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Students donate time and money to bring Christmas to the community.

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WHEN THE BUTTON IS PUSHED: Emergency help on campus

By **Emily Abel**
WRITER

En route to morning math class, cold feet are scurrying along the annual winter migration from one heat source to another. Students may pass at least three of them, and have had to at least once wondered — what if they just pushed it? But, sadly the emergency police poles around campus and their all-too-tempting buttons are just part of the everyday scenery. The initial curiosity of them is weakened, but it never really dies.

Well, today the big question will finally be answered: What happens when someone pushes the big, red button?

Two things actually. A blue light at the top of the pole will spring to life and began spinning, alerting bystanders that there is a problem. The pole also doubles as a phone which will immediately connect users to the USU police dispatch center, much like what happens when dialing 911. Help can then be directed to the location.

There are over 35 poles spot-

ting campus, but not a lot of needful button-pushing actually takes place. Since January of this year, the police department responded to 70 calls. This is an increase from 2014 when the number was 51, and 2013 when there were 32 calls. But according to Campus Police Chief Steven Mecham, virtually all of them were phone malfunctions or false alarms.

“Very rarely do we get a phone alarm that is actually somebody in need of help. The ones I can remember have been accidents nearby. Traffic incidents and a few injuries on Old Main Hill,” Mecham said.

The poles were originally put into place in response to an influx of rapes on campus in the late 1980s. Since then, the phones have been replaced due to weather and other abuse every two to three years. The IT team at USU hopes to install more elaborate poles, including cameras, in the next five years or when budget allows. The cameras would enable police to view the situation and only respond when help is actually needed.



PHOTO BY **Mark Bell**

A UNIVERSITY STAFF MEMBER WALKS past an emergency tower in the middle of Old Main Hill.

“In the last 10 years I think we’ve had one use that really makes the poles worthwhile. But in our minds if it works once, it’s worth it,” said David Tidwell IT team coordinator.

Alumni K’Leis Young was attending USU in 1980 and recalls the atmosphere on campus at the time and the pole’s installation.

“As a girl, it was scary to walk alone on campus in the dark. Someone could have been lurking behind any bush or tree. When I saw the poles, I remember feeling that at least now there was a possibility of getting help in an emergency,” Young said.

Jillyn Haws was student in the late 1980s and also recalls feelings of security in being able to contact help when needed.

“I remember feeling the need to be very careful about going out alone when all this was happening. Having the poles go in seemed like a really good idea since in those days there was no way to contact someone immediately in an emergency,” Haws said.

In today’s world, cell phones make that emergency contact largely possible. But that fact does not rob the poles of their value on campus. Possible preventative measures and

feelings of security are both noted benefits.

“Seeing the poles around campus while I’m out running makes me feel safer. I like knowing that if there ever was an emergency I wouldn’t be alone,” said freshman Sydney Thomas.

Freshman Jason Loosle commented on his initial impression of the poles.

“The first time a noticed them, I really just wanted to push the button. Now I feel that just having them there has protected me,” Loosle said.

Maintaining secure feelings for all on campus is an im-

portant goal held by the USU police. They offer police escorts anywhere on campus if students ever feel unsafe.

“If students see anything suspicious or something causes them concern or to feel unsafe they should immediately call for an escort. We don’t mind if it turns out to be nothing. We want the students to feel safe. We would encourage them to call anytime,” Mecham said.

The USU campus police and can be reached at (435) 797-1939.

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Understanding Air Force ROTC at Utah State

By **Shanie Howard**
WRITER

When students hear about the Reserve Officers’ Training Corps many may think of the gold and black Army symbol. But at Utah State University the ROTC includes more than just the Army branch of the United States’ military. It also includes an Air Force branch.

This mistake is easily made though since the Air Force wasn’t created until 1947. Despite this late start, USU’s Air Force ROTC in no way allows itself to be inferior to the Army’s branch.

USU is known as the number one university for Air Force selection and currently has a total of 93 cadets in their program, with only 40 percent of those cadets receiving financial support from the Air Force. Any cadet, scholarship-ed or not, will say the ROTC life isn’t an easy one.

“We have to get up at 5:30 in the morning every Monday, Wednesday and Friday,” said Jacob Olsen, a major cadet in the AFROTC and an aerospace engineering major.

But being in the AFROTC includes more than just being an early bird.

“We also have to put in a lot of work. The ROTC is student-run, so we have to plan all our leadership labs and other training exercises,” said Geovani Tara, an aviation technology major.

This sort of training allows cadets to learn



PHOTO BY **Matthew Halton**

LIEUTENANT COLONEL DUBOVIK is head of the Air Force ROTC program here at Utah State. Upon graduation, each student is contracted and enlisted for active duty.

leadership skills and teamwork so once they graduate from the program, they can be effective in their careers in the Air Force. But there are perks to being in the AFROTC that come during training as well as after it.

“I like being in the ROTC because it gives me a network of people that I know I can trust and I like working with. I also have superiors that are experienced in the Air Force and can tell me what it is actually like to serve,” Olsen said.

Leaders in the department have also seen a

lot of their students benefit from joining the AFROTC.

“Some people come here and they don’t even know why they are here but after being around the other cadets and seeing the camaraderie and teamwork our cadets have, they want to join,” said Lieutenant Col Alex Dubovik, director of the AFROTC at USU.

If a person enrolls in AFROTC, they don’t have to commit right away. In fact, most cadets in the ROTC aren’t actually committed to anything for the first two years of the pro-

gram.

“If you don’t like it then you don’t have to join, but you can at least try it,” Olsen said.

Once a person decides to join the Air Force they must sign a contract that commits them to the Air Force for several years. Once they are committed to cadet work, their way up to become a commissioned officer. In order to become a commissioned officer in the Air Force, a cadet must do one of three things:

1. Attend and graduate at the Air Force academy
2. Attended and graduate from an officer training school
3. Complete the ROTC program

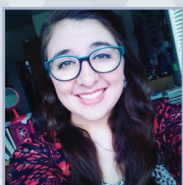
“The ROTC is the largest commissioning force we have... If I could go back and do it all over again I would have liked to join the ROTC,” said Dubovik, who joined the Air Force right after high school and chose to attend an officer training school.

As the program thrives, though, some of the cadets have concerns about the program.

“There is a misconception about females in military, but they are just as good as us. I wish we could see more of them join the program. All people should feel welcome in the military whether they are male or female,” Olsen said.

