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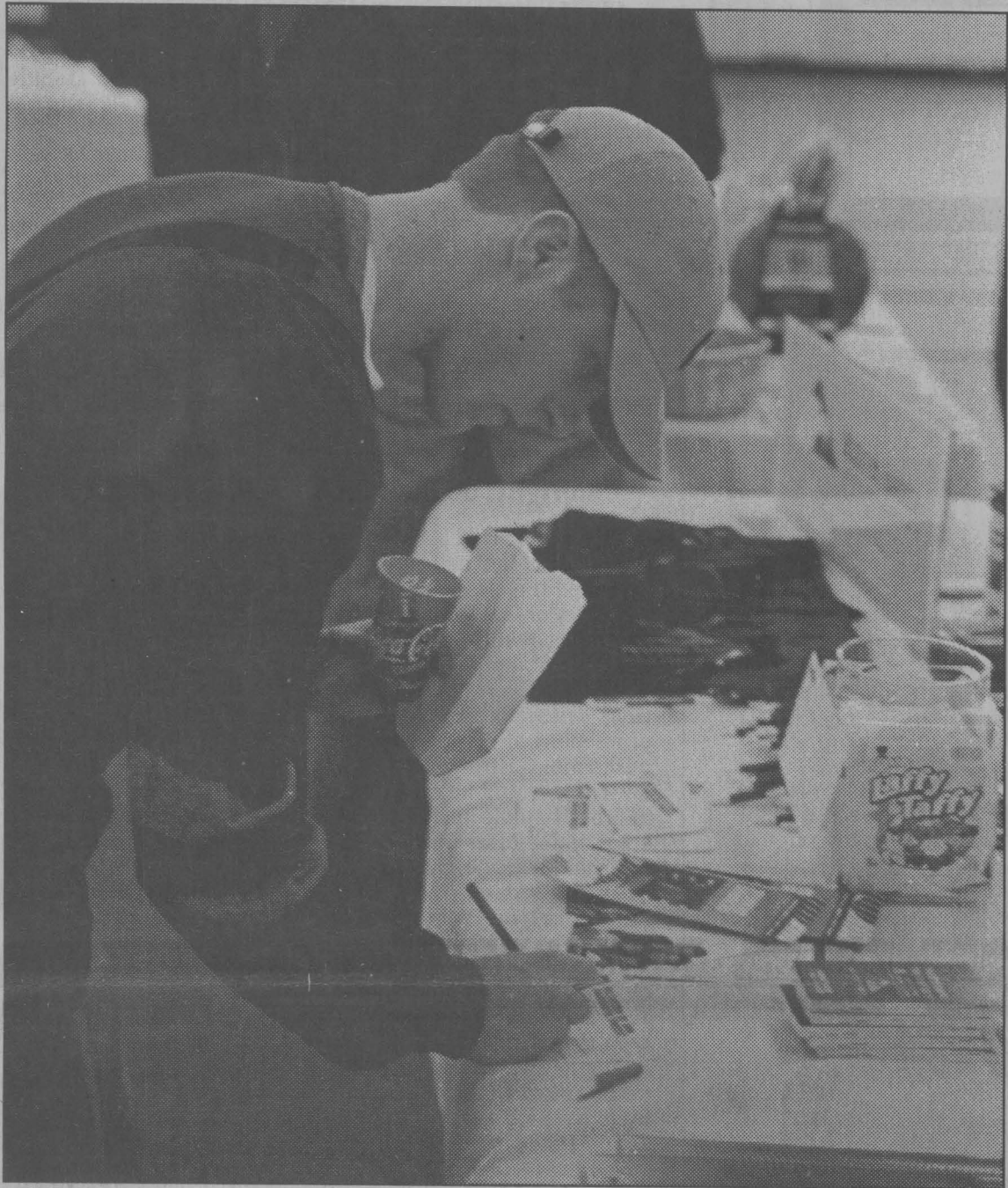
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## Sign me up



Food, drinks and prizes were offered to students like Brad Hanson who visited the student loan expo Friday. The Expo was designed to help students find financial help for school.

## Students check out new financial aid applications

D'ARTAGNON WELLS  
Staff Writer

With the start of a new year comes the season for financial aid application and the Utah State University Financial Aid Office was revved up Friday to help students. At the fourth annual Financial Aid Frenzy in the Taggart Student Center, Friday participating vendors, the Scholarship Office and the Financial Aid Office had booths set up to assist students with any questions or concerns they had concerning their individual financial needs.

Judy LeCheminant, director of Financial Aid at Utah State University, said the Frenzy is held around the second week of school to help remind students that this is the time to apply or reapply for their student aid for the next year of school.

It's also to keep students informed about changes made to the 2000-01 financial aid application.

According to the leaflet that

accompanies the new application, changes that have been made are:

- Question 28 gives instructions to students about convictions for drug offenses.
- Questions 61-64 collect parents' Social Security Numbers and last names.
- Questions 66 and 87 ask for the number of people in the household who are attending college. This number no longer includes parents, according to the leaflet.

In the current application there are two forms that need to be filled out: the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Verification Application (VAPP). The FAFSA needs to be filled out and sent with the envelope provided. The VAPP needs to be filled out and returned to the Financial Aid Office on campus to verify the information provided to the federal government.

During the Frenzy, the Financial Aid Office had slide projector presentations with

useful FAFSA information for students.

According to the projection, some common mistakes have to do with making sure the following information is filled out correctly in applications:

- Ensuring the name on applications matches the name on the applicant's Social Security card.
- Entering the date of birth rather than the current date in its proper field.
- Sign all applicable areas of the application.

Negligence in any of these areas may delay application processing by two to four weeks, according to information provided at the Frenzy.

It is also a good idea to send applications in early. Early applicants have a greater chance for supplemental grants, work-study and Perkins loans, LeCheminant said.

FAFSA applications can be filled out on the web at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) to save two to four weeks processing time.

## USU to receive \$30.4 million

BROOK COX  
Staff Writer

Utah State University's Space Dynamics Laboratory (SDL) has recently been selected to build a satellite instrument that will improve the way people are able to see the weather patterns around the earth.

The project will be managed by NASA's Langley Research Center and USU expects to receive \$30.4 million for its role in the project, according to Gail Bingham, an SDL researcher and USU biometeorologist.

The mission, called Earth Observing 3, will use an instrument called GIFTS (Geostationary Imaging Fourier Transform Spectrometer) to study the weather in Earth's atmosphere.

"This space flight demonstration will involve genuinely revolutionary measurement approaches that will have a major impact on Earth system science," said Ghassem Asrar, NASA Associate Administrator for Earth science.

"The eventual incorporation of this technology on geostationary weather satellites would provide up-to-the minute information never before available on active severe weather sys-

tems such as hurricanes and tornadoes."

"We have won the chance to leap frog the technology of current weather sensors by 20 years," Bingham said.

Currently weather is viewed from space with satellites that have only one sensor, but with GIFTS more than 32,600 sensors will be able to view the weather, Bingham said. GIFTS will be able to observe a new area of 317 miles every 10 seconds, meaning that it will only take GIFTS 30 minutes to view one side of the earth, Bingham said.

Along with improving observational capabilities, GIFTS is intended to be able to provide additional and more detailed information.

"One big advantage," Bingham said, "is that you can see constituents in the atmosphere, like water vapor, much better. We see water vapor when there is enough of it to get lumpy and form clouds. In the right bands, though, you can see water vapor before it condenses."

USU students at the Space Dynamics Laboratory helped with the proposals for the project and many will also be able to help with the building of the instrument, but the project will be led by a professional engineering team, Bingham said.

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• GAIL BINGHAM •  
SDL RESEARCHER

The Dynamics Lab hopes to begin in about two months after a formal contract is solidified, Bingham said. After that, Bingham said, it will be at least three years before they will be able to launch the instrument.

According to a NASA press release, the entire Earth Observing 3 mission will cost approximately \$105 million and is part of NASA's New Millennium Program.

Other members of the project's team include the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the University of Wisconsin Space Science and Engineering Center, Lincoln Labs and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

## Executive Council to propose \$2 fee increase to Board of Regents

DOUG SMEATH  
Senior News Writer

The Associated Students of Utah State University Executive Council will propose a \$2 student fee increase today to the Student Fee Board.

The Board, chaired by ASUSU Student Advocate Matt Malouf, is made up of various elected ASUSU officials, students and USU Assistant Vice President of Student Services Gary Chambers.

The Board decides which fees to approve and then makes its recommendation to USU President George H. Emert. He then submits his recommendation to the State Board of Regents and the State Board of Trustees, both of which usually approve the recommendation, ASUSU President Nate Anderson said.

Each year, the Board gets about \$20 or \$30 in fee applications, Anderson said. They usually approve about \$5 of that, he said.

Anderson said fees usually increase in proportion to tuition increase. Because of this year's tuition increase, Anderson said fees should increase about 3 percent.

"That's not set in stone, but that's just a general guideline," Anderson said.

The council voted to recommend a \$2 fee increase for upcoming semesters.

The recommendation was based primarily on discrepancies between building and maintenance funding and student activity funding. Anderson said a past fee allocation was to be split in half, with 50 percent going to building and maintenance and 50 percent to activities.

Anderson said over time the proportions came closer to 90 percent for activities and 10 percent for building.

Anderson said Chambers has requested an increase in student fees to equalize the funding without cutting the activities budget.

He said a \$1.25 increase

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## Committee advances bill that would outlaw stalking

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A loophole in Utah law makes it impossible for a victim to get a restraining order against a stalker if the two did not live together first.

On Tuesday, a House committee gave its approval to a bill by Rep. Lawanna Shurtliff, D-Weber, that would close that hole. Shurtliff says the bill appears to have broad support and expects a smooth road toward approval.

But the bill won't become law soon enough for Michelle Reilly.

Last year Reilly was harassed by an ex-boyfriend, Michael VanGerven. VanGerven began making threatening phone calls, which soon developed into death threats.

Then, on Jan. 22, 1999, VanGerven broke into her parents' Cottonwood Heights home. Michelle Reilly escaped out the back door, but VanGerven took her mother, Renee, and father, John, hostage. He shot them both in the back of the head before escaping. John Reilly was killed instantly. The other bullet ricocheted off Renee Reilly's skull, shattering her jaw but sparing her life.

VanGerven shot and killed himself the next day.

"There was no sign of him

being unstable, but when he called and threatened my life I took it very seriously and it was hard for me that nobody else did," said Reilly after Tuesday's hearing.

Reilly had gone to police seeking help and was told all she could pursue was a claim of telephone harassment.

"Because she had not cohabitated with her boyfriend, she could not get a protective order," said Shurtliff. "A life could have been saved if this law had been in place."

Shurtliff said she began work on the bill two years ago. Last year it passed both chambers of the Legislature, but House lawmakers didn't make the bill a funding priority and it died because of its \$102,000 price tag.

This year, Shurtliff included a \$75 fee to file for a protective order, dropping the cost to \$51,000.

The House Judiciary Committee gave its unanimous approval to the bill, which will move to the full House for consideration.

Meantime, Renee Reilly still is undergoing reconstructive surgery and the family is dealing with the trauma of the event, said Michelle Reilly.

"We're slowly getting it back together," she said.

## Drunk driver sentenced to up to 15 years in prison

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The drunken driver who caused a multi-car crash that resulted in the death of a 4-month-old baby has been sentenced to up to 15 years in prison.

Jesus Ramirez-Gatica, 36, was sentenced Dec. 20 to three consecutive terms of up to five years in prison for driving into a traffic jam on Interstate 15, setting off a chain reaction of collisions on Feb. 27.

Ramirez-Gatica was driving 70 mph and had a blood alcohol level of

0.27, more than three times the legal limit in Utah.

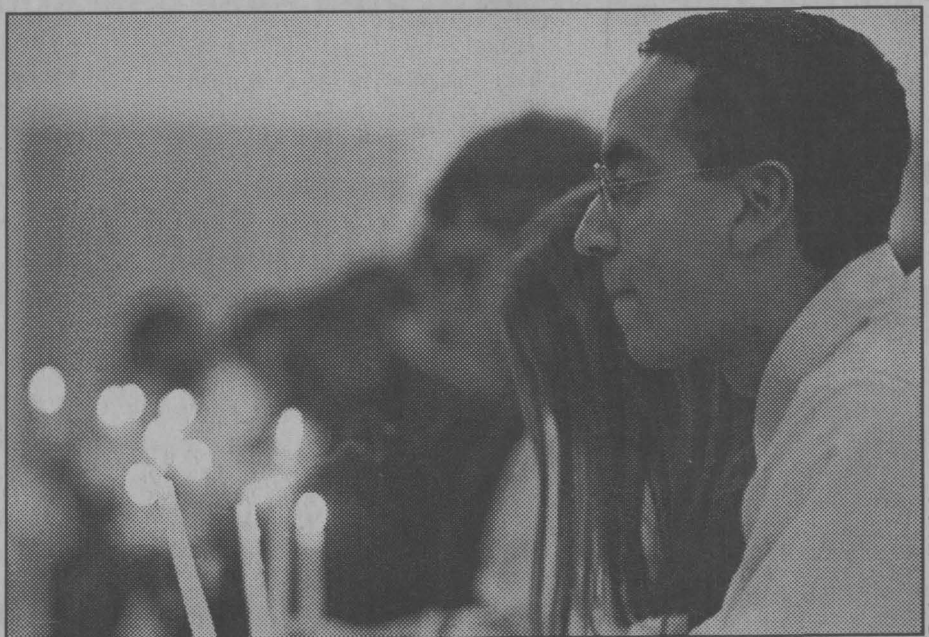
In sentencing Ramirez-Gatica, 3rd District Judge Roger Livingston doled out the maximum penalty allowed by law.

The crash killed Matthew Affleck, who was sitting in the back seat of his parents' Honda.

Ramirez-Gatica pleaded guilty in October 1999 to automobile homicide and two counts of driving under the influence, all third-degree felonies.

## Candles in the dark

Marcos Flores, as well as other students alumni and professors, gathered to light candles for the cause of equal rights Tuesday night. A moment of silence followed the lighting of the candles for the memories of those who fought for equal rights. See story on Page 5.





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**World GLANCE**➤ **Israel talks about Holocaust-era banking**

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel will publish a list of 1,000 unclaimed bank accounts from the Holocaust era in an effort to help survivors and their heirs recover assets.

The dormant accounts, none containing more than the equivalent of about \$150, have been held by the state for over 50 years. Custodian General Shmuel Tsur told reporters on Tuesday.

Some 14,000 bank accounts and other types of assets held by the government, worth about \$58 million, however, will not be released for another year, Tsur said. He said it will take that long to examine the files, of which 7,900 are presumed to belong to Holocaust victims.

The announcement comes just days after Israel's largest bank, Bank Leumi, posted thousands of its dormant accounts dating back to World War II on the Internet.

Yoram Dori, spokesman for the World Jewish Restitution Organization, which is fighting to restore Holocaust-era property in 23 countries, called the announcement "an important step in the right direction."

In the uncertain days leading up to and during the war, European Jews deposited assets in banks in British-mandated Palestine to protect their property from Nazi confiscation.

At the outbreak of World War II, Britain issued a "Trading with the Enemy Order" freezing the assets of people living in Germany or Nazi-occupied countries.

After the war, several thousand accounts remained unclaimed — mostly, it is presumed, because their owners were among the 6 million Jews who perished in the Holocaust.

With the birth of the state of Israel in 1948, the accounts were transferred to Israel's Finance Ministry and later to the General Custodian for Wards, which handles unclaimed assets.

The 1,000 accounts will be posted on the Internet within two or three months, Tsur said.

He said the government is pressing Israeli banks to release information on unclaimed accounts they hold, estimated to be worth \$15 million.

➤ **Albright defends economic embargoes**

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — In an editorial published Tuesday in a medical journal, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright defended the effects of economic embargoes on public health.

Critics of U.S. foreign policy charge that the sanctions punish the Iraqi and Cuban people and are not a morally acceptable tool of diplomacy.

Albright expressed total support for the Clinton administration's sanctions against Iraq and Cuba to thwart the building of weapons of mass destruction by Saddam Hussein and to push Fidel Castro toward democracy.

"There would be no better route to greater prosperity and improved public health in Cuba than a government that was accountable to its people," Albright said in the Annals of Internal Medicine, published in Philadelphia.

As for Saddam, "there is no greater enemy to public health in Iraq than he," Albright said.

Albright said Saddam is not using the available resources for the intended purposes. She said the United Nations reported the Iraqi government spent only \$9.5 million of the \$25 million set aside for nutrition supplies for vulnerable children, pregnant women and nursing mothers.

The Rev. Joseph A. Fiorenza, president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, said the sanctions against Iraq "have long ceased to be a morally acceptable tool of diplomacy." The bishops have also said that the American embargo of Cuba deprives the neediest people of essential foods and medicines.

➤ **Former CIA director hurt in plane crash**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former CIA Director Adm. Stansfield Turner is being treated at Brooke Army Hospital in San Antonio after a weekend plane crash in Costa Rica that killed his wife, a family spokesman said Tuesday.

Turner's condition is listed as "critical but stable," said the spokesman, Charles Battaglia.

"He's doing a little better today," Battaglia said. He said Turner remains in an "induced coma" to remove pressure from broken ribs.

There has been no decision yet on surgery, Battaglia said. Turner was flown from Costa Rica to Texas on Monday aboard a private air ambulance.

Turner, 76, is a retired admiral who served as CIA director under President Carter between 1977 and 1981.

Turner's wife, Eli Karen, died in the accident Saturday along with three other passengers.

Seventeen passengers and three crew members were aboard the Czech-built LET410, operated by Taxi Aereo Centroamericano, which crashed into a house shortly after taking off for Tortuguero national park on the Caribbean coast.

The cause of the crash was under investigation.

➤ **Boy acquitted of plotting school massacre**

PORT HURON, Mich. (AP) — A jury on Tuesday acquitted a 14-year-old boy charged with hatching an elaborate plan with three other boys to steal guns, lure students to their school gym and open fire on people they didn't like.

