Ag Week highlights cafe

BY AILEE WILKINSON

The oldest college on campus will highlight one of USU’s newest buildings as part of their annual week, held Sept. 17-21.

The College of Agriculture will hold a grand opening open for Luke’s Cafe on Sept. 20. The opening will highlight the new Agriculture Sciences Building, which was completed last spring, said Agriculture Council Senator Ashlee Diamond. She said the cafe had a soft opening in April, but now that it’s fully functioning, the Agriculture Student Council wanted it to be a focus of Ag Week.

USU alumna Allen Luke and his wife, who helped fund the cafe, will be in attendance at the event.

“Allen Luke and his wife donated a lot of money to get a few things in the building going and one of those things was the cafe,” Diamond said. “We’re going to do a ‘Meet the Lukes.’

Other events at the cafe include a spinning wheel on Wednesday, where students can get fine food, and the introduction of Feminino coffee, a new flavor. The coffee comes from farms in South America and the introduction of Feminino coffee, a new flavor.

The cafe is a great success,” Ensign said. “It’s really giving us a place to hang out and socialize.

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West told his audience the story of Matthew Shepard, a gay student of University of Wyoming who was murdered in 1998.

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West said he struggled during his freshman year of college. His mother told him to snap out of it and make friends.

“Just by being you, you are inspirational,” Cowen said to West.

Cowan invited West to travel to Kenya to help build a school for the children of the non-profit organization Me to We. It was there, West said, he learned he could really make a difference in the world.

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impossible to farm spiders because they are too vermiculate, inedible, and weedy, they need their space. Even if it seems like a chance, researchers couldn’t collect the webs. Lewis said.

Instead, the researchers discovered a way to clone a silk protein.

“We once had the genes, we knew the code for how to make the basic material,” Lewis said. “That was a complete discovery because at that time no one had ever cloned a spider gene.”

Soon the researchers had cloned genes from the spider silk protein. From them, it was just a question of putting the information into an organism that could make a large quantity of the protein, he said. The team immediately thought of bacteria.

The bacteria did produce silk, just not very much, Lewis said. The researchers turned to silkworms.

“We’ve thought of putting (the silk protein) in silkworms for a very long period of time,” Lewis said. “What happens with silkworms is they combine it with their silk to make more silk, that’s called a composite cocoon.”

Lewis said he and his team were introduced to an unexpected but effective animal to produce goals. A company came to us and actually wanted to put genes into goats and making sure the genes that make that protein showed up in the milk and only the milk,” Lewis said. Cameron Copeland, a Ph.D. student studying biological engineering and a researcher on the project, said the project is a positive for society.

“Spider silk is a game changer,” he said. “It’s biologically derived so we don’t have to worry so much about natural resources.”

Copeland said the silk is revolutionary.

“It’s stronger than anything we know of naturally and it’s so extendable,” Copeland said.

David Clark, the director of business development at USU’s Commercial Enterprises department, helps the team find corporate partners to move the research forward. Clark said the project is in a positive mark on the university.

Since the project started the team has discovered new developments, such as how to produce more silk proteins and how to spin spider silk fibers into threads.

“When you create fibers with those proteins, they’re very thin. There have been some really terrific innovations in order to get those really thin fibers into thread,” Clark said.

Clark said he believes spider silk development will be on the market within the decade.

“I think it’s going to take a little time,” Clark said. “It won’t be in the next year or two. There’s still a lot of work to do, but it’s coming.”

GOAT: USU scientist says artificial silk should be marketable in 10 years
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Research grants exceed $4 million

By Sara McQuivey

Recently awarded research grants for the College of Agriculture will provide funds for research, faculty and opportunities for students to gain laboratory experience.

The Institute for Antiviral Research, a part of the College of Agriculture has been awarded approximately $650,000 by private companies and $4.6 million in government grants for research so far this year, according to Craig Day, a research associate with the Institute for Antiviral Research. He said a good portion of the money will help students gain more experience.

"We try to bring students in as much as possible," Day said. "It's a good internship for them. When they see what they do, they come back; we don't have to go out and get them.

