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What's in a name?



Two-year-old Pearce Blankenship enjoys one of the many exhibits at the Tempe Festival of the Arts, held over the weekend in downtown Tempe. The festival was sponsored by the Mill Avenue Merchants Association.

Jeremy Weiss/State Press

ASU struggles with 'private' e-mails

BY TIMOTHY TAIT
 STATE PRESS

Think your e-mail messages are private? Prose of love for a classmate or scathing criticism of a professor can be considered public documents under state law. While the perk of free e-mail comes with student status, there is the risk that those messages can be obtained by the public — that's the price for using state-owned computers, officials say.

Students, faculty and staff e-mail messages can be pulled from the computer system based on a court subpoena, a public records request or if University officials suspect there is illegal activity being conducted through the electronic messages.

"There are precautions every student should take. No one should put anything in an e-mail that they want to come back to haunt them later," said Bill Lewis, vice provost for Information Technology. "Students should be aware that e-mail can be viewed as public documents but we don't look at an e-mail unless there is an incident."

Yet the definition for what constitutes a public document was never spelled out by the state legislature, said Nancy Tribbensee, associate general counsel.

Department memorandums and other messages which deal with University business could be requested through the public documents law. The majority of e-mail messages, however, would not fall under the law, which

is designed to guarantee public access to official government documents.

"Personal correspondence would probably not be considered a public record. We would have to make that argument in court," Tribbensee said. "We would love for the state to define what is public and what is not public record."

Only one Arizona court case addresses the issue of electronic mail as public record. In a 1994 decision, the state Court of Appeals ruled in favor of Star Publishing in a case where the newspaper attempted to gain access to e-mail from the Pima County Assessor's Office.

The county resisted and claimed that because the messages contained a large amount of personal correspondence, it was not subject to the open records law.

The court disagreed. "Our supreme court ... has made it clear that public records are presumed to

be open to the public for inspection unless the public official can demonstrate a factual basis why a particular record ought not be disclosed," the judges wrote in the majority opinion. "We doubt that public employees have any legitimate expectation to privacy in personal documents that they have chose to lodge in public computer files."

This precedent applies to students as well, Tribbensee said, but isn't often applied.

The University receives multiple public

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— Bill Lewis, vice provost for Information Technology

TURN TO PUBLIC MAIL, PAGE 2.

State federal research funding up, report says

BY CHRIS KAHN
 STATE PRESS

Although cuts in federal spending on research and development have restrained university and industry budgets across the country, Arizona research institutions are doing comparatively well, said an official for the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) at a conference in the Memorial Union on Friday.

According to a report, which was released by AAAS to the 300 academics, government officials and industry representatives in attendance, federal support for research and development in Arizona has shot up in recent years, largely due to an increase in contracts with the Department of Defense (DOD).

Based on data from 1995, AAAS found that of the \$958 million in federal R&D funding brought to Arizona that year, two-thirds came from DOD and over half was awarded to defense industries like McDonnell Douglas and Hughes Missile Systems.

Increased funding in Arizona is always a good thing, the report stated, but such an overwhelming dependence on an agency that will continue to experience large cuts in its budget can be risky.

"Federal support for R&D in Arizona has been growing, despite the general downward trend in defense spending," said Albert Teich, director of AAAS Science and Policy Programs. "This suggests that Arizona is get-

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— Michael Crow, vice provost at Columbia University

ting a growing share of what is essentially a shrinking pie. Maybe this is because the type of technological expertise that's found in Arizona's defense firms is increasingly important — but you still have to ask how long this trend can continue."

One of the main themes coming out of Friday's conference was that diversity is the key to continued economic growth in Arizona.

"In the past, technological innovation in the market place came primarily via the route of defense-supported research. Today, as important as that continues to be, it's civilian research, carried out in universities, industry, government, and private research labs that is a more frequent

pathway to eventual commercial application," said Neal Lane, President Clinton's newly-appointed science advisor and director of the National Science Foundation.

Economies are becoming more and more dependent on technological innovations, said Michael Crow, vice provost at Columbia University, and since research institutions have traditionally shaped local industries, Arizona universities have become crucial players in the future of Arizona's economy.

In 1995, Arizona universities produced 8600 bachelor, masters, and doctoral degrees in science and engineering. Of the three state universities, UofA was the biggest beneficiary of federal research and development funding in 1995, bringing in \$137 million of the \$177 million in grants sent to Arizona school, ranking 25th among U.S. research universities. ASU drew \$33 million in federal funding for R&D, ranking 96th.

"If the government of Arizona decides that they want to have a scientifically based economy, then there is a way to shape and guide that process," said Crow. "What industries does Arizona want? What does Arizona want to be, and what are its universities doing to help shape that outcome?"

One way to promote R&D industries in Arizona is to get people together, to talk about common problems, and to figure out how to work together.

TURN TO AAAS CONFERENCE, PAGE 2.

TODAY

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

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.

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.

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.

• **Amateur Radio Society at ASU**— A meeting will be held in the Classroom Office Building Room 301 at 6 p.m. All interested students are welcome.

• **ASASU Elections**— Candidate forums: Vice presidents at 11 a.m., presidents at noon, both on Hayden Lawn.

• **Bi Necessity** — The bisexual discussion group will meet in the MU Zuni Room at 5 p.m.

• **Career Services** — The second interview workshop will be held in the MU Room 214 at 11:40 p.m.; the completing the puzzle workshop will

be held in the Career Development Center at 2 p.m.

• **Christian Science Organization** — Meet lecturer Michelle Boccanfuso and learn about Mary Bakereddy's book Science and Health at the table by the fountain from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

• **Circle K International** — A general meeting will be held in the MU Gila Room at 4:30 p.m.

• **Coalition of Justice and Peace** — A forum led by Victoria Avilar on Conflict and Teen Responses will be held in the MU Cocochina Room at noon.

• **Counselor Training Center** — **Counseling** is available for ASU students, faculty and staff. The cost is \$10 for part-time, \$35 for non-ASU people; session are unlimited. The center is located in Payne Hall Room 402.

• **East Timor Action Network** — A free showing of the film, "Death of a Nation: The Timor Conspiracy," will be held in the MU Theater at 7 p.m.

• **Golden Key National Honor Society** — A meeting for all members will be held at Cafe 222, next to La Tolteca, at 3 p.m.

• **Hispanic Business Society of America** — A Target 4.0 luncheon will be held in the MU Ventana Room from noon to 2 p.m.

• **Society for Creative Anachronism**— A general meeting and fighter practice will be held in the MU Room 208D at 6:30 p.m.

Public mail

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records requests for student e-mail each year, but none have been honored. Faculty and staff messages are more susceptible to access under the law, and those documents are provided by the University.

Lewis said the University is currently working with the state archives department, the agency which administers the public documents law, to ensure that e-mail and other electronic documents are being saved. Deleting some messages could be considered a violation of the law, just as destroying a paper document would.

"If we have to save every e-mail it would be a burden on the system," Lewis said. "I don't see the difference between an e-mail and a voice mail but the state has told us that we need to retain some messages."

Criminal conduct is a different tale. Hate crimes, harassment and other actions contrary to University policy are investigated by officials — including the access of e-mail saved on ASU servers — with reasonable suspicion.

"We don't monitor e-mail but the state law says that anything that comes through the University is public record," Lewis said, adding that more than 250,000 e-mail messages are processed by the University every day. "It is difficult to access messages through the open records law. There has to be some grounds for the request. The typical student is not doing anything that would

be of interest to anyone on the outside."

While the University is obligated to provide documents determined to fall under the law, officials screen the messages to filter out the personal information and other items which are specifically excluded from the open documents law. Thus, requests are taken on a document-by-document basis.

"With anybody involved in things that represent hate crimes or things like that, it is fair for them to be called on that," Lewis said.

Lewis said while it would be unusual for someone to request and be granted student e-mail under the open records law, it is a risk. Students are advised of the law when initially registering for an e-mail account.

Officially, e-mail is to be used only for University-related business. Yet because of the number of accounts — 40,000 just for students — and the amount of e-mail, the University doesn't really enforce the "official business" rule for the electronic messages.

Lewis, who said he also uses his e-mail account for personal correspondence, said he wants to keep use free of restrictions. But students need to realize the risks.

"My feeling is that we shouldn't ever look over the shoulders of students, the only time we do that is when there is a complaint filed," Lewis said. "I don't want to be a policeman or take on a big brother role."

AAAS conference

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Part of that process began on Friday as University faculty, government officials and industry representatives got together to talk about funding opportunities, educational issues and joint projects.

Getting so many people together is a rare feat, but for ASU biophysics profes-

sor Stuart Lindsay, who was excited to find so many industry people with similar backgrounds, it was worth the effort.

"Even in the absence of a medical school, the biotechnology industry in Maricopa County is very active," he said. "I think that was a surprise to all of us."

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This is your chance to tell ASASU candidates what you *really* think.

7:00pm Union Cinema - "The Full Monty" - MUAB Film Series.

8:00pm Mardi Gras Karaoke Night
MU Programming Lounge. Free snacks and Pepsi.

Wednesday 4-1

4:00pm Union Cinema - "The Full Monty" - MUAB Film Series.

Thursday 4-2

12:15pm Programming Lounge - BARREN MIND

Improv Comedy Show

3:15pm Union Cinema - "The Full Monty" - MUAB Film Series.

Friday 4-3

12:40pm Programming Lounge - FARCE SIDE

Sketch Comedy Show

Saturday 4-4

2:00pm-1:00am ASASU Mardi Gras Carnival
Come out to the band fields for the Carnival and visit our booth for free stuff!!

Sunday 4-5

Inaugural "ASU Triple Trouble TriDevil Triathlon"
Registration forms available at the MUAB front desk, 3rd floor of the MU, east staircase.
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Peru's hopes, highways consumed by El Niño storms

By DAVID KOOP
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ON THE PAN AMERICAN HIGHWAY, Peru — The self-styled preacher storms down the aisle of the moving bus, haranguing passengers to prepare for the fury of El Niño.

His face lined from long days in the sun, he tells dozing passengers he knows why the El Niño weather phenomenon has pounded Peru harder than any other country — the wrath of God.

"He may be right. I'm waiting for the earth to open up and swallow Peru. It's the only thing that hasn't happened," says a fellow passenger, Javier Chavez, who lost most of his farm to El Niño-driven floods.

A drama of biblical dimensions is unfolding in Peru, where deadly floods and mudslides caused by El Niño deluges have killed 300 people, driven hundreds of thousands from their homes, washed away vast swaths of farmland and paralyzed the country's highways.

Torrential rains that began in December have turned dozens of normally bone-dry river beds and ravines in Peru's northern desert into raging rivers that have swept away villages and bridges and cut highways into ribbons.

Traveling the Pan American highway, the lifeline of Peruvian commerce running the length of its Pacific coast, has become a bruising odyssey across a ravaged landscape — requiring travel by bus, boat, donkey and foot.

The 620-mile trip from Lima to Tumbes near the Ecuadorean border, which normally is a day and a half, now takes four days. The highway has been cut by floods and landslides in more than 30 places and travelers must ford five rivers with their luggage held above their heads.

The bus passes a desolate cluster of straw shacks and box-like concrete hovels called "Ciudad de Dios" (City of God), 125 miles northwest of Lima.

Dried mud coats the streets, the remnants of a mudslide that swept over the impoverished village and left a moon-scape behind.

Winds whip up thick dust storms from

the dried mud, forcing residents to walk with rags held to their faces. A few barefoot children so thin their ribs stick out run to approaching buses to sell soda pop and candy.

Parts of the highway look as if a giant has taken bites off the sides. Drivers must swerve around car-sized holes and boulders and plow through muddy river beds.

"This is what remains of our beautiful Pan American Highway — rubble," says the bus driver, Guillermo Rivas.

In Trujillo, Peru's third largest city, 300 miles northwest of Lima, El Niño did not even spare the dead.

A lagoon swollen by heavy rains burst its banks in mid-February and swept over the Mampuesto cemetery, gouging the dead from the ground.

Townpeople were confronted with the apocalyptic sight of dozens of coffins floating down the streets. After the waters subsided, several cadavers lay sprawled on muddy roads.

North of Trujillo, the highway has disappeared. Days of torrential rains caused the Chicama River to wash away a half-mile stretch of pavement.

Travelers must leave their vehicles and wade through the chocolate-brown, fast-moving waters. Shells of trucks that tried to cross the waist-deep water and failed are scattered downstream.

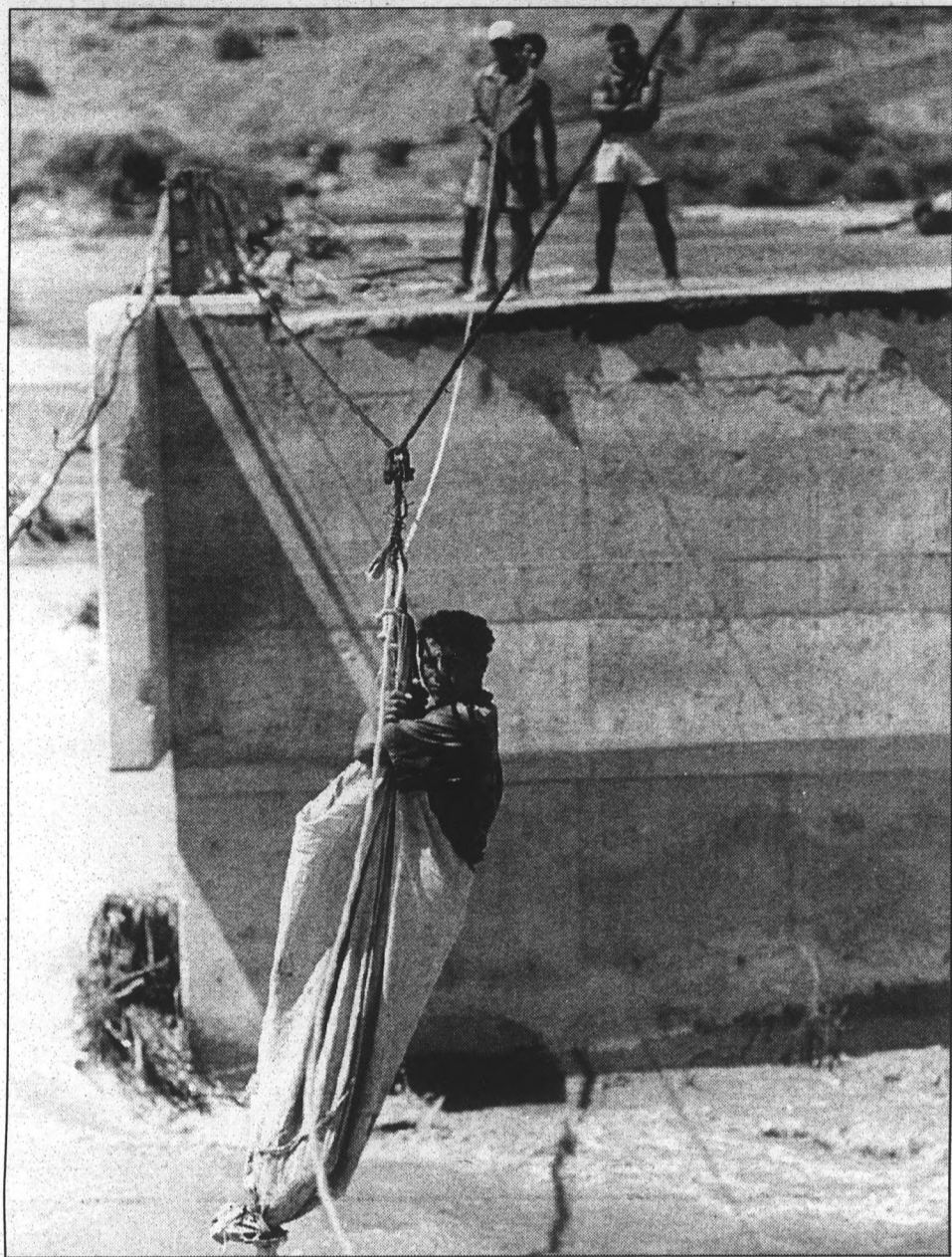
A lawless atmosphere rules at crossings. Swarms of men and boys offer to help travelers over the river, charging the equivalent of 50 cents to pull them across. Thieves mix among the barefoot porters.