Daniel Fick was found innocent of conspiracy to commit murder.

Fick, who was 13 at the time of his arrest, was the only one of the four Holland Woods Middle School students to face trial. Charges against one boy were dropped; the other two accepted plea bargains that will keep them out of jail.

"I respect the jury's decision," prosecutor Mike Wendling said. "They had the hardest job of anyone."

A message left for Fick's lawyer, Steven Guiliatt, was not returned.

Prosecutors said the boys wanted to outdo the April massacre at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., in which two students killed 13 people before turning their guns on themselves.

Fick told the Times Herald of Port Huron in an interview Friday that he and his friends "said some stupid stuff" but weren't serious about planning to shoot and bomb fellow classmates at their school.

➤ **Memorial to be built for Princess Diana**

LONDON (AP) — Princess Diana will be remembered with a memorial fountain built along a dedicated walkway winding through central London's parks, Chancellor Gordon Brown said Tuesday.

The fountain's location and design have yet to be decided but it will not incorporate a Princess Diana statue, said Brown, who also chairs a government committee overseeing the memorial.

Since her death in a 1997 car crash in Paris, the only official commemorations in Britain have been a coin bearing Princess Diana's likeness and a few community service and charity awards and projects established in her name.

The fountain is believed to be the favored option of Prince William, 17, Prince Harry, 15, and the Spencer family.

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## 'Ogden Standard Examiner' will soon be a morning publication

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — The *Standard-Examiner* is switching from afternoon to morning publication beginning June 5, following a newspaper industry trend that is slowly eroding the number of afternoon papers.

Publisher Scott Trundle said Tuesday that the change was one in a series of improvements to the newspaper that include new offices, a new printing plant and a \$10 million state-of-the-art offset printing press.

"The year 2000 will be the most exciting and challenging in the 112-year history of the *Standard-Examiner*," Trundle said. "During this year, we'll be

setting a new *Standard* for the new millennium."

Trundle said the newspaper was switching to morning delivery of its Monday through Friday editions to better serve readers and advertisers in the newspaper's rapidly growing circulation area. Saturday, Sunday and holidays are already delivered in the morning.

The conversion will make it possible for the newspaper to deliver more up-to-date local, sports, business and national news to our readers in Box Elder, Cache, Davis, Weber and Morgan counties, he said.

## Some Utah school districts limit parent-student fund-raising efforts

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Parent-student fund raising long has been a tactic for money-starved schools throughout Utah, but some districts are beginning to limit the types and number of fund-raisers.

The Salt Lake City district last week proposed curtailing elementary school fund-raisers, and the Davis district recently limited the number of organizations that can solicit its employees.

The Salt Lake City district has been fielding complaints from parents for at least three years about the number of money-making ventures.

About half of Salt Lake City elementary students participate in the free- and reduced-lunch program, a measurement of poverty in the district. "and we're asking them to donate what's given to them," said district Superintendent Darline Robles.

Short of state funds, fund raising remains the only way some schools can purchase

basics such as paper, playground equipment and computers, said Colleen Taylor, president of the Utah PTA. Nevertheless, she is pleased to hear districts are setting limits.

"If we raise funds to (buy) computers and textbooks, that lets the Legislature off the hook to fully fund them," she said Friday. "When we go to the Legislature and say, 'Everybody across the state is not equal in technology opportunities,' they respond 'As long as we have rich parents on whatever side (of the valley), we won't do it.'"

The inequity between rich and poorer schools and districts continues to be a problem, educators and advocates say.

Schools with well-to-do parents and those near business communities raise more money and buy better equipment and supplies.

Eight years ago, well-off school patrons even saved the jobs of two teachers at Indian Hills Elementary on Salt Lake's east bench.

## SLOC gets its first dot-com sponsor

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Monster.com, an online career management service, has agreed to become a sponsor for the 2002 Winter Olympics.

Olympic officials refused to disclose the deal's exact financial terms but said the web site would provide Salt Lake Organizing Committee with help finding volunteers and paid employees.

To become an official sponsor a company must contribute more than \$20 million in goods, services and cash. Monster.com has done that, said SLOC spokeswoman Caroline Shaw.

Monster.com is the first Internet company to sign on as an Olympic sponsor, although computer maker Gateway Inc. also is an official

sponsor.

The partnership with the web site may come in handy for SLOC.

The committee needs 26,000 volunteers beginning in March.

The organization also is expanding its staff to 750 employees by the time the games arrive in Utah in February 2002.

## Legislators start debate over tobacco windfall

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The debate about how to spend Utah's tobacco money began in earnest Tuesday with a proposal to use some of the settlement proceeds to replace a "sick tax" on hospital bills.

Utah's share of the national tobacco settlement could total \$986 million during the next 25 years, and lawmakers expect by April to have \$27 million on hand.

Dozens of proposals are competing at the Capitol for spending the windfall. One proposal taken up Tuesday at the Senate Human Services Committee would split the money four ways.

Backed by health and education groups, Sen. Steven Poulton, R-Salt Lake City, introduced a bill to use the settlement to eliminate the sick tax, fund anti-smoking campaigns, help support the Huntsman Cancer Institute and put any leftover funds in Utah's school trust fund.

The Legislature voted last year to repeal the sick tax, which is added to hospital bills, but that action was vetoed by Gov. Mike Leavitt

as too hasty.

The tax raises \$5.5 million a year and funds health insurance for 32,000 children of poor families.

Senate Majority Leader Lyle Hillyard, R-Logan, said lawmakers remain determined to kill the tax.

Health advocates said they supported any allocation of tobacco money for anti-smoking programs.

*'We've been fighting an uphill battle for years. This bill would get us a little closer to what we need.'*

• CATHY WALSER •  
WEBER-MORGAN  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

"We've been fighting an uphill battle for years," said Cathy Walser, who runs youth smoking prevention programs for the Weber-Morgan Health Department. "This bill would get us a little closer to what we need."

Poulton's bill would allocate the first \$5.5 million in annual tobacco proceeds to supporting the child health-insurance program. The next \$10.5 million would go to anti-smoking programs. Third in line is the Huntsman Cancer Institute for \$5 million.

Any money remaining each year would then go into

the state's school trust fund, a constitutionally protected lock-box now worth \$350 million. Only some of the interest and dividends earned by the fund are spent each year on public education.

Leavitt also has proposed replacing the sick tax with proceeds from the tobacco settlement.

But lawmakers don't know for certain how much money they'll have to spend, now or during the next 25 years.

Utah is battling two law firms claiming 25 percent of Utah's settlement, potentially nearly \$250 million, as a contingency fee.

In December, U.S. District Judge Dee Benson ordered 25 percent of Utah's money held in escrow until he decides whether any fee should be paid to the Salt Lake City firm Giauque Crockett Bendinger & Peterson and South Carolina-based Ness Motley Loadhold Richardson & Poole.

Attorney General Jan Graham says the law firms agreed to take their fee separately from tobacco companies, but the firms rejected an \$11 million settlement offer and filed a lien on Utah's money. A hearing is pending in federal court on the dispute.

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would be necessary.

"I think the \$1.25 of (the \$2 increase) is a no-brainer because if we're going to lose funding — we scrimp to get by anyway," ASUSU Athletics Vice President Sam Winward said.

He said the additional 75 cents, much of which is intended for the Student Activities Board (STAB), is also a good idea.

"I think it's a fee that serves students 100 percent," he said. Others expressed concern over raising fees.

"We forget too often that it's

not our money," ASUSU Graduate Vice President Dan Ward said. "It's students' money."

He said fee allocations are essentially ASUSU telling students how to spend their money.

ASUSU Academic Vice President Emily Croshaw said while activities do need more funding, more money is needed for libraries and computers. She said ASUSU should consider asking for less money so other committees and organizations can get the money they need.

"We do need an increase, but I don't know if \$2 is needed," she said.

However, Winward said the council should ask for what it hopes to get and let the Student Fee Board decide which applications to grant.

ASUSU Activities Vice President Mandy Saunders said STAB needs money as much as academic considerations, such as computers and libraries, do.

She said USU spends as much as \$20,000 less on student activities than other Utah universities. Students come to college for academic reasons, she said, but they also come for the extra-curricular activities.

The motion to propose a \$2 student fee increase to the Student Fee Board passed in the council with a vote of 9-7.

## Moose captured, transported

MOUNTAIN GREEN, Utah (AP) — Twenty moose have been captured in Weber Canyon for transplanting to the Ute reservation.

The tribe wants to establish a moose herd on its Hill Creek Extension near the Book Cliffs.

The tribe wants more recreational and subsistence moose hunting, and at the same time, the state wants to thin moose densities on stressed winter range.

On a flyby the day before Monday's roundup, Division of Wildlife Resources biologist Leslie Rock spotted 38 moose

in a small area west of Mountain Green. That is too many. The animals concentrate there to feast on mahogany and oak brush in winter.

The state agreed with a tribal request in 1994 to receive "nuisance" animals — the occasional problem moose removed from the streets of Ogden — each year. About 20 nuisance moose were released sporadically on the reservation in recent years, but disappeared.

"We can't find them," said Walt Donaldson, northeast region biologist.

## PoliceBLOTTER

Information detailed in this section is a Statesman staff report obtained from USU Police incident reports.



### Friday, Jan. 7

• A juvenile was arrested at the HPER for Forcible Sexual Abuse, Theft and False Information to a Peace Officer and Escape.

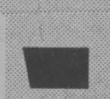


### Saturday, Jan. 8

• An individual in Valley View Tower reported receiving harassing phone calls. The offender was contacted and warned of her actions.



• A bobcat was captured in the Family Life Building, taken up Logan Canyon and released.



### Sunday, Jan. 9

• A roll-up door was found to be unsecured. There didn't appear to be any damage.



### Monday, Jan. 10

• The USU Police assisted the Cache/Rich Narcotics Strike Force in serving a search warrant. Six individuals were arrested, over \$14,000 in cash and 1 1/2 kilo of cocaine were taken from the residence.

• An individual reported someone trying to access her apartment while she was there.

• USU Police assisted Logan City Police on a traffic accident.

• Police were dispatched to a smell of marijuana in a Mountain View Tower room. The smell was not detected by officers.

• USU Police responded to Old Main Hill on a report of snowballs being thrown at cars. Police were unable to locate anyone.

### Tuesday, Jan. 11

• An individual was contacted and given an emergency message.

• An individual in the geology building reported damage to the door of his office. It appeared someone tried to gain access to the room by using a screwdriver or similar instrument.

• An individual reported that her vehicle was damaged while it was parked in the Taggart Student Center Parking Lot.

• Police responded to a report of juveniles soliciting in the USU Trailer Court. The individuals were

warned of the university policy on soliciting on campus and asked to leave.

• An individual reported the theft of his bookbag from the racks at the University Bookstore. The bag and contents are valued at \$99.

• Police were dispatched to a fire in Morgan Hall. The fire had started from a substance on the stove element. There didn't appear to be any damage done.

• An individual reported the theft of a television from the Sunburst Lounge. The television is valued at \$200.

### Wednesday, Jan. 12

• A dog that was tied up and barking was taken to the owner and warned of the university's policy on animals on campus.

• An individual reported a man in the women's locker room in the HPER. This suspect had been seen in the women's showers many times last semester.

### Thursday, Jan. 13

• An individual in Aggie Village reported he had received items from an Internet company he had ordered from and was concerned he may have problems returning the items..

• A loose dog was caught and the owner was contacted and asked to retrieve the dog at the Police department.

• Police responded to the area between Chase Fine Arts Center and the Engineering Building on the report of shots fired. Nothing was located.

*In addition, there were five citations issued and four traffic accidents occurred, causing \$1,850 in damages.*

*If you have any information about these or any other crimes, contact the USU Police at 797-1939 or to remain anonymous, call 797-5000.*

## NewsBRIEFS

### ➤ College commission reaffirms USU's accreditation

The accreditation of Utah State University has been reaffirmed by the Commission on Colleges of the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges.

The reaffirmation was recently announced by Sandra E. Elman, executive director of the Commission on Colleges, following a review of an interim report, a visit by a commission member to the USU campus last fall and a Commission on Colleges meeting in December.

"The commission commends the university for the progress that has been made since the fall 1997 comprehensive self-study and evaluation visit," she wrote in a letter to USU President George H. Emert.

"I appreciate the commission's efforts and their favorable review of our progress in assessment activities," said Jay Gogue, USU provost. "I commend our deans and faculty members for their hard work these past two years to bring us into compliance."

The regular fifth-year interim report and evaluation visit by the Commission on Colleges will be in fall 2002.

### ➤ Holocaust survivor to speak at USU Thursday

It's hard to imagine that working on human teeth could ever be a life-saving skill, but, for Holocaust survivor and author Benjamin Jacobs, being a dentist allowed him to escape one of history's most terrifying events: Germany's systematic extermination of 6 million European Jews during World War II.

Jacobs will recount his harrowing experience in a public address at Utah State University at 12:30 p.m. in the Evan Stevensen Ballroom on Jan. 20. The event is sponsored by the Associated Students of USU Arts and Lecture convocation series.

Jacobs was born in Dobra, Poland, in 1919. He was a second-year dental student when World War II broke out in 1939. His book, "The Dentist of Auschwitz: A Memoir," describes his life as an inmate in a series of German concentration camps. He worked as the dentist in those camps for four years.

Admission to the presentation is free to students and the community. There will be a book signing immediately following the lecture, and there will also be a special video presentation by Jacobs the same evening at 6 p.m. in the Taggart Student Center Room 335.

### ➤ Photo-Text exhibit to continue through Jan. 21

The photo-text exhibit, "In Our Family: Portraits of all kinds of families," will continue through Friday. The exhibit, which began Tuesday, is on display in the International Lounge of the Taggart Student Center. Photos in the exhibit are by Gigi Kaeser, with text edited by Rebekah Boyd and Peggy Gillespie.

### ➤ STICKS volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to tutor junior high students in math and serve as Spanish translators for the STICKS program., part of the Val R. Christensen Service Center. Training and signup meeting sessions will be held today at 7:30 p.m. and Thursday at 8:30 p.m. in HPER 116.

### ➤ Speaker says feds will be desperate for good help

The U.S. government could be in a precarious situation, according to Patrick Shea, deputy to Bruce Babbitt of the U.S. Department of the Interior, who spoke to students Tuesday afternoon.

He said the demographics of federal workers have been skewed. Some of the most able and talented people, he said, have left the federal government due to budget battles.

Now, Shea said, the government is left with a plateau of workers — few people who have been there more than 10 years as well as few people who have been there for more than 25.

"You get what you pay for," he said. "I'm not sure if we're paying enough."

Another challenge Shea mentioned was to find a way through Congress to allow multi-year budgets for federal land managers.

"Land doesn't typically operate on a normal fiscal year — especially when it starts in January," Shea said.

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# FEATURES

## Sundance Film Festival

Coming this Friday, a look at the festival that has put Utah on the film industry map.

# BOOKS Just point, click and buy, baby, buy

JUSTIN BERRY  
Assistant Features Editor

Hours in long lines and hundreds of dollars later, many students across the country, and here at Utah State University, feel the crunch of semester textbook purchasing. But the traditional bookstore is no longer the only way to get textbooks. The Internet has provided a whole new avenue for the thrifty student to find and buy their books for what can be a fraction of the cost that would be paid in the physical stores located on most college campuses.

These sites offer a variety of different services. Anystudent.com exists to help students find a better price by comparing the different online stores and giving students the choice of stores to buy from.

Other sites, like Varsitybook.com, offer a traditional online store selling only new textbooks. But these online companies are not the only ones to get into the game of online services as USU's own Bookstore has jumped in with both feet.

Their site offers several different options to help students pick what they want in their shopping experiences.

Dave Hansen, director of the Bookstore said, "We've had the ability for students to buy their books online since we launched the site." However, new software was installed on Dec. 1 that allowed more freedom for students.

According to Hansen, the new software allows students to shop with the ease of a shopping cart and the convenience of checking prices before they buy.

The new software also made shopping online safer for students.

The change made the use of bank cards safe by offering a secure mode for transactions. This was a feature that was missing on the original site.

Hansen also said the changes came as a result of the students at the university. "We didn't want to tell the students — we wanted them to tell us."

The new site also offers several services students wanted to see. One of the functions is the ability to reserve textbooks and hold them with a credit card number.

This service is helpful for students who want to make sure their books will be available after a break such as the Christmas break between semesters Hansen said.

"We do textbook

reservations online. This is something other stores don't do. They (books) are kept in the book store with the student's name on them," Hansen said.

The other option students can take advantage of is the choice of where their textbooks will go. Hansen said students can either have the books shipped to them or pick them up in the bookstore.

Bigwords.com offers a service that is aimed at the college aged consumer, said Dick Hackenberg, Vice President of Marketing/ Communications. The company tries to provide a place where students can have a good time and get good service.

"Our goal is to make sure college students get a break and save some money," he said.

Bigwords.com started in August 1998 as a small company marketing exclusively to California schools, but within weeks of opening the site, Hackenberg said they were receiving orders from schools from all over the nation.

He said the company has seen a large surge of use each time a new school term starts.

"It seems like every time we go out, we see a 10 to 20 percent increase in page use," Hackenberg said. "We believed when we launched the site, college students deserve a break. They have been standing in line for 100 years and paying too much."

He said the company can have books out to students in one to two business days and offers free shipping on orders.

He also said the company offers a buy-back program that will give students cash or in store credit for their next semester of books.

The attitude at Bigwords.com is one of having fun and enjoying life. Hackenberg said the company often jokes about the difference between their service and the traditional service offered by bookstores.

"At Bigwords, we promise not to rip you off — as much," he said.

Anystudent.com offers the most diverse service for students. Rather than offer the traditional bookstore service, Anystudent.com helps the students find the lowest possible price on books by comparing the prices of several online stores and providing students with a chance to pick the one they prefer.

"It's pretty simple. We don't actually sell textbooks — we provide comparisons," Hansmeet Sethi, director of business development, said.