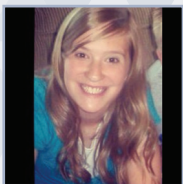
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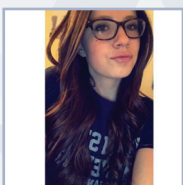
@DS_Elliott

I skipped class to work on a project for said class and had ice cream for lunch so yeah I'm good at being an adult. #aggielife #aggiestride



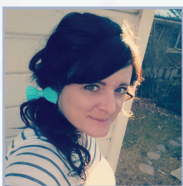
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There is no "i" in "team," but apparently there is one hidden somewhere in "group project" #aggiestride



@maddy_hawkes

when you're walking to class and your tears freeze to your face bc it's so cold #aggiestride



@MindyTweetsPink

I may have "accidentally" unfollowed someone today because they didn't know what an Aggie was. #aggiestride #USUvsBYU #USU #eyeroll

Brigham City gets new USU building



PHOTO COURTESY OF UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY

By **Jeffrey Dahdah**
MANAGING EDITOR

Utah State University opened a new classroom and student services building for the Brigham City Campus on Monday.

The 50,000 square foot building features a 250 multi-purpose room, a 130 seat auditorium, a computer lab and a testing center in addition to a variety of classrooms.

The building has classrooms designed both for traditional classes and broadcast classes. A lot of the classrooms were built with broadcast classes in mind.

"The soundproofing, the lighting, the wall colors, all those things are so that students on the other end will be able to hear and see clearly, will be able to interact with the professor and so on," said Brigham City Campus Dean Tom Lee.

Lee said the building was funded largely by a bond from Brigham City and the state legislature.

"This would not have happened without the combination of legislative support, community support, those of you who have been private donors helped make this happen," said USU President Stan Albrecht at the ribbon-cutting ceremony on Monday.

The new building will not completely take over university operations in Brigham City. The old facilities will still be used for certain classes. The building will also help the expansion and partnership with the Bridgerland Applied Technology College, as they will share some of the facilities and space at USU's current Brigham City Campus.

"One thing we are excited about

at all the regional campuses and at USU is collaborating with the applied technology colleges, so in Northern Utah that is Bridgerland Applied Technology College," Lee said.

The new building is located on 989 South Main Street. Lee said it will be nice to have a building specifically for university operations rather than the borrowed spaces or buildings renovated for classes that they have used in the past.

"To have this new building that looks like an academic building and has these beautiful spaces inside is a really exciting milestone for USU," Lee said.

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Distance ed. scholarship policy at USU changes

By **Shanie Howard**
WRITER

Utah State University has been ranked one of the most affordable universities in the United States, now that affordability is being expanded to more than just central campus students. In total USU has 33 campuses across the state, all of which offer USU courses for the same price that central campus students pay.

What made these campuses different financially though was that they didn't offer the same scholarships to their students. That policy has recently changed so that no matter which USU campus students are at, their scholarship follows them.

"If a student in Tooele graduates high school and is leaving on an LDS mission but wants to take some classes before he leaves, he can do that at the Tooele campus and then come to Logan when he returns," said Katie Jo Nielsen, director of admissions at USU. If a student wants a smaller campus feel but still a true college experience, they can attend our Price campus. If a student needs to take night classes and wants to do some in Logan and some in Brigham City, that is now an option. If a student is from Salt Lake and needs to stay home for whatever reason, they can take classes in Kaysville or Salt Lake."

The point is to give students access to a state university wherever they need to reside.

"It makes the options personal to the student and what best fits their needs," Nielsen said.

While distance education students may be over joyed about this new opportunity, central campus students may not be as excited. With the doors to scholarship opportunities expanding, more competition is created for central campus students while distance education students still receive the advantage of scholarships available specifically for their campus.

"There are specific scholarships still available based on individual campuses but if a student qualifies for an academic scholarship, and meets the deadlines, they can use it at whatever campus is most convenient for them," Nielsen said.

This new change frustrates many central campus students who want to know why the policy has changed.

"I don't understand why they would make this change. It doesn't seem very fair to central campus students," said Tara McCready, a pre-art major at USU central campus.

Other students are simply frustrated with all differences that are presented with USU's distance education program.

"There should be equal opportunities for all students attending USU no matter where they are going, whether it is opportunities to attend classes or financial opportunities," said Sam Carroll, a landscape architect and environmental planning major at USU central campus.

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Student loan borrowers face too many repayment hurdles, feds say



PHOTO BY **Kyle Todecheene**

By **Ali Montag**
MCCLATCHY WASHINGTON BUREAU

WASHINGTON — Student loan servicing companies are coming under fire by regulators for the second time in two months.

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau released a report Wednesday criticizing student loan servicing companies, which are contracted to handle details like collecting monthly payments, for not helping borrowers get into plans that make it easier to repay loans.

The agency’s student loan ombudsman found that in particular, borrowers with older federal student loans may be more heavily effected by loan servicing problems, although complaints about servicing are widespread.

In September, after analyzing 30,000 public comments that showed companies using “a wide range of sloppy, patchwork practices that can create obstacles to repayment, raise costs, cause distress and contribute to driving struggling borrowers to default,” the bureau announced plans to explore industry-wide regulations.

More than 25 percent of all student loan borrowers were behind or de-

faulting on their loans, according to the September report, while Wednesday’s shows that 30 percent of borrowers with Federal Family Education Loan Program loans are behind.

Both reports point to problems like paperwork processing delays, inconsistent instructions from loan servicers and difficulty enrolling in income-driven repayment plans as contributing to struggling borrowers’ challenges.

Natalia Abrams, executive director of Student Debt Crisis, a nonprofit group that pushes for changes in how education is financed, said loan servicing companies “are not alerting the student loan borrowers of all of their options if they run into trouble.”

In a survey of 3,000 borrowers done by the group, almost 60 percent said their loan servicer did not inform them of federal programs to help repay their loan, even though they were eligible to apply for them, Abrams said. Borrowers also complained of loan servicers processing payments late, incorrectly reporting credit scores and losing information.

Although graduated students are not typically referred back to their schools for help with loans, said

Anna Griswold, executive director for student aid at Pennsylvania State University, she has heard of problems with servicers from both struggling borrowers and those just trying to pay down their principles early.

Griswold said students receive guidance from their school on loans when they graduate, but servicers have direct access to the borrowers for the rest of their repayment.

“Students are given packets of information when they leave school about their options in loan repayments. Some study these carefully and others may not,” she said in an email. “However, when a servicer first sees that a borrower is struggling (misses a payment), they are not always proactive in helping the borrower or moving them to a different payment plan.”