A family carries a sobbing grandmother and a few meager possessions across the churning waters.

"The scientists told us a big El Niño was coming, but who thought it could be this bad?" says Luis Portocarrero, who carries luggage on his head across the Chicama River for 50 cents a bag.

A total of 600 trucks line up on both sides of the river as far as the eye can see, waiting for road crews to repair the highway, their cargoes of fruits and vegetables rotting.

Amazingly, a nearby toll booth remains open to collect fares.



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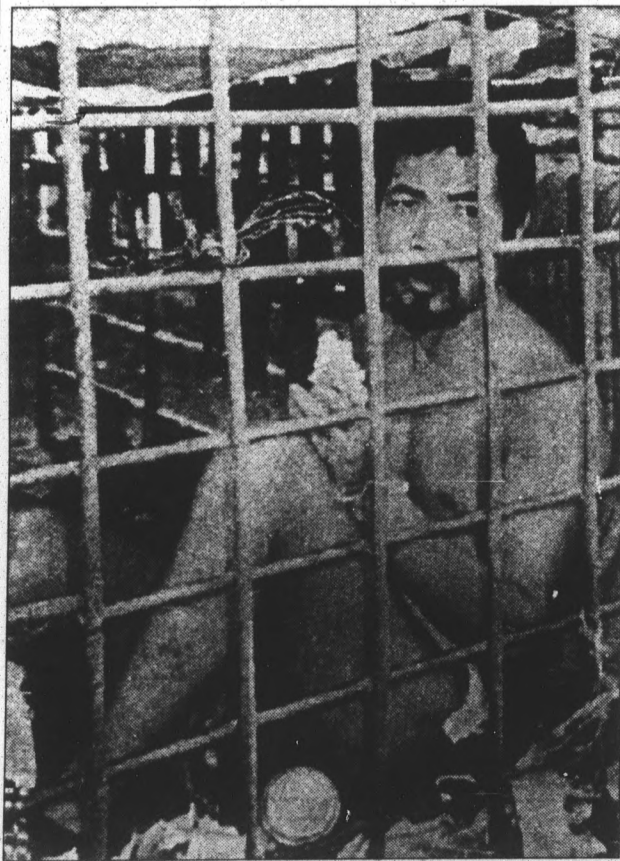
A man crosses a bridge destroyed by flooding caused by El Niño along the Pan American Highway in Piura, Peru Sunday. The 620-mile stretch of highway from Lima north to Tumbes has been hard hit by El Niño.

The government says 59 bridges have collapsed and 28 have been damaged across Peru. So far 530 miles of highway have been destroyed and 3,880 miles

heavily damaged.

"I feel as if I'm in a different land — as if it is no longer Peru since El Niño came," says Rivas, the bus driver.

Chinese man found naked, hungry in cage



Associated Press

This front page article in China's *Yancheng Evening News* Saturday edition shows a picture of Deng Qilu, who has been kept in a cage for at least 5 years. The paper claims Deng has been imprisoned without trial for 10 years after he wounded a policeman with a knife. Officials did not hand him over for trial because they thought him mentally unstable, it said.

BEIJING (AP) — Police in southern China have imprisoned a farmer without trial for 10 years, at least five of them in a tiny cage where reporters found him naked and hungry.

The official *Yancheng Evening News* published two photos showing Deng Qilu staring out from his cage, which is just slightly larger than a coffin and too small to stand up in.

Deng, said by the newspaper to be in his 40s, had a beard, no clothes, and what appeared to be iron shackles on his legs.

He gulped down food given to him by reporters who found him in the cage earlier this month, saying he hadn't eaten in two to three days, the newspaper said in its Saturday edition.

China has been the frequent target of criticism by human rights groups overseas for detaining people for long periods without trial. But Deng's case was particularly unusual.

Also unusual was the story's appearance in a state-run newspaper. In recent years, China's state-run media have been more aggressive in covering stories that are potentially embarrassing to authorities, but critical news accounts are still rare.

The newspaper said Deng was detained 10 years ago after he stabbed and wounded a police officer in southern Guangdong province. Officials did not hand him over for trial because they thought him mentally unstable, it said.

An officer with Xuwen county police said he had not heard of Deng's case, but he denied that police were keeping him locked up.

"It's possible his family locked him away," said the officer, who gave only his surname, Shen.

The newspaper quoted Deng's father, Deng Lichuan, as saying the cage stood next to a stinky drainage ditch outside the county police's detention center until last summer.

Police then used a tractor to drag the cage to another village, where reporters found Deng. They said he appeared lucid at times, raving at others. Asked why he was imprisoned, Deng replied: "They won't let me say," the newspaper said.

Albright says U.S. determined to break Middle East impasse

By BARRY SCHWEID
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Madeleine Albright told a coalition of American Jewish leaders that Israel must realize the United States is frustrated with the stalled peace process but reaffirmed the Clinton administration is "very determined" to break the stalemate.

Albright made the observations in a conference call Friday to more than 50 members of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. Malcolm Hoenlein, one of the participants, disputed reports in Israel on Sunday that Albright used the conference call to urge members to pressure Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

The Israeli leader has resisted repeated pleas by the Clinton administration for a substantial withdrawal of Israeli troops from the West Bank as a means of ending the yearlong peace deadlock.

Hoenlein said Albright noted that ending U.S. sponsorship of the peace efforts remains a possible option in light of the stalemate, the United States is not giving Israel any ultimatum or even advancing a plan for a settlement between the two sides.

"Her assurance that they were not looking to put forward their own plan or ultimatum was important," he said.

On Sunday, Arafat welcomed what he said was an American proposal for a peace summit in Washington, to be attended by several world leaders. A top adviser to Netanyahu, David Bar-Illan, noted the Israeli leader earlier suggested a U.S.-sponsored meeting.

President Clinton met separately in January at the White House with both leaders, but those sessions did not bring them together or revive the lagging peace process.

EDITORIAL

Pepsi shirt suspension promotes conformity

Last week, a story about a simple high school suspension — something many of us have experienced at least once in our lives — made national news.

Slow news day? Not necessarily. What makes this high school punishment so fascinating are the circumstances under which it was merited. These circumstances raise the question of whether or not high school students should be forced into conformity, or even worse, advertising.

On Wednesday Mike Cameron, a 19-year-old senior from Greenbrier High School in Evans, Ga., played the ultimate practical joke — he wore a Pepsi shirt on Coke in Education Day.

While on the surface this small tad of humor seems quite insignificant in the world of practical jokes, the details make it worthy of respect from class clowns around the world.

It seems the Greenbrier High School "Coke Day" was a little more than another trite spirit day to promote student unity. Regional executives from Coca-Cola were invited to the school as the entire student body formed a Coke logo on the football field to be photographed. Just as the picture was about to be taken, Cameron revealed his blue and white Pepsi pride.

But still, what could have gotten the school's administration so up in arms? Just exactly what was it that made the principal angry enough to justify a one-day suspension for this soon-to-be-famous Pepsi fan?

It seems the high school's Coke in Education Day was part of an effort to win a \$500 prize in a competition run by the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. of Augusta, Ga. with the potential to continue on to the national competition featuring a \$10,000 grand prize. The prizes are given to the school with the most creative way of distributing promotional discount cards to students.

While the school entered this competition with good intentions, such as the possibility of earning some extra educational funding, it doesn't seem fair to punish a student who refuses to conform and use his student status as a means of advertisement.

Newspapers and broadcasts across the country caught wind of Cameron's story. Many questioned the school's decision, calling it unreasonable or unfair.

Since that fateful day the school's administration has decided to strike this suspension from Cameron's permanent record. However, could this situation set a precedent making future high school students afraid to fight conformity or question the idea of "selling out"?

We at the *State Press* certainly hope not. After all, what would this campus be like without the protesters, without the freedom of expression or without our favorite class clown — the Pepsi preacher by the Cady Mall fountain? The answer is boring.

The *State Press* sends kudos to Cameron for refusing to conform. It's nice to see there are still a few of those brave souls out there willing to pull off such chicanery. We salute you.



Like all good things, *Titanic* hype must end

It is the most expensive movie ever made, it is the highest grossing movie of all time and it just cleaned up at the Academy Awards — winning 11 of the 14 awards it was up for.

But is *Titanic* really that good? Well, no, but then again, it really isn't that bad either. It is just riding on the largest wave of hype any movie has enjoyed since *Star Wars* in 1977.

But, it is getting really old really quick, to have people come up to you and say, "I just saw *Titanic* for the eighth time."

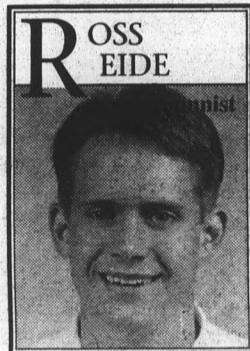
Is it that good? Do you see things or understand things the seventh time you see it that you didn't see the first, second or even third time you saw it?

"Yeah, the first time I saw it I really didn't understand the whole sinking ship/iceberg thing, because I was too busy looking at Leonardo's boyish good looks."

"What was the deal with all that water in the ship? I thought ships were supposed to keep the water on the outside."

Does the ship not sink if you go more than 10 times? Is there some sort of director's cut out there where the boat floats even though it is flooded with water, or where Celine Dion gets shot by Billy Zane before she can sing that damn song again?

And, while we're talking about Celine Dion, can they play that song one more time, please? As if we don't get it enough on the radio, she has to sing it at the Oscars. And what was up with her beating her chest? Was she making her pitch to be in the new Tarzan movie? The only thing that I could think about when I was watching her was the fact that she was wearing all that makeup, had all the good camera



ROSS EIDE
Opinionist

angles and was still ugly. Just think about what she would look like if you saw her on the streets!

Besides the award for the Best Song, *Titanic* made pretty much a clean sweep at the Oscars. It won all the technical awards, which it should. For all intents and purposes, *Titanic* was a special-effects movie with a basic story about forbidden love and tragic death.

An award it won that I did not understand was Best Art Direction. All they did was copy, with exact detail, the original *Titanic*. Granted, that is a difficult task — recreating a ship currently at the bottom of the ocean — but is it really that creative?

The other Oscar I have a problem with is the Best Picture. I feel that *Titanic* is probably not the best film release last year, but the movie industry voted it "best" because it wanted to cover its own butt. Remember when we heard about this new James Cameron movie they were filming down in Mexico, and how it was going way over schedule and way over budget? Then last summer, they pushed back its release date.

All of a sudden *Titanic* was the next *Waterworld*, and everyone was saying how it was a sinking ship, a ship of fools and there is no way it would ever make its money back.

Well, when this movie was finally released and it made every "expert" in Hollywood look like an idiot, what could the "experts" do then? Could they continue to push the notion that it was a terrible movie? Of course not; they gave it every award they could give it — at least within reason, i.e. no Oscar for Kate Winslet.

So now that you look at it from a non-I'm-in-love-with-Leonardo/Kate point of view, you can see *Titanic* for what it truly is — a pretty good movie with amazing special effects, but a very basic story line that has been told in better ways in many other movies. Now that you see this, maybe you should see *Titanic* for your ninth or tenth time. Make it your last.

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Well-serving senator

I am writing this article because Adrian Fontes has insulted and questioned the performance of a College of Business senator. This in turn means he has insulted the judgment and performance of the Business College Council and the students of the College of Business.

You have incorrectly judged Andrew Lefberg on criteria completely unrelated to his job as senator of the College of Business. I am sure Fontes already knows the criteria for a senator, since he has had the position, but in case he forgot and for those who do not know, the following are the duties and responsibilities of a senator for the College of Business and ASASU. In short, these responsibilities include voting as a member of the BCC Executive Board, serving as a member of the BCC Council, attending all BCC meetings and events and holding weekly meetings with the BCC president or vice president. In addition, a senator is to attend all ASASU senate meetings and report the discussions and actions discussed to their respective college council.

As president of the BCC, I can tell the students of the College of Business that Lefberg has fulfilled his duties and responsibilities as required, and often exceeded the expectations of the senator position. This is why when Lefberg and several other senators brought a bill to the BCC which formed a budget line to pay the senators' salaries, the BCC supported the bill. Lefberg was not by himself in introducing this bill, as Fontes would let you believe.

I know, as do the representatives of the BCC's 20 organizations, that Lefberg was at every BCC council meeting to report the actions of the senate and help the organizations with any issues or questions regarding ASASU. Fontes personally attacks Lefberg for acting unprofessionally in ASASU meetings. Yet, in your own stint as senator, you wrote a bill that could have been considered offensive and sexually harassing. You yourself later referred to the bill as a "joke." I will not say Fontes or Lefberg is wrong or right for these actions, but Fontes should not criticize someone for actions similar to their own, unless you wish to reveal your own actions.

