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Leah Fasten of the State Press

## A bone to pick

Deanna Wayne, a senior painting and drawing student, and Paige Price, a junior metals student, discuss Wayne's "Three Bones with Papaya," Monday at the Step Gallery in Tempe. The piece is part of Abstraction Faces Reality, an exhibit running through Friday.

## Added parking spells relief for downtown area

BY KIM PRENDERGAST  
STATE PRESS

Driving around in circles searching for a vacant, non-metered parking space in downtown Tempe is what Mark Knowles, an ASU biology major, said he dreads most about Mill Avenue.

A little relief maybe on the way for him and other annoyed visitors.

On March 1, Chase Bankcard Services will be opening up its parking garage to the public — on a restricted basis.

This is the start of a trend that the Downtown Tempe Community and area businesses are working on together — converting company parking spaces into public spaces during restricted hours.

The parking garage, located at the northwest corner of Ash Avenue and University Drive, will become accessible to the public on weekdays after 6 p.m. and all day on weekends.

Traditionally, the garage has only been open to employees, and has sat mostly empty during the evenings and weekends. Parking will be free to the public except for Friday and Saturday night when the DTC will charge \$5.

The contract between Chase and Tempe, which has been in the works for about a year, states that the city will take on any costs that the additional usage may bring. The \$5 fee will help cover those costs, said Theresa Striegel, marketing director for DTC.

A parking fee is not new to downtown patrons. The DTC charges the same amount for all its public parking spaces during Mill Avenue's high-volume Friday and Saturday evenings.

Public use of the garage is part of a three-phase program that began in 1995 to increase the amount of public parking in downtown Tempe.

"It converts a lot of private parking into public space," Striegel said. "We have a lot of parking, but so much of it is only for employees and customers."

Phase one began with the installation of parking meters in 1997, and phase three will incorporate the continuous construction of new parking spaces. Striegel said the city is simultaneously in the middle of phases two and three. She added that phase three is an

*"It's about time something about parking downtown was done. I dread every time I have to go on Mill Avenue."*

Mark Knowles,  
ASU student

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## ASU professionals dispute claims that biology contributes to bulimia

BY CARRIE SEVERSON  
STATE PRESS

Bulimia is not only looked at as an act of self mutilation, but is now being questioned as part of a chemical malfunction in the brain.

A new study released in the February issue of *Archives of General Psychiatry*, published by the American Medical Association, showed that women recovering from bulimia suffer from a chemical imbalance in their brains.

Katharine Smith, who led the research, said, "Our findings support suggestions that chronic depletion of plasma tryptophan maybe by persistent dieting can lead to the development of eating disorders in vulnerable individuals."

The study involved a total of 22 women, of whom 12 were recovered bulimics and 10 were regular, healthy women.

While some of the women were given a fruit juice and snacks with an amino acid, tryptophan — which regulates mood and appetite chemicals in the brain — others got regular drinks.

The results showed that those women who had a history of bulimia and had a drink with the acid, had greater mood swings and worried more about their bodies than women who never experienced the disorder.

Some ASU professionals disagree with the study's findings.

"Bulimia is very complicated, it may be true that it has a biological connection but that can't explain the whole problem," said Kim Wright, a psychologist with the ASU Counseling and Consultation center.

She said that if the disorder was strictly biological, there would be as many men who suffer from it as there are women. There are two support groups on campus for women with bulimia, and only one group for men.

Individual counseling sessions, as well as group therapy, are available to students. The first five sessions are free, and each one after costs \$10.

Wright said she has seen an increase in the amount of people seeking help for eating disorders over the last six years. "There is not only a big problem with bulimia, but a lot of disturbed eating patterns in general," she said.

Jessica Durham, an ASU political science sophomore, said she thinks a lot of female students are affected with an eating disorder. She is a receptionist at a Mesa eating disorder treatment center for women, called Rumuda.

"Working there has made me more aware with myself," she said. "I can pick problems out easier with my own eating patterns."

## Two new area codes divide four campus facilities in half

BY JASON B. HALLAM  
STATE PRESS

ASU students and faculty whose telephone numbers begin with the prefix 884, 727, or 965, will soon say good-bye to the 602 area code.

Beginning April 1, telephone companies will implement two new area codes for the Phoenix region. The East Valley will adopt the new 480 area code, while the majority of the West Valley will be under the new 623 code.

The change will primarily effect ASU's Main, East and downtown facilities, as they will all use the 480 area code. ASU West, at 43rd Avenue and Thunderbird Road, will still use the original 602 area code.

The division of the Valley into three separate area codes has been met with mixed reactions.

Rose L. Snow, ASU's telephone services manager, said she feels the change is a "necessary evil."

"To my knowledge, the only thing the new area codes will cost ASU is time and resources," Snow said. "It will be a bit of an inconvenience for a short while, but it will eventually become habit to dial 10 digits instead of seven."

When dialing ASU Main or East from outside the campus area after April 1 it will be necessary to use the new 10-digit phone number. However, campus to campus calls can still be made by using the five-digit extension, regardless of the area code.

Some Tempe business owners are not happy with the new codes.

Brian Pattison, vice president of Guard-O-Matic, a home security business, said because of the new area codes his equipment will need reprogramming which will cost him precious time and money.

"What the public fails to realize about this change is that in three to four years we may have to do it all over again," Pattison said. "I would like to see an overlay system implemented instead, so that it will be done right the first time."

An overlay system is an alternative that Pattison is currently pushing for.

"What the overlay system would do is keep all existing 602 numbers and instead only

assign the 10 digit numbers to new phone lines," he said.