The company, launched in August 1999, has been able to help save students time and money, Sethi said.

"We are not a destination but a great starting place to start your shopping," he said.

"All these guys (online stores) offer a good service. The problem we had and what we hated was you really weren't saving time anymore," Sethi said. "That's why we started the service we did."

Varsitybooks.com is one of the oldest online bookstores to offer only textbook sales.

The site was introduced in July 1998 and offers only new textbooks, said Mindy Mathews, lead campus representative for USU.

Mathews said the company offers several things that make them a leader in the market.

"We're the only ones that guarantee one-to-two-business-day delivery and a flat \$4.95 shipping rate," Mathews said.

She said the company keeps in touch with students to help them know how their books are coming. If the orders are held for any reason, the company will alert the students when the books come in.

The company employs people on many of the campuses around the nation to help bridge the gap between the company and the universities.

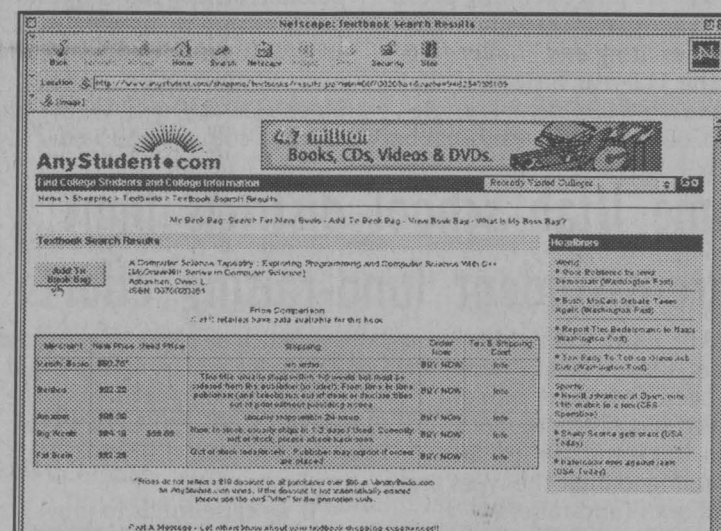
"Our main goal is to get people interested in Varsity books," Mathews said.

With so many new places to shop, students have the choice of what will offer the best value for their money. Even sites like Amazon.com, Fatbrain.com, and Barnes&Noble.com are offering textbooks for those who do not want to wait in the lines that often accompany local bookstores.

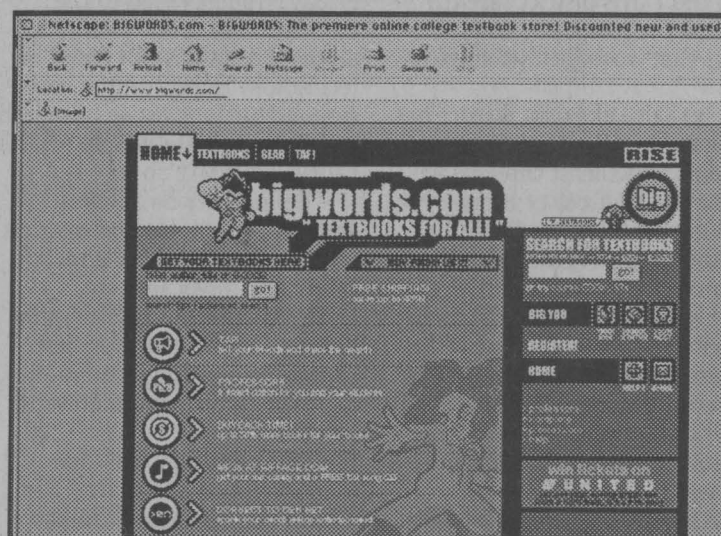
With the new variety of choices, only one question remains, what do you do with the extra money. Maybe it is time to buy something besides Ramen.

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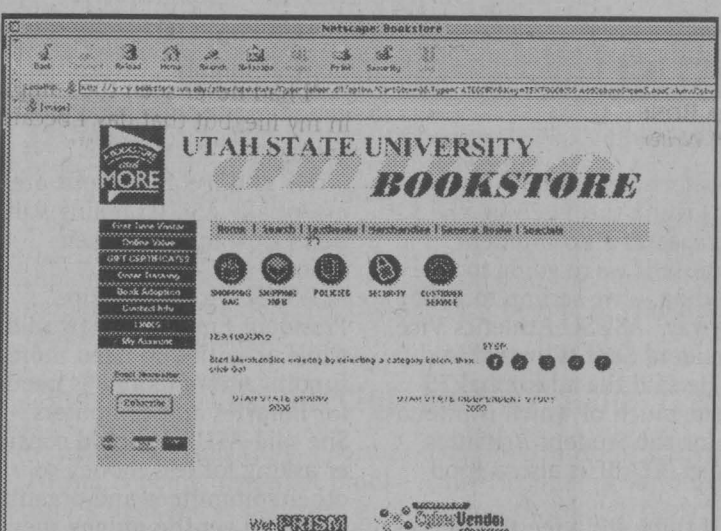
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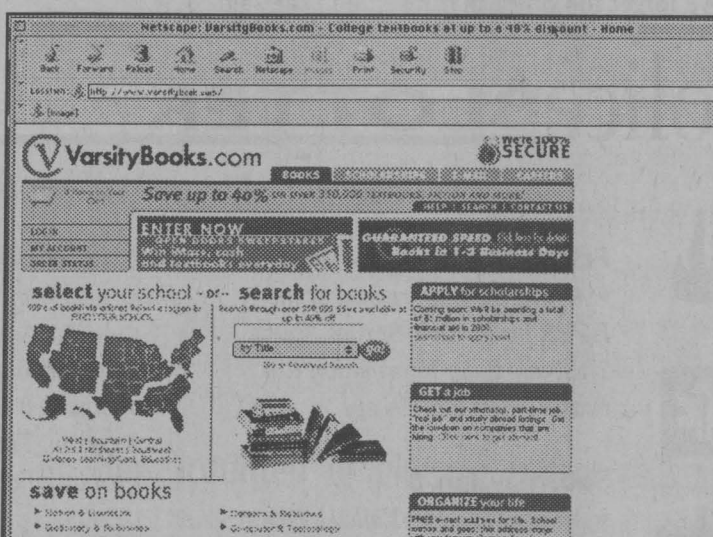
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## Students favor book exchange in order to make more on textbook sales

DEBBIE LAMB  
Staff Writer

These days it is not just who you know that matters. Since the beginning of the semester it is who you know that wants to buy your book or sell a book to you that matters.

Students wait in a bookstore hoping that the unknowing soul will come and pick up the book they want to sell. Others list their books on the Internet either by the book exchange or some other form hoping that students will see the book they need and want to buy it.

Of course this is not something illegal, like selling drugs. In this situation, everyone involved comes out the winner.

"Buying my books from friends is a better deal for both of us because I pay less than the bookstore and she gets back more than the bookstore would give," Stephanie Lake, a senior in communicative disorders said.

Students who sell their books to friends feel that it benefits them because they make a profit. And when they buy their books

from friends they usually do not have to pay as much as it costs at a bookstore.

"I sell my books to other students to get money ... money, money, money," said Tim Waters a recent Family Human Development graduate of Utah State University. "The people who buy the books back for the bookstore rip you off. You get a better deal than the bookstore, hopefully, if they're good friends. I would say the best way to do it now is on the Internet."

Students probably sell their books to their friends for a number of reasons, one being if the book is not being used next semester the book will have no value, said Amy Ohms, the manager over textbooks in the Utah State University Bookstore. People will sell the book to a friend who thinks they will need it sometime, Ohms said.

"I just kept my books," Waters said. "I knew people that were in my major who had to take the class so I just said 'hey do you want to buy my book?' A lot of people knew I was in FHD and they would come to me and ask if I took a class. Then they would ask if they could buy my books."

"Maybe 5 percent of the student body sells their books to their

friends," Ohms said. "The greatest book exchange in the whole country is from student to student. Our online book exchange that we work with ASUSU is pretty huge but it is nothing compared to student-to-student exchange. Across the whole country it is the largest book exchange ever, just friends to friends. It is a big thing we take into consideration when we order books."

The book exchange is a free service provided for any student who wants to sell or buy a book, Ohms said. Students can go in and put a book for sale or buy books, she continued. The Internet address for the book exchange is <http://hal.tsc.usu.edu/Textbooks/exchange.html>

"Students get more money if they sell the book back to the bookstore at the end of the term before it is being used again," Ohms said. "The first week of the term we have already had to get everything we need for students who were coming to class on the first day."

So if you plan to sell your books back to the bookstore at the end of the semester or plan to sell them to a friend, what matters most in this is who you know that wants to buy or sell the book and how much they are willing to pay, or accept, for it.



# Keeping the flames of memory alive

CORINNE KATOR  
Senior Features Writer

Last night the windows of the Sunburst Lounge at Utah State University reflected the glow of candles lit in memory of people who have made contributions to the American Civil Rights movement.

The lighting of the candles held by audience members was the finale of the candle-light vigil sponsored by USU's Black Student Union.

The club's president, Brent Miller, said the BSU sponsors the annual event because they believe it is important to "remember the people who have made a difference in our past."

"Without those people we wouldn't be where we are today," Miller said.

In his welcome address to the vigil, Miller reviewed the life and accomplishments of Martin Luther King. He then lit the first candle of the evening in memory of King.

Miller was followed by the other officers of the BSU in paying tribute to and lighting candles for significant figures in human rights history.

After Miller lit a candle for King, candles were lit for Medgar Evers, Jackie Robinson and Dr. Charles Drew.

King and Evers were honored for their work in bring about awareness of the need for human rights legislation.

Robinson was the first black baseball player in this country and was honored for his role in opening the world of professional sports to African-Americans.

Drew is noted for his research in the field of plasma storage and blood transfusions. Drew died following an accident due to the refusal of medical treatment in a segregated community.

The BSU officers were followed by guest speakers Michael Nicholls and Ross Peterson, both history professors at USU.

Nicholls told the story of Phene Phillips, one of the unsung heroes of civil rights. Phillips was a slave who sued for her freedom in the late eighteenth century.

She died before her case was settled, but all three of her children later won their freedom thanks to the work of their mother. Nicholls said he chose Phillips as representative of those brave individuals who brought suit for their own freedom.

As he lit a candle in honor of Phillips, Nicholls praised her for recognizing when



Utah State Alumni Fred Peterson, son of Ross Peterson, lights his own son Anthony's candle during the vigil Tuesday night. Fred Peterson studied with an emphasis in Black Studies while he was a student at USU and plans to continue the family tradition of attending the candle light vigils with his own children.

to "seize the moment," a concept Nicholls said was also recognized by great leaders like King.

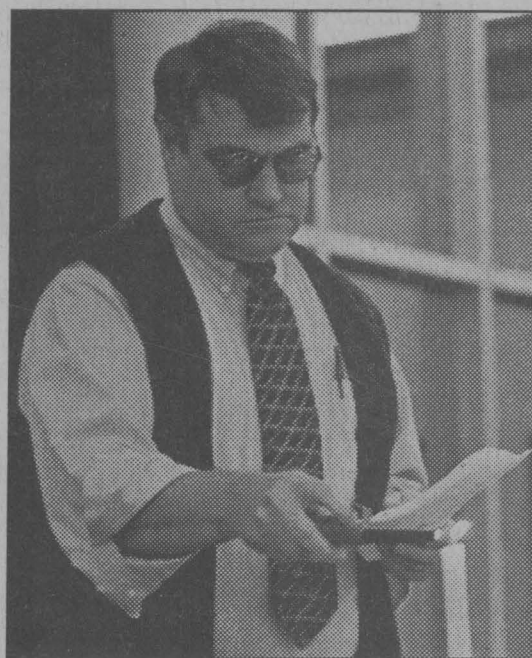
Peterson lit his memorial candle for Mignon Barker Richmond, who was the first black student at USU.

Peterson explained that Richmond entered USU in 1919, a volatile year in United States history. She graduated from USU and later received her master's degree from the University of Utah.

Peterson pointed out that education was the key that opened doors for Richmond and for most of the other people honored at the vigil.

Peterson concluded his remarks by telling his hearers the memory of these great people should push them to action. "Our time is now," Peterson said. "We need to do all we can to change our world."

Ann Pikula, a USU student who attended the vigil, said she enjoyed the evening and the opportunity to support the BSU. She said she only wished more people had been there to share the experience.



Ross Peterson, a Utah State professor of Black Studies, lights a candle for Mignon Barker Richmond, the first black student to attend Utah State University in 1919.

## Life on the set, USU grad calls Hollywood home

TARA BONE  
Staff Writer

Everything is possible for Heather Mason.

The Idaho native came to Utah State University after seeing the campus only once. In 1996 she left Logan for the bright lights, warm weather and nearby beaches of Hollywood, Calif. with Aggie pride, and experiences she said only USU could provide.

Now the 1996 USU Communication department graduate is extending Hollywood to 12 USU communication students.

The students will join Mason in launching ShowBIZ Data, a Los Angeles-based online entertainment company, at the Sundance Film Festival Thursday through Jan. 30, in Park City.

USU students will have the opportunity to act as hosts in ShowBIZ Data's Interactive Lounge Mason calls "an entire virtual technology wonderland." Mason said she came to USU for high caliber students.

"I know you can trust Utah State to put out leaders to get the job done," Mason said. "I know where to go for the best university communication students in Utah."

Mason herself never planned on coming to USU until her mom told her about the leadership scholarships USU offers. With "cabin fever," Mason said she was ready to venture out of Idaho and apply for the Presidents Leadership Scholarship (PLC). In 1991 she interviewed for, and received the scholarship.

"I had never seen the campus in my life, but that day I became an Aggie," Mason said. "It was one of the best things I ever did. I love PLC. It's the greatest thing that ever happened to me."

Mason said she could not have accomplished what she has in her career without USU's preparation, and USU leaders like Gary Chambers, assistant vice president for student life.

"(Chambers) is by far the best leader I've ever met. He is one of my idols in life," she said.

At USU Mason served as ASUSU Arts and Lectures vice president, *Statesman* senior features writer, and played on the women's soccer team. In 1996 she was named USU Woman of the Year.

"The leadership training and opportunities Utah State allows its students is unparalleled," Mason said. "I made mistakes here in an environment that would pick me up. The real world isn't that kind."

Also at USU, each winter quarter Mason worked during the Sundance Film Festival. After these experiences she knew Hollywood was where she wanted to be.

"Sundance changed my life," she said.

Mason hopes to offer USU students the same opportunity.

"I think this (Sundance) is the gateway to work in the entertainment industry," she said.

After Sundance, Mason worked at the Summer Olympics in Atlanta, Ga. and later as program director for the American Pavilion Hospitality Center at the Cannes Film Festival in Cannes, France.

Following these experiences, Mason wanted to work in film distribution. She landed a job at Fox 2000 on the studio lot as assistant to the vice president. While there, films such as *Anna and the King*, and *The Thin Red Line* were being produced. From there she moved to television production, working on the series "Pacific Blue" as script editor. Currently Mason is in the process of setting up a project at Universal Studios.

Now, as ShowBIZ Data's vice president of sales and marketing, Mason is exploring the fast-paced Internet world.

"I basically kept going through forms of media until I found one that's fast enough for me. It's an exciting time to be in the work force," Mason said.

In the future she said she expects to be involved in entertainment and definitely involved with the Internet. She even considers returning to USU.

"I would like to come back to academia because I had such a good experience," Mason said.

After these experiences, what words of advice can Mason offer her fellow Aggies?

"Having an attitude of everything is possible. Whatever you want to do you can do it. Never tell your boss you can't," she said.

Stay tuned aspiring Hollywood hopefuls — Heather Mason could be bringing the bright lights of Hollywood to USU soon. ShowBIZ and Mason might be searching for USU students for next year's Sundance Film Festival.

"We'll probably be crazy enough to try this again next year," she said.

thing malfunctioned and the plane crashed. Both Robins and his wife were killed. Their orphaned 1-year-old son prompted members of the Sigma Nu fraternity, in which Robins was a member, to found the Bill Robins Memorial Fund to raise scholarship money for their son when he became old enough to enroll at the univer-

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## Robins awards to be open to entire student body

CARRIE SAUNDERS  
Special to the Statesman

This year's Robins Awards, an evening of entertainment and campus awards, will be open to all students for the first time in a decade.

"We've worked hard to make this spectacular night an event that all students can take part in," Jodi Lee, ASUSU organizations and traditions vice presi-

dent, said.

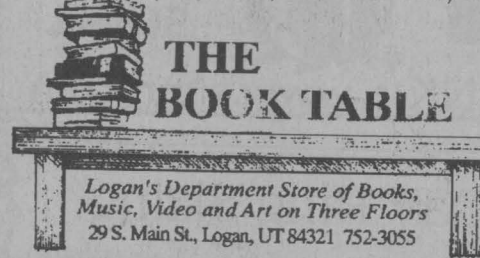
The Robins Awards are in honor of a past student body president, William E. Robins. A new millennium marks the 51st anniversary since William E. Robins served the students of USU.