Despite the Education Department’s requirement that students get counseling when they take out loans and when they graduate, there is still a lack of information and they “don’t know their options,” said Sheelu Surender, director of financial aid at Wichita State University.

“There are so many different types of repayment programs out there,” she said.

The first income-driven repayment plan was created in 2007, and payment plans have become more complicated since, evolving with the Pay as You Earn program from the Department of Education, changes from Congress and the White House.

The complexities of laws around student debt contribute to the lack of information about federal repayment programs, said Beth Akers, a fellow at the Brown Center on Education Policy at the Brookings Institution.

“It’s easy to pick on the servicers for doing a bad job, but it kind of begs the question, why is it so difficult for students to navigate the system on their own in the first place?” she said. “It’s just this building up of incremental policy changes that have led to the building of this complex and complicated set of repayment options for borrowers.”

In contrast to legal complexities, there are only a handful of companies that service student loans. For federal loans taken out through the Education Department, there are only 10 companies that do the job.

Servicers’ biggest problem is borrowers who aren’t engaged, said John Remondi, president and CEO of

Navient, one of the largest loan servicers, which used to be affiliated with Sallie Mae, a publicly traded corporation involved in the student loan business.

“Ninety percent of the defaults that we see off of our servicing platform each year are from customers who had zero contact with us during the 12 months that it takes to default,” he said in a September statement at a Deutsche Bank conference.

“During that time frame, we would typically attempt to connect with that customer 300 times through mail, phone calls, text messages or emails.”

In July, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau charged Discover Bank \$18.5 million for illegal student loan servicing practices, like overstating how much was due on bills and calling consumers early in the morning and late at night to collect debts.

A time line for new rules isn’t specified yet, but the report recommends policy actions like incentivizing servicing companies to enroll borrowers in federal student loans’ flexible repayment options, which would increase their motivation to fit borrowers into the best plans.

U.S. Postal Service says it was hacked



PHOTO BY **DAVID M. WARREN/PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER/TNS**
POSTAL OFFICER JOHN MCCOY LOADS the day’s deliveries into his mail truck as millions of pieces of mail that had been irradiated to remove any possible trace of anthrax were to begin being delivered today in Bordentown, New Jersey on Dec. 1, 2001.

By **Andrew Khouri**
LOS ANGELES TIMES

The U.S. Postal Service said Monday that it was hacked and employee information, including Social Security numbers, may have been stolen.

The Postal Service did not say who was suspected of breaking into its systems. It called the breach “limited in scope.”

The FBI and other federal agencies are investigating.

The cyber attack did not affect the systems that handle customer transactions, the agency said.

“There is no evidence that any customer credit card information from retail or online purchases such as Click-N-Ship, the Postal Store, Postal-One!, change of address or other services was compromised,” the Postal Service said in a statement.

However, hackers did gain access to the Postal Service’s call center data. Customers who contacted the center by phone or email from Jan. 1, 2014, to Aug. 16, 2014, may have had their names, addresses, phone numbers and other data stolen, if they provided such information.

The Washington Post reported that Chinese government hackers are top suspects. The Postal Service said the source of the attack remains under investigation and that it couldn’t comment further.

An FBI spokesman said he could not comment on an ongoing investigation.

STUDENT LIFE

Aggies help bring holiday cheer to those in need



(left) **CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**, check in for the festival of trees. (right) **CAMERON DECKER (TREASURER FOR THE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY STUDENT ASSOCIATION (LEFT)) AND SHAUN PHIPPS (RIGHT)** decorate the tree.

By **Miranda Lorenc**
SENIOR WRITER

'Tis the season of gift-giving and cheer.

While this is a fun time for some, for others, it's a difficult time of year.

And that's where some Aggies are stepping in through Christmas charities.

Sub for Santa is one such organization. A non-profit organization, Sub for Santa gives people the opportunity to help others who are struggling with income with Christmas, said Dennis Jensen, a volunteer for the organization.

"Last year, they helped 888 kids have Christmas in Cache County," said Hannah Pendergast, a senior in parks and recreation.

Families in need can apply to be a part of Sub for Santa and go

through a screening and evaluation process to see if they are eligible, Jensen said. Then their needs and wants are written down and put on an Angel tree in a store like Shopko or Lee's Marketplace where shoppers can choose someone to help.

Gifts include socks, gloves, hats, toys, baby supplies, batteries and more.

Sub for Santa can be found on the Utah State University campus as well. Hosted by the Student Access and Diversity Center, students can help out children whose parents are students or alumni at USU, Pendergast said.

Students struggling for money and still wanting to help can buy commonly wanted items. They can also pool money together with roommates and friends to help out, said Nelda Ault, a volunteer board

member for Sub for Santa and an adviser in the Val. R. Christensen service center at USU.

Other charities are also available on campus for students to donate to, such as the Festival of Trees, hosted by the Utah State University Student Association, or USUSA.

USUSA provided 50 trees this year for clubs and organizations on and off campus to decorate, said Alexander Aburto, a senior in accounting and USUSA traditions director. At the end of this week, the trees will be donated to Bear River Head Start, which will distribute them to families in need around Cache Valley.

Students can vote for their favorite trees at the Taggart Student Center International Lounge, or on their Facebook page, until Saturday night at PoBev.

"It's a way that USU students and different clubs and organizations can give back to the community because they support us so much," said Devin Wright, a junior in biology. "I'm on the track team and they're constantly supporting us and helping us — coming to watch our meets and different things — and so it's just a way that we can give back to the community and really start getting back into the Christmas spirit."

Catlyn Major, a junior in plant science, agrees.

"I love it. I think it's cool," she said. "I think it's a really good idea because it helps people out that can't afford a tree and so it gives them a little more Christmas spirit, even if they can't afford it."

Pendergast said that it's important to support charities and help out

families in need, especially during the holiday season.

"It can be a time of depression for a lot of people who are struggling," she said. "So things like this definitely help out those families and those individuals who are struggling this Christmas, with depression and anything else that they might be struggling with."

In addition to getting involved during the holiday season, giving back to the community is something that should take place throughout the year, Wright said.

"I think it's very important for people to help each other out," Aburto said. "I think at the end of the day, we are an Aggie family."

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Sarah Draper reaches both women and urban agriculture



Sarah Draper is the first woman from Utah to be elected as a national Future Farmers of America, or FFA, officer.

This is a big deal for Draper. This is a big deal for Utah FFA. This is a big deal for Utah women. This really is a big deal.

In the National FFA Organization, over 50 percent of leadership positions are held by women. That trend starts at the local chapter level and continues through the district, state and national levels. All across the board, there are more women in leadership positions in the FFA.