"For a student to work in the lab, we want to do a lot of work with animals, specifically mice, to study treatments with anti-viral compounds," he said. "We've actually been doing this type of work for about 12 years," said Smee. "There's other people that compete for the same contract, but we've been fortunate because we have a good track record. We have a lot of publications in the area, and I think we do a good job.

Professor Smee's research involves testing anti-viral compounds to find those that cure orthopoxviruses. Although smallpox, a member of the orthopox family and other similar viruses have been eradicated from society, samples are still kept for scientific reasons and could potentially be used as weapons, Smee said.

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Educatives meet with general

Two EU Extension educators met with a group of students at the University of Utah campus in Salt Lake City Wednesday at the Tooele Army Depot, Davis Hall, and the Tooele Greenhouse. 

Agronomist and Woody Biofuels, and Clark Guy, associate vice president for student affairs, both gave a report that described the area of research and the potential of growing biofuel feedstock on the Logan campus.

"It was one of the most interesting meetings the center has ever had," Hanks said. "This was an extremely significant event for us to be a part of."

Gen. Dempsey was brieved by Hanks, general program coordinator for the meeting toward furthering the discussion between the U.S. Army, the Tooele Army Depot, EU Extension and the Davis Guyer Group about the biofuels project. The general and team worked together should the project be approved.

First thousand acres, under the management of federal land, will be used to grow oil seed crops that would be harvested and used to create biodiesel. The proposal is in phase over a three-year period, beginning with the planting of 2,000 acres of oil seed crops the first year. Some of the crops, if funded, will be used for use by yet to be determined biofuels producers and officials at the Tooele Army Depot would like to see their project move forward to produce operations since energy is a source of national security.

Blue Goes Green grants available

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USU student conquers the English channel

By CARL SORENSON

On Sept. 9, after two years and on the eve of the 12-hour swim, Joelle Beard, a junior majoring in English education at USU, swam the English Channel in an above-average time of 12 hours and 32 minutes.

She took the plunge at 2:40 a.m. Sept. 3 near the town of Dover, England. In an email to the Statesman, Beard said “the air temperature was cold, the night was pitch black, and the water was freezing. I felt myself start to hyperventilate, I thought ‘What the heck am I doing?’”

Despite her fears at the beginning, Beard kicked it into gear and at 2:57 a.m. she finished her 12-hour swim. She climbed up onto the rocks near the cliffs in France at Cape Gris Nez, which marked the end of her swim. The Channel is 1 mile wide and 21 miles long.

She took a break, because if she stopped for longer than a minute, the cold water would set in and she wouldn’t be able to prove to herself and some of her old coaches that speed in the water is more than a little bit of a lie. She would take half-hour breaks and tell myself to just get to the end of the swim before the cold water would set in.

Beard said she would also hum a classical music song to herself, which was her motivational song and entertainment during the swim. The English Channel is full of all sorts of sea creatures, sharks included, but Beard was fortunate enough to experience none of any dangerous sea creatures. She swam a couple of times, and she was stung by a jellyfish on the top of her foot, but it only stung her for a second.

The English Channel pressure was too much for her to overcome, but her height was what gave her the determination to swim the Channel in the first place. Beard said she was told that she was too short to really be as fast as she wanted.

“Everyone told me if you don’t break a school record or get a swimming scholarship you are not good,” she said.

Beard will be considering mediums like Wildcat High School, her alma mater, where the new coach helps create the swim team.

“Her name will go on the record board for the English Channel,” said Craig Robinsette, Beard’s high school coach.

Joelle Beard swims the English channel on Sept. 3. Beard crossed the channel in an above-average time of 12 hours and 32 minutes. The 400-0m English initialization told it was said too short to be very fast. Photo courtesy of Joelle Beard.
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‘The Words’ is a powerful, moving narrative

Has anyone ever read or told you a story that captivated you so much you didn’t want the story to end because of the way it made you feel? I, so you, want to see “The Words.”

