Hearing Board keeps
election punishment decisions under wraps

BY TAYN STUCKI

Campaign grievances are nothing new to the Associated Students of Utah State University, 11 were filed in each of the last two student government elections. What the Hearing Board at USU does with those grievances is a bit of a mystery to those outside the closed doors of the narrow chambers.

There is no paper trail available to the public regarding Hearing Board election grievance meetings—a matter involving nearly $30,000 in public scholarship money at USU.

“They make sure all details, everything that was said in the grievance meeting is all confidential,” said Doug Fiefia, who was elected ASUSU president despite a number of grievances filed against his campaign. “They shred all of the papers.” Fiefia said he never personally saw any grievance notes shredded and was told no one publicly discuss the grievance process.

Fiefia will be awarded $6,000 in his newly elected position. Between the students elected to the various positions of ASUSU CANDIDATES were selected according to the election bylaws outlined in the ASUSU Constitution. An online primary election ballot is shown above on a computer screen, displaying candidates that students could have voted for DELANEY LOCKE photo.

BUFFALO WILD WINGS EMPLOYEES receive training at the soon-to-open Logan location of the national restaurant chain. DELANEY LOCKE photo.

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Zimmerman: 2013 election had high voter turnout despite no ballot incentive

BY LARA WOOD

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Despite a new giveaway rule concerning USU campaigns, USU had a successful voter turnout for the 2013 final elections, according to Linda Zimmerman, Student involvement and Leadership executive director.

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BY CURTIS LUNDSTROM

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Leadership in ASUSU, a combined $600,000 in scholarship and stipend money will be awarded for the 2013-14 school year, according to the official elections packet given to candidates.

Members of the Hearing Board — seven students drawn from a Hearing Board Pool selected by the ASUSU President — can also be called to serve on the Honor Board to hear issues of academic integrity violations and discipline cases involving ASUSU officers.

Erickson, associate vice president for student services, said she doesn’t see a difference in the two types of hearings in terms of how accessibly they are given to the public as “just the nature of what they’re doing in my mind falls under how you handle other grievances at your university,” Olsen said. “Whether it’s an employee grievance or an academic citing grievance, all of those things are closed and private. The outcomes are not, and in this case, the outcome — a disposition — is public. But how the Hearing Board proceedings are given to that, currently do we not believe is public.”

Kristen Deschamps oversteps the Hearing Board as part of her duties as student conduct coordinator and assessment specialist. Deschamps said she trains the Hearing Board members, who are elected by student senators based on the ASUSU elections bylaws. Members of the Hearing Board do not state if an X violation occurs, then Y sanction will be applied.”

“The Hearing Board has discretion to determine if a violation was committed, and if so, what the sanction will be,” Deschamps said. During this year’s elections, the Hearing Board filed an appeal against the winner, Fiefia Erickson, and decided against her for campaigning in a campus classroom.

“When I stood in class and said, ‘Well, they are going on, you can read platforms and look online, but I can’t really say much more than that so you guys should all vote,’” Erickson said. “I thought I was being pretty neutral when I did, but I was found to have broken an election rule by campaigning in the classroom.”

Erickson ran against Zach Anderson, who said two grievances were filed against his campaign. Erickson won $30 after a grievance was filed against her for campaigning in a campus classroom.

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Erickson ran against Zach Anderson, who said two grievances were filed against his campaign to become Senate President. His opponent, Fiefia, said his campaign filed a single grievance against Fiefia early in the race because of concerns about handing out flyers off campus.

We just raised that concern that we had to the grievances board and they explained to us that there was just a micro-communication,” Fiefia said. “We didn’t worry about it too much. We didn’t really bother after that. Once we kind of understood what he had been told.”

Olsen and Deschamps each said they could not disclose any details about specific Hearing Board meetings involving election grievances. Olsen said she did not want to disclose anything he legally isn’t allowed to and is waiting on legal advice from the Utah Attorney General’s office before releasing any more information.