A spokesperson from US West said in order to assist the transition from the previous seven-digit dialing method to the new 10-digit dialing procedure, telephone companies will still connect calls using the old area codes as well as the new ones until September 1.

"Every time a call is made using the seven digit number after April 1 a recording will notify the caller of the area code change and we will then proceed to connect the call," the spokesperson said. "After September 1, it is up to the caller to know this information."

Pager numbers and cellular phones that rely on the original 602 area code will remain untouched, as will 911, and toll-free calls.

# Today

for Tuesday, February 16

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. If any of the above information is 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.

- **The Marriage and Family Therapy Clinic** offers individual, couple, and family counseling to all students, staff, and faculty in the Cowden Family Resources Building in room 140. Call 965-9373.
- **The Student Development Learning Resource Center** is offering free computer workshops in the Student Services Building, room 394. Call the center for times and information.
- **The Counseling Training Center** is offering Counseling Services. No fee for full-time ASU students and staff. A \$15 charge will apply to other students, and \$40 to other non-ASU affiliated clients. Call 965-5067.
- **Student of Objectivism** will have a video entitled, "The Problem of Universals: Failed Attempts and Ayn Rand's Solution" at 7 p.m. in the MU,

room 213.

- **Volunteer Income Tax Assistance** will give free help to non-resident taxpayers at 5:30 p.m. in the Armstrong Hall, room 105.
  - **ASASU** will have a legislative rally to oppose proposals to cut University funding at noon, at the state capitol.
  - **The Society for Human Resource Management** will hold a meeting today in the Business and Administration Building, room 323 at 4 p.m.
  - **Counseling and Consultation** will have an international student's support group at noon in the aforementioned department, on the third floor of the Student Services. If you're an international student dealing with issues of adjustment to life in the U.S., this may be the group for you.
  - **The Campus Bible Fellowship** will have a bible study on joyful living at 12:40 p.m. in the MU, room 221.
  - **The Comming Out Discussion Group** will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Counseling and Consultation department, on the third floor of the Student Services Building.
  - **The Asian Business Leaders Association** will hold a general meeting at 3 p.m. in the MU, room 219.
  - **Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship** will have a service at 7:15 p.m. in Danforth Chapel.
  - **Salle Diablo Fencing Club** is seeking new members in the Student Recreation Center at 7:30 p.m.
- Like hiking, canoeing, skydiving, and the like? **The Arizona Outing Club** will have a meeting to discuss upcoming activities with ASU only outdoors club, at 7:30 p.m. in the MU's Pima room.

## Parking

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on-going project that the city will always be wrestling with.

In addition to the more than 900 parking spaces that will be available in March, America West has also entered into a similar agreement with the city. The city will be able to use the new parking structures being built during the company's off hours.

The construction is expected to be completed in April, at which time the

public will have access to an additional 800 garage and surface spots. The DTC is also working with Tempe Mission Palms Hotel to obtain the use of its garage and surface lots for the public.

"It's about time something about parking downtown was done," Knowles said. "I dread every time I have to go on Mill Avenue. I just wish something would be done about the day parking situation."

## Spuds take spotlight in art show

BY MARK JEWELL  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOSES LAKE, Wash. — The potato is more than cheap basic nutrition — it is the inspiration behind flights of artistic fancy.

At least that's the case in eastern Washington, where the ubiquitous tuber transcends its underground reputation and shines at an art exhibit each February during National Potato Month.

In the Adam East Museum and Art Center, space normally devoted to serious art is occupied by preserved potato peels, smiling Tater Tots and potato-theme water colors painted using water spiked with potato juice.

A half-baked concept?

"We all need a little humor in this serious world," Terry Mulkey, the gallery's manager, said Sunday.

"Baked, Mashed and Fried" invites celebration and examination — by artists

and just ordinary folks — to the spud's aesthetic side. There's also as much as \$550 in cash prizes up for grabs.

Several of the 27 entries in this year's juried contest are serious, including artist Carolann Swartz' still-life ink drawings, titled "Potato Study Triptych."

Others focus on the spud's lighter side.

The winner of this year's \$200 "Golden Potato" award — the potato de resistance, if you will — is "Larry's Half-Baked Theory of Evolution" by Larry and Joyce Oates.

Kevin Russell, a pharmacist, paid \$225 for one work, a mixed-media collage of a woman peeling potatoes, titled, "How many people did you say you were inviting to dinner?"

"I hadn't really thought of the potato as a subject for art until I saw this show," he said. "It's pretty amazing what you can do with a potato."

## Correction

In Monday's *State Press* Sylvester Chestnut was incorrectly identified as a hall director for Cholla Apartments. Chestnut is a hall director at Manzanita Hall.

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"I am very, very disappointed that they have not followed through on an agreement that they had. I told them that they would probably be facing the bill again." — Rep. Marilyn Jarrett, R-Mesa, who sponsored a bill last year to protect whistleblowers.

## Senate examines new whistleblower bill

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — State lawmakers gave up an effort to legislatively protect university whistleblowers last year when administrators promised to address the issue themselves.

Nine months later, the policies remain in draft form, and some legislators say it may be time to intervene again.

"I am very, very disappointed that they have not followed through on an agreement that they had," said Rep. Marilyn Jarrett, R-Mesa, who sponsored

last year's bill. "I told them that they would probably be facing the bill again."

Jarrett's proposal last year would have allowed university employees who disclose wrongdoing to move their cases out of the university system and to the State Personnel Board if they felt they were being retaliated against.

But she dropped the bill when the university presidents promised to revise university policies to allow whistleblowers to take their cases to a neutral hearing

officer.

