hard this week. A moon opposition is telling you to take it slow. Be gentle if you're trying to impress that certain someone. And be kind if you're working

at improving a long-term relationship that has been troubled.

**Leo: July 23-Aug. 22**

Venus is inspiring you to try new ideas. Maybe you've been approaching this whole love thing the wrong way. If you used to be aggressive, it's time to act more laid back. Or if you were too passive, you should stand up for what you want.

**Virgo: Aug. 23-Sept. 22**

You could feel bothered and confused by that certain someone. Mercury is making it harder for you to connect with your true feelings. Don't rush into anything. Consider talking with a good friend, therapist, or spiritual counselor.

**Libra: Sept. 23-Oct. 23**

The more you try to cling to someone, the more that person might pull away from you. Mars is telling you to play it cool. Sometimes applying more pressure to the situation only makes it worse. Even though your desires are strong right now, you need to chill out.

**Scorpio: Oct. 24-Nov. 2**

Saturn is trying to bring you healing, so don't fight it. You might need to make an unexpected decision in order to let go of some toxic energy in your love life. Maybe there is a former flame who shouldn't re-

main your friend anymore. Make some changes.

**Sagittarius: Nov. 22-Dec. 21**

Tomorrow can be very different from today. The moon is reminding you that every day you create your future. From the ashes of the past, you can construct something that is going to be much more positive and nurturing for you.

**Capricorn: Dec. 22-Jan. 19**

You'll enjoy spending time with casual friends this week as the moon enhances your social energy. Keep it light. You need a break from some of the intense stuff you've been dealing with lately. Hang out with people who can cheer you up.

**Aquarius: Jan. 20-Feb. 18**

Somebody you thought was cold towards you might suddenly warm up. If you have a crush on someone who has always been unavailable, he or she might finally become interested in you now. Venus is increasing your desirability.

**Pisces: Feb. 19-March 20**

You could discover new levels of passion with someone as the moon increases your sensuality. Sometimes you can be way too shy for your own good, but this week, you'll be far less inhibited. Express your true desires without fear or judgment or rejection.

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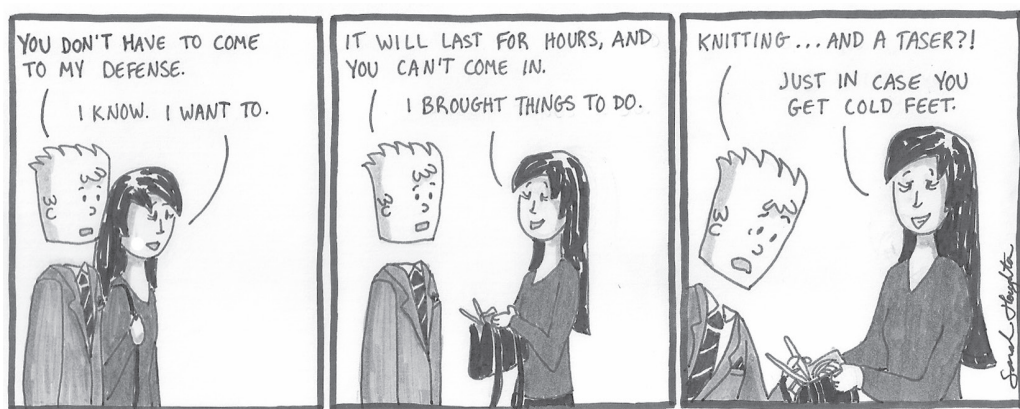
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March 25

- Partners in Business Leadership Conference, 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Eccles Conference Center
- Body Image Fair, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., TSC Sunburst Lounge
- Jazz Kicks Band, 7:30 p.m., The Performance Hall
- Caine Woodwind Quintet, 8:15-10 p.m., Chase Fine Arts Center choral 214

March 26


- Overcoming test anxiety, noon-1 p.m., TSC 335
- Healthy Sexuality, 12:30-1:30 p.m., TSC 310
- Group Meditation, 1:30-2:25 p.m., TSC 335
- 'Arresting Ana' film screening, 4:30 p.m., TSC Auditorium
- Brain Talk with Mona Buhusi, 5:30 p.m., Geology building 405
- Tarzan the Musical, 7:30 p.m., Chase Fine Arts Center, Morgan Theatre

March 27

- More study in less time workshop, 10-11 a.m., TSC 315A
- Women's tennis vs. Montana State, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Empty Bowls, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Natural Resources Building
- USU/SA Black and White Jazz Night, 7-9 p.m., Haight Alumni Center
- Tarzan the Musical, 7:30 p.m., Chase Fine Arts Center, Morgan Theatre

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Tuesday Crossword

ACROSS

1 "\_\_\_ About You"

4 Actor Quinn of "Elementary"

9 Walston or Liotta

12 "Who Do You Think You \_\_\_?"

13 Actress \_\_\_ Kelly

14 "Grand \_\_\_ Opry"

15 "\_\_\_ Death"; Brad Garrett series

16 Sound portion of a telecast

17 Night we watch "Castle": abbr.

18 John of "The Addams Family"

20 "This \_\_\_ War"; Reese Witherspoon movie

22 Kim and Kourtney

26 News journalist Couric

27 "\_\_\_ Close for Comfort"

28 Jim Nabors' state of birth: abbr.

29 "Love \_\_\_ Many

Splendored Thing"

32 Jack of "Hawaii Five-O" & others

35 Eric of "Modern Family"

39 Foa's "NCIS: Los Angeles" role

40 Bette or Ossie

42 Author Milne's monogram

43 "\_\_\_ Management"; Jack Nicholson movie

47 "Ice \_\_\_: Continental Drift"; animated film

48 Marlon, to Shawn

49 Late actor Christopher

50 "\_\_\_ York Undercover"

51 Pacino and Molinaro

52 "\_\_\_ Dogs"; film for James Marsden and Kate Bosworth

53 Yrbk. section

DOWN

1 "\_\_\_ Hari"; Greta Garbo movie

2 Take \_\_\_; throw caution to the wind

3 Burke of "Designing Women"

4 Actress Peet

5 Debtor's note

6 "I Know What You \_\_\_ Last Summer"; Jennifer Love Hewitt film

7 Onassis, to friends

8 Judd or Watts

9 Star of "Everybody Loves Raymond"

10 Actress Maria Conchita \_\_\_

11 Strong urges

19 Irritate

21 "Please Don't \_\_\_ the Daisies"

23 "\_\_\_ of Two Cities"

24 Fodder storage



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25 "I \_\_\_ Huckabees"

29 "My Name \_\_\_"

30 John of "Full House"

31 E-mail provider for millions

33 HLN's "\_\_\_ on

Call"

34 "20,000 Leagues Under the \_\_\_"

36 Approaches

37 Roy Rogers and Dale \_\_\_

38 Golfer Woods

39 "Ali \_\_\_ and the

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41 Stitches

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46 Gabor or Longoria


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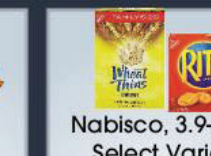
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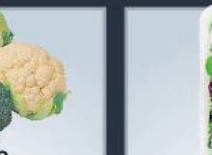
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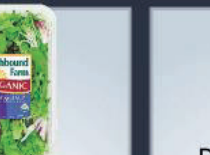
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