“At this point, until the attorney general’s office tells us different it’s a closed meeting and a private meeting,” Olsen said. “The details of that meeting are not public record or public knowledge.”

Deschamps said she would be open to the idea of opening the minutes to the public. “I would argue that people deserve to know,” Deschamps said.

ASUSU Officer Compensation

Position: Scholar/Service Stipend

- President: $3,000/$300
- Executive VP: $2,500/$200
- Student Advocate VP: $2,500/$200
- Athletics VP: $2,500/$200
- Programming VP: $2,500/$200
- Diversity VP: $2,500
- Service VP: $2,500/$200
- Administrative Assistant: $2,500/$200
- Public Relations Director: $2,500/$200
- Activities Director: $2,400
- Traditions Director: $2,400
- Arts & Lectures Director: $2,400
- Ag Senator: $2,300
- Arts Senator: $2,300
- Business Senator: $2,300
- Class Senator: $2,300
- Engineering Senator: $2,300
- Education Senator: $2,300
- Natural Resource Senator: $2,300
- Student Advocate VP: $2,300
- Graduate Studies Senator: $2,500
- Student Senate President: $2,500

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BUFFALO WILD WINGS houses 64 LED TVs ranging from 40 inches to 80 inches and a 12-by-4.5 foot projection screen shown above. DELANEY LOECE photo

BUFFALO WILD WINGS employees receive training, above. Empty chairs line the bar while restaurant doors remain closed, right. DELANEY LOECE photo

WINGS: Restaurant trains 115 new employees for opening

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restaurant. Rennison said in the five years he's been an employee for Buffalo Wild Wings, the fast food has never anyone accomplish the task in 42 seconds.

Other activities available include the trivia challenge, in which customers are given an electronic box to answer questions posted on TVs throughout the restaurant, and a new feature—the Big Shot challenge. An app available on smart phones transforms advertising into a basketball shooting-challenge, allowing participants to score as many points as they can during their visits throughout the NCA-A tournament. The top performers at each location are rewarded with gift cards, and the top score nationally will win a trip to the NCAA Final Four in Atlanta, Georgia.

With the grand opening less than a week away, regional training manager Natasha Rennison is putting the final touches to make sure the employees understand the procedures.

"To just what we do it's a passion, it's believing in a brand," Rennison said. "That's what we want our employees to know what's going on. That's all we'll ask our teams to do, love sports and love what you do. When you do that, the rest happens."

BAW/DELMAN photo

"When you're in a stadium, the love sports and love what you do," said Bronzini. "That's what we want our passion pumps us up," Bronzini said. "That's what we want our employees to know what's going on. This staff is motivated, it's believing in a brand. We have a staff that motivates us and keeps us going. This staff is unbelievable. Their energy and passion pumps us up," Rennison said. "That's what we want our employees to know what's going on. That's all we'll ask our teams to do, love sports and love what you do."

Monday, Feb. 25

• USU Police responded to the Aggie Terrace on a complaint that a vehicle had rolled out of its stall and struck another vehicle. Police spoke with both owners, investigated and documented the accident.

• USU Police are investigating a criminal mischief complaint reported in the Mountain View Tower.

Tuesday, Feb. 26

• USU Police responded to a medical incident in Graves Hall. A female individual was complaining of pain in her lower back area. A report was filed.

• USU Police responded to a report of a minor traffic accident in the parking lot west of the library. No damage occurred.

• USU Police received a report of a broken pipe in the men’s toilet stall in the coal yard.

• USU Police responded to Richards Hall on a report of a female student who was having severe abdominal pains. Logan Fire emergency medical personnel also responded to check and transported the female to Logan Regional Hospital.

• USU Police and Logan Fire emergency medical personnel responded to the Fieldhouse on a report of a male student who was faint. The student’s condition was assessed and he was released to his friends.

