Reed Nielsen, professor of industrial technology, stands inside the partially-completed diving tank that will be used to teach students the craft of underwater welding.

Industrial department builds underwater welding tank

By HILARY ISRAELSEN correspondent

Two years ago, the department of industrial and technical education was forced to cut its automotive technology program due to lack of funds.

Today, the department is proposing the addition of a master's degree in welding technology and has started remodeling the old auto mechanics lab to accommodate the entire welding department, including a new 24-foot deep diving tank to be used for underwater welding.

According to Reed Nielsen, an instructor in the welding technology department, the department is expanding without using any extra funds. "We're doing this on what we've got," said Nielsen, who was also the acting head of the ITE department when the automotive program was cut.

The idea for both the master's and the underwater research programs came from Nielsen. He and several of his students have designed and are building the and expensive diving tank in what is now the Bridgerland Area Vocational Center's automotive shop. When the program was cut from the USU curriculum, the shop was leased by Bridgerland.

Nielsen said it would be difficult to determine the cost of the project because of the amount of labor that has been donated. He declined to give an estimate but said much of the material needed for the project has been donated to the university.

Because of the great expense involved with underwater welding, it will not be a pre-requisite for any of the welding courses offered by the department; instead, it will be an option to seniors in the program that want to get experience that could lead to jobs with large oil companies on their off-shore drilling rigs, Nielsen said.

He said he hoped the project will generate enough research money from these large companies in order to keep it going. There is a great need for this type of training, he said, simply because it is offered in only a few schools. He said there is a tremendous amount of natural resource in water, and this project will generate more water resource research.

Currently, there are 90 students enrolled in the welding technology program. They have graduates working at jobs all over the country — one USU graduate oversees all the welding on the Alaska pipeline; another is a supervisor at an Oregon nuclear power plant, according to Nielsen.

The department has a good record for placing their graduates, a fact that Nielsen said he is proud of. "Last year we had a 100-percent placement," he said. "It's a little early to tell this year; the economy has slowed down a lot of the large construction firms that hire our people, but we expect good placement again."

The program may be implemented as soon as fall 1984, he said.

While the events surrounding the termination of the automotive program are in the past now, there are still some ill feelings about its being cut and the welding program's being expanded.

LaMar Wright, former instructor in the automotive program, said there was a great demand for graduates in his program, too. "Everyone has a car," Wright said, "but few people have need for a welder in their everyday lives."

Kent Berry, a senior who transferred to USU two years ago to major in automotives, said he feels the program's being cut will affect his job opportunities. "Recruiters think the program was cut because it wasn't a quality one," Berry said. "But it was good."

Nielsen said he will do his best to expand and improve his program with the resources available. "If the Space Dynamics lab here can work with the space shuttle," he said, "I think we can get outside support for our underwater welding program, too."
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Briefly

Bar owner may file suit

LOGAN (AP) — The attorney for a Logan bar owner claims the city improperly evicted his client in favor of a competitor.

Further, Ogden attorney Frank Warner said Tuesday, if the problem cannot be resolved administratively, he will consider filing a lawsuit alleging civil rights and antitrust violations.

At a special meeting of the Municipal Council Tuesday, Logan City Attorney Scott Barrett told Warner it was not the city, but Cache Valley Bank, that served an eviction notice on Kevin Hoesel, Warner's client and owner of the Main Street Alley bar on south Main Street.

But in a letter he read to the council, Warner contended the city, in effect, was taking over the property by exercising its power of eminent domain and that the June 1 eviction notice received by Hoesel was signed by George Daines, son of Logan Mayor Newell Daines.

George Daines is the attorney for Cache Valley Bank, while his father the mayor is a major stockholder and member of the bank's board of directors.

Still, Barrett said "the city has not acted improperly because the city will not be purchasing the Main Street Alley itself."

For several months the elder Daines — in his capacity as mayor — has been negotiating with Dick Hymas in an effort to buy on behalf of the city his Cactus Club bar on North Main, adjacent to the old Sears building.

Court rules on sex bias

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court, in a ruling bound to help more women climb to leadership in many professions, said Tuesday that law firms may be found guilty of illegal sex bias for refusing to name women as partners.

The court, by a 9-0 vote, said Elizabeth Anderson Hishon is entitled to a trial in her sex discrimination lawsuit against the Atlanta law firm of former Attorney General Griffin B. Bell.