That's saying something for an organization that didn't even allow women to join until 1969, 41 years after its organization began in 1928. FFA didn't even have a female president until Jan Eberly was elected in 1982.

Granted, most of the presidents have been men. But this year's officer team boasts five women and one man with a woman in the president's office.

So why hasn't Utah ever had a woman elected as a national FFA officer before?

Two reasons. Utah women get married too fast and Utah isn't a national figure in agriculture.

Utah has the youngest population in the na-

tion, 31 percent under age 18. Utah has the youngest average age for marriage with most women saying "I do" at 24. Utah also has more women than men by 10,000.

Every good little Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Utah missionary has at least two good little Utah girlfriends waiting for him when he gets off the plane. He picks one and they get married after six months and have children within a year. A perfectly happy scenario, but it's no surprise why Utah women aren't at the forefront of leadership positions. They simply don't have the time. It's not even a bad thing. It is just one of the reasons why Utah FFA hasn't seen a woman serve as a national FFA officer.

Another key reason is Utah's national agriculture presence. They don't seem to have one that can compete with surrounding Western states.

In order for an FFA member from Utah to get elected as a National FFA Officer, they have to be elected by a body of delegates to serve in one of two positions, president or Western Region vice president. The delegates can select a president from any state. WRVP can only be selected from one of the following states: Alaska, Arizona, California, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah or Washington.

Utah agriculture doesn't hold a candle to Texas or California when it comes to agriculture. In 2012, the market value of agricultural products sold in Utah totaled 1.81 billion. Texas brought in 25.37 billion and California



LAYTON HIGH SCHOOL FFA student Melisa Velarde feeds the sheep on the school's farm, Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2015 in Layton, Calif. Almost 100 percent of the students at the high school are part of the FFA program. (Craig Kohlruss/Fresno Bee/TNS)

generated a whopping 42.62 billion dollars.

Utah does rank in the top 20 nationally for their production in cherries, apricots, peaches, mink, sheep and trout. Utah does have an agricultural presence; it's just small compared to other Western states.

In terms of FFA membership, Utah is small as well. Texas has over 112,000 FFA members. California has over 79,500 FFA members, and Utah has just 6,200 FFA members, and only 38 percent are female.

The odds have been stacked against Utah FFA ever getting a national officer, let alone a female one. Yet, even against the formidable odds of early marriage and a small agriculture state, Draper has been elected as the first female national FFA officer in Utah.

She is a great representation of urban agriculture and women leadership.

She grew up in an urban environment but fell in love with agriculture as a freshman. She worked on an onion farm and a dairy in high school. Draper served as the vice presi-

dent for the Utah FFA Association in 2014-15.

She has the ability to reach many of the nontraditional agriculturists in Utah. Not all Utah FFA members come from a strong agriculture background. Draper is a prime example of not letting that stand as a barrier to success.

The agriculture industry could use more people like Draper. She serves as a stellar ambassador for a worthy industry and student organization. Utah should be proud. Well done, Draper.

— *Ellie Dalton is studying agricultural communications and journalism and has an opinion about everything. She is a former Idaho FFA State Officer and still loses her breath when she sees an FFA jacket. Contact her at elizabeth.dalton@aggimail.usu.edu or on twitter at @eddthegirl.*

HOT CHOCOLATE: What’s hot and what’s not on Main Street



Ellie Dalton

ED THE GIRL

Hot chocolate is a miracle drink. It has the power to warm the body in the midst of a Logan winter. The moment you lift the cup to your lips and the piping hot liquid streams into your mouth, one of two things is sure to happen. Most of the time, it burns your tongue. Then you spend a week trying to taste food with half the taste bud capacity. But if you get lucky, you come across a cup of hot chocolate that is just the right temperature — not too hot, and not too cold. It glides down the pipe and warms your entire body from your freezing face to your stiff toes. There is nothing worse than looking forward to a good cup of hot chocolate and being disappointed. Temperature and flavor need to be perfect. Just a few degrees off in either direction and you are either killing more taste buds or drinking

chocolate milk. Both are bad when you expect hot chocolate. Flavor should be sweet and strong. It should taste like a liquid candy bar and not an aggravating imitation. Thou shalt not mock the power of liquid chocolate and what it can do for a freezing body. Take a sip at these locations on Main Street in Logan. Some are sure to please and some... well, some will still leave your toes frozen.

7-ELEVEN:
1395 N. MAIN STREET
Temp test: just right
Flavors: chocolate
Cost: \$1.33 - \$1.85
Number of creamers: 15
Extras: vanilla, cinnamon and chocolate powders you can shake into your drink, plus mini-marshmallows.
Final grade: B
A good, solid option. Not too flashy, but it definitely hits the spot in terms of flavor and temperature.

CHEVRON:
398 N. MAIN STREET
Temp test: hot
Flavors: chocolate
Number of creamers: five
Extras: mini-marshmallows
Cost: Any size for 99 cents
Final grade: A
Who doesn't want a huge ol' cup of

steaming hot chocolate for 99 cents?

YOGURTLAND:
1007 N. MAIN STREET
Temp test: cold
Flavors: peppermint, eggnog, coconut, pumpkin, Mexican, salted caramel and plain Jane
Extras: whipped topping, plus mix-and-match any add-ins for 25 cents
Cost: \$2
Final grade: F
Long wait... 10 minutes. It's a super small cup for the cost. The worst thing... my drink was cold. As cold as the frozen yogurt they serve. Sin!

STARBUCKS:
1620 N. MAIN STREET
Temp test: just right
Flavors: 16 and counting
Extras: whipped topping
Cost: \$2.75 - \$3.45
Final Grade: B
These are rugged, natural flavors. There's really not an overwhelming amount of sweetness. A little pricey for a college student, but quite the hopping place to grab a hot cup of cocoa and hang out.

CHEVRON:
1936 N. MAIN STREET
Temp test: just right
Flavors: Swiss hot cocoa, pumpkin spice, strawberry steamer



PHOTO BY MCT Campus

Number of creamers: 10
Extras: Whipped topping
Cost: \$1.39 - \$1.59
Final grade: A
The night I tried it, the flavors came out as water. The next day they were working fine again. So hit it on a good night and you'll be pleased if you mix the strawberry and chocolate. Yum.

— Ellie Dalton is a really old sophomore studying agricultural communications and journalism because she wants to be the next female Baxter Black. She loves all food, especially popcorn and soft serve ice cream... but not together. You can email her at elizabeth.dalton@aggiemail.usu.edu or message her @eddtbegirl.

