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ABOR approves regents' pay raises

By JAYSON PETERS
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Over the next four years, employees of all three ASU campuses will receive more than \$58 million in pay raises.

The Arizona Board of Regents voted unanimously Friday to ask the state for \$129 million to keep university salaries competitive. The vote also included a proposed salary increase of \$247,700 for the regents and ABOR employees.

The vote completes the biennial budget approved by ABOR in September, at which time a legislative committee had not yet made a recommendation on the issue of competitive salaries.

The figure will now be submitted for approval by the state Legislature, which is out of session until January.

The plan would spread the increase out evenly each year between 2001-2003, but concentrate the increase mostly in 2000. ABOR President Judy Gignac said this was necessary to bring university salaries to a level that is competitive with the rest of the nation.

ABOR believes 2003 is the earliest university salaries in Arizona can rival those in other states.

"We lose credibility by proposing that the entire gap be closed in one year," said UofA President Peter Likins.

Thursday, ABOR voted to increase resident tuition by \$100 and nonresident tuition by \$300 starting next fall. This brings ASU tuition to \$2,259 for in-state students and \$9,411 for out-of-state students.

ABOR also approved a renovation of the Technology Center Building on the Main campus and the establishment of an interagency service agreement with the state Department of Health Services. Under the DHS agreement, the University will accept more than \$1 million from the tobacco tax to support prevention, education and information services regarding the use of tobacco. In addition, ABOR delegated its authority to the universities to confer emeritus status upon retired faculty and approve multiple-year lecturer and senior lecturer appointments.

Also, ASU West received authorization to work with

Proposed ASU salary budget increases

	Main	West	East
total July 1998 base salary	\$250,145,000	\$ 26,614,900	\$ 8,110,700
total salary increase	\$ 51,221,400	\$ 5,367,000	\$ 1,536,300
percentage increase	20.5%	20.2%	18.9%
proposed new salary	\$301,366,400	\$ 27,151,600	\$ 9,647,000

Source: Arizona Board of Regents

Phoenix to develop a recreational park on the southwest corner of the satellite campus. The park, for which the city will be permanently liable, will be open to the public as

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Mike Curran of the State Press

Paralympic glory revisited

Matt King and Steve Schmidt, paralympic tandem cycling athletes, chat with students from the Eyecycle club in the Matthews Center on Friday morning. The Eyecycle club is for blind students who ride tandem cycles and is currently looking for sighted riders. For information on how you can get involved, contact Susan Williams at 965-3691.

'Mysterious' Sufi image unveiled at symposium

By GANGA SUBRAMANIAN
STATE PRESS

Can you rely on others to eat and breathe for you? Of course not.

Similarly, Sufism says one cannot rely on others to discover the "truth" or provide religion — they are individual processes.

The principles of Sufism, academic discussions and Sufi chanting were part of the Sufi Symposium held Saturday at ASU.

"We want to try and unveil the mysterious image associated with Sufism," said Reza Salmassian, president of the Sufi Society at ASU and microbiology senior.

Sufism has been defined by its followers as a state in which each individual, regardless of religion, race, gender, geographical location and society, will realize his or her most spiritual state and true human values.

The symposium was presented by the ASU Sufi Society and M.T.O. Shahmaghsoudi, an international School of Islamic Sufism. The school is 1,400 years old and has centers around the globe to serve more than 400,000 students.

Speakers at the ASU symposium focused on various aspects of the faith.

Meditation, which is an integral part of the practice of Sufism, heals mentally and physically, said Dr. Hooman Sedighi, medical director at the

Healthsouth Dallas Rehabilitation Institute in Texas.

"The practice of medicine is changing and moving more towards the treatment of the whole individual and not just the disease itself," he said.

"There is a pill for every ill, but sometimes the side effects are worse than the condition itself," Sedighi said.

However, he said alternatives to modern medicine, like meditation, herbal medicine and acupuncture have been called "pseudo sciences." But sometimes they may supersede what modern medicine has to offer, he added.

Richard Haag, a psychology professor at Shenandoah University in Virginia, said none of the current techniques of analyzing personality developed by psychologists is sound from a Sufi standpoint. For example, the Sufi concept of the human personality is very straightforward. "Personality is the soul," he said.

Sufism says there is a permanent stability in the human being and knowing this is the whole point of the existence of mankind, he added.

Haag said most human beings don't realize the value of the riches they possess.

"That requires a cognition that goes beyond the senses," he explained. That state of cognition is the purpose of Sufism, he added.

Center preaches precaution for scorpion stings

By KIM PRENDERGAST
STATE PRESS

Megan Price had an experience she will never forget.

The ASU business sophomore, who lives at the base of the Ahwatukee foothills in Tempe, saw a scorpion — in her bed.

"I was getting into bed and when I flipped the bedspread up a scorpion flew out of it and landed on floor," she said. "It was about two inches long and I drowned him in Raid."

She said she often sees baby scorpions on her patio that are no bigger than an ant. When she called the Arizona Poison Information Center (APIC), officials told her keep her bed two inches off the wall and not to have a bedskirt

since the arachnids like to crawl into cool, dark places.

APIC is open 24 hours a day and officials recommend calling the Center if there's any reason to believe that someone was stung by a scorpion.

Valley residents make the most calls about scorpion stings in the nation, said Kathline Waszoleck, manager of the APIC.

"The reason the Valley receives more calls on stings is because there are more scorpions here than anywhere else in the nation," she said. "We definitely receive the most calls about scorpion stings than any other bite or sting."

APIC received almost 7,000 calls from scorpion victims in 1997 — none of which were fatal.

"We haven't had a fatal scorpion sting in years and years," said Mary Ann, a registered nurse who works for APIC. "There have only been two documented cases of fatal scorpion stings."

Waszoleck said scorpions can be found any place that's near the desert or construction.

In particular, residents of Ahwatukee and Guadalupe have made the most calls to the APIC, Waszoleck said.

Although Arizona is home to more than 30 species of scorpions, only one is venomous. And it is the one the Valley has the most of — the Bark scorpion. Its venom is a neurotoxin

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Today for Monday

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.

- **Coalition for Justice & Peace** — The weekly forum on Earth politics and actions will be held in the MU second floor at noon. Check monitors for room location.
- **Counselor Training Center** — Trained Master's and Doctoral students offer free counseling for full-time students, faculty and staff from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 965-5067 to schedule an appointment.
- **Golden Key National Honor Society** — A meeting will be held in the McClintock Hall study lounge at 3 p.m. Pizza will be served.
- **Kundalini Yoga Club** — A meeting will be held in the MU room 224 at 7 p.m.
- **Marriage and Family Therapy Clinic** — Individual, couple and family therapy is available for students, faculty and staff in the Cowden Family Resources Building Room 140. Call 965-9373 for more information.
- **University Toastmasters** — A meeting will be held in the MU Chrysocolla room at 6:45 p.m.

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well as students and children from the child development lab at ASU West.

"There are no parks in northwest Phoenix, so it's a wonderful opportunity for the city," ASU West Provost Elaine Maimon said.

The park would also present convenient internship opportunities for students in recreation and tourism, she said.

"(The park) creates a symbol of ASU West's partnership

with the community, and makes the best possible use of the land on our campus," Maimon said.

ASU West is located on Thunderbird Road between 51st and 43rd avenues, just one intersection away from Glendale city limits.

Maimon said when ASU West approached Glendale for partnership, the city declined. "We're sure the children of Glendale will like it, (and) that's just fine," she said.

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and its sting feels like stepping on a burning cigarette.

The Bark scorpion, which is brown and measures between one and one-half inches, lives in wood piles, palm trees and any cool, dark place.

Scorpion stings are classified into

four grades. Anti-venom is only recommended for grade-four stings — the highest level. Children are usually the only ones whose stings are classified as grade four.

"Seizure-like muscle twitching, rapid eye movement and vomiting are

symptoms of grade four stings," Waszoleck said. "It is usually only kids who experience these symptoms and a lot of kids have to get anti-venom."

ASU makes scorpion anti-venom out of goat blood. The goats are housed in an on-campus lab.

Weird world news

Bob Marley theme park to open

KINGSTON, Jamaica (AP) — A theme park showcasing the life and work of reggae legend Bob Marley will open February in Florida, the singer's widow said Sunday.

Rita Marley said the Universal Studios project in Orlando, Fla., will open Feb. 6, Marley's birthday.

The park is modeled on Marley's former Kingston home, now a museum that attracts thousands of visitors.

"It's beautiful, the exact replica of the Bob Marley Museum," Mrs. Marley said of the new theme park.

Marley helped introduced reggae to the world in the late 1960, bringing international recognition for Jamaica. He died of cancer in 1981 at age 36.

Unabomber's brother plans to sell his story to pay legal fees

SCHENECTADY, N.Y. (AP) — Unabomber Theodore Kaczynski's brother plans to sell the book and movie rights

of his struggle to turn his brother over to authorities.

David Kaczynski, a social worker from Schenectady, told *The Daily Gazette* of Schenectady that he and his wife need to sell the rights to pay hundreds of thousands of dollars in legal fees.