Hishon, who claims she was passed over for partner because she is a woman, is seeking monetary damages from the century-old firm of King & Spalding.

Hishon "is entitled to her day in court to prove her allegations" because partnership decisions are not exempt from a federal law banning sex discrimination in employment, Chief Justice Warren E. Burger said for the court.

The decision immediately was praised by women's rights groups.

"We feel this will open up partnership opportunities for women that have not been there previously," said Marsha Levick, a lawyer for the National Organization for Women in New York City.

U.S. involvement slight

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan said Tuesday night in a nationally televised new conference that the oil states of the Persian Gulf want to handle the attacks on their oil shipments without American intervention but that the United States stands ready to play a role "if they ask us for help."

Asked what the likelihood is that American troops will become involved in a shooting war in that region in the near future, Reagan said, "I think very slight and I can't forsee that happening."

We have not volunteered to intervene and we have not been asked," he said. "So far it seems that the gulf states want to take care of that themselves."

But Reagan stressed anew that Western nations would not simply stand by and see the Gulf of Hormuz closed as a result of the war between Iran and Iraq. Both nations have disrupted oil tanker traffic in the gulf in recent weeks.

He said last Feb. 22 there was "no way that we could allow that channel to be closed."

Reagan began his 24th normal news conference with a statement on Central America, repeating his call for Congress to appropriate more economic and military aid to U.S. allies in the region.

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USU group given $50,000 to study mudslides

By L.A. Eaton

Although the effects of mudslides have been devastating to Utah, the opportunities of research should be taken advantage of, said a USU engineering professor.

Loren Anderson heads a USU group that has been granted $50,000 by the National Science Foundation to study mudslides.

"If we want to prevent the mudslides we must be able to understand them," Anderson said. "What we don't understand is the transformation of a small mudslide into a big debris flow."

The group has 18 months to study aerial photographs with the help of the U.S. Air Force, measuring the water pressure that decreases the strength of soil, he said.

"We've made several flights to photograph the areas of the Wasatch valley and plateau," Anderson said. "We want to try to identify where the slides are going to be."

"Last year (May 30) we had a picture of Farmington and we noticed cracks in the snow," he said. "Two weeks later there was a slide exactly where we had seen the cracks."

The primary goals of the research group are to capture a landslide on videotape and to better understand the role of water pressure, Anderson said.

"It may take several days (to film a slide), but when it starts, hopefully we'll be there," he said.

The group also includes Bob Pack, a USU graduate student, Rolan Jeppson, a USU engineering professor, and Jeff Keaton, an engineering geologist from Salt Lake City. Other students will also help with the mudslide filming.

"Bob Pack has been doing a lot of the work," Anderson said. "He and Keaton have made several flights to take pictures."

The group has been researching mudslides since last year and submitted a proposal to the science foundation for funds last November, Anderson said.

"Hatch's office has been working very close with us."

All the help and research will someday contribute to the prevention of mudslide disasters, according to Anderson. Today's ideas include avoiding the hazard by not building where slides are likely to occur, he said.

Researchers are also looking for a way to control the water pressure and prevent the loss of soil strength by using sub-surface drainage.

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Hoover named College of HASS dean

Robert Hoover, head of the USU political science department, has been named dean of the USU College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, effective July 1.

The appointment was approved Monday by the USU Institutional Council executive committee, according to USU President Stanford Cazier.

Hoover will fill the vacancy created by William Lye, who left the college in September to become vice president for university relations. Richard Haycock, associate dean of the college, has been acting dean since September.

In announcing Hoover's selection, Cazier said, "I have every confidence in Dr. Hoover after observing his leadership while head of political science."

The College of HASS is the largest college on campus, with more than 160 full-time faculty members.

In addition to its support of the social sciences, the humanities, and the arts, the college supports professional programs in journalism, landscape architecture and social work. It provides the largest number of general education classes taught in the university.

Hoover said, "The real challenge will be to continue to attract top young teachers and researchers to the college and to retain those fine, early and middle career people on the faculty in a time when significant problems face higher education."

"A number of centers of excellence have developed in the college and the key to successfully fulfilling the role of dean will be maintaining, expanding and improving those."