So far, the three state universities have not finalized their policies.

A new bill this year, sponsored by Sen. David Petersen, R-Mesa, and Rep. Carmine Cardamone, D-Tucson, seeks to codify the university presidents agreement, allowing whistleblowers to have their cases heard by an independent hearing officer.

But not everyone thinks it will offer more protection.

Carol Bernstein, president of the Arizona conference of the American Association of University Professors, said the bill may actually weaken some protections that the employees have under current internal policies.

For example, the bill calls for an initial review by the provost or vice provost. Current policies allow a review by faculty committees, which improve the chances for a fair hearing, Bernstein said.



Samaruddin Stewart of the State Press

### Handing down his experiences

James Hurwitz, student activity adviser for America Reads, shares his teaching experiences with ENG 484 students enrolled in The Service Learning Project Monday in the Memorial Union. The project focuses on mentoring children in grades K-8 at different Valley schools.

## Travel agents warn clients of possible airline strike

BY JOLYN OKIMOTO  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHOENIX — Travel agents say they are advising clients about the possibility of a flight attendants strike at America West Airlines but can't do much until a strike is declared.

America West flight attendants rejected binding arbitration with the airline over salary issues on Friday.

Once the National Mediation Board acknowledges the rejection, the countdown for a 30-day "cooling off" period will begin and the union can declare a strike at any time after that.

Union officials on Monday said they had not heard from the board, which was closed for the Presidents' Day holiday, but expected to hear from them Tuesday.

That would mean a mid-March window for a possible strike.

"Everything is kind of at a standstill," said Mary Higgins, a travel agent at Fifth Avenue Travel and Tours in Scottsdale said Monday.

"We have not yet had the final word on what to tell customers who are holding America West tickets. We are telling them to check back with us," Higgins said.

Penny Edwards, the manager at Bell Travel Agency in Sun City, said once a strike is declared, customers holding America West tickets can look into making alternative plans, but until then, they have to wait.

And for travel agents, "all you can do right now is think about it," Edwards said.

Agents said flights that would fall before or during the likely 30-day cooling off period are being booked as usual.

But flights for mid-March and beyond, most travel agents said they were advising customers of the potential strike.

"If people have to be somewhere within a month or 45 days, some of them are booking away (from America West)," said Ken Van Epps, the owner of Moon Valley Travel in Phoenix.

But with America West the dominant carrier at Sky Harbor International Airport with 214 daily flights and 42 percent of travelers, alternatives might be hard to come by.

"Unfortunately (flying) from Phoenix you don't have a lot of choices. In most markets there are one or two more choices," said Rose Saylor, a senior agent at Sunset Travel Inc. in Glendale.

Moreover, many flights during the busy spring break season in March and April could be full, Van Epps said.

While Saylor said it's up to the customer to choose whether to fly with America West or some other carrier, she is advising those who choose America West to use paper tickets rather than electronic ones.

Paper tickets give the customer proof of purchase without having to access records by computer, which would be particularly important during a strike, Saylor said.

"It gives (the customer) the flexibility of going up to another airlines counter and getting on another carrier. It saves the customer a lot of hassle," Saylor said.

"Anything can happen in 30 days," she said. "But for now, that's all we can do. We're sort of caught in the middle of it."

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Rose Snyder, senior agent at Sunset Travel Inc.

## Cardinals stadium plan runs into trouble at Arizona State Legislature

BY MATT KELLY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHOENIX — Backers of a new \$1.8 billion stadium complex for the Arizona Cardinals were thrown for a loss at the Arizona Legislature Monday.

A state Senate panel rejected a bill (SB1296) backed by supporters of the Rio Salado Crossing project. It would change state law to allow more sales tax revenues to be shifted to the three-city district that would help fund the stadium.

Opponents of the measure say it's a government giveaway to team owners and the wealthy few who can afford luxury skyboxes at a new stadium.

"I just think there's far too many other needs," said Sen. Tom Freestone, R-Mesa, who voted against the bill Monday.

A state House panel has endorsed an identical bill, and stadium backers are hoping to get the bill heard in the Senate, Rio Salado Crossing lobbyist Steve Betts said.

Voters in Mesa, Gilbert and Queen Creek are scheduled to vote May 18 on the stadium plan. Mesa voters also will be asked to approve a quarter-cent city sales tax over 20 years for additional funding for the project.

The bill would allow the stadium project to get half of the sales tax revenues generated during the stadium's construction and operation. Currently that provision applies only to sales taxes paid after construction is completed.

The measure also bars stadium districts from levying sales taxes like the special sales tax which helped finance the Bank One Ballpark in downtown Phoenix.

The bill would make stadium districts exempt from a state law that requires 120 days' notice to voters of its elections.

The measure failed in the Senate Government and Environmental Stewardship Committee Monday on votes of 4-4 and 4-3. Three of the four votes against the measure were Mesa Republicans: Freestone, Sen. Rusty Bowers and Sen. David Petersen.

## Medicare cost cuts to hit Phoenix

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — A Medicare experiment halted in Baltimore and Denver after public outcry is being launched in the Phoenix area.

Starting next year, the federal government will make health maintenance organizations in the Phoenix area, Kansas City and five other unnamed sites for a five-year pilot project mandated in the Balanced Budget Act of 1997.

The project is a test designed to cut Medicare costs.

Legislators in Baltimore and Denver were able to stop similar experiments before the projects became law. HMOs and their members in those cities said they feared premium increases and reduced benefits.