The couple had been planning to use a \$1 million reward they received from the FBI this year to pay their legal fees, with the rest going to the families of the Unabomber's victims.

But legislation that would have allowed Kaczynski to not pay taxes on the reward fell through in Congress last month, meaning he'll likely have to give a third to the Internal Revenue Service next year.

Since that leaves little to give to the victims' families, Kaczynski decided to sell the rights to his story to help pay the legal bills.

Theodore Kaczynski confessed in January to being the elusive Unabomber, who killed three people and injured 23 others between 1978 and 1995 with bombs. He was sentenced to life in prison without parole.

Memorial Union Activities

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Look what's going on this week!

- MONDAY: • Poetry reading in the Union Gallery at 7pm
- TUESDAY: • Gallery reception for "Self-Indulgent Fools: The Show" from 5 to 8 pm in the Union Gallery
- Recreation Committee meeting at 2:30 pm on the 3rd floor of the MU
- Gallery Committee Meeting at 3:40 on the 3rd floor of the MU
- WEDNESDAY: • College Bowl Committee Meeting at 3pm on the 3rd floor of the MU

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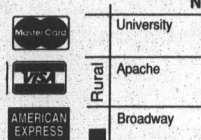
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Iraqi official to U.N.: No new documents exist

By EILEEN ALT POWELL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq's foreign minister on Sunday accused U.N. arms inspectors of "a savage campaign ... of disinformation" in their quest for more documents about the country's banned weapons.

The minister, Mohammed Saeed al-Sahhaf, said Iraq has already handed over millions of papers to monitors and claimed that no more files exist.

"Anything relevant to the work of disarmament, we had already handed over," he said, adding that Iraq has given 2,188,020 pages of documents to U.N. Special Commission and International Atomic Energy Agency monitors since weapons inspections began in 1991.

Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz said some documents in question are long lost and accused chief weapons inspector Richard Butler of trying to create a pretext to continue sanctions or allow the United States and Britain to attack.

Aziz told reporters that "Butler has asked for a series of alleged documents ... that do not exist."

"It is quite provocative if you want to dig in the whole archives of the government of Iraq, which might take decades," he said.

National Security Council spokesman David Leavy said the Iraqi comments were "insufficient" and called for Iraqi cooperation.

"If we conclude Iraq does not intend to live up to its commitments and UNSCOM can't do its job, we remain prepared" to carry out the military attack President Clinton canceled last week, he said in a telephone interview from South Korea, where the president is concluding his trip to Asia.

The documents have emerged as a new flashpoint in the dispute between Iraq and the United Nations since Baghdad reversed its ban on weapons inspections and allowed monitors to return last week.

The decision averted military action, but forces remain in the Persian Gulf.



Yousef Allan of the Associated Press

Pro-Iraqi protester holds anti-U.S. and U.K. banners at a sit-in in front of the U.S. embassy in Amman Sunday. About 50 mostly female protesters chanted anti-U.S. slogans and called for the lifting of sanctions imposed on Iraq since 1990.

Clinton mixes with troops, makes point to North Korea

By ROBERT BURNS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

OSAN AIR BASE, South Korea — From muddy tanks and troops at an Army outpost to an Air Force U-2 spy plane hangar, President

Clinton tried to spotlight American military might Sunday across the Demilitarized Zone from a still-hostile North Korea.

"North Korea must maintain its freeze on — and move ahead to dismantle — its

nuclear weapons program," Clinton declared to hundreds of troops and their families huddled in sub-freezing cold outside a hangar that houses U-2s of the "Black Cat" 5th Reconnaissance Squadron.

Later the president was flying to Guam, the Pacific island U.S. territory that hosts Andersen Air Force Base, a staging base for American warplanes that would be used in a war in Asia. From Guam, Clinton was returning to Washington on Monday after a five-day Asia tour.

Clinton's Guam itinerary included a visit to the War in the Pacific National Park on Asan Bay. At the end of World War II, the U.S. government had control of more than 65 percent of the island's 212 square miles, and now has about 33 percent, including the sprawling Andersen Air Force Base and several Navy posts. It is under local pressure to give up even more. About 6,900 U.S. military men and women are stationed on Guam.

At Osan on Sunday, Clinton demanded that North Korea — whose forces have been arrayed against U.S. and South Korean troops along the Demilitarized Zone for more than four decades — also stop developing and exporting chemical weapons and ballistic missiles.

"Until it fully commits itself to a constructive role on this peninsula," Clinton

said, "we must remain ready. And thanks to you, we will," he told the troops, assembled from the ranks of the 37,000-strong U.S. forces stationed in South Korea.

Clinton used his weekend in South Korea to focus mainly on the security threat to the South from the communist North, whose military is large but limited by an economy that is in shambles. Clinton last visited U.S. troops in South Korea in 1993, shortly after he took office.

Clinton reviewed a row of U.S. and Korean armored vehicles and shared a lunch of Meals-Ready-to-Eat — the packaged, high-caloric food that sustains soldiers in the field — with troops in a heated hut.

Setting a light mood, Clinton announced to a crowd of troops that it was Sgt. Maj. Charles Thomas's 45th birthday, and he led them in singing "Happy Birthday" to Thomas, of Dale City, Va. Thomas said later, "I really appreciate him doing it. It definitely caught me off guard."

The troops crowded around their commander-in-chief, shook hands, posed for pictures with him and followed him with video cameras.

"It's cool," Spc. Terron Dixon, of Charlotte, N.C., said as he watched the president from afar. Coming to the front lines to see the troops "shows a good side of Clinton," he said.



Kim Jae-hwan of the Associated Press

President Bill Clinton laughs as he shakes hands with Command Sgt. Major Charles Thomas from Delcity, Ohio, after celebrating the birthday of the 45-year-old veteran American soldier during his tour to the Korea Training Center in Pochon, near the inter-Korean border Sunday. American and South Korean military soldiers training at the center greeted Clinton, who is on a tour of Asia.

Impeachment could be handled quickly or die early, officials say

By JIM ABRAMS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Rep. Bob Livingston, eager to begin his term as House speaker with a clean slate, said Sunday he thinks the full House would need only a few hours to debate and vote on President Clinton's impeachment.

If the Judiciary Committee reports articles of impeachment to the House, Livingston said, "I wouldn't imagine that it would take a lot of debate."

He told NBC's *Meet the Press* that the House could vote after two or three hours of debate and "be done with it. If we did not have the votes to sustain the charge, that would be it."

Livingston, R-La., becomes speaker when the 106th Congress convenes in January, succeeding Newt Gingrich who stepped down in part to accept blame for the

Republicans' poor showing in the Nov. 3 election. Livingston, while insisting that the constitutional process must be followed, has said he wants the matter dealt with before he takes office.

He said there would be "no hope" of that happening if more evidence of presidential wrongdoing is introduced to the Judiciary Committee. But if the evidence is all in, and the committee decides to refer articles of impeachment to the House, the matter should be ended this year, he said.

A majority vote in the House would send articles of impeachment to the Senate. That body would need a two-thirds vote to remove Clinton from office.

With 15 to 20 House Republicans said to be opposed to impeachment, the issue could die on the House floor. Asked whether impeachment would ever go to the Senate,

Rep. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., a member of the Judiciary Committee, responded Sunday: "Right now, with the political landscape, I would say no."

Graham, who has questioned whether the president's offenses are impeachable, wrote Clinton lawyer David Kendall and asked him Saturday to provide evidence that would exonerate the president. Such information, he said, was crucial to his "making a fair and responsible judgment."

Even if House members decide that Clinton committed impeachable offenses, in the face of strong public opinion against removing the president from office, "Do you push the automatic impeachment button, or do you exercise some discretion and use your judgment as to what should be done?" White House special counsel Greg Craig asked on NBC and CNN's Late Edition.

Editorial

ABOR's decision helps no one but itself

On Thursday, the Arizona Board of Regents shoved a stake into the hearts of students by approving a tuition increase of \$100 for residents and \$300 for nonresidents.

ABOR twisted that stake on Friday by stating that the regents and their employees "needed" a salary increase of \$247,700.

That same day, the stake was driven cleanly through the hearts of students when ASU West received authorization to develop a recreational park on the southwest corner of the satellite campus.

Raising tuition to bring in better instructors and improve the quality of learning at the state's three universities is one thing. But raising tuition to apparently improve the quality of the regents' lives is downright abhorrent.

Aren't these the folks who are supposed to keep the students' interests in mind? And aren't they the same folks who handed ASU football coach Bruce Snyder a hefty new contract?

ABOR has clearly demonstrated that students aren't as important as fattening their own pockets. It's yet another case of the rich getting richer while leaving the poor even worse off.

Where does building a park in northwest Phoenix come into the students' best interests?

This proposed park, and the regents' salary increase, are wasteful, unnecessary expenses.

ASU West Provost Elaine Maimon attempted to justify the park's proposal by saying that northwest Phoenix is lacking a park.

"(The park) creates a symbol of ASU West's partnership with the community and makes the best possible use of the land on our campus," Maimon was quoted as saying in the *State Press*.

The creation of this park, however, is not the best possible use of education funds.