Wednesday, Feb. 27

• USU Police received a report of suspicious activity near the Biology and Natural Resources building. Police are investigating.

• USU Police received a delayed report of a minor traffic accident in the north NFS parking lot. The drivers exchanged information and one of the drivers had already left the area. The vehicle remaining had no damage and officers were told the other had a small dent. Since both drivers were backing when the collided, officers advised the remaining driver that they could work it out between themselves.

• USU Police received a report of water leaking from the ceiling of the Spectrum. It appeared the water came not from leaky pipes but from melted snow. A work order to have the roof checked was filed.

• USU Police responded to the west parking lot of the Aggie Townhouses on a hike the peace request while a person was picking up his from his former wife. Police helped resolve an issue between the parents involving a child car seat.

Thursday, Feb. 28

• USU Police responded to a parking problem at Aggie Terrace. Police assisted an individual attempting to exit the terrace after hours, but the credit card reader wouldn’t read his card.

• A USU bus driver found a Visa debit card on the bus. The owner was located and the card was returned.

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Contact USU Police at 797-1919 for non-emergencies. Anonymous reporting line: 797-3000

Emergencynumber: 911

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Compiled by Steve Kent
Military isn't a man's world

BY CARLI SORENSON staff writer

"We know what we are getting into basically," Cooper said. "Some people do have hard experiences in the military, but I like to think that it better most people."

From Cooper's military experience, she said she has not had to deal with anything negative on the subject.

"I haven't run into any trouble with sexist stuff," Cooper said. "The Army is all about respect. We all go through the same stuff. We are treated equal.

Knowing how to handle yourself if you are not respected is important in the military, she said.

"You are going to be with people in the military, and if we happen to come across those people who do not respect us, most of us know how to handle ourselves," Cooper said.

Some men feel women receiving equal rights in the military is a good thing, but do not feel it is needed.

"It's cool that we are letting women fight," said Tate Jenkins, a member of the National Guard. "But I don't think that they need to be there."

Others feel there is no difference between men and women in combat.

"I think it is important to know that females do just as much as males," said Shelby Weeks, a freshman and military logistics specialist.

"There's really no difference. They are just as important." Cooper said.

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"I feel like women can do just as much if not more than men," Weeks said. "It's good to better yourself, for college and to serve."

"I'm writing about until I'm done, and I'm writing with emotions. Olsen said writing music has been a therapeutic process for her. Most of the songs she performs were inspired by situations in her life and written as she worked them out.

"A lot of times I don't know what I'm writing about until I'm done, and then I'm like, 'Whoa, this huge problem in my life was just solved,'" Olsen said.

This therapeutic approach to songwriting may have saved her future in music. Olsen said she had experienced.

BY CARL SORENSEN staff writer

As the weather warms, USU students emerge from winter hibernation prepared to enjoy the spring. One way to do this is by going on dates. Not having to bundle up and walk in fear of snowstorms means there are so many more options for those weekend evenings on the dating scene. Students and teachers across campus were asked about spring date ideas and these are their suggestions.

Go Rock Climbing

At the Rock Haus on Fridays, you can go for a cheaper price on a date and do rock climbing. They have everything you need for it, it's fun, and then afterwards just make dinner or something like that.

– Claire Brock, Kymbrie Cooper

Have a picnic and play in a river

"There's a river that goes over the river by where the farmers market is," Olsen said. "Our friend has a picnic and had a picnic and played in the river."

– Autumn and Scott Walderich, senior majors in FCCHD and a junior majoring in human movement science

Take a trip down memory lane and read your favorite儿童 books

"Go to the library in Logan, go to your date's house and choose your three favorite picture books and then choose your three favorite toys, and you can sit on the floor of the library and read each other your favorite stories."

– LeAnn, music major

Take a hike

"I think most the stuff we've done around here are just hikes and stuff. Crimson Trail is a favorite. That is up Logan Canyon. We've hiked the Wind Caves. The Wind Caves are fun."