Fontes may not like Senator Lefberg's style, as I sometimes do not, but Lefberg is successful at his position as senator for the College of Business. It is my opinion that both Business College senators' Lefberg and Barlow are the best senators the College of Business has ever had, and I would like to publicly thank them for their hard work and many accomplishments this year. If more senators worked more closely with their college council, then maybe all students would be better represented to ASASU.

The favor I will ask of Fontes is not to stop writing slanderous remarks or his opinion on a given topic, but rather to stop hiding these agendas behind irrelevant titles and worthless introductions. If you would kindly, more accurately, title your articles and avoid meaningless introductions unrelated to your topic, you will better serve your reader. Also, you have access to writing articles as often as you wish as a member of the State Press. Do not ask questions of people who do not have this privilege; especially when these questions are in reference to likely personal decisions, which are none of your business.

Lastly, I would like to note that not once in this editorial, which severally criticizes the writing and argumentative ability of Fontes, did I personally attack him. This is known as ethics, and should be observed by all "journalists." This concept is also key in writing a proper and logical argument. I rest my case!

**Alex Seleznov, president
Business College Council
Senior
Business**

Worthy films exist

This letter is in response to Scott Bennett's article, "Movie culture plunges toward inanity," in the March 27 issue of the *State Press*. What he says about *Primary Colors* may well be true (I have not read the book and neither have I seen the movie). I would, however, suggest that before making inane generalizations ("Movies have no depth, no soul."), Mr. Bennett take some time off to see, for example, *The Remains of the Day* and read the book (both have depth and soul, and the movie has, as a bonus, Emma Thompson and Anthony Hopkins). I will leave others to respond to the rest of Bennett's pointless preaching about what our culture is and what we should do this evening.

**Ravi Sankrit
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Global-warming debate

If a little knowledge is a dangerous thing, then Mr. Gillette's recent opinion on global warming is a very dangerous thing, indeed. Setting aside the social and political statements in the article, the mathematics and scientific reasoning is, to put it mildly, lacking. Namely, his calculation based on the contribution of carbon dioxide and methane to the global temperature is not only set up incorrectly, his answer is not even mathematically correct. That aside, if we give him the benefit of the doubt and follow his reasoning (correctly), we get an eventual two-degree increase due to human CO2 production. Seems acceptably small.

Reality, of course, is not this simple. An increase in the global temperature suffers feedback mechanisms — some negative, some positive. Consider this one: a higher temperature increases the amount of water vapor (which he states causes 99 percent of the greenhouse effect) created and held in the atmosphere. So it gets hotter. Producing more water vapor. Making it hotter. Producing more water vapor. Is it hot enough for you? This is why it's called the "runaway greenhouse" effect, an irreversible heating of the earth. Kinda sucks, doesn't it? Reality, of course, is not even this simple. For example, the reflectivity of clouds can prevent heating to some extent. That's why scientists use complex models that Mr. Gillette is so quick to dismiss, at least those that won't support his agenda. Sure, the models are imperfect. Sure, there are problems with some of the data collection. Sure, the jury is still out on the magnitude of the problem. But, whom do you think has a better command of the situation: people who make a career out of increasing the sophistication of their models and scientific reasoning, or some poli-sci (major) who can't even operate a calculator? The political problems involved with this issue are going to be complicated enough without adding pseudo-scientific reasoning to the mix.

**Brian Moore
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Astronomy**

Focus campaign energy

Isn't Susie Timm a dedicated campaign manager? Not only does she write a letter trashing Adrian Fontes and his column, but she convinces her boyfriend (Drew Feth) and his roommate (Glenn Jimerson) to write letters expressing the same sentiments! You are working overtime, girl! Just be aware that the opinions of your tight-knit trio don't reflect those of the entire student body. If you could harness that anti-Adrian energy and focus it into a pro-Craig exhibition, Reid would surely prove to be the winner in the coming election.

**Darlene Miller
Senior
Communication**

Billions and billions: what does it mean?

I want a raise. No more \$10 a pop for this kid — I'm holding out for \$1 million per column. And if anybody out there feels like writing my editor to back me up on this, I'd sure appreciate it.



Not that I seriously believe my work merits that much money, or anything. It's just that after careful consideration, I've come to the conclusion that I no longer know the value of, well... anything.

OK, maybe value, but price? I don't have a clue. It seems like there's no clear correlation between worth and cost anymore, or at least none I can find. News reports bombard us daily with figures on programs, plans and projects — government and private — all well into the multi-millions.

Bank One Ballpark took more than \$230 million from taxpayers' pockets. The late Eddie Maller's folks were awarded \$45 million last week in a civil suit. *Titanic* cost more than \$200 million to put on the screen. And that's all chump change compared to some of the figures bandied about in the media.

Titanic has raked in more than \$1 billion. The CIA's annual budget is more than \$12 billion. Bill Gates is worth in excess of \$32 billion. That's billions of dollars, not lire or pesos or donges — dollars.

I'm not saying these figures are outrageously inflated. It's just that they mean nothing to me. I know the difference between \$1 million and \$100 million and \$1 billion, but it's strictly on paper; it's not real.

Everybody knows that an American billion is 1,000 million. But can you really picture it? I can't. I still think \$1 million — hell, \$100,000 — is a fortune. And anything beyond, say, \$10 million just falls into the "Incredible amount of money" category.

Maybe I'm short-sighted, but I tend to think of money in terms of what I could buy with it. So what do you buy with \$1 billion? A country?

Every day we hear about billions of dollars being passed back and forth, and we don't even blink, because media reports involving such sums have inured us to their shock value.

Of course, billion-dollar figures no longer raise eyebrows because they've been replaced at the top end of the money scale by larger terms. When you talk about the national debt or the gross national product or how much Bill Gates is likely to be worth in five years, you're talking trillions.

So what's next — kajillions? I'm not even sure if that's a genuine figure. I do know, however, that it could never be real to me. But don't be too surprised if you start hearing it used on the nightly news ("Valley taxpayers will only have to contribute \$500 kajillion for Jerry Colangelo's new sports facility!").

Hearing about such sums on a daily basis could almost make one lose touch with reality, at least as it relates to paychecks. And it sure makes \$5 or \$10 an hour sound sad.

It won't affect me, though. I'll keep doing my job, cranking out columns. If you want to write in on my behalf, though, feel free. I can't really picture it, but I think I could get used to \$1 million a shot.

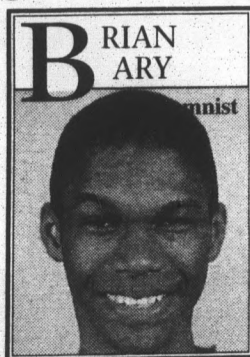
Gregor McGavin is a junior studying journalism.

Ignoring ASU's social amenities tough but essential during crunch time

You know what cracks me up? How easy it is to spot a native Arizonan compared to the college kids from Back East.

The Arizona students are fairly calm amidst a sun-scorched 90-degree day, while the students from, let's say, Connecticut, are sweating like barnyard animals with beet-red, blood-flushed faces. And this is only March. There's still at least about 25 degrees to go.

But I do believe it is during this time of year that Arizona State shines above the rest. For



starters, clothing is optional, providing a relaxed, enjoyable atmosphere. Then you have the fact that we attend a social school with thousands of students mingling on Palm Walk every day.

During this past much-needed spring break, my roommate, friends and I toured Southern California. After saying "Qué Pasa" to our amigos to the south, we called UCLA home for a few days.

I was thoroughly unimpressed. Maybe it's because I attend a rival Pac-10 school, but UCLA sucked. I thought it was going to be this utopian paradise nestled amongst the Beverly Hills, with students cool enough to be featured on MTV time after time.

Yeah, the campus was appealing with brick buildings and grassy knolls, but the kids were geeks walking around with a book shoved in their faces, using pocket protectors as clothing accessories.

Then we strolled up to Malibu, home of Pepperdine University, and instead of meeting students who would take full advantage of the Pacific Ocean being a stone's throw away, we met up with kids who made Bill Gates look like James Dean.

Then I got to thinking that we've got a pretty good thing at ASU, despite an ever-increasing enrollment rate and ticket cops whom I have a few choice words for. We have beautiful women, beautiful citrus trees that permeate the spring air, and Mill Rats.

The only problem is this whole school thing. Sometimes spring break can be a cruel trick. We get one week to enjoy the good life at some exotic locale with our toes in the sand, and, like it was nothing, school rips it away from us.

Shortly thereafter, the inevitable fourth-quarter burnout begins to set in. This syndrome is comparable to that of senioritis that develops in

high school. (Personally, I have had some form of senioritis symptoms since mid-way through my sophomore year.) I'll be sitting in my remedial math class with my hands atop my head and my feet propped up in a chair, and suddenly the math instructor will be speaking babble like that teacher in the Charlie Brown cartoons.

It's not like it is something I can control. I mean, I want to listen — my grades dearly depend on it. It is just difficult to concentrate when the ocean whispers your name in the breeze.

But like the Chicago Bulls, the champions always step it up a notch in the fourth quarter. So students like myself need to turn the other cheek when the ocean comes calling and buckle down, or expect to do freshman year over again.

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ASASU seeks larger turnout at second annual Mardi Gras

By DAVID WOODFILL
STATE PRESS

The Associated Students of ASU are giving Mardi Gras one more shot this year.

After the first attempt at the spring festival last year, the organizers came under criticism from students and several other ASASU senators that they were wasting their time and students' money on the week-long event. This was partly due to the low turnout rate.

"This year will be much better because we've had more time to plan it and more money to work with," said Autumn Ness, ASASU activities vice president.

The second annual Mardi Gras starts Tuesday, and almost all the events are free to students.

Natalie Bowitz, director of the week-long event, said: "ASU doesn't have a spring festival, so a lot of students go to UofA and we don't want them to go there. We want them to stay here

and party with us.

"This is just a festival before finals, directed at helping students to relax."

One of the two major events this year will be a carnival, which starts Friday, and will feature unlimited rides for \$5.

The other event, which will be held Saturday from 2 p.m. to midnight, will be a free concert for all ASU students featuring ska bands Reel Big Fish and Less Than Jake, among others. Tickets are \$10 for non-students.

Bowitz said ASASU is expecting a huge turnout for the concert, about 6,000 people.

"The carnival and concert are the biggest things we've ever done," Ness said. "I'm so excited. We've been spending every minute of our waking lives preparing for this and it's going to be big."

Ness added that the concert, which is mainly funded through outside donors, will cost students \$15,000.

Concerts, which are regular services provided by ASASU, including the one that will happen Saturday, have also been the subject of intense criticism by other senators.

Andrew Lefberg, a senator from the College of Business, said students have shown a lack of interest in the concerts and said the money should go into something else.

He said Homecoming 1996's Seven Mary Three concert came to the University through ASASU and was considered a failure by many. Lefberg said the concert was an indication of students' apathy.

"Since (Saturday's) concert is going to happen, I only wish the best for it," he said.

As for the rest of the week, there will be several shows and activities around campus, which will include free food for all students and faculty who want to attend.

For more information on events, students should call ASASU's main office in the Memorial Union.

Conservative activist says he's leaning toward White House bid

By RON FOURNIER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — For Republican leaders driven to a tizzy by Gary Bauer, the news isn't good: He's leaning toward a presidential bid.

The Washington-based conservative activist, making his first appearance at a showcase for White House aspirants, told Texas conservatives this weekend that congressional Republicans have a shameful "hang-dog look" and "act like they lost Congress four years ago."

He said abortion must be the cornerstone of the party's platform, and challenged the GOP establishment to "stand against the agenda of the gay rights movement."

Then, he all but announced his intention to run for president in 2000.

The ambitions of this former Reagan administration official had been slightly more limited: He fashioned himself as a conservative kingmaker, the conscience of the party.

Six years after becoming an independent entity, Bauer's Family Research Council rivals the Christian Coalition as a voice for grassroots conservative activists. His political action committee raised \$3.1 million so far this year, spending \$600,000 on behalf of candidates.

Bauer may have overreached this spring, buying anti-abortion TV ads in a largely abortion-rights California congressional district. Republican leaders believe that moderate voters, turned off by the ads, turned out for the

Democratic candidate who won.

The Republican establishment fears that Bauer's scorched-earth politics will disrupt the fragile GOP coalition of economic and social conservatives in November and 2000.

That hasn't stopped Bauer from making plans to push his anti-abortion, low taxes, school prayer, family-values agenda in other congressional races. He helped nominate a conservative Republican in an Illinois Senate race this month and hopes to raise \$6 million for candidates in 1998.

After the November elections, Bauer will decide whether to run for the White House.

"I feel I'm headed toward at least setting up a (presidential) exploratory committee," Bauer said in an interview, chuckling at his next thought. "Once the laughter dies down, I'll see how far I can go."

Bauer, 51, said he has discussed campaigning in 2000 with his wife, Carol, and their youngest of three children, 11-year-old Zachary. "I'm not going to be a hypocrite and talk family values while abandoning my family," he said.

His campaign would be a huge longshot, one open to scorn by Democrats and Republicans alike. He is little known, hardly handsome, and barely the best speaker at the weekend convention headlined by equally drab performers such as Sen. John Ashcroft, R-Mo., and billionaire Steve Forbes.

He does not have Texas Gov. George Bush's family connections, Forbes' money or



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Washington-based conservative activist Gary Bauer addresses the crowd during a forum on the Republican future Saturday in Houston. Bauer, making his first appearance at a showcase for White House aspirants, told Texas conservatives that congressional Republicans have a shameful "hang-dog look" and "act like they lost Congress four years ago."

Ashcroft's record of political service. Still, he would enter the race with a formidable base of die-hard religious conservative activists.

"I would vote for him. Our country needs people like him," said LaRue Brown of Houston. Yet she wondered "if people are ready for the likes of him."

Bauer seems prepared for the criticism and typecasts, though he admitted being taken aback by a magazine story that said he is a floppy hat away from looking like Truman

Capote. "Of all people to compare me to," he said with a sigh, another chuckle.

As for skeptical fellow Republicans: "I'm sure I will be causing some indigestion if I continue to move down this road."

Bauer likes to remind his audiences that a liberal critic once accused him of teaming with Christian Coalition founder Pat Robertson and conservative broadcaster James Dobson to "take over America." The audience titters, then Bauer delivers his punch line: "If only it were true."