Northwest Phoenix already has several parks. Cave Creek park is one. Sahuaro Ranch Park is another; although that park is technically in Glendale, it's about a three-minute drive away from Phoenix. In any event, it's the city's responsibility to build more parks, not ABOR's or ASU's.

On Friday, ABOR also approved more than \$58 million in pay raises for employees of all three ASU campuses.

That seems to be the only thing ABOR did right this weekend.

Certainly, University employees deserve pay raises. We're grateful to them for all they do. A pay raise has been a long time coming for ASU faculty and classified staff.

We're in no way bitter for their good fortune, but it's in the pockets of our highly paid administration and regents where the budget trims should have been made.

Students have been unfairly shafted by ABOR. Students at all three state universities should protest this misuse of power.

We pleaded our case to the regents regarding the tuition hike. We asked for compromise.

ABOR didn't listen. They didn't care.

They didn't take us seriously, opting instead to hand themselves hefty pay raises and create a park that isn't needed.

In the words of Michael Corleone from *The Godfather*: This we do not forgive.



Hollywood outdoes itself with holiday flicks

Thanksgiving is best known for the traditional holiday dinner on Thursday, followed by a full afternoon of football and the commencement of Christmas shopping the next day.

But Thanksgiving week also trumpets the unofficial arrival of the holiday movie season, from now until Christmas Day. Many movie studios use this season as a centerpiece for their artsy, Oscar-contender types, but crowd-pleasing blockbusters abound as well. And thanks to a comic goofball and a secretive sci-fi genius, this year's holiday film season started early with a bang.

The goofball in question, of course, is Adam Sandler, whose latest offering, *The Waterboy*, defied critics who panned the film and cashed in with almost \$40 million in its first weekend alone, shattering box-office records. The other buzz-worthy offering that brought fans to the theaters in droves wasn't even a movie, just a two-minute teaser trailer for the already-hyped *Episode One* prequel to *Star Wars*. Creator and mastermind George Lucas elected to offer the clip in an exclusive sneak preview at 75 locations around the nation last Tuesday. As a diehard *Star Wars* junkie, I relished the opportunity to get a glimpse — albeit a brief one — of the most-awaited film in history, a movie that won't even hit theaters for another six months. I'll keep my gushing to a minimum, but needless to say, the preview did not disappoint.

Beginning this week and extending until Christmas, Hollywood will truly offer something for everybody. Wednesday sees the opening of the year's second insect-animation film, *A Bug's Life*, as well as a sequel to the talking pig sleeper hit *Babe*. If those aren't your bag, check out *Very Bad Things*, a dark comedy about a bachelor party gone horribly awry. Last, and certainly least, trash television mogul Jerry Springer makes the jump to the big screen with *Ringmaster*, an adaptation of his just-released autobiography. Saying I hate Jerry Springer isn't emphatic

enough. Given the choice of watching this movie or being hit in the head with a hammer, I'll gladly take the whack to the dome.

Wait a few weeks and you'll have a broader spectrum of choices at the box office. Coming soon are a remake of the Alfred Hitchcock classic *Psycho*, starring Vince Vaughn, the newest extravaganza from the *Star Trek* franchise and Tom Hanks paired with Meg Ryan again in the romantic comedy *You've Got Mail*.

Family fare for the holidays includes the biblical animated epic *The Prince of Egypt*, hitting screens everywhere the week before Christmas. And though it's certainly not a typical cheery holiday film, the one I'm looking forward to is *The Faculty*, a sci-fi horror-thriller penned by *Scream* scribe Kevin Williamson and directed by *Desperado* helmsman Robert Rodriguez. That will be a great gift, opening Christmas Day.

I certainly haven't mentioned every film available to holiday movie-goers, simply because there are tons of them. Do you want more?

There's a based-on-a-true-story courtroom thriller starring John Travolta, called *A Civil Action*. Susan Sarandon and Julia Roberts are paired in the weepy tearjerker *The Stepmom*. And Oscar-winner Robin Williams stars in the offbeat drama *Patch Adams*.

Second only to summer, this one-month window is traditionally a cash cow for movie studios, with viewers turning out heavily. The odds are that you will, too, at some point and you'll have plenty of great films to watch.

So take a break from that holiday shopping and go see a movie. Who knows — you might get lucky and catch that *Star Wars* prequel trailer too. It's the best two minutes I've seen on screen in a long time.

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In the last two weeks, Gilbert Mayor Cynthia Dunham and Gov. Jane Hull have come under fire for issuing proclamations declaring Nov. 22-29 Bible Week. The American Civil Liberties Union has threatened to sue the town of Gilbert and the state of Arizona, accusing both of violating the constitutionally-mandated separation of church and state. Do you think Hull and Dunham should issue Bible Week proclamations? To vote, visit our website at <http://www.statepress.com>.

Letter Editor

Tuition increase wrong

In light of last week's Arizona Board of Regents meetings and subsequent decision to once again raise Arizona tuition five percent, I feel that I must express my disappointment.

Currently, Arizona schools are in the lowest one-third of all our nation's universities with regard to tuition. Apparently, our administration feels that this reflects on the quality of education. But being in this lowest one-third does not mean that the students' education is being compromised — it only means that we are paying less for it. I have received a very decent — if not excellent — education in the years that I have been at ASU and would argue that I am equal in my knowledge and abilities to any student who pays \$20,000 or more a year for the same degree.

This is not the first tuition increase that I have seen while attending ASU. Last semester, the Regents agreed on a five percent increase for this school year. This is 10 percent in two years. The rate of inflation doesn't even come close to this number.

The Regents have stated that most of this increase will be set aside as financial aid for other students; as more and more students are in need of financial aid. I would hope that the Regents realize that more and more students need financial aid because tuition keeps on going up and up. I have always looked at my education as an investment. Like other investments, I want to see a positive return on my money.

Positive results are more user-friendly desks to replace the too-small ones that occupy many of the buildings on campus. Positive results are a new all-campus-encompassing recycling program that is available to the students and not just the administrative offices. Positive results are not just cramming more and more students with smaller amounts of financial aid into our already over-crowded residence halls.

I do believe that there is a need for financial aid. I am the recipient of financial aid and I fully believe that everyone deserves a chance to receive a higher education. But raising tuition to get financial aid dollars only hurts the system.

This year over 100 students from the ASU main campus alone showed up on Nov. 5 at a public hearing to voice their concern about the proposed increase. Obviously all these concerns and suggestions fell on deaf ears.

To ASU President Coor and Regent President Gignac: I express my utter dismay at this year's decision and my hope for next year is that all student voices are listened to. Your duty is to the students and the Arizona Constitution to keep education "as nearly free as possible."

Allison Lee Jones
Senator, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Junior, English/German

Tribute fitting to spirit of Thanksgiving

When I recall my elementary school lessons on the first Thanksgiving, I'm reminded of making paper Pilgrim hats, eating pumpkin pie and writing short essays on what I was thankful for. Common memories to us all, I presume.

I can't help but wonder though: Do these familiar symbols really define what Thanksgiving is or for what purpose we celebrate it each year?

Such symbols, though chock full of warm fuzzies, seem to be vague and pitifully weak foundations for celebrating a holiday. It's no wonder then that the possibility of adding Bible Week to the state's Thanksgiving festivities has led to such confusion.

The polls reveal that there are just as many Arizonans who don't know what to think as there are opponents of the proclamation. I don't see any other choice than to hit the books — the history books, that is. For it is there we can hope to find answers to such key questions as purpose and original intent.

We need to look no further than the first presidential proclamation ever issued in the United States — the 1789 Thanksgiving Proclamation — to find some answers. George Washington declared in that proclamation that "both Houses of Congress ... requested me to recommend to the people of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer." That day — Thanksgiving Day — was to be set aside each November to offer thanks to "Almighty God" for the nation's peace, prosperity, safety, happiness and government — "particularly the national one now lately instituted for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed."

There are a number of things in this text worthy of exploring: first, is the notion of "religious liberty." Sounds familiar enough, right? Yes and no. The notion of "religious liberty" is indeed familiar, but its meaning and the rights ascribed to it are not so easily discernible. Our modern-day interpretation of what it means to observe "religious liberty" is to uphold a "wall of separation between church and state." Commonly, this is understood as removing all religion from the realm of politics.

But in contrast to today's notion, Washington's

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proclamation clearly articulates a consensus of the Founding Fathers to publicly recognize the contributions of religion to government. In the list of prayers for the country, Washington asks "Almighty God" to "render our National Government a blessing to all people by constantly being a government of wise, just, and constitutional laws," which includes the duty "to promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue."

Why would Washington make such a proclamation? Because he, like his colleagues in Congress, believed there was reason to give tribute to religion.

"Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable supports. In vain would that man claim the tribute of patriotism, who should labor to subvert these great pillars ... The mere politician, equally with the pious man, ought to respect and cherish them," said Washington at his farewell address seven years later.

What then does this mix of religion and politics mean? Is Washington contradicting the First Amendment and advocating a theocracy? Is he mandating that all must bow to the Christian God? No and no. The First Amendment prohibits establishing one religion as supreme above all others; it does not banish religion from government. This is an all-too-common misconception.

