

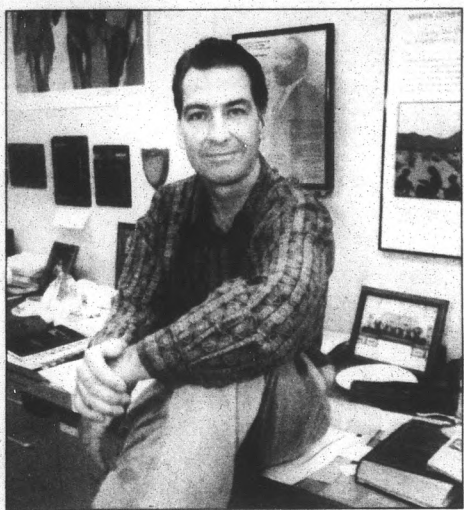
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Charles Calleros, law professor and chairman of the Campus Environment Team, says racial tensions are particularly high at ASU this year. He added that cross-cultural communication is vital to reducing tension in the ASU community.

CET: ASU racial tensions high

Calleros says communication key to defusing cultural differences

By BRIAN ANDERSON
STATE PRESS

Issues ranging from the O.J. Simpson murder trial to affirmative action debates have strained race relations at ASU since the beginning of the academic year, according to a Campus Environment Team official.

"I think it's pretty clear that the racial climate on campus is not real terrific this year," said CET chairman Charles Calleros. "Racial tensions are fairly high, particularly with respect to African-American students."

Recent incidents of vandalism, fights and the circulation of racist propaganda in an English class last week have also created an atmosphere out of tune with racial and eth-

nic harmony, Calleros added.

"I think it's been developing all year, and it's really the cumulative effect that's moving things along now," he said.

Dondrell Swanson, a former president of Alpha Phi Alpha, a black fraternity, agreed.

"When racially-motivated incidents take place in a derogatory sense ... it has a negative effect," he said. "If we don't start to do some things to correct it, we could be headed for some trouble."

Swanson, a senior public relations major, said options for improving relations are available.

"(ASU) has a lot of programs in place to deal with the student population in terms of

raising our consciousness," he said. "If we don't have anything geared toward raising the consciousness and improving the educators', the teachers' and the professors' awareness of these issues, then they suppress all of the efforts the students make."

Calleros said increasing communication is one of the most important ways to create a better environment for all people.

"What you really need to do is get people to come together on a larger scale and break down some of the prejudices, fears and suspicions," he said. "As long as you have people of good will participating in the dialogue, that dialogue is just critically important."

Bill penalizing excessive credit hour students fails in legislative committee

By JEFF OWENS
STATE PRESS

A bill mandating out-of-state tuition fees for ASU students with excessive credit hours didn't last long in the House of Representatives Thursday.

House Bill 2349 was voted down 7-0 by the Public Institutions and Universities Committee.

According to the bill, undergraduates with more than 32 credit hours over their degree requirements would pay out-of-state tuition rates. The same rule would apply to graduate students with more than 20 credit hours over their degree requirements.

"It's a dumb idea," said Rep. Mike Gardner, R-Tempe. "We're supposed to be promoting education, not punishing it. Hopefully, this bill will stay dead. It was a dumb idea this year, and it'll be a dumb idea next year."

The bill was sponsored by Rep. Jean McGrath, R-Glendale, who said it was not intended to deter "hobby students," but rather to take their education expenses out of the hands of Arizona taxpayers.

"It's simply a bill that relieves the taxpayer of some of the burden that we don't feel they

should be bearing unnecessarily," she said.

Rep. Marion Pickens, D-Tucson, questioned McGrath sharply. Pickens cited her own daughter, a single mother who struggled to earn an engineering degree after receiving a psychology degree.

"You're saying that, with this bill, she would have to pay out-of-state tuition to go back and get that second degree?" Pickens asked.

"Yes, Rep. Pickens, yes," McGrath said. "Anything over and above the degree plus the 32 (credit hours)."

Pickens said a barely audible "wow" while shaking her head in disbelief.

Thomas Wickenden, Arizona Board of Regents associate executive director, said the board did not support the bill because studies showed that a negligible percentage of students at the three universities were actually "wandering from major to major and accumulating excessive credit hours through lack of decisiveness."

The committee moved quickly to a vote. Of all seven "no" votes, Pickens' was the most emphatic.

"Mr. Chairman, this is a vote for my daughter," she said.

Vigil



Erik Guzowski/Special to the State Press

During a week dedicated to AIDS awareness, Michelle Carson, a freshmen journalism major, and Sean Hill, a bio-medical engineering major, take a moment to mourn the victims of the disease. ASU students joined in a candle light vigil on Hayden Lawn Thursday night.

Regents endorse private-school vouchers for state students

By RAY STERN
STATE PRESS

A bill that would create a program giving state dollars to students who choose to attend a private university now has the backing of the Arizona Board of Regents.

The recommendation to support the bill came after Regent Eddie Basha cast the deciding vote at Thursday's ASU West meeting. The board approved the recommendation 5-4.

Basha said he voted for the recommendation because the decision should lie with the Legislature.

"I think the perception is that if we were to say we oppose it, it's making a statement that we don't want to brook competition, and I think we should invite one and all to compete against us," he said.

The bill appropriates \$100,000 for community college graduates who wish to attend a private university. It is touted as an experiment that will likely be expanded later if it is successful.

The two newest members of the board, Don Ulrich and Kurt Davis, voted in favor of the recommendation.

Basha said it was possible that if ex-regents Douglas

Wall and Andy Hurwitz were still on the board, the recommendation might not have passed.

"But then again, I don't know how that would have distilled out," he added. "My vote would have been the same regardless. I vote my convictions."

Davis said one of the key oppositions to the program — that public universities will lose funds — is not a valid argument.

"It's not our money; it's taxpayer money," he said.

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Weather Outlook
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World/Nation

Police safely detonated a bomb in London Thursday, the second since the IRA ended nearly two years of a truce.

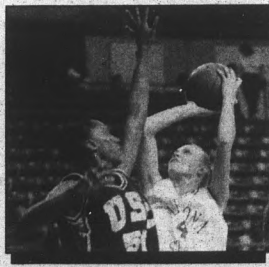
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Sports

The ASU women's basketball team got rocked by USC, 98-56, Thursday night at the UAC.

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TODAY

The Today Section is a daily calendar of events printed as a service to the ASU community. Requests are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis and are printed as space permits.

Campus clubs and organizations may submit written entries to the State Press in the basement of Matthews Center. Requests will not be taken over the phone or via fax.

Entries must contain the full name of the club or organization, a description of the event, date, time and the full address of the location. All requests are subject to editing for content, space and clarity. Incomplete or illegible entries will be discarded.

Deadline for requests is noon the day before publication and entries will not be accepted more than three working days before publication. Only one entry per organization per day is permitted.

- **AIESEC** — General meeting to discuss internship abroad opportunities. Everyone welcome. Stay with us for Happy Hours. MU Pinal Room; 4 p.m.
- **Air Force ROTC** — Guest speaker: Maj. Gen. John L. Borling, chief of staff, allied forces northern Europe, will discuss NATO in the 90s and his experiences as a POW in Vietnam. Language and Literature Bldg. C57; 2 p.m.
- **Alcoholics Anonymous** — Daily campus meeting. Newman Center, Aquinas Hall in the basement; noon to 1:15 p.m. Campus Women's Group meeting. Newman Center, Aquinas Hall in the basement; 10 a.m.
- **Arizona Filmmaking Society** — Help with the Eye in Hand Film and Video Festival. Call Jess Rankin at 277-2104 for more information.
- **Asian Student Association** — General meeting to discuss upcoming events and parties. Everyone's welcome to the most active Asian club on campus. MU Gold Room 203; 3:15 p.m.
- **Bahai Club** — "The Earth Is but One Country and Mankind, Its Citizens." Bahai Club Social, Call May at 963-4798 for time and location.
- **Disability Resources for Students** — Assertiveness training. Learn new skills during an eight-week workshop. Call DRS at 965-1234 for details. DRS offices, Matthews Center; 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
- **German American Association** — Opening meeting. MU Alumni Lounge 202; 3 p.m.
- **Intellectuals of Ayn Rand** — Film presentation. Email tony.grundm@asu.edu if you cannot attend. MU Room 206; 2:30 p.m. Saturday.
- **Japan Association** — Bike trip to Papago Park — bring a bento. Meet in front of Irish Hall; 10 a.m. Saturday.
- **Role Playing Game Club** — General meeting. New players and GMs welcome. MU Room 214; 5:30 p.m.
- **Student Environmental Action Coalition** — Discuss strategies to stop the Ward Valley nuclear waste dump. MU Room 2; 12:45 p.m.
- **Student Life Learning Resource Center** — Free computer training workshops. Student Services Bldg. 361A; Using the ASU Web 9 a.m.; Pine 10 a.m.; Windows 1 p.m.; WordPerfect 2 p.m.

ABOR

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Davis said it is unlikely that a vast number of students will choose private over public universities because of the \$1,500 incentive.

"(But if they do), competition will either show you had problems with the product, (like) you're not funding the product correctly, or you're not advertising," he said.

As a result, the voucher program should help public universities in the long haul, Davis said.

Regent Arthur Chapa, who voted against the recommendation, said it was too early to tell how Ulrich and Davis might feel about other issues.

"I would assume that in most cases they would think in like mind with the governor on a lot of things," he said. "But it would be wrong, and a stereotype, to assume in every case they would even agree with each other."

Chapa said he voted against the bill because he has a philosophy against voting for subsidies for non-public institutions.

The vote in favor of a voucher system was not something ASU President Lattie Coor said he wanted to see.

"I think there should be state scholarships," he said. "It should be need-based and it should be both public and private, and the discussion today just wasn't framed in a way

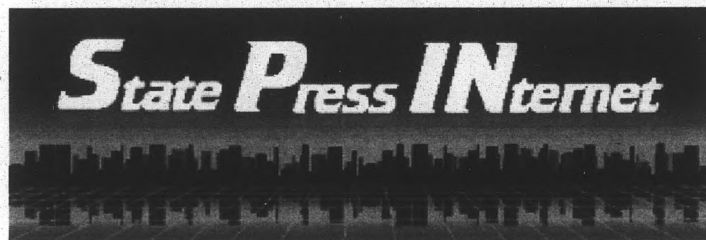
that allowed that."

But Davis said state money distributed to students should not all be need-based because everyone puts tax dollars into the general fund, not just lower-income families.

"We are the holders and fiduciaries of the public's money," he said. "We should offer as many choices as possible," he said.

In other news, ABOR:

- Agreed to continue looking for new ways to set tuition, including a "tuition index" that compares Arizona tuition with that in other states.
- Voted to approve a residence hall rate increase. ASU's average increase is 2.9 percent.
- Overwhelmingly voted to oppose legislation that would create a "super-board" that would supersede ABOR authority on important issues such as capital planning.
- Voted to recommend amending a footnote to the university budget bill. The footnote would financially penalize state colleges if they did not come up with a plan to ease junior college-university credit transitions by Sept. 30, 1996. The suggested amendment calls for an extension of the deadline to Dec. 13, and removes stipulations that would create a single general curriculum for all undergraduates.