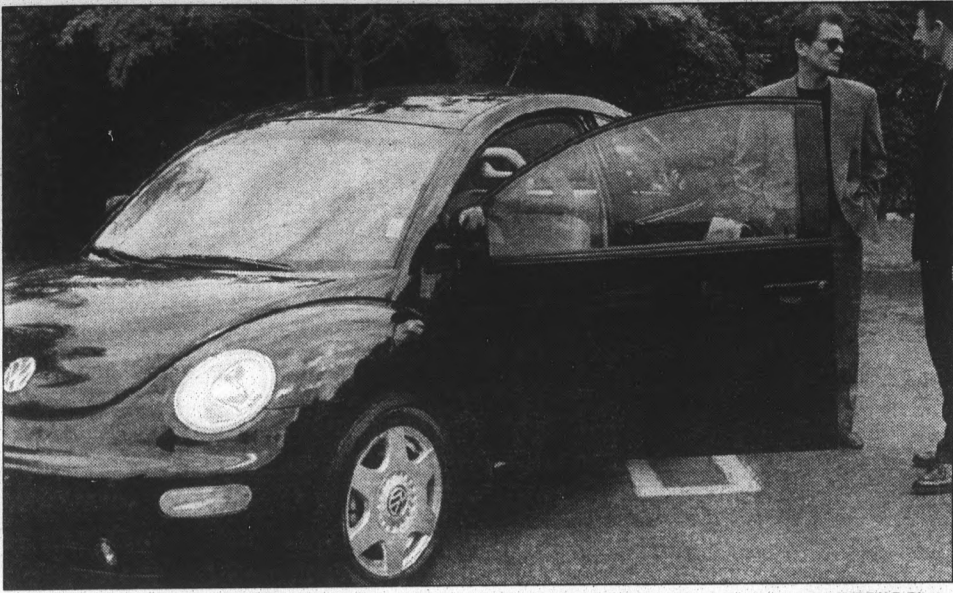


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Country singer Lyle Lovett, right, chats with Budget Rent-A-Car of Beverly Hills President Ken Kerzner shortly before driving off in the 1998 Volkswagen Beetle that he rented Friday in Beverly Hills, Calif. Lovett rented the new Beetle, reportedly the first of the new bugs to be rented in the world, for \$75 a day along with the 50 free miles.

Waiting lists grow as Beetle mania sweeps Hollywood

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Beetle mania is sweeping Hollywood, where flashy luxury cars and sport utility vehicles have been the preferred mode of transportation.

Singer Lyle Lovett, actor Larry Hagman and Fleetwood Mac's John McVie couldn't wait to be the first celebrities with the new helmet-shaped \$15,000 Volkswagen Bug in their driveway.

"I've never had a Beetle before. But I saw this car and I really wanted it. It's so cute," Hagman said before driving off the lot in Ventura last week in his 1998 silver Bug.

"It's a little lower profile, which is what I want," Hagman said.

In Thousand Oaks, McVie picked up his new silver Volkswagen, while Lovett was the first person to rent a new Beetle on Friday at Beverly Hills Budget Rent A Car, where stars usually rent Mercedes-Benz M-Class sport utility vehicles, Corvette convertibles, BMW Z3s, Jaguar XK8s or Porsche Boxsters.

"We've received calls from half the

stars in Hollywood who want to rent the new Beetle. Even though they're all grown up and driving Mercedes and Ferraris, this car makes them feel young again," said Ken Kerzner, head of the rental-car office in Beverly Hills.

Besides bug-eyed celebrities, Southern Californians are lining up to buy the new VW. Waiting lists are growing and bidding wars are breaking out, dealers say.

"I'm telling people who want on my list now that they're probably looking at August before they'll get a car," said Mark White, sales manager at Volkswagen of Van Nuys.

The dealership has already taken \$500 deposits from 85 people.

The new versions of the 1960s transportation icon debuted at auto shows earlier this year. Volkswagen planned to sell 50,000 new Beetles in the United States the first year, but the target number is now 60,000. Only about 4,000 will have been shipped by Tuesday, which means only an average seven cars for each of the company's nearly 600 dealers nationwide.

Company pays \$2 million to settle e-mail 'spamming' suit

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A company that once sent as many as 25 million unsolicited e-mail ads a day has agreed to pay \$2 million to settle a lawsuit aimed at ending the so-called "spamming."

Under a consent decree filed in Los Angeles County Superior Court, Cyber Promotions Inc. also must stop sending unsolicited bulk e-mailings to customers of Earthlink Network Inc., The New York Times reported Sunday, citing documents that Earthlink released Friday.

"The most important benefit of this judgment is the message we've sent to spammers that illegally tap our resources and clog up the Internet with this trash — we won't stand for it," said Garry Batty, chief executive of the Pasadena-based Earthlink, which provides Internet service to more than 450,000 people.

Cyber Promotions, based in Dresher,

Pa., was considered the largest purveyor of unsolicited e-mail ads. A similar injunction against the company was issued last year in a lawsuit filed by America Online, the world's largest online service.

Cyber Promotions has been inactive for several months since its own Internet provider refused to continue providing a connection, the Times said.

Critics complain that the junk e-mails slow down receipt of genuine messages and invade the privacy of e-mail users. Programmers continually are upgrading computer programs designed to block the unwanted messages.

California is one of about a dozen states considering laws to limit unsolicited commercial e-mail. Last week, Washington became the first state to enact such legislation. Congress also is looking into the matter.

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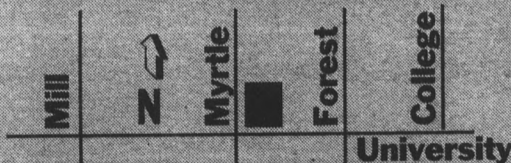
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Admitted mercy killings may be hard to prove scientifically

By MICHAEL FLEEMAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Science may not be much help proving the case against a hospital worker who admitted suffocating or fatally drugging up to 50 terminally ill patients, an expert said Sunday.

Those methods of killing can leave few signs to show up in an autopsy if the bodies are exhumed.

"It's going to be very difficult," said Dr. Cyril Wecht, a nationally known forensics pathologist who serves as a county medical examiner in Pittsburgh.

He suggested that authorities should take their time and be "very selective" about which body to dig up.

"If you're going to nail this guy, and make sure he's not a kook or a nut or something, one case against him is as good as 50," said Wecht, who has been involved in cases like the JonBenet Ramsey slaying and became famous for disputing the single-bullet theory in the assassination of President Kennedy.

Efren Saldivar, a respiratory therapist, told police in suburban Glendale on March 11 that he committed the mercy killings of 40 to 50 patients at Glendale Adventist Medical Center in the last decade. But police found no independent evidence to back up his claim and released him.

He was fired two days after his confession, his state license was temporarily suspended and he faced an administrative hearing Tuesday on a permanent suspension.

But no criminal charges were pending against him.

By state and federal law, a confession alone isn't sufficient to bring a case.

Concerned family members of patients continued to flood police and the hospital with phone calls as criminal investigators tried to find corroborating evidence that would allow them to arrest and charge

Saldivar.

A six-member task force has been combing through hospital records and interviewing staff and patient's relatives in a methodical investigation that police say could take months to complete.

No patient bodies have been exhumed yet but "that's a definite option as the investigation continues," police spokesman Rick Young said.

Wecht said examining the bodies might not yield evidence, however.

In his confession, Saldivar told police that he killed some gravely ill patients by giving them surgical drugs that can relax muscles to the point that the victim is unable to breathe.

The drugs, one called Pavulon and the other going by the initials SUCC, break down quickly in the body and may not leave a trace by the time the body is autopsied, Wecht said.

"They both are (nearly gone) in terms of minutes when they are given by injection," he said. "If the person lives for half an hour or an hour or two, it almost all is going to be metabolized."

Even signs of the drugs could prove only that the patients underwent surgery — not that they were killed. The drugs are given to help keep a patient still while the surgeon operates.

Saldivar's other admitted method of killing, decreasing the oxygen supply to patients on respirators, is tantamount to the perfect murder: it can't be determined at autopsy, Wecht said.

Adding to the difficulties facing investigators is the likelihood that most of the alleged victims were old and extremely ill with a variety of terminal diseases.

"Who in the hell knows when such people die," Wecht said. "They could die any day anyway."

Scudding storm clouds



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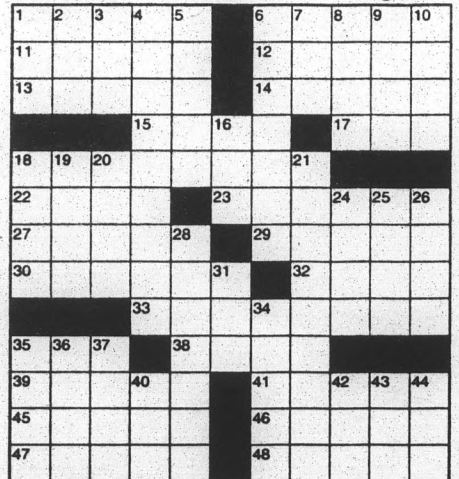
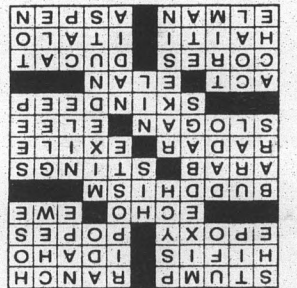
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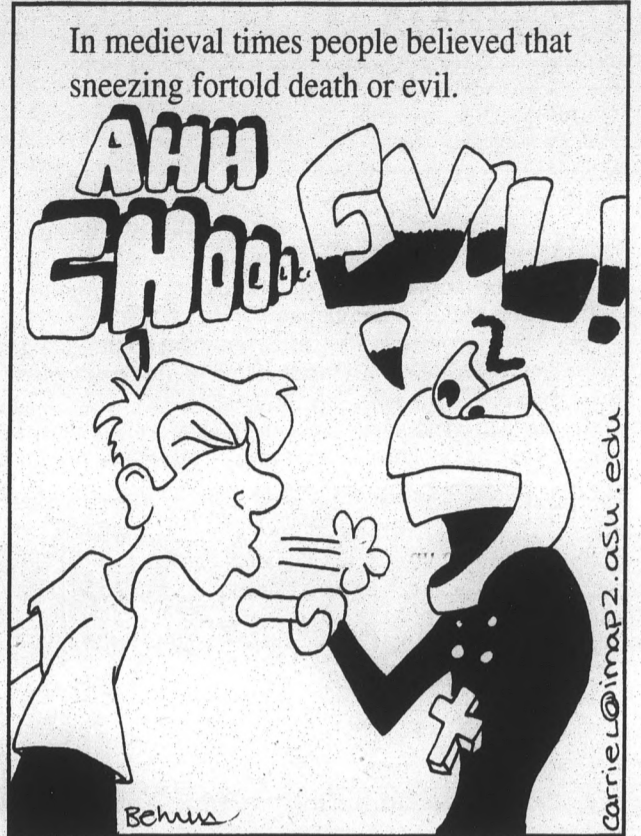
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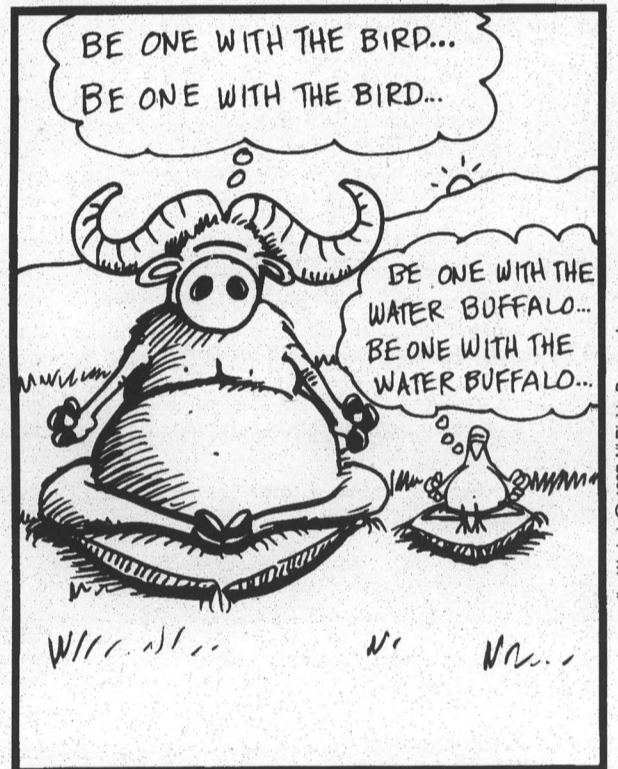
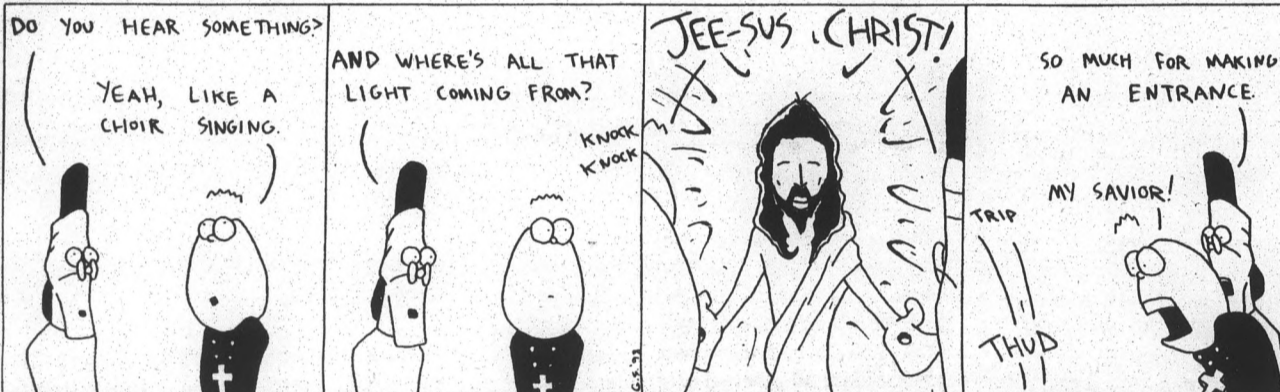


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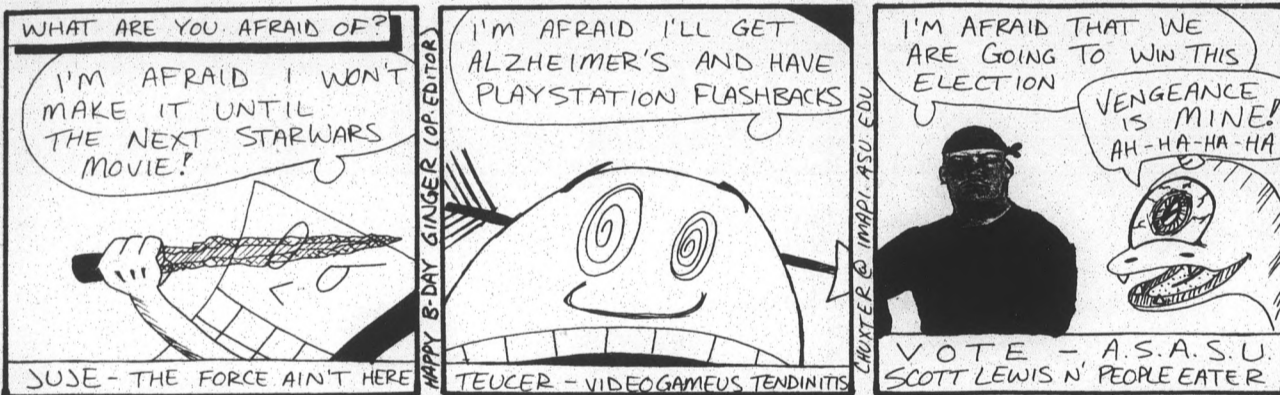
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Candidates for President

SETH "SPIDER-MAN" DEITCHMAN

age: 24
major: Business Supply Chain Management
class level: Junior
years at ASU: 2 1/2
experience: Resident Assistant at Cholla for 5 semesters
RA of the Year Award, 1996-97
MUAB member
Hall Council representative
Member Tau Kappa Epsilon
Captain of 6 intramural teams

"Everything you don't know about, I want to tell you about. I want to get your points across with my mouth. I'll set up an office on Hayden Lawn if that's what it takes."