– Kenton Anderson, senior minor in Spanish

Visit Desert Industries for an outfit to go mini golfing

"We went to the DEI and picked out clothes for my date. I got her a full transformer outfit. It was Optimus Prime. Then we went mini golfing." – Chris Reid, freshman majoring in automotive.
Club brings romance language to campus

HEATHER ZOLLINGER

Although there are no Italian classes offered at USU, there is an organization on campus dedicated to the language. Italian club offers a chance for both students and members of the community to learn more about the language and its culture.

The Italian club started meeting about four weeks ago when some friends decided to get together to practice speaking the language. "Apparently it existed several years ago and it died, and so we just brought it back," said Scott Heninger, a junior majoring in psychology.

Many members of the club served missions in Italy for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, including Heninger. "Since then I’ve really wanted to find a way to practice it more," Heninger said. "You forget it over time, and especially here in Utah, there aren’t very many opportunities to practice."

Heninger is the president of the club. He convinced several other people who served missions in Italy to help him give the organization the boost. Like Heninger, they want to be able to continue to practice the language after their service in the military.

At first, the club was intended for those who already speak Italian. "The original idea was that it could be a good place for people to refresh their Italian," Heninger said. "I mean, it’s a good place just to hang out and have conversation."

The plan changed when they realized they could include people who haven’t yet learned Italian. "This last time there were ten people there, and three or four of them didn’t speak any Italian at all," Heninger said. "They just wanted to learn, so now we’ve split into two groups."

When the club meets, those who speak Italian separate from those who are beginning to learn. They practice conversing in Italian while a fluent speaker teaches those who do not know the language.

"A lot of people want to learn Italian just because it’s Italian," said Michael Winward, a freshman majoring in wildlife sciences.

Practicing the language isn’t the only activity the club participates in. "We want to do a movie night sometime," Heninger said. "We want it to be a fun thing and a great way to practice."

The club still also have various cooking nights where they make authentic Italian food. "Several of us have actually been there, so we know some real things that we can do," Heninger said.

McGarry said if they can get enough interest, they may be able to petition the school to offer Italian for credit. "I know there are a lot of students in music who have to take some sort of language classes," McGarry said. "I think we could get a lot of interest and I think that we could get classes offered on campus."

The members have big plans for their club, but they are still not sure exactly where it will go. "We’re kind of still adapting, trying to figure out how we’ll do it because we’re brand new," Heninger said.

They hope to bring people together to experience the Italian language and culture. "Italian is the most beautiful language in the world," Heninger said. "It’s super fun to speak and it’s a good time. It’s fun kind of people who come, and anyone can learn."

McGarry said the Italian club is an opportunity on campus for people who are interested in learning Italian, learning about the culture, the language. He said those interested may help to promote Italian on campus can get involved.

Italian club meets every Monday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in Old Main 006. "It doesn’t matter what your level of Italian is — everybody’s welcome," said Winward. "It’s a romance language, which means it’s full of life, and so we love everyone who wants to know more about it."

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ARMY: Student appreciates military experience

There are no regrets for Cooper on her decision to join, and she said the change she has been through has made her stronger. "I’m so grateful that I joined," Cooper said. "I couldn’t be happier with my decision with the Army. It’s changed me. It’s made me realize what’s important."

The way Cooper’s military employment has been set up fits with her education. "I’m a reservist, so I go to drill one weekend a month and two weeks in the summer," Cooper said.