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IRA bomb defused in London, rocks cease-fire

LONDON (AP) — Police deactivated a bomb in London's theater district Thursday hours after the Irish Republican Army appeared to reject demands for a new cease-fire.

No one claimed responsibility for the small bomb found near Shaftesbury Avenue, famous for its theaters and restaurants, but Scotland Yard said two coded telephone warnings "bore all the hallmarks" of the IRA.

Police were evacuating buildings in a London business district last Friday after similar warnings when a truck bomb exploded, killing two people, wounding more than 100 and causing an estimated \$125 million in damage.

The bombing broke a 17-month cease-fire in the IRA's campaign to end Britain's eight-century rule of Northern Ireland.

Just after 12:30 p.m. Thursday, barricades went up after police received seven coded warnings. Some people were evacuated, others told to stay inside.

Police sealed off Piccadilly Circus, Trafalgar Square, the bustling shopping district along Oxford Street and half a dozen subway stations, but reopened them about three hours after the warnings.

The bomb was found in a sports bag in a phone booth on Charing Cross Road after two "imprecise" warnings, a Scotland Yard statement said. Police described it as small, but such devices have killed passersby in the past.

In the IRA's first pronouncement since claiming responsibility for Friday's bombing, it made what appeared to be a threat of further attacks, saying it "will continue to assert Irish national rights in the face of British denial for as long as is necessary."

The statement blamed British Prime Minister John Major for the breakdown of the truce and repeated its demand for all-party talks on the future of Northern Ireland.

The IRA wants its political ally, Sinn Fein, included in the talks. The British and Irish governments have barred elected cabinet members from contact with Sinn Fein. Irish civil servants plan to meet Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams on Friday in Dublin.

The British and Irish governments have demanded a new cease-fire.

Protestants, the majority in Northern Ireland, largely favor British rule. The IRA draws its support from a minority within the Roman Catholic community, about 40 percent of the population.

From 1970 to 1994, the IRA killed more than 1,700 people. Pro-British paramilitaries killed about 900 people, most-

ly Catholics. British soldiers and police killed about 350.

Britain announced Wednesday that it would send an extra 500 soldiers to Northern Ireland, bolstering security along the border that divides the British-ruled province from the rest of Ireland.

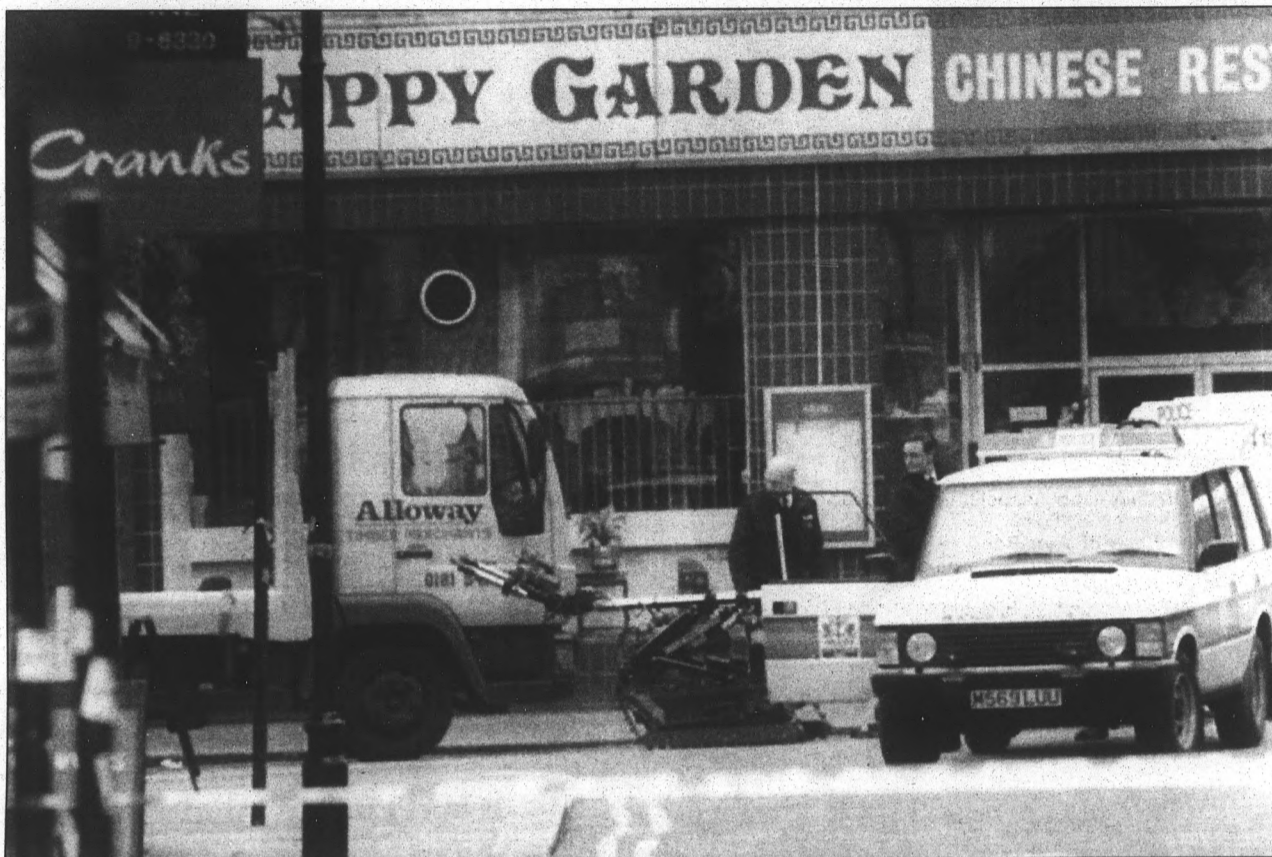
Most of the more than 16,000 British soldiers deployed in Northern Ireland were withdrawn from street patrols six months after the September 1994 IRA truce.

The IRA statement Thursday urged pro-British militants

to hold their fire.

"The IRA leadership delivered a complete cessation of military operations on a clear, unambiguous and shared understanding that inclusive negotiations would rapidly commence to bring about political agreement and a peace settlement," the IRA statement said.

"John Major reneged on these commitments," it added. "He has acted in bad faith throughout the period of the IRA cessation, introducing one new precondition after another."



Police steer a remote-controlled robot toward an explosive device left in a telephone box in central London's theater district. The bomb was detonated by police and no one was injured. No one immediately claimed responsibility, but the series of coded telephone warnings was typical of past attacks by the Irish Republican Army.

Republicans push legal immigration cuts of 19 percent

WASHINGTON (AP) — The heated debate over whether America should cut the rising numbers of legal immigrants entering the country has put NASA astrophysicist C.T. Vanajakshi on edge, upsetting her sleep and her appetite.

Passage of two immigration bills making their way through Congress would put an end to a dream she's nurtured for 10 years — welcoming her beloved older brother, T.C. Vasudevan, to her home in Sunnyvale, Calif.

Vasudevan, 65, now living in Madras, India, first applied for permission to immigrate in July 1986. He is one of about 2.7 million siblings of U.S. citizens or spouses and minor children of legal permanent residents who are on waiting lists, hoping to enter the United States.

The wait can range from 14 years to as long as 43 years, depending on what country they're living in.

Republicans in the House and Senate say that's one reason why sweeping changes are needed in the legal immigration system. They also say that in these lean economic times, the number of foreigners coming into the United States to live should be reduced sharply, perhaps by as much as 19 percent.

"It is time to slow down, to reassess, to make certain we are assimilating well the extraordinary level of immigration the country has been experiencing in recent years," Sen. Alan Simpson, R-Wyo., said as he introduced an immigration bill in the Senate in November.

The Senate Judiciary Committee is expected to begin work on that bill soon. A similar bill sponsored by Rep. Lamar Smith, R-Texas, would reduce the annual total of new immigrants by nearly 19 percent, from the 804,416 who entered the United States in 1994 to 655,000 by 2001.

In 1988, 643,000 non-citizens were admitted to the country for permanent residence, the most since 1924. That number rose to 1.8 million in 1991, mostly because of the Immigration Reform and Control Act, which legalized 2.7 million illegal aliens who were already in this country.

Smith's bill is awaiting a vote on the House floor, perhaps as early as mid-March. During House Judiciary Committee bill-drafting sessions last fall, Republicans used their majority power to defeat most Democratic attempts to soften the effects of the legislation. Democrats argued there was no need to restrict legal immigration.

Both Smith and Simpson, on a separate track, have proposed measures that would crack down on illegal immigration. This would be accomplished by speeding up deportation of aliens who commit crimes, stiffening penalties for people who smuggle aliens across

the border, increasing the number of Border Patrol officers and asking employers to check the Social Security numbers of new hires.

But their ideas on restricting legal immigration have drawn the most controversy.

Among other things, both bills would end a program that allows U.S. residents to sponsor foreign-born brothers and sisters for entry into the country. Most adult children of U.S. residents would become ineligible for family-sponsored immigration visas, and the number of family-sponsored parents coming to the United States would drop.

News of the bills shocked Vanajakshi, 47, who said she has remained single so she can devote her life to caring for her brother, his wife and their two pre-teen children. It was Vasudevan who got her interested in science as a child, paid for her education and offered to arrange a traditional Indian marriage for her.

Drug money questions plague Colombian president

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — The man polls show enjoys the greatest prestige of any public figure in Colombia has finally ended months of speculation and taken President Ernesto Samper to task.

Alfonso Valdivieso, Colombia's public prosecutor, presented charges Wednesday that could lead to Samper's impeachment for allegedly accepting cocaine-tainted cash in his 1994 campaign.

It was Samper's biggest setback yet.

A former political ally of the president, Valdivieso asked a congressional commission to charge Samper with illicit enrichment, electoral fraud and falsifying documents.

The prosecutor had slowly and deliberately compiled a mountain of evidence supporting allegations Samper took \$6 million in campaign contributions from the world's most powerful drug syndicate, the Cali cartel.

Valdivieso, 46, cautiously refrained in months of public statements from offering any details of the evidence he had amassed.



SAMPER

U.S. officials said they feared Valdivieso, a man of integrity in a sea of corruption, could be the target of an assassination attempt. Their concerns deepened after Samper's former campaign manager, Fernando Botero, publicly implicated the president in the scandal on Jan. 22.

When Valdivieso formally recommended the first criminal charges against Samper on Wednesday in a scandal that has dogged the president since his August 1994 election, the prosecutor was accompanied by a larger-than-usual security detail.

At the same time, judicial sources confirmed, Valdivieso's office presented the Supreme Court with evidence linking Samper's interior minister, Horacio Serpa, to the scandal.

A key figure in the Samper campaign, Serpa has also been the president's most vocal defender. He is among three top Samper ministers reported to have organized a cover-up campaign.

Valdivieso presented a foot-high stack of documents and two videotapes on Wednesday evening to the congressional Commission of Accusations, which will determine whether to open a formal investigation.