Deitchman strongly wants to increase student awareness about underutilized already existing opportunities on campus.

He wants reconstruct student government by providing representatives from campus clubs and organizations. "Four hundred (club) presidents would voice a much louder statement than the 24 senators."

Deitchman wants to get students more involved in research, make internships available for class credit, boycott Marriott prices and initiate on-line class registration.

PAUL FROST

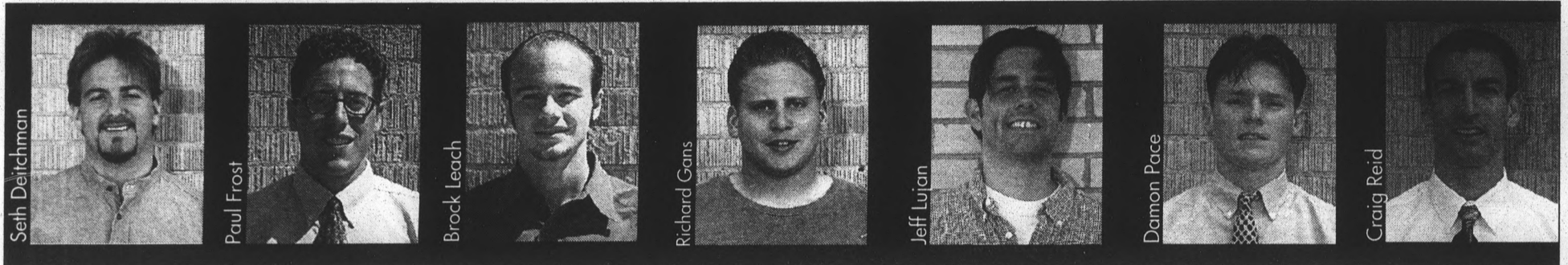
age: 23
major: Humanities
class level: Junior
years at ASU: 2 1/2
experience: Senator for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, 1997-98
Resident Assistant at Palo Verde East, 1996-1998

"If we can use the student government to help people gain experience beyond their college experience, we'd be fulfilling our mission."

Frost wants to gather representatives from different groups once a month in a town hall fashion, "so they can purpose ideas to join forces."

He is currently working to simplify graduation requirements by combining the university and college demands. "It wouldn't be taking away from the quality of your major, it would just simplify it."

Frost wants to see extended In Touch hours, improvement with the parking situation and greater opportunities for students to get involved with internships and student government.



RICHARD GANS

age: 22
major: Justice Studies
class level: Senior
years at ASU: 4
experience: Assistant Chief of Staff to the President of ASASU, 1996-1997
Hall Council representative, 1994-95
Sheriff's Officer for Maricopa County Mark9
Student Health advocate

"I want to stand up for student rights. Only half of what you learn is in the classroom. There are more important things out there."

Gans wants to create a weekly "President's Report" in the *State Press*, facilitate a volunteer board of students to review the ASU police and give out free tickets to women's athletic games in conjunction with the purchase of men's basketball and football tickets.

He wants to create a "Fun for funding" program in which a campus pub would make money for ASASU.

"Bars make money and that could feed students every year. There is a place for that on this college campus."

Gans also wants to create sorority houses by challenging the current Tempe laws prohibiting them and legalize hard alcohol for fraternity houses.

JEFF LUJAN

age: 27
major: Masters of Business Administration
class level: Graduate Student
years at ASU: 3
experience: Artist for 20th Century FOX Films
Arizona Ambassador for UofA
UofA fraternity leader

"Over the years ASU has improved substantially providing a very good education, a fabulous learning atmosphere and a lot of opportunities socially and academically. I want to carry on the tradition of improvement and advancement for the students now and the students to come."

Lujan has spent time in the work force which made him realize "how great the university experience is." He wants to improve the atmosphere so that all students will appreciate the college tour.

Lujan also wants to strengthen ties with the business community to provide more internships for students and in turn make ASU more reputable. "Instead of corporations in Phoenix going elsewhere for employees, I want them to come to ASU."

DAMON PACE

age: 21
major: Political Science and Business
class level: Senior
years at ASU: 4
experience: Government relations director
Worked closely with two ASASU presidents
Lobbied for students in Washington, D.C.
Worked for two U.S. senators
Orientation leader

Developed publication of teacher-evaluations

"I want to build the sense of community and spirit at ASU. We have so many positive aspects that so many people don't know about."

Pace wants to instill spirit and teach tradition by creating "a camp" for incoming freshman. They would take a trip (possibly to the desert) before school starts, learn the fight song, alma mater and meet other students. "I think it would build a stronger sense of community."

He hopes to create an on-line book exchange where students could buy and sell books to each other, eliminating the profitable book store. "Both people will be saving."

He wants to alter student ID numbers to keep social security numbers more confidential, open a portion of the library for twenty four hour access and make the students voices heard at the capitol.

BROCK LEACH

age: 20
major: Political Science
class level: Sophomore
years at ASU: 2
experience: President of Sahvaro, 1996-97
Associate Director of Programming of RHA, 1997
Lobbying and campaign activity at state and national levels

"Communication is the key that will open the door to a better ASASU. You have to invoke the student body."

Leach wants to refine the existing student government. "I believe that the current ASASU system can work for the students. Greater advocacy would stem from refinement of the current office to make it more efficient and less hindered."

He wants to fight for campus safety, the financial well-being of students and betterment of the university and community. Improving communication within ASASU and assuming responsibility are also priorities.

"I will hold everyone responsible, including myself, not just for what they are doing but for what they are not doing."

CRAIG REID

age: 31
major: Secondary Education
class level: Junior
years at ASU: 3
experience: Senator for the College of Education 1996-1998
University Affairs committee 1996-97
Government Operations committee 1997-98
Student Health Clinic representative 1996-97

"My goals are reasonable and obtainable. I will continue to be an honest and hard working man not to feed my resume but rather to give back to you the students of ASU."

Reid wants to restructure the student government budget and allocate it differently. "I want to cut the \$668,000 budget to reallocate funds to the technological upgrade of computers in the commons and throughout campus then sell the used computers back to the students at a lower cost and donate some to local high schools in our area to help with community service."

He wants to get more foot patrol on campus which would work directly with the ASU police, "to make our campus safer not only in the daytime but also at nighttime."

He also wants to fight for lower prices in the MU.

DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT:

chairperson and voting member of the Executive Committee
acts upon Senate action
responsible for creating a selection committee for Who's Who
Among Students in American Colleges and Universities
represents ASASU on the Student Programming Advisory Board
selects students for membership on University Boards and Committees
appoints Supreme Court Justices to fill vacancies

DUTIES OF THE VICE PRESIDENT:

assume the duties of the President in his/her absence, temporarily or permanently
vice-chairperson of the Executive Committee
chairperson of the Senate
administers oath of office to all Senate members
coordinator of the college councils
coordinates and acts as chairperson of the Campus Clubs and Organizations Council

Candidates for Vice President

PAUL PETERSEN

age: 22
 major: Journalism
 class level: Junior
 years at ASU: 3
 experience: Senator for the College of Public Programs, 1997-98
 Chairperson for the Government Operations committee, 1997-98

"The best way to initiate change is to be actively involved in the dynamics of ASASU." Petersen "to restructure ASASU's legislative body to make it more representative of all the diverse groups we have on campus."

Petersen hopes to create new In Touch hours, on-line voting for next year, open an office to make it easier for clubs to obtain funding and make the Senate more student friendly.

"We need a better voice with administration and hopefully, this can be accomplished through more student involvement and an organized, independent student government."

DUTIES OF THE ACTIVITIES VICE PRESIDENT

plans, coordinates and executes the goals of the departments assigned to him/her
 voting member of the Executive Committee
 voting member of the Senate

DUTIES OF CAMPUS AFFAIRS VICE PRESIDENT

plans, coordinates and executes the goals of the departments assigned to him/her
 voting member of the Executive Committee
 voting member of the Senate
 facilitator of the Campus Affairs Coordination Council
 represents ASASU on the Student Programming Advisory Board

DUTIES OF THE GRADUATE STUDENT AFFAIRS VICE PRESIDENT

voting member of the Executive Committee
 voting member of the Senate
 chair of the Graduate Student Affairs Council
 represents the interest and concerns of graduate students
 facilitates the process for graduate students to present their research

Candidates for Activities Vice President

SADHANA STONE

age: 25
 major: Communications
 class level: Junior
 years at ASU: 2
 experience: Chief of Staff for Activities Vice President, 1997-98
 How the World Worships planning committee
 Martin Luther King Rally planning committee

"I want a grapevine-community feeling throughout campus. We have such a wealth of talent that people don't know about."

Stone wants to set up an activities council, "where anybody and everybody is welcome to come and share their ideas to decide what to spend funds on."

She wants to set up a "community calendar" to run weekly in the *State Press* and a "Sun Devil Student," to represent campus talent. "I want to have somebody to recognize students and organizations on campus."

Stone wants to open up student government by bringing new people and new ideas to it. "ASASU has shown me there is a lot of potential. If utilized completely, it can influence a lot of people."

CHRISTOPHER REINESCH

age: 22
 major: Economics
 class level: Junior
 years at ASU: 1

"I plan to change the apathy by gearing activities to students who are here for the education but have an hour break to make the school experience more fun."

Reinesch wants to have a "Singed Out" dating competition where the winners would be awarded with money for a night on the town. "We're not trying to be matchmaker, we're just trying to have fun"

He wants to use the public speaker funds for multiple day activities on campus such as "you pick the concert," inexpensive barbecues before every home football game and subsidized road trips.

"If you get involved, you will get a reward."

Candidates for Campus Affairs Vice President

SETH KRIZ

age: 19
 major: Finance
 class level: Sophomore
 years at ASU: 2
 experience: Residence Assistant at Manzanita
 Safety Escort Service volunteer
 Freshman Year Experience tutor at Sonora
 Works Closely with senators

"I want great things for this campus. I've seen a lot of bickering in ASASU and I think if one person leads in a positive direction, others will follow. That will make ASASU more geared to the students."

Kriz mainly wants to focus on campus safety to eliminate assaults and rapes. "I would like ASU Police to get more involved in what goes on at ASASU." He also wants to increase SES volunteers.

He said he wants to conquer the \$118,737 worth of bikes that were stolen in 1997 by creating a registration system. "I've already spoken with Tempe Police about registering bikes. That's something that can easily be brought to campus."

Kriz also wants to make student offices run more efficiently.

EDDIE ABLESER

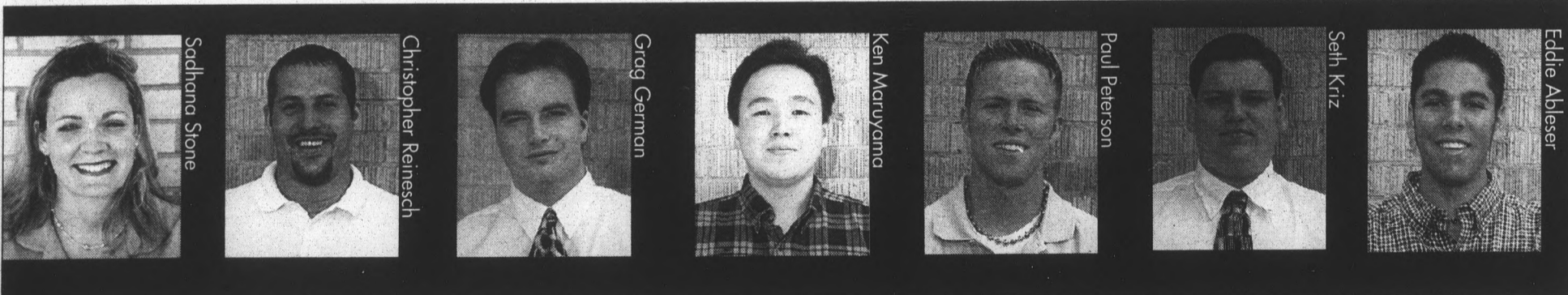
age: 20
 major: Political Science
 class level: Sophomore
 years at ASU: 2
 experience: City Affairs coordinator for ASASU, 1997-98
 Facilitated the debate for city council and mayoral elections, 1998
 Active in Government Relations department

"I have a lot of ideas and I want to get students involved. There are a lot of different improvements needed. The most important to me is campus safety." Ableser wants to increase campus policing to give ASU a better feeling of safety.

"We have a huge problem with bike vandalism and theft. Nobody's doing anything about it." Ableser wants to implement a bike registration system and create a job where a student will be watching bikes during rush hours.

"Every club will have a representative on campus." Ableser also wants to restructure student government to provide more representation for organizations.

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Candidates for Graduate Student Affairs Vice President

GREG GERMAN

age: 22
 major: Microbiology pursuing a Masters of Natural Science
 class level: Senior soon to be graduate student
 years at ASU: 4 1/2
 experience: Resident Assistant Cholla, 1996-98
 National Residence Hall Association honoree
 ASASU health director
 Awarded ASASU Senatorial Memorial
 American College Health Association Award

"Concrete gains can be made for ASU's Graduate Students if we, as a united community, approach the Administration with a clear plan."