A native of Des Moines, Iowa, Hoover received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Arizona State University. He received his Ph.D. in 1973 from the University of California, Santa Barbara.

He was a teaching assistant and faculty associate at ASU and an instructor at Santa Barbara City College.

Hoover joined the USU faculty in 1971 and has taught more than 60 courses since his appointment. He has consistently been among those faculty members within HASS receiving the highest evaluations.

Hoover's scholarly interests have been international politics, American foreign policy and American national defense. He has attended numerous professional seminars on such topics as diplomacy, intelligence and American military history.
Censorship has no place in the university setting

The recent “who took the photos off the wall and why” dispute has provoked questions concerning the moral ramifications of a photography show which was pulled from the SC display case after only four days.

Though the moral issues need to be addressed, there is one question that should be asked loudly and answered clearly: Where can controversial ideas be aired, if not at a university?

The university setting has always been one to house new ideas, create fresh concepts and uncover thought-provoking subject matter. Traditional beliefs and customs are often challenged and often changed. Without such a forum, the possibility of progression in thought, education and character is lost.

Certainly, standards of public decency must be upheld. But mud-wrestling and male strippers do not pornography make. That’s real life, folks. The photographer did not make it up. Such things really do happen and closing our eyes to those things or pulling photos off the wall will not change reality.

If the officials who decided to kill the photo display had looked at the show with an open mind, they would have realized that the photographer was simply making a statement about those kinds of employment. But even if his display were promoting oil-wrestling and male strippers, that still gives no right to a certain few to push their moral standards and beliefs on a diverse many.

Many great thinkers, whom we now study, were at first believed to be different from the norm. If their thoughts had been stifled and censored by those who were afraid new ideas would topple set standards and offend, what a loss it would have been to society.

The real injustice in removing the photos is that it was done in a university — an institution that should uphold, above all else, a forum for expression.

Internships offer edge

Many of the majors at USU don’t offer students any job experience while they are still in school, and many graduates end up working jobs in which they are not happy. Because no out-of-class experience is offered, some graduates don’t have a clue of what is available on the job market dealing with their majors.

One way for students who are not graduating this year to avoid these common pitfalls is to serve internships during the summer. Internships in jobs related to the major can be one of the most convenient ways to learn about a particular field of work and what other options are possible if the internship isn’t quite what students expect out of a job.

Education in the classroom is important but the experience of working in the field around others who know the ropes is equally important, if not more so.

During summer, many students waste time earning money in menial jobs that offer no practical experience toward a career. But those students who take advantage of the summer and internships and who get into jobs dealing with their majors often come out way ahead of the rest.

Letters

Display bothered writer’s conscience

To the editor:

Dear Erich Grosse:

I beg your patience and my God’s forgiveness for my backsliding. In trying to do right, I found a spiritual cripple, thinking of myself as something, but am nothing. For it is written, “But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people.” (Psalm 22:6) If this then was the humility of Christ, then with what humility should one Christian reprove another.

Behold, Christ did indeed eat with sinners, but this does not mean that he was a partaker of sin. It is not necessary for me to view all unrighteousness to emulate my Master.

I could not, of good conscience, look upon the pictures. I got but a glimpse of the pictures, and, perceiving them to go against my conscience, turned my eyes away. If you have faith so as to view the pictures in good conscience, then let not my words dissuade you from doing so. Far be it for me to seek out and destroy the liberty with which you live.

Never-the-less, it seems appropriate to live the way Paul taught us: “It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak. Hast thou faith? Have it to thyself before God. Happy is he that condemneth himself not in that thing which he alloweth. And he that doubteth is damned if he eat, because he eateth not of faith: for whatsoever is not of faith is sin.” (Romans 14:21-23)

As I said before, let me say again. If you have faith by which you can view those pictures in good conscience then let not my words dissuade you from doing so, and may God’s peace be upon you.

Steven Davis

LDS faith and supplement unrelated

To the editor:

I am writing in response to Marco Waaland’s recent letter to the editor. As a member of the LDS Church, I am more than a little upset with the overall sarcastic of his letter (not to mention his narrow visioned association of The Statesman’s bridal supplement and the Mormon church), I can well believe that living in Utah is not his idea of a “good time,” but linking his ad to the LDS church was as fine an example of bigotry as I have ever seen!