The documents show that Samper not only knew of but took part in the soliciting of Cali cartel money, said a source close to the investigation. They also implicate the president in the falsification of campaign ledgers to hide the ill-gotten gains, said the source, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The president was also accused by Valdivieso of organizing a cover-up, and one of Valdivieso's top deputies said unspecified "agents of the state" tried to pressure prosecutors into not denouncing Samper.

The Samper campaign also legally overspent the campaign limit of \$5 million, which the National Electoral Commission announced earlier this week.

Though a milestone in efforts to force Samper's ouster, the denunciation sets in motion a process that could take weeks or months.

The Commission of Accusations, which is dominated 10-5 by members of the president's Liberal Party, convenes today and has 60 days to decide whether there is sufficient cause to accuse the president formally.

If it finds probable cause and sends the case to the Senate, Samper must step down temporarily. If the Senate concurs, it refers the case to the Supreme Court for criminal trial and the president must step down.

STATE PRESS Boos & Bravos

BRAVO — To Valley leaders' efforts to curb teen-age smoking.

Smoking is a deadly habit — one that kills an estimated 400,000 Americans a year. Most of that growth, unfortunately, is coming among minors. While smoking has been on the decline among adults, 3,000 minors take up the habit every day.

In an aggressive move, Phoenix Mayor Skip Rimsza has announced his plan to push for a "two-strikes" rule against retailers. Sell cigarettes to minors twice, and you lose your tobacco license for a year.

And recently, a series of commercials began airing. Aimed at teens, the TV spots denounced smoking as a "disgusting, smelly, puking" habit.

Smoking is an addictive habit — one that teens pick up before fully realizing the consequences. We applaud these efforts. America needs far less teen-age smokers.

BRAVO — To the TV networks for considering a ratings system.

Movie-goers know full well the difference between a G-rated and an R-rated movie. But TV viewers don't have that warning.

With a warning system, parents can steer their children clear of shows with inappropriate content. More importantly, the freedom of adults to view whatever material they want won't be compromised.

Our only question is this — will *NYPD Blue* get an R rating, or merely PG-13?

BRAVO — To Russian chess champ Gary Kasparov, for taking on IBM's Deep Blue.

With the tremendous progress of the computer age, computers are rapidly becoming more and more powerful — leaving us to wonder if we won't reach an age where human intelligence is unnecessary.

Kasparov is doing far more than playing chess with a computer — he's trying to prove that there are certain things that not even a computer can match. The innovativeness and creativity of a Kasparov can probably never be matched by a machine.

The 6-game match is currently knotted at 2-2. Good luck, Gary. Win this one for humankind.

BOO — To O.J. Simpson, who just can't seem to keep his mouth shut.

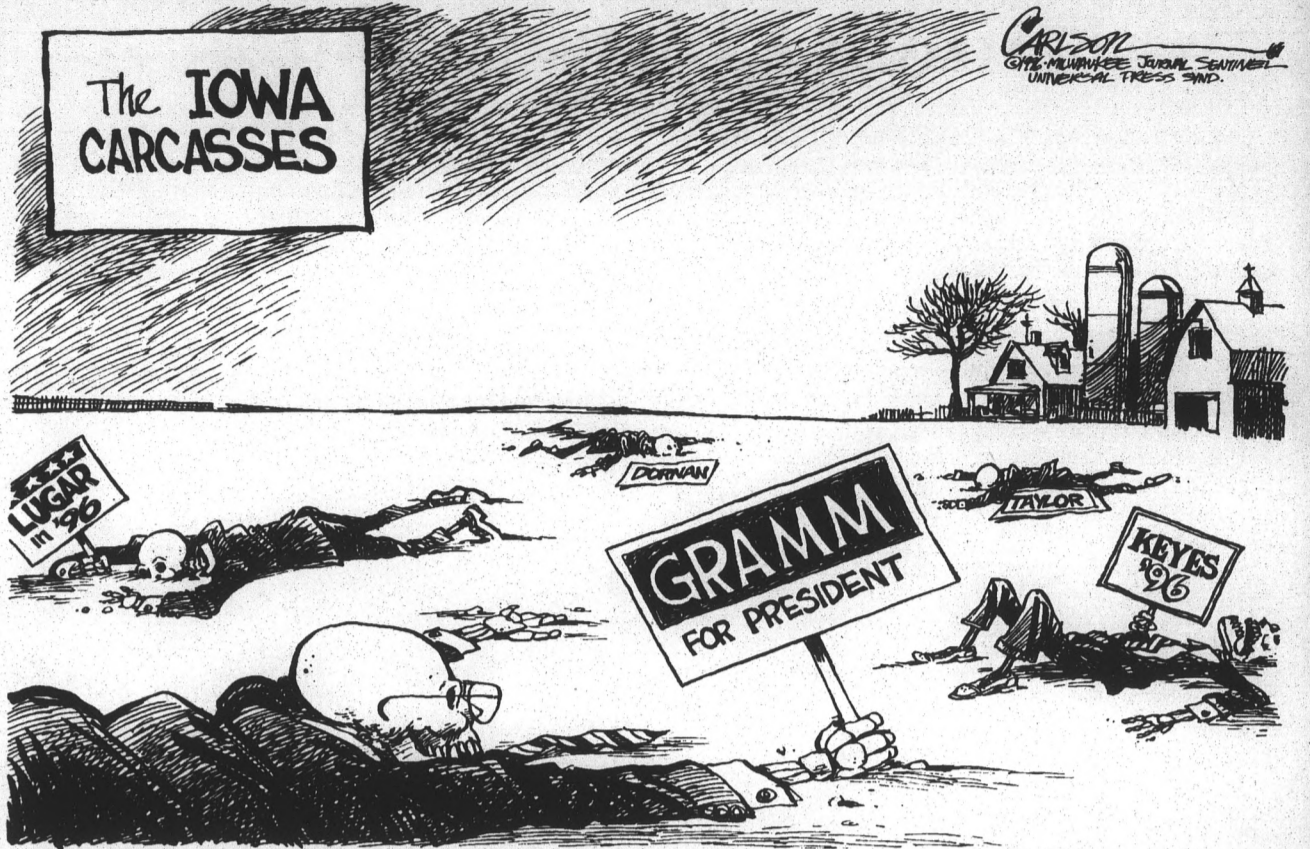
First it was the tape. Then it was the interviews with Black Entertainment Television and CNN.

Let's see if we've got this straight — we're supposed to believe that Nicole Simpson was able to beat a Hall of Fame running back into submission? The argument that O.J. was the one being abused (when Nicole bore all of the bruises) was stupid.

Now, it seems he can't even keep quiet during depositions. When Kato Kaelin began giving his statements to lawyers Wednesday, Simpson began muttering derogatory comments about Kaelin audibly.

Simpson is a loose cannon. Every time Simpson opens his mouth, the facade of the smiling, friendly running back and movie actor crumbles away even further.

And every time he displays his temper, it becomes easier and easier to believe that justice was not done by the "not guilty" verdict.



GOP mudslinging leaves Clinton squeaky clean

Editor's note: In the Thursday, Feb. 8 issue of the *State Press*, this column was incorrectly attributed to Michelle Carson. We are running it again with the correct by-line.

JENNIFER DODD

Columnist

I can feel it. The air is thicker. The sky has an ominous tint of gray. The wind has a bitter chill. People everywhere are scared of what the next season may bring.

You guessed it. It's an election year.

About this time every four years America transforms into a hand-shaking, baby-kissing metropolis. Candidates set up camp in New Hampshire and Iowa, and volunteers lose feeling in their tongues from licking envelopes.

Right about now, I wish I was a resident of New Hampshire. To see all the contenders bound around from high schools to nursing homes reciting the same speeches about "change," "values" and "new covenants."

I'm looking forward to this election, and I can't wait until all the primaries are over and the real race begins. But I have to admit, this year's primary season is a Democrat's dream.

I turn on the television and I see the greatest ad attacking Bob Dole. The best part about it? The opponent is a Republican. With no Democrat challenging President Clinton's re-election bid, he doesn't have a whole lot of mud flying his way yet.

Steve Forbes, a not-so-pretty-boy with a very attractive wallet, has unleashed a no-holds-barred campaign against Sen. Dole. His ads are effective in portraying Dole as an old man who says one thing and votes another.

Dole has countered with the attacks on Forbes' flat tax plan. Charging that Forbes' ads are an example of incorrect math. Dole maintains that a flat tax will hurt the middle class and help rich boys like Forbes.

And, as I sit and watch the missiles hurl back and forth all I can do is smile. If Dole is an old, forgetful man, and Forbes just wants a dangerous tax plan, who's left?

Well, considering that the two Republican front-runners can't stop playing the eternal political game of "Did Not! Did Too!" it seems that there is one man who hasn't been mentioned at all.

And hey, he's already president!

While the GOP babies continue their romp in the sandbox,

the president is continuing his fight to balance the budget fairly, promote welfare reform and save America's children.

The president won't win this election on attacks, and no Republican nominee can win by attacking him. During this time four years ago, many critics and opponents laughed off the possibility that Bill Clinton could be elected president. After a flaky bimbo by the name of Gennifer took over a million dollars from a supermarket tabloid and told them what they wanted to hear, many gave up on Clinton.

But he came through. In 1992, America showed an interest in policy over politics and solutions over status-quo. During that election the mud almost covered Hillary and Bill completely, but America saw through it.

Now, four years later, America has received what they voted for. President Clinton has saved the Balkans from holocaust. He has pushed for and signed legislation that took automatic weapons off the streets and put a waiting period on handguns. He has decreased defense spending and the economy has provided over 6 million new jobs for working-class America.

While the Republican nominees are coming up with more ammunition to use on one another, President Clinton is running a country.

As the primary season approaches and you are bombarded with accusations on all sides remember that a campaign is not a means to select the best candidate for the office.

The election requires a candidate to have charm, a smooth voice and a truckload of money. He or she must always look at the latest poll, and always keep an eye on their opponent. The goals are selfish and the means are cold-blooded.

Being the president requires a heart and a concern for those other than oneself. It requires a willingness to be fair and the courage to stand up for what's right. As this election stretches past the months remember that all of the debates and campaign ads aren't basis enough to judge a candidate's ability to actually hold office. The measure is their ability to attack, recite their message and kiss ass.

Clinton is willing to take the hits and after the Republican nominee is chosen, he will. But until then I can sit back and relax while I watch all nine GOP contenders try to massacre each other. And believe me, it's a heart-warming image.

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Miss Arizona dispels columnist-fueled pageant myths

In response to the recent article regarding pageants, more specifically the Miss Chandler scholarship pageant, I felt compelled to educate columnist Liz Montalbano and inform readers of the pageant's true message.

CARA JACKSON
Guest Columnist

First let me say that as Miss Arizona, I can only speak from my personal experience with the Miss America Organization, and I don't deny that beauty pageants do exist within our culture, but I can honestly say that the Miss America pageant is not one of them.