German wants to establish free TA and RA health insurance, computer accounts with access to all ASU's resources, and to develop a community through social events, lectures and an e-mail list server so graduate students are informed and interactive.

He wants to inform students of what ASASU offers them through the Graduate Student Issue Listserv which he created. "It allows the typical graduate student to get involved but not immersed. They can follow up according to what interests them and it forces a response from the officers."

KEN MARUYAMA

age: 25
 major: Masters in Public Administration
 class level: Graduate Student
 years at ASU: 3
 experience: Founder and president Japanese Student Organization, 1995-96
 Vice president of Native American Business Association, 1996-97
 MUAB Forum committee, 1998

"I would like to insist upon a communication connection. I would like to open my mind and ears to listen to the graduate students."

Maruyama wants to facilitate an effective way to improve communication between the office and graduate students.

"The GSAVP should provide financial support and hold regular meetings so graduate students can depend on ASASU."

He wants to make sure graduate students get opportunities to present their research at national conferences and provide more information about what the ASASU offers to graduate students.

"By creating connections for success, I am the best candidate for graduate student affairs vice president."

No. 1 Stanford too much for No. 25 Sun Devils

BY CARLO MERCALDO
STATE PRESS

After a close, 4-3, loss to Cal on Friday, the ASU men's tennis team came out strong Saturday against No. 1 Stanford and was able to do something no other team has done all year.

Win?

Don't be ridiculous. The Cardinal is the defending national champion, they are in the midst of a 27-match win streak, they have lost only one individual singles match all season, and they showcase at least three players who will likely be seen on the pro-circuit in the near future.

Put simply, in the words of ASU head coach Lou Belken, "Stanford is by far the best team in the country."

However, after Saturday afternoon's match at Whiteman Tennis Center, the Stanford tennis machine can no longer boast an undefeated doubles record.

Unfortunately for the No. 25 ranked Sun Devils, the doubles point was all the scoring they could muster, falling 6-1 to the visitors from the Bay.

In a match against that caliber of team, though, any positive is amplified, and ASU is aware of its accomplishment, as one of only two teams this season that have not been shutout by this powerhouse.

"Obviously we proved that we are one of the best doubles teams in the country," junior Casey Was said. "I think we can play with anybody in doubles. Now, we just need to work harder in singles."

The Sun Devils came out fired up in doubles. The No. 3 tandem of Peter Dani and Casey Was beat Geoff Abrams and Charles Hoeveler, 8-6, but the doubles was tied when Stanford's brother-act of Bob and Mike Bryan rolled over Tim Hammond and Ed Carter, 8-2 at the No. 1 spot.

ASU was huge at the No. 2 slot, where Gustavo Marcaccio and Alex Osterrieth clinched the doubles victory by upsetting Paul Goldstein and Ryan Wolters, 8-6. The Goldstein/Wolters duo had not lost a match all season and was ranked No. 8 in the country before they ran head first into the Sun Devil wall.

"Getting the doubles point against a team like Stanford was definitely a positive for us," Tim Hammond said. "But it's still not a win, and that's what we really wanted this weekend. Hopefully if we keep playing with this same intensity, some of these close matches will start going our way."

Singles was a different story for ASU, as Stanford showed why it is at the pinnacle of college tennis, failing to lose a single set.

At the No. 1 position Wolters took care of Marcaccio, 6-2, 6-2, and at No. 2 singles Osterrieth had his three match win streak snapped in a 6-0, 6-2, loss to Goldstein. Bob Bryan was too much for Carter at the No. 3 spot, winning 6-1, 6-1.

Dani played Mike Bryan close for a set, before folding in a 6-4, 6-0 loss at No. 4. Singles specialist Alex Kim made easy work of Hammond at No. 5, winning 6-2, 6-3. At the final singles position, Was flirted with a three set match, but Abrams came up with the 6-4, 6-3 victory to close the deal for Stanford.

"As a team, I think we have to be happy with the way we competed this weekend," Ed Carter said. "It's always disappointing to come out with a loss, but maybe we can use these matches as some motivation for the rest of the season."

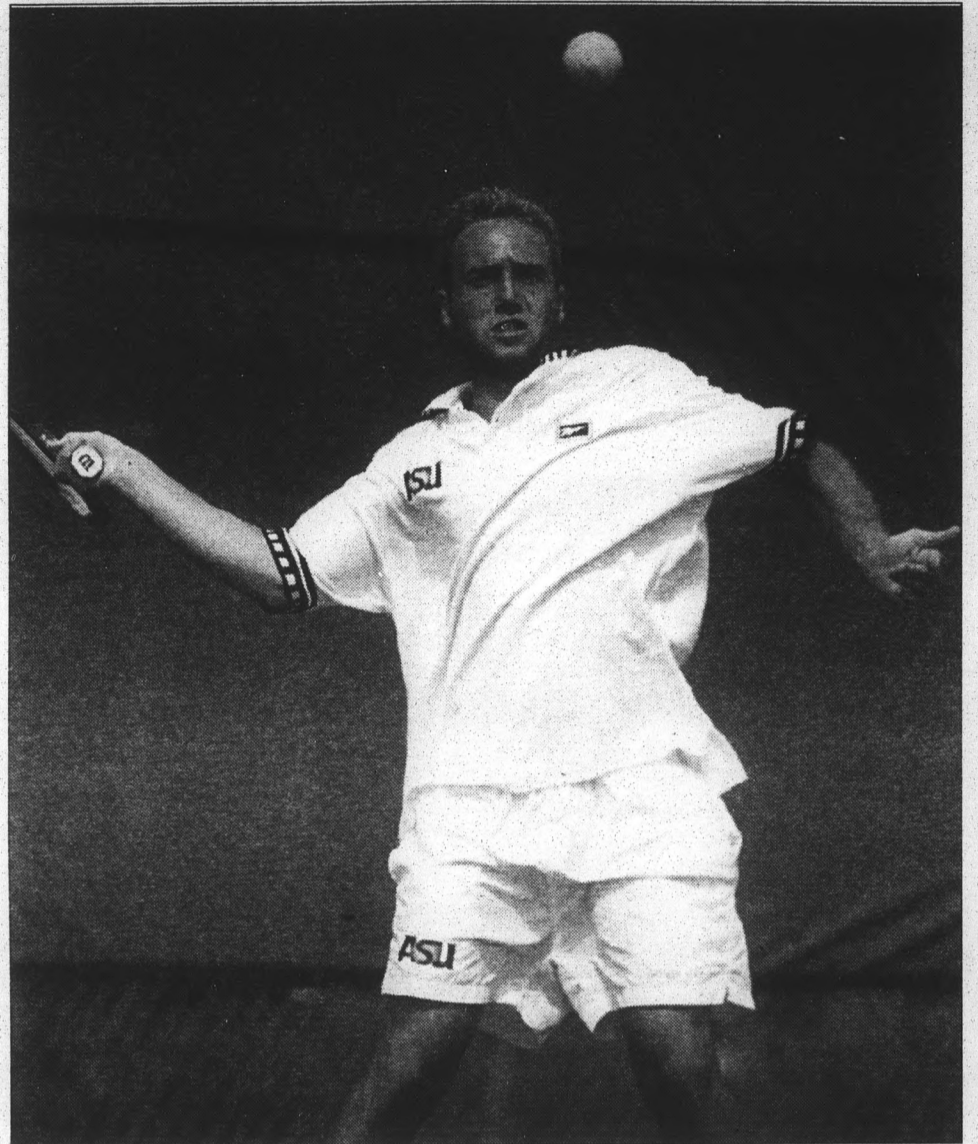
Friday afternoon, ASU lost to No. 30 Cal, 4-3. It was the Sun Devils fourth loss of the season by that score.

ASU was able to capture the doubles point, as it has in 11 of 14 matches this season, but was unable to put Cal away in the singles portion.

At No. 1 doubles, Hammond and Carter squeaked out a 9-8 (5) win over Nathan Jackmon and Bobby Mahal, and Marcaccio and Osterrieth were able to clinch the point with an 8-6 victory against Minh Le and Erik Dmytruk. Cal avoided the doubles sweep when Adrian Barnes and Scott Kintz beat Was and Dani, 8-6.

In singles play, Marcaccio crushed Mahal, 6-1, 6-2 at the No. 1 spot, and it appeared as though the Sun Devils would cruise when Osterrieth rolled to a 6-1, 6-4 victory on court No. 2, giving ASU a 3-0 lead in the dual.

Then ASU began to meltdown, as the



Jeremy Hein/State Press

Casey Was and the rest of the ASU men's tennis team went 0-2 against the teams from the Bay Area this weekend, but became only the second team all year not to be shutout by No. 1 Stanford.

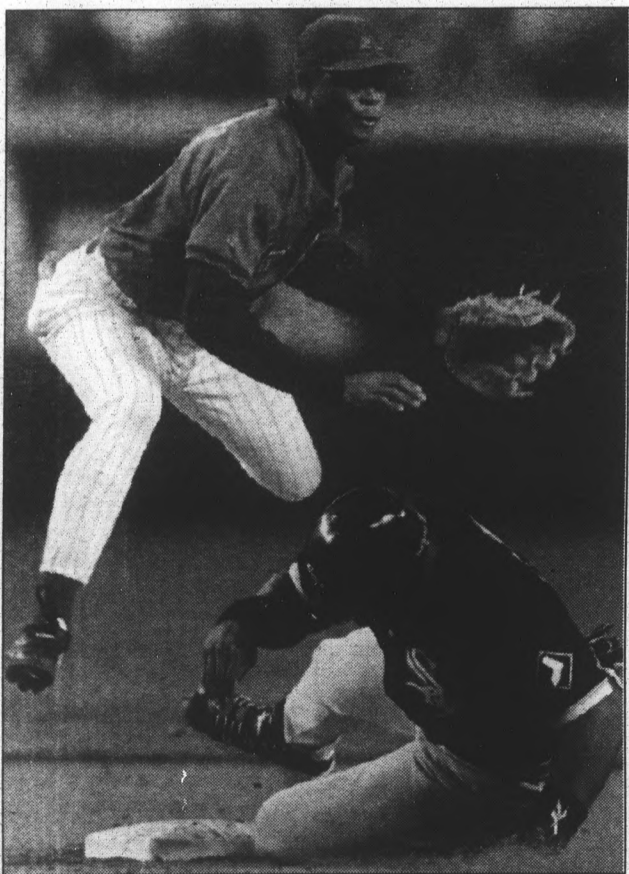
Golden Bears reeled off four consecutive singles wins. Miles Rogers was mauled by David Sutton on court No. 6, losing 6-0, 6-0. At the No. 4 slot, Dani looked solid for a set but ended up losing 7-5, 6-1 to Adrian Barnes. Hammond fell victim to the ground attack of Kian Raiszadeh, in a 6-4, 6-2 loss at No. 5.

Cal was able to clinch the dual at the No. 3 position, where Minh Le came

back to beat Carter, 1-6, 6-2, 6-3.

Hammond said the team can't afford to get down on themselves, even though it seems like they have run into some bad luck with so many close losses.

"Coach (Belken) has been telling us we need to keep our focus, and keep putting in solid practices," Hammond said. "We have to make sure the intensity is there, and if we just keep plugging away, then things will start going our way."



Jeff Robbins/Associated Press

Arizona Diamondbacks second baseman Tony Batista leaps over Chicago White Sox's Frank Thomas during a double play in the third inning of their spring training game in Phoenix Sunday. This was the first major league baseball game to be played inside the new Bank One ball park of the Diamondbacks. Chicago won 3-0.

D-Backs blanked at opening of BOB

PHOENIX (AP) — Frank Thomas, Mike Sirotko and Mike Cameron had RBIs as the Chicago White Sox finished spring training Sunday night with a 3-0 win over the Arizona Diamondbacks in the first game played in the Bank One Ballpark.

The announced crowd was 49,198, near capacity in the \$354 million stadium, which is so new construction mud caked some of the unfinished sidewalks.

The field was first used Saturday for an intrasquad game. It will be dedicated Tuesday night, when the Colorado Rockies and expansion Diamondbacks open the regular season and a three-game series.

Sirotko and Chicago relievers James Baldwin, Todd Rizzo, Keith Foulke and Matt Karchner combined for the shutout.

Sirotko (3-2) gave up three hits and struck out one in two innings for the win, Chicago's 18th in 30 exhibition games, and Karchner earned his second save.

Tony Batista and Brent Brede had two hits apiece for Arizona. The closest the Diamondbacks came to scoring was in the seventh. Brede and Batista hit consecutive singles, but pinch-hitter Hensley Meulens grounded into a double play.

Thomas had an RBI single in the first and Cameron's run-scoring double in the fifth made it 3-0.

Neither team had played since Wednesday, and each had been rained out three times.

SUNS 106, GRIZZLIES 98

PHOENIX (AP) — In a game with plenty of twists and turns, the Phoenix Suns found a way to come out on top.

"This was a good win for us," coach Danny Ainge said Sunday after the Suns went on a 12-4 run late in the game and beat the Vancouver Grizzlies 106-98. "Vancouver is a team

that is playing really well."

Cliff Robinson scored 20 points, Kevin Johnson came off the bench to contribute 15 points and 11 assists and Danny Manning broke a 94-94 tie with an 18-foot jumper with just over two minutes remaining.

"We did some things that kept them in the ballgame," Manning said. "Hopefully, next time out when we play a team that's not .500 we can put them away in a hurry."

Shareef Abdur-Rahim had 30 points and Blue Edwards for the Grizzlies, who have lost 15 straight road games since Jan. 23.

"I am at a loss for words," Grizzlies coach Brian Hill said. "I'm not putting the blame on my guys, but bottom line is we just have to get it done. When the game is on the line, we can't become tentative, and we have to understand what we are supposed to go."

There were 10 lead changes in the fourth quarter, and Phoenix did not take control until Johnson hit two free throws with 46.7 seconds remaining after Edwards missed a 3-point attempt.

Antonio McDyess hit two more free throws for a 104-98 advantage with 35 seconds left, and the Suns sealed the win when Robinson hit two foul shots with 18 seconds left.

"We turned the ball over in situations where we shouldn't have," Abdur-Rahim said. "We just put ourselves in a hole. It's kind of frustrating right now. It seems like every time we beat ourselves."

Steve Nash had 12 points in the first half, when both teams shot over 50 percent from the field and the Suns took a 54-52 lead.