Secondly, Washington's proclamation and later comments are no more binding and oppressive than Bible Week. Bible Week, like Thanksgiving, simply gives opportunity to give credit where credit is due.

Multiple historical inquiries have confirmed that between 1760 and 1805, the Bible was the most-cited book in the political literature of the American Founding. In fact, nearly twice as many references were made to the book of Deuteronomy than to the secular writings of John Locke.

Regardless of how many or how few citizens personally embrace the Christian faith today, ALL citizens can recognize the contributing role the Bible played in America's founding. Honoring the Bible during Thanksgiving doesn't require conversion, but it does call for celebrants to stop and consider a deeper source of their gratitude for the nation's founding and subsequent prosperity than pumpkin pie.

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Political correctness should unite, not divide people

Sometimes I get so sick of political correctness. This is something I have been thinking about lately and yesterday just reinforced it for me.

I was at a training session for my newest job and things were going okay. We were hearing a description of the job, talking about the mission statement of the company and all that other orientation stuff. Then the time came for us to hear speeches from people who currently worked for the company. At first it wasn't too bad — until we got to this one woman who decided to use her speech to lecture us about diversity and respect.

"We welcome diversity here," she told us with a bright smile. "We like each other and we respect each other because of our differences."

I resisted rolling my eyes, but just barely. How cheesy was that? I'll probably get a ton of hate mail for saying this, but that's okay: I'm starting to get a little sick of the topic of diversity being rammed down my throat, over and over again, especially in politically correct-but-meaningless speeches like the one this woman gave.

Don't get me wrong — I am all for equality. I don't think it's fair for people to not be hired onto certain jobs due to race or gender. I'm interested in different cultures

and enjoy learning about them. But I absolutely hate the fact that diversity is now politically correct and needs to be a part of everything you encounter in life. In fact, I think stressing the issue of diversity over and over again separates people instead of uniting them.

Why were we discussing diversity at a job orientation, for example? I didn't see the need for it. At a job, you should be learning about teamwork. Differences between co-workers don't need to be stressed. Instead, why not stress working together to achieve a goal? There's no need for talk of diversity and no reason for it, other than for the company to have an opportunity to show off how PC and accepting it is to people from diverse backgrounds. Besides, everyone is different from everyone else when you think about it, and people need to accept that. There are differences between me and my best friends, but focusing on those differences isn't what makes us friends. What makes us friends is what we have in common. Why can't we focus on similarities rather than differences?

I also don't like when people let differences limit them and their potential for the future. I was angry after reading some letters to the editor, published in the *State Press* last week, dealing with the issue of affirma-

tive action. One student wrote in and said because of his race he could not work for the BET network or be the editor of *Ebony* magazine. Another student wrote in response that maybe that student couldn't get a job at those two places, but surely because of his race, he would more easily be able to get a job at CNN or *Newsweek* magazine than a person of color.

I didn't like those letters because they were nothing but generalizations. Who knows for sure if someone could not get hired at BET because they are Caucasian. How do you know unless you try?

I have news for those letter writers: No one is limiting you but yourselves. You automatically assume you couldn't get hired at these places and so you'll probably never attempt to even get a foot in the door.

I know the world is not a fair place. I know minorities (and women, for that matter) have a harder time getting ahead. But I also honestly believe you need to put your best foot forward and work hard in order to get ahead in the world. People cannot hide behind their race or gender as an excuse for things not going exactly the way they want. It's really not fair that things are that way, but guess what? I'm sure you've all heard this before, but life isn't fair.

I don't see the need to stress differences and diversity on an everyday basis. I'm not

saying people should not be allowed to learn about their culture or the cultures of others. But there needs to be more of an emphasis placed on similarities than differences. We are all human beings — we all laugh, we all cry, we all have good days and bad days and positive experiences that enrich our lives and problems that plague our lives. We probably have more similarities than we have differences, so why do we choose to dwell on our differences and let them divide us?

Why don't we realize that stressing unity, not diversity, would make a lot more sense and probably be a lot more effective in breaking down the barriers between people of different backgrounds, genders and sexual orientations?

It's a shame that we all don't learn early in life, "We are all human beings" and move on from there, respecting everyone for their differences. But more importantly, it's a shame we don't focus more on the things we have in common.

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Lake Havasu school a special focus of ambassador program

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In 1987, the Arizona Board of Regents funded programs at the three state universities to encourage communication with Arizona high schools.

Three years later, ABOR stopped financing the programs and the UofA and NAU dropped the idea.

But ASU's educators decided to continue it with the University's own expenses.

"The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences felt it was important to keep the program," said Barbara Colby, the program coordinator. "It was important for the faculty to get out to the community ... and it was important for the students to collaborate with the faculty."

In its 11th year of running this year, the ASU Faculty Ambassadors Program, in addition to sending individual professors to high schools, will for the first time focus on one school. In January, nine faculty members will visit Lake Havasu High School in the rural town of Lake Havasu City.

Earlier this year, the ambassadors received a phone call from the school's principal, who wanted the ASU faculty to come and review the curriculum in order to better prepare students for the AIMS tests, Colby said.

The faculty will go over the composition, physics, math, Spanish and other class curricula and suggest any changes they may think are necessary.

But their initial visit in January won't be the only one. Later in the spring, the faculty will return to see how their instructions and suggestions have been implemented.

The nine faculty members are only a fraction of the 120 ASU educators involved in the program. The members often make

individual trips to about 20 high schools per year throughout the state to review the curricula and help the teachers and the students better understand the requirements for University admission.

And the personal contact with ASU representatives is very important, especially for students, Colby said.

"This way may be their only opportunity to see someone from the University," she said.

Duane Roen, ASU director of composition and an English professor, joined the Faculty Ambassadors in 1995.

He visits about 10 high schools each year; the program is just another venue to reach more of them, Roen said.

"First-year English composition is very important and it's significant to talk to high school teachers and to see what's their curriculum," Roen said. "Besides, it's a good reminder to see what life is like outside ASU."

Roen said he hopes the nearly two decades of professional experience he has to share will help the students to better understand the nature of composition.

Roen and other faculty ambassadors are not paid for their extra effort.

"It counts as university service," Colby said. "That's their only reward that's institutional. They do it because they think it is important that students come to college prepared."

Ultimately, the goal of the ambassadors is to encourage students to seek further education.

"Our success is that one day a student will realize that they can go to university," she said.

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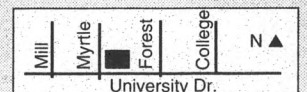
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ASU police reported the following incidents Saturday:

- A student was arrested, cited and released for criminal damage to property in Parking Area 51.
- A employee struck the concrete base of a light pole with an ASU vehicle in Parking Lot 40.
- A student reported his bicycle taken from the Language and Literature Building, where it was secured with a lock.
- A student reported her vehicle broken into in Parking Structure 6 and her car stereo, cell phone and CDs removed.
- A student reported his bicycle taken from the Physical Science Building H-wing, where it was secured with a lock.
- Two students and a girl not affiliated with ASU reported being victims of an attempted armed robbery in Parking Area 51.
- Two students were arrested, cited and released on charges of theft at the Student Recreation Complex.

Tempe police reported the following incidents Sunday:

- Officers arrested a 28-year-old Mesa man Thursday on eight counts of failure to notify authorities of a change of address as a registered sex offender and three counts of public sexual indecency. The man was arrested at 1129 E. Curry Road after an investigation revealed he had been involved

in three separate incidents of sexual exposure. The man reportedly admitted to police that he had been involved in all three incidents. A records check of the man revealed that he was a registered sex offender and had moved eight times, failing to notify the sheriff's department. He was booked and held in the Tempe City Jail.

- An 18-year-old Tempe man was arrested on charges of sexual conduct with a minor Wednesday. Officers arrested the man after an investigation revealed he had consensual sexual relations with a girl under the age of 18. The incident reportedly occurred at the girl's friend's house, on the 100 block of South Fifth Street. The girl told officers she did not wish to press charges, but her father did. The man was taken to Tempe City Jail and later released.

- Police arrested a 31-year-old Gilbert man on charges of aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol with children in the car under the age of 15. Officers stopped the man for speeding at 904 N. Scottsdale Road early Thursday morning and observed signs and symptoms of impairment. According to reports, the man had a 4-year-old girl and a 10-month-old girl in the car with him. He was arrested and taken to Tempe City Jail.

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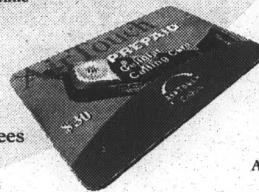


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Machine, court ruling results in hundreds of DUI dismissals

TUCSON (AP) — More than 200 drunken-driving cases have been dismissed in Pima County and hundreds of more could be called into question after the Arizona Supreme Court allowed a lower court ruling to stand.

Last week, the court allowed to stand an appeals court ruling that dismissed a 1997 DUI case against a man because a faulty breath-testing device was used to measure blood alcohol content.

The device, the RBT-IV, was used by Tucson police from fall 1994 to June 1997 and by Pima County Sheriff's deputies from March 1996 to May 1997.