While its roots may have been grounded in the American ideal of beauty, the pageant has since evolved into not only a scholarship pageant that emphasizes education, but it is the largest scholarship donor to women in the world. Last year MAO contributed over \$30 million in scholarships to women on the local, state and national level. All monetary funds won by contestants in competition are in scholarship dollars only, no cash prizes are given. The \$25,000 scholarship that is donated to Miss America's university is a fact that was conveniently overlooked in the article as well.

Montalbano also trivialized the whole pageant as a competition based on aesthetic beauty. However, she failed to mention that the swimsuit portion of the competition is only 15 percent of the composite score leaving 30 percent for judges' interviews, 15 percent for question-answer and 40 percent for talent. In addition, each contestant starting on the local level must have a platform or position statement, on which she will base her year of service. My platform is entitled, "Educate a Woman; Educate a Nation," and I am committed to encouraging excellence not only through formal education, but life education as well. Hence, not only do the contestants grow from implementing their community service, but the community as a whole benefits from their efforts.

Still some may ask, "Why even have a swimsuit competition?" I respond by saying that it is simply a piece of the fitness pie. The Miss America Organization measures four areas of fitness:

1. Mental/ intellectual fitness is measured through a series of interviews with pageant-certified judges coming from all walks of life.

2. The question/answer portion of competition measures

not only your confidence, but your competence in the area of your chosen platform or position statement.

3. Emotional fitness is measured by how well you perform in front of both large and intimate audiences, because if crowned Miss America you will not only perform but speak to audiences throughout your year of service.

4. Finally, physical fitness is measured through a 20-second swimsuit competition. The swimsuits are full, one-piece, uniformed-style and extremely modest. I agree that society should not promote a certain physical ideal, but surely it is important to promote positive physical health and well-being. (Miss America travels over 20,000 miles every month, and it is important that she is physically capable of handling the rigorous schedule she must endure for an entire year.)

I do not, have not and will not ever fit into the "American" ideal of physical beauty, because for

Black women there is no ideal. We come in all different shapes, colors, sizes and we are all beautiful in our own right. In fact, I am proud that I competed in a competition historically dominated by Anglo women and on my own terms, with my own skills and my own "sistah" body, I won.

I was flattered that Montalbano felt that ASU was giving me special privileges and I quote, "simply because she's pretty." I am inclined to believe, however, that perhaps it is the columnist with hang-ups about aesthetic beauty — check yourself. There is nothing wrong with being both outward and inwardly appealing. Furthermore, if getting up on a stage in front of hundreds of critical eyes to share not only visible talents, but a piece of the beauty and intellect you hold within, is not a sign of self-confidence and positive self-image, then I don't know what is.

The pageant is about choice. If a woman chooses to compete in a competition that enables her to: Become a positive visible role model; give back to her community through her platform service; earn scholarship dollars to fund her educa-

tional endeavors, whatever they may be, then the question to ask is, why wouldn't she participate? The article also questioned the significance of having the Miss Chandler pageant on ASU's campus, and suggested that it was sending a "dangerous message." How? Why wouldn't the University support an organization that promotes the empowerment of both women and the community? The only dangers I've seen are in publishing opinions of staffed columnists about topics which they have never attended nor researched.

Finally a note about, "What makes me so special?"

Having a crown on my head and a title behind my name does not change who I am or make me special, being a child of God does. Through Christ, I am able to do all things which include funding all five of my years here at the University through both academic and leadership scholarships.

I am also the first African-American woman

to be crowned Miss Arizona, and considering the state's history I consider that to be somewhat of an accomplishment. If Montalbano had wanted to be so informative about pageants then perhaps this could have been a positive aspect she could have focused on, particularly since this is Black History month.

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Marriage problems due to poor courtship skills

The institution of marriage hasn't failed people in the '90s, people and the courtship process have failed marriage.

People have been rationalizing that it is unrealistic to expect to remain happily married to one person forever, as if one person couldn't remain interesting and compassionate over the years.

The latest argument against marriage is biological, that through evolution and the need to procreate, we are biologically driven to find a new lover every four or seven years. I believe many people just need a few years to grow up and realize that the right boyfriend or girlfriend became the wrong spouse.

A study in the book, *Marriage and the Family*, shows that the qualities college students find most desirable in a date are not the same qualities they consider important in a spouse.

Most people still have the expectation that the dating relationship is supposed to lead to the marriage relationship, but we are going about it completely differently than ever before in human history.

At the end of feudal times in Western Europe, there was no central government or police force. The courtship process and women became the law of the land. The women of the court would test a potential suitor by telling him to guard a bridge, fight a duel against an evil wrongdoer or go on a crusade. So, in the name of courtly love, the land was ruled by tests of devotion.

In the agricultural communities which followed, the courtship process involved the whole community. A man would have to prove his quality of character to the community and then to the desired woman's family, before he got to date her.

Since the industrial revolution people have moved into crowded cities and the process of courtship became activi-

DANIEL BLANCO
Columnist



ties away from the family, especially with the help of the car. A boyfriend's ability to entertain became more important than his quality of character.

Now the courtship process has become like a drive-through restaurant — pay first, then find out if you got what you ordered. The date is dead, and "hooking up" is the order of the day.

People know which bars are hot which nights, and who is going to be there. They go out with their group of friends and meet up with the groups they want, pair off, go home and have sex.

Often, these people won't even communicate, while continuing to hook up week to week.

Hooking-up is rewarding people without taking the time to test them.

The process of getting to know someone today is the process of taking credit away, as people find that the people they liked and rewarded aren't anything like the expectations they projected on them.

A woman recently told me how she had hooked up with, and then moved in with someone she worked with. They had been sleeping together for months, she fell in love and occasionally she would coerce an "I love you" out of him. She would accuse him of not meaning it, because he would say it so feebly. He would say he meant it.

Months passed and he finally admitted that he doesn't believe in love. She told me that she had invested too much in the relationship to stop loving the guy, even though he doesn't spend time with her and doesn't want to give her the relationship she desires. She put the cart before the horse and pulled them both so far that she can't leave the relationship now.

I don't care if two consenting adults want to live like this or eat at McDonalds everyday, but I do care if a diet of empty calories has damaged people in my community. Just like fast food doesn't nourish the body, fast relationships don't nourish people.

My courtship and marriage professor said that people who knew each other for one year could not identify each other's personality any better than stereotype, chance descriptions.

The courtship process, including dating, engagement and living with someone, is not a working model for marriage. This is a problem, since more than half of all kids today live in a single-parent household,

which studies show is damaging. Damaged children turn into damaged adults, and the cycle starts all over again.

Daniel Blanco is a senior studying journalism.

Quotables ...

If I didn't define myself for myself, I would be crunched into other people's fantasies for me and eaten alive.

— Audre Lorde

Seminars to spur organization skills

Workshop topics include goal setting, time/stress management

BY PATTY KING
SPECIAL TO THE STATE PRESS

Students will not bring hammers home from an upcoming ASU conference, but they will acquire valuable tools for building strong campus organizations.

The Campus Communities Program CommYOUity Conference will teach students how to organize campus clubs and events as well as achieve personal academic goals.

"The workshops that we're giving them are skills that they either feel they don't have at all, or want to improve their current level of that skill," said Thomas Walker, conference coordinator. "Then, with those (skills) — be it fundraising, event planning, goal setting — they can apply them (at) the University."

The free conference open to faculty, staff and students will be held from 9:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Feb. 24 at Center Complex residence halls.

It will feature nine workshops on topics such as organizational goal setting and achievement, conflict management, speech vitality, fundraising, time/stress management, successful meetings and event planning.

Cristina Gonzalez, the director of the Campus Communities Program sponsoring the event, said students can learn valuable skills at the conference.

"If you've got experts that can help you when you start out doing (these things), it can help you to learn from your expertise as opposed to learning from your mistakes," she said.

Presentation leaders include ASU Vice Provost Charles

Bantz, speaking on group goal setting; John Crawford, associate professor of communication, speaking on conflict management; and Barbara Acker, assistant professor of theater, speaking on speech vitality.

Participants attend three of the nine workshops that include speakers, games and exercises.

Crawford, who will lead a workshop on conflict management, said his segment will confront a common problem students in campus organizations face.

"People make commitments to come to fund-raisers or to make meetings or to do whatever it is they volunteer to do and then they don't follow through," he said. "You have to (reprimand) them and tell them, 'Come on. You've got to get this done.' I want to talk about how that's done without making enemies."

Crawford said he would like to see students leave the conference with the confidence that they have some new skills to apply to campus situations.

"They ought to leave so excited (and say), 'I can hardly wait to get back to the group and try a bunch of new ideas I learned today,'" he said.

Today is the last day to pre-register for the conference. Interested students can pick up registration forms at the Memorial Union information desk, Student Life Office, Counseling and Consultation or the Student Health Center.

Same-day registration will also be held at 8:30 a.m. in the Student Services Building atrium. Students who register after today's deadline can call 965-8585 to inquire about space availability.

POLICE REPORT

ASU police reported the following incidents Wednesday:

- Police contacted an ASU employee while he was Dumpster diving at the Nelson Fine Arts Complex. Police told the man, who was collecting cans, he was not allowed in the Dumpster.
- A student's vehicle in Parking Structure 2 was damaged.
- A display case in Physical Sciences F-Wing was damaged.
- A student injured on the Student Recreation Center field was transported via ambulance to Tempe St. Luke's for treatment.
- A student reported her Illinois drivers license was stolen from the south side of Palo Verde Main.
- Someone set fire to papers on the door to a room in Palo Verde West.
- A student was contacted at the Arts Warehouse while he was attempting to open a door.
- An ASU employee said she lost seven University keys.
- An ASU employee lost an ASU key.

Tempe police reported the following incidents Wednesday:

- A growling man armed with a 12-inch kitchen knife robbed a Circle K, 2115 S. McClintock Road, at 3 a.m. Wednesday. After entering the store, the man handed a pillowcase to the clerk and growled while pointing at the cash register. The

clerk put money in the pillowcase and ran in the bathroom to hide. From there, the clerk heard the man knock things over and growl. He fled the store with the money and was not located. He is described as a 6-foot, 150-pound white male, 30 to 35 years old, with blond hair, a mustache and goatee. He wore a black ski mask and green coveralls.

- A man was arrested after becoming belligerent over the price of a pizza. The man tried to jump over the counters to get to employees. Employees asked him to leave but he refused and employees refused to serve him. Police booked and jailed the man.
- A man was arrested for disorderly conduct after police found him walking naked around the parking lot of his apartment complex. The man's neighbors called police about 1 a.m., complaining the man was shouting profanities, making thumping noises and talking loudly. Police warned him to stop disturbing neighbors. Officers responded again about 3 a.m. when neighbors called again. The man is a repeat offender and will be evicted this week.
- A man was arrested at Club Rio, 430 N. Scottsdale Road, for failure to appear in court on charges of misdemeanor assault and driving with a suspended license.

Compiled by State Press reporter Garin Groff

Judge blocks indecency law

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A federal judge Thursday banned the government from enforcing a new law forbidding the transmission of "indecent" material to minors over computer networks.

U.S. District Judge Ronald L. Buckwalter said his temporary restraining order would remain in effect at least until he hears arguments on a lawsuit the American Civil Liberties Union and 19 other groups filed on Feb. 8 — the same day President Clinton signed the Communications Decency Act into law.