Instead of paying HMOs a set rate to take care of seniors and disabled patients on Medicare, the Health Care Financing Administration, which runs the Medicare program, will have HMOs bid on those rates.

"If they bid on the high side, it could result in a massive disruption in enrollment," said Gay Ann Williams, executive of the Arizona Association of HMOs.

HCFA officials say the project will allow Medicare members to choose a health plan with the best value. It also may encourage HMOs to return to rural areas by improving payments to the HMOs.

## Editorial

### Possible suicide obviates need for self-kindness

This past weekend, in what investigators say appears to have been a suicide, a student plummeted from the seventh floor of Cholla Apartments.

It wasn't the first time this has happened.

In 1997, a 19-year-old student also fell from the eighth floor of Cholla Apartments. Due to alcohol in the student's bloodstream, it was never clear whether or not his death was a suicide.

While these two incidents don't represent an astronomical figure, they do point to the malevolent forces that lurk on the edges of life — and the need for defenses against those forces.

Depression, anxiety and loneliness are the bastard emotions no one likes to recognize, least of all admit to feeling. But they exist and if they go unnoticed they can eat away at us on the inside and develop into overwhelming problems that may seem impossible to escape.

Saturday's incident may be proof of where those overwhelming problems can sometimes take us.

Let's face it — it's not easy to be eighteen. It's not easy to be nineteen. Or twenty. Or twenty-one. Life isn't easy. As a matter of fact, it seems to be that life, for the most part, is pretty damn rough. Life takes you, chews you up and then spits you out. But, whether it breaks you up or not is your decision.

So, as the first round of tests gets into gear and we begin to prepare for the frenetic pace of the midterms just around the corner, remember to take time for a deep breath and a quiet moment and to deal with yourself in kindness.

Life getting rough? Put down the textbook. Turn off the computer. Tuck those notes underneath the bed. In the long run, surviving college with your sanity, peace of mind and well-being is infinitely more important than a good grade.

This isn't another diatribe about taking time to smell the roses or the stress-relieving benefits of jogging. What we're trying to communicate here is that we all get so preoccupied with all the million things we have to get done in life that we neglect to take care of the one thing we should reserve the most time for.

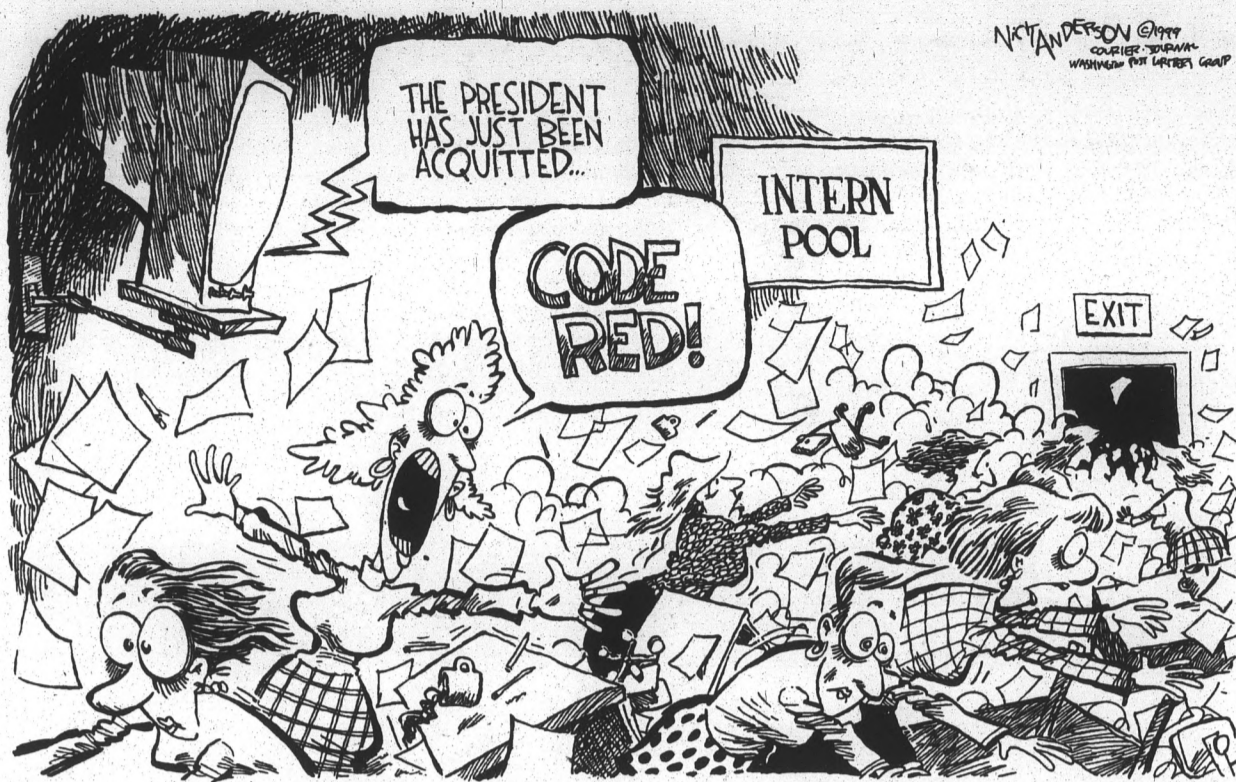
Ourselves.

It's been said before and as cheese-ball as it sounds, we'll say it again. Be kind to yourself.

Having real trouble emotionally? There are dozens of resources on campus that can help you get the help you need. Pick up the phone.

Call Student Health or Counseling and Consultation. Or get ahold of the people at the Campus Counseling Training Center — their services are free to full-time students and staff. There's even a Marriage and Family Therapy Clinic on campus.