AGGIES GOT TALENT SHOWCASES UNUSUAL STUDENT TALENTS



PHOTO BY Johnny Morris

ERIC BELL, showing off his yo-yo skills as he prepares for the finals in the Talented Aggies talent show.

By Hannah McDonald
WRITER

When freshman Eric Bell first started learning yo-yo tricks a year and a half ago, he never expected to gain much more than entertainment and an unusual hobby to perform for his friends. He certainly didn't expect to be in the running for a \$3,500 scholarship.

Bell is one of eight talented students participating in Utah State University's first ever Aggies Got Talent competition. After winning the most audience votes at the basketball game on Nov. 17, Bell became one of the final four competitors qualified to win a cash prize.

Bell said that his main goal in auditioning was to earn a performance spot at the Spectrum Stadium.

"I think the biggest thing for tal-

ent shows like this is just to get more of a following. To bring more people to yo-yoing," he said. "It's a fairly unique hobby."

Bell became interested in yo-yos when he was 8 years old, after it became a trend in the grade above his. He didn't pick it up again until February of 2014.

"I learned some basic tricks when I was 8," he said. "But I gave it up because I got pretty stumped on where I could go and what else I could do. There just wasn't enough information about it. I picked it back up about a year and a half ago. I started looking up YouTube tutorials and things like that."

A big part of learning, Bell said, was becoming involved with the global yo-yo community. Besides developing friendships with skilled yo-yo performers both online and in person, Bell also attends national

competitions. Last month he competed in the multi-national Las Vegas Open YoYo Competition, where he placed fifth in his division.

In this competition, Bell is up against seven students with their own distinctive skills. Included in the mix are three singers, a beat boxer, a baton twirler, a fiddler and a student who can instantly count the number of letters in any English or Spanish phrase.

The judges and event coordinators were pleased by the variety of talents that signed up to audition.

"We were obviously looking for the ability to perform their talent well," the judges wrote in an email. "We were also looking for people who were interactive with the crowd. We wanted students who have talents that you don't see everyday, talents that kind of wow the

crowd and make them want to come out to basketball games to see the students perform.

The eight contestants were split into four groups of two and given a basketball halftime in which to showcase their skills. After each contestant performed, the audience had the opportunity to vote for their favorite. Bell was matched with Brae Beck, a junior who has been playing the violin for about 18 years.

To his shock, Bell won his first round and is now qualified to compete in the final round, which will take place after Jan. 12.

"I was extremely surprised," Bell said. "I had expected Brae to go through and win the final round. He's really good. My only hope going in was to give him a challenge and make score as close as possible."

Bell relies on his originality to make his performances as individual and as entertaining as possible. He choreographs all of his routines and creates his own tricks.

Coming up with a new routine is a process, he said.

"I used to just go wherever and see where I'd end up," Bell said. "But then a friend of mine shared with me his insight on how he comes up with tricks. He'll go into a mount, and he'll think of what he wants to do from there. He'll think of the first thing that comes to his mind, and then he'll intentionally not do that. He'll pick the second thing that comes to his mind. That way you remember it better, and you go out of your comfort zone to come up with tricks."

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Going bowling:

A look at the Aggies' potential bowl games



KJ ULUAWE (66) and his teammates run out of the tunnel before the Aggies' game against Nevada on Nov. 21. Utah State won the game 31-27 to reach their sixth win. The Aggies finished the season 6-6, a record good enough to make a bowl game. PHOTO BY Mark Bell

By Logan Jones
WRITER

Finishing their 2015 campaign with a 6-6 record, Utah State will almost certainly be one of a record 80 football teams bowling in December. While the Aggies' winter destination remains a mystery until Sunday, several rumors surrounding potential locales and familiar foes have already begun circulating.

Bowl selection committees are unpredictable by nature, often taking a team's ability to travel with its fanbase into account, as well as its quality of play. A popular suspicion has USU slotted in the Arizona Bowl on Dec. 29 against

Conference USA opponent Louisiana Tech. The Aggies beat a ranked LA Tech in an over-time thriller back in 2012, making this potential bowl battle particularly enticing. For fans hoping to see a proper bookend to sixth-year senior quarterback Chuckie Keeton's career, this showdown in Tucson would certainly provide more intrigue than most other potential matchups — and it helps that a Mountain West team is guaranteed a spot.

Much of the Aggies' cloudy future relies on conference rival Boise State's destination. The Las Vegas Bowl has all but declared BYU its preferred team, which frees up the Poinsettia

Bowl to take the Broncos to San Diego. With the Idaho Potato Bowl open, it would seem either Utah State or SDSU could get the bid to battle a team from the MAC.

The Aggies notably dominated the Potato Bowl in 2012, dropping the 9-3 Toledo Rockets 41-15 and sparking a bowl game winning streak that now sits at three straight — with a fourth on the horizon.

Other bowls set to select MW teams this weekend include the Hawaii Bowl, New Mexico Bowl and — if things get completely out of hand — the Cactus Bowl. With BYU likely heading to Vegas, one lucky MW team is a

lock to spend Christmas Eve in Honolulu, though most predictions for this coming weekend see Colorado State earning the Hawaii bid.

The New Mexico Bowl typically aims for a Conference-USA vs. Mountain West matchup, so if other bowls pass on the Aggies in favor of SDSU's record or BSU's massive regional fanbase, it's technically plausible that Utah State could end up in Albuquerque.

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FANTASY FIRE:

Picks for Week 13

▶ Emily Duke

COLUMN
AS I SEE
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Quarterback
Start

I have wanted to write this all season, and after a five touchdown game on his birthday I finally, in all confidence, can. You should start Russell Wilson.

Never mind his incredible ability to make things happen with his legs, the guy has an arm and he is proving it. In an important game against the Pittsburgh Steelers, Wilson made most of his connections from the pocket. He threw for five touchdowns, 345 yards and rushed for 14 more yards.

The Steelers did a good job at keeping Wilson in the pocket, but not everyone will. If Wilson has a bad week passing the ball, he'll more than make up for it with his legs. Start him



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with confidence that no matter what defense he's playing against, he'll make the plays you need to succeed.

Sit
Drew Brees

Usually my go to start at QB, this week may be the time to give Brees a rest. With the saints going up against a hot Carolina defense and coming off of his lowest yardage game of the season, Brees has looked better.

The entire Saints' offense is struggling. They've had good games during the season and do have a chance to rebound but going up against Josh Norman, Luke Kuechly and Star Lotulelei, bench Brees. Keep him in mind for playoffs but find someone else to get you there.