This story begins with a young man, Rory Jansen (Bradley Cooper), accepting an award for his bestselling book, “The Window Tears.” After the ceremony, he learns from his wife Dora (Zoe Saldana), but is unaware of an old man (Jeremy Irons) watching his every movement.

Turning back the pages of time takes the audience to Rory’s beginnings. He and Dora both graduated from college and live in an apartment in New York City.

Although Rory wants to live as a full-time writer, they don’t have enough money to make ends meet. Rory borrows money from his father (J.K. Simmons), and then finds out that he is going to be a father. Dora is four months pregnant, and their lives will change forever.

After much deliberation, Rory makes a decision that will change his life forever. “The Words” is a powerfully moving narrative with an all star cast and an independent film feel, which creates a wonderful cinematic experience.

It was refreshing to watch a movie. The pacing was right time. The movie didn’t try to extend the plot too much, but it didn’t move so quickly as to rid the film of emotion. It has been a long time since I’ve seen a movie like this, a captivating drama without the action of a thriller.

The movie was so well done, it could be transplanted into a play. It had the realism, depth, and feel that gave the movie the supreme emotion that stays with an audience.

The parallels were phenomenal. I wish I could mention them, but it’s something you need to see for yourself.

The music was beautifully orchestral, yet ominous and mysterious, painting emotion into the scenes.

The balance between music and silence was perfect. There were times when there were only sounds of nature or silence, bringing the audience into the moment.

“The Words” is all about stories how they relate to each other, stories within stories, stories about other stories, how the consequences of one story affects other story.

The script was fantastic. It was full of unforgettable quotes and poetic phrases.

If you have ever wanted to see a beautiful, moving story that pierces the soul. If you have ever written a story, ever wanted to become a writer, or lose the journeys stories take you on, you should experience “The Words.”

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‘The Words’ stars Bradley Cooper and Zoe Saldana as a married couple living in New York City. Cooper’s character, Rory Jansen, is an award-winning author who discovers a life-changing manuscript. Stock photo

“I’d never done one on my own,” said Hwang.

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By BYRLE ASHLAND

Roommates Bailey Howard, Lindsey Creager: Briana Elwell and Samantha Roseman said they had a roommate who would keep dirty dishes in her bedroom. Photo courtesy of Samantha Roseman

First generation graduates make families proud

BY APRIL ASHLAND

Roommates

Many USU students are no longer living at home. This creates challenges for some Aggies from doing laundry, having solitary skills or dealing with less-than-hygienic roommates. Despite the challenges, many find the experience of moving out a positive one. "I love it," said Adison Griffith, sophomore in special professional. "It really is the best thing so far that has happened to me."

"You have a sense of independence," said undecided sophomore Sam Rosenberg. "You feel like you are your own person. You feel like you can grow up; but really you do." Some students are satisfied with living on their own without having to worry about parental intervention.

"I feel less pressure," said Kyle Shultz, a sophomore majoring in public relations. "When you're at your parents' place you're always on your case about everything. Here I can do whatever I want."

Tanner Simmons, a senior majoring in public relations, said her living situation has been living outside his parents' home for the last seven years. "It has been a good experience discovering my own identity away from family," said Simmons. "It has been positive to figure out what I like and dislike, what makes me unique. At home you're kind of exposed to the same people, but whereas you get to choose more what you're exposed to when you move out.

While some students are happy with their out-of-home circumstances for reasons such as independence, an improved sense of social life and opportunities to discover their identities, other students feel like living out of the home can have some less-desirable effects, including bad roommates.

"Some of my roommates need to learn that their mother is not here to pick up after them," said Shultz. "It's not like I'm going to a neat freak, but I like to keep things tidy. Other people with different backgrounds just don't care. Having to cook for yourself is also challenging. It's just too much to have a mom already prepared for you. My biggest challenge though is probably organizing. I just want to put party all the time."

"I have a roommate that has late-night dirty dishes in her bedroom," said Rosenberg. "It's not just her dishes—it's ours. What else? It's like, who does that?"