I suggest that Mr. Waaland reconsider his view of Mormons, stop fighting them, and sit back in silent respect for a culture — one which may not be to his liking, nor fit his ideal of perfection, but one which exists and adds to the variety of the world.

As a Mormon I know and respect people from many different religions. They are good people. Mr. Waaland, you are in Mormon country. Take advantage of your opportunity to learn about Mormons just as you would had you gone to Bolivia, Peru or Ethiopia for your education.

If you continue to dislike your stay in Utah, you are welcome to leave. However, I suggest that before you do, you open your mind a little and catch the vision of human culture, because if you don’t you’ll get as little out of other cultures as you have the Mormon’s.

Matt A. Peterson

Criticizing shows lack of character

To the editor:

I read with delight Marco Waaland’s letter to the editor in which he chose to jeer The Statesman’s wedding supplement, the LDS people and the LDS businesses.

Boy, it sure was funny. Are all bearded people from Northern California so full of satirical savvy? I couldn’t help but write back and join in the humor.

But then I suddenly reallized the supplement was purely for advertising and for those who are in the market for wedding stuff. Gosh, all the newspapers in America publish supplements like that.

Then I thought about the missionaries. They’re just sharing something they believe in. I don’t have to listen.

David Moore

Letters -- the editor:

I couldn’t help but write. To the editor:

I beg your patience and my God’s forgiveness for (and unsubstantiated) prejudice. If you have a Mormon friend or relative, you’ll get as little out of other cultures as you have the Mormon’s.

The Statesman — not the Mormon church.

I must admit that I share his sentiment about the supplement — it was out of place and had little to do with college life, but linking the ad to the LDS church was as fine an example of bigotry as I have ever seen.

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Campus Clip File

Problems with Reagan

Editor's note: Campus Clip File is a weekly column in which a member of USU's student body is invited to express an opinion of his or her choice. John Harvey is a senior majoring in economics and is president of the Honors Program.

To all who can be persuaded to be concerned. I am writing this column because I am disgusted with the present president of the United States. I would like to address the following topics: Mr. Reagan's mistakes in foreign policy, his violation of the public trust, his failure to properly represent the interests of the American public and his failure to bring about the economic reforms he promised.

Mr. Reagan has seriously contributed to the instability of the international world as a whole. Reagan has got more American soldiers killed in "peaceful activities" than any other president in my lifetime, and he has authorized more invasions, underground or covert attacks on other nations than any president in recent memory. Reagan was so concerned about peace and stability that he never even once met with the late Andropov. He did manage to write him one letter, but did not invite him to the U.S. or did he set foot on Soviet soil. Instead, he made public statements calling the Soviet Union the "great evil." If you were a Soviet citizen, wouldn't you sleep well at night if the president of the country with the most nuclear arms in the world had said he hated your country and wanted to stop its progress?

Reagan has also spent much of his time forcing (at gun point when necessary) democracy on the rest of the world. Grenada, South and Central America and the Middle East are the most visible examples, and who knows where else Reagan has sent the CIA to promote his favorite way of life.

The next fault I would like to take Reagan to task for is his flagrant violation of the public trust, a trait which he seems to actively promote in his supporters and helpers. For example, just before Reagan began his present term he committed or condoned a moral wrong doing. I am referring to the briefing papers incident. Mr. Reagan used a set of notes stolen from his opponent. I watched the news conference at which Reagan announced what had happened. Although the reporters repeatedly asked him if he felt it was morally right to have used the papers he would not answer them. He dodged the question then and has never answered it. Following the same "morality," Reagan has nominated people with blemished records for federal office. When the sordid facts are brought to light he always stands behind his man, saying the people are looking too close. In plainer language, past illegal and immoral actions are all right.

I would like to mention Reagan's failure to represent the American public he was elected to help. Reagan's new programs and reforms benefited a small percentage of Americans at the expense of the rest. Reagan has systematically cut educational outlays, help to the underprivileged and handicapped, and taken people off of the welfare roles that were in real need. The majority of the cases appealed to the courts reinstated people back on the programs.

Let's take a minute and review Mr. Reagan's "success" with the economy. During his campaign Reagan claimed to have the formula that would save America. Specifically he promised to balance the budget by cutting taxes and stimulating investment. What has really happened? The largest deficit in history of our country and the highest unemployment since the Great Depression. During this same time (1980-1983) nearly 30 percent of America's capital stock was being used. This means that our standard of living was nearly 30 percent lower those years than it needed to be. Reagan has cost America a few good years of growth and has ruined many people's dreams and futures.