The Suns went ahead 38-35 on a three-point play by Johnson with 5:59 left in the half and led until Edwards scored five straight points to give the Grizzlies a 50-49 lead with 1:09 to go.

5 Sun Devil tracksters capture titles at Invitational



Ari Rodriguez came less than a second away from an NCAA qualifying mark in the 3000 meters at Saturday's Baldy Castillo Invitational. He won the event and took second in the 1500 at Friday night's Distance Carnival in a time of 3:48.03.

By DOUG FLANAGAN
STATE PRESS

Louisiana State University, along with less-than-favorable weather conditions, dominated the Baldy Castillo Invitational at Sun Angel Stadium on Saturday. But ASU, led by its developing distance program, continued tradition by boasting several individual champions.

Matt Repak captured the first of ASU's five titles at Friday night's Distance Carnival. He won the 5000 meter race in a time of 14-minutes, 14.99 seconds. Saturday, distance runners Brandon Strong (1500) and Ari Rodriguez (3000) won their events.

Rounding out the Sun Devils' champions were Mika Laiho, who had a hammer throw of 227-feet, 2-inches, and Joronda White, who won the 400 in a time of 53.34.

The distance and some field events were held on Friday night, and the sprinting events were held Saturday. As a result, ASU senior javelin thrower Jared Schrieber had the opportunity to witness his long distance teammates up close, and he said he liked what he saw.

"I'm impressed with our distance runners," Schrieber said. "I'm amazed at how far our distance program has come in the last two years under coach (Walt) Drenth."

"All of our individual champions were outstanding for us," ASU head coach Greg Kraft said. "Brandon Strong beat out seven All-Americans — that's really impressive. Ari showed courage with a bold, decisive move on the final lap."

"For Joronda to run that type of time in that type of weather was (also) impressive, (as was) Mika dominating the hammer throw."

Wind swept through Sun Angel Stadium on Saturday for the majority of the events, altering several marks. But according to Kraft, it could have been worse.

"We dodged a bullet Friday evening. The

conditions were ideal for the distance carnival," he said. "But it was disheartening that the weather was so bad on Saturday. We had teams come from all over the country ready to run, so that was disappointing. But on the plus side, the win was favorable for the dash events."

"The weather was great on Friday for the distance runners, and they really came through," javelin thrower Jared Schrieber said. "(But on Saturday,) people were warming up, feeling good, and when it started to rain, it effected them mentally," Schrieber said.

Kraft said he was impressed with LSU's sprinting core, which was the main contributor in the Tigers' 10 first-place finishes. LSU's Chris Cummings ran a wind-aided 10.04 time in the 100, three-hundredths of a second off the ASU track record. The Tigers' Kwajalein Butler also posted an NCAA automatic qualifying time in the women's 100 with a winning time of 11.27.

"The level of competition in some events was unbelievable — as good as it gets," Schrieber said.

Since this wasn't a scored meet, Kraft was looking to see how his team, ravaged by NCAA probation, matches up with the nation's elite.

"We wanted to see how we stacked up against other people," he said. "We had a tremendous night Friday night."

Other high placers for ASU on Friday were Rodriguez, second in the 1500 with a time of 3:48.03; Shannon Houseman, second in the 1500 with a time of 17:47.7; Charity Amama, second in the javelin with a throw of 146-.05; Schrieber, second in the javelin with a throw of 210-.05; and Erika Johnson, fifth in the triple jump with a leap of 37-.07.

"(This meet) was our first chance to see where we're at nationwide," Schrieber said. "And to come through under pressure, and that was the biggest thing."

Sun Devils salvage 7-6 win over UW

By LORI HARO
STATE PRESS

For the ASU baseball team Sunday's game over Washington may have caused cases of déjà vu after Saturday's 7-6 loss.

But this time the Sun Devils emerged victorious to win 7-6 over the Huskies and came home with one win in the three-game series.

Richy Leon (2-0) got the win for ASU going 7 1/3 innings allowing five runs on eight hits with only two walks and seven strikeouts, while Chuck Crumpton snagged his fourth save of the year. ASU improves to 21-14 on the year, while Washington stands at 16-7.

Jeff Carlsen (4-1) got his first loss by giving up seven runs on six hits with five walks and five strikeouts.

Leon started the first inning off with two walks and let the Huskies score a run in the second before settling down and retiring 13 batters in a row before giving up a single to designated hitter Bryan Williamson in the seventh.

ASU head coach Pat Murphy was pleased with the team's ability to shrug off a disappointing loss and come back ready to win.

"After giving up a game-winning home run yesterday it's been great for us all year to come back in and get the save today. I'm really proud of them, it just tells you something about our ball club," Murphy said. "We played in real adverse conditions up here and I don't need to mention all of the adversities, not only the weather, but other adversities, but to play here against a good ball club the way we did today after such a disappointing loss it just bodes well."

The adversities that Murphy didn't mention were probably qualms about the umpiring staff. However the discrepancies were not one-sided, Washington wasn't pleased with all of the umpires decisions as well.

There was no question however about what Murphy thought of Leon's pitching performance.

"Richy was outstanding. This was his best game, the line score doesn't show it, but this was his best game there is no question about it," Murphy said.

The Sun Devils started the scoring off in the first inning after third baseman Andrew Beinbrink's sacrifice fly scored second baseman Willie Bloomquist who had

reached base on a lead off walk.

Washington evened the score in the second when catcher Ryan Bundy's single to right would score Williamson, who had led the inning off with a double to left.

The Sun Devils would come up with another run in the third inning when Bloomquist hit his second home run of the game, which was also his second of the season. From there on the Sun Devils would continue to score up until the seventh.

In the fourth, ASU got two runs off of a two-run homer by shortstop Michael Collins. The home run was Collins' second of the season. In the fifth, left fielder Dustin Delucchi scored after reaching on a walk, advancing to second on a wild pitch and scoring on Beinbrink's single up the middle.

The Sun Devils would finish their scoring in the sixth when Collins doubled in first baseman Jeff Phelps, who had reached on a walk. Collins stole third and scored after Bundy's throw to third went into the outfield.

Collins was 2-for-4 on the day with two runs scored and three RBI. Beinbrink was 1-for-4 with two RBI. Bloomquist was also 1-for-4 with one RBI.

In the later innings the Huskies would make a run to take the lead, helped by the home run ball. In the seventh, left fielder Kyle Woods hit two-run homer to right also scoring right fielder Jimmy Na who had reached on a fielder's choice.

In the eighth inning, shortstop Kevin Miller hit a home run over the left field wall. Third baseman Ryan Lentz doubled to right and scored on a single by first baseman Ed Erickson.

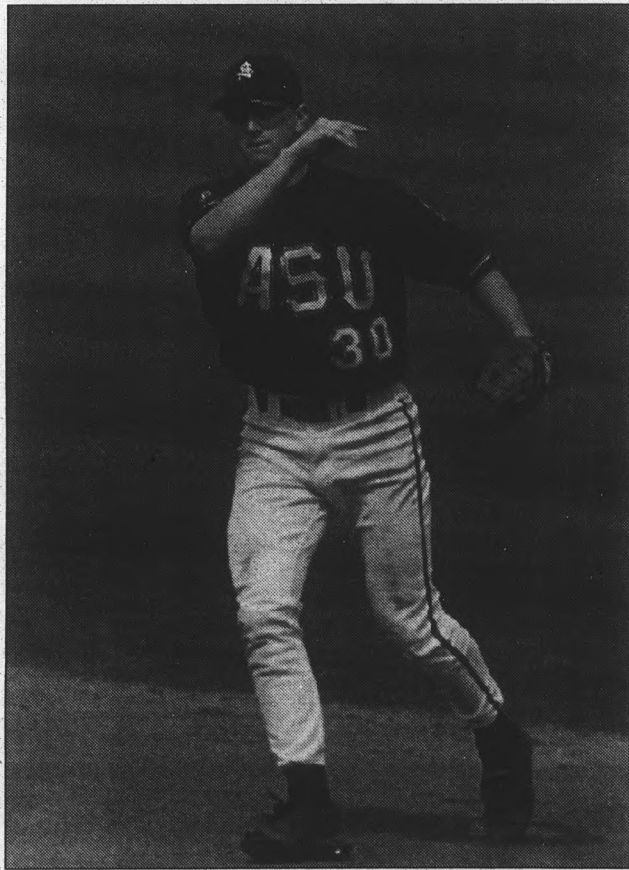
Woods hit his second home run of the day in the ninth, this time taking it the other way, over the left field wall.

The Sun Devils seemed to be plagued by home runs all weekend. Washington hit a total of nine homers off of Sun Devil pitchers on the weekend.

ASU was most affected by the long ball however in Saturday's game. Going into the eighth inning and up by four runs, Crumpton gave up back-to-back home runs by Lentz and Erickson. Then in the ninth Lentz hit a three-run shot to win the game.

Crumpton made up for the loss however by retiring the last two batters of Sunday's game, contributing to the win.

"It was a really a crucial, crucial thing to bring Chuck back in there and get him out of here feeling good about



Jeremy Hein/State Press

Willie Bloomquist made himself right at home this weekend at Husky Ballpark. The Washington native went 3-for-9 in the series with his first two home runs of the season, three RBI and two stolen bases. ASU avoided being swept by UW with a 7-6 win on Sunday.

himself," Murphy said.

In Saturday's game starter Ryan Mills had gone seven innings allowing only two runs on six hits with one walk and 10 strikeouts. Designated hitter Casey Myers went 3-for-4 with one RBI. Leon went 3-for-5 with two RBI.

ASU also dropped Friday night's game to Washington 8-6. Lefty Phill Lowery gave up seven runs on seven hits with three walks and five strikeouts in five innings. Myers went 2-for-4 with three RBI, including his second home run of the year. Husky Kevin Miller was 3-for-3 with three RBI and two home runs.

Tennessee wins record third straight NCAA title



Tennessee's Kellie Jolly, right, reaches around Louisiana Tech's Tamicha Jackson (35), sister of ASU cornerback Courtney, during the championship game of the Women's Final Four at Kemper Arena in Kansas City, Mo., Sunday.

Amy Sancetta/Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Tennessee capped the perfect season by playing the nearly perfect game.

In a masterful, dominating display of running, shooting, passing and rebounding, Tennessee overwhelmed Louisiana Tech 93-75 Sunday night to win a record third straight NCAA title.

The Lady Vols' 45th straight victory dating back to last season produced their sixth title, all in the last 12 years, and they finished 39-0 — the most victories ever for a women's team in NCAA play.

The dominating performance added further backing to the claim that this Tennessee team might be the best of all time — and there's not likely to be any letup next season. Coach Pat Summitt's team has only one senior.

Louisiana Tech (31-4) also brought a rich tradition to the championship game, as well as a quick, talented starting five that looked to be good enough to challenge the Lady Vols.

Not on this night, though, not on a night when Tennessee was at the top of its game.

Chamique Holdsclaw pulled up for jump shots, drove to the basket, passed off to teammates for easy buckets when she was double teamed and did pretty much what she wanted in scoring 25 points.

Freshmen Tamika Catchings and Semeka Randall keyed the Lady Vols' smothering defense that forced the shorter Lady Techsters to take tough shots and rarely gave them a second try.

Catchings scored 27 points, mostly by slashing to the basket or getting offensive rebounds. Randall flew down the court time and time again on Tennessee's devastating fastbreak and finished with 10 points.

And when Louisiana Tech was completely occupied with the three "Meeks," Kellie Jolly would hit a wide open

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NCAA handouts for student-athletes not worth gamble

Pay college athletes.

It sounds oh so nice and simple. Pay the athlete so

they won't stray from the rules. Pay the athlete so they will stay in school. Pay the athlete because it is hard to be a student/athlete.

This line of reasoning comes into public conscious each time bad news surrounds the NCAA and its athletes.

This week it is the gambling scandal at Northwestern University.

Everywhere I look, from local bars to ESPN to USA Today, people are calling for the paying of student athletes as some sort of fix-all for collegiate sports.

Pure bunk, I say.

Giving an athlete a little bit of pocket change really won't stop a thing.

Yes, maybe athletes do deserve a piece of the pie that they are baking, but saying that a little money will stop the fixes is like feeding

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Sports Columnist

an elephant a peanut and thinking it's full.

Do you honestly think that paying — even a whole jar of peanut butter — a fringe college basketball player, who realistically has no shot at the millions in the NBA/WNBA, is going to keep him/her from throwing a basketball game or two?

The temptation would be and has been, way too tasty.

Northwestern basketball player Kenneth Dion Lee, one of four charged with conspiracy to commit sports bribery for incidents during the 1995 season, put it simply in a recent Sports Illustrated's series on college gambling.

While saying people knew he wouldn't throw a game, he still said: "But it's easy to miss a free throw or have a ball stolen. Look at a college kid. If someone says 'I'll give you \$2,000 if you keep a score down'... College is the poorest four years of your life."

Is that \$100-\$200 stipend a month really going to make an athlete say no to a college-aged bookie dangling 10 grand in their face?

Not if he's in trouble all ready.

Think about it, Stevin "Hedake" Smith was already sinking fast with a bookie before he and Isaac Burton decided to end Bill Frieder's coaching career here at ASU with their intentional brick laying.

Lee had a gambling habit and was threatened by a bookie for his debts. Add to that the fact that he was coming back from a suspension for betting on non-Northwestern football games.

The solution lies within those examples — coaches, fellow players and administrators need to watch for the player in trouble, and help him or her before it gets out of hand.

Impossible the NCAA will probably say. We already have too few people to monitor the athletes, and we can't be burdened with more responsibility.

Well, NCAA, as your own mandate says — you are there to preserve the best in amateur sports. So start doing what you say you're there for, and that's not making tons of cash.

Drop some of the asinine rules that you

have. For example, last semester, as sports editor at the State Press, I tried to get a student-athlete to write a column for our paper. After giving ASU the paperwork it needed to approve the column, it took over two-and-a-half months for a signed approval.

It makes me wonder just how many hands my letter passed through before it was approved.

Plus, give the athletes some credit. A couple of bad seeds don't spoil the whole crop. Most athletes are in school to get an education. Some aren't. It's their choice, not the NCAA's. If a player wants to waste the four to five years he/she is given at a university, I say let them.

And just think about this — tuition and other expenses at Northwestern are \$31,335 according to the school's Web page. That works out to \$166,675 over a five-year period.

Not too shabby a payment for services rendered, a.k.a., playing basketball.

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ASU men finish 10th at swimming and diving championships

FROM STAFF REPORTS

The 1998 NCAA Men's Swimming and Diving Championships ended Saturday with No. 1 Stanford taking the national crown with a point total of 599.