"We had a roommate who would go hangout by himself. I think there was some kind of no-room for six hours at a time," said Simmons. "It was weird and kind of sketchy."

"Because some of our roommates already knew each other before we moved in, there is kind of a division in our apartment, mostly in conversation," said Michael Gargon, a sophomore studying business. "We got along just fine. But because of our different backgrounds and personalities we don't always get each other's humor. Sometimes you are out of the loop.

Some students have had posi- tive relationships with roommates. "I shared a room with my little brother for like fifteen years," said Michael Gargon, a sophomore majoring in business. "So many aspects of having a roommate is weird because you really can't get used to some. Things are even better."

"It's because all your boys are just there," Shultz said. "It's like guy talk all the time. It's cool. It's like."

"I haven't had a bad roommate yet though," said Rosemann. "I'm in a pretty sur- prising person, so I haven't really had any issues."

"Sometimes you miss the sense of family, and your roommates can kind of fill that in with a feeling of camaraderie," said Simmons. "Also, having the same roommate consecutively years is a relief. You're like, 'Okay, this guy's cool. You're needful only to each other.'"

"It's time to grow up and take those responsibilities," said Rosemann.

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"First generation college students, according to a report by the National Center for Educational Statistics. In fall of 2008, Becky Skabelund was among them.

"Neither of my parents went to college so dad has been a really big influence," said Skabelund. "His father wasn't supportive of the idea he should go to college. We're LDS, so going on a mission was a must."

"He went on an LDS mission," said Griffith. "Plus, I have to get a degree myself to do to get anywhere in life," said Griffin. "It was just something that I required my father to do, so that was helpful," she said. "He did really well."

As a student, Griffith said. "He always told me how I think and how my dad thinks," she said. "You don't only learn about parents but you learn about their backgrounds and how they look at the world."

"I guess it's helped me to be a better person. I'm more open minded," said Skabelund.

"I think this is a really good situation," said Simmons. "I'm glad I'm in college with people of different backgrounds."
Students seek mentorship from pros

BY LIZ GABBITAS

photo

After four years of classes, thousands of dollars in tuition and countless nights of homework, tests and group projects, most students hope to leave college with a diploma. However, there’s another part of the college experience that some students miss.

Professors want to work for their students to help them succeed both during and after their college education. The faculty and staff at USU provide help for their students and can be valuable resources throughout the collegiate career. One place to look for help is in the USU Advising Center, where students can find their academic advisor.

The Advisory Center recommends students meet with their academic advisor at least once a semester. Advisors are hired to help students on the track toward graduation. Meeting with an academic advisor early can give students a head start in their progress toward a degree and subsequent career.

In addition to advising, there are other ways students can improve their college experience. Comradery with a professor or a lecture at the beginning of the semester can help create a positive relationship where open communication is available.

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Views & Opinion

I was sitting in class at the beginning of my first semester at UCLA when a conversation occurred behind me that I could hardly ignore. "Are you going to that gathering on Wednesday?" the student asked. "I am," I replied. "Then why didn't you come?" the student asked. "I was a little late," I replied. The student was incredulous. "''I was a little late''?" the student asked. "Yes, sure," I said. "I'll say what you meant and say there was no need for such an action, but are there any other people who understand what I meant?"

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Academy" popped up that was so funny I couldn’t stop myself. "In the words of a student who’s research was published on The Free Speech Zone site called “Cuss Control,” the study was an all fun study because he discovered a lack of character that flips-lutely does not, completely unsound, arguable and without regulation."

Predictably, this site is favorable to its claims. But it makes some true points, unlike the legitimate curse words against using swear words. If swearing bad? A website called "Cuss Control" in reality, some of the most steadfast of which is published). Letters will not be edited or not.

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SWEAR: One syllable not much of a change

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The case, doesn't it follow that changing a "shit" to a "shout" doesn't mean a change in meaning? If the usage of the strong, offensive words is not your intention, then it doesn't matter what words or verbs you use. Your sentence should perhaps sound something like, "I'm so frustrated that my roommate ate all my cheese."

Often, swear words can even be a good thing. Free speech laws protect profanity.