In conclusion, I would plead with those of you reading this not to dismiss it without thinking about it. Rather, you ought to go to the library and check what I have said against the statistical records and newspapers. Even if you do not agree with anything I have said, please take the time to get involved with the elections this year. America is facing some serious questions concerning her integrity as a country and the type of nation she will become.

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There have been a number of dog related incidents occur on campus in recent months, according to Larry Arave, director of the USU police department.

"People have been bitten in some cases and badly frightened in others," he said.

"In order to protect the passing public from being bitten by a dog left unattended, the dog owner from costly civil liability and to prevent mistreatment to the dog," Arave said, the USU police department will enforce Logan City Ordinance, 4-3-15 (d), which reads:

'A dog shall be deemed to be running at large when off or away from the premises of the owner or keeper unless such dog is in the immediate presence of the owner or his agent, servant or a member of his family and under the actual physical control by means of a leash, cord or chain not in excess of 10 feet in length.'

"All dogs observed in violation of this statute will be impounded or if the dog's owner can be identified, the owner will be cited," Arave said.

Enforcement of this ordinance will start June 18 at the beginning of summer quarter.
Tourney time

Utah State shortstop-pitcher Kelly Smith, 10, shown in action earlier this season, hit the game-winning home run against Utah last week, sending the Aggies to the final eight-team field of the national tournament in Omaha. Utah State faces top-ranked UCLA in the first game of the tournament in Omaha today. The eight-team tournament is double-elimination. Erich Gross photo

Lakers, Celtics look for clinchers

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Los Angeles coach Pat Riley says the Lakers are looking for a knockout punch that will end their National Basketball Association playoff series with the Phoenix Suns.

"This was just a right cross," Riley said after Sunday's 126-115 victory that gave the Lakers a 3-1 lead in the Western Conference final. "We're still looking for the left hook. Right now, they're just staggering a little bit."

Game 5 of the series is scheduled at the Forum, where the Lakers have a 7-0 playoff record, Wednesday night.

In the Eastern Conference final, Boston will host Milwaukee in Game 5 on Wednesday night in Boston Garden. The Bucks cut the Celtics' advantage to 3-1 with a 122-113 win on Monday night in Milwaukee.

"We want to end this series as quick as possible," said Los Angeles reserve Bob McAdoo, who scored 23 points in only 26 minutes Sunday. "Everyone was upset that we lost the overtime game Friday, because we lost our poise at the end."

While the situation is bleak for the Suns, they haven't given up.

"We're going over there with the idea that we're going to win Wednesday and bring it back (to Phoenix for a possible Game 6 Friday night)," said Phoenix coach John MacLeod. "It's not the best of situations to be in down 3-1, but we're not out of it."

The Lakers are shooting for their third straight Western Conference title and their third NBA crown in the past five years. MacLeod, for one, gives them a decent shot at accomplishing those feats.

"I think they're motivated to win a championship," said MacLeod, aware of Los Angeles' 10-2 postseason record. "That's all they've been talking about. They have a highly motivated team, no doubt."

"I think they're better this year than last year. They were banged up. They didn't have James Worthy (who missed the playoffs because of a broken leg) and a couple of other guys were hurting."

"When you bring off James Worthy, Robert McAdoo, Jamaal Wilkes and Byron Scott, you're bringing in four quality players. We have a good bench, but they have a tremendous bench."

Despite the Lakers' strong performance in the playoffs so far, Tom Fitzpatrick, a columnist for the Arizona Republic, expressed some negative opinions about Los Angeles standouts Earvin "Magic" Johnson and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar in a one-page column on Sunday.

Johnson and Abdul-Jabbar, who said they were motivated by what they read, then played key roles in Sunday's game.

"I think it made everyone mad, so we tried (continued on page 8)
### Three-point shot, clock revived

**SANTA ANA, Calif.** — The reformation of the long dormant Pacific Coast Athletic Association baseball conference, the approval of a plan to experiment with a shot clock and three-point field goal in men's basketball, and the election of officers highlighted the annual PCAA Spring Council meetings held last week in Las Cruces, N.M.