In 1954, Robins and his wife, Geraldine, flew to Denver, Colo. where Robins attended a convention. As the plane was taking off from the airport, some-

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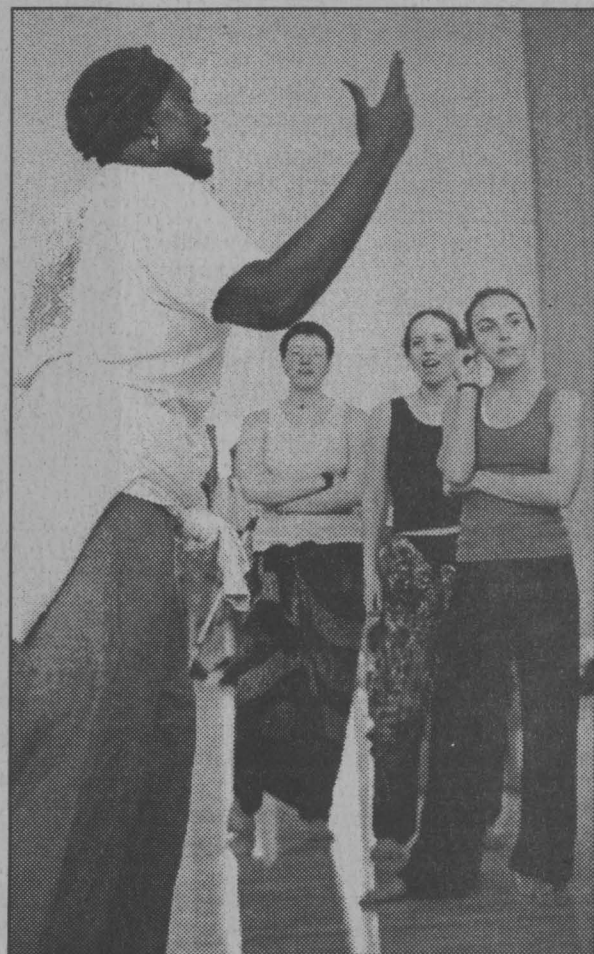
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## Learning to dance, the traditional way



Mabiba Baegne leads Teresa Misrasi and other university students as well as non-students in Saturday's African dance classes. The classes, which taught dances from the Congo, became an all day event for those people who also attended the drum classes in the morning. Participants in the classes were also required to learn chants to go along with the dances which they were taught by Baegne. The traveling group that taught the classes plans to return later for more classes and will be teaching a summer class for credit.



## ROBINS

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sity.

Seven years later, the tragedy of the Robins family compounded when their son was fatally stricken with leukemia. Since then, the fund has been dedicated to continue the Robins Awards tradition.

The first awards night was staged in 1958 in a Logan downtown theater, and a large crowd turned out for the event. With the need for additional seating, the following year's ceremony was moved to the Nelson Fieldhouse.

In 1968, the Awards Night was held in the Kent Concert Hall for the first time. This year marks the 13th year of co-sponsorship with Sigma Nu and the Organizations and Traditions Vice

President.

The Robins Awards have grown to become the most coveted of all USU honors, Lee said. Robins 2000 will prove to be a truly memorable event in which students come together to honor those lives that make dreams a reality. The theme of this year's Robins Awards is "One."

"One dream, one life, one night - that says it all," Lee said.

There are a variety of awards students can nominate candidates for. Some of these include man and woman of the year, achievement of the year, organization of the year, Bill Robins Memorial Award, and the Val R. Christensen Award for Volunteer Service.

One can nominate and read more extensively about specific awards on the ASUSU Web site, [www.usu.edu/asusu](http://www.usu.edu/asusu). Nominations will be accepted between

Tuesday and February 7.

The Robins Awards will be held in the Taggart Student Center Ballroom the evening of April 15.

## Nominations Due Feb. 7

Nominate Online at:

[www.usu.edu/asusu](http://www.usu.edu/asusu), or pick up nomination applications at TSC 326 or the TSC Information Desk.

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EARNED: \$46,929  
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NAME: Mike Prouitt  
MAJOR: Business (BYU)  
EARNED: \$67,136  
STATUS: Married and financially secure

NAME: Jeff Tolley  
MAJOR: Int. Law & Diplomacy (BYU)  
EARNED: \$20,585  
STATUS: Very glad he didn't wait tables

NAME: Aude Crutchfield  
MAJOR: Pre-dental (BYU)  
EARNED: \$23,963  
STATUS: Saving for dental school

NAME: Matt Storer  
MAJOR: Business (BYU)  
EARNED: \$42,414  
STATUS: Roller coaster

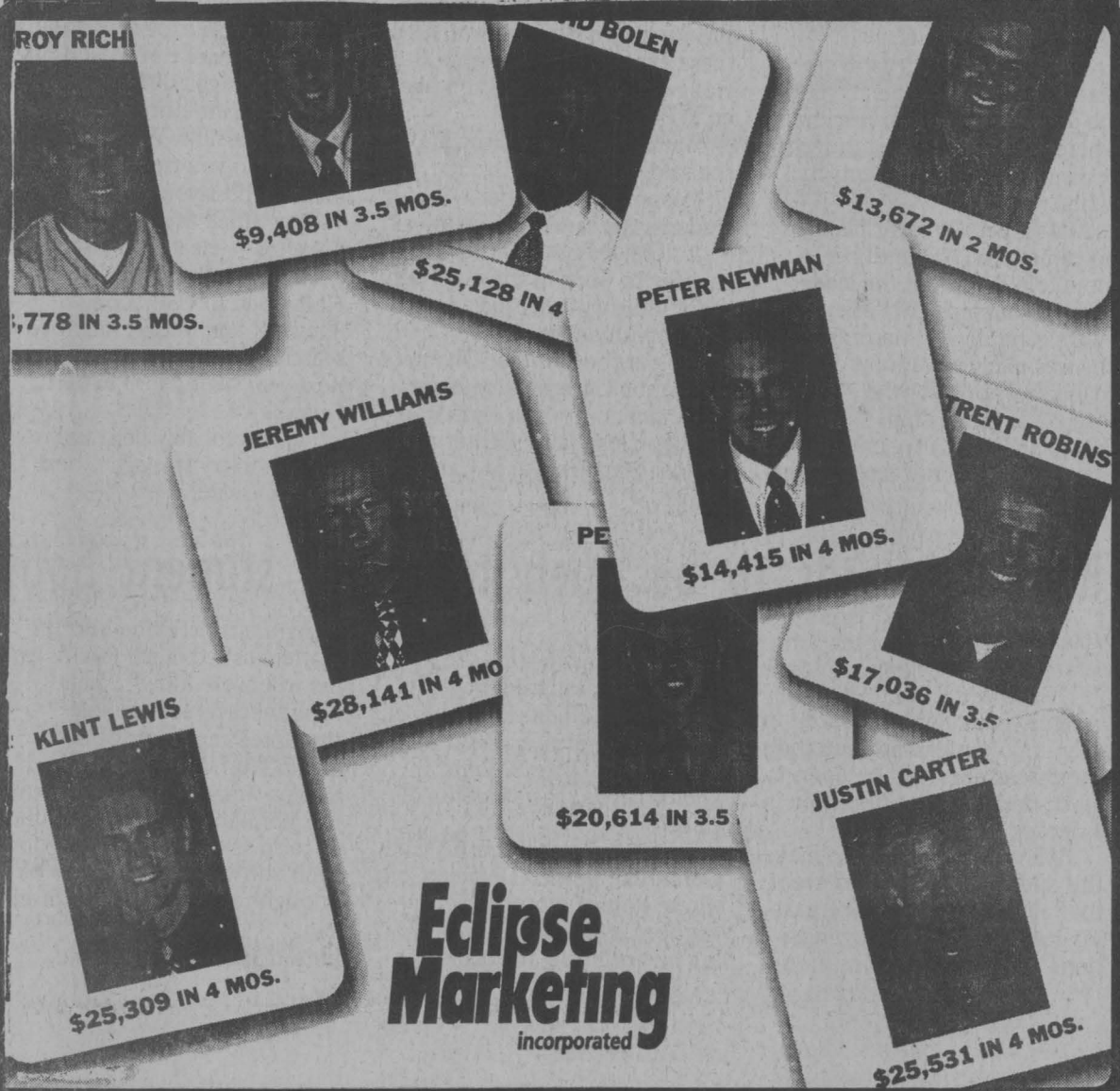
NAME: Ken Burningham  
MAJOR: Pre-dental (BYU)  
EARNED: \$15,076  
STATUS: No student debt

NAME: Jed Milburn  
MAJOR: Business Management (BYU)  
EARNED: \$34,110  
STATUS: Big time investor

NAME: Lex Arvison  
MAJOR: International Studies (BYU)  
EARNED: \$26,446  
STATUS: Single (374-0688)

NAME: Thomas Worsey  
MAJOR: Economics (BYU)  
EARNED: \$15,402  
STATUS: Planning \$30,000 no at summer

NAME: Roman Thompson  
MAJOR: Philosophy (BYU)  
EARNED: \$14,825  
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## Veteran affairs suffer at hands of mismanaged government offices

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government office handling congressional inquiries on behalf of veterans operated "in an atmosphere of total chaos" and often didn't respond to lawmakers for months, the Veterans Affairs Department's inspector general reports.

The blistering audit blames the former Office of Congressional Affairs director, Sheila Clarke McCready, for causing a "high degree of mistrust" among the staff and doling out improper raises to consultants who were empowered to make management decisions.

Ms. McCready, who earns \$130,200 a year, was transferred from the Office of Congressional Affairs but still holds a management position as a special assis-

stant to the department's under-secretary for health.

She did not respond to messages seeking comment on the report.

The congressional affairs office links the department to Americans who contact their home state lawmakers about veterans benefits and the condition of the health care system.

John Hanson, a spokesman for the department, said Tuesday the congressional affairs office receives 30 to 50 inquiries a week from members of Congress and their staff with questions such as whether a hospital is going to close, how a constituent can get a job with the Veterans department, or complaints about long waits to see a doctor.

## Veterans less likely to be incarcerated

WASHINGTON (AP) — One of the best ways to stay out of jail may be to join the military, according to a government study released Tuesday. Male military veterans have less than half the rate of incarceration than those who have never served in the armed forces, according to the study from the Bureau of Justice Statistics, a division of the Justice Department.

An average 937 male veterans are in jail or prison per 100,000 veteran residents, compared to an average 1,971 men incarcerated per 100,000 non-veterans.

The study focused solely on men, who comprise 95 percent of the nation's veterans and was based on interviews with selected inmates on their military, criminal and personal backgrounds.

Though the report indicated that veterans are less likely to go to jail or prison, the same statistics show veterans who are imprisoned are more likely than the non-veteran inmates to have committed vio-

lent crimes. Roughly 35 percent of the veterans surveyed in state prisons had been convicted of homicide or sexual assault, compared to 20 percent of the rest of the inmate population, said the study.

Among state prisoners sentenced for violent crimes, the average sentence of veterans was 50 months longer than that of the average non-veteran, the study said. Participants were designated as veterans whether or not they actually were engaged in combat. In other words, a veteran was defined as a male who served in the military during the period of a war or conflict, such as during the Vietnam era.

Veterans who saw combat during their service had less serious criminal histories than other veterans, according to the report. And half of the incarcerated veterans in the study had served during a period of wartime, 35 percent were Vietnam-era veterans and 12 percent were Gulf War-era veterans.

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## China cracks down on endangered species trade

BEIJING (AP) — Four southern Chinese provinces have launched a campaign to crack down on the thriving illegal trade in endangered species, many of which end up on restaurant dinner plates.

The operation, which began Saturday, has led to the rescue of 13,309 animals or other endangered creatures, 4,178 of which were listed on China's protected species list, state-run media reported Tuesday.

"Let's not let mankind's friends suffer any more," said a headline in the Legal Daily.

The 10-day campaign involves forestry, customs, police and airline officials in Guangdong, Guangxi, Fujian and Yunnan provinces, areas known for their lush vegetation, abundant wildlife, and cuisines that often feature exotic species.

China has belatedly begun beefing up its enforcement of laws against poaching. For example, on Jan. 1, it closed the Hoh Xil Nature Reserve in the far west

to protect an endangered species of antelope prized for its fine fur, which is used to make shahtoosh shawls.

The latest campaign followed an earlier one to try to prevent poaching of the antelope in the Hoh Xil reserve, which spans parts of Qinghai, Xinjiang and Tibet. On Monday, reports said that in the previous 20 days, police had arrested 10 poachers and confiscated 700 fur pelts, plus rifles and jeeps in the reserve.

Their natural habitat destroyed by rapid economic development and intensive agriculture and forestry, a number of species are on the verge of extinction.

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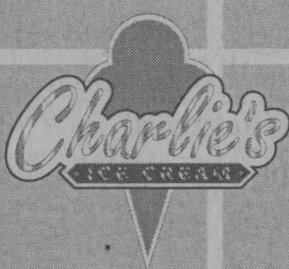
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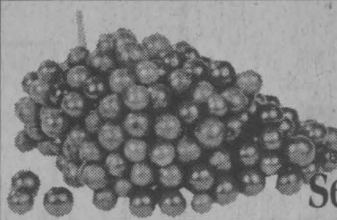
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## Kohl resigns from party post after a slush-fund scandal

BERLIN (AP) — Helmut Kohl resigned Tuesday as honorary chairman of the Christian Democratic Union, brought down by a campaign financing scandal that now marks the stunning denouement of one of Europe's most respected statesmen and the man who reunited Germany.

Kohl gave up the influential post rather than capitulate to demands that he identify donors who made illegal campaign contributions and help clear up a scandal that threatens to ruin the party.

Kohl's single-handed leadership facilitated Germany's swift reunification in 1990. He also tolerated no dissent, and finally ceded influence in the party he tightly controlled during 25 years as chair-

man after its executive committee effectively isolated him during an emergency session.

In an extraordinary step that clearly pained Kohl's successor and protege, Wolfgang Schaeuble, party leaders earlier Tuesday threatened to suspend Kohl as honorary chairman until he agreed to cooperate. The post was a rare honor bestowed when Kohl gave up the party leadership in 1998 after the loss of national elections to the Social Democrats.

"We are convinced that Helmut Kohl breaches his duty as honorary chairman if he refuses to contribute to overcoming the crisis," a pale and dejected Schaeuble told reporters after the emergency session.

The leaders also demanded

Kohl name names to save the party — something Kohl flatly refused to do even when fellow conservatives insisted it would end speculation that anonymous donations were tied to political favors.

"I cannot bring myself to break the promise I made to several personalities who financially supported my work in the CDU," Kohl said in the statement.

"The decision to resign the honorary chairmanship was not easy for me," he said. "I have been a Christian Democratic Union member for 50 years. It was and is my political home."

Kohl retains his seat in parliament, which will make prosecuting him for irregularities more complicated by requiring a parliament

vote to lift his immunity.

The resignation ended the power struggle in the party, with Kohl the loser. Schaeuble said the party had asked him to stay on and clear up the scandal, despite grumbling by some party members that he, too, was tainted and should step down.

The governing Social Democrats and Greens charged that the opposition had forfeited the chance to deal with the crisis head on.

"The decisions of the Christian Democrats have neither cleared up anything nor led to a self-cleansing," said Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder.

Foreign Minister Joschka

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## Professors' report weighs pros and cons of online courses

CHICAGO (AP) — When Pat Shapley taught advanced organic chemistry the traditional way, she often found herself looking into a sea of blank stares — or no stares at all.

"I'd have a lecture hall full of students, most of whom were sleeping or eating Cheerios," the University of Illinois professor said Tuesday. "No one ever asked questions."

That all changed, Shapley said, when she put her course on the Internet. Suddenly shy students were piping up with questions, and class members were excited to learn at their own pace.

Shapley's course is an example of good Internet teaching, according to an online learning study by group of University of Illinois professors. They found that online courses can be high-quality.

The idea for the study came in 1997, after

university President James Stukel discussed a vision for the school that included an emphasis on learning "beyond the bounds of time and place." Not all professors embraced the idea.

Among the skeptics was John Regalbuto, an associate professor of chemical engineering at the university's Chicago campus. Regalbuto, who became chairman of the professors' group, said he was concerned that the quality of teaching suffers when students and professors don't interact in person.

"The good news is high-quality online teaching can be done... but it's not going to be the moneymaker administrators think it's going to be," Regalbuto said.

The study concluded that good online teaching still requires professors to maintain a "human touch" with their students, usually

through small classes. The professors also said students benefit more from social settings where they can interact with classmates and teachers.

Shapley's online chemistry class includes quizzes three times a week and "lectures" that have pictures and text students can click on to learn more about unfamiliar concepts. Clicking on a diagram of a chemical reaction, for example, might show that reaction taking place step by step.

She said a large class can still work. Students still talk with teaching assistants in small groups in addition to going online.

Matt Wargin, a 22-year-old University of Illinois journalism graduate, said he liked an economics class that offered online quizzes.

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## Liberal clergy urge all faiths to hold same-sex ceremonies

NEW YORK (AP) — Dramatizing the most divisive issue in American religion, 850 mostly liberal members of the clergy and other religious figures issued a declaration Tuesday urging all faiths to bless same-sex couples and allow openly gay ministers.

Among endorsers of the statement were the retired leader of the Episcopal Church, the presidents of the United Church of Christ and Unitarian Universalist Association, presidents or deans at 15 Protestant seminaries, and numerous theology teachers.

The declaration got slim backing among Roman Catholics and none from any major Evangelical, black Protestant, Eastern Orthodox, Mormon, Buddhist, Hindu or Muslim organizations.

Besides homosexuality, the paper advocates open access to abortion and sex education at

all age levels. It opposes "unsustainable population growth," the "commercial exploitation of sexuality" and all forms of "sexual oppression."

"For too long the only voices

in the public

square on religion and sexu-

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the anti-sexu-

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nouncements

of the religious

right," said

Debra Haffner,

president of

the Sexuality

Information

and Education

Council of the

U.S., a secular

organization.

A

spokesman for

the Southern

Baptist Convention, the Rev.

William Merrell, said the decla-

ration perpetuates a "radical

departure from the teachings of

the Scriptures."

"I do not believe that the

moral confusion and the moral

incoherence that characterizes

the time is relieved by such

statements. Rather it is made

worse," Merrell said.

Added an Episcopal Church

conservative, President Peter C.

Moore of Trinity Episcopal

School for Ministry in Ambridge,

Pa. "God loves homosexuals, as he loves us all. But I have yet to find any support based on Scripture, tradition or reason for the idea that God approves of homosexual behavior."

Members of 25

denominations

signed the decla-

ration, but nearly

half were from

four groups with

liberal policies:

the United

Church,

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Universalists and

Judaism's Reform

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Reconstructionist

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The slim

Catholic support

came from two

nuns and a few

lay activists.