At the time, the Justice Department said it would wait at least a week before prosecuting any violators, but didn't rule out gathering evidence in the meantime.

The ACLU argued the law would violate privacy rights and strangle free speech by authorizing the government to prosecute people even for the private messages they send about AIDS, abortion, politics and science — any subject involving sex.

The Justice Department argued the law, which carries fines up to \$250,000 and prison terms of up to five years, will protect children from pornography. They denied the ban would affect general information about abortion and AIDS.

The law defines indecency as "any comment, request, suggestion, proposal, image or other communication that, in context, depicts or describes in terms patently offensive as measured by contemporary community standards, sexual or excretory activities or organs."

CROSSWORD

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Cashew family tree
- 6 Ill-fated auto
- 11 Writer Jong
- 12 Stood
- 13 Good feature
- 14 Buc-caneers' home
- 15 Director's cry
- 16 Moon features
- 18 Corrida cry
- 19 In what manner?
- 20 Tell tales
- 21 Toasty
- 23 Unspoken
- 25 Willard's Ben, for one
- 27 Talkative critter?
- 28 Metalloid element
- 30 Strawberry purchase
- 33 Truck part
- 34 Golf goal
- 36 Wrath
- 37 Former
- 39 Casual top
- 40 "West Side Story" heroine

DOWN

- 1 Manatee
- 2 Actress Address
- 3 Jack Lemmon film
- 4 Top card
- 5 Fishing goal
- 6 Corrode
- 7 "Dog-gone!"
- 8 Jack

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Yesterday's Answer

- 28 Split base film
- 29 "Platoon" setting
- 31 Fold
- 32 Lamented loudly
- 33 Arrives
- 35 Film units
- 38 Draws
- 42 — man (unanimously)

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Four Tempe council positions up for grabs

Giuliano runs unopposed, 6 vie for 3 council seats

BY KELLY WENDEL
STATE PRESS

Although the eyes of America are focused on the presidential primaries, Tempe City Council recently kicked off its own campaign season.

Seven candidates have tossed their hats in the ring for Tempe City's primary elections April 9. Nineteen polling stations are located throughout the city, and any Tempe citizen registered to vote can cast a ballot.

Incumbent Neil Giuliano is running unopposed for mayor. Giuliano holds a master's degree in education from ASU, and serves as ASU's director of federal and community relations. The 39-year-old also served as a city councilman from 1990 to 1994.

"I want to continue the job I started when I was elected in 1994," he said.

The mayor's position pays \$25,870 for the two-year

term. Councilmen receive \$12,942 for the part-time position. Full benefits are included.

Six candidates are running for three positions on the city council. Incumbents Dennis Cahill, Joseph Lewis and Joe Spracale face opposition from Leonard Copple, Peter Graves and Donald Ready.

Cahill has been a city councilman for the last four years and is serving as vice mayor. The 57-year-old former bricklayer works as an educator for the Bricklayers Union in Phoenix.

"I have enjoyed the last four years, and I feel I have made a difference," he said.

Lewis, 29, holds a bachelor's of science degree from ASU and owns an audio-visual company in Tempe.

"There are a number of things I believe I, with the help of the council, have accomplished, but there is more to do," he said.

Spracale, a retired educator and mid-term replacement for Don Cassano, said he has enjoyed the experience of working on the city council.

"It has been an experience, and I would like to continue," said Spracale, who holds a master's degree from ASU

and was a school principal for 24 years. "I have the background and the knowledge about the city and how the city and citizens work."

Copple, a Tempe attorney and one of the candidates challenging the incumbents, served on the city council from 1990 to 1994.

"I think I can do a good job," he said. "I'm interested in the city maintaining integrity and a fair standard of community," said the 54-year-old UofA alumnus.

Graves, a 33-year-old McDonnell Douglas analyst, is another contender. The Cal-Poly graduate has held an interest in community politics since high school.

"I really like the city because of its community-based activities," he said. "I want to actively participate in the city and give back what the city has done for me."

The last candidate, Ready, is a 33-year-old radiographer and nuclear medicine technician. Ready said he would like to balance the scale between growth and citizens welfare.

"I think they (the city council) are doing a great job with downtown, but I want to make sure they are balancing it out by taking care of the residents of Tempe," he said.

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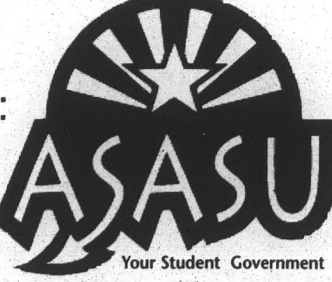
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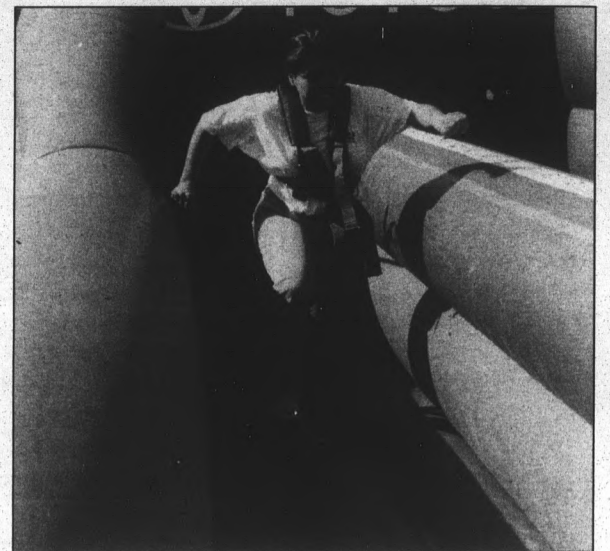
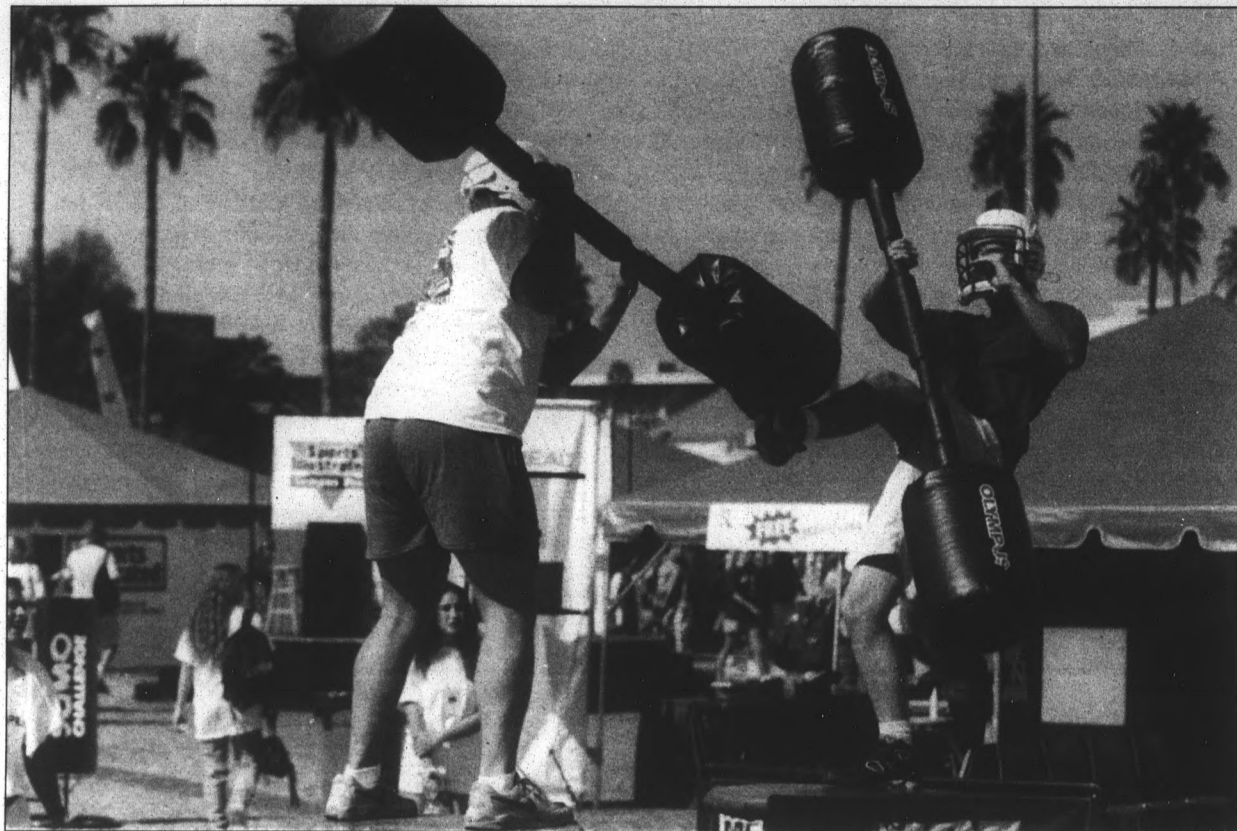
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ALL FUN AND GAMES



LEFT — Zac Dewees (left), 21, a secondary education mathematics major, jousts his foe, Zach Westwood, 23, an accounting major, off his pedestal as part of one "sport" offered in the Sports Illustrated Campus Fest Wednesday.

TOP — Lavonda Begay, 19, a liberal arts major, struggles to get through an inflatable maze while harnessed to and hindered by a bungee cord. The event, held on the field north of the Student Recreation Complex, let competitors test their skills in a variety of challenges and *Sports Illustrated* gave prizes to students who competed in three events.

Photos by Robert Hendricks/State Press

UC regents reach compromise on affirmative action

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — After a dispute that nearly cost the new University of California president his job, regents quietly approved a compromise plan Thursday on when to drop affirmative action.

By voice vote, the regents voted unanimously to get rid of race and gender considerations in undergraduate admissions by spring 1998. Student regent Ed Gomez, a supporter of affirmative action, said later he had meant to vote "no" but the voice vote caught him by surprise.

Last July, the regents voted to drop race and gender from admissions decisions effective Jan. 1, 1997.

Last month, UC President Richard Atkinson said the new policy wouldn't take effect until fall 1998.

UC officials explained that the university admissions year begins in November, so a change in January 1997 would affect students applying in November 1997 for the following year.

Under pressure from several regents, including

Republican Gov. Pete Wilson, Atkinson agreed to implement the new policy for graduate and professional students entering in September 1997.

But he insisted that he wouldn't be able to get rid of affirmative action in undergraduate admissions until fall 1998.

Ten regents then ordered a special meeting to review Atkinson's performance. The review was averted when Atkinson apologized and offered spring 1998 as a compromise for undergraduate admissions.

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Tempe seeks proposals for Myrtle redevelopment

Project's main goal to create additional downtown parking

By KELLY WENDEL
STATE PRESS

The Tempe City Council approved a formal request Thursday for proposals from developers for the redevelopment of the downtown southeast quadrant.

The council is seeking proposals to redevelop a 1.18-acre parcel located on Myrtle Avenue between Sixth and Seventh streets in downtown Tempe.