The point is that there are numerous avenues in which to find release for whatever emotional pain ails you — and the private emotional battle doesn't have to end the way Saturday's may have.



## Show's over for Republican Party

The show's finally over.

The Senate has resoundingly exonerated Clinton. Rehnquist and his gold stripes have retreated back to where they belong, and no one will be saying 'President Gore' for at least another two years.

But was it worth it? There have been few winners in this year-long scandal; certainly the American people are not among them. We have been lied to by our commander-in-chief, patronized by our representatives and deceived by politicians in general — all for a not-guilty verdict that took more than \$40 million in investigative fees to accomplish.

Ironically, it is those who intended to take down the president's party with impeachment who are now paying the price.

"We have done incredible damage, because in my opinion, we've developed a laundry list of people that we're against," Connecticut Gov. John Rowland admitted in a recent *Arizona Republic* article. He and other centrist Republicans met over the weekend to discuss what New Jersey Governor Christine Todd Whitman called "tough times for the Republicans" in the *Republic* article.

"I will report to you that the good news is that the rich people and the business people still like us," Rowland said. "But that's about it. Unless they can vote four or five times each, we've got some problems in the next couple of campaigns."

While Clinton has the rest of his life to repair his image and his legacy, as Nixon and Carter arguably did, Republicans now face a huge political challenge: Stay true to their original platform and beliefs or modify them to stay in the game.

Now that the impeachment hearing is over, politicians are turning to self-proclaimed "real" issues: social security, taxes, foreign policy — the things we wanted them to focus on all along. The things we pay politicians to do. Now, Congress is asking the public to put the impeachment behind us, to realize the majority party stands for more than just discrediting Clinton.



Megan Nielsen columnist

But America isn't listening anymore. Why should we? It's not as though our representatives listened to us.

"The voters gave their verdict," conservative campaign consultant Lawrence Wertzner explained in another *Republic* article. "Instead of listening and following the will of the people, we fought them. And it should be no surprise that we're paying the price for it."

Although Republican approval ratings have sunk in the past few months, no politician could have guessed putting Clinton on trial would have failed so miserably. Not only did both counts fail to get even a simple majority, but Clinton's foremost critics are now discouraging Kenneth Starr from indicting the president at all. Henry Hyde, chairman of the judiciary committee, urged the case to be "put to bed" by the independent counsel, emphasizing he did not want a criminal indictment of Clinton. Additionally, the move for censure has been tabled by the Senate and will most likely never reappear.

So, why did we even put Clinton on trial? If these counts of perjury are too lightweight to warrant an indictment or even censure, why spend \$40 million to delve into the case at all?

The answer is this: The president's critics are now experiencing the wrath of the public.

The only chance the Republican Party has for survival after the failed ouster is to follow the example of centrists like Whitman and Rowland, moderates who understand the average American doesn't connect with the radical right wing, and that the only way to stay in the game is to re-evaluate what the Republican Party wants to be known for.

But just as there are rational moderates, like Whitman and Rowland, whipping out positive sound bites for their party, die-hard conservatives continue to push the GOP further into the brink of extinction.

But we don't need extremists telling us what dire afflictions our nation faces now that Clinton has been acquitted and the rule of law allegedly ignored; we knew our country was in trouble when it took Larry Flynt to do the moral housekeeping in Congress.

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## Political correctness can be incorrect ideal

While I was an undergraduate student at Rutgers, a debate raged about changing the spelling of the word woman to "womyn." Proponents of this change believed taking "man" out of the word would provide "womyn" with the opportunity to escape the oppression of male patriarchy and language. Other individuals believed the word was too embedded in our consciousness and that an entirely new word would have to be invented in order to transcend our culture of male domination.

So the debate raged in the campus newspaper for weeks about whether the spelling of woman should be changed or an entirely new word was in order. Not too many people were willing to stand up and say the entire debate was absurd.

Welcome to the world of political correctness. I have not encountered it to the same degree at ASU, but all that changed when a document called "Sensitivity Training 101" was found on a computer in the ASASU office recently. "Sensitivity Training 101" was an ad hoc list of "top 20 things not to say in the office or any formal setting." I think the author of the document got that one right. (The document is available on the State Press Web site.)

The document was dumb in a juvenile way. More importantly, this document certainly did not belong in an office where people could seriously take offense to it. But when I read the document, I did not sense any malice or hatred on the part of the author. It was just a poor attempt at humor.

Scott D. Gillette  
columnist



One ASASU senator was quoted to have said the exact same thing I just said: That the document was "written as a joke" and "wasn't meant to cause harm or create controversy." For pointing out the obvious, the senator was called a racist, a bigot and a Nazi.

Now, the senator denies making those quotes and says they were taken out of context. But I cannot understand how his assessment could be construed as offensive. He just expressed a rational sentiment of what the document was all about.

I do not know if there was sensitivity training for ASASU members, or how they responded to it. But I would not do well in a sensitivity training session because I would object to the patronizing assumption that I will not be receptive to different types of groups unless I am taught how to do so. Yet, there is something else about the term sensitivity training I dislike, but could not put my finger on. Then it came to me when I looked up the word sensitive.

According to Webster's Dictionary, to be sensitive is to be "ready and delicate in response to outside influences." Notice how the term sensitive focuses upon how you feel, instead of how others feel. So it comes as no surprise to me that sensitivity training tends to make people, well, hypersensitive.

I prefer the word empathy. That means the "capacity for participating in the feelings or ideas of another." Empathy allows people who may be different to understand each other. True empathy is what promotes progress between people; with sensitivity, you still haven't gotten past yourself.