Authorities estimate the RBT-IVs were used in at least 7,500 driving-under-the-influence arrests here.

The police and sheriff's departments shelved the units last year, saying the machines produced readings lower than the actual blood-alcohol level.

Defense attorneys said the Supreme Court's decision Wednesday to let the appeals court ruling stand was monumental.

"People went to prison, went to county jail, lost their licenses and had to pay fines while the state knew the machine had problems," defense attorney James Nesci said. "If someone was to jump on this and take it in a civil context, you could have a class-action suit that could bankrupt the city of Tucson easily."

Critics have said since 1995 the machines produce wildly disparate blood alcohol readings in tests that were taken minutes apart.

In one case, an RBT-IV machine read someone's blood alcohol content as 0.19, nearly twice the legal limit. But a subsequent test showed the person's blood-alcohol content to be a tenth of

that. City Prosecutor William Call said his office is considering taking another RBT-IV case before the state Supreme Court.

"Certainly whatever instrument has been used has been attacked by the defense bar since time immemorial," he said.

Call also said the court's ruling is narrow because it only addresses one particular machine used during mid-1997.

Still, more than 175 cases in Pima County Justice Court could be dismissed immediately. They had been hold pending a ruling by the high court.

A city magistrate dismissed another 36 cases in May and the Supreme Court refused to reinstate the charges.

Defense attorneys have accused the Department of Health Services of failing to properly test the machine before certifying it for use.

Jim Farrell, a DHS laboratory consultant, recommended the machine for certification in 1993 after testing it at home for a couple of hours, according to court records.

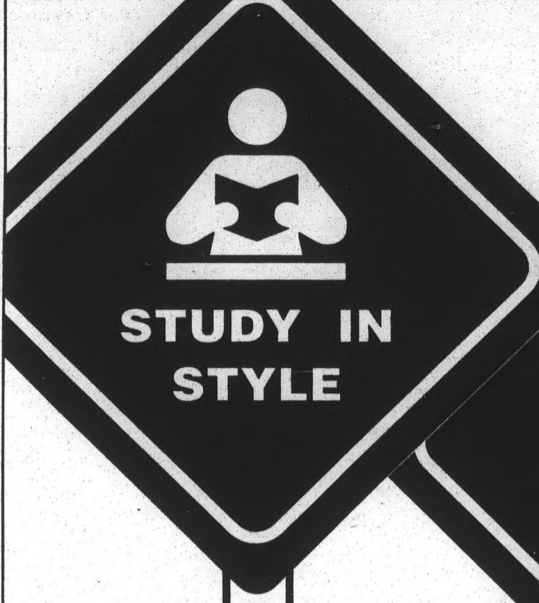
Farrell said Friday that he stands by his recommendation.

"The instrument is fine," Farrell said. "It does a good job and gave low readings in a few cases in thousands and thousands of tests."

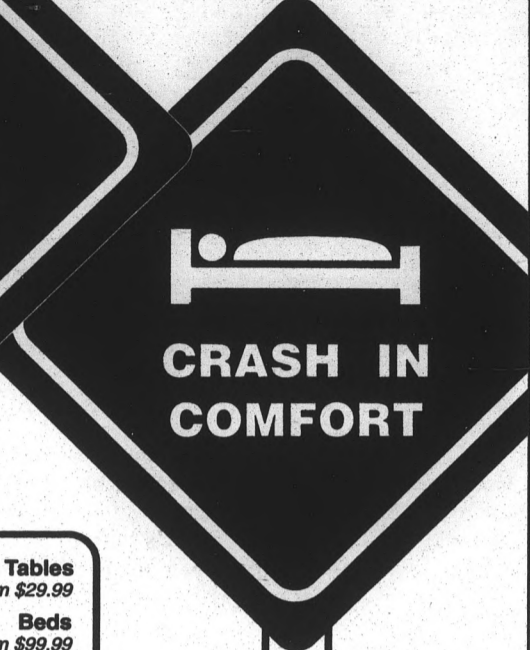
The manufacturer of the RBT-IV, Intoximeters, says the decision by Tucson and Pima County to discontinue using the device is a first by law enforcement.

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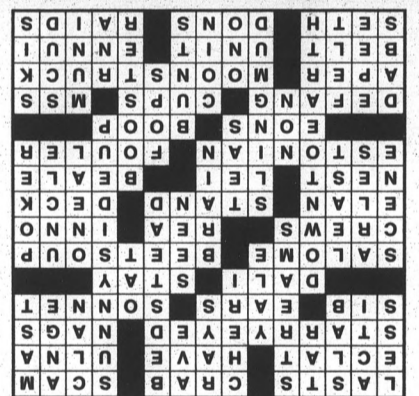
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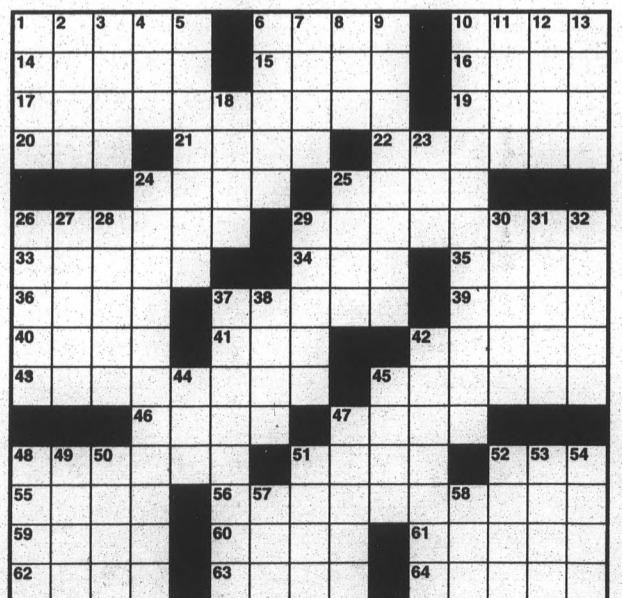
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Arizona Lottery looks to hit a winning streak

By **PATRICK GRAHAM**
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PHOENIX — Voters this month saved the troubled Arizona Lottery from death.

Now it's up to lottery head Geoffrey E. Gonsler to save the 17-year-old lottery from itself and attacks from gambling foes.

Gonsler in October 1997 took over a dysfunctional agency plagued by declining sales and a testy relationship with many of its 2,500 retailers. Management was more interested in being creative rather than properly running an agency that produced more than \$250 million in sales last year, he said.

"I came into an agency that had no policy and procedures," he said. "The former management was not as respectful of the rules and regulations. That has changed almost completely."

But carrying out the management changes also coincided with a string of bad luck for the agency and Gonsler.

A state audit slammed Gonsler's sacked predecessor, Joseph Spicola, and poor sales. A computerized Bingo game flopped. Then came the "Pick 3" game, but it was suspended a month later because a computer program couldn't pick the number nine. Then lawmakers threw another punch by allowing voters to decide the lottery's fate.

Whether Gonsler's management

reforms will have staying power remains to be seen, but a large majority of voters on Nov. 3 responded to save the lottery, perhaps in part because of his moves to stabilize the agency.

The approval of Proposition 304 keeps the lottery alive at least until July 1, 2003. Defeat would have made Arizona the first state to scrap its lottery.

"I felt strongly the voters of Arizona would vote with their heads," said David Gale, executive director of the Cleveland-based North American Association of State and Provincial Lotteries. "The voters feel there is a purpose to the lottery."

Other states with lotteries followed the outcome of the referendum, the second such public vote since 1980, when Arizona voters narrowly approved the lottery's creation. "Had they voted no, there would have been similar attempts in other lottery states," Gale said.

But for lottery foes, the fight continues.

"No political defeat or victory is final," said Len Munsil, of the Center for Arizona Policy, an organization supporting conservative causes. "We didn't have any illusions about the outcome of the vote. But it just shows we're going to need more time. People will have to relearn the harm that the activity causes."

State House Speaker Jeff Grosco, R-Mesa, and critics such as the Mormon

church say the state shouldn't be encouraging the public to gamble. Critics also cite management problems and slumping sales.

The day after the election, Grosco, who this spring insisted on the public vote instead of having the Legislature renew the lottery as lawmakers routinely do, vowed to keep putting pressure on what he calls "the worst managed agency in the state."

"I recognize there are people who have a philosophical objection to gaming," Gonsler said. "I'm respectful of those people's opinions. I don't want to change their minds ... buying a lottery ticket is a voluntary act."

Other supporters of the lottery say critics, namely state lawmakers, should leave Gonsler and the agency alone.

"The public has spoken. That should be the end of the discussion," said state Sen. John Wettaw, R-Flagstaff, a lottery supporter.

Since its start in 1981, the lottery has had \$3.3 billion in sales, half of which was paid out in prizes. Funds for transportation, recreation, conservation, economic development, local governments and the state's general budget have received about \$1 billion. The rest has paid for administration and advertising.

Sales were \$250.8 million in the fiscal year ending June 30, a modest increase of \$1 million attributed partly to record-set-

ting Powerball sales and credited with stopping a two-year skid.