For the first time in eight years, the PCAA will conduct a championship in baseball during the 1985 season. For the past eight years, PCAA members have been joined with members of the West Coast Athletic Conference in two regional baseball circuits - the Southern California Baseball Association and the Northern California Baseball Association.

Conference members Utah State, which does not sponsor a varsity baseball team, and New Mexico State, which will retain its independent status in the sport, will not participate in the new baseball conference.

For the third straight year, the progressive western conference will request from the NCAA the right to experiment with a shot clock in basketball. Next year's clock, as stipulated by the NCAA, will be 45 seconds in length and run the duration of the contest. The three-point field goal, which the PCAA experimented with two seasons ago, will be from a distance of 19-9. Final approval of the rule experimentation plans must come from the NCAA Basketball Rules Committee.

Utah State athletic representative Norm Jones, who has served as the conference's vice president the past two years, was elected to succeed outgoing president Allen Agnew of Fresno State. Serving under Jones for the next two years as vice president will be University of the Pacific athletic representative Stan Volbrecht.

Other council members elected to the conference's Executive Committee were UNLV athletic director Brad Rothermel and UC-Santa Barbara associate athletic director Alice Henry. Cal State Fullerton athletic director Lynn Eileen will serve the final year of his two-year term on that committee during 1984-85.

In other action, the conference's committee of athletic representatives granted an additional year of eligibility due to injury or illness hardship to the following athletes:

- **Pacific** — Jeffrey D. Forbes and Chris Keitges, baseball players.
- **San Jose State** — Lou Patrone, football.
- **Utah State** — John Schebler, wrestling.
- **Long Beach State** — David Komendat and Kevin Moore, football.
- **Fresno State** — Cornell Archie and Anthony Sanders, track and field; Mark Scambry, football; Garrett Crough, Bob Jacobsen, Todd Soares and Ken Galloway, baseball.
- **UC-Irvine** — Tom Tolbert, basketball.
- **New Mexico State** — Mark Sopp, baseball; Nicole McKenzie, tennis.

### Kareem, Johnson inspired by Fitzpatrick

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"to take it out on the Suns," said Abdul-Jabbar, who had 31 points, seven rebounds and four assists. "(But) we wanted to play well even before he wrote the article."

The column, based on the Lakers' 135-127 overtime loss to the Suns on Friday night, characterized Johnson's shot selection as infantile," and added that he was attempting "shots a teen-ager wouldn't take."

The writer said the play of the 37-year-old Abdul-Jabbar was affected by "advancing age," and added that it was "sad Kareem has seen fit to drag out" his career.

Johnson, who had 20 points and 15 assists in Sunday's triumph, said, "I know I don't play like a teen-ager."
USU Helpline volunteer Sue Harvey is one of 30 student workers who answer phones at the crisis intervention/information referral office located in the SC basement. Helpline: 752-3964.

**Helpline intervenes during crisis**

By JANET BENNION  
staff writer

"Hello? I didn't know who else to call. No, I don't know where I am. I need help. There's no one here, and I'm alone — please, talk to me!"

Could you handle a phone call like this one? What would you say if a person contemplating suicide called you?

There are 30 USU Helpline volunteers who are specifically trained to receive calls of an emergency nature like this one. Drug overdose, suicide, child or spouse abuse are just a few of the calls they receive requiring immediate, trained action. The question is, what can a first-year engineering or plant science major do for a suicidal needing immediate attention?

"If someone calls up and says that he wants to commit suicide, he's not going to tell you where he is or how you can reach him," said Rich Ferraro, USU student and Helpline volunteer. "The only thing you can rely on is talking to him, keeping him on the line. The more time you have, the less likely it is that he will kill himself."

Ferraro said the USU Helpline provides a listening ear 24 hours a day, unlike other emergency talk lines. "If you call up Bear River (Mental Health) late at night and say, 'I'm going to commit suicide,' the response will be, 'one moment... please hold.'"

Ferraro said the Bear River Mental Health clinic is overworked and underfunded, one good reason to rely on USU Helpline. "The main idea is that somebody is here to listen. Our purpose is to give people a central referral number to call."

Dan Troster, USU engineering major, started answering phones for Helpline spring quarter. He said he never realized the job would have such a social and emotional impact on his life.