Before the protests ascended the walls, the after-the-fact putsch was scheduled to speak and repeated his attacks. Worse yet, he spoke his lines with a slight smirk, as if taking undisguised delight at scoring political points.

When a reporter asked what he would have done differently had he been president, he had no answer. Instead he repeated that Obama's embassy was "apologizing for American principles" and that, when those happen, "you speak out."

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LIBYA: Romney not ready for reins

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Romney's not ready for reins of free speech and an act of appeasement in the face of an attack on sovereign U.S. territory. What Romney or his staff might not have known at the time was that the embassy issued an affirmation that the sentiment of the world: economic integration of their societies into the rest of the world economically, socially, and, to some extent, culturally. The major challenge is that this integration is precisely what the militant protesters most oppose. If the events of the last 24 hours prove pivotal, it will be because they forced the Muslim leaders to choose which path they want to follow.

Third and finally, these opinions have highlighted just how stomatically circuitous Mitt Romney is for prime time — how little he understands the business of being president or, for that matter, holding any job of national importance up for free-market politics.

This is especially true of his handling of the recent events.

The appeal six hours after the walls were breached, the embassy put out a revised statement, condemning the attack. (The revision, however, did realign the sentiment of the original statement — an affirmation that Obama spokesman disavowed, saying it had not been cleared with Washington.)

After these facts became clear (along with reports of Stevens' death, which he hadn't been aware of), the Republican presidential hopeful stepped on the gas. He held a press conference — just minutes before President Obama was scheduled to speak — and repeated his attacks. Worse yet, he spoke his lines with a slight smirk, as if taking undisguised delight at scoring political points. When a reporter asked what he would have done differently had he been president, he had no answer. Instead he repeated that Obama's embassy was "apologizing for American principles" and that, when those happen, "you speak out."

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FBI:
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The Happiness Advantage wellness workshops are free to students and staff who want to improve themselves. Workshops are every Wednesday from 7-8 p.m. in the Wellness Center conference room. Register by calling the Student Health and Wellness Center at 435-797-3401.
The USU Extension Office in Cache County will present the Smart Money Moves financial management series on Sept. 11, 20, and 27 in the Cache County Administration Building Multipurpose Room at 175 N. Main, Logan. The cost of the series is $20.00 per person or $30.00 per couple. Contact the Utah IDA Network at 877-767-0272 or utaida.org for more information about the matched savings program. Contact USU Extension at admin@extension.usu.edu for more information about the Smart Money Moves Series.
The Logan Fine Art Gallery presents a show for Dick Brown’s Photography. It will run through the end of September. The gallery is located at 60 W 300 North, Logan. The gallery is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
The USU Ecology Center has their first annual pumpkin smash coming up on Sept. 12 and 13. Dr. Jon Baker from the University of Washington will speak Sept. 12 at 6 p.m. in DGC 103 and Sept. 13 at 4 p.m. in ENG 382. Come this is a series of performances. Allie Harris will be performing Sept. 14 from 4:45-6:45 p.m. and singer-songwriter Katie Jo will perform Sept. 16 from 12-2 p.m.
Randal Carrison and Chris Knopp will perform at Pier 49 on Sept. 14 from 6-8 p.m. Kendall will open, followed by Chris at 7 p.m. There will be no cover charge, but tips are appreciated.
Alternative Rock singer Tim Pearson will perform Sept. 21 from 6:45-10:45 p.m. The show is hosted by Kendall will perform Sept. 23 from 12-2 p.m. Face Punch and Friends will debut Sept. 28 from 4-6:45 p.m. American singer/songwriter Josh Johnson will perform Sept. 30 from 12-2 p.m.
Pumpkin Smashes 4x4 Sand Volleyball Tournament registration. Registration is now until Sept. 13. The event will be held on Sept. 15. Go 4x4 Sand Volleyball Tournament, 4 on 4, double elimination. $35 per team (has have up to six players). Located at Elk Ridge Park. (5200 North 660 East, North Logan). Sign up online at http:www.north-logan.net. For questions contact Shane Jensen shane.jensen0@gmail.com.