Gonsler is confident the agency's troubles are in the past as he seeks to improve the agency's reputation and increase sales. He has been striving to run the lottery not as a bureaucracy but as a corporation that operates on sales revenue, not tax dollars.

"We are one of the largest corporations in the state of Arizona," he said. "But we don't get recognized for that. We have to work harder to remind the public we have a product to sell."

Aside from revamping management, Gonsler said his staff is trying to increase sales with better games and game designs as well as advertising to promote the games and highlight winners. Improving ties with retailers and expanding that seller base is another goal.

"We also need to do a better job of giving the public an understanding of where their money goes," he said.

In fact, Gonsler on Monday launched a statewide promotion for the lottery's Scratchers game "Arizona Road Trip."

Over the next three weeks, a recreational vehicle that also serves as a mobile billboard will travel the state to hype the lottery and inform the public that the "Road Trip" game helps fund economic development programs.


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Compulsive gambling Web site's gambling links questioned

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — Advertisements to entice gamblers to place bets over the Internet are hardly unusual. Neither are Web sites telling people how to find American Indian casinos.

But what is unusual is that the Web site for the Arizona Council for Compulsive Gambling provided links to a number of them.

Links to sites for 16 casino and two race tracks appeared under a heading that advertised "Where to go to place a bet in Arizona."

The nonprofit council's founder Don Hulén initially told The Tribune, a newspaper serving suburban Phoenix, that he wasn't sure whether the links should be removed.

"No one's persuaded me on whether (the gambling links) do more harm than good. But I can see where there might be a problem, and maybe I should take it off," Hulén said.

Hulén apparently made up his mind by Saturday night, because the links to most of Arizona's Indian casinos were gone.

Hulén, a former gambling addict, emphasized the toll-free hotline for gamblers listed on the site and said casinos don't create gambling problems, that individuals do.

But anti-gambling critics like Scottsdale economist John Wake said such remarks smack of hypocrisy.

"It's like arguing that drug dealers don't contribute to drug addiction," said Wake, publisher of a Web site that unsuccessfully urged voters to kill the lottery in the Nov. 3 election. "It's a real shame, because Don does good work for people."

The National Council on Compulsive Gambling, which has 33 affiliates including Arizona's, remains neutral on whether gambling should remain legal.

But the group's executive director Keith Whyte wouldn't say whether the casino links were appropriate.

"I really have very little control over what (local affiliates) do with their Web sites," Whyte said. "But yeah, we wouldn't promote that ourselves."

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Java technology a key factor in Microsoft antitrust suit

BY MARTHA MENDOZA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Java, a technology that could dramatically change the industry, is at the heart of the antitrust case against Microsoft.

According to the government, Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates set out to kill Java, a versatile computer programming language, because it threatens his Windows-only vision of the world.

And in a separate case just last week, Microsoft was ordered to rewrite parts of Windows 98 that contain an altered version of Java that is incompatible with software made by Microsoft's rivals.

"The Java potential is huge," said Keith Rutledge, who works with it at IBM's campus in Greenville, S.C. "The necessary pieces are in place."

Java's impact could be significant for a simple reason: its electronic code is understood by all types of computers — not just the Windows systems found on most PCs, but also the Apple Macintosh and the powerful Unix workstations. That makes creating new products easier and cheaper.

Three years after Java's introduction, problems remain. It can be arduously slow, much worse than programs designed specifically for Windows or the Macintosh. And new Java versions are released just when programmers get comfortable with old ones.

But its use is growing. Whether people know it or not, they may use Java when they dial a cellular phone, turn the key in a car ignition or track down a package through the Internet.

In a demonstration playing on the programming language's name, people at a recent technology conference wore jewelry with Java code programmed to remember how they preferred their morning coffee. Special machines read the preferences on the jewelry and automatically prepared a customized mix of sugar, milk and, of course, java.

Java, the language, was launched in 1995 by Sun Microsystems Inc., and one of its creators, James Gosling, is expected to testify this week for the government against Microsoft.

Three years ago, excited analysts

dared to hint it could threaten Windows, and corporate officials did little to douse those suggestions. "Sun's Java technology has the potential to overturn Microsoft's power balance," Sun's chairman, Scott McNealy, said in a recent interview with The Associated Press.

Marc Andreessen, the cofounder of Netscape Communications Corp., once boasted that Java threatened "to reduce Windows to a poorly debugged set of device drivers." Netscape's own Internet browser was among the first products to offer support for Java.

Microsoft was paying attention. In an e-mail Sun's lawyers seized on during the companies' private court fight over Java — separate from the antitrust trial — Gates wrote that Java's threat to Windows "scars the hell out of me."

The government says Gates once warned that the combination of Java and Netscape might make Windows and other operating systems so generic that consumers would care more about low price than brand name.

After all, if programs work well on Apple, Unix and even Linux — which can be found for free on the Internet — why pay more for Windows?

The government says Microsoft tried to "crush" Netscape, which it saw as the primary way Java was distributed to most consumers, then sought to "pollute" Java to make it a Windows-only product.

Justice Department lawyer David Boies says computer-chip maker Intel Corp. considered supporting Java with its powerful processors, but Gates threatened to build into Windows a new technology that would have benefited Intel's rivals.

Boies called that "the very thing that antitrust laws are designed against."

In the government's antitrust trial — and in the private lawsuit by Sun — Microsoft is accused of developing a system that offers special advantages to Java programmers but locks them into using that system. Programs written using the Microsoft method rely on Windows and can't be used on an Apple or Unix computer.

Report: Realtors' Internet site providing inaccurate ratings

CHICAGO (AP) — A computer program glitch is causing the National Association of Realtors' new Internet site to provide inaccurate ratings of school systems across the country, the Chicago Tribune reported Sunday.

The search site, with 1.3 million homes listed, rated some Chicago area school systems as average or poor, even though they scored highly in the criteria used. Such mistakes can hurt local property markets, as school data is a key factor in home-buying decisions, the Tribune said.

The site's operator, RealSelect Inc., acknowledged the mistakes to the Tribune and blamed the computer program that produces the ratings.

"It was a systematic mathematical error,"

said Stuart Wolff, who heads the Westlake Village, Calif., company. "We are in the process of correcting it."

The association's "Find a Neighborhood" feature in which the erroneous school ratings were listed has operated since early October.

It allows buyers to list preferences in areas such as schools, income levels, crime rates and cultural amenities. It then uses the criteria to match the buyer with a community.

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Thousands protest outside controversial Army training school

By ELLIOTT MINOR
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT BENNING, Ga. — Some 2,000 people, including actor Martin Sheen, were briefly taken into custody Sunday during a demonstration against the Army's School of the Americas, accused by critics of training soldiers involved in atrocities in Latin America.

Unlike past demonstrations, people who defied orders and walked onto Fort Benning property were not charged with trespassing. Instead, they were loaded onto buses, driven to a park about a mile away and released.

"Our tactic is to demonstrate professionalism and courtesy," said the base commander, Maj. Gen. Carl Ernst.

The school has trained more than 55,000 officers, cadets and soldiers from 22 Latin American countries. It has been a target of protests since 1989, when some of its graduates were linked to the murder of six Jesuit priests and two women in El Salvador.

Critics cite a congressional study that found that 10 graduates had taken over Latin American countries through military coups or other undemocratic means in the past 30 years.

Sheen said, "I make my living as an actor, but this is what I do to stay alive. My faith demands it. I love my country enough to risk its wrath."

Ten-year-old Bernadette O'Neill of Raleigh, N.C., said as she was ushered onto a bus that she felt she had an obligation to speak out against the school. "A lot of children are being tortured," she said. "By getting arrested, I show that I am opposed to that."

Her father, Patrick O'Neill, stuck his head out a bus window and said: "A lot of people allow their children to be conscripted into war, so I think it's OK that children take part in peace protests."

School officials said the institution, which moved to Fort Benning from Panama in 1984, is largely responsible for the growth of democracy in Latin America and teaches its students about human rights in each of its courses.



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Happy Thanksgiving

Former interns reluctant to discuss stint at White House

BY AMY FRAZER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — "Have you heard the one about President Clinton and Monica ..."

Yes, too many times, says former White House intern Alison Bracewell.

Like many other former interns, she has had enough of the Clinton-Lewinsky scandal and of the questions from friends and strangers. She did know Monica, but only well enough to say hello. And no, the president never offered her a cigar.

Bracewell, who is now studying public administration at the University of Georgia, was working in the White House on the second night of the government shutdown in November 1995, but unlike Lewinsky she "didn't go to the pizza party."

According to Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's report, Clinton and Lewinsky had their first sexual encounter that night when she took a slice of pizza to him from a White House gathering.

"Everything must have been going on one story down, and I didn't even know it," Bracewell said.

"I had a wonderful experience while in Washington. It helped me grow as person," she said. "Now people think of it as what kind of relationship did you have with the president. I probably am a little less excited about talking about it."

Elizabeth Ann Chandler has run into

problems because she lists her White House internship on her resume.

"Now, I have to explain my way out of it. I have to defend myself to future employers," said Chandler, who is studying politics in Glasgow, Scotland, on a Rotary scholarship. "Everybody thinks all (the interns) do is copying, faxing, running errands and flirting with the president. I worked hard."