The Sun Devils finished the three-day meet in 10th place with 143 points. Rounding off the top five were Auburn (394.5), Texas (362.5), Tennessee (233) and USC (220).

Leading the way for the Sun Devils was junior All-American Francisco Sanchez who recorded six top-eight finishes. Sanchez took eighth place in the 50-yard freestyle (19.83 seconds) and the 100 freestyle (47.05) events. Sanchez also finished in 14th place in the 100 butterfly (47.67).

The other bright spot for ASU was the performance of its relay squads. The Sun Devils finished in the top seven spots in four of the five relay events. The 400 relay team of sophomore Pablo Abal, freshman Scott Von Schoff, senior Craig Hutchison and Sanchez finished in third place (2:54.03) behind eventual champion Stanford (2:53.08). The same relay squad finished fifth in the 200 freestyle relay (1:18.63).

The 200 medley relay team (Abal, Guzauskas, Diaz de Leon and Sanchez) finished in seventh place (1:28.19) as did the 800 freestyle relay squad of Von Schoff, Sanchez, Hutchison and sophomore Greg Plank (6:29.43). ASU's 400 medley relay team finished in 12th place (3:15.54).

The No. 10 Sun Devils finish the season with an overall record of 6-4, while going 1-3 in the Pac-10.

SOFTBALL SPLITS SERIES

The seventh-ranked ASU softball team (26-8) split a pair of games on Sunday against No. 22 Oregon in Eugene, losing the first 13-2 and winning the second 5-3.

In the first game, Oregon jumped out early with three runs in the first, but ASU came back to post two in the second. However, that was all the Sun Devils could manage off Duck pitcher Jennie Cook, who allowed just four hits and struck out one.

Carrie Breedlove (10-6) took the loss for ASU, going three innings,

allowing six hits and eight runs. Kathy Ponce pitched the fourth and allowed five runs and five hits.

Ponce led ASU at the plate, going 2 for 3.

In the second game, ASU scored twice in the second and third innings as Devyn Braga went two for four with a double, two RBI and a run scored. The Ducks would bring across three runs in the fifth to cut ASU's lead to 4-3, but the following inning, Christine Gill launched her fourth home run over the left field wall to ensure the win for the Sun Devils.

Gill went one for three with an RBI and two runs scored, and Lesley-Ann Murphy had a pair of hits.

Roxanne Tsosie (16-2) went the distance, allowing three runs on seven hits while striking out four. Tsosie, the current Pac-10 Pitcher of the Week, has now won 15 of her last 16 starts. Additionally, she has now tied her career high for wins and has already surpassed her total from last season.

The Sun Devils opened up conference play on Saturday by splitting a pair of games against 18th-ranked Oregon State, losing the first 2-0 and winning the second 1-0 in eight innings.

Both games were pitchers' duels. The Sun Devils managed just five hits in the first game off of reigning Pac-10 Player of the Week Tarrah Beyster (14-5). Breedlove suffered the loss, allowing only four hits while striking out six Beavers.

Breedlove had a one-hitter into the sixth inning before giving up three singles and two earned runs.

Ponce again went 2-3 to lead the Devil's offense.

In the second game, the Sun Devils scored the lone run in the eighth inning when Holly Smith nailed a two-out single that plated Gill to give ASU the split. Six different Sun Devils chipped in with hits to earn Tsosie the win. She went all eight innings, limiting OSU to two hits while striking out six.

This win marked Tsosie's 50th complete game as a Sun Devil and her fifth shutout of the year.

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Sun Devil Club Sports

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The ASU men's gymnastics team survived a scare Saturday night against the Washington Huskies in Seattle.

Competing in their final dual meet of the season, the Sun Devils defeated the Huskies 208.4-205.35, but the victory was far from pretty. ASU went to the meet with only five all-arounders, and halfway through the competition, UW came within one tenth of a point from overtaking ASU. However, the Sun Devils finished strong in their last event, the parallel bars, to come away with the victory.

ASU hosted UW earlier this season, and won by the count of 210-193.7

"This meet was an eye-opener for the guys," ASU head coach Scott Barclay said. "We came in and thought we would have an easier time, but Washington has improved."

Randy Sooter once again led the Sun Devils, posting an all-around score of 53.15, good enough for second

place. Bryan Rowe finished in fourth, a half of a point away from third, with a score of 52.45.

"I was particularly happy with Bryan Rowe," Barclay said. "(He) posted his career best all-around score, put it all together, and had a great meet."

Co-captains Jon Portillo and Peter Wieging finished in sixth and seventh place, respectively, with scores of 51.7 and 51.05. Dave Bender put up a score of 44.95.

Barclay said that the overall team effort was what held them together.

"Since we only had five men on each event, the pressure was on to hit their routines. We had some rough spots in places."

In two weeks, ASU will travel to its fifth consecutive USA Collegiate National Championships in New Haven, Conn. The Sun Devils won the team title in 1994. According to Rowe, basic fundamental execution will be a key in determining ASU's final national ranking.

"We are currently ranked number one going into nationals," he said. "(But) we still have to hit as a team. We don't hit, we don't have a shot at the title again.

That's our whole desire—to bring home that trophy again. It would be awesome. We really want it this year."

Barclay believes that the closeness of the UW meet will help his squad's mental approach as they prepare for the national meet.

"This meet was just what we needed as we head into nationals," he said. "Now the guys are a lot more focused."

MEN'S SOCCER
The ASU men's soccer club team is getting ready to head into competitive action next year by recruiting potential team members.

On Wednesday and Thursday, a booth will be set up in front of the Memorial Union with club representatives handing out informative flyers. In addition, the team has set up a web page (<http://www.public.asu.edu/~jpearcy>) that contains information on the team.

Finally, there will be four-on-four round robin tournaments each Wednesday beginning on April 8. The cost is \$5 per person. The purpose of the tournament is to raise money for the team and to evaluate the level of play. The games will be held at the Band Field and will start at 8 a.m.

UNC, Utah basketball teams deny accusations

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The Utes and the Tar Heels denied accusations Sunday that an on-court argument between two players during their NCAA tournament semifinal game included spitting and the use of a racial slur.

Utah's Britton Johnsen was accused of calling North Carolina's Makhtar Ndiaye a "nigger" and Ndiaye was accused of spitting on Johnsen. Both sides denied the claims but agreed there had been a nasty argument during the Utes' 65-59 upset victory that put them in the championship game.

Utah coach Rick Majerus was so sure Johnsen didn't use the slur he said he would resign if it turned out to be true.

"I stand by this boy's statement 100 percent," Majerus said.

Johnsen said that during the game Ndiaye "slapped me across the face and told me he was going to kick my (expletive deleted)."

"The only words that came out of my mouth were I told him I'm 100 pounds lighter than you and I'm kicking your butt," Johnsen said. "Then he spit on me.

"I never called him the N-word. It's a

joke that this is even happening. This is like blocking some of our success and happiness. This shouldn't even be an issue."

Johnsen said the tape of the game would back him up.

After the game Ndiaye said: "I don't have anything to say about spitting on him. Why don't you ask him about what he said to me? He has no right to use the 'N-word.' He used it more than once. He said it to me the whole game."

Ndiaye wasn't available for comment Sunday, but coach Bill Guthridge said his player denied spitting on Johnsen.

"My guess was that it was just a heated exchange," Guthridge said.

Ndiaye contended earlier in the season that Maryland fans yelled a racial slur at him. Maryland officials denied the claims.

Utah guard Andre Miller, who is black, said, "I don't think Britton would ever say anything like that. We know words were exchanged, but he wouldn't say that."

Majerus said if it came down to it: "I'll fly Johnsen there (North Carolina) and let him take a lie detector test. He never called anybody 'nigger' in his life."

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3-pointer. Jolly scored 20, including four 3-pointers.

Tennessee ended up with championship game records for points and points in a half (55).

"We wanted to win a championship for this team — forget about the history," Holdsclaw said.

Holdsclaw, named the most outstanding player in the Final Four, is now 7-for-7 in championships — four state titles at Christ the King High School in New York and three NCAA crowns at Tennessee.

All of Tennessee's titles have come under Summitt, who has more NCAA basketball championships than any Division I coach, men's or women's, except UCLA's John Wooden. Wooden won 10 championships.

Tennessee is the third unbeaten NCAA champion in Division I women's play, following Connecticut (35-0) in 1995 and Texas (34-0) in 1986. Connecticut's 35 victories had been the previous high, a figure that also has been reached by Tennessee (1989), Louisiana Tech (1982) and Texas (1982).

Tamicha Jackson led Louisiana Tech with 26 points, Alisa Burras scored 19 and Monica Maxwell 15. But for the longest time, Jackson was the only consistent threat for the Lady Techsters, who were as quick as Tennessee but not nearly as big. Tennessee won the rebounding battle, 49-34.

Louisiana Tech was in the game only in the first couple of minutes.

Burras got three baskets inside in the opening 2:10 and Tech trailed just 8-6.

Summitt then replaced her center, LaShonda Stephens, with freshman Teresa Geter. Burras went the next 13 1/2 minutes without scoring and Tennessee took off with a lot of dash and plenty of flash, too.

First it was an 11-0 run that featured three baskets by Holdsclaw and a Jolly 3-pointer. That made it 19-6. Then was an 8-2 burst capped by a Kristen Clement-to-Jolly-to Holdsclaw break that took the lead to 27-10.

Randall's spinning layup made it 40-17 and Catchings followed with a layup for a 42-17 lead. Randall got fouled and missed the shot after a behind-the-back pass from Jolly late in the half and sank one of the two free throws to put the lead to 51-27. It was 55-32 at the half.

Tech coach Leon Barmore rarely left his seat in the first half, evidently thinking that no amount of clapping, cajoling and encouragement would work against the Lady Vols. But he must have said the right thing at halftime because the Lady Techsters scored the first seven points of the second half, drawing to 55-39 and finally giving them fans something to cheer.

But Tennessee came back with 10 straight. Jolly capped the run with a layup, and just like that, it was 65-39.

Louisiana Tech threatened twice more, and Tennessee answered both times.

The Lady Techsters cut the lead to 72-54 when Melshika Bowman worked inside for a bucket with 11:37 left. Jolly responded with back-to-back 3s and Holdsclaw sank a free throw to put the lead back to 25.

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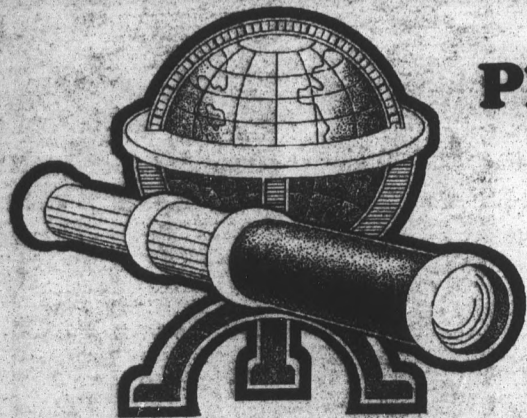
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High-rise residents watch from windows as cab driver is killed

By MARTHA BELLISLE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER — People watched from the safety of their high-rise apartments before dawn Sunday as four men beat a taxi driver to death and dumped his body in the trunk of the cab, investigators said.

"Eyewitnesses saw him being beaten and dragged by his feet and thrown in the trunk, but no one called 911," said Detective Virginia Lopez. "It's disgusting."

The apartment manager said the unidentified victim may have been killed over a parking space.

"We've received loud music complaints from that area. People will call the police to complain about loud music, but not to report a murder," Lopez said.

Police arrested one person late Sunday on first-degree murder charges, but Lopez declined to identify the man because of the ongoing investigation.

The driver, Mostapha Maarouf, 27, was working in Denver to send money back to his family in Youssofia, Morocco, where he planned to return in July to get married, his friends said.

Police were summoned to the area when the victim's friend called police from a nearby convenience store and said the two were being robbed and beaten by four men. Officers then

searched near the apartments for the driver while neighbors watched from their windows, Lopez said.

"They didn't tell police the body was in the trunk," Lopez said.

Only when police went door-to-door did residents start talking — nearly an hour later, Lopez said. The man might have lived if police had found him earlier, she said.

The victim often visited friends at the building and was there early Sunday while he was off duty. Several suspects and witnesses were being questioned, including a resident of the Spartan Apartments who apparently was upset that the taxi driver had parked in his space.

"I think he just got mad," apartment manager John Contreras said. "I think they were fighting over a parking space."

Contreras' wife said residents may have been afraid to report the crime because other tenants are involved with gang members.

"They're scared of getting involved with the police because it might get them in trouble," said Nancy Lewis.

Jerry Zigler, general manager of Yellow Cab, said there is no excuse for what happened to his employee, who was off duty at the time of the slaying.

"It's very upsetting that someone would witness somebody being killed and not call the police," Zigler said.

11-year-old says schoolmate was "trouble"

JONESBORO, Ark. (AP) — The 11-year-old girl allegedly targeted by schoolmate Mitchell Johnson in last week's deadly school shooting says she was his girlfriend for three days, then dropped him because he was trouble.

Candace Porter said Mitchell often talked about beating up other boys, so she thought little of it when she heard he was saying "something big might happen." The *Jonesboro Sun* reported Sunday.

Police say Mitchell and another boy opened fire on students and teachers as they filed out of Westside Middle School in response to a fire alarm the boys set

off Tuesday. Four students and a teacher were killed. Candace was among 10 people hospitalized with injuries.

Police arrested Mitchell, 13, and Drew Golden, 11, and both are being held on charges of murder and battery.

Candace, a sixth-grade honor roll student, said she knew little about Mitchell when she agreed to be his girlfriend about a month ago and that she did not feel responsible for his actions.

"I thought he was nice, and then I found out he was trouble," she said. "He was always talking about fighting other people. He'd say he was going to beat them up the next day. He called one of

our music teachers a bad name that I can't say."

After the shootings, Kara Tate, one of Candace's classmates, said Mitchell had previously threatened to shoot Candace because she had broken up with him.

Brushing strands of long brown hair away from her freckled face, Candace talked calmly about the shootings.

"We were going outside, and we heard these shots," she said. "We thought it may have been a test to see how we'd react to such a thing. After we heard the shots, we knew it wasn't a test because there was people falling to the ground and stuff."

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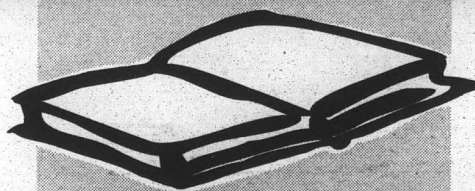
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