"Engineering is pretty unhuman," Troster said. "You hardly ever have time for interpersonal relationships. I joined Helpline because it's a good way to help people and feel like a human being pounding on computer keys all the time..."

Troster agreed with his fellow volunteers that the most frustrating part of answering calls was the torture of keeping advice to a minimum and just saying, "I understand," and "uh-huh," over and over again.

"I don't believe in abortion," said Troster, "but I just can't come out and say, 'Don't do it!' I have to refer them to someone." Volunteer Feri Borz said, "The reason I joined Helpline was because I knew how important it was to have a place to go to talk. When I first came to this country I had communication problems. I know how it is."

"Okay, you're not alone," said Borz, "there is someone who can listen to you." The ability to listen, "not just hear," and listening ear 24 hours a day, unlike other talk lines, is the two most valuable tools of reaching a person, Borz said.

A 20-hour training program provides lessons in reflective listening and "how to build interpersonal relationships in five minutes."
Gay support group recently instigated at USU

By TAMARA THOMAS

A weekly gay support group was recently instigated at USU to provide an outlet for the gay student population to discuss issues concerning homosexuality.

The gay support group was begun four weeks ago after Susan Rogers, a member of the USU psychology counseling lab, received a call "from a couple of people at Helpline."

Interest in the gay population "appears to go in waves," according to Janice Saunders, coordinator for the USU Helpline. Helpline is a crisis hotline that keeps statistics on all contacts made during the year, including those requesting information concerning gays.

Since Helpline began tabulating calls in 1981, the number of contacts has risen from 29 calls in the first year to 44 in 1982. There have been more than a dozen calls in the first four months of 1984.

The Helpline volunteers, whose purpose is to give out information and referrals, called Rogers to find out if the counseling lab was aware of any group that was currently meeting.

Rogers said arranging the first meeting wasn't easy. "It took us quite a while to get it going," she said. She and a colleague acquired permission to use a campus building for the meeting place. "Since these facilities are used for clinics, it was cleared for this use."

The support group has grown from three people at the first meeting to seven at the third. "If it gets big enough, we may let it kind of run itself," she said.

Discussion at the gay support group meetings centers around topics of concern to homosexuals. "What we've done so far is talk about whatever is on someone's mind," said Alan (not his real name), a member of the group.

One issue discussed was the difficulty involved in declaring one's homosexuality to parents and friends. Alan referred to last week's meeting: "We talked about parents, what it was like to admit it to them, and how to talk to them about it."

Alan is the contact for a gay referral line in Logan. "I first heard of the gay referral line through an ad in the Statesman my freshman year," he said.

Alan was underage then, and members of the gay community were "leery about minors being involved." The gay student organization sponsored activities at which alcohol was present, and the state law is strict on alcohol consumption by minors.

Also worrisome to the organization were state laws concerning statutory rape, he said.

"In 1981, there was no gay organization and Alan offered to re-establish a gay referral line, which provides information about meetings and activities for homosexuals. According to Alan, it is "almost impossible" for an established community of gays to exist in Logan. "Logan is not large enough to support a bar, which is traditionally where gay men meet. And the university, with its large LDS influence, is not very tolerant," he said.

Intolerance, however, has been combated with substantial success by another Utah gay organization. The Lesbian and Gay Union at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City fought a battle last year with the university administration to gain funding for the group.

"People here define themselves more as people and not just as gay," said Kelly, a member of U of U's organization, who asked to be identified by her first name only.

Kelly admitted to being surprised at the number of gays in Salt Lake City when he moved there. "Some have estimated it as high as 15-20 percent," he said. "I would just say there is a very large community here."

The U of U administration finally granted the Lesbian and Gay Union $100 in funding after denying the group's initial request of $6,000.

According to USU's vice president for student services, Val Christensen, funding can never be given by the university administration for a specific group such as the one at U of U.

The administration's stance does not stem from discrimination, said Christensen. "They're people like anybody else," he said. The policy instead is universal. "At this school, we don't fund individual groups. So, it wouldn't be a possibility."

The gay community at USU is not likely to gain the same acceptance U of U's group has won. "Gays here are not ready to admit they're gay because people are not tolerant," said Alan, "and the laws don't protect them."

According to Kelly, rough national statistics estimate that 9-15 percent of the U.S. population is actively involved in a same-sex relationship. Alan said gays would "like straight to treat them as they would treat anyone else — there's no reason to look at someone purely in terms of their sexual preference."