About 1,500 people apply each year for one of the 700 to 800 unpaid internships. Jobs range from office assistant to researcher and last two to three months in the spring and fall and just four weeks in the summer.

The White House says the scandal hasn't hurt its pool of applicants. "It still remains very competitive," said White House spokeswoman Julie Goldberg. "We believe it's a wonderful opportunity for young people to learn about the executive branch of government."

Interns aren't all women, and despite all the jokes and questions, Hugh Hibbard wouldn't trade his internship for anything.

"There will always be an asterisk in the record book because I interned under Clinton. But I'm proud of people knowing I'm an intern," said Hibbard, now an insurance agent in Augusta. "The White House on a whole has about 4,000 other employees who do a jam-up job. It's a shame they've been made to look a little bad because of this experience."

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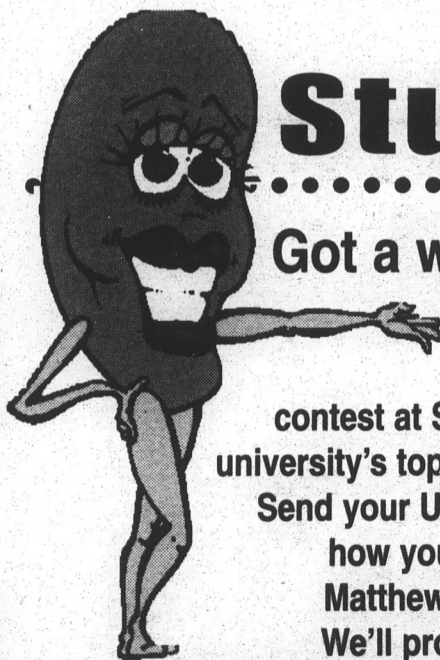
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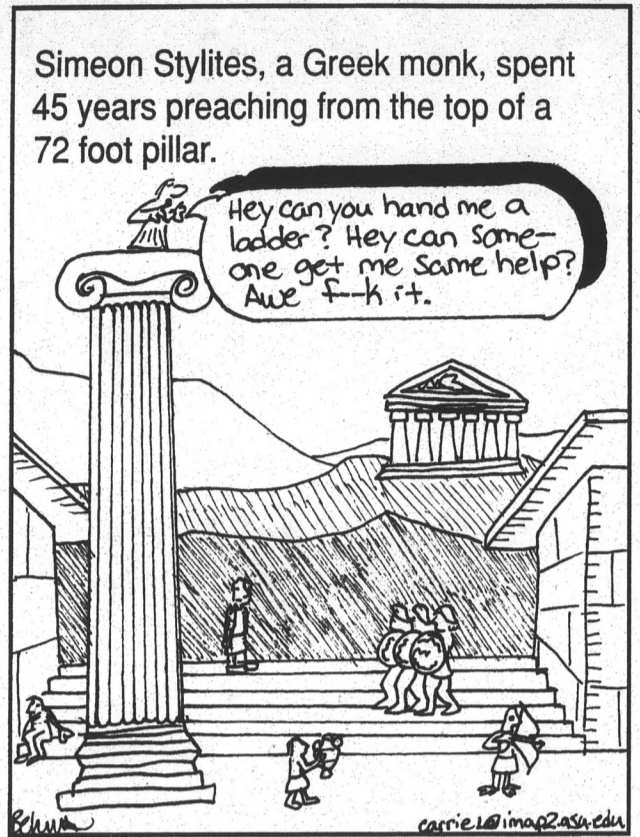
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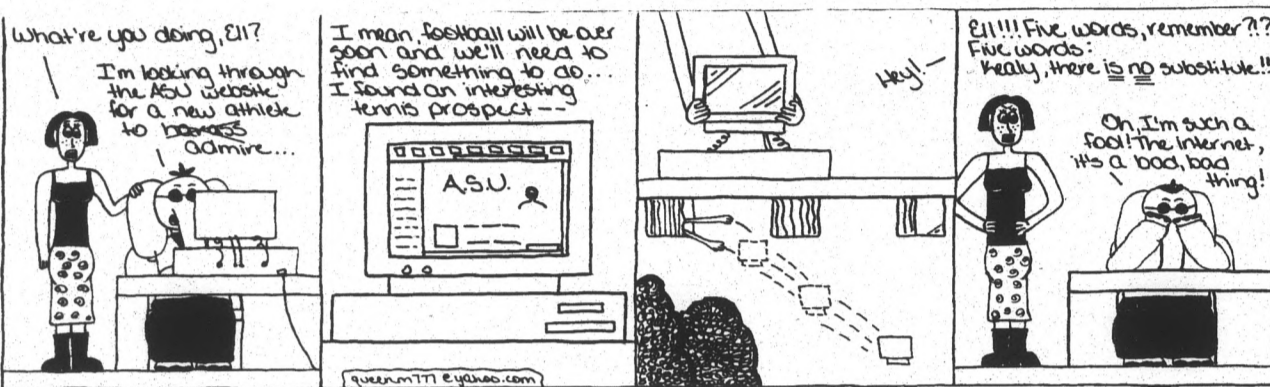
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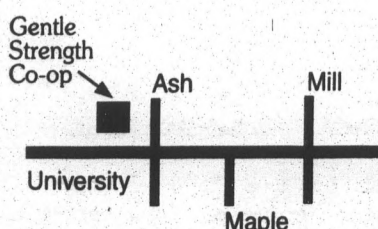
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"I should've been boarding early on. I couldn't believe I missed some of those that slipped out of my hands" — ASU power forward Leah Combs, who finished Saturday's 68-46 win over Sam Houston State with 15 rebounds

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ASU overcomes mistakes, beats LadyKats

By DOUG FLANAGAN
STATE PRESS

The reaction of the ASU women's basketball team to its convincing win over Sam Houston State in Saturday's season opener could very well serve as a strong indicator of the personality and internal makeup of the team.

After all, what does it say when point guard Natalie Tucker, who posted career-highs in points (16), assists (7), and went 8 for 8 from the free throw line, was complaining about her turnovers (4) after the game? Or Leah Combs, after putting up 12 points and hauling down a game-high 15 rebounds, was griping that she didn't grab *enough* boards?

"That's the way we need to be," head coach Charli Turner Thorne said. "We cannot be satisfied with this. The fact that these players know that and are not satisfied with their performance is exactly where they should be. I really like that. That's exactly the way we've trained them."

In the 68-46 win over the LadyKats, ASU wasn't firing on all cylinders, turning the ball over 34 times and shooting just 31 percent from the field in the first half.

"Everyone was a little tight about their first game," Tucker said. "And I think that was basically what it was — the first game jitters. And it results in a lot of turnovers, a lot of missed layups."

Indications that ASU would struggle were not apparent in the first eight minutes of the game, when the Sun Devils, down 2-0, scored 15 consecutive points to take a double-digit lead.

But from there, the Sun Devils were haunted by a multitude of turnovers (20) and missed outside shots that could've let the LadyKats back in the game.

But Sam Houston State shot just six of 32 (19 percent) in the first half and had 15 turnovers of its own, and went into halftime down 28-20.

To start the second half, ASU scored six quick points (two Tucker buckets and a Rachel Holt layup) to take a 34-20 lead.

But the LadyKats had an answer.

Sam Houston State reeled off an 18-9 run, capped by a Andee Sheiron trey, to close the Sun Devil lead to five, 43-38, with nine minutes left.

However, the Sun Devils, who had 55 rebounds, a total which exceeds last year's game high of 49, responded by driving the lane and utilizing the charity stripe to keep their lead.

Free throws by Tucker and Holt gave ASU a 51-40 lead with 6:30 left, and after a Leaf Newman driving layup, Holt, Kitch Kitchen, and Tucker hit six consecutive free throws, giving the Sun Devils a 63-46 lead and wrapping



ASU small forward Leaf Newman (4) attempts a short jumper in the first half of the Sun Devils' 68-46 victory over Sam Houston State on Saturday. Newman finished the game with six points.

up their first victory of the year.

"I'm pleased that in the second half we came out and slowed ourselves down, made the adjustments (and) scored the points that we should've," Turner Thorne said. "(We did) a great job of refocusing in the second half, not fouling as much, (and) putting the ball in the basket."

"Maybe we weren't able to blow it out, but when they cut it to seven, we answered every time. For a young team that hasn't been together at all, to have that mentality and resiliency is incredibly exciting to me. It's not like they've had any opportunity to cultivate that. They just have it."

Despite the win, ASU was not in a mood to celebrate, mostly do to its high turnover total.

"It was a long week of practice, and we were a little bit careless in practice," Combs said. "And you play how you practice. So we're looking for a better week of practice this week, and we won't make turnovers like that again. I guarantee it."

After the game, the players bluntly expressed that they were not happy with the win. Turner Thorne agreed that the Sun Devils didn't play their best game, but was satisfied with the victory.

"With such a young team and only one returning starter, early on in the season, we're basically just going to be finding a way to win," she said. "I'm very excited that we won. I also know that we have a lot of work to do."

