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USU algae researchers to continue at new plant

► By David Berg
staff writer

Logan city is constructing a new wastewater treatment facility to meet federal standards that must be met by 2017 to replace the wastewater lagoons being used.

The Sustainable Waste to Bioproducts Energy Center at USU makes use of the city's lagoons. It is researching a method using algae growth to meet the standards set forth. However, there is not enough time to finish the development of the research and implement the changes by its deadline.

"We need another three years, but the timetable is not that," said Ronald Simms, department head of biological engineering and co-director of SWBEC.

The current method to clean the waste water of Logan and the surrounding communities, including USU, is the lagoon system that is located on the west side of Cache Valley. The 460-acre lagoon system, as well as the additional 240 acres of wetlands, is the largest of its kind in the United States.

Fifteen million gallons of water is received into the system each day. After 90 days in the facility, the water is safe for irrigation purposes.

Issa Hamud, environmental director for Logan city and co-director of SWBEC, said the new standards initially concerned phosphorus levels in the water. The state of Utah then increased the standards to include ammonia and nitrogen levels.

The new facility will meet these standards and is scheduled to be fully completed by 2019. It will be on new property also on the west side of the valley. Hamud said it will cost Logan around \$111.6 million.

"The majority of it will be a technical plant," Hamud said.

Some benefits of the new plant will be a smaller size in acreage while being able to clean water at a faster rate.

Along with Logan and USU, the cities of Nibley, Providence, River Heights, North Logan, Hyde Park and Smithfield have all sent waste water to the lagoon system since its creation 50 years ago.

With the new project in the works, there is concern that debt incurred by the Logan-led initiative will affect these outlying communities as well. There is also a con

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Strutting their stuff



Mikayla Kapp photos

SAAVI VOLUNTEER MACY KEITH leads a group of men and women in support of awareness about sexual assault at the Walk A Mile In Her Shoes event Wednesday afternoon. Walk A Mile is iconic for putting men in women's high heels. Below, participants walk on campus.

Male students don high heels in support of Sexual Assault Awareness Month

► By Manda Perkins
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Some traded dress shoes for decorated flip-flops; others swapped sneakers for shiny red heels. No matter their footwear, men and women joined together Wednesday afternoon to Walk A Mile in Her Shoes.

This is the ninth year the Sexaul Assault and Anti-Violence Information Office has sponsored the national campaign to march against rape, sexual assault and gender violence. More than 60 men pre-registered to walk; more signed up on the day of the event.

Jenny Erazo, SAAVI coordinator, said the purpose of the march is to demonstrate that gender violence is a problem that needs to concern all people, regardless of their gender.

"Overall, the message I'd like to send with this is that rape and sexual assault, having a safe campus, it's not

Jenny Erazo
SAAVI coordinator

"Men are survivors. Women are survivors. There is something everybody can do to play a role in it."

just a woman's issue," she said. "Men are survivors. Women are survivors. There is something everybody can do to play a role in it."

Macy Keith, a communication studies major and SAAVI volunteer who led the first march, kept up the energy of the group by leading the chants and cheers. She said Walk A Mile puts



men in a woman's shoes, literally and figuratively.

"Getting (men) more involved in this campaign in ending rape culture is the most important thing," Keith said. "It's a battle on both sides of the gender front ... We can only do so much when it's just women going to these events."

According to the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, one in five women will experience

sexual violence at one point in their lives. The Utah Department of Health reports one in three Utah women will experience some form of sexual assault, and one in eight will be raped.

"I work at the counseling center and too many of our clients experience sexual assault and other forms of violence," said Steven Lucero, a

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Student-Logan city interaction increasing



Taylor Murray photo

NADIR TEKARLI points at a spot on the map of Logan to show city officials a problem area at the USU neighborhood meeting Monday night in the TSC.

► By Danielle Manley
assistant news editor

Students were invited Monday outside the Taggart Student Center Auditorium to locate areas of concern on maps of Logan and describe the problem to Logan city officials.

Large zoomed-in maps with an aerial satellite view of neighborhoods surrounding USU were laid on three tables with several post-it notes stuck in various locations.

Sponsored by the USU Government Relations Council and Logan city, a USU neighborhood meeting was held where students had the opportunity to interact with officials involved in community development.

"We want them to trust us," said James Olson, Community Development Block Grant coordinator at Logan city and a liaison to the Neighborhood Council. "We want opportunities to have the students and the other residents to work together. We want to support you guys in educational pursuits, too."

Winter parking, noise ordinances, the number of occupants allowed in a home and dangerous intersections were all student concerns voiced to the city on Monday.

Previously, USU had a student representative on the Neighborhood Council, a group consisting of one person representing each neighborhood in

Logan. The council meets monthly and holds neighborhood meetings several times a year. Because of poor attendance at monthly meetings and lack of communication, the position was taken away.

The city replaced the position with a staff member instead — Dennis Kohler, director of the Academic Resource Center. Kohler is part of a team including him and two students, newly elected Student Advocate Vice President Casey Saxton and GRC member Andy Pierucci.

Olson is excited about the increased communication and attendance of meetings. He said he can't be aware of what students care about unless they voice concerns.

"We're not really aware at City Hall what's going on up the hill," Olson said. "I don't know what a four-way stop is a hassle and you've almost been hit on your bike 12 times. We don't know that."

He probed students to share their thoughts about the winter parking ordinance restricting parking on city streets between the hours of 1-6 a.m.

"In the Neighborhood Council this has been a topic of discussion where they've got together and said, 'Well, is this ordinance fulfilling the purposes that we hope it is?'" Olson said. "And the answer is, some people say 'yes,' some people say 'no.' And we're really inter

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Nation & World

In brief

South Korean ferry sinks

A passenger ferry sank off the coast of South Korea on Wednesday. The ship was carrying 459 people, and 174 people have been rescued so far. The remaining passengers are unaccounted for.

The ferry was traveling from the port of Incheon in the northwest portion of South Korea to the island of Jeju.

Four people have been confirmed dead and dozens more injured. The reason for the capsizing of the ship is still unknown.

Judge strikes down strict N. Dakota abortion law

A federal judge overturned a strict abortion law in North Dakota on Wednesday. The law said abortions could not be carried out when the fetus' heartbeat was detected, which could be as early as six weeks.

District Judge Daniel Hovland ruled the law is "invalid and unconstitutional." The law was one of the most restrictive abortion laws in the nation.

"The United States Supreme Court has spoken and has unequivocally said no state may deprive a woman of the choice to terminate her pregnancy at a point prior to viability," Judge Hovland wrote in his ruling.

71 dead, 124 injured in Nigerian bombing

A bomb was set off in a crowded bus station on the outskirts of Nigeria's capital city of Abuja on Monday. The explosion killed 71 people and injured 124 more.

The Boko Haram Islamist militant group is under suspicion for the attack. The group has attempted previous attacks on Abuja.

The explosives were believed to be inside of a vehicle, and the blast left a 4-foot hole in the ground. The explosion burned multiple other vehicles, which in turn caused further explosions as the gas tanks caught fire.

Israeli-Palstinian peace talks postponed

U.S.-mediated Israeli and Palestinian peace talks have been postponed. The talks have been relatively unsuccessful and have been stalled due to a number of issues.

Israeli officials failed to release a promised fourth wave of 26 Palestinian prisoners, and Israel is selling 700 homes in a Jewish settlement in Palestinian-occupied East Jerusalem. Meanwhile, Palestine has submitted applications to join 15 United Nation treaties and conventions.

An off-duty Israeli police officer was shot Monday in the West Bank, causing outrage in Israel. It is believed this is the largest reason for the postponement of the peace talks.

Syrian military vehicles destroyed by Jordan

The Jordanian military used war planes to target and destroy Syrian military vehicles crossing the border Wednesday.

The vehicles were camouflaged and attempting to enter the country through a rough area when they ignored warning shots and were ultimately destroyed by the war planes.

The vehicles, which were pickup trucks, were believed to be operated by Syrian rebels. The Jordanian government has been publicly neutral throughout the Syrian conflict.

Ceasefire ends between Taliban and Pakistan

The Pakistani Taliban will not renew the ceasefire with the Pakistani government.

The announcement came Wednesday. The ceasefire was originally agreed upon in early March and by not renewing it, the truce is effectively over. The agreement was part of an attempt at peace talks between the two parties.

Pakistan was hit by acts of terrorism in the past month despite the ceasefire, though the Pakistani Taliban denied being involved in any of the attacks. Peace talks have apparently come to a deadlock between the Pakistani Taliban and the Pakistan government

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Not just an extra year or two

Students, faculty explain the importance of taking on research, graduate school

► **By Madison Maners**
staff writer

The Office of Research and Graduate Studies at USU celebrated the successes of both faculty and students during Research Week April 7-11. Workshops and presentations highlighted the work of Aggie graduate students.

"The research component that graduate students fulfill is a great way to give a vibrancy and life to our teaching programs," said Mark R. McLellan, vice president for Research and dean of the School of Graduate Studies. "A teaching program can become stale if one is not constantly replenishing yourself and looking for the latest developments and the newest edge of our science."

He also referred to the seventh habit of Stephen Covey's "The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People": "sharpen the saw."

"Everyone needs to sharpen the saw," McLellan said. "In a university, it is often those of us engaged in research that help us all sharpen the saw in our disciplines and thus become better teachers because of that. Our whole effort and activities in extension become that much more valuable because they're partnered with research."

McLellan is the first vice president for Research and the dean of the School of Graduate Studies at USU. He is directly involved in both the research and graduate components of the university. The Office of Research and Graduate Studies was organized three years ago to combine and facilitate additional research and graduate studies.

"You can't help but get incredibly excited about the future when you see the quality of some of these things coming out," McLellan said. "Truly, the world will be different thanks to (student and faculty) engagement."

According to McLellan, there are hundreds of unfilled positions which require graduate training in Utah's workforce. Of a 30,000-student base, USU graduates 100 doctoral students each year. McLellan said the state could easily absorb more high tech specialists by companies such as Adobe and Boeing.

"At the master's level, it is often an ideal level by which to enter into the business sector, particularly in the sciences and engineering fields," McLellan said. "The Ph.D. then is sort of the ultimate research degree. It is to train a person enough to literally become independent researchers and explorers in their field of choice and to do it in such a way where their work can be analyzed and appreciated and, quite frankly, become part of the bedrock of that science or field."

Rachel Williams is working toward a masters degree in family, consumer and human development, or FCHD. Williams works and volunteers on



Meghann Nixon photo

NICHOLE MARTINEAU talks about building bridges between art and science at Research Week's Ignite USU event, sponsored by the Office of Research and Graduate Studies.

two research projects at USU while completing a thesis which focuses on marital satisfaction through analyzing the way couples write about their relationships.

As her last full semester comes to a close, Williams will prepare for a new baby due in June, her thesis defense during early fall and graduation in December. Continuing to receive a doctorate degree is still a possibility as well.

What began as a bachelor's degree at Weber State University quickly became a passion for Williams. After taking an introductory course about relationships and learning that her undergraduate could be completed in three years, Williams chose her major but found she didn't want the learning to stop there.

"I originally chose my field because it was fast, don't judge me," she said. "But I found that I really enjoyed it enough that I really wanted to keep going. I found I was really passionate about it, and it fulfilled me, and so I started looking into graduate programs."

Williams also said if a student finds their passion while doing undergraduate studies, they should go outside

their comfort zone and seek out additional opportunities within their fields of study.

"Seek out those opportunities that may or may not be handed to you," Williams said. "Talk to professors about pros and cons of different graduate programs. You kind of have to put yourself out there and look for advice. Seek out help. Don't try to do it on your own."

McLellan said the planning required for the transition from undergraduate to graduate studies should, and often does, mimic the experience of high school students preparing for college. As a sophomore or junior in high school, students are advised to begin considering which university they would like to attend, which field they would like to enter and sign up for the classes and extra-curricular activities which will give them an advantage when the time comes for applications to be submitted during their senior year.

Williams said although her graduate studies demand a lot of work and her future may sometimes be unsure, she would definitely do it all over again.

Mark McLellan USU Research VP

"Today we attract about \$200 million in new research grants every year. That... constitutes about one-third of the operating budget for the entire university."

Mile

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psychologist for Counseling and Psychological Services. "I feel like it's a problem on our campus and nationwide for men, women and everybody in between to have to worry about their own safety."

Erazo said she understands sexual violence is an uncomfortable topic and sees this event as a stepping stone to progress.

"Not everybody is passionate about rape and sexual assault," she said. "So, if you're not comfortable sitting in an hour-long presentation about this, but you are comfortable to slap on some red shoes and walk a mile and hold a sign, I'm going to meet you where you're at ... A seed has been planted."

Members of the club Fight the New Drug also joined the march to show support. Fight the New Drug is dedicated to spreading awareness of the negative effects of pornography in relationships.

Scott Henninger, the club director, said viewing pornography and date rape are correlated; people are more likely to believe rape myths such as, "the victim was asking for it," if they have viewed pornography.

"We wanted to partner with SAAVI," Henninger said. "They're doing a lot of good things, and we



Mikayla Kapp photo

WALK A MILE IN HER SHOES VOLUNTEERS hand out high heels to participants Wednesday in the TSC.

have a lot of things in common. We're all about supporting real love, not any of the fake stuff."

Brandon Hustead, a sophomore majoring in physics, said the heels were hard to manage, but he

Fast Facts

- **1 in 5 U.S. women will experience sexual violence**
- **1 in 3 Utah women will experience some form of sexual assault**
- **1 in 8 Utah women will be raped**

walked to show his support for the anti-rape campaign.

"It should be important to everyone," he said. "Why wouldn't it be important? ... People aren't really open about it, and they don't really know until they see these statistics. Hopefully it opens the eyes a little more and people will want to do something about it."

For others, the walk was more personal. Nicolas Haws, an electrical engineering major, said it's important for him to support this cause.

"I have five sisters, and heaven forbid anything like rape would ever happen to them," he said. "So I really support this cause."

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Wash. landslide a grim reminder for Logan

By Connor Comeau
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A landslide in Snohomish County, Wash., killed 39 people on March 22. The slide also destroyed 50 homes in the town of Oso. The slide that occurred in Washington was a reminder to other cities across the nation, including Logan, which experienced one in 2009.

The Logan landslide occurred on July 11, 2009, killing three people along Canyon Road. The landslide was attributed to heavy rains that took place earlier in the week, making the ground soft and causing it to slide. Steve Bowman, a landslide expert at the Utah Geological Survey, said these types of landslides are common especially where bench areas and rivers meet.

"Landslides typically occur in areas that have steeper terrain and shallower slopes," Bowman said. "They can also occur in areas that accumulate a lot of groundwater."

Logan is not the only area in Utah where a landslide has occurred. On October 8, 2011, a similar slide occurred on State Route 14, eight miles east of Cedar City. The slide closed down the road for seven months. Vic Saunders, spokesperson for the Utah Department of Transportation, said canyon roads can be treacherous year-round, and landslides can occur at anytime.

"We have crews constantly monitoring canyon roads for any sign of geologic activity," Saunders said. "If land starts to show signs

Landslide early warning

Monitoring systems in many places use sensors to detect the ground motion that precedes big landslides and issue alerts.

Ground surface deformation

GPS

GPS units use satellite signals to determine precise, three-dimensional locations; units can transmit real-time coordinates, allowing movement to be tracked over time

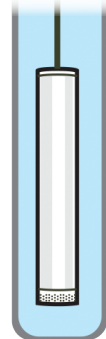
Other remote sensing devices:
Lidar, ground-based synthetic radar

Water pressure

Piezometer

Typically installed in boreholes, piezometers detect fluctuations in water pressure; as pressure builds from rainfall, soil grains are forced apart, weakening a slope and sometimes leading to failure

Other water-sensitive devices: Rain gauge, water-table meter



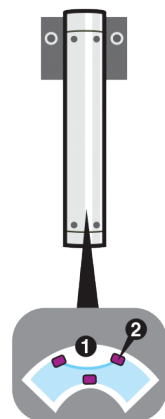
Inclinometer

Also installed in boreholes, inclinometers can monitor ground motion at various depths; device's casing is securely anchored at its base; as ground motion shoves against the casing, suspended sensors track the motion

Ground subsurface deformation

Tiltmeter

Often used in combination with inclinometers, tiltmeters can be mounted on the ground surface when drilling is impossible or too expensive; similar to a carpenter's level, tiltmeters use a bubble to detect subtle land tilt; fixed electrodes (1) emit voltage when the bubble moves as the ground shifts (2)



Source: USGS, Applied Geomechanics
Graphic: Kelly Shea, The Seattle Times

of moving, we will close it down immediately."

Because Logan sits along a bench area that is heavily sloped, the risk for a landslide is very high for the city. There are many homes that sit along the bench itself, putting them at risk. Mark Nielsen, public works director for Logan, said it can take a long time for a

slide to be cleaned up.

"The homes that were in the 2009 slide area have been removed," Nielsen said. "Usually it can take months or years to clean up a slide."

For people who live along bench areas and near rivers, there are warning signs that a landslide may be imminent, Bowman said.

The biggest sign is very loose soil after a rain storm. Bowman said when the ground becomes saturated after continuous rain, the soil becomes loose and the risk for a landslide increases exponentially.

"High groundwater is a main precursor to a landslide," Bowman said. "This makes the soil loose

and allows land to move freely."

With part of U.S. Highway 89 running parallel to the Logan River, there is increased risk for flooding that can trigger a landslide. Saunders said since there is constant geological activity, UDOT has plans in place in response to a slide on any of the canyon roads.

Vic Saunders
UDOT spokesman

"If land starts to show signs of moving, we will close it down immediately."

"Once we know of a landslide, we will send crews in to evaluate the slide and begin the cleanup process," Saunders said. "The process depends on the size of the slide and the stability of the land."

Due to Utah's unique geographic nature, Bowman said even though landslides usually occur along the sides of mountains, they can strike anywhere that sits on a slope and has loose soil. He said no matter where someone lives in the state of Utah, it is important to know the local risks and make a plan in case one does occur.

"Checking out the history of previous landslides in an area is a great way to be prepared," Bowman said.

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Under the blood moon



Kylee Larsen photo

THE TUESDAY MORNING LUNAR ECLIPSE was the first in a tetrad, or series of four. A lunar eclipse happens when the moon, Earth and sun align and the Earth casts a shadow on the moon. The sun's rays reflecting around the Earth sometimes create what is called a "blood moon." The next eclipse will be in October.

Lagoon

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cern that it will led to an increase in utility bill costs.

"We would rather see a sewer district than a contract system," said Lloyd Berentzen, mayor of North Logan.

A sewer district would allow for greater representation of the other cities, all of which are experiencing exponential growth.

Berentzen said Logan Mayor Craig Petersen is stepping up in building an understanding between Logan and the other cities.

After the new plant is constructed, the lagoon system will no longer be used by the city. However, some of the facility will still be used by SWBEC to further their research. Simms said when the scale-up process of the research is completed, the research could

serve as an add-on to the new plant as well as to help other communities using lagoon systems.

SWBEC was started in 2010. The main aspect of the research conducted by it involves using the high levels of phosphorus and nitrogen in the wastewater to grow algae. This algae can then be harvested and made into several different products.

"We can take waste not valued by society and turn it into a resource," Simms said.

Simms said the algae can be used to produce cattle and fish feed, pigments for genetic tags and transportation fuel. Using waste as a resource would lessen taxes for local popu-

lations.

"We will create new industries," he said.

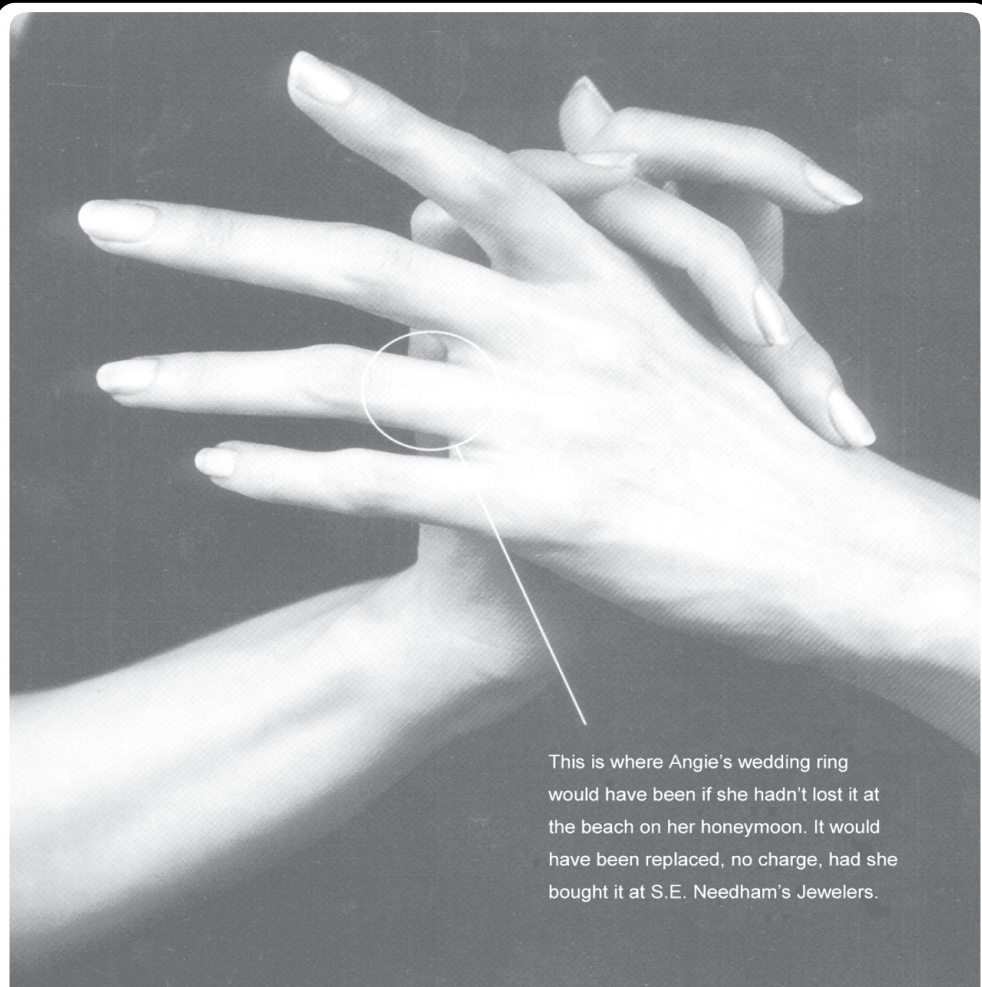
SWBEC receives funds from both Logan city and the Utah Science Technology and Research Initiative (USTAR). Simms said

the research is being driven by students, both undergraduate and graduate. He said one important part of the idea of it being student led is that the students would then be able to take their expertise to different companies and institutions after they finish their degrees here at USU.

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Ronald Simms
SWBEC co-director

"We can take waste not valued by society and turn it in to a resource."



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Effects far-reaching in Ukraine conflict

► By Marissa Neeley
staff writer

Ukraine, along with Crimea and President Vladimir Putin of Russia, have been topics of international news for months. The interest of Americans, as well as what America should do about the situation, has been debated and talked over.

As a result of the tension in Russia and the Ukraine, the Huntsman School of Business' one-week trip to Russia for this summer was cancelled. Instead, students will visit Budapest, Hungary and the already-planned Istanbul, Turkey as part of the program, said Vijay Kannan, executive director of international programs for the Huntsman School of Business.

Not long after the Winter 2014 Olympics concluded in Sochi, Russia, headlines flashed on major news sources about Ukraine's president Viktor Yanukovych fleeing Kiev, Ukraine's capital, after rejecting a trade agreement with the European Union. Thousands protested the measure.

On Feb. 21, protesters stormed the capital and the president's residence, causing Yanukovych to flee to Russia. Headlines then graced news stations about pro-Russian troops in the Crimean peninsula, which has long been a part of Ukraine. On March 16, Crimean voters chose to be annexed by Russia.

"Given the situation in Ukraine, the potential exists for anti-U.S. sentiments in Russia," Kannan said. "From a student safety perspective, it was decided that it was not prudent to take students to Russia and potentially expose them to a backlash against American support for Ukraine and criticism of Russia's stance regarding Ukraine and the Crimea. Student safety is paramount whenever we take students overseas."

Travel plans — now in Hungary — are to take students to visit a number of business and nonbusiness organizations so they can see first-hand what the practice of business looks like, he said. It is also to help them to understand how business is shaped by the unique features of the country, i.e., politics, the social environment and history, and is different from what we see in the U.S., he said.

"At this point I do not anticipate returning to Russia, but it is possible," Kannan said. "Our goal is to give students a meaningful education about the business, social and cultural environments of countries outside the U.S. and to do this in a safe, cost-effective manner."

The business school's international program is not tied to certain countries. As a result, the current situation has given the program an opportunity to explore Hungary, a new location, he said.

Taira Koybaeva, a fellow at MIT and Stanford and associate professor at USU originally from Ukraine, said Americans do not understand the



Roy Gutman/MCT

5,000 PEOPLE staged a rally in Donetsk, a major city in east Ukraine, on March 22 to advocate closer ties for the region with Russia. Many carried communist era flags, chanting "Russia," "Referendum" and "Yanokovych," a reference to Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovych, who fled the country in February.

population of Ukraine nor that freedom is not an abstract.

"When they say that they support, I don't understand who they are supporting," she said. "I am Ukraine. My family is Ukrainian. Ukraine is part of Russia. America is considering helping the Ukrainian government. It is a corrupt government, and the old government is corrupt."

There are other ways Americans can help, Koybaeva said.

"If America wants to help, we should go ahead and help people through organizations," she said. "Prayers for the well-being of the people there would help more than anything political."

Mike Burnham, a USU graduate and former intern at the embassy in Kiev, said the question people should be asking is not if the U.S. should be involved, but how much.

"The U.S. does not have the means or will to reverse Russia's annexation of Crimea," he said. "Ukraine lost Crimea, and there is nothing the U.S. can do about it right now. What the U.S. should be focusing on is deterring future Russian aggression, building a functioning Ukrainian democracy and preventing ethnic violence. Those are all actions that can be done without direct confrontation through defensive arms support, diplomacy and planning."

What is happening is cultural ignorance, Koybaeva said.

"American media is atrocious," she said. "They don't understand the situation. Ukraine has never been an independent state. Two-thirds of the territory of Ukraine are naturally a part of Russia."

Kiev used to be the capital of Russia in the ninth century, Koybaeva said.

"Crimea is a peninsula that has always been a part of Russia," she said. "Crimeans never wanted to be part of Ukraine."

Koybaeva said she doesn't understand why America treats Russia so badly. She doesn't understand the animosity.

"Putin doesn't have as high of a rating as he used to, but it is higher than Obama," Koybaeva said. "He is respected. What is the big deal as far as America is concerned?"

Ukraine experienced problems before Putin came into play. There is still will toward Putin, Koybaeva said.

"He is not a bad guy at all," she said. "Why demonize him? Russian media is democratized. They criticize him right and left."

Burnham doesn't like the way many have portrayed Putin as irrational. While no one predicted he would go this far, Putin's actions are strikingly prudent, he said.

"He has tried to control Ukraine behind the scenes via political means," Burnham said. "With the ousting of Yanukovych, it became clear that in the long run, Putin would lose the political battle over Ukraine to the West. Rather than wait for that to happen, he annexed the most strategically valuable part of the country at the most opportune time. This is not the action of a madman, but a very intelligent and calculating one."

However, Putin is deserving of criticism, Burnham said.

"Putin is a serial human rights abuser running a kleptocratic government," Burnham said. "And while the U.S. has its own track record of hypocrisy, his actions in Crimea so soon after the debacle over Syria, in which he appealed directly to the U.S. public in a New York Times op-ed to uphold international law by refraining from intervention, is despicable."

The involvement of the U.S. is unavoidable. The U.S., along with Russia and China, is one of the signatories of the 1994 Budapest Memorandum, in which Ukraine agreed to surrender its nuclear stockpiles in exchange for a guarantee that its territorial integrity be maintained, Burnham said.

"Russia's annexation of Crimea is as blatant a violation of this agreement as it gets," he said. "The Obama administration has worked hard on nuclear non-proliferation, and this severely undermines U.S. efforts in this arena because states will no longer trust a U.S. guarantee of security in exchange for their nuclear stockpiles."

The effects of the situation in Russia with the Ukraine will reach global impacts in the energy market, Burnham said.

"Russia is the world's number one exporter of natural gas, and Ukraine is the gateway through which that gas reaches Europe," he said. "Obviously, that puts Ukraine and Europe, who depend on Russia for energy, in a rather precarious position. With regards to the U.S. though, it has rekindled the debate over the Keystone XL pipeline. If the president wanted to hit Putin where it hurt, he would approve the pipeline and take a significant bite out of Russia's market share."

Burnham thinks the U.S. needs to do three things.

"First, it needs to have a plan to start providing aid and evacuation should an ethnic conflict develop," he said. "Ukraine is currently at serious risk for ethnic violence, and it has already occurred in isolated areas on a small scale. Ethnic violence is often the worst kind, and could result in hundreds of thousands of deaths. The U.S. should be overly cautious in doing whatever it can to prevent this."

Second, the U.S. should use this opportunity to help shape the new government, Burnham said.

"Finally, the U.S. should start taking steps to deter further Russian aggression against any state within the region," he said. "It's difficult to say exactly what that looks like, but I think NATO can be an effective tool, and the organization has already taken small steps for short-term deterrence and is contemplating long term options. A more pointed mission statement for the organization and a gesture of good will toward Eastern European states is a good place to start."

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ested in finding out what Utah State students think ... Your neighborhoods are the ones most affected by it."

Saxton said the apartment complex he lives at provides a parking space for each student, but sometimes they're filled up by other cars. Several other students spoke up to agree with his comment.

"I think it's a really good idea where you rotate every other day," Saxton said. "Park on one side of the road so at least every other day the snow is being cleared on the side of the road."

A representative from Logan City Police also asked students about concerns they had.

Before Olson spoke to students, Capt. Curtis Hooley from the Logan City Police Department identified a few areas of interest in student neighborhoods — house parties, underage consumption of alcohol, burglaries, peeping toms and sexual offenses.

"It's the responsibility of each one of us to do what we can to help, at least, reduce the chances of being a victim of a crime," he said.

He mentioned house parties always having the potential to be a nuisance and reminded students to be good neighbors, but put more emphasis on burglaries and sex crimes.

He said auto burglaries are common in Logan, and

most of the time, it's when a vehicle is left unlocked. He warned students to lock up cars and houses and hide valuable items like laptops, cell phones, game consoles and expensive calculators.

Having worked on sex crime cases for five years with Logan city, Hooley said alcohol is almost always involved in a sexual offense case.

"One of the things that I always try to say is that if you're going to go a party and you're going to consume alcohol, providing at least hopefully that you're 21, make sure you have somebody that's watching over you that you trust," he said. "Not somebody that's going to go to the party with you and then leave and leave you vulnerable."

He said students who have ground-floor apartments are more susceptible to peeping toms. He suggested looking inside apartment windows to observe what's visible when blinds are turned up or down.

"If it was a perfect world, you could do all those things and never have to worry about becoming a victim," Hooley said. "But we don't live in a perfect world."

Neighborhood Council meetings with all the representatives are held at 5:30 p.m. the third Thursday of almost every month at City Hall, 290 S. 100 West. Olson encouraged students to attend.

"I always tell students, 'You've got a friend at City Hall,'" he said.

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What is at stake?

*Lacrosse can clinch its first ever
playoff berth on Saturday*

► **By Logan Jones**
staff writer

Utah State's men's lacrosse club is one win away from its first playoff berth in school history.

The Aggies return home to play conference rival Utah Valley University on Saturday at 7 p.m. in a battle for a spot in the postseason.

The team started the 2014 season with a 19-6 loss to Westminster. USU won its next matchup, a road game versus Montana State University, with a score of 9-8.

And the streak had begun.

After their narrow one-goal victory in Montana, the Aggies beat the University of Montana the following day by two goals. The next game, USU won by eight; the next by 20.

The Aggies won six-straight games before losing to the University of Utah on the road — the best start to a season since the team was resurrected in 2011.

"We were looking for a new coach in 2010, and the transition was a little rough," said junior midfielder Kevin Mann. "A lot of guys quit because it looked like we weren't going to have a team, and we were barely able to group enough guys together with the new coach."

The Aggies technically dropped out of the Men's Collegiate Lacrosse Association for the 2010-2011 season, though Mann said the team still played a few games around Utah.

Despite the club's past struggles, Mann is



Photo courtesy of USU lacrosse

FRESHMAN MATTHEW TAYLOR takes a shot in a game against the Idaho State Yotes at the Legacy Fields.

confident in the new squad.

"We're back now, and we're winning," Mann said.

Freshman midfielder Marshall McGill said he thinks this will be the year for the Aggies to make a run in the playoffs.

"We're pretty happy with our performance so far this year," McGill said. "We're confident

we can make the playoffs this year."

Mann said a postseason appearance would legitimize the team and put the memory of the lost 2010 season in the past.

"We haven't made the playoffs since the team was reinstated," Mann said. "If we beat UVU, we'll go to the conference playoffs and a chance to play in the national tournament."

Tanner Boden, a sophomore attack, said the team takes games "one at a time," but the thought of beating UVU still crosses his mind.

"It's the biggest game of the season," Boden said. "We just have to take care of business."

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Schlott invited to WNBA training camp

► **By Logan Jones**
staff writer

The call came early Wednesday morning from both the head coach and the general manager of the Indiana Fever.

Former USU star point guard Jennifer Schlott is heading to WNBA training camp.

"It was pretty much a surprise," Schlott said. "I kind of thought I might get invited to one or two, but I didn't think it'd be so soon."

The standout senior had just finished what women's head coach Jerry Finkbeiner termed "a season for the ages." Named the 2014 Mountain West Conference Player of the Year and ranking No. 4 in the nation in average points per game, the 5-foot-6 guard said she was congratulated by Indiana Fever coach Lin



Kylee Larsen photo

SENIOR GUARD JENNIFER SCHLOTT encourages teammates before a free throw during a first-round game of the Mountain West Tournament.

Dunn and extended an invitation to compete for a spot on the team in the Fever's upcoming training camp.

Dunn has coached the Fever to five-straight playoff appearances, winning the WNBA Championship in

2012. Dunn and the rest of Indiana's coaching staff will evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of several ath-

letes at the April 27 training camp before finalizing the 11-woman roster for the season.

"It's definitely going to be different," Schlott said. "I'm up for the competition. It's going to be bigger, stronger, faster. We'll just see how it goes."

"I guess I need to talk to my professors," Schlott said with a smile, noting the camp is less than two weeks away.

Schlott said the opportunity to tryout is a blessing.

"You know, a year ago, I would've never thought this could happen," Schlott said. "It's just nice that all the hard work and all the time I put in and all that kind of stuff paid off."

The senior, who broke both the Mountain West and USU records for points scored in a season with 811, credits USU head coach Jerry Finkbeiner

"a huge amount" for her development into one of the highest-scoring women in the NCAA this past season.

"I don't think I could be the player that I am today if coach Fink wasn't my coach and he didn't instill the confidence he did in me this year," Schlott said. "He helped me play my game to the best of my ability."

The Arizona native said she's ready for the challenge to take her game to the professional level, but that she'll carry her experience as an Aggie with her to Indiana.

"I'll miss the atmosphere and my coaches and teammates and fans and all the fun things that come with being a student athlete at a great university," Schlott said.

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FOOTBALL

5 things we learned from spring

► **By Jeffrey Dahdah**
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Utah State spring football started off with a lot of questions. However, over the last month or so of play from the Aggies, a handful at least appear to be answered. Here are five things we learned from spring football.

1. The Aggies need Chuckie

The play from the quarterbacks was underwhelming overall. While Darell Garretson and Craig Harrison did not do anything wrong for the most part, they also did not do anything spectacular; at least, nothing to cause serious speculation about a potential quarterback battle in the fall.

“I think Darell made some good development. There is still work to be done foot-work-wise, transferring everything down from your feet to your arm fast and how to process it. We mentioned it’s a fast game out there right now,” said head coach Matt Wells. “Darell has done a better job; still work to be done, slowing it down in his mind.”

Wells was equally uncertain about Harrison.

“Some days he’s excellent, and some days he’s not up to par,” Wells said. “He knows that, and I know that.”

Either way, neither the quarterback exhibited the playmaking ability that Keeton often did in the past three seasons.

2. Whoever is at quarterback will have a lot of weapons

Some of the classic offensive weapons looked in mid-season form while other new potential targets burst onto the scene, starting with the running backs. By the time the Tennessee game rolls around, Joe Hill will be back from his knee injury. However, junior Rashad Hall has filled in nicely as a back who can both pound the ball up the middle and hurt defenses on the perimeter. Sophomore Kennedy Williams also proved he could extend plays and create problems for defenses, especially when he gets in space.

“I thought the running backs stood out a little bit today,” said Wells after the spring game. “It was good to see Rashad Hall and Kennedy Williams get downhill. They did some really nice things out on the perimeter.”

Meanwhile, the receivers also appear ready to make whoever is throwing the ball look good. Junior Jojo Natson needs only for the season to start to show off his athleticism, senior Ronald Butler has developed into a viable third option and freshman Damoun Patterson burst onto the scene this spring and worked his way up to playing with the first team. However, the greatest standout from the receiving corp in the spring was junior Brandon Swindall, who asserted himself as the leader of the staff with stellar and consistent production.

“Brandon Swindall continues to play well,” Wells said. “I’m happy with him.”

3. The offensive line is going to be all right



Kylee Larsen photo

SENIOR QUARTERBACK CRAIG HARRISON hands the ball off to sophomore running back Kennedy Williams during the annual spring football game at Romney Stadium on Saturday.

The offensive line lost four starters from last season due to graduation. Only senior Kevin Whimpey remains at tackle, who will provide leadership. However, guards

Bill Vauvau and Taani Fisilau have both all-but solidified starting roles. Meanwhile, the competition is not closed on the other tackle position and center position, but Wells has been relatively pleased with

those stepping in.

“Both guards have done a good job, Taani Fisilau and Bil Vauvau. Jake Simonich at right tackle has done a really nice job. Kevin is the leader of the bunch. He’s the two-year

starter, so they’ve been good,” Wells said. “Their biggest thing is they need to continue to communicate. The more experience they get, the more

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Tennis wraps up season

► **By Curtis Lundstrom**
sports editor

The Utah State men’s tennis team will conclude its season with two home matches this weekend.

The Aggies host UNLV on Friday for senior day and Fresno State on Sunday. Andrew Whiting, Fredrik Peterson and Matt Thatcher will play their final matches in front of the home crowd.

Both matches are scheduled for 11 a.m. at the USU tennis courts on campus.

“We want to encourage people to come out

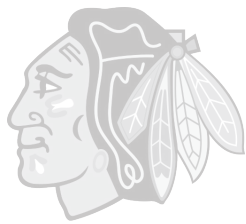
to both matches,” said assistant head coach Sven Poslusny. “We will have free pizza, free prizes and the weather’s going to be beautiful on both days.”

The Aggies are looking for their first conference win of the season. USU is 9-13 overall this season and 0-5 in Mountain West Conference play and will compete in the 2014 MWC Championships starting Thursday, April 24 and concluding Saturday, April 26.

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State your case:

Which team will hoist Lord Stanley’s Cup?



► **By Eric Jungblut**
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► **By Brad Ferguson**
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NEW CHALLENGER

Homer alert here: I’m a Chicago sports nut. Bears, White Sox, Bulls — the Cubs don’t exist — are the teams I proudly sport the colors of, so I’ll probably come off as one of Bill Swerski’s Superfans by saying the Blackhawks will repeat as Stanley Cup champions.

Or rather, I would come off as a Superfan — if the Hawks weren’t so dang good.

Case in point: The Hawks see the return of injured stars Patrick Kane and captain Jonathan Toews just in time for the playoffs. Case more in point: The Hawks have gone 7-5 since the two stars went down with injuries. It’s not too impressive, but it shows the team’s resilience.

The Hawks drew the slumping Blues in the first round, who ended the season on a 0-6 slide. The Blues won the season series with the Hawks 3-2, but momentum is important going into the playoffs, and the Blackhawks will be invigorated by Kane and Toews’ returns.

The Hawks would face the Avalanche or Wild in the semis; tough, but beatable teams. The real challenge will be the Ducks or Sharks in the conference final, but the scrappy Hawks will find a way to prevail. From there, it would be the Hawks’ Cup to lose against an always-unpredictable Eastern Conference team.

Yes, Chicago fans have notoriously high expectations for our teams, and these are generally met with disappointment — but this time around, our expectations are well-grounded.

Daaaaa Bears — er, I mean — Daaaa Hawks.



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When it comes to winning, the Bruins of Boston have made it their science. This year for the Bruins has been plagued with the most consistent play, strong line after strong line, 12-game win streaks, and a bald-headed coaching master sensei that is Claude Julien.

The Bruins have been in the last two of three Stanley Cup Finals, and they are hungry. Really hungry. Last season, the Bruins fell to the Chicago Blackhawks 4-2 in the final series. In a short, painful 17 seconds, Chicago scored two goals in the last minute of the last period, in front of 17,565 full TD Garden seats, to steal the Cup from Boston fans. Is there anything else that could make a team more hungry? They’re starving.

One accolade the Bruins have already received this season is the President’s Trophy, given to the team with the best regular-season record, ensuring home court advantage to the team as long as they survive the playoffs. What do the Bruins think of the award? A big old city-wide notion of “We don’t care. We want the Cup.” Being the most dominant in the regular season is great, and earning the best playoff route and not finishing on a loss is better; a predictable outcome for the NHL’s best team.

What problems could this New England hockey club have? Winning Lord Stanley’s Cup most definitely won’t be one of them.



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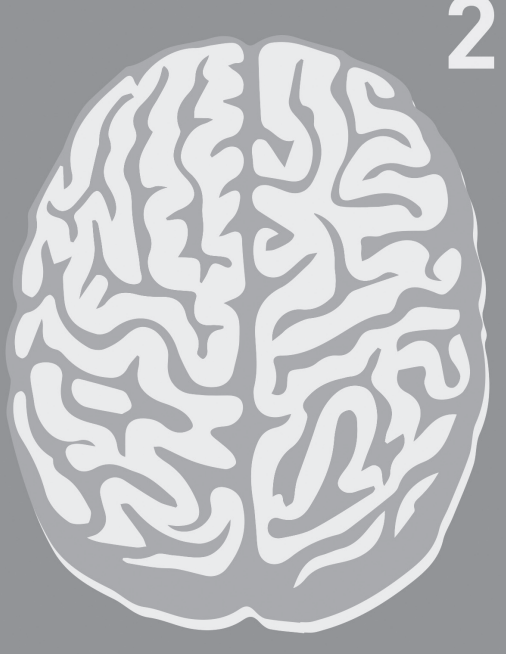
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SENIOR QUARTERBACK CUCKIE KEETON enjoys the annual spring game from the sidelines at Romney Stadium on Saturday.

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confident they'll get."

However the Aggies could be in a lot worse shape going from one of the more experienced lines in the nations a year ago to one of the least experienced next season.

4. So will the defensive backfield

If there was a weak link in the defense last season, it was in defending the deep ball. Corner Rashad Stewart is back for his senior season, and the Aggies received a talented transfer corner from Tennessee with Daniel Gray. Couple that with the apparent emergence of playmaking safety Devin Centers, and the backfield appears in good standing.

"He's around the ball and he's in the right place at the right time. Coach (Todd) Orlando is playing him in a bunch of different positions. He's going to be a really good player for us on defense," Wells said. "The big thing is that he's playing with such confidence. You can just see it by the way he carries himself. A lot of that started with special teams last year."

5. The administration is already a believer in Wells

After just one season as head coach, Wells received a contract extension through 2018 and a pay raise, bringing his salary to more than \$800,000 per year.

"Matt had a great first year leading our football program. His commitment to our student-athletes has been tremendous, and they've responded with great results

in the classroom and on the field," said Scott Barnes, USU Athletics director. "Matt has deep roots here as a former Aggie quarterback, and he conveys his passion for our great university on a daily basis."

Wells sees his roots as less of a talking point, however.

"We've had great positive feedback, you know, an extra year on the contract. I think it shows great support from Scott Barnes and President Albrecht," he said. "They like seeing me here because I'm an alumni, but that doesn't win games. This alumni better win games."

However, it is worth noting that former Utah State head coach Gary Anderson also received an extension early on in his tenure with the Aggies and did not stay long enough to finish that extension.

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Aggies split doubleheader



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PAXTON PROVOST PREPARES to field a ball. Utah State softball returned to the home diamond Tuesday against rival Weber State for a doubleheader. The Aggies split the two games, winning the first 6-2, and dropping the second game 8-3.

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Do you believe in Magic?



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JUNIOR ANNIE LANTIS contemplates which spell to cast in the game Magic: The Gathering. It's been 10 years since the game first became popular among college students.

Mythological card game brings sense of unity to student players and collectors

► **By Katie Whitmore**
staff writer

Since 1993, the trading card game Magic: The Gathering has taken the gaming world by storm, and students on campus are still playing it.

The first of its kind, this trading card game is both the largest and the longest-lasting with more than 12 million players, even drawing in actors like Nathan Fillion and Seth Green. Chris Jepsen, manager of Heebeegabeez Comics and Games store on

541 N Main Street, said about 60 percent of the Magic: The Gathering players are college students.

None of the games that followed in Magic: The Gathering's wake had the same kind of following and eventually petered out, which leads some to ask what makes this such a lasting and popular game.

"It's a game with a lot of personality," said Aaron Cortado, a freshman majoring in biomedical engineering. "In a way, it is like 3-D chess. There

are a lot of dynamics and dimensions which makes it a good brain exercise."

Magic: The Gathering has five different colored cards, and the different colors correspond to a different tactic.

"But the best part is that no one color is better than another," Cortado said. "It is a very balanced game. It all depends on how you play your cards."

For example, blue cards are associated with cunning.

"Each card color shows a different personality, and you

learn a lot about a person by the cards they use," said Jarom Rollins, an undeclared freshman. "Most people avoid the blue cards because they make you seem like a jerk because you kind of get to break the rules, but if you want to win every time, get a blue deck."

Some USU students play causally, while others compete in highly competitive tournaments.

"There is a professional tour

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'As Time Goes By' brings new light to World War II

Well, this is sad. It's my last book review ever. That's right: I will not be back at USU until Spring 2016, as I've deferred to go to Louisiana for 18 months. It's been fun, guys. It really has. We've been through literary masterpieces and not-so literary masterpieces that are still just as good. We've been through romances, adventure, classics and now historical fiction. If you've read my pieces once, twice or loyally twice a month, just know that deep down, I really like you. If I could give you a gold star, I would.

Appreciation aside, if

you've read the little doohickey at the bottom of this column that tells you who I am and what credentials I have to write a book review column, then you've noticed that it says that I read everything from historical fiction and fantasy to romance and non-fiction.



Marissa Neeley

Good Reads

You've probably noticed that I have hardly reviewed anything other than the romance and maybe, just maybe, fantasy genres.

But now — brace yourselves — I have a fresh genre to review. Historical fiction, baby. I've read a couple of good historical fiction series and books in the past: "The Work in the Glory," "Pre-

lude to Glory" and "1776," to name a few. I'm a history teaching major, so of course I read historical fiction. It's my favorite way to learn history. If you don't like history and have never read an historical fiction novel, I would sincerely suggest you try it. It opens your eyes and makes those important connections we need to have to our past.

"As Time Goes By" by Jerry Borrowman is an historical fiction novel about World War II. To be honest, I don't think my education regarding any war in the 20th century has been a good one,

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Braving Spring allergy invasions

Dead Week is in four days. Now is the time to brave through the calm of the storm, holding on, knuckle-white, before the academically motivated juggernaut that sends every college student into end-of-year anxiety levels so intense, they haven't felt anything of the like since the ending of "Air Bud." It's crisis and pandemonium all wrapped in scantrons.

Yet, in all of that hysteria, all I can seem to focus on is the well-known fact I haven't been able to breathe out of my nose in six days.

For a grand mass of bystanders, spring means dusting off tank tops that informally note swagger being rather expensive and any form of activity that involves loudspeakers and a frisbee. For myself and many others like me, however, it means enduring olfactory-attacking pollen levels, an itchy roof-of-mouth syndrome that has never made any sense and sounding like Chuckie Finster from "Rugrats" in front of your professors. There is no spring for Steve Schwartzman. There is only allergy season.

Now, I understand fully that this time of year breeds two populations of frustration: those who complain about braving allergies and those who have to brave those who complain about braving allergies. We get it, folks, it's annoying; and we're sure all of the sniffing is distracting you from watching pirated episodes of "Game of Thrones" on your laptop. But sincerely, the hype, or lack thereof, is



Steve Schwartzman

Just a few laughs

accurate. The panic is very real.

I've recently heard tell of dealing with allergies being likened to an alien invasion — the mere intrusion of unwanted sensations and beings that alter your way of living and weaken your personal resolve — and I realized just how on point that observation was.

Not following? Let's take a look at the some of the same things you'd tell an allergy patient and a community of potential alien hostages.

"Whatever you do, stay inside." — Out there? That's where they are. That's where they rule. You head outside and you stand no chance at surviving. Stay where you know

you will be safe until the time is absolutely right.

"Don't trust anyone." — We don't know yet, or at least keep forgetting, if what they have is contagious.

If you join them, if you even touch them, you are on a train ride brim full of pain and confusion about why you can only taste mustard; and trust me, you don't want that.

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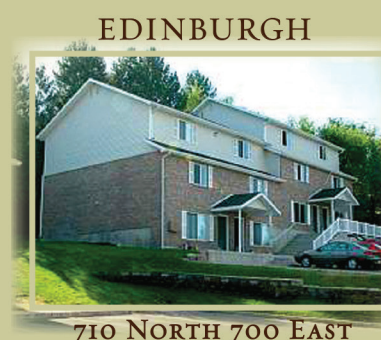
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JOHN NEWMAN (LEFT), A SENIOR IN MUSIC THERAPY, LEADS undeclared-sophomore Teagan Savage (center) and junior in sociology Dylan Downs (right) in playing the drums. Music therapy students presented information about their program, answered questions and, as shown, lead audience members in music experiences at the forum Tuesday.

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especially World War II. I really do feel ill-educated on those subjects because there is so much to it. The biggest factor is probably because we spend way too much time on the Revolutionary War and the Civil War and suddenly find ourselves faced with the end of the year with no time to go over the Cold War or Vietnam. Don't get me wrong: Colonial times and the Revolutionary War are my favorite part of American history to study and are super important both then and now, but so is everything that follows it.

Whatever history education you have received regarding World War II is about to change as soon as you read "As Time Goes By." Before I started this book, I knew the basics — Nazis, Germany, Hitler, the Holocaust and

concentration camps, the Japanese, Pearl Harbor, Japanese internment camps, the war in the Pacific, the Russian front — but I will tell you what I learned that I never knew or realized before.

One thing I learned amongst the first few pages was that it was called the Phony War at the beginning with most air raid sirens being false alarms. People were wondering if a war was indeed going on, but of course, London for sure will know that it is not phony when it gets bombed during the Blitzkrieg.

As is standard for a book review, you want to know about the writing style, the characters, the plot, climax and antagonist, among other things. You want to know how good the meat is before you decide to dedicate the next bit of your life to reading this one book.

This is an LDS historical fiction novel, taking place in London right as England declares war on Germany. The family, the Carlyles, that this

book follows consists of Lord Carlyle, who sits in the House of Lords and is asked by the prime minister and Winston Churchill to perform special duties. The two youngest children are sent to Arizona to live with relatives where they will be safe, and the oldest child, Michael, is enlisted in the Navy.

Borrowman has gone to great lengths to get his novel as historically accurate as possible. Of course, the Carlyles aren't real people, but the characters they come in contact with and the situations they find themselves in are factual. If you like politics, stories or facts, this is the book for you. It's not extremely political, but with Lord Carlyle in the House of Lords and working with Churchill and the prime minister, you will undoubtedly get a good dose of English politics regarding the war.

I find it very interesting with an unique perspective. The writing isn't bad. It's easy to follow, and history and fiction are woven in nicely. It's easy to learn and to enjoy a good story with books such as these. Happy reading.

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Marissa Neeley
“Whatever history you have received regarding World War II is about to change.”

Magic

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where people can make as much money as professional poker players,” Jepsen said.

He said there are people who just collect the cards for their artwork. Each card features a piece of original art that makes the cards perfect trading material.

Rollins said other card games just can't compete with the artwork.

“One of the best parts of the game is the artwork,” Cortado said. “It is a tremendous part of the game. I chose my most valuable card based on the artwork.”

With each new expansion comes a new wave of art based on common mythology.

“Magic: The Gathering draws on common mythology, like the Greek and Roman gods, that everyone is really familiar with,” Jepsen said.

Magic: The Gathering can cost as much or as little as

people want it to. There are cards that cost as little as \$1, while others can cost up to \$13,000.

“Booster packs are the most addictive,” Rollins said. “It's like gambling, and you keep trying to get better cards. I got lucky and one of my most valuable cards came from a booster.”

Cortado said Magic: The Gathering is an enjoyable activity.

“There is a lot of in depth meaning and a lot of memorization. It has helped me a lot with quick addition, but is so easy to get into,” Cortado said. “It is a great way to spend time with others, and it is something to relate to.”

Rollins agreed.

“It is easy to make friends, or enemies I guess, and it is easy to get along with all of the players,” Rollins said. “They are all really friendly.”

Heebeegeebeez has tournaments and playing time from Tuesday through Saturday at 5:30 p.m. New members are welcome.

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Allergy

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truders tell you.” — Don't be the hero. You can't outlast it. If they tell you to stand down, hunkering down and hoping for the best is your only choice. However, if they tell you that you are free to go watch your back, they pride themselves on attacking when you least expect it.

“This is totally a plot from an M. Night Shyamalan movie.” — “Signs” is the obvious one here. As for the other, I am still convinced Shyamalan made “Osmosis Jones.” You can't prove me otherwise. I'm stonewalling this.

“Don't run. They will catch you.” — Sincerely, no physical activity whatsoever. If you wish to breathe again, go about this conservatively.

Finally, and most importantly:

“Take everything you can. Leave nothing unturned. If we believe, you will stay alive.” — Anything can act as an emergency tissue, and anything not covered in dust can act as a fresh air fan. Stay creative and stay strong. You have more power than you know.

With any hope and faith, this war of our immune system worlds will end in peace. Until then, remain calm, look to the skies, look again to any newly sprouted plants and remember...
... there is irritable life out there.

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Many students have heard of the annual Robins Awards, referred to on the USU website as “the most coveted of all Utah State honors,” but few know the story that sparked the tradition.

William “Bill” E. Robins was a student at USU in the late 1940s, the time when many current students’ grandparents were college-aged. He was a Sigma Nu and student body president in 1949, pictured four times in that year’s USU yearbook, “The Buzzer.”

Robins was also the “primary and initial visionary for the Taggart Student Center,” according to USU’s website. He is described “a campus hero.”

60 years ago and five years after his presidency, he and his wife, Geraldine, were killed in a private plane crash near Denver, Colo., with another couple from Clearfield, Utah, according to an article in the Salt Lake Tribune. They left behind a 1-year-old son, named after his father.

According to USU’s website, this fatal event caused the Sigma Nu fraternity to organize a scholarship fund for the young Robins orphan so he could attend Utah State when he was old enough.

However, the child died at the age of 8 after being hospitalized and battling leukemia.

The Salt Lake Tribune reported the “death of the intended beneficiary ... (wouldn’t) cause discontinuance of USU’s ‘Robins Awards Night.’” Instead, the fund was used to continue the tradition, according to the Utah State website.

Though the USU has since severed ties with Sigma Nu, as reported in Utah State Today in 2009, the annual event continues.

Originally fashioned after the Academy Awards, the formal affair is centered around the Bill Robins Memorial Award. His name has “stood as a symbol of the best efforts students can offer,” and the award is given to students who have demonstrated qualities similar to his.

This year’s awards night will take place Saturday at 7 p.m.

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Domestic terrorism isn't something we can ignore

This past weekend, the terrorists won.

No, there weren't any planes hijacked and flown into buildings. No bombs went off in the middle of a busy public event, and mass hysteria didn't break out due to deposits of anthrax being found in someone's mail.

These terrorists weren't foreign-born ruffians calling for the death of the white infidel — a stereotypical view of terrorism that has been shoved down the throats of Americans since Sept. 11, 2001. These were armed American citizens who took the law into their own hands.

I am of course talking about the situation in Nevada involving rancher Cliven Bundy and his band of armed supporters. If you haven't heard of this situation, Google it right away.

The CliffsNotes version goes like this: rancher illegally grazes his cattle on



federal land for years; federal government finds use for the land, asks rancher to remove his cattle and pay fees owed; rancher refuses, calls on armed lawbreakers from around the nation to come and have a gunfight standoff against the federal agents who are rounding up and removing the cattle from land in the Nevada desert; Bundy supporters show up in droves, government agents

retreat to preserve the safety of the public and federal agents.

Does this seem like justice or a win for freedom against the tyrannical federal government? I would say no — the sole winner in this is Bundy, a man who has blatantly disregarded not only federal law but also the Nevada Constitution. He has lost his battle in court — twice — on grounds of grazing his cattle in areas where he shouldn't have and then skipped out on paying the grazing fees.

Nearly 20,000 ranchers in Western states — including Utah — lawfully abide by regulations set forth by the Bureau of Land Management. But Bundy apparently believes himself special. Why is this?

He feels special because a militia of bullies and outlaws masquerading as patriots speedily came to his aid, armed with guns and a bone to pick with Uncle Sam. These individuals were ready to fight and had been told they'd need to be prepared to draw blood. If the government hadn't chosen to withdraw, allowing Bundy his victory, we would have seen American citizen firing on American citizen in a massacre that could — as terrifying as it may be — lead to a second American Civil War.

This might have been the first time this group employed such tactics to get what they wanted, but it certainly won't be the last. No, the American landscape is slowly turning into a futuristic dystopian Western film. The only difference is that the outlaws will abandon riding horses and carrying six-shooters for pickup trucks emblazoned with "Don't Tread on Me" bumper stickers and AK-47s.

I haven't met any of the members of this crew, but I would wager none of them know much about the American Constitution. Sure, they can likely recite parts of the Second Amendment from memory, but what beyond

Paul Christiansen

"The American landscape is slowly turning into a futuristic dystopian Western film."

that? Are they aware the Constitution calls for the government to enforce the law? Are they also aware that the government's duty is to stamp out any rebellious actors?

These armed rebels align themselves with the Tea Party, a group of madmen

in funny hats who are on a quest for revisionist history. They've forgotten — or ignored — the incident from American history where, in 1794, President George Washington raised an army and brought force against individuals who threatened government officials and refused to pay taxes.

The so-called Whiskey Rebellion quickly fell apart after the federal government brought the hammer down. Washington's quick action helped the Constitution of the newly formed United States succeed. Bundy and his armed brigade in Nevada simply avoided justice through rebellious means. That only weakens the protection of the law for all Americans.

Yes, the government was right to step down in order

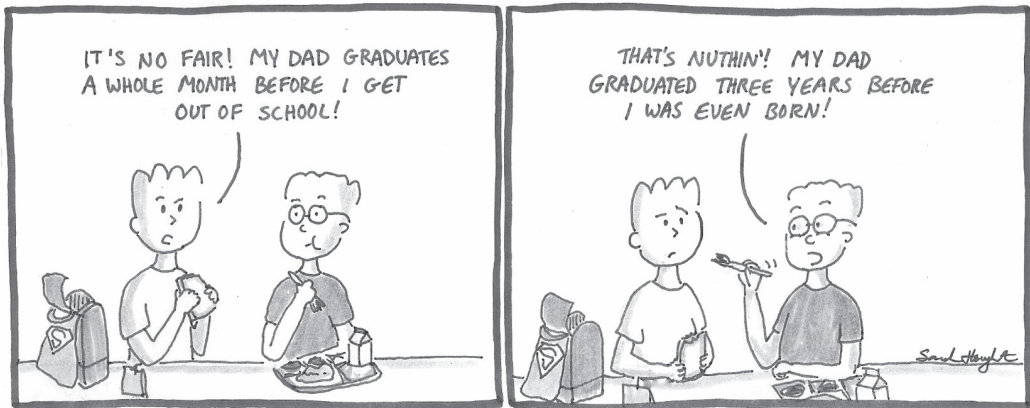
to avoid the bloodshed of American citizens, but other steps need to be taken in order to ensure Bundy's lawless actions don't go unaddressed and unpunished.

I bring this to light because Nevada is our neighboring state, and like in Nevada, Utah is full of strong ranching communities. This type of action is sure to come to Utah, as is the case when one lawbreaker is let go without punishment. Bundy's success is a threat to civil society, and it will only worsen while he gloats over a victory won by threat of violence.

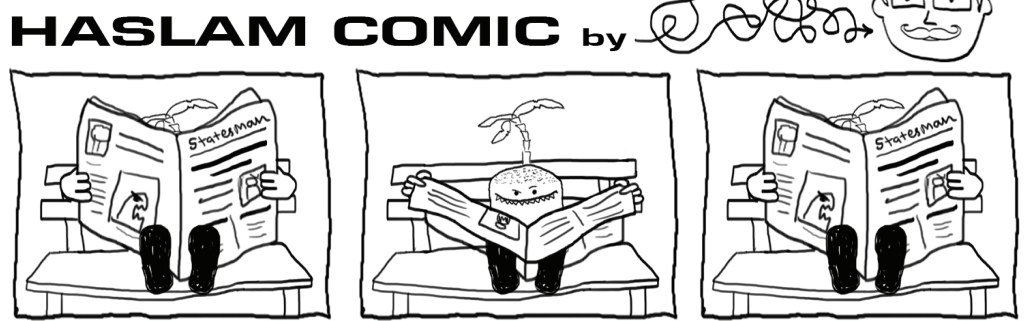
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Horoscope love forecast: April 17

► By Jennifer Shepherd
The Lipstick Mystic (MCT)

Aries: March 21-April 19

You could have a missed connection with someone. A moon opposition is making it harder for you to focus, so you might schedule a date one night, but it's really supposed to happen on a different night. Don't worry. You'll hook up soon enough.

Taurus: April 20-May 20

You might find yourself giving a lecture to your honey. Maybe your guy isn't paying his share of the bills. Or perhaps your girlfriend keeps acting vague about whether she wants to be exclusive with you or not. The moon says talk it out.

Gemini: May 21-June 21

There's a funky lunar eclipse, and this is making you feel jumpy. Don't lash out at your partner just because you're in a mood. And don't make any big moves. For example: avoid getting engaged or buying a home.

Cancer: June 22-July 22

Sensitive Venus is increasing your longing for a certain someone. This person might be unavailable. Or this guy or girl could be somebody you used to date, but you split up long ago. You'll have to figure out what your feelings are trying to tell you.

Leo: July 23-Aug. 22

You and your sweetheart might find yourselves disagreeing about "big stuff" like religions, politics, or gender issues, thanks to the moon. It's good to debate hot topics. Don't shy away from discussing things like grown-ups; that's how real relationships are built.

Virgo: Aug. 23-Sept. 22

A friendly sun has you reconsidering your position regarding somebody. Maybe you hated this person, but noww you wonder if you're really in love. Or perhaps you didn't understand this person very well, but now you have more complete information about him or her.

Libra: Sept. 23-Oct. 23

Mars is making it hard for you to focus. If you have to study, complete a big work project, or deal with stress at home, your energies might be scattered. See if you can get your honey to help you out in exchange for a future hot date night.

Scorpio: Oct. 24-Nov. 2

The moon in your sign is helping you identify what's really going on in your relationship. If you've been on again, off again, with someone, you'll have greater clarity about which path is the right one for you. Do what is in

your highest good.

Sagittarius: Nov. 22-Dec. 21

You could be attracted to someone who is super shy. Your outgoing, friendly nature will draw this person toward you. Sometimes it's fun dating somebody who is your complete opposite. Venus says it's worth checking things out.

Capricorn: Dec. 22-Jan.19

You'll want to put your foot down about something as the sun makes you super confident. If your partner isn't treating you right, bring this issue out into the open. If your honey has been evasive about something, confront him or her about those lies.

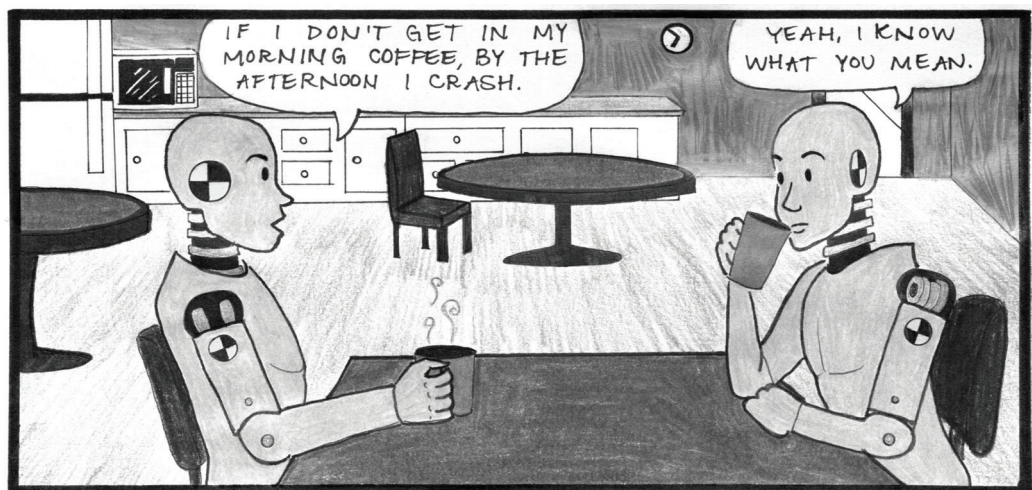
Aquarius: Jan. 20-Feb. 18

You'll be in angel mode as the moon enhances your sense of generosity. You'll volunteer at a homeless shelter or soup kitchen, or you'll spend all night with a friend who just broke up with her loser boyfriend. Doing kind deeds is good for the soul.

Pisces: Feb. 19-March 20

Venus is increasing your sensitivity to touch. You'll want to ask your partner for a nice massage. Or if you're single, try snuggling with your loving pet doggie or kitty. Do something that allows you to connect on a warm, physical level with another breathing being.

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- Vivint Job Fair, 4-8 p.m., 1475 North Main Street
- Exploring Theosophy's Influence on Visual Art & Music Symposium, 12:30-5 p.m., Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art
- CWG P&T Celebration, 4:30 p.m., Caine Home
- Talking Pictures stage production, 7:30 p.m., Chase Fine Arts Center, Studio Theatre

Friday, April 18

- April 21-25 No Test Week
- True Aggie Night
- Stokes Survival Night, 5 p.m. to 9 a.m., Stokes Nature Center
- Talking Pictures, 7:30 p.m., Chase Fine Arts Center, Studio Theatre
- String Ensembles, 7:30 p.m., Performance Hall
- Guitarist/singer Kris Krompel, 6:30-8 p.m., Pier 49 San Francisco Style Sourdough Pizza.

Saturday, April 19

- Robins Awards, 7-9 p.m., TSC Ballroom
- Talking Pictures Matinee, 2 p.m., Chase Fine Arts Center, Studio Theatre
- Talking Pictures, 7:30 p.m., Chase Fine Arts Center, Studio Theatre
- Botanical Art Exhibit, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Accoustic group "Relic Acoustic Band", 6-8 p.m., Pier 49 San Francisco Style Sourdough Pizza

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