Nine bishops and a dozen

seminary professors gave

endorsements from the

Episcopal Church, which will

vote on same-sex rituals at a

convention in July.

There was weaker official

support from officials of the

United Methodist Church and

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). In

May, Methodists will debate

ordination of gay ministers and

same-sex marriages;

Presbyterians will debate same-

sex marriage in June.

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## The road ended in Colorado:

## WOMENS CLUB BASKETBALL:

See Page 11 for a recap of the team's final game of the season.



Coaches Randy Rahe (left) and Stew Morrill keep tabs on the USU defense in the second half Saturday night.

## Morrill: the Aggies' defensive drill sergeant

NEVER BEHIND / Aaron Morton



Defense, defense, defense.

Utah State University basketball team head coach Stew Morrill is constantly talking about defense.

Usually, the post-game interviews with Morrill are pretty routine. Before anyone asks any questions, he gives his analysis of the game.

And so far this season, he has — almost without exception — started out talking about the Aggie defense.

Some examples:

"We need to get a whole lot better defensively if we're going to have a chance to compete in the Big West," he said after the Brigham Young University loss. USU needs to play 40 minutes of solid defensive basketball, he has said with other variations throughout the season.

"We've been harping and harping about defensive effort and consistency," Morrill said after Saturday's game against University of California at Irvine.

Super-sub Curtis Bobb concurs. "We worked hard in practice on defense. Coach always says, 'Once our defense clicks, our offense will come.'"

On Saturday night, the offense did come.

The 81-46 blow out is the largest win over a BWC opponent since 1997.

"(Saturday) our defense got our offense going," Morrill said.

USU's 12 steals and four official blocks (I counted at least seven) not only jump-started the Aggie fast break, it focused the team on their half-court offense as well. The team shot a blazing 55 percent from the field while the Anteaters were muzzled to a miserable 36 percent.

A major reason for the Aggie shooting percentage might be the 12 points off fast breaks that came from forced turnovers. And they came at key times during the game.

With about seven minutes left in the first half, USU held a shaky 21-18 lead. Defense led to fast breaks that led to a Troy Rolle spinning lay-up and a Bobb dunk and the foul. The lead was extended to eight and the Aggies never looked back.

Saturday's game was a good example of how the USU defense, while very good this year, has increasingly gotten better — good enough to the point that the Aggies played almost the whole game in a man-to-man defense.

"We're starting to play man-to-man really hard," Bobb said.

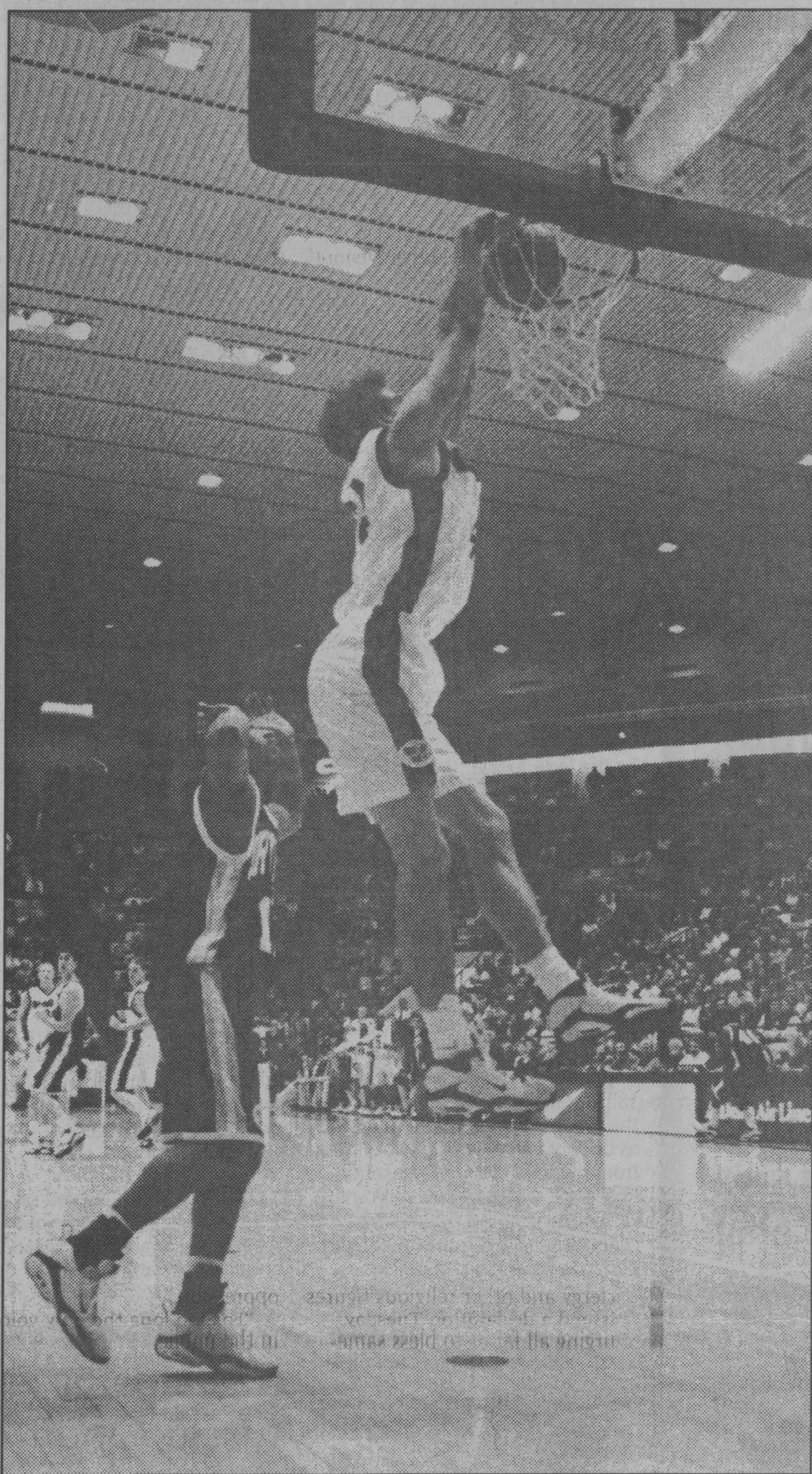
Irvine's 46 points was the lowest point total USU's defense has allowed this season, and that is pretty impressive considering the team's statistics this season.

The Aggies have allowed only 62.1 points per game. Since the 1957-58 season, only the 1996-97 team allowed fewer points, as they allowed 61.4 points per game that season. In addition, USU is holding its opponents to a poor 42 percent from the field — that is the second-lowest percentage in the last 22 years.

And it all starts in practice, Bobb said.

"We're always after each other in practice," he said.

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USU sophomore forward Brennan Ray takes an easy dunk in USU's route of UC Irvine.

WADE DENNISTON  
Senior Sports Writer

## Aggies entering 4-game road stint 2-0 in BWC

The Utah State University mens' basketball team is 6-0 against teams from the state of California this season. Five of those wins came at home, while only one was at a neutral site.

The University of California at Irvine became the latest victim from the Golden State on Saturday evening at the Spectrum as the Aggies walked away with an 81-46 victory.

The Aggies (2-0 Big West Conference, 11-5 overall) trailed at the start as they let the Anteaters score the first two points of the game, but a 13-3 run put USU in control for good.

Utah State senior Troy Rolle led all scorers with 18 points on 8-for-10 shooting from the field. Junior forward Curtis Bobb joined Rolle in double figures with a career-high 13 points as he went 4-for-6 from the floor and a perfect 5-for-5 from the free-throw line.

Sophomore forward Brennan Ray also had a career-high game as he scored five points, but left early in the second half due to a muscle injury in the back of his neck from colliding with an Irvine player in a scramble for a loose ball.

The Aggies' defense was smothering, limiting the Anteaters to a shooting per-

centage of just 36.4 from the field (16-of-44).

"We finally did it," Rolle said. "We came out and played good defense for 40 minutes."

USU, on the other hand, was able to shoot 55.4 percent in the game (31-of-56), connecting on 62.5 percent of its shots in the first half alone.

The win capped off a six-game home stand for the Aggies (5-1), their longest in 17 years.

Utah State hits the road this week to play the University of California at Santa Barbara on Thursday night and California Polytechnic State University on Saturday. The Aggies are winless on the road this season in three tries.

"We're looking forward to going on the road," said Aggie head coach Stew Morrill. "Our guys are excited about how we played Saturday night, and feel like they're getting better. The best thing we can do is go out with a positive frame of mind

and see what we can get done."

USU carries this momentum into the Thunderdome Thursday evening against UCSB, who is 0-2 in conference play

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USU 81  
UCI 46

## High Scorer:

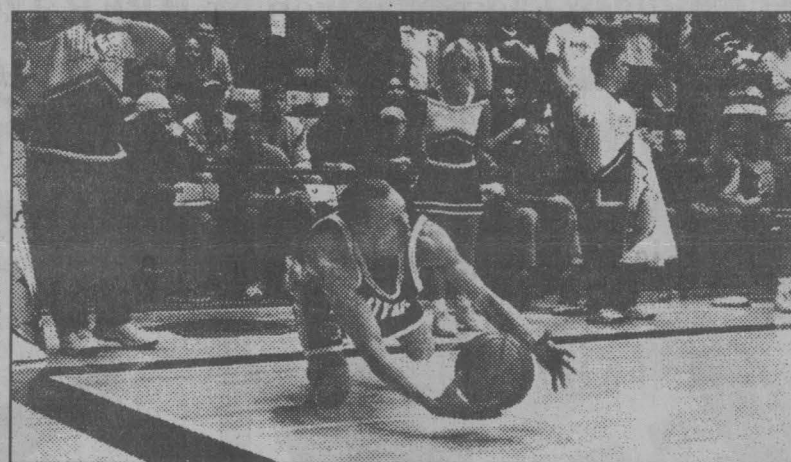
Troy Rolle scored 18 points, on 80 percent shooting from the field.

## Key Stat:

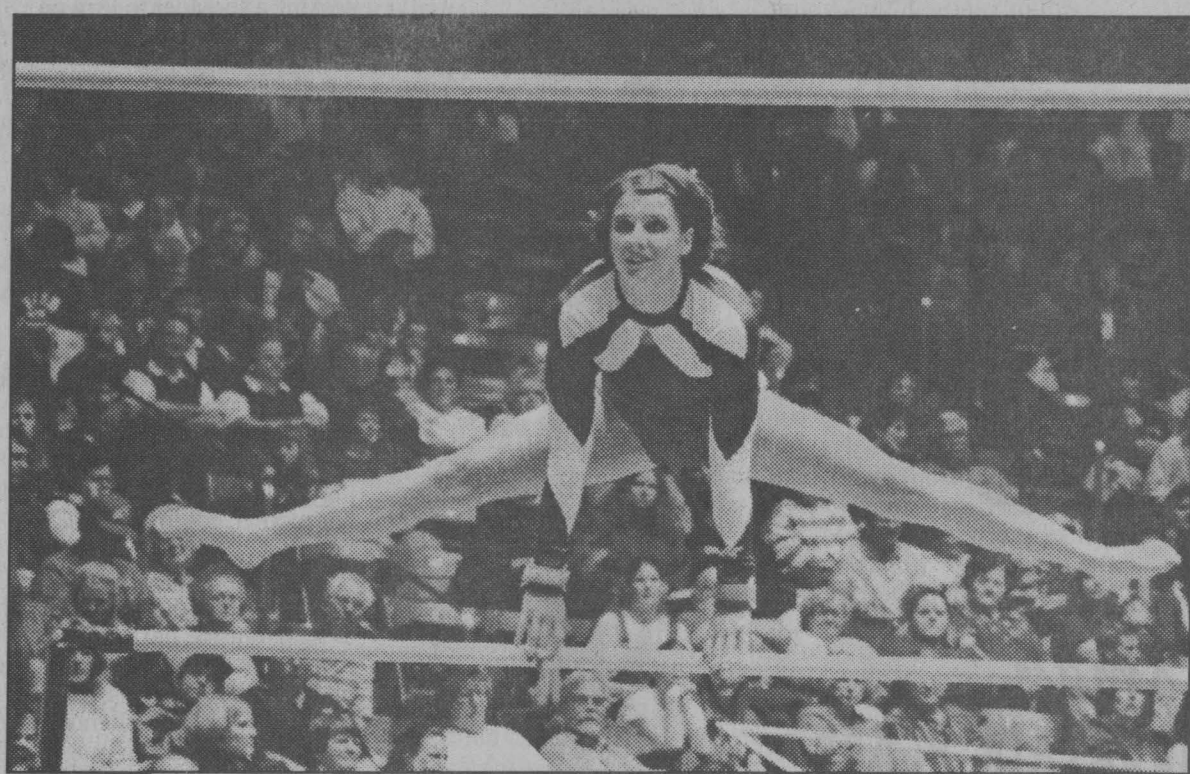
USU had 16 combine steals and blocks compared to 3 for Irvine.

## Turning point:

Two back-to-back fast break buckets late in the first half to break the game open.



UC Irvine forward Jens Jensen scrambles for a loose ball in the Aggies 81-46 win Saturday night at the Spectrum. The Aggies forced 19 Anteaters turnovers with a strangle defense.



USU senior Christy Denson looks for the upper bar on the uneven bars Friday night. She led the Aggies in the event.

## Injuries nag USU in lopsided loss to Utah

LYNNETTE HOFFMAN  
Sports Writer

SALT LAKE CITY — Battling the fifth-ranked University of Utah in Salt Lake City Friday night, the Utah State University gymnastics team expected some tough competition and a big crowd.

What they weren't expecting was the addition of two more names to the injury list.

Freshmen Kristen Bloom injured her shoulder while warming up for the vault and Tina Ellis injured her ankle during floor warmups when she landed on it wrong. Bloom did not compete and Ellis sat out the floor event in preparation for the beam. They were both scheduled to compete in the all-around.

USU was already competing

without one of last year's top scorers, junior Jessenia Abrego, internationally experienced freshman Nicole Kilpatrick, and Allison Rosenthal.

Utah State's third all-arounder, Christy Denson, had only trained for about three weeks after sustaining a fractured forearm. That didn't prevent Denson from leading USU on bars and floor, scoring 9.825 on both events.

Denson's 38.700 all-around score placed her fourth, behind two Utah all-Americans and the defending national champion Theresa Kulikowski. Kulikowski won the meet with a score of 39.400, but that wasn't enough to satisfy Utah head coach Greg Marsden.

The Utes won the meet with a score of 195.650, compared to Utah State's 190.375, and cap-

tured the top three all-around spots. Marsden was dissatisfied with his teams performance on the balance beam.

Wobbles and falls characterized the performances of both teams on the precarious event. Kulikowski won the event with a score of 9.825, but said the event was "shaky." The Utes had two competitors fall, and a third nearly fell.

"We have to turn that event around from what was obviously our worst event, and make it our best event, or we're gonna be sitting in the stands watching everyone else again," Marsden said, referring to the NCAA nationals, where last year the Utes failed to advance to the finals.

Kirra Degener's clean and

Jump to Utes, Page 10

## Personal records fall in USU track team's opener in Pocatello

JEN LONGSON  
Sports Writer

The Utah State University track and field team has hopes for a promising season after returning from a successful performance at the Snake River Open held in Pocatello, Idaho on Saturday.

"We really wanted to see where each athlete was," said head coach Greg Gensel. "Our team did a great job in their first competition."

The Aggies had 24 men and 27 women beat their personal record.

"We had some good quality competition this weekend," Gensel said. "Nothing beyond us. It was just good to see how everyone would perform."

Other schools who attended the Open were Brigham Young University, Utah Valley State College, Idaho State University and Weber State University.

Some of the top finishes for the men include Brad Reed, a senior, who placed second in the weight throw with a toss of 53 feet 5.5 inches.

Senior Lawrence Ringwald just missed his personal record in the 60 meters, finishing with a time of 7.01.

Josh Sides placed fourth in the shot put with a throw of 54 feet 7 inches.

Josh is one of the best freshmen shot putters that I have seen in a long time," Gensel said. "He did a great job on Saturday."

For the women, Rebecka

Thornley finished second in the mile with her season best time of 5:04.90.

Danielle Kot in the 60 meter race and Kristen Hoffman in the high jump each earned third place finishes for the Aggies.

Debra Barker, a freshman, finished third in the pole vault with a personal record jump of 11 feet.

The Aggies will prepare today for their next competition, the Pole Vault Summit held in Reno, Nev., on Friday and Saturday.

## Results from Snake River Open

## Women

Danielle Kot, 60-meter, 7.76, third  
Andrea Jeppsen, 60-meter, 7.90, fourth  
Rebecka Thornley, Mile, 5:04.90, second  
Kristen Hoffman, High jump, 5'06.00, third  
Tatyana Hovhannisyan, Triple jump, 38-03.50, second  
Debra Barker, Pole Vault, 11-0, third

## Men

Trevor Bentenson, fourth 60-meter hurdles, 8.41, fourth  
Mike Cosgrave, High jump, 6-05.00, fourth  
Bruce McCannel, Long jump, 22-07, 3rd triple jump, 46-02.00, second  
Joel Johnson, Long jump, 22-00.25, fourth  
Josh Sides, Shot put, 54-07.00, fourth  
Brad Reed, Weight throw, 53-05.5, second



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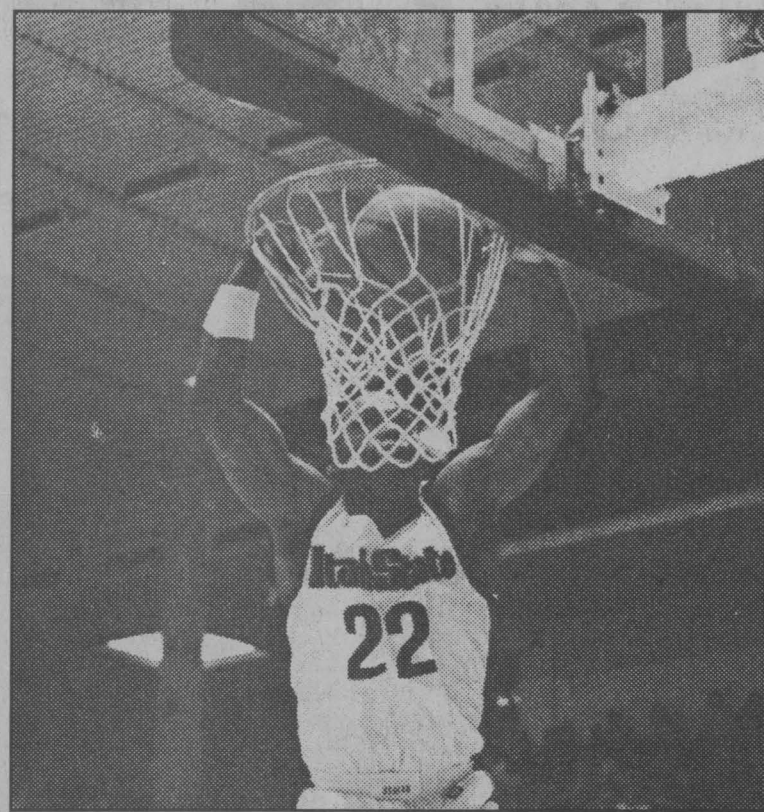
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Troy Rolle led the Aggies in both games last week with 24 and 18 points.