"The timing on the project is right, and all the pieces of puzzle seem to be there," said Dave Fackler, Tempe City deputy community development director.

Fackler said the redevelopment proposal will attract a lot of developers to the project.

"It's a matter of selecting the developer that has the best

financial record and building capability," he said.

So far, the city is entertaining two proposals from developers who have gone to the concept stage, and is talking to six other development companies, Fackler said. The project could become a reality in as little as three years, he said.

Tempe's main goal is to provide additional parking in the downtown area for visitors, and especially city employees, said Rod Keeling, executive director of Downtown Tempe Community Inc.

"What we want is parking," he said.

On the city's wish list is a storefront parking garage camouflaged as a multi-use facility.

"If we are going to have structured parking, we want it con-

figured so it doesn't look like a parking garage," Keeling said.

The building could also be used as a residential or commercial site.


"It's an exciting prospect for downtown Tempe," said Mayor Neil Giuliano. "I am watching with much anticipation."

The city would like to develop a partnership between public and private enterprise for construction of the parking structure. Keeling said the city is trying to find a private developer in the project to limit costs to taxpayers.

"Structure parking is very expensive, and we are looking for somebody to share the cost," he said.

The property is privately owned, but is leased to the city and utilized as a parking lot. The city is currently leasing the property for \$60,000 a year, with the intent of eventually purchasing it. Acquisition of the property could cost the city upward of \$1 million.

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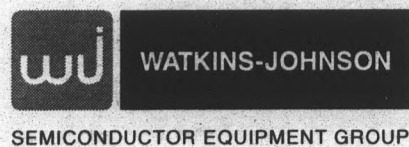
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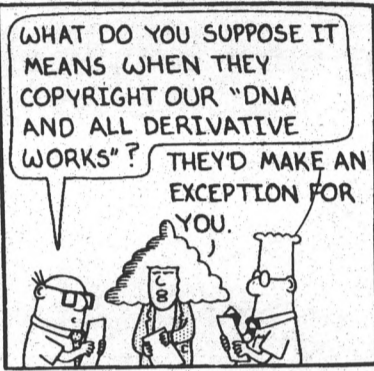
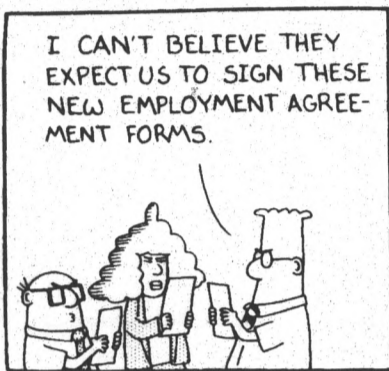
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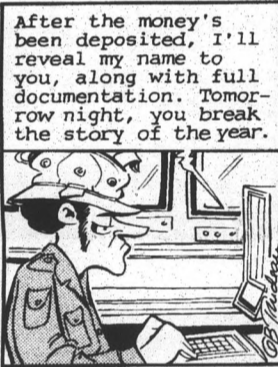
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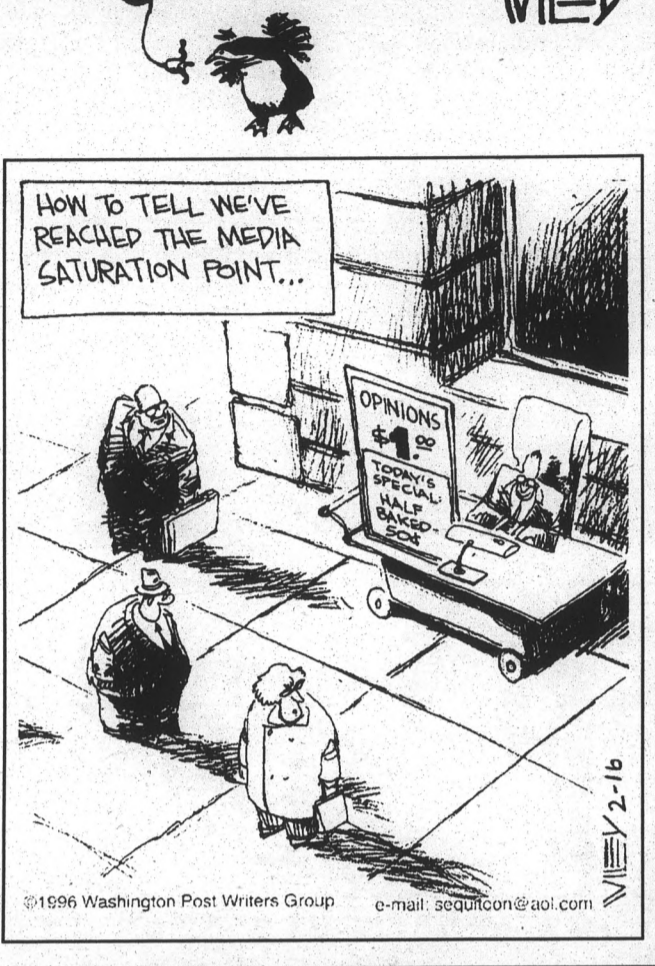
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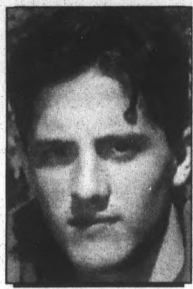
'Experts' debate quality of ASU's recruiting class

BY DUSTIN KRUGEL
STATE PRESS

ASU football coach Bruce Snyder raved about his 1996 football signees last week, but the so-called experts have a wide range of opinions about the Sun Devils' latest recruiting class.

"It's a good class that's in the middle of the road (in the Pac-10)," said Allen Wallace, editor of *SuperPrep*, a national magazine which specializes in rating high school football talent. "But they have done a better job before."

Max Emfinger of *BlueChip Illustrated*, said ASU had



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five players whom he listed as "franchise" or "difference makers," tying it with Washington's class. Emfinger said USC had a conference-best 11, while UofA and UCLA both had four.

Casa Grande High School linebacker Stephen Trejo, St. Mary's quarterback Ryan Kealy, Berkeley High (Calif.) defensive back J'Juan Cherry, Bakersfield Community College (Calif.) defensive lineman Jeremy Staat and Riverside C.C. (Calif.) linebacker Derrick Rodgers were each at the top 10 in the country at their respective positions, according to Emfinger.

"ASU would be close to a top-30 class, could be a top-25 (class)," Emfinger said. "If they finish in the top 30, they are doing better than 70 percent of the other

schools."

Eleven of the Sun Devils' 21 recruits were from California, a state in which Wallace thought ASU could've done better.

"ASU did not get the top-rated players," he said. "They are not that highly recruited in California. ASU would be in a position to want to recruit well in California. ASU has built great success in recruiting in California."

"Normally Arizona State has to rely on California for great athletes. Arizona doesn't have the same athletes as California. ASU also has to compete with teams like Nebraska and Arizona."

Wallace added that ASU's decline in recruiting in

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Sun Devil freshman forward Marci Stilson loses control of the basketball to USC junior center Michelle Campbell (left) as the Trojans cruised to a 98-56 lynching of the Sun Devils.

USC pummels defenseless ASU women's hoops, 98-56

BY RON MATEJKO
STATE PRESS

If you took ASU plus 41 points, you lost.

The ASU (5-15, 1-10) women's basketball team suffered its worst defeat of the season, 98-56, to USC (11-10, 6-6) Thursday night at the University Activity Center.

It was a tale of two halves. In the first half both teams were exchanging three-point baskets, with the Trojans tying a school record by sinking nine three's in the first half alone.

Both teams shot well in the first half; the Sun Devils shot 57 percent and the Trojans shot 54 percent.

At the half, senior swing Emma Witkowski and junior swing Molly Tuter both had 12 points, but they finished with 14 and 15, respectively. Witkowski didn't score again until 1:51 remained in the game.

The Trojans started the second half with a 13-1 run, holding the Sun Devils without a field goal for the first seven minutes until junior guard La Toya Johnson hit a jumper. By then USC had opened up a 57-39 lead.

The Trojan romp continued as they posted a

14-1 run midway through the second half to put the game away.

"We didn't come out with any intensity," Witkowski said. "We played like crap. We didn't do what the coach told us to do."

USC Coach Fred Williams said he had his team make some adjustments at halftime.

"I told them to move the ball around more and be more patient," Williams said. "Our outside shooting opened a lot of things up for us."

The worst defeat for ASU this season had been a 101-79 defeat to California on Jan. 6.

Both teams combined for 15 three-point baskets, but only four came in the second half.

ASU has now lost 11 of 12 games and USC now holds a 32-3 lifetime advantage over the Sun Devils, including a current six-game winning streak.

ASU Coach Jacquie Hullah was unavailable for comment.

Jody Anton, Jenny Circle and Erica Mashia each scored 17 points to lead the Trojans.

The next game for ASU is against UCLA at 1 p.m. Saturday at the University Activity Center.

Sun Devils register only 20 points in lackluster 2nd half

BY DAMIAN SHAW
STATE PRESS

It was the best of games, it was the worst of games. The Sun Devil women's basketball team was two different teams against USC during its 98-56 loss at the University Activity Center Thursday night. In the first half, the team came to play, and play hard. The second half, however, the Sun Devils were not themselves, only managing to score 20 points against USC's 54 second-half tallies.

The first half saw ASU play neck and neck with the lady Trojans, trailing by just eight points 44-36. In the second half however, the Sun Devils weren't executing properly, according to senior Emma Witkowski.

The ASU "spirit" band reduced themselves to shouting "now let's start the comeback", and "10 unanswered three's and we're right back in this," toward the end of the second half.

Riley makes history in win

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Senior wing Ron Riley became ASU's all-time leading scorer in the Sun Devils' 69-66 Pac-10 victory over USC Thursday night in front of 1,989 fans at the L.A. Sports Arena.

Riley, who was 5 of 13 from the field, finished with 12 points, giving him a total of 1,675 for his career. Riley, who also grabbed a game-high 13 rebounds, entered the game tied for the all-time mark with former star Stevin "Hedake" Smith. Both had 1,673 points.

ASU (9-11, 4-7), which led 37-33 at halftime, forced 17 Trojan turnovers in the game. Sophomore guard Jeremy Veal led all ASU scorers with 16 points, while juniors Quincy Brewer and Rodger Farrington both added 11.

Jaha Wilson scored 21 points to lead USC (11-13, 4-8), which was playing its first game under interim coach Henry Bibby. Bibby replaced Charlie Parker, who was abruptly fired last week. Brandon Martin (19 points) and David Crouse (12) also scored in double figures for the Trojans.

Baseball unleashes early assault in 14-3 victory

BY DUSTIN KRUGEL
STATE PRESS

The No. 10 ASU baseball team (7-1) continued its assault on opposing pitchers by dispatching of Northwestern (0-1), 14-3, Thursday night in the first day of the inaugural Fiesta Bowl Diamond Classic at in front of 1,941 fans at Packard Stadium.

This time ASU jumped on last year's Big 10 Pitcher of the Year in the first inning.

"It's important to jump out of the box good," Coach Pat Murphy said. "These guys were ready to play tonight. Their pitcher's pretty tough, but we hung in there."