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Wedding

Today's Issue of The USU Back Burner

Summer Weather:

High: 84° Low: 41°
Skies: Sunny skies accompanying warm weather.
Humidity: 31 percent
Sunrise: 7:05 a.m.
Sunset: 7:39 p.m.
Cloudy.
Thunderstorm is possible.

Almanac:

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Today’s issue of The Utah Statesman is published especially for Anna Donaldson, a junior majoring in community health management from Woodspur, Utah.

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Thursday, Sept. 13, 2012

Argyle Sweater Universal

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Your Campus Connection
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Sunset: 7:39 p.m.
cooling warm weather.
**ThursdaySports**

**Glance**

**Aggie Schedules**

**Saturday, Sept. 15**

USA at Wisconsin, 6 p.m.

**Thursday, Sept. 13**

USA vs. Washington, 6 p.m., Bell Field

**Thursday, Sept. 13**

USA vs. UCLA, 7 p.m., Bell Field

**Saturday, Sept. 15**

USA State vs. College of Southern Idaho, noon, Providence Field

**Mountain Biking**

Sep. 15-16

Colorado State Stays, Red Feather Lakes, Colo.

NCAA Schedule Prep

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Colorado State at San Jose State, 6 p.m.

USA at Wisconsin, 6 p.m.

New Mexico State at Utah, 11:30 a.m.

Visa vs. No. 3 LSU, 6:30 p.m.

No. 25 BYU at No. 4, 8 p.m.

San Diego State at Weber State, 6 p.m.

**Top 25**

**Football**

BY JORDAN DAME

off writer

The Utah State University

swim team is coming off a

successful 2011-12 season in

which seven members of the

team competed at

nationally.

Now, with each one of these

swimmers returning for this new year, there is no

where to go but up.

At the time many swimmers

were studying for and

taking our final exams, the USA swim team was in

Covington, N.C., taking

part in the U.S. Masters Swimming National

Championships. The seven swimmers all medaled in

their individual events and the team relay.

Christian Russell led the way with a gold medal in

the women’s 1,000 freestyle with a time of 11 minutes,

42.6 seconds.

Marcus Singleton medaled in all four events he competed in, his best

place came in the 100 free-

style, a seventh place finish with a time of 1:13.3

seconds.

Despite the success, Singleton is hungry for more. As team president

this year, he will have to handle other chores along with

regular training, but he is excited for this season.

I dropped about eight

seconds on my 200 free last

season,” Singleton said.

This year I’m hoping to
get down to around 1:24

4-47, which is pretty fast

I think, but would most

likely get me third or second place at nationals.”

Katherine Pulley is one of

the captains this year, her

fourth year with the team.

She went to nationals last year and said she has

enjoyed swimming at USA.

“Nationals was a lot of

fun last year,” Pulley said.

“We had to do a lot of fun-
n...
Rob Jepson
guest columnist

"How did I not realize that one of the best parts of the Aggie experience had been taking place just a few blocks away?"

A Badger's thoughts

To an insider's perspective on the Badgers, the U.Sat Statesman asked for an open letter to the UW football fans.

John O'Brien was efficient in the first half, but like I said before, they haven't had a chance to talk to the players weren't gelling. Gage on the offensive line coach Mike Markuson?

I have no idea what the Aggies that there was an outpouring of love for the Aggies after last week. It's weird to say it, but like I said before, they have gotten if the line was in a game.

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Steve Schwartzman is a senior studying communication studies. He has a just few out of every hundred, I make a list of problems to solve, I'm not going to get the offense going for the first time. But like I said before, they have gotten if the line was in a game.
Wisconsin Football Players celebrate during the Badgers’ 26-21 victory over the Oklahoma State Cowboys in Madison, Wis., on Sept. 1. Camp Randall Stadium has historically been one of the nation’s loudest places to play, which may create concentration and communication problems for Utah State’s relatively young team. Photo courtesy Andy Fans, The Badger Herald

Q&A: Expect Utah State to lose in Wisconsin in exciting fashion

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Know what they want to do. “They are going to line pass the way they used to?”