### Rolle's career performances earns him Utah State player-of-the-week honors

UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY  
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Utah State University basketball player Troy Rolle was voted Utah State's athlete of the week by the local media panel, it was announced today.

Rolle, a senior from Orlando, Fla., led the Aggies to a pair of conference wins over the weekend, as he averaged 21.0 points in only 28 minutes of action. Versus Cal State Fullerton, Rolle scored a career-high 24 points on seven-of-14 shooting (four-of-seven from three) and a perfect six-of-six from the free throw line.

Against UC Irvine, Rolle scored 18 points (13 of which came in the first half) in only 24 minutes as he shot an amazing eight-of-10 from the field. For the weekend, Rolle shot a blistering 63 percent (15-of-24) from the field, 56 percent (five-of-nine) from the three point range, and was a perfect

seven-of-seven from the free throw line. He also notched four rebounds, an assist, and no turnovers versus the Anteaters.

#### OTHER ATHLETE-OF-THE-WEEK NOMINEES:

Gymnastics: CHRISTY DENSON/ Senior... Led Utah State in its 190.375-195.650 loss at Utah Friday, scoring a 38.700 in the all-around competition. Denson posted scores of 9.550 on the vault, 9.825 on the bars, 9.500 on the beam, and 9.825 on the floor.

Men's Track: BRUCE McCANNEL/ Freshman... Finished second in the long jump (22-07) and third in the triple jump (46-02) at the Snake River Open in Pocatello on Saturday.

Women's Track: REBEKA THORNLEY/ Junior... Placed second in the mile, with a time of 5:04.90, at the Snake River Open in Pocatello on Saturday.

### Williams slow to get going in Aussie Open

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Looking lost, worried and terribly tired, Serena Williams turned to her mother in the stands as if seeking a shoulder to lean on.

Oracene Williams could do no more than stare back glumly and helplessly, her chin on her hands.

They had flown 20 hours from Florida to the Australian Open, arriving jet-lagged just four days before Tuesday night's first-round match. Serena hadn't played a match in three months, her back hurt from a lingering injury and her legs felt dead.

And now an unknown, an Australian wild card playing in her first major tournament, No. 261 Amanda Grahame, stood across the net — two games from sending the U.S. Open champion and her mother/coach right back home.

Somehow, the third-seeded Williams summoned the strength to serve out the next game at love, then break Grahame on the third match-point to win 6-4, 4-6, 6-4. It was a two-hour test of endurance and will that began in muggy heat and ended, after a half-hour rain delay in the second set, under the center court's retractable roof.

"I can't picture myself losing until the last point is over and I'm shaking her hand, thinking, 'I can't believe it,'" the 18-year-old Williams said.

## BASKETBALL

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and 4-9 overall.

"That's what we have to do," Rolle said. "We have to take this on the road. Our biggest thing right now is the road. That's what we're concentrating on."

Morrill agreed.

"I think the thing that we have to try and do is be a little bit more emotionally ready on the road," he said. "If you saw us Saturday night, we were emotionally excited, aggressive and ready to play basketball. We can play with everybody on our schedule if we're like we were Saturday night."

UCSB comes into the game on a two-game losing streak after losses at the University of North Texas on Thursday (74-67) and New Mexico State University on Saturday (76-61). Before that, the Gauchos had won two in a row.

Still, Morrill isn't counting on an easy victory for the Aggies.

"They're physical," Morrill said. "They're, right now, the best defensive team in the league. They're holding people to 38 percent, which is phenomenal. They make it very hard for you to score."

In a meeting with UCSB at the Big West Conference Tournament in Reno, Nev., Utah State shot just 43 percent in the game. The low shooting percentage resulted in a 75-74 loss to the Gauchos.

Morrill said another concern the Aggies have about the Gauchos is their fast break.

"They hurt us bad last year in transition," Morrill said. "(It) is like, zoom, and they were gone on a turnover, or sometimes on missed shots they were just laying it up at the other end, so that's something we're concerned about and working on."

Leading the way for UCSB this year are senior guard Erick Ashe, who averages 11.8 rebounds per game, and junior forward Adama Ndiaye at 9.2 a game.

This will be the 49th meeting between the two schools with USU leading the series, 27-21.

Utah State will take on Cal Poly (0-2, 5-9) Saturday in San Luis Obispo. The Aggies are 4-0 lifetime against the Mustangs.

Each game will tip-off at 8 p.m. MST.

#### BASKETBALL SUMMARY

Irvine	Min	FG	FT	Reb.	A	TP
Ondera	27	2/8	1/2	5	1	5
Jensen	18	0/2	0/0	1	2	0
Ethington	25	0/0	0/0	5	4	0
Green	32	3/8	2/2	2	2	8
Jackson	27	4/8	2/3	1	0	13
Christ	16	1/3	2/2	0	2	4
Edmond	12	2/3	0/0	0	0	6
Bennem	13	0/2	0/0	2	0	0
Okoro	12	1/2	0/0	4	0	2
Jones	18	3/4	0/0	1	1	8
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>16/44</b>	<b>7/9</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>46</b>

USU	Min	FG	FT	Reb.	A	TP
Daniels	22	3/5	0/0	3	0	6
Brown	24	2/7	4/6	2	5	9
Jorssen	21	3/5	2/2	3	0	8
Rock	27	3/5	0/0	6	4	8
Rolle	24	8/10	1/1	4	1	18
Stewart	15	0/3	1/2	1	0	1
Willden	6	1/1	1/2	2	0	3
Thomas	13	1/3	0/2	1	1	2
Ray	14	2/2	0/2	0	0	5
Bailey	14	2/4	0/1	6	2	4
Bobb	12	4/6	5/5	4	0	13
Mahorn	8	2/5	0/0	4	0	4
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>31/56</b>	<b>14/23</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>81</b>

3pt FG: Irvine 7/17 (Jackson 3, Edmond 2, Jones 2) USU 5/12 (Brown, Rock 2, Rolle, Ray)  
Steals: Irvine 2 (Ondera, Jensen), USU 12 (Daniels, Jorssen, Rock, Rolle, Stewart, Thomas 2, Ray, Bobb 4)  
Blocks: Irvine 1 (Ethington), USU 4 (Daniels 3, Jorssen)  
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# Penalty-filled win over Icecats gives USU 1st win of 2000, 16th straight

REUBEN WADSWORTH  
Sports Writer

Even after a month-long absence from the ice, no team can defeat the Utah State University hockey team.

The Aggies disposed of the Provo Icecats (Brigham Young University) 9-4 last Saturday for their 16th-straight win of the season.

'That was an ugly game.'

• DANNY WILSON •  
USU DEFENSEMAN

USU forward Aaron Burrell stepped up his game with a five-goal, two-assist performance.

The contest was filled with penalties. Very few times were

10 men on the ice. Provo had a five-on-three power play for a total of about 10 minutes.

"They always get their goals on power plays," USU goaltender Eric Moldenhauer said, adding that each of the Icecats' goals came when the Aggies were shorthanded.

The game featured 23 penalties and 46 penalty minutes for the Aggies. USU's Kelly Froerer was ejected for roughing and will miss the next two games. Aggie defenseman Danny Wilson was called for a double minor penalty for throwing one of the Icecats on the ice.

"We weren't hitting hard in the first period," said Moldenhauer. After the inaugural 20 minutes, Moldenhauer said the officials wouldn't let the players engage in any physical play.



Assistant captain Nate Anderson slaps the puck back to teammates in a faceoff against Provo Saturday.

"That was an ugly game," Wilson said of the penalties. Wilson said head coach Jerry Crossley told the team afterward it needed to have better discipline and avoid the penalties. The Aggies won't have a game as

physical until they play Weber State again, Wilson said.

Moldenhauer said his team could expect another physical battle when the Aggies play the Icecats in Provo this Friday.

Another win against the

Icecats would give the Aggie their seventh win against in-state opponents this season.

Saturday, USU will face off against the No. 2 ranked team in the West, Colorado State University in Ogden.

## Challenges face USU AD in slating 2001 schedule

AARON MORTON  
Assistant Sports Editor

With the fall 2000 football schedule out of the way, Utah State University Athletic Director Rance Pugmire looks toward the 2001 and 2002 seasons.

Without the standard conference opponents, USU will have a tough time filling those schedules — especially later in the season. So far for early 2001, Pugmire has signed the University of Utah, the University of Wyoming, Louisiana State University, Weber State University and pos-

sibly Fresno State University.

Pugmire said he is especially excited about the WSU home game, the LSU game and the home game with Wyoming.

His goals for future schedules are to play regional teams and the occasional Eastern powerhouse school like LSU.

"That's the kind of game (players) will remember," Pugmire said.

Don't look for Division II teams, Pugmire said. With the exception of 2000 season and the Weber State game in 2001 — the first in almost two decades — USU will not be playing Div.

II teams in the future.

"We should be playing teams in our own division," he said.

Beyond the 2000 season, USU football has no conference to play in — yet. While Pugmire will continue trying to get games to play later in the season, when conference play is usually in swing, there will be a clause to move the game to a different date if USU does join a conference, he said.

But Big West Conference football will be around for 2000 and Pugmire said he likes the non-conference schedule.

After the match-up at

Wyoming, the Aggies open at home against Southern Utah University. Later in September, Utah State travels to the Fiesta Bowl to take on Arizona State University after a bye week.

"Our kids will have a ball," Pugmire said. "They'll remember that."

Then the Aggies return to Utah to take on the Utes at Romney (likely during homecoming) and Brigham Young University at Provo.

After the BWC season, the University of Nevada at Reno's spot will be taken by Idaho State University.

## Club basketball ends season with loss to NW Colorado

JAN ELIASON  
Sports Writer

Despite the final score, the Utah State University womens basketball club considers their last game a successful one.

On Monday, the Aggies traveled to the upper left corner of Colorado to take on the Spartans from Colorado Northwestern Community College. The entire game was back and forth, but the CNCC Spartans stole the lead with 10 minutes left and never looked back for a final "high" score of 97-82. It was the club's second loss to the Spartans this season.

This was their third meeting this season, so interim coach Ernie Rivers had a good idea on how to successfully play against this team. He decided to play in a box-and-one (a zone defense with four players and one playing man-on-man) on the defensive end because, in their previous meetings, the Spartans shot very well from the 3-point line.

The box-and-one worked for a while, but once the Aggies stopped the key players from CNCC, the other Spartans stepped up and it was too much for USU to handle, Rivers said.

The lead went back and forth many times. It was a high scoring game because it was so fast-paced with many break-aways and quick shots with little offensive plays.

"It was a track meet," Rivers said. "I don't think the shot

clock went under 15 seconds more than three times."

Rivers attributes this fast-paced game to the pressure defense used by both teams. CNCC and USU were equally aggressive on the defensive and offensive ends.

Although they lost, the Aggies outplayed the Spartans on the stat sheet. They shot 44 percent from the floor versus CNCC's 37 percent. They out-rebounded them, caused more turnovers and they had more steals than CNCC.

However, there was quite a discrepancy at the line. The Spartans shot 26 more free throws than the Aggies.

"We outplayed them in every aspect of the game, but they shot a lot more free throws than we did," Rivers said.

Everyone on the team got at least 16 minutes of playing time. And surprisingly, all but three of the girls shot more than 50 percent from the field.

Also three players scored in double figures at Monday's game: Chalyce Stevens had 22, Heather Henderson contributed 13, and Chantelle Hiatt put in a career-high 14 points on 4-6 from three-point land.

Rivers was pleased with the team's efforts on Monday and thought the season ended on a good note.

"They played well as a team this game and it was a fun trip for everyone," Rivers said.

## UTES

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smooth beam routine started the Aggies off well with a score of 9.75, but no other Aggies were able to match her score. Falls in three routines, combined with missing requirements, forced USU to count two sub 9.00 performances.

The meet showcased many first time competitors for Utah State, many of whom weren't told they were competing until it was just about time to shed their warm up clothes and perform.

Sophomore Stephanie Huff performed on floor and vault throughout last year. Besides leading the team on vault and earning a 9.725 on floor, Huff made her beam debut Friday night, earning USU's third-highest beam score of the evening.

Difficult combination skills and a fluid routine earned freshman Kely Wathen a 9.8 on bars. Sophomore Laura Swank, who was out last season recovering from knee surgery, competed a yurochenko vault for the first time in her career.

The floor exercise featured even more young athletes. USU's line-up included just five gymnasts, three of whom were first time competitors on the event. Without the luxury of a sixth performer, all five scores counted.

Swank was first up, followed by senior Trina Ewart, and freshman Erin Maguire. Despite lack of collegiate experience on the event, all three turned in strong performances. Maguire had spent the last few years in trampoline and tumbling, but adjusted fine to the new atmosphere, opening the

event with a double layout.

"This is her first gymnastics meet in three years, said head coach Ray Corn. "I thought she did a great job throwing that double layout."

The Aggies are confident they will improve as they become both healthy and more experienced. With five athletes on the sidelines, the team probably won't reach its full potential until late February or early March, Corn said.

"We're gonna learn from this," Corn said. "We'll be better in two weeks than we were tonight, and we'll improve each week."

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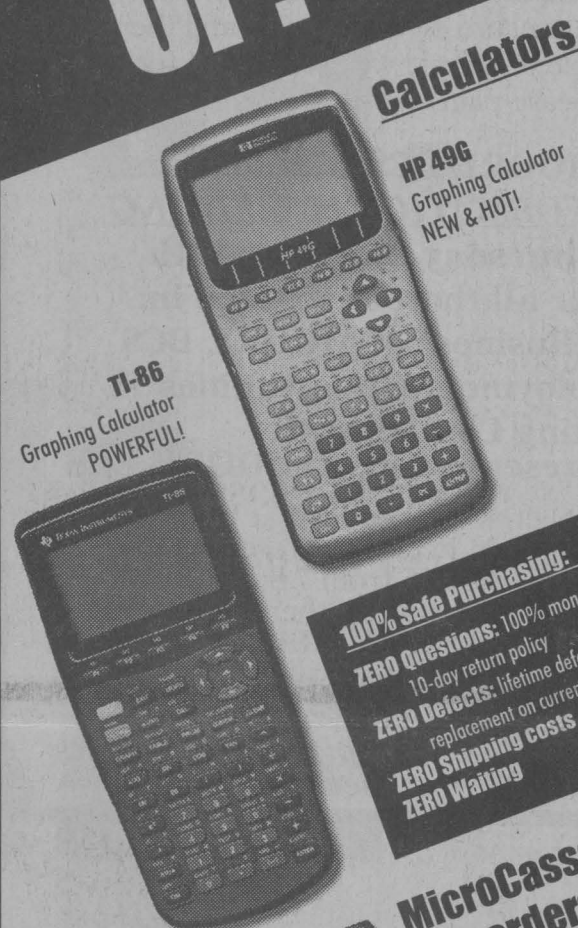
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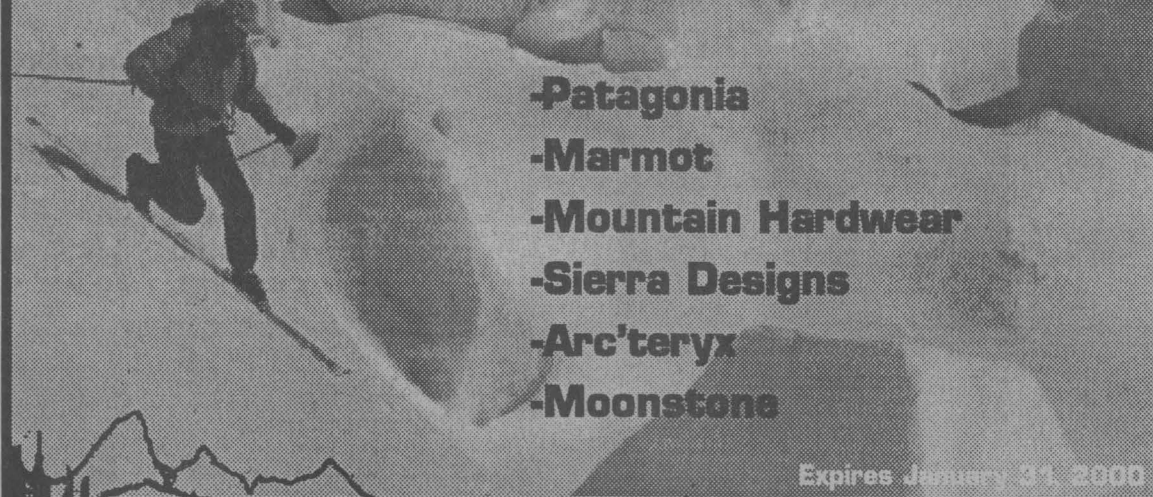
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## UK proposes restrictions on spankings

LONDON (AP) — It was a case that captured headlines: A man who had repeatedly beaten his 9-year-old stepson with a cane walked free by employing the Victorian-era defense of "reasonable chastisement."