She plans to start school in fall. Being part of the military can bring pride and a deeper appreciation for life, she said. "I’m more disciplined," Weeks said. "I appreciate things a lot more in life. Being pushed to the limit can help people feel confident in other aspects of life, she said. "The military does so much for me," Cooper said. "I’m in for eight years, so I might as well stay until retirement. It gave me a purpose in life and it just became me."
MUSTACHE MARCH NEEDS GUIDELINES FOR SUCCESS

Carl Sorenson
Fashion Column

What do an old Western movie no-shave November, Brad Pitt and Mustache March all have in common? They all involve facial hair. Throe on a good Western movie and chances are you'll see a mask or a beard within ten minutes, but I generally have enough time to check out the grown facial hair. Clint Eastwood rocked an awesome beard during "A Man With No Name."

Now, I'm a fan of the first two weeks in November. I like men with a little scruff, but as the month continues, I lose all sense of appreciation for facial hair and count the days until the beards come off. The same goes for Mustache March, except I have no appreciation for mustaches. However, no matter what I say, the men on LSU campus will still grow out their facial hair. Whether it's a show of manhood or for a good cause, let's remember a few guidelines for growing out the above your upper lip.

Rule number one: Pick a style and stick with it. Please don't jump from a handlebar moustache to a pencil ‘stache back to a handlebar. It's confusing to some people if we don't put that wording. Carli Sorenson, rule number three: Do not grow a mustache unless you can. I know all men think they can grow out facial hair, but it's the time to face the music. Some men can grow out facial hair a lot better than others. If it's going to look like you smeared dirt across your face, I would opt out of growing a 'stache. It's going to look bad.

Please, men, keep these rules and we can all have a happy Mustache March. Now that we've gone through all the rules, let's have a tribute to some really great celebrity facial hair. As far as beards go, Ben Affleck pulls off the full face of hair effortlessly. He does the director of "Argo" do it. If he starts, he keeps it. He's really trimmed: none of the Brad Pitt struggle going on. If you want to wear the full beard, take a page out of Affleck's book.

When it comes to half a face of hair, my personal favorite is the gorgeous Zac Efron when he grew out his facial hair in 2012. He didn't have a full face of hair, just a mustache and a little beard, but he had enough to increase his rugged manliness.

Now, if you want a good example of a mustache, look at Nick Offerman, who you probably know as Ron Swanson. He rocks the best mustache I have ever seen. He followed all three mustache rules. He kept it in style with the rest of his face clean, and he can definitely grow a full 'stache.

Gentlemen, if you want to grow a mustache, please keep my rules in mind. If you do, we can all have a happy Mustache March.

Diversions

MUSIC: Musician is also a music therapy major

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dl last summer that made her doubt she should even be writing. "This is kind of crazy as someone who writes a lot, think that I could be a musician," Olsen said. "I don't write any more, except music," Olsen said. "I think I had that thought a few years ago."

Then the ladies scheduled an interview with music therapist Carli Sorenson at UVU Storytellers. In it, Mraz described his experience working with people with Alzheimer’s Disease. The results impressed her. "I think that it helped them understand who they were, but they remembered for that moment, and it helps them to communicate," Wright said. "And it sometimes helps people…higher form of expression, because you have your words, you have your music and you're putting it together," Wright said. "Because music is its own language, so you're combining two forms of something that's super meaningful, and you're putting it out there."

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Please, men, keep these rules and we can all have a happy Mustache March. Now that we've gone through all the rules, let's have a tribute to some really great celebrity facial hair. As far as beards go, Ben Affleck pulls off the full face of hair effortlessly. He does the director of "Argo" do it. If he starts, he keeps it. He's really trimmed: none of the Brad Pitt struggle going on. If you want to wear the full beard, take a page out of Affleck's book.

When it comes to half a face of hair, my personal favorite is the gorgeous Zac Efron when he grew out his facial hair in 2012. He didn't have a full face of hair, just a mustache and a little beard, but he had enough to increase his rugged manliness.

Now, if you want a good example of a mustache, look at Nick Offerman, who you probably know as Ron Swanson. He rocks the best mustache I have ever seen. He followed all three mustache rules. He kept it in style with the rest of his face clean, and he can definitely grow a full 'stache.