The Sun Devils padded their runs scored to runs given up by scoring four runs in the first inning against the Wildcats off senior ace Chad Schroeder. The Sun Devils have now scored 30 runs in the first inning compared to a minuscule three runs against.

Freshman southpaw Ron Marietta (2-0) pitched six strong innings in his first start, giving up one run with 11 strikeouts.

Marietta escaped a jam in the third inning with the bases loaded and a 3-2 count to Wildcat Jake Suffian. The lefty got the third baseman to pop up to end the inning. Marietta had hit the previous batter with a pitch.

"I didn't want the last pitch to effect me," Marietta said. "I had to block it out of my mind."

Marietta was charged for his only run in the sixth inning when Northwestern's Chris Pederson hit a ground-rule double just inside the first baseline.



ASU second baseman Chip Gosewich slides safely into third base as Northwestern's Jake Suffian waits for the ball to arrive in the Sun Devils' 14-3 win Thursday over the Wildcats.

Robert Hendricks/State Press

No. 13 ASU wrestlers set to host Fresno St.

BY DAN MILLER
STATE PRESS

The 13th-ranked ASU wrestling team, thirsting for momentum heading into the all-important Pac-10 championships on March 2, will host Western Athletic Conference power Fresno State at 7 p.m. Saturday at the University Activity Center.

"Fresno State presents a big challenge," said Coach Lee Roy Smith, whose team (8-7) is coming off a respectable outing against top-ranked Iowa last week. "They match up real well with us and with both teams looking toward the conference championships, both will be in good form. You're going to see some good wrestling."

ASU seniors Markus Mollica and Steve St. John will be honored in a "Senior Night" ceremony prior to the match. Mollica's staggering list of achievements is highlighted by two NCAA championships and three All-America selections. Mollica, a 167-pounder, is also a three-time Pac-10 champion and currently has a team-best 27-2 record. Due to NCAA competition limitations, Saturday's match will be his last dual

of the year.

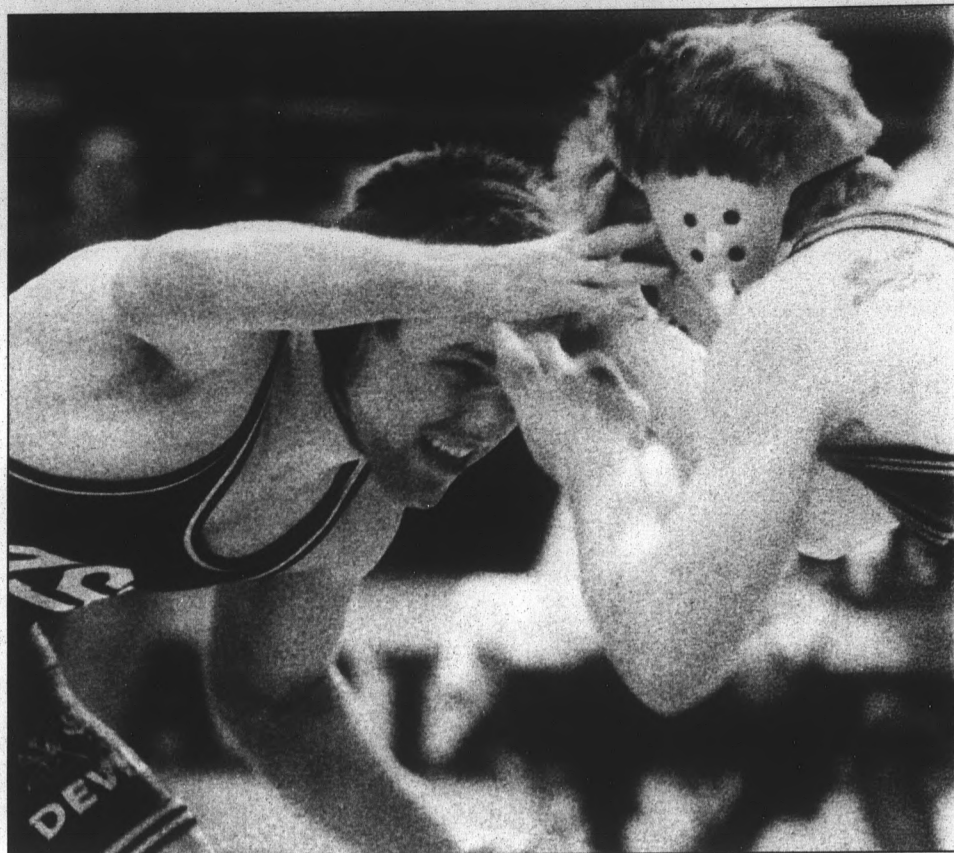
St. John, meanwhile, took third at last year's NCAA championships and is a two-time All America. The 134-pounder is 9-3 just three and a half weeks after coming back from reconstructive knee surgery. He is currently ranked seventh in the country.

The three-time defending WAC champion Bulldogs (11-5-1) have two ranked wrestlers — juniors Yero Washington (12th at 134) and Lalo Moz (ninth at 190). Washington will face St. John and Moz will face redshirt freshman Casey Strand.

Senior defending WAC champ Alfonso Tucker, who will take on ASU's eighth-ranked Matt Suter, is 26-5 this year.

"We're just going to have to take it up a notch," Smith said. "We're going to have to get on 'em and stay on 'em."

ASU's lightweights do not have easy tasks in front of them either. Junior All-America Danny Felix (118) will face Shawn Kim, whom Smith said has wrestled Felix close in the past. Also, ASU sophomore 126-pounder Shawn Ford has split his previous two meetings with his opponent.



Senior two-time All-America Steve St. John, ranked No. 7, will wrestle No. 12 Yero Washington of Fresno State at 134 pounds at 7 p.m. Saturday at the UAC.

Men gymnasts continue struggle for reinstatement

BY RANDY JONES
STATE PRESS

Out-manned and out-funded, the ASU men's gymnastics club team will host the 18th-annual Southwest Cup at 7:30 p.m. today at the P.E. West Gym.

The team is in the midst of efforts to convince the athletic department to consider reinstating the team to NCAA participation status.

"It's been tough, but we're fighting," said senior Rob Kjar, one of the three remaining athletes from the last year the team was sponsored by ASU. "We're hopeful about getting reinstated. We figure if we can last three years on our own, without funding...that we can keep it up."

"All I can ask for the athletic department to do is to consider the possibility of reinstatement. That's all," said Coach Scott Barclay.

The team is currently not classified as an NCAA sport and is not under consideration for reinstatement at this time, said Interim Athletic Director Dr. Christine Wilkinson.

In the mean time, the team struggles on.

Competing against the Sun Devils will be the fourth-ranked Oklahoma Sooners, BYU, UC-Santa Barbara and Air Force. Each of them are NCAA programs.

"The team's got four new guys and they look real good," Kjar said. "So I'd say we have a good chance (to win) at the meet."

Freshman Rob Davis, out for the season recovering from injuries, has been a leader in the team's efforts for reinstatement and fundraising.

"I've been getting signatures for our petition, and selling raffle tickets all semester," he said.

In 1993, the team got almost 12,000 people to sign a similar petition.

At tonight's meet, the team will be holding a raffle for a red, 1956 Ford F-100 truck. The fully rebuilt truck was donated by local chiropractor, Keith Moore.

Also, the team will hold a silent auction. Items offered include

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a mountain bike, airline ticket, an Emmitt Smith-autographed football, Phoenix Suns items and many other items.

"I want to encourage everyone to come on out," Barclay said. "It's a good time for all, and you get to see some really good, dedicated athletes."

Men's rugby hosts Cal-Poly

The ASU men's rugby team will begin its home schedule with a game against division-rival Cal Poly at 6 p.m. today at the ASU band field across from Sun Angel Stadium.

The team got off to a rocky start in its first two games on the road, dropping two to division foes San Diego and San Diego State.

Although the squad is 0-2, Coach Tim Ronan is optimistic about his team's chances in the eight-team Southern California Division.

ASU will also host UC Santa Barbara at noon Sunday. Ronan said that squad will be considerably tougher.

ASU's young team is centered around eight-man Pete Schubert, who will be looked to for his offensive leadership.

"(He) has great running ability, speed (and) goes around people," Ronan said.

— Doug Cook

Track and Field to travel to Flagstaff

ASU's indoor track and field team will make the short trip to Flagstaff Saturday for the second consecutive week to compete in the NAU Miller Lite Invitational

The Sun Devils competed in Flagstaff last weekend in a double-dual meet against UofA and NAU at the Walkup Skydome. The men went 0-1-1, tying NAU, while the women lost twice.

According to assistant coach Steve Lemke, the meet will be a chance for some athletes "to prove that they should go to Reno

(for the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Championship). While for others it is a chance to fine tune."

The NAU competition is a precursor to the meet in Reno, Nev., Feb. 23-24.

"The Reno meet is a big one for us," Lemke said. "It will have some of the best competition we've faced this year."

These two meets are the last chances for athletes to qualify for the NCAA Indoor Championships in Indianapolis, Ind., March 8-9.

So far 35-pound weight thrower Mika Laiho (67 feet, 2 3/4 inches), high jumper Fiona Daly (6- 1/2) and hurdler Gaute Gunderson (7.30 in 55m) are ASU's only NCAA qualifiers.

Lehman believes that barring injury, many other athletes on the squad have legitimate shots at qualifying.

For the men, Lehman believes Shante Williams (400), Tony Hazard (long-jump) and Vondre Armour (800) each have legitimate shots at making it.

On the women's side, he singled out Tika Walton and Tike Jackson in the 55, and Jackson also in the 200.

— Randy Jones

Softball pounces on McNeese St.

The Sun Devil softball team blasted McNeese State 11-0 behind the strength of a Carrie Breedlove no hitter. The game was called after five innings because of the ten run "mercy" rule.

Leading the offensive charge for ASU was junior Erin Hull, who was three for four and scored two runs. Several other Sun Devils went two for three in the limited outing.