Up-and-down volleyball squad has up-and-down weekend

By DAVID MYERS
STATE PRESS

With the postseason already out of reach, the up-and-down season of the ASU volleyball team concluded over the weekend with a split against the Washington schools.

The Sun Devils (11-14, 8-10) finished the season at a tie for fifth place in the Pac-10, possibly the toughest conference in the nation, and know that with this season under their belt, the team should expect nothing short of a postseason berth in 1999.

"This season could have been better for us," sophomore Amanda Burbridge said. "But I know this season will make us better for next year and give us a great shot for a conference championship next season."

The Sun Devils, however, did end their season on a down note as they lost to the Washington Huskies 10-15, 15-13, 15-13, 15-8 on Sunday. The Sun Devils were able to jump out to an early lead and led 12-5 late in the second game before the Huskies came storming back to win that game and, eventually, the match.

"We felt in control in the beginning stages of the match," said Patti Snyder-Park. "But you have give credit to Washington. They got right back in the match by being patient and taking advantage of our mistakes."



The Sun Devils were plagued with errors throughout the match and ended with a .165 hitting percentage. The team was also out-blocked by the Huskies 14-6.

"They were just much better at the net," freshman outside hitter Jami Coughlin said. "They were able to put the ball away and capitalize on all of our mistakes."

Even with the loss, there were bright spots for the Sun Devils. Senior Shawna Vanley, playing in her last game, finished with a career-high 15 kills to go along with six blocks. Darice Smith also finished the game with a career-high four service aces.

The first game of the weekend went much better for the Sun Devils, as they defeated the Washington State Cougars 6-15, 15-12, 15-12, 15-11. With the win, ASU eliminated the Cougars from postseason contention and gave the Sun Devils their first win over the Cougars since Nov. 4, 1994.

Burbridge led ASU with a match-high 23 kills, and Coughlin added 19 kills and 15 digs. Junior setter Jolynn Faatulu had 69 assists, 15 digs, and six kills on the night. The Sun Devils, as a team, hit .301 and had four players end the match in double figures in kills.

Men swimmers place 4th in Nebraska

The men's and women's swimming and diving teams will challenge Auburn today at 3 p.m. after returning Sunday night from Nebraska. The men competed in the Husker Shoot Out over the weekend, where they finished fourth out of five teams.

ASU netted 299 points. Virginia won the meet with 335 points, Nebraska had 332 points and third place Florida Atlantic finished with 323.

Rory McVay was ASU's fastest swimmer, capturing first place in the 200-meter backstroke. Teammate Chris Visser took second place behind McVay, making it ASU's best race of the weekend.

The women join the action today in the dual meet with the Tigers at the Mona Plummer Aquatic Center.

"Auburn is going to be a great meet,"

"This season could have been better for us. But I know this season will make us better for next year."

Amanda Burbridge,
ASU outside hitter

head coach Michael Chasson said. "I'm hoping it will be as close as possible. They are strong in the sprints and we are strong in the sprints. I think we are better in distance. They might have some better stroke people than we do. It will be a good meet. It will be fun." — *Clint Currie*

Wrestlers win Keystone Classic

The ASU wrestling squad won the 14-team Keystone Classic on Sunday, tallying 165.5 points, 28 ahead of host Pennsylvania.

The Sun Devils were led by individual titleists Michael Kawamura (125), Erik Larkin (133), David Douglas (141), and Casey Strand (184 pounds). In addition, Quinn Foster (149), Steve Blackford (165), Micah Daggy (197), and Randy Leydecker (285) scored points by advancing to their respective championship rounds.

Tulloch named Freshman of the Year

ASU freshman midfielder Stacey Tullock was named the women's soccer Pac-10 Freshman of the Year, commissioner Tom Hansen announced Friday.

Tulloch led the Pac-10 in goals (13) and scoring (33 points), and was a first-team Pac-10 All-Conference selection, just one of two freshman honored.

Men's soccer finishes in top 4 in national tourney

The ASU men's soccer club went 3-1-1 in the weekend's National Collegiate Soccer Association national tournament and wrapped up its first-ever top four finish at the Rose Mofford Sports Complex.

ASU lost to Michigan, the eventual champions, 1-0, in the semifinals. Since there was no third/fourth place game, ASU's specific finish was not determined.

The team beat Indiana 4-1 and Minnesota 3-1 on Friday to advance to Saturday's game with Michigan. — *From Staff Reports*

Sun Devils face Majerus in Maui

BY NICK PICORO
STATE PRESS

When the ASU men's basketball team tips off Monday night at 9:30 against Utah in its first game of the Maui Invitational, it will be a match-up of what is and what almost was.

Utah head coach Rick Majerus had always been the first choice of ASU Athletic Director Kevin White since Bill Frieder resigned from the position prior to last season. But after Majerus "respectfully declined" to lead the Sun Devils in early April, a new coach was corralled.

White hired Rob Evans, formerly of Ole Miss, who's attempted to instill a defense-first game plan on the run-and-gun Sun Devils (1-1). It's a little early to judge the Sun Devils, but their 76-60 loss to NAU certainly wasn't ASU had in mind.

"Give NAU credit, but the thing that we're disappointed in is that we didn't give great effort," ASU assistant coach Tony Benford said.

Majerus, meanwhile, is still in Salt Lake City attempting to lead the No. 9 Utes (1-1) to their fourth straight NCAA tournament appearance and improve on his 211-60 record in his nine-plus years at the helm.

But the Utes' 62-54 loss to Utah State on Wednesday is a major setback after a convincing win in their opener against Azusa Pacific.

Even preseason All-American Andre Miller's 18 points, 7 rebounds and 4 assists weren't enough for the Utes to overcome, as Miller put it, a defensive performance that "wasn't there" against Utah State.

"I said we were going to take it in the shorts early in the season," Majerus told the *Salt Lake Tribune*.

So maybe ASU, coming off a defensive performance that also "wasn't there," is running into this talented Utah team at just the right time.

"They are still trying to gel, kind of like us," Benford said. "The thing we've got to do is do a good job defensively. We might even have to do some things to keep them off balance."

Benford said that Evans and the rest of the staff is considering running traps, pressuring and/or a zone defense on occasion against the Utes to help "contain their rhythm."

Utah's pace is controlled by Miller, who Benford considers the best point guard in the country. Benford spent the last six seasons at New Mexico, a conference foe of Utah, and as a result he's familiar with the danger Miller presents.

"He's the key to everything that they try to do," Benford said of Miller. "He can do a lot of things with the basketball."



Transfer Derrick Davis (14) will be looked upon to provide more scoring when the Sun Devils face Utah in the Maui Invitational tonight at 9:30.

ASU still needs to get more of an offensive showing from transfers Lohnie Tapé and Derrick Davis, who were a combined 1 for 8 from the field with 4 points against NAU.

"We can't rely on two guys to carry us all season," Benford said, referring to Bobby Lazor and Eddie House as the only two guys scoring in bunches. "Right now, we need those JC transfers to step up."

ASU will also play on Tuesday and Wednesday, but their opponents depend on other outcomes. The field also includes No. 21 Indiana, No. 22 Syracuse, No. 24 Clemson, Kansas State, Michigan and Chaminade.

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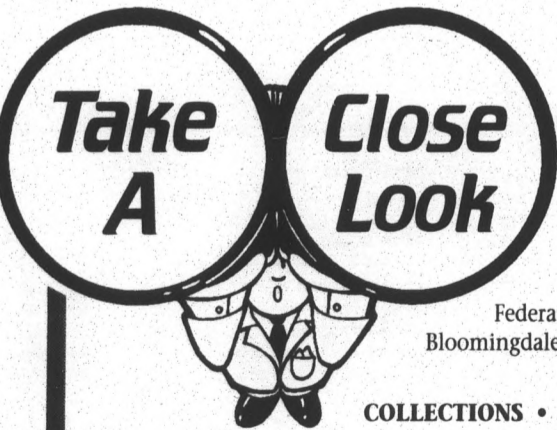
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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Family member confides, "I want to change my name. I need your help." Remain calm, ask pertinent questions. Love, romance, marriage involved. Taurus, Libra involved.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You get credit for accomplishment made earlier, at the time ignored. Record dream — likely to be prophetic. Via meditation you come up with elusive answers.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Power play. You have more responsibility, chance for greater financial reward. Judgment, intuitive intellect on target. Individual, previously indifferent, confesses, "I really need you."
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You not only gain added recognition but could be knocking on doors of fame, fortune. Open overseas markets, reach beyond the immediate, be ready for adventure of love.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Answer is, "This is the time, don't wait too long." Wear bright colors, make personal appearances, imprint style in definite, creative manner. Leo figures prominently.
IF NOVEMBER 23 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You would make excellent reporter-psychologist. Intellectual curiosity abounds — people become interested in themselves because of the enthusiasm you display concerning them. During December you shake off emotional lethargy, will face the music and win applause as result.
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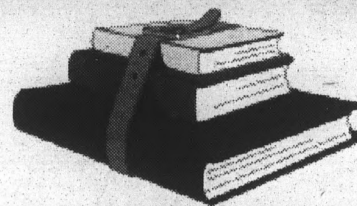
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