On Tuesday, the British government moved to tighten the 1861 law, unveiling proposals that would bar parents from spanking their offspring with anything but their hands or smacking a child's head, eyes or ears.

The measures — ordained by a 1998 European Court of Human Rights ruling that the beaten boy's rights had been violated — mirror a European trend of placing limits on corporal punishment.

Spanking is banned in Finland, Denmark, Norway and Sweden, and Germany's parliament is considering a bill that entitles children to a "violence-free upbringing."

"We understand the importance of encouraging non-physical methods of discipline when parents are bringing up their children," British health minister John Hutton said in announcing the proposed amendments.

"Good parenting is vital," he added. "But it can be a demanding job."

Victorian novels such as Charles Dickens' "David Copperfield" are rife with tales of children being beaten and caned, sometimes until bloody. In books, and in life, it once was not uncommon for British children to then be forced to offer thanks for the thrashing.

Such punishments lingered on in Britain for decades, in varying degrees, even in such upper-crust private schools as Eton.

Not until 1986 did Parliament outlaw corporal punishment in Britain's public schools, and the practice wasn't banned in private schools until 12 years later.

Under the current law governing parental discipline, any parent or guardian may claim "reasonable chastisement" if accused in court of physically harming a child.

## Michael J. Fox leaving TV series to help fight Parkinson's disease

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Spin City" star Michael J. Fox said Tuesday he is leaving the ABC sitcom, but not show business, because of his fight against Parkinson's disease.

Fox, who revealed in 1998 that he suffers from the degenerative neurological disorder that affects movement, said this will be his last season with the highly rated series.

"I could not be more proud of the show ... and all that we have accomplished over the last four years, yet I feel that right now my time and energy would be better spent with my family and working toward a cure for Parkinson's disease," the 38-year-old actor said.

"This does not mean I am retiring from acting, producing or directing, only that I want to relieve the strain of producing and performing a weekly network series," he said in a statement.

ABC, which had no comment on the show's future, called

*"I feel that right now my time and energy would be better spent with my family and working toward a cure for Parkinson's disease."*

• MICHAEL J. FOX •  
SPIN CITY STAR

"Spin City" a "labor of love" for Fox.

"Clearly there are more important things in life and we wish Michael and his family our heartfelt thanks and support," the network said. "We look forward to working with Michael in his future endeavors."

Fox, who is up for a Golden Globe award Sunday, plays a hard-charging deputy mayor on the series now in its fourth year.

His co-stars include Barry Bostwick and Heather Locklear, who joined the cast this season.

The former star of the sitcom Family Ties and the Back to the Future movies told of his

incurable illness in the December 1998 issue of People magazine.

He decided to reveal his affliction because he thought he could help his family and other sufferers of the disease. Fox has three children, a son and twin daughters, with actress Tracy Pollan.

In 1991, Fox noticed a "twitch" in the little finger on his left hand while on the set of the film Doc Hollywood.

Although a doctor told him he could function for many years, the disease progressed and he suffered stiffness in his entire left side and violent tremors.

## Clinton says gun safety should be No. 1 on congressional agenda

BOSTON (AP) — President Clinton appealed to Congress on Tuesday to begin the new century with a fresh slate on gun control, saying "commonsense gun safety" should be the first item on this year's congressional agenda.

Clinton requested the lawmakers' support for a \$280 million package of new gun safety and enforcement programs that he will propose in his budget package.

And he asked that they "start this new century by abandoning another stale debate" about whether the government should enforce existing gun laws stronger or fight crime and prevent firearms accidents through new gun-control laws.

"The real answer is we should do both," Clinton said. His budget package, he said, was designed to send an unambiguous message to criminals: "If you commit crimes with guns or violate gun laws, you will pay a heavy price."

Clinton's usual nemesis on gun issues, the National Rifle Association, offered cautious support for the new enforcement tools Clinton is requesting. Clinton wants 500 new Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents and inspectors, plus 1,000 more prosecutors focusing on gun crime at all levels and a program to track guns through ballistics testing.

Calling an emphasis on increased enforcement and prosecution "long overdue," NRA spokesman Jim Manown said the organization is ready to renew its fight against two new gun-control measures that collapsed in Congress last year.

"We certainly don't expect the Clinton-Gore administration to abandon their push for new restrictions on law-abiding gun owners," Manown said.

Clinton announced his gun proposal during a visit to a spotless new gymnasium and community meeting hall in the Boston neighborhood of Roxbury, where reported crime was down more than 65 percent last year.

"The drop in the crime rate has been due both to changing laws and to better enforcement and better prevention," the president said.

Boston's homicide rate dropped to a 38-year low in 1999, thanks in part to a program that allied law enforcement, the clergy, community leaders and gang members against crime.

The Boston Pilot Project is credited with the homicide toll's plunge from 153 slayings in 1990 to 31 in 1999. A strong economy and declining use of crack cocaine also contributed to improved neighborhood security.

In addition to the gun plan Clinton announced Tuesday, the administration already has said it will ask for \$10 million to develop "smart guns" that fire only when held by their owners. The White House also is trying to convince gun makers and gun dealers to agree to new safety rules, with the threat of a national lawsuit if the groups don't comply.

## Door-to-door cocaine service yields arrests

NEW YORK (AP) — A delivery service that made cocaine "as easy to order as pizza" led to the indictment of 10 men accused of catering their drug trade to upper-class professionals in prime Manhattan neighborhoods.

"Cocaine distribution and use is destructive of society, especially when it becomes as easy to order as pizza," U.S. Attorney Mary Jo White said in a statement.

Hundreds of names, addresses and telephone numbers of customers in numerous residential buildings on the Upper East Side, the Upper West Side, Chelsea and Soho were listed with the service, authorities said. The organization also allegedly delivered to restaurants and bars.

Most of the deliveries were in small amounts ranging from half a gram to 3 grams, court papers showed.

After an order was placed, a delivery person posing as a livery cab driver would meet the customer at a prearranged location, sometimes the residence of the customer, according to the indictment.

Marvin Smilon, a spokesman for White, wouldn't comment on whether prosecutors were pursuing the customers but said the investigation is continuing.

Two of the defendants were being held without bail. Two others were awaiting court appearances and the others had not yet been arrested.

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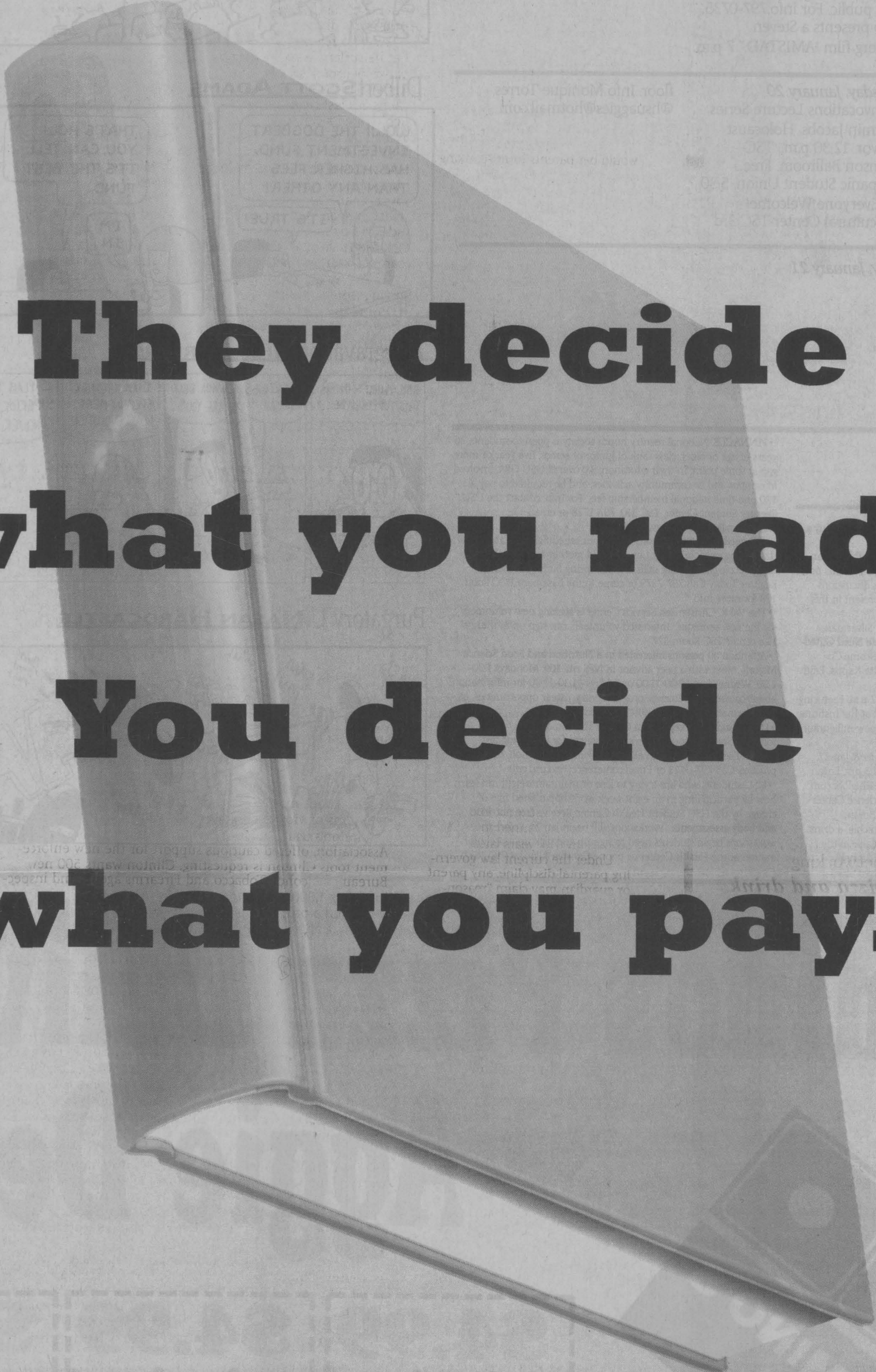
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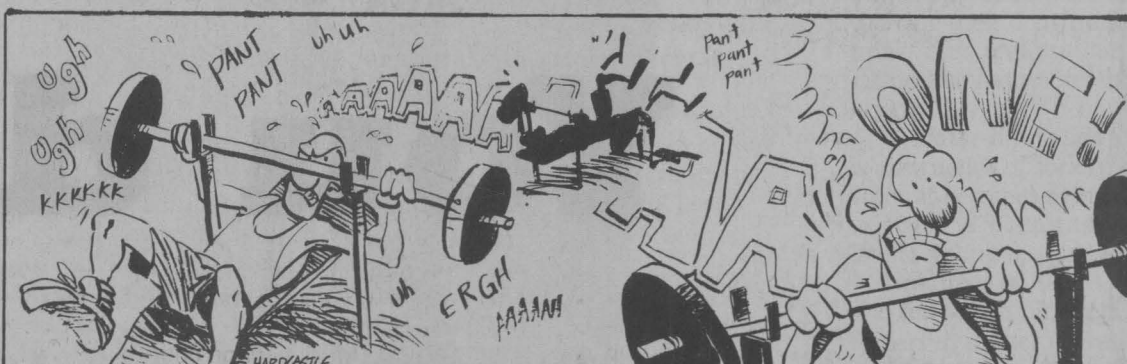
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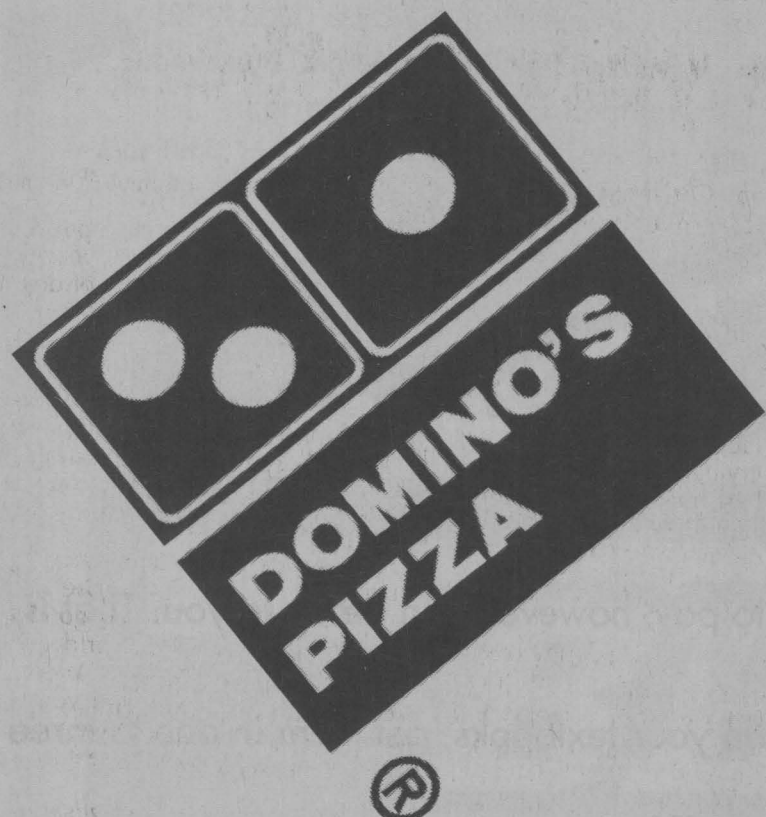
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# OPINION

## Voices & Views

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## Getting on ferries easier than learning French

EAT YOUR PEAS, EINSTEIN / Elizabeth Lester



With a Bonsai tree sitting on my face and multiple backpacks and boxes covering me I began to debate the ethical aspects of sneaking onto a ferry. By the time I decided crossing the English Channel for free was probably grounds for deportation, we were at the check-in station. At that exact moment, one of my French friends happened to lose her passport. She frantically began ripping apart the boxes balanced on my belly. Eventually she found the passport and we were admitted on the ferry. Sneaking onto the ferry was merely one of the many experiences I had in France. Spending the holiday month in a country whose language sounds to me like a series of throats being cleared was both fascinating and fearsome. I quickly learned how to smile, say "no," merci, yes, and souflee bougee (that means, "blow out the candle." I've spelled the French words how they sound and not how they are really written.) I also learned how to lip read. Lip reading came in handy every time we watched television. French TV happens to be American with the voices dubbed. Generally, the dubbing isn't so great but in the case of "The Nanny," played by squealing Fran Drescher, it is a godsend. When I first decided to spend a month in France, the fact that I didn't speak a word of French didn't deter me. I bought a pocket dictionary and thought all my worries were over. In fact, they had just begun. One impactful lesson I learned in France was, at least in my case, evolution never occurred. Even a monkey can open a door but I can't. I spent two hours locked outside my friend's flat. The really embarrassing thing was I had the keys. Eventually her neighbor noticed my struggles and with the simple turn of the key let me into the apartment. I told him "merci beaucoup," thank you very much, and other things such as blow out the candle. My sparse French became barren whenever I felt nervous. The day I left England I received a terrorist warning from the American Embassy. It said something to the effect that because Americans are headstrong, consumerist freaks who use and abuse other countries in order to achieve world domination, a few people may be upset. According to the letter, I, and all Americans

abroad, should be wary of strangers and wear a bullet-proof vest. Okay, so I exaggerated a little. The letter said, "act with extreme caution and leave your bazooka at home." I think it said leave your bazooka at home because Americans have a reputation for carrying guns and giving schools Swiss cheese appearances. Speaking of cheese, the French cheese is incredible! They have nearly 200 different varieties that vary with the region. The secret to the cheese is the amount of time it is allowed to mold — the older and smellier, the better. One small piece of goat cheese, properly aged, should be able to make one's eyes water from across the room. Actually, now that I am back in England, my eyes are still watering. Maybe the smell of the cheese is trapped in my nostrils. Most likely my overactive tear ducts are related to my looming exams. I took a gamble on the world ending and left my books in England. Unfortunately, New Year's Eve came and went and the world kept on spinning. Oh well. I still have a week to study. Who knows? I might meet a terrorist sometime between now and next Friday.

Elizabeth Lester is a USU student studying in England for the year.

## Food: Show me the good stuff ... the fat, the oil

JUST A THOUGHT / Jared Butters



I sat down one morning to a pair of my prize winning French toasts, a slab of Jimmy Dean sausage, a generous helping of golden brown maple syrup and a tall glass of milk. With fork in hand, I dug into the egg battered bread, lifted the morsel to my lips, then easily placed the package of breakfast surprise into my starved, hungry mouth. After a few chews, I noticed something was horribly wrong. Something didn't taste right. "What could it be?" I wondered ... the eggs were new, the bread was fresh, the fork was clean... Grasping the syrup bottle I realized what had happened. Printed across the label in a boastful red type, as if such a flaw were invaluable to society, were the words "No Sugar Added." I dropped my fork. No sugar added!? Without sugar all that could be left in a bottle of syrup was the water, artificial flavoring and color. Where did this bottle come from? Who would ever purchase such a thing? On the back label was a peculiar note to diabetics that read, "This product may be useful in your diet on the advice of a physician." Maybe I had mistaken the product for cough syrup the last time I was at the drug store. It was my best explanation. Wherever it came from, that bottle of syrup started a growing, personal awareness of the lack of good food these days. Let me explain further. I recently went shopping for some lasagna. Now, being the single male that I am, cooking my own lasagna from scratch was simply not an option (If any females find that statement remotely offensive, I invite you to a lasagna cook-off that would prove my point nicely.) Strolling my wire framed cart down the frozen aisle, I stopped in front of what I like to call the "Heat 'n' Eat" section. I found two forms of

frozen lasagna that day: lasagna without meat, and lasagna with reduced fat. Frustrated, I pushed on a little further down the aisle and found low sodium entrees, reduced fat frozen dinners, low sodium this, reduced fat that, no sugar added, no flavor here, no filling there. It was as if I was stuck in some sort of nightmare! I traveled to another section of the store. The twisting front wheel of my cart was growing more obnoxious. I found Italian dressing that didn't contain oil, butter that didn't come from cows, cheese that wouldn't melt in a microwave but was somehow proven to be more easily digested. Searching frantically for products that hadn't been reduced from their original form proved to be a daunting task. Though the lack of flavor in food was my original concern, this was now becoming more than just a flavor issue. Two additional points came to mind. First, if it's not fat in there, what are they replacing it with? And second, how is it possible that a product with "less" could cost "more?" Some of those "healthy choice" dinners didn't come with enough food to phase a shrew, yet cost a small fortune. I'm a lightweight person. Some people call me skinny, but I prefer to be recognized as "small boned." Because I'm a little underweight I search for food that may help me gain a little. Where are the labels that read, "Fat Enhanced," "Yes, Sugar Added," "Sodium to Taste," "Good Stuff Contained," and "Not The Healthiest Choice as Determined By a Handful of Individuals, But By Far The Best Choice as Determined By Everyone Else?" America is dying from a disease, and it's brooding in our grocer's freezer. Show me the good stuff ... Jared Butters' column appears every Wednesday in The Utah Statesman.