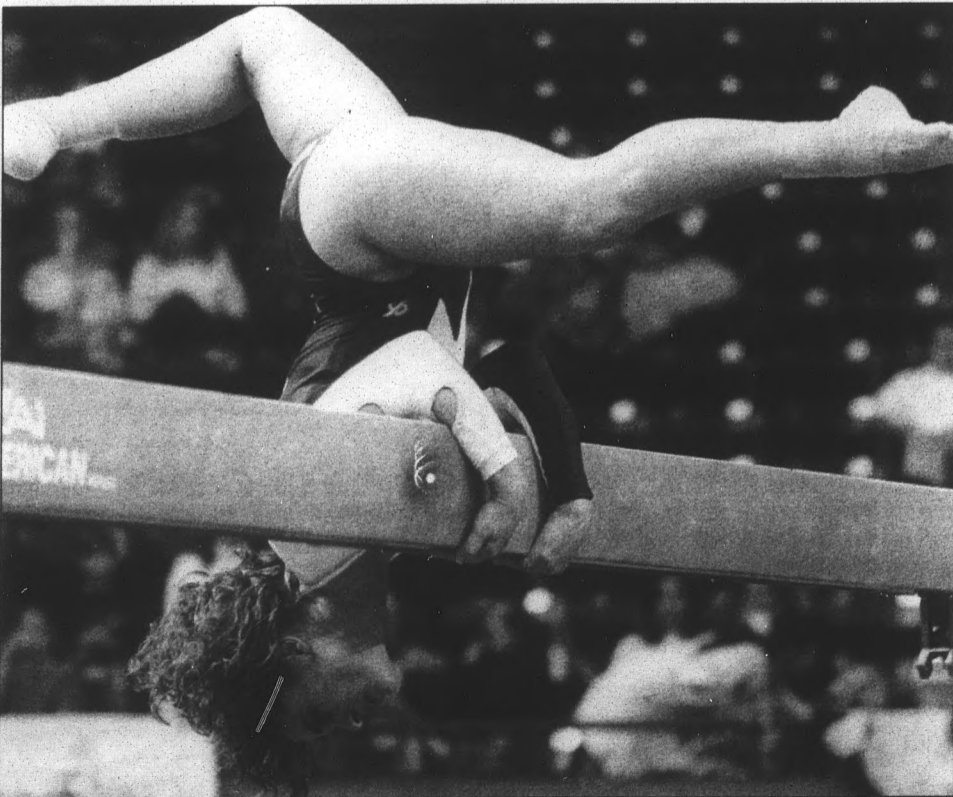
The no-hitter was the first in the sophomore Breedlove's ASU career.

Tennis teams travel to California

The 14th-ranked ASU women's tennis team will playing on the road against Cal today at 1:30 p.m. and against Stanford at noon on Saturday.

The men's team will also be on the playing away from home against UCLA today and USC on Saturday.

— Staff Reports



Michele Naia and the ASU women's gymnastic's team will be looking to add another win at the Sun Devil Classic at 7 p.m today at the UAC.

Gymnasts to host Classic

ASU to battle Nebraska, Utah, Cal-Berkeley, Utah St.

BY RANDY JONES
STATE PRESS

Confidence is high on the ASU women's gymnastics team as it prepares to host the Sun Devil Classic at 7 p.m. at the University Activity Center.

The Sun Devils (2-3, 0-2 Pac-10) have captured 13 of the previous 15 Classics, including the last six.

"I feel we should get a win at this meet," said sophomore all-arounder Meagan Wright. "The team feels confident in what we're doing right now. It's all coming together."

Coach John Spini said the field should be tough this year. Nebraska (6-2), Cal-Berkeley (7-2) and Utah State (2-2) all could win, he said.

"There is so much parity right now," Spini said.

ASU is coming off of two tough losses, where one event, the balance beam, has been a sore point. However senior Michele Naia said the team has put past performances behind it.

"We are definitely stronger (in the beam). Our workouts have been stronger. ... We're going to nail the beam," she said.

The Sun Devils have dominated the series against each of the teams visiting the UAC.

They have taken 11 of 13 from the Golden Bears, 9 of 10 from the Cornhuskers and 10 of 12 from the Aggies.

Nebraska scored a third-best in team history, 194.25, last week against Boise State, while Cal has already matched its win total from 1995. The Golden Bears have beaten Washington, which the Sun Devils lost to last week.

"Nebraska and Cal are very strong teams," Spini said. "Plus, Utah State's got some real good scorers. It should be a good one."

Spini is pleased with where his team is going into the meet.

"We've had a lot of injuries this year," he said. "With us getting healthy, I know what the kids are capable of doing."

Short-handed women's golf finishes 4th at Challenge

BY SETH LANDAU
STATE PRESS

The third-ranked ASU women's golf team was dealt its first adversity of the spring season during Wednesday's final round of the SMU-USC-Ohio State Challenge at Palos Verdes, Calif.

The Sun Devils were forced to play Tuesday and Wednesday's rounds with four of their five starters. Jody Niemann, a freshman, was able to play in Monday's first round but was forced to sit out the final two days of competition due to a hairline fracture/jammed bone in her toe. The injury occurred before the tournament, but Niemann said the anti-inflammatory medication did not work as expected.

ASU finished fourth with a 72-over par

score of 924. San Jose State shot a 26-over par 878 to win the tournament. Pac-10 rival UCLA finished second with a 32-over par 885. Tulsa came in third with a 68-over par 920.

Kellee Booth and Linda Ericsson tied for ninth place with three-round totals of 226, which was 13 over par.

"We played really well under the pressure, and the fact that Jody (Niemann) wasn't playing because of her foot," Booth said. "I think we all really did well considering the situation."

Niemann said she expects to be back for the three-day Arizona Invitational in Tucson which begins Feb. 26.

ASU completed Monday's first round only nine strokes behind then-leader

UCLA. But with only four starters available after one round, the Sun Devils fell way behind and trailed UCLA by 18 strokes heading into the final day.

"After the first day we just wanted to finish third," Ericsson said.

Thuhashini Selvaratnam, a redshirt freshman playing in her first tournament for the Sun Devils, finished 23rd with a 21-over par 234.

"I was really proud of the players for being able to keep it together," ASU Coach Linda Vollstedt said. "I was very happy with our performance under the circumstances."

Men's golf

The No. 1-ranked ASU men's golf team continued its trend of sub-par performances

this week with a sixth-place finish at the Mauna Kea Invitational at Kona, Hawaii. The Sun Devils' last outing at the Ping Arizona Invitational at Tucson resulted in a fifth-place finish.

Oklahoma State took first place at the Mauna Kea Invitational with a 9-under par 857. The final round of competition was Wednesday.

"We're just not playing well as a team right now," ASU Coach Randy Lein said.

Snyder was ASU's top finisher with a 5-under par 211 after three rounds.

"We've been embarrassed to post some of our scores," Lein said.

The Sun Devils will remain at Kona to play the Taylor Made/Big Island Invitational today through Sunday.

ASU recruits

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California was one of the reasons why former Head Coach John Cooper left ASU to coach at Ohio State.

"The reason people think John Cooper left ASU because he knew he wouldn't be able to recruit ASU as well," he said.

Wallace and Emfinger agreed ASU's top recruits came in Arizona, particularly Kealy.

"Kealy is a good prospect who emerged past Jonathan Beasley (of Glendale Cactus) as the top quarterback (in-state)," Wallace said. "He makes very good decisions. He has a good arm, not a great arm."

Emfinger said Kealy compares favorably to one of the top recruits in the nation, Kentucky-bound quarterback Tim Couch.

"He's a winner. We listed him as one of the top 10 throwing quarterbacks," he said. "He's going to be a great player. He kind of came out of the woodwork late, but his statistics match those of Tim Couch's (statistics). I didn't know him before the year."

Kealy threw for a state-record 41 touchdowns and only three interceptions for the 5A state champion Knights.

Barry Sollenburger, the Arizona high school sports

guru, said he couldn't remember the last time ASU signed such a highly-respected signal-caller.

"The stats on Ryan Kealy — how often does Arizona State find a quarterback with those stats," he said.

Sollenburger said ASU did a better job of recruiting in-state talent.

"I think it's the best they've done in-state in quite a few years in what was quite a good year for local talent, especially in the Phoenix area," he said.

Trejo was also considered a steal for ASU, according to Wallace. The linebacker visited Nebraska, Colorado, Stanford and BYU, in addition to ASU.

"He's a fantastic prospect," he said. "Stanford thought they were going to get him."

ASU's biggest catch out of state, according to the experts, was Cherry, who graduated in 1995, but did not qualify at Colorado last year.

"We viewed him as a superior prospect," Wallace said. "We had him ranked as the 33rd prospect in the Far West. It would have been significantly higher if we knew for sure he would qualify. He will take time to adjust, however. Most players in those situations take a while to adjust."

Emfinger agreed.

"He's one of the top players in the country," he said. "We listed him as a corner last year. But with his size he could play anywhere."

After failing to land Cherry last year, Snyder was fortunate enough to get him the second time around.

"He was a little bit of a surprise just because he was not in the normal recruiting pool," Snyder said. "But we knew where he was the whole time."

Wallace also mentioned the signing of twin offensive linemen Kaleb and Corey Ramsay were significant out-of-state signings from Oregon.

"Good prospects, not great prospects," he said. "Oregon did not have a strong year for recruits. They're the best recruits in the state of Oregon, but not one prospect from Oregon made our All-American team."

All the recruiting experts warned that rating recruiting services can be an inexact science and sometimes the top classes don't surface until a few years go by.

"The class we are talking about now we don't know until maybe four years from now," Wallace said.

Added Sollenburger: "Time will tell about this class."

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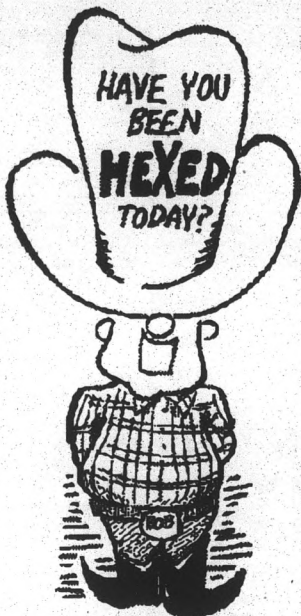
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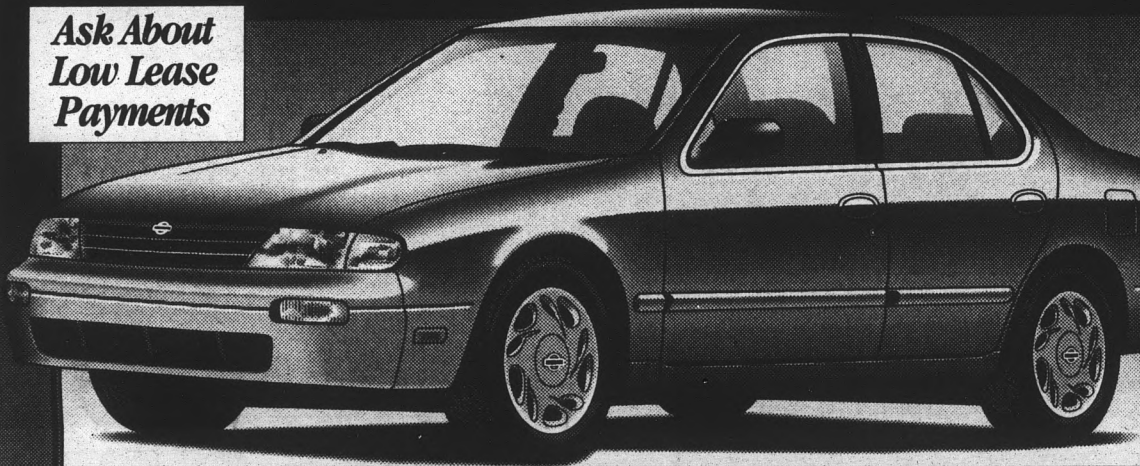
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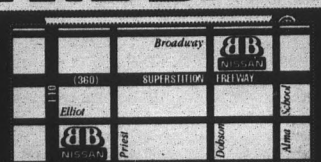
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