So I think it's important to focus on ultimate causes con-

cerning individuals who may be from different backgrounds than you.

In order to foster tolerance and respect between people, you don't have to be politically correct. You don't have to talk like a robot, in fear someone would deem you a racist. You don't have to listen to members of the Campus Environment Team who tell you what the boundaries of free speech should be. And you don't need sensitivity training.

All you need to do is to strive, as best you can, to be decent every day. It's that simple. You don't need to be told it's wrong to hurt others because they are different than you. Children know this. And you shouldn't be congratulated for treating people of a different race, sex or orientation with tolerance and respect. You're supposed to.

American universities are littered with stories of good people who have had their careers and lives destroyed because they were not deemed "politically correct" enough by other people in positions of power. That's why I get nervous when administrators argue that free speech should be compromised with competing concerns. It is none of the administration's business to make pronouncements about what students or faculty say and think.

I believe the values of tolerance can be practiced without the stifled and peevis atmosphere political correctness breeds. And do not be fooled by those who deem you a bigot simply for being honest. We are all better than that. Let freedom ring.

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## Readers' Poll

What is your opinion?

Recently, the ASASU Executive Committee and the ASASU senate each passed a resolution to curb hate and harassment in the office. The resolutions came in response to a complaint about a document found on an ASASU computer in December. The document contained derogatory comments about gender, religion, ethnicity and sexual orientation.

- A. Yes
- B. No
- C. Don't Care

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at <http://news.vpsa.asu.edu/spress/spress.html> Answers will be published in next Wednesday's issue of the State Press.



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## Tuning in to trash TV sends wrong message

Last week, while carelessly flipping through the daytime television menagerie, I came upon a program of interest. Now that I think about it, morbid curiosity is probably a more appropriate term. The program featured men who were engaged to several women at the same time. A friend — and from what I learned, avid watcher of this daily revulsion — relayed that I was watching Ricki. I soon discovered that it is actually called Ricki Lake, and that only her more intimate fans may call it Ricki.

My friend and I sat in awe as women were pictured in bridal gowns and then paraded before the audience. Then, one-by-one, the over-zealous grooms disclosed their painful secrets. Some women attacked their fiancé, others sobbed at the betrayal; their suitors were usually indignant.

As I watched this mockery, I realized that I was, in a small but significant way, taking part in it. By tuning in, I told businesses they were to spend their advertising dollars and told the network this is the type

Brian Policoff  
columnist



of programming I want to see. I was, in essence, lending aid to those who would publicly degrade my fellow human beings.

I picked Ricki Lake as an example, but this entire genre of show remains pretty consistent in theme. They all feature delicate problems that should be dealt with in private, but are instead thrust into a ridiculous public forum. The goal of these shows has nothing to do with solving the people's problems. Instead, they thrive on a circus-like atmosphere complete with vicious brawls, neon captions and a bloodthirsty studio audience.

These shows, those who advertise on them and yes, those who view them, are actively participating in the exploitation of others' pain. How do I know? A few years ago, I was a guest on one of these programs.

Being an avid skater, when I saw a show titled "rollerblading moms," I tuned in. I was not familiar with this genre of show, but the episode I watched seemed innocent enough. At the end of the program, the host announced that if you wanted to get even with someone, you could fly all expenses paid to New York and be a guest on the show. I didn't necessarily have a gripe with anyone in particular, but for a trip to New York, I could contrive one. I made up some nonsense about a friend eating my home-

work and called the number; two days later I was en route to the Big Apple.

Upon arriving, my friend and I were separated into different rooms. I was ushered into a room filled with people who had been wronged, while my friend adjourned to the room with those who had done the wrongs.

I spent several hours talking to my fellow plaintiffs. They relayed stories of betrayal and misfortune that made me regret my dishonesty. One woman, whom I'll call Keri, relayed how her husband had slept with other women and bragged about it openly in front of anyone who would listen. As she began to feel a sense of disenfranchised camaraderie, she disclosed that he beat her frequently. Somehow, she felt that getting it out in the open in a public forum might ease her pain. Another woman I'll call Maria was on the program to confront her sister, who had slept with her husband. It was difficult to procure all the details of the story through her tears, but she had been married for 15 years, had four children and still considered her sister her best friend in the world.

When the show began, I told my little tale of woe and my friend responded accordingly. After our performance, my friend and I returned to our respective areas. Several people were crowded around Keri,

the woman whose husband had kissed and told. I asked what was going on and one of the other women explained to me that her husband had told her that if she went on and relayed to the world his deplorable actions, he would beat her to death. Keri was shaking furiously as tears poured down her face. The staff explained to her that if she did not go on they would sue her for their time and the expense of the flight. Keri had no money. She began hyperventilating.

Maria, the woman whose sister violated the sanctity of her marriage went on as scheduled. Her sibling had little interest in her pain and laughed as she gave accounts of their various liaisons. I wonder if the audience could make out all of Maria's words through her weeping. After the show, the host walked around with a big smile and shook everyone's hands.

Shows like this are interested in one thing — making money. If this can be done profitably at another's expense, so be it. Despite being on television, these people aren't actors; they are real men and women with genuine problems. Knowing that, how can we justify tuning in?

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# Hurricane Mitch unleashes new wave of illegal migration to U.S.

*Editor's Note: This is part one in a two-part series about survivors of Hurricane Mitch. Look for part two in Wednesday's paper.*

By JULIE WATSON  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TECUN UMAN, Guatemala — Every day they arrive by the dozens in this grungy city on the Mexican border filled with thieves and prostitutes.