Gentlemen, if you want to grow a mustache, please keep my rules in mind. If you do, we can all have a happy Mustache March.

With No Name."
Way says you will about Ben Affleck’s acting abilities or political opinions. The man can wile and direct with the very best of them. He doesn’t resort to superficial and gawdy film-making techniques and he easily worries the material into account for them. Crafted with good sensibilities, “Argo” recently took home the award for best picture in the Canadian ambassador’s home. With no clear escape route or hope for these individuals until the CIA becomes aware of their dilemma. Exhilaration special to Tony Mendez, played by Ben Affleck, literally searching for a solution to bring these people home. The two get into contact with makeup artist John O’Donnell (Bryan Cranston), of faking identities for the escaped Canadians, and their dilemma. CIA becomes aware of these individuals until the freedom, all seems lost for escape route or hope for is the spellbinding and thrilling portrayal of these characters, had Robin McShane.) The story was familiar, but there are enough differ- ences in “The Baskervilles” and “Mice in Winterland,” and she’s in five other mov- ies in 2013. Her acting career will be an interesting one. Yet this wonder- ful screenplay wouldn’t amount to much if it didn’t have the dramatic touch to complement it. The typi- cally flat and uninspired performance Affleck usu- ally gives is nowhere to be found in “Argo.” He plays a troubled family man and injects real soul and angst into the role, provid- ing palpability he usually lacks. He interacts with his son over the phone and tries to be a good parent regardless of the strain his marriage has endured, and that’s actually quite refreshing.

Argo and Goodman balance out some of the pessimism with lively and engaging portrayals of Hollywood big-shots. Both men give off jaded, cyni- cal and bland personas that showcase just how far they have worked on awful movie productions.

Ben Affleck should be proud of what he has accomplished with “Argo.” He delivers a solid perform- ance in conjunction with the rest of the cast and he makes a difference in the film, but his giant

“Argo” won best motion picture of the year, along with two other awards, at the Academy Awards in February. ACT POL.

[Image]
Online and off, March is the month when March Madness fever is at its most overwhelming. March Madness is defined as a societal, cultural phenomenon that occurs during the month of March. March Madness is a feverish excitement for the college basketball tournament that is fueled by the excitement of watching 68 teams compete for the national championship. The tournament is also known as the NCAA Tournament or the March Madness Tournament. March Madness is a time when fans watch every game, follow the storylines, and root for their favorite teams. The tournament is a popular topic of conversation and a source of entertainment for millions of people. March Madness is a phenomenon that brings together people from all walks of life, uniting them in their shared love of college basketball.
HOCKEY: USU reaching new heights

On paper, this could be viewed as the easiest pool in the last three years, but having won in the conference tournament last year, the team feels confident in their ability to make a run into the NCAA tournament.

“The national tournament has been streamed online in the past, but this year, State hockey will post more information about the games on the team Facebook and Twitter accounts when information becomes available.”

— Ryan Scott, usuaggies@aggiemail.usu.edu

Twitter: @gameday89

HOPKINS: Madness is a reality

“...in the classroom since everyone is watching instead of studying — the list continues. The constant action of the NCAA tournament has packed into one month an unmatchable phenomenon for any sports crazed junkie. You can only imagine, dreaming all the while filling out my bracket in frustration for the past two years. With all of the parity in the league right now, this year should be especially incredible, starting with conference tournament weekend.”

— mhp.gomajordawdske

Twitter: @gordon89

Friday, March 1

The casual sports fan likes things to be easy and black and white, but for the regular season conference champions, it isn’t always that simple. True fans know how much a regular season or tournament championship means to a team, whether they're a mid-major conference or a team like the beloved Aggies, this could potentially mean a birth to the big dance. This is the time for the mid-major teams like our own Utah State Aggies. The team needs a regular season or tournament championship to make a run in the NCAA tournament.