He added that "as people learn how many of their friends and family members are gay, they'll come to accept it."


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Dear Eve Watson, I want to thank you for brightening my day through the quarter. You are the favorite smiling Ad Admire. The Amazing Cynikas from kitses on to scaling the A. Thanks for being mine, LOVE YOU!!! Hungry Ed.

Don't miss the 3rd Annual Pi Kappa Alpha Beach Party and Sunset contest Saturday, 8:00 a.m. at the house. Everyone invited. Even if you aren't a member, you're more than welcome to join in for fun. Thanks for being so great and friendly. Love ya, The Kap­ pa Delta's.

Are you wondering exactly where the am­ phitheater is in anticipation of Friday's showing of Young Frankensteins? Wonder no more! South Side of Old Main Hill 16:00 p.m. bring your own blankets and pillows. FREE to the boy who gave camouflage Years last Saturday. I had fun, looking forward to this one with great excitement. Glass is to public. Till then have a good day. Sky Checker.

I wish I was at the beach party because that's where all my friends will be. The Pikes present their 3rd Annual Beach Party, Sat. May 26, 8 p.m. at the Pi Kappa House...Bring a tan!
Current mailing address needed

Students requesting financial aid for 1984-85 should make sure a current mailing address is on file with the Admissions Office. Award letters will be mailed to that address.

Social Work banquet to be held Thursday

The Social Work Student Organization will be having their closing social and awards banquet Thursday at the Cottage Restaurant, $1 West, 300 South at 6 p.m. The cost is $6/person and includes dinner. Nice dress is required and spouses are welcome. Sign up by Monday at the bulletin board. Tickets are available from Genny in the Social Work office.

Mortar Board meets

There will be a Mortar Board meeting Wednesday at 9 p.m. in the SC 3rd floor. The agenda includes preparation of care packages, a quick business meeting, and a little bit of fun. All members are expected to be there.

Spring grades mailed

If a student wishes to have spring quarter grades mailed to a summer address, bring a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Records Office in SC 225.

BSU meets Wednesday

The Black Student Union will meet Wednesday in SC 310 at 6:30 p.m. to elect new officers.

Canoe trip planned

BridgeRaid Audubon Society is conducting a canoe trip on the Bear River Saturday, leaving at 8 a.m. from Grand Central parking lot and returning by 3 p.m. This is a remarkable scenic stretch of river between Trenton and Malga with abundant birds and chances of seeing beaver, muskell and deer. Highlights are stops at a great horned owl nest and a large nesting colony of great blue herons. Advance reservations required. Call 752-2702.

Electra' presented in the FAC courtyard

USU Theatre Workshop Series will present a compilation of Aeschylus', Euripides' and Sophocles' classic Greek tragedy Electra at sunrise (approximately 6:30 a.m.) Thursday in the FAC Courtyard, east of the Art Museum. It is free and all who attend this one-time "happening" are encouraged to dress in a 1960's new wave style and be prepared to participate with the actors in the action.

Pharmacy speaker

Dr. David Roll, associated dean of the College of Pharmacy, University of Utah, will speak with students about the opportunities available in the field of pharmacy, Wednesday in NRB 315, 1:30-3 p.m.

Summer school openings for children

The USU Children's House has openings for summer school (June 18-Aug. 10) for children three to five-years-old. Both morning and afternoon sessions are available. Tuition is $110 for the quarter. For more information, call 750-2056. We are also taking applications for fall quarter.

Deadlines listed

All campus clubs, organizations, individuals and university departments interested in putting their newsworthy announcements on The Back Burner should complete a form available at TSC 315. Both calendar items and notices of activities need to follow these deadlines: Tuesday and Thursday at 10 a.m. and Friday at 2 p.m. for publication in the next regular issue.

What's Playing

Mann's Triplex -- Breakin', Making The Grade, Hambone and Hillie 752-7762.
Utah -- weekend Pass. 753-3072.
Redwood -- Firestarter. 752-5098.
Cinema -- The Natural. 753-1900.
Capitol -- Romancing The Stone. 752-7521.

Weather

Today's forecast
Variable Clouds and warmer. High 79. Low 40.

Tomorrow's forecast
Variable clouds with possible scattered showers. High 67. Lows around 40.