## Here are 50 ways to leave your brothers

IN THE HEADLIGHTS / Bryce Petersen



There are many effective ways of losing track of acquaintances. Some methods include changing jobs, dropping out of school, refusing to attend the weekly Pi Gimme Gimme meeting or staying in your basement eating your cockroaches after they eat your week-old Chinese food and listening to Mazzy Star and Leonard Cohen for three weeks after breaking up with your girlfriend. Um, I knew someone once, he uh, no, not me, or I don't know ... Short of moving out of the state without telling anyone where you are going, the most effective method for a resident of Utah to lose track of acquaintances may be to join or leave a particular religion. This produces instant new pseudo-friendships and makes you an instant leper to old pseudo-friends. If someone still comes to a wedding reception (drunk), when he isn't allowed into the wedding ceremony. And if the groom is

happy to see him (drunk) there, the friendship will be difficult to escape. In most cases, however, it is quite simple. If the only time you see a person is at the bar, just stop going to the bar, and that will be the end of that. If the only time you see a person is in the chapel, stop going to church and that will take care of that. If you know a certain guy who hugs you and tells you you're the best, man, at the same time and place every week, just don't be there at that time to hear it. Logan is a small town, so this may not completely save you from seeing these people. But if you see them carrying an enormous bag of dog food out of Smith's at 1 a.m. some dark and snowy night, just walk right by. You may look each other in the eye, but if you don't say anything, neither will they. Of course, others are harder to shake off. You may end up meeting them on a beach,

If the only time you see a person is at the bar, it's hard to know how to react when you see them carrying a big bag of dog food out of Smith's.

on Christmas Eve, 300 miles into Mexico, with no warning or time to prepare yourself. I had asked all of his pseudo-friends in Logan, people who shared laughs with him during bar-night rituals of staggering and laughing and puking and crying, and found that he had disappeared on his motorcycle more than three months ago. No one knew where he was. Now, three months later, he was strolling down the same beach where I sat staring open-mouthed in disbelief. Once I delivered a pizza to someone I hadn't seen in more than a year. I was interested to know that he was back in town. I wondered, vaguely, what he had been up to, where he had been, who he had met, if his plans had remained the same, etc., but I said nothing. I stared, knowing very well who he was, and that he knew who I was. I gave him

his pizza, took his money, and said "Good night." If the only time you see a person is at the bar, it's hard to know how to react when you see them carrying a big bag of dog food out of Smith's. If you are used to seeing someone through the blurred and hazy glasses of a packed and smoky basement, it's hard to know what to do when you deliver a pizza and they answer the door in their underwear. If you only see a person wearing a suit and tie, it's hard to know what to say when you see him sweating and swearing in the HPER building. Thank goodness that chance or fate or whatever won't let you lose touch with everyone you meet. Thank goodness there are a few people in the world who will let you affiliate both with them and with whatever religion or non-religion you wish. And thank goodness we don't have to be intimate friends with everyone we meet forever. Bryce Petersen is a journalism major and a writer for The Utah Statesman.

## The case for mini Microsofts

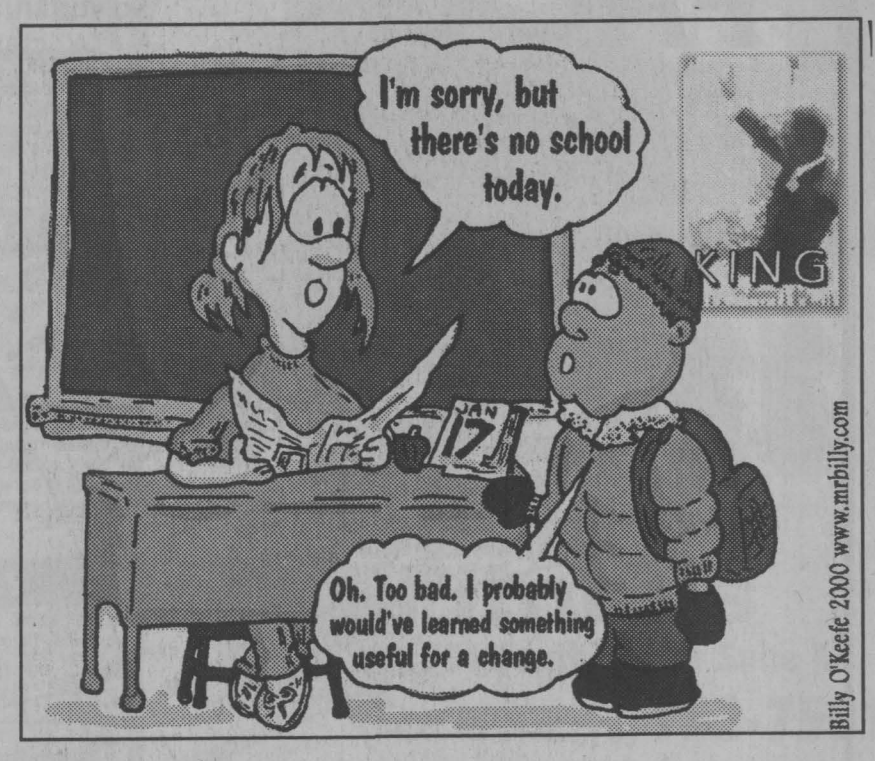
TECH VIEWS / David Ignatius



How wonderful to be Steve Ballmer, the new chief executive of Microsoft, and to know that you don't have to repeat the mistakes of your brilliant but flawed predecessor, Bill Gates. Ballmer, above all, has a chance to escape the trap of corporate hubris that enveloped Gates as he battled the Justice Department's antitrust suit. This stopped being just a lawsuit several years ago for Gates; it became personal, and that probably hurt the company. He's free to settle the suit and steer Microsoft into the open seas of 21st-century competition. But how should he do that? What's the best

way for the new CEO to keep what's best about Microsoft, while jettisoning the parts that don't work? Ballmer's job, in the simplest terms, is to realize value for shareholders. That's every CEO's first responsibility, but it's especially important now, as Ballmer assesses the Justice Department's reported demand that Microsoft be broken up as the price for settling the case. He dismissed the question at a news conference Thursday as "absolutely reckless and irresponsible," but he should give the underlying issue careful thought: Will shareholders be better off if the company stays intact, or if it's broken into pieces? The shareholder argument for a breakup is simple: Microsoft has become so big and bureaucratic that it has lost the nimbleness and flexibility — and even

some of the aggressiveness — for which it became famous. Some industry analysts are convinced that Microsoft investors holding shares of these smaller software tigers would do better in the long run than if they cling to Gates' monolith. "Our recommendation to Microsoft is to take the bold step to settle (the Department of Justice suit) immediately and voluntarily spin-off a set of technologically coherent companies whose mission is to produce best-of-breed software across all operating environments," wrote the authors of the IDC study. "In this way, Microsoft would adroitly maneuver out of its current PR disaster and away from its PC-centricity." Ignatius is a columnist for the Washington Post.



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MATARAM, Indonesia (AP) — As an Islamic prayer call echoed from a nearby mosque on the balmy tourist island of Lombok, a Muslim mob ransacked a house abandoned by its terrified Christian owners.

"God is great!" a teen-age boy screamed as his friends pushed a car out of the garage and turned it over in the street. The crowd scattered when a squad of riot police arrived.

Muslim mobs targeted Lombok's Christian minority for a second day Tuesday, burning and ransacking homes in the main town of Mataram and forcing hundreds of tourists to flee. Security forces fired warning

shots to stop one gang from storming a police station, where 500 Christians had taken shelter.

Tuesday's violence came a day after mobs burned and desecrated a dozen churches and other Christian places of worship in Lombok, 670 miles east of Jakarta.

Some fear religious intolerance, which has gripped another part of eastern Indonesia for more than a year, has taken root in Lombok and could sweep across the sprawling Southeast Asian nation, putting at risk its transition to democracy.

On Tuesday, gangs torched two restaurants at Senggigi, on

the island's west coast. Most nearby hotels had earlier evacuated their guests by sea ferry to the neighboring island of Bali, Indonesia's main vacation destination. There were no reports of injuries.

In Mataram, small groups of people sifted through the ashes of burned churches.

One of the largest, the Immune Protestant Church, was ransacked and charred inside, obscene graffiti daubed on its walls.

"Be afraid pastor, the Muslims will drink your blood," was scrawled across the entrance. The words "public toilet" were written where an altar once stood.

"Thousands of people attacked the church. They burned and smashed everything," said a man who identified himself by the single name of Fajaki. Neighbors said the church's clergy had left the island in fear.

Lombok, a picturesque volcanic island of palm-fringed beaches and green rice fields, is home to members of Indonesia's three main faiths — majority Islam, along with minority Hinduism and Christianity.

Hundreds of Hindus barricaded their neighborhoods Tuesday and carried spears and swords to protect themselves against possible Muslim attacks.

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Opposition mounted Tuesday to Rolf Ekeus as the new U.N. chief weapons inspector for Iraq, with France and China joining Russia in formally objecting to his nomination.

The Security Council was holding talks Tuesday afternoon to discuss the matter.

Ambassadors from Russia, France and China sent the council president, U.S. Ambassador Richard Holbrooke, letters saying they couldn't accept Ekeus, now Sweden's ambassador to the United States.

Ekeus headed the United Nations' first inspection agency for Iraq, the U.N. Special Commission, which was created in 1991 after

the Gulf War to rid Iraq of its weapons of mass destruction.

The Russian and French ambassadors said Tuesday it was Ekeus' association with the old commission, tainted by allegations of spying on behalf of the United States, that made him unfit to head the new agency. The U.N. Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Unit was created in December to replace the Special Commission.

The U.N. inspectors pulled out of Iraq in December 1998, ahead of U.S. and British airstrikes, and Baghdad has said they may not return.

"Ambassador Ekeus' candidature — though we respect him highly as a diplomat and very able

personality — does not correspond to the criteria of having a new mechanism and ensuring the cooperation on the part of Iraq," said Russian Ambassador Sergey Lavrov.

It wasn't immediately clear whether council members would try to find a compromise among themselves or ask Secretary-General Kofi Annan to come up with another candidate.

Annan was still optimistic council members might choose Ekeus, said U.N. spokesman Fred Eckhard.

"Twenty-five candidates already considered and rejected doesn't suggest that there are many names left to consider," Eckhard said Tuesday.

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"I loved the fact that it was online," Wargin said. "I didn't have to be in a specific room at a specific time."

Janet Poley, president of the American Distance Education Consortium at the University of Nebraska, said college students bound to certain places by work or family find the Internet ideal for their courses.

According to a U.S. Department of Education survey

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Fischer said the party was still "hurtling downward in an avalanche."

Kohl's defiance has been increasingly viewed as a liability to the party as it tries to clear itself of accusations that it broke party financing laws by keeping donations off the books.

Kohl admitted accepting up to \$1 million in unreported campaign funds in the 1990s, when the Christian Democrats led Germany's govern-

Prosecutors in Bonn are investigating whether Kohl should be charged with breach of trust for

financial irregularities. He also is the subject of a parliamentary inquiry, which officially gets under way Thursday parallel to a parliamentary debate on the scandal.

Schaeuble was also under growing pressure in the tangled plot of apparently illegal cash payments and suspicions of influence peddling after disclosing he accepted \$52,000 from a businessman.

Admissions and disclosures so far have topped \$17 million, including the damaging revelations Friday by former Interior Minister Manfred Kanther that the

party's Hesse branch channeled \$6.8 million in campaign funds through a Swiss account back into Germany when he was state party chairman. The money was falsely reported as bequests from abroad between 1989-96.

Kanther became the first victim of the scandal, announcing Monday he would resign his seat in parliament.

Other suspicious transactions include a \$52,000 cash handover by businessman Karlheinz Schreiber to Kohl aides in 1991. Schreiber, a central figure in the scandal, has denied allegations that the money was in return for the Kohl government's approval of an arms sale to Saudi Arabia.

The donation to Schaeuble also came from Schreiber, who is fighting extradition from Canada on German tax evasion charges.

The party admitted that \$8.9 million in anonymous donations remain on its Hesse branch's secret Swiss account.

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# Israeli official: U.S. failed in efforts to contain Iran's nuclear capability

JERUSALEM (AP) — A senior Israeli defense official says U.S. efforts to contain Iran's nuclear capability are a failure and it's time to develop new strategies.

Deputy Defense Minister Ephraim Sneh said Tuesday that a news report this week claiming that the CIA believes Iran may be able to make nuclear weapons has sparked alarm in Israel.

"The United States, to tell the truth, failed in its efforts to prevent this project," Sneh, who often speaks for Prime Minister Ehud Barak, told Israel radio. "We need to continue to build against them a wall of deterrence, perhaps different and greater than the one we have today."

He would not elaborate, but Israel is actively pursuing peace talks with Syria in an effort to isolate the Islamic state, which Israel has long designated as the most potent threat in the region.

Sneh said Israel will continue to develop its military deterrence capabilities to counter Iranian missiles with a range large enough to

strike Israel, Sneh added.

"It's clear that such missiles with such a large radius and warhead capability are not intended to solve their problems with Iraq, their enemy neighbor," Sneh said.

*'The United States, to tell the truth, failed in its efforts to prevent this project.'*

• EPHRAIM SNEH •  
DEPUTY DEFENSE MINISTER

Israel is widely believed to have nuclear weapons of its own, but has never publicly acknowledged possessing them. Western intelligence reports say the country is the only nuclear power in the Mideast, and has a significant stockpile.

The New York Times reported Monday that the CIA could no longer rule out that Iran may be able to make a nuclear bomb.

American and Israeli concern over the Iranian projects has grown in the face of unsuccessful White House efforts to persuade Russia not to provide missile and nuclear-power technology to Iran.

Russian engineers are already building one reactor at a site in southern Iran under an existing contract.

Sneh also blamed European states seeking to expand trade with Iran for not cooperating with the U.S. efforts to stem the flow of nuclear know-how into the Islamic state.

"European nations did not help the United States with this and they weren't really cooperative in the coalition against Iranian achievement of nuclear capability," he said.

Sneh hinted that Israel may take action to halt Iranian nuclear projects but said he would not specify.

"There is a list of other things" that must be done, he said. "But I'm not sure they should be discussed publicly."

Sneh has said in the past that Israel should consider a pre-emptive strike on Iran to destroy its nuclear capabilities. In 1981, Israeli fighter bombers destroyed a nuclear reactor in Iraq shortly before it was to become operational. Israel believed the reactor would be used to manufacture nuclear weapons.

Israel also has successfully tested the anti-missile Arrow system, which was developed in part as a defense against Iran's Shahab-3 missile.

## Illinois vet school puts end to some animal-killing experiments

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — Bowing to protests from students, the University of Illinois has suspended first-year veterinary school lab experiments that can kill dogs, rabbits and pigs.

The decision to stop such experiments through the spring semester came after complaints from veterinary students and

members of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.

Twenty-six students, or a quarter of the first-year veterinary class, signed a petition last fall saying they would not participate in animal labs during the spring semester.

The veterinary school has used about 100 dogs and pigs annually to teach animal

physiology, including a course in which students inject drugs into dogs to change their heartbeat or their rate of breathing.

The students have called for non-lethal alternatives to accommodate students who object, such as videotapes and computer programs.

Officials said they will use

the spring semester to decide whether to resume experiments or make some changes.

Veterinary college Dean Ted Valli said the school also would stop conducting experiments using dogs bought through means of animal dealers.

Critics say such dogs may be obtained through theft or other objectionable means.

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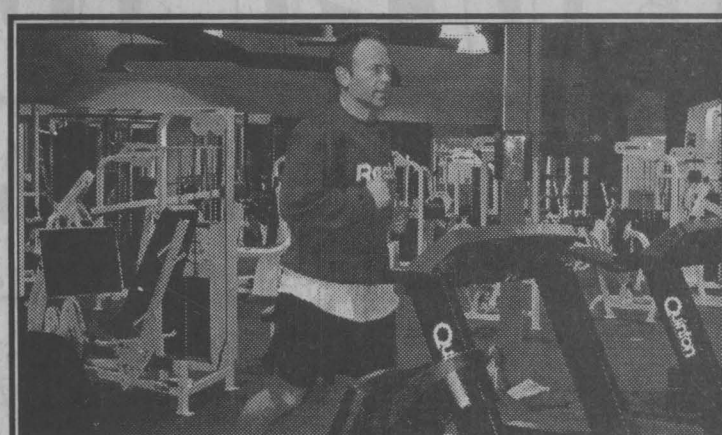
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#C246-00, Lab Technician/assistant, \$7.00/hr  
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#C113-00, Lab Assistant, \$5.15  
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