Tight End
Start

With Rob Gronkowski and Jimmy Graham both out with injuries this week, people in your league are guaranteed to be looking to a new tight end to supplement their roster.

The obvious number one start is Greg Olsen. He's going up against the Saints, and with Cam Newton at the helm he's sure to put up some yardage.

If you aren't lucky enough to have Olsen on your roster another good start would be Luke Willson in Seattle. Graham was beginning to develop a larger role in the Seahawk's offense, a role that will be filled by Willson. Willson is a good fit for Seattle and he already knows the playbook, he'll step in to be an immediate contributor.

There seems to be a strong bond between Willson and his



QB Wilson that Graham has yet to develop.

Wide Receiver
Start
Danny Amendola

Amendola is coming off of an injury, but the Eagles' weak secondary and the absence of Gronk and Julian Edelman will leave Brady looking to him on Sunday. I've said it before, and I'll say it again, no matter how you feel personally about Brady his receivers will always put up points.

Make sure to keep an eye on his status since he's returning from injury, but if Amendola plays he's a lock for targets and needs to be in your lineup.

Sit
Brandin Cooks

Apart from last week, Cooks has been doing well recently. Once again, the Saints are going up against the red hot Panthers and Brees just hasn't been putting up the yards we're accustomed to. If you have another wide receiver on your roster, try them out they'll likely produce more than the boom-or-bust production you've become accustomed to from Cooks.

Cooks too can bounce back as he's shown after his dismal start to the season, but this won't be his week.

— Emily is a senior studying broadcast journalism with an emphasis in sports. Her Seahawks are crushing her spirits this season so she finds her only joy in beating her brothers and friends in Fantasy Football. Send any comments or smack talk to emilymarieduke@gmail.com or find her on Twitter @missemi-lymduke.



Basketball takeaways against Missouri State



Thomas Sorenson

FOURTH AND SHORT

A few thoughts on Utah State's 69-68 win over Missouri State (and the season at large):

THE AGGIES ARE STILL TRYING TO FIND THEIR RHYTHM

After using the same starting lineup in each of the first five games, head coach Tim Duryea mixed things up against the Bears. Juniors Shane Rector and Lew Evans got the nod, replacing Julion Pearre and Elston Jones, respectively. The Aggies started the game with a scoring drought, not getting their first bucket until more than three minutes into the game. Unfortunately, offensive droughts have been a recurring problem for USU this year, regardless of the lineup. It looks like the Aggies haven't quite found their groove yet; the timing between the players is off. Evans was open under the hoop on consecutive posses-

sions in the first half, but the pass was thrown too far in front of him as he rolled to the hoop on the first possession and was too high to catch on the next. Timing is critical to success for a basketball team, especially one that moves the ball as much as Utah State does. The Aggies have a number of new players in new roles this year, so it's natural that timing isn't fully developed yet.

THE AGGIES WILL GO AS FAR AS JALEN MOORE CARRIES THEM

Senior Chris Smith is the leading scorer for USU right now (14.7 points per game), but Moore is the engine that runs the team. Particularly on the defensive side of the ball, his length and quickness cause matchup problems for opponents. On one play in the first half, Missouri State attempted to inbound the ball to a guard beyond the 3-point line. Moore jumped the pass and tipped the ball into the air. The Bears recovered the loose ball, but Moore's effort disrupted the offense and prevented a bucket on the possession. Offensively, too, the Aggies are dependent on Moore. He scored nearly a third of USU's points (20 on 7 of 18 shooting) and carried the team for large stretches. After the Bears took a 53-49 lead, Moore scored eight of the next

12 points for the Aggies over a four-minute stretch. Other players have the ability to lead the team on any given night, but Moore is the glue that holds the offense and defense together.

THE AGGIES CAN SCORE IN BUNCHES

I mentioned the scoring droughts already, but USU can string a lot of buckets together in a short amount of time when the offense is humming. The Aggies scored only seven points in the first seven minutes of the game, then scored 11 on the next five possessions. Evans started the run with a mid-range jump-shot, then Smith, Pearre and Smith again hit 3-pointers on the next three possessions. The scoring bursts are a small vision of the potential this offense has once the players get their timing down.

The next game for USU is a road game against BYU on Wednesday at 7 p.m.

— *Thomas is a junior and plans on graduating next spring with a degree in journalism. He is a diehard Utah Jazz and Indianapolis Colts fan (as long as the Colts aren't punting). He has successfully kept his hamster alive and healthy for over a year, one of his most impressive life achievements to date.*



PHOTO BY **Matthew Halton**
JALEN MOORE GOES UP FOR A LAYUP against Adams State in the Dee Glenn Smith Spectrum on Nov. 17. The Aggies won the contest 83-68.

Hey NFL, what is a catch?



Tristan Boyce

BOYCE'S VOICE

I never cared much about offensive rules in the NFL. Growing up, the league was favoring Tom Brady and Peyton Manning in every way imaginable, so I always assumed that any rule that favored defenses was good for the league. Two things changed that — Manning signed with my Denver Broncos, and I started playing fantasy football. Now I'm all about extra yardage for receivers, so I have just one question for the NFL rules committee. What is a catch?

The rule has been vague at best for quite some time. The committee finally removed the phrase "make a football move" from the equation, because nobody could agree upon what constituted a "football move." Unfortunately, that common sense move actually made the rule harder to understand.

The ruling on the field often seems counter-intuitive to the eye test, and common sense has all but gone out the

window. If you watch the game from your living room with your roommates, you will all agree that the previous play was a catch, and Ed Hochuli will invariably tell you that the pass was incomplete, and you are therefore a moron who does not understand the basics of football.

The Dallas Cowboys got the short end of the stick during a playoff game last year. Dez Bryant made a phenomenal play to jump over Sam Shields and catch a deep ball inside the 5-yard line. He then tripped over Shields and went to the ground. When his ball-carrying arm hit the ground, the ball came loose. Everyone in America thought it was a completion, including the official who was less than two yards away from the play when it occurred. Only after what felt like hours of booth review was the call overturned. Ten months later, we are all still confused.

There are multiple examples from this season that have kept everyone perplexed about the rule. Tyler Eifert, Golden Tate and Devonta Freeman have been at the center of plays that were prime examples that the NFL does not know what the rule means. Eifert and Freeman's plays looked like clear touchdowns to me, but were even-

tually overturned. Tate's was an obvious incompletion in my mind, but the booth called it a touchdown.




Calvin Johnson, who the rule was literally made for, says that even he doesn't know how the officials call that rule anymore. I, as usual, have a proposal to fix all of our problems and bring back the game we all love. The NFL would never adopt it, because they would have to admit that they were wrong. How DARE we question the authority of the league?