BY JEFF DAHDAH

Staff writer

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Aggies prep for final homestand of season

BY CURTIS LUNDSTROM
sports editor

It's been an interesting season for the Utah State men's basketball team.

With 18 games down, only two remain, both at home. The first two games are at 2 p.m. Thursday against BYU and 7 p.m. Saturday against Weber State.

Benjamin Franklin

Benjamin Franklin was an American writer, printer, and statesman, best known for his contributions to American independence. He was the first editor of the Pennsylvania Gazette, which he founded in 1728. Franklin was also a member of the American Philosophical Society and the Royal Society of London. He was known for his sharp wit and his ability to write in various styles.

Great  Wedge

Great Wedges begin with Great Invitations

Stow Morrill

USU basketball

USU'S FIRST BASEMAN ATTEMPTS TO TAG OUT A WSU SQUATTOR during a game last season.

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Evolution, God not incompatible
To the editor

I have been following the debates surrounding Darwin’s most recent opinion piece: "Deliberating the Ultimate Question." I will start by saying that I fully agree with him in that there is a God and that he did play a hand in the creation of this world.

That’s not to say I throw out evolutionism altogether—it simply means that I look at the beauty this world offers us and the wonders and secrets the universe hides. I cannot imagine it happening, simply by chance as most would put it. On the other hand I also believe that God would not have created the world just for our enjoyment. He would have created us to learn and grow in our dispositions throughout life.

For me this is where evolution comes in, to use an analogy of which I apologize in advance for if I offend. If I say God would have created the world to in such a way to follow rules and laws, of which I would have followed those laws in the creation of that world. And to take it one step further, I say I created beings of which thought we humans being clearly, I would have made those being capable of discerning those laws.

It is my belief that evolution and creation are not mutually exclu- sive. The history of humanity, as I say that humans evolved from something else for better or for worse, as it less than all being, on the contrary, being that holds that ability for ingenuity. But it is possible that creatures have evolved to survive in the changing worlds. It is the challenge to the birds to change their beak shapes and size for better hunting for tigers to form sharp claws used for tearing, the evidence has presented on numerous occasions.

It is my belief that we have been created by God through evolution which has its role in the laws that govern our world.

Emek Rackliffe

Lincoln’s views on Mormonism

It is not unusual to think of Abraham Lincoln as a hero of the Civil War and the father of one republic. But what about those who were not? The actuality of this is that in the middle of the Civil War, Abraham Lincoln was doing the Mormons in Utah exactly what he would do to any other group of people.

Lincoln’s taking of notice of Utah begins with the famed Lincoln-Douglas debates. These debates, arguments of new states to the Union and the anti-slavery stance that it entailed—could it upset the balance in the Senate? Should the state representation be withheld until the Union was not an support and not of slavery but neither was he willing to trudge on Southern states were, in the end, his justification for refusing to surrender slavery locked down to a state’s right to institutions—also in its own mind.

Lincoln quickly jumped in with the Southern states. He states should choose their own moral ruler, then why not let the Utah into the Union as a recognized state?

As much as we like to think that we helped Lincoln win a debate, Lincoln was no friend of the Mormons. He was a member of the Republican Party was founded in opposition to the "twins of barbarism," referring to both slavery and polygamy. In 1862, Lincoln signed a law that prohibited any state’s right to institution—also in its own mind.

The New York Times reports that November 28th, 1863, Lincoln "asked the Library of Congress to send him a pile of books about Mormonism..." The book list included: "The Book of Mormon" and other early studies of Mormons. Then Lincoln decided to do nothing. We have something, he wrote. They send these to the public and continue with Utah. Lincoln, from Utah, and his young man named John Brown was passionate and eloquent. I would have respect for the Mormon people. They supported the government and universities across the nation. In good company, at the same year, a 2007 book titled "The Grand Canyon" by Barack Obama said, "We have more work to do when more young black every language in the "wonders of the world" movement and 75% of all blacks.