There are grandfathers, single moms, unaccompanied children from villages with populations no greater than those of the dilapidated buses that bring them here.

Thousands of Central Americans are risking the harrowing odyssey to the United States after losing their homes, jobs and loved ones to Hurricane Mitch in late October. They are a new wave of immigration — more numerous, more determined, more desperate than any before them.

One of the desperate is Eva Leni Carbajal, 32. The single mother lost her home, then her \$5-a-day job at a doughnut shop when business slowed in ravaged Chamalecon in northern Honduras.

Teary-eyed, she kissed her sons and mother good-bye and stepped onto a bus to Tecun Uman with the clothes on her back, two family photos, \$400 and her brother's Las Vegas phone number.

Two months later, she had been beaten, robbed and raped while trying to cross Mexico — and then sent back to Guatemala to try again.

In her nightmares, Carbajal relives the horror: Hitting the mud. Strangers' fists. Drunken bodies on top of her before she passed out. Waking up naked in a ditch. Running down a road screaming until she found a Mexican woman who fed and clothed her. Being grabbed by immigration agents — and being bused back to Guatemala.

She has been deported three times.

Yet Carbajal was not giving up. Her legs black and blue, she sat next to a friend on a recent afternoon, waiting to hop a northbound freight train toward the United States after taking a makeshift raft across the river that separates Guatemala from Mexico.

"I can't go back worse off than when I left," Carbajal said.

Her Guatemalan friend, who was also raped on an unsuccessful attempt to cross Mexico, believes she is pregnant. Both women were too scared to call police.

The latest group is more desperate than traditional Central American migrants who have taken the same route for decades in hopes of escaping poverty, experts say. Although the majority are men, twice as many women are making the trip now, according to the Casa del Migrante, a shelter for migrants in Tecun Uman.

"They say they have nothing to go back home to. There is no food, no work," said Mariano Orozco, the shelter's night supervisor.

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for Sunday

ASU police reported the following incidents Sunday:

- A man not affiliated with ASU was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, DUI with a blood alcohol level above .10, extreme DUI and exhibition of speed at South Rural Road and East University Drive.
- A student was arrested, cited and released for underage possession of alcohol in Area 63.
- A man not affiliated with ASU was arrested, cited and released for driving on a suspended license at East 10th Street and South Mill Avenue.
- A man not affiliated with ASU was arrested, cited and released for driving on a suspended license at 900 S. Mill Ave.
- A student was arrested on an outstanding warrant from Tempe police. He was unable to post bond and was booked.
- A man not affiliated with ASU was arrested on an outstanding warrant from ASU police. He was able to post bond and was released.
- Two exhibits were damaged at the Memorial Union Gallery.
- A man not affiliated with ASU reported his bicycle stolen from the Architecture Building.
- A student reported his wallet stolen from the Student Recreation Complex.
- A student reported that someone entered her car, while it was parked in Structure 5, and removed a CD player, CDs and video cassettes.
- A man not affiliated with ASU reported various items stolen from the Mona Plummer Aquatic Center.
- A man not affiliated with ASU was arrested, cited and released for displaying fictitious registration at the Community Services Building.

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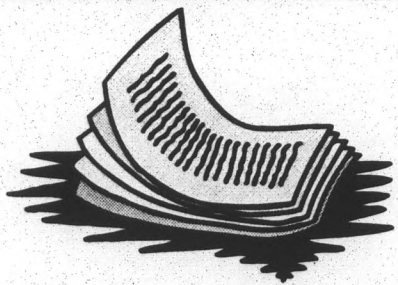
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# Group protests fat-bashing ads used by popular fitness chain

By **RON HARRIS**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO — More than 30 overweight people chanted "Eat me!" while performing aerobics on the sidewalk in front of a health club to protest a new ad campaign they say demoralizes fat people.

The "fat advocates" banded together to protest a 24 Hour Fitness billboard campaign that depicts a hungry space alien and reads "When they come, they will eat the fat ones first."

Company officials say they didn't intend to offend anyone. "Sometimes humor helps make things easier, and can even be motivational," 24 Hour Fitness officials said in a release.

But the protesters said they saw little humor in the ad.

"It's really hard for fat people to get into the gym anyway. To alienate them before they even walk in the door is cruel," said Rebekah Bridges, who handed out lollipops to passers-by.

"I may be fat, but I'm fit, I'm happy, I'm sexual, I'm all of those things. How dare an ad man decide for society that we're not allowed to be someplace," Bridges said.

Others waved handwritten signs that read "Bite My Fat, Alien Butt," "Fat and Fit" and "Honk If You're Fat," which received loud support from traffic on the busy downtown street.

A fitness trainer for the rival World Gym ran a low-impact aerobics session at the sidewalk protest, leading hefty partici-

pants through a rigorous high-kneed, arm-pumping routine.

Marilyn Wann organized the event and is the author of *Fat!So?*, a book that seeks strip away the common cultural notion that fat is bad. Wann said the 24 Hour Fitness ad is not funny and took her "fat rebels" to the front lines to be seen and heard.

"We've got an epidemic of eating disorders, an epidemic of exercise disorders, people who have to work out twice a day or they're not worthy human beings," Wann said. "It really makes me sad to think the fitness isn't about health, they're just about looks."

Wann said she'd like to see the company retract the ads and work with advocates to fill out its membership.

Carlsbad-based 24 Hour Fitness has 284 gyms in 10 western states, Europe and Asia.

As a row of lithe, Lycra-clad gym members streamed out the club's doors past protesters, most agreed the ad was an unusually demeaning stab at potential customers.