The new rule would be simple. If the receiver has control of the ball and two feet down, it is a catch, and anything that happens after that is fair game. If the receiver does not demonstrate control or does not get both feet down, it is an incompletion.

The biggest complaint that I've received about this proposal is that it would force a lot more turnovers, to which I say — big deal. That's a good thing. As I said before, anything that helps the defense, especially in a league where Tom Brady can be considered an all-time great, is good for the game.

— *Tristan Boyce would like Legos for Christmas. Or video games. Or cookies. Also, he would like the NFL to make sure that the Patriots don't win another Super Bowl. Tell him why that makes him bad on Twitter @Tristan_Boyce1.*

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OPINION

How to spot wiles of climate deniers, street hustlers and big tobacco

Darren Bingham



Who here has gone to a magician's show or seen gamblers playing cards in the street? Well, have you ever asked them to tell you their ruses? I have, and let me tell you a couple secrets I learned along the way. These "con"-men are trained to trick you and instill in you a false sense of "con"-fidence.

The easiest way for them to give you that confidence is by enlisting the help of others. That's called a shill. Have you ever heard of a shill? If not, you're not alone.

The word is believed to come from "shillaber," a carnival attendee who appears to give an impartial endorsement of the show

but actually works directly with the carnival. So basically, it is someone who talks about or describes someone or something favorably because they are being paid to do it.

Since the endorsement sounds independent and separate from the showmen, the crowd follows the shill. By using crowd psychology, the audience cannot tell they are being misled, let alone misleading each other by joining the crowd.

So what does this have to do with climate change? Well with over a 97 percent consensus from the scientific community on the topic, we now know that humans are causing climate change. The facts speak for themselves. But one might ask why a recent Yale/Gallup study found that only 48 percent of the American public believed that there is a consensus among the scientific community on the topic. Can we be honest with one another here?

Americans have been duped and deceived by special interest groups in regards to climate change science. The denial of climate change has come from companies and individuals that will be effected negatively by a price on carbon. It can be hard to think that corporations have been knowingly lying to

the American public, so let me tell you a story of another industry who mislead Americans for decades.

Back in the 80's and 90's, big tobacco vocally denied that cigarettes caused severe health risks to smokers. Several times before Congress, tobacco companies told politicians that smoking may or may not cause cancer. After numerous lawsuits, internal research and documents from tobacco businesses surfaced, it showed that companies knew of the risks associated with smoking back in the 60s. The film "Merchants of Doubt" explains in greater detail the substance of this article.

These papers were suppressed for decades because they were not in line with the businesses' bottom-line. Just think about it. It makes sense. If the public didn't know about the science research showing that smoking definitely causes cancer, then there was just enough doubt for the corporations to keep doing business as usual. In this case, the shill cast doubt on the scientific consensus by hiding information from the public. Unfortunately for us, these shills are really good at hiding their true intentions.

Climate change science and fossil fuel companies are the modern-day equivalent of can-

cer science vs. big tobacco. After you realize that the climate denial game isn't how it looks, all you have to do is a little research and find who is funding the denial. The hardest part is that transparency and full disclosure in today's world are hard to come by. Discovering these relationships takes digging.

My role is not to coerce you but only to alert you so you are not tricked by a shill. And I want everyone to have all the facts laid before you. That way, you can make an objective decision. People deserve information that has not been bought, sold or owed.

As an American, demand transparency from your institutions, businesses and governments. This is your right and you deserve to know the truth.

If you want to make a difference, learn your ecological footprint and watch Merchants of Doubt.

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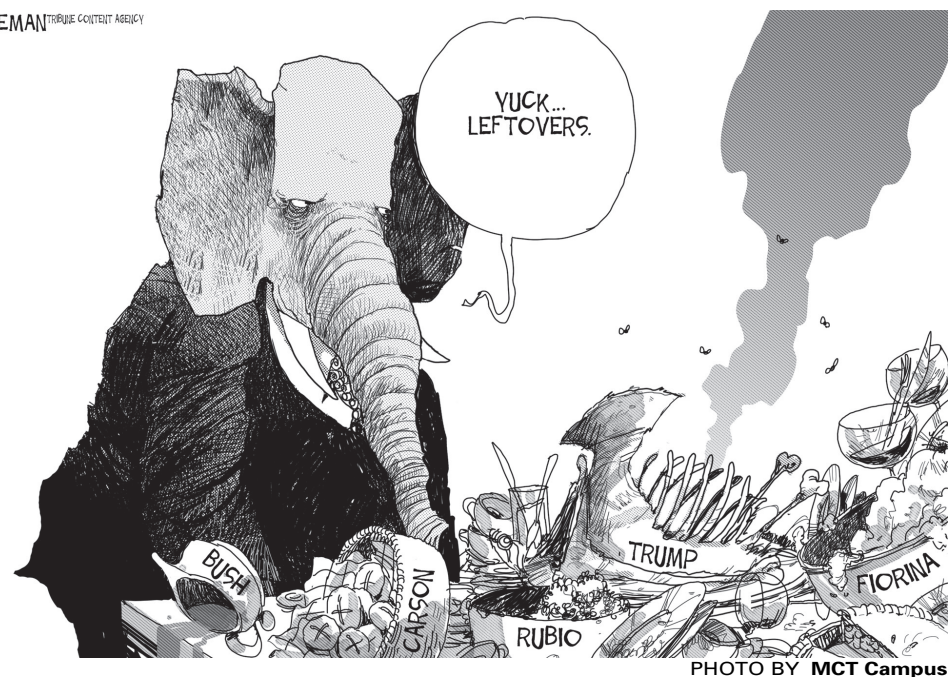


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Letter to the editor

A CONTRIBUTION IN LIGHT OF THE PARIS ATTACKS

Around the globe, Western civilization stands in solidarity as we mourn the victims of this horrendous attack. As the dust settles, the consequences of what took place on Nov. 13 of this year are becoming clear. We in the west, live inside the walls of illusion. A self constructed reality that is in stark contrast with the daily life of those who live beyond the fences, walls, patrolled borders, and bodies of water of Europe and America. A seeming impenetrable wall of cultural, economic and political construction that has now been shaken by these attacks. The harsh realities of outside, the realities of empire, are shut out from view. However, with the attacks in Paris, the west has once again been forced to glimpse the outside of the wall. The reality of the common place in countries foreign to us.