About six years ago I wrote, “In 2000, the Justice Policy Institute (JPI) released a report stating that it moves blacks in prison than in college,” in my first "Breaking Barriers" report. The time, I did not question the veracity of this statement. At this point, I have read two other books and of which is published. Letters will not be printed with this verification.

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Weather

Today is Thursday, March 7, 2013. Today’s issue of The Utah Statesman is published especially for Bradley Robinson—a sophomore majoring in guitar performance from Provo, Utah.

Today's Issue

Weather

Almanac

High: 37° Low: 28°

The annual spring Jazz concert is on Mar. 14 and 19, featuring the various combos made up of jazz students. Students have the opportunity to solo in combo groups made up of jazz students. The performance is at 7:30 p.m. in the Performance Hall. Tickets are $10 general admission, $5 for students and USU faculty and staff. The Utah Statesman is offering the best ideas of young, $5 USU faculty and staff and free for USU students offers cash prizes for the best ideas for reducing air pollution plus a poster contest. Deadline is 5 p.m. Friday, March 8. To learn more check out: http://pinterest.com/susannejanecke/group- air- pollution-in- north- utah-data- and- idea/ .

The Flying Fish Film Tour is an annual festival showcasing the world’s finest outdoor film. The event will take place Mar. 15 in the USU Taggart Student Center at 7 p.m. All ticket sales to benefit local youth, $5 USU faculty and staff and free for USU students. The event will take place Mar. 15 in the USU Taggart Student Center at 7 p.m. All ticket sales to benefit local youth, $5 USU faculty and staff and free for USU students.

More Calendar and FYI listings, Interactive Calendar and Comics at Utah Statesman www.utahstatesman.com

Friday March 8

- Annual Spring Book Sale, Library 9 a.m.
- Healthy Relationships Workshop, TSC 310 10-11:30 a.m.
- Healthy Sexuality Workshop (6), TSC 310 12-1:30 p.m.
- Group Meditation, TSC 316 12:30-1:30 p.m.
- Stress Management and Wellness Workshop, TSC 310 1:30-3 p.m.
- USU Trometta Guild, TSC Juniper Lounge 7-8 p.m.
- Men’s Basketball vs. Texas State, Spectrum 7:05-9 p.m.
- Keep Kim Home (Logan Out Loud), TSC Auditorium 7:30-9 p.m.
- Politics of the Golden Rule, ESL 3:3-4 p.m.

Saturday March 9

- Classes Added by Petition Only (Charged $100 Late-Add fee per class)
- No Dropping of Classes Permitted
- Men’s Basketball vs. Louisiana Tech, Spectrum 7:05-9 p.m.
- Founders Day, Performance Hall 7-9 p.m.

Sunday March 10

- Classes Added by Petition Only (Charged $100 Late-Add fee per class)
- No Dropping of Classes Permitted
- Italian Club, Old Main 006 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Men’s Basketball vs. UTSA, Spectrum 7:05-9 p.m.
- USU Yarncraft Guild, TSC Juniper Lounge 7-9 p.m.
- Healthy Sexuality Workshop (5), TSC 310 3-4 p.m.

Monday March 11

- Classes Added by Petition Only (Charged $100 Late-Add fee per class)
- No Dropping of Classes Permitted
- Spring Break (No Class)
- Stress Management and Wellness Workshop: This workshop is designed to help students cope more effectively with the challenges of college life while they prepare for counseling.
- Getting the Most Out of Your Sleep Workshop: Learn how to deal with sleep problems as well as how to manage your sleep to get the most rest from the time you have. The workshop is Mar. 18 from 5-6 p.m. in TSC 310. Please call 435-797-1012 to reserve a seat.
- Effective Coping Workshop: This workshop is designed to help students cope more effectively with the challenges of college life while they prepare for counseling. The workshop is Mar. 20 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. in TSC 310. Please call 435-797-1012 to reserve a seat.