"The ad is very derogatory. The ad is abusive. The ad is prejudicial," said club member Nancy Cook, who heard about protest on television and joined in a show of support.

But Heather Mulhall, who left the gym on her mountain bike, said the ad was simply "catty or joking." She said the club has many plus-sized members — and some are in better shape than her.

"I will get on the treadmill next to people who weigh a little bit more, and they can go twice as long as I can," she said.

**“It's really hard for fat people to get into the gym anyway. To alienate them before they even walk in the door is cruel.”**

Rebekah Bridges



Ben Margot of the Associated Press  
Jeff Beeson, foreground, of El Sobrante, Calif., protests in front of a 24 Hour Fitness gym Monday in San Francisco.

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A performer rests with a dragon as they hop from a Chinese store to another to perform for good luck on the eve of the Chinese New Year celebration Monday at Manila's Chinatown district of Binondo. Chinese all over the world celebrate the Year of the Rabbit, said to be a calm year, in the last celebration of the millennium.

## Chinese across Asia usher in Year of the Rabbit today

By PRISCILLA CHEUNG  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MACAU — Red Chinese lanterns festooned European colonial buildings and firecrackers exploded to the beat of loud music Monday as Macau celebrated its last Chinese New Year under Portuguese rule.

While the Chinese majority rang in the Lunar New Year, their Portuguese neighbors watched the celebrations knowing that most of them would be gone for next year's bash. Macau will be handed over to China on Dec. 20 after 400 years of colonial rule.

China and Chinese communities throughout Asian countries welcomed the Year of the Rabbit, which begins Tuesday. But in some places, celebrations were muted by the economic slowdown hampering the region.

In Taiwan, the lavish New Year dinners that companies traditionally throw for their employees were often cut back. At food giant Taiwan Sugar, company officials Monday passed out box lunches, forgoing a banquet that would have been far more expensive.

"It's not too bad. We got rice, vegetables, a drumstick. At least there's no chicken's head," said deputy sales manager Chang Pi-tung. According to tradition, a chicken head in the soup could mean you're fired.

Taiwan has not slipped into recession like many of its Asian neighbors, but its economy slowed, growing at about 5 percent last year, down from 6.8 percent in 1997.

In Shanghai, on the mainland, children playing in a treasure hunt dressed up as rabbits, the animal marking the 4,697th year of the traditional Chinese calendar.

In the Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh, dancers in long dragon costumes snaked through the streets of Chinese-dominated neighborhoods, moving to the rhythm of drumbeats and volleys of firecrackers. An estimated one-third of Phnom Penh's nearly one million residents are ethnic Chinese.

City authorities have often attempted to ban fireworks, the cause of an increasing number of fires and injuries each year. But municipal police official Kong Saran admitted amid Monday's clamor that the orders appeared to have failed.

"When we told people not to detonate fireworks on the ground, they would go do it on the fifth floor of a building," Kong Saran said.

At a makeshift market in Macau, members of the Chinese majority bargained for traditional holiday treats, like sugarcoated lotus seeds, cucumber slices and flowers. But hawkers reported hefty losses as people spent less amid the worst recession in years.

Many are hoping their eventual leaders in Beijing will bring an end to recent problems, including escalating gang violence and shrinking profits at the casinos that are Macau's top source of income.

"People feel helpless under Portuguese rule because they don't think they care about us. The Chinese may not be better rulers, but at least there's hope," said a police officer who gave only his surname, Kou, as he shopped with his two children.

## President says Mrs. Clinton would 'be terrific in the Senate'

By TERENCE HUNT  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MERIDA, Mexico — Hillary Rodham Clinton would make a "terrific" senator from New York state, her husband said Monday, "but that's a decision that she'll have to make."

With that, President Clinton became the latest member of his administration to pump air into a Hillary Clinton-for-Senate boomlet.

On Sunday, Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, whose retirement next year will create the vacancy, said New York could use some of Mrs. Clinton's "magnificent, young, bright, able, Illinois-Arkansas enthusiasm." "She'd be welcome and she'd win," Moynihan said.

Still to be heard from: the potential candidate. About all Mrs. Clinton has said about running for the Senate in 2000 is that she hasn't had time to think about it — and she said that through a spokesperson.

What did Mrs. Clinton have to say about her husband's early endorsement? "Nothing," said her spokeswoman, Marsha Berry.

Clinton, talking to reporters who accompanied him for a meeting with Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo, said the same thing.

"I think she would be terrific in the Senate. But that's a decision that she'll have to make," Clinton said. "And for

reasons I'm sure you'll understand, she hasn't had anything like adequate time to talk to the people who think she should do this — much less people who think perhaps she shouldn't. She just hasn't had time to deal with this."

Clinton said he wanted everyone to understand that the idea did not originate with Mrs. Clinton. "I don't think it had ever occurred to her before a lot of people started calling and asking her to do it," he said.

Then he added, in what amounted to an endorsement: "It's her decision to make. I will support whatever decision she makes enthusiastically. She has a lot of other opportunities for public service that will be out there. She and I both would like to continue to be useful in public affairs when we leave office. But it's a decision she'll have to make. She'd be great if she did it."

A few weeks ago, New York Democratic Chairwoman Judith Hope said the odds were 50-50 that Mrs. Clinton would run. Mrs. Clinton is expected to visit New York City in early March for a women's leadership forum and some Democrats think she might use that setting to give an indication of her intentions.

New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani is a possible Republican candidate for the Moynihan seat. "It would be an incredible race," if both the first lady and the mayor ran, Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said Sunday.



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