Ok: Same question for the defense?

JV: Saturday’s game had at least one positive: the defense played a much better game in week two. After giving up too many big plays against USU, the Badgers played a pretty solid game and had just the one coverage lapse that resulted in a touchdown. They did everything they could to keep the Badgers in it, and they played very well against the run for the second week in a row. That rush defense is led by defensive tackles Beau Allen and Ethan Hemes, as well as linebacker Mike Taylor and Chris Borland, the pass defense is still suspect, though. The Badgers are kind of giving opposing receivers big cushions on man coverage, and it often leaves them vulnerable to the kind of quick passes that killed them against Oregon State.

Ok: What are Wisconsin fans saying about Utah State, if anything?

JV: I can’t really speak for fans of course, but I’ve been saying for a while that Utah State isn’t a pushover. You just have to look at their recent win against Utah and even some of their recent close calls against other BCS teams to see that.

I remember them taking Auburn down to the wire last year, and the Badgers would be making a mistake if they overlooked the Aggies, especially after how the last two weeks have gone for them.

EN: What’s your prediction for the final outcome against USU?

JV: After watching the last two weeks, it’s hard for me to make a pick with any degree of confidence. But the game is at home in Camp Randall, and if the Badgers are anything close to what we thought they could be at the start of the season, then they’ll be fired up to get back on track in a friendlier environment.

Wisconsin football players celebrate during the Badgers’ 26-21 victory over the Oklahoma State Cowboys in Madison, Wis., on Sept. 1. Camp Randall Stadium has historically been one of the nation’s loudest places to play, which may create concentration and communication problems for Utah State’s relatively young team. Photo courtesy Andy Fans, The Badger Herald

The problem is, we said the same thing after last week’s close win. For now, I’ll say the Badgers find the offensive line play better under interim coach Bart Miller, but if the unit falls apart again we might be looking at a different story.

Thanks again to Mike’s for his help. You can follow him on Twitter @joshveldhuis

Meet the Challenge

USU (2-0)
WISCONSIN (1-1)

Gary Andersen (4th year)
Bret Bielema (7th year)

Wisconsin

ISCONSIN

Wisconsin and the Aggies have only faced each other once each other once before in 1968, when Utah State shut out the Badgers 20-0. The Aggies finished 7-3 that season, while Wisconsin lost all 11 games on their schedule.

Even so, Utah State has not won any of the last six meetings against Wisconsin, which is why they are not favorites in this game. The Aggies are friendlier environment.

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**SWIM:** Aggies ready for strong show in HPR Pool earlier this week. CURTIS RIPPLINGER photo of Marcus Singleton, a freshman from California, swimming at the USU pool.

**AGGIE RUGBY PLAYERS:** take turns talking each other during practice on the HPR fields earlier this week. The team will play sevens, a condensed game of rugby, this fall. The anticipation for the addition of the sport into the Olympics, CURTIS RIPPLINGER photo.

**McLeod:** USU rugby. "We just want to come out and have some fun this season." This year's team is currently hovering at between 30-35 members, the majority being female swimmers. Singleton said the club is always open to new members, no matter what their skill level may be. "We've got a lot of new swimmers this year," he said. "We have a wide range of swimmers competing on the team, from 18 years old to 50. Some are here to race for nationals, others are here to just improve or get a good workout. It just depends on what your individual goals are." Says Hanks, "I think the team's booth on the Day on the Oval a few weeks ago had a great turnout!"

**RUGBY**

**New season, new style**

BY MARK HOPKINS

Captain in the oldest club at Utah State University opened practices with a new outlook and an looking forward to an enjoyable year. "We lost a lot of good swimmers and are here to just improve or get a good workout. It just depends on what your individual goals are," says Hanks, a junior majoring in exercise science.

"Sevens has been a bit of a blur for me," said Hawks, a junior majoring in exercise science.

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"Sevens is much quicker game, you run the field a lot," Hawks said.

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