I propose, along with the mourning of the victims of this horrific attack, that we also stand in silence for the loss of our civil liberties. For perhaps what is more disastrous is not only the victims of this barbarity, our feeling of safely, and the shattered romance of Paris, it is on the contrary, a catalyst to the growth of the surveillance state. It is shameful that these attacks should be used to promote and continue the use of Orwellian policies that rob us of our rights, and deface the constitution; and perhaps as destructive to our humanity and others, is the rise of Islamophobia.

In a stupendous display of hypocrisy by our leaders, we now blame those trying to escape the horrors of reality, the nightmare of civil war, with being the terrorist themselves, the ones to be feared; when we created this problem. Not only is this an erroneous generalization that borders on psychosis, it is a symptom of our dying humanity, and lack of ethical responsibility.

Now we close our boarders to those fleeing the effects of inhumanity. Have we been made delusional by the luxuries of empire? Will we not take responsibility for the geopolitical frankenstein we have created?

However, the tides of reality, no matter how high we build our walls, will inevitability be brought to our attention, whether we like it or not.

I know that we are not always to blame for the atrocities that happen afar, but this case is different, we are already deeply involved in Syria. For, we have been for decades now. We were to blame for the destabilization of the region; and the rise of Wahhabism in the region; that extreme version of Islam that gave birth to ISIS.

Therefore, it is our moral responsibility to put out this fire of extremism that we have created. This frankenstein creation of our foreign policy. We are totally invested in the middle east, both literally and figuratively, and it is time we put out the flame of civil unrest, extremism, and terror in Syria. The issue of the refugee crisis is not one of exercising the maxim of "love your neighbor", on the contrary, it is more so claiming responsibility on an ethical basis, and therefore should be addressed accordingly.

In conclusion, we should not forget that other nations also have a part to play. Some of the wealthiest countries in the Middle East including Saudi Arabia, Qatar, and the U.A.E need also to bare this ethical burden. We should not forget that poorer nations in the Middle East, those of Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq, and Egypt has already accepted more than three million refugees; while those richer nations has accepted next to none. Saudi Arabia, Qatar, and the U.A.E are also closer culturally to the Sunni Muslims seeking refuge. Will not these countries that gave birth to this religious fundamentalism take any ethical responsibility and open their doors?

—Timothy Cutler
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Horoscope Dec. 2 - 8

By **Nancy Black**

To get the advantage, check the day’s rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) -- Today is an 8
-- Remain forgiving with miscommunications, especially at work. Roll around obstacles. Ignore false rumors and gossip. Avoid spontaneous reactions. Keep your goal in focus. If you can keep your temper, delightful results are possible. It could get romantic.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) -- Today is a 6
-- A creative problem requires imagination. Consider consequences before getting yourself into a sticky situation. Age differences interfere with clarity. Listen, learn, and stick up for your point of view, respectfully. Sometimes the best move is none.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) -- Today is a 5
-- No need to rush into expensive household upgrades. Don’t splurge on stuff you don’t need. Take a family poll to assess shared priorities. Share ideas and solutions. Get the whole gang to help. You’re surrounded by love.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) -- Today is a 6
-- Rely on experience. Ask questions and listen for solutions. Don’t worry if, at first, you don’t succeed. Open up the subject for further discussion. Help others see the big picture, to strategize rather than impulsively reacting.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is a 7
-- Postpone financial discussion. Misunderstandings crop up easily now, especially around money. Double-check statements and invoices. Make payments on time. Don’t believe everything you hear. New developments change the assignment. Don’t touch savings. You can find necessary resources.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is an 8
-- Loose lips sink ships. Watch for breakdowns. Confusions swirl. Keep cool. Abandon a preconception. Counsel loved ones to defer gratification, for now. Notice a philosophical shift. Listen for the heart of the matter. Focus on compassionate action.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is a 5
-- Take time for foundational issues. Clean up

to save time in losing things. Review the past for insight on the road ahead. Private, peaceful activities suit your mood. Nurture health and well-being. Slow down and recharge.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today is a 6
-- Distractions can lead to misunderstandings. Take one thing at a time. Slow down and ask for clarification, rather than making assumptions. It’s better to stop the action to check course than plowing on in the wrong direction.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is a 6
-- Rest from this recent busy spell. Sink into a good book or film in your favorite chair. Keep it simple, with satisfying luxuries like bubbles and steam. Consider plans, without beginning action yet. Strategize and build support.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is a 7
-- Ponder carefully before choosing. Strike out in a new direction, and follow the path before you. Get tools and supplies together. Work through complex details. Get help with practical details. Interesting time require innovative solutions.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is a 6
-- Don’t talk about the financial impacts of the plan yet. Work out details, and consider multiple options. Get practical expertise. Differentiate what’s predictable from a fantasy outcome. Strengthen infrastructure and support. Bide your time, and consider.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is a 7
-- Think fast under pressure. Grace with matters of the heart serves you well. Listen generously to a loved one’s concerns, even if they’re unfounded. Discover something you didn’t know. Settle somewhere peaceful. Relax and recharge.

(Astrologer Nancy Black continues her mother Linda Black’s legacy horoscopes column. She welcomes comments and questions on Twitter, @lindablack. For more astrological interpretations visit Linda Black Horoscopes and www.nancyblack.com)

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Family Life Center
Free, 7:00 pm

CHRISTMAS FROM THE ELLEN ECCLES THEATRE

Ellen Eccles Theater-Cache Valley Center for the Arts
\$12-\$20, 7:30 pm

FRIDAY DEC. 4

REINDEER TREK AT WILLOW PARK ZOO

Willow Park Zoo
\$2.50-\$3. \$2.50 children age 2-11, \$3 age 12 and up, members half off, 4:00 pm

A CACHE VALLEY CHRISTMAS

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CHRISTMAS FROM THE ELLEN ECCLES THEATRE

Ellen Eccles Theater-Cache Valley Center for the Arts
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A CHRISTMAS CAROL

Sky View High School
\$11-\$13. See event website for details. Family and group discounted rates are available, 7:30 pm

THE ANTICS COMEDY IMPROV

Utah Festival Opera & Musical Theatre
\$5, 9:30 pm

SATURDAY DEC. 5

THE WINTER BOOKMARK

North Logan City Library
Free, 10:00 am

REINDEER TREK

Willow Park Zoo
\$2.50-\$3. \$2.50 children age 2-11, \$3 age 12 and up, members half off, 11:00 am

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George S. Eccles Ice Center
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Elite Hall
\$6-\$8, 7:00 pm

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MONDAY DEC. 7

MOVIE MONDAY-THE POLAR EXPRESS

North Logan City Library
Free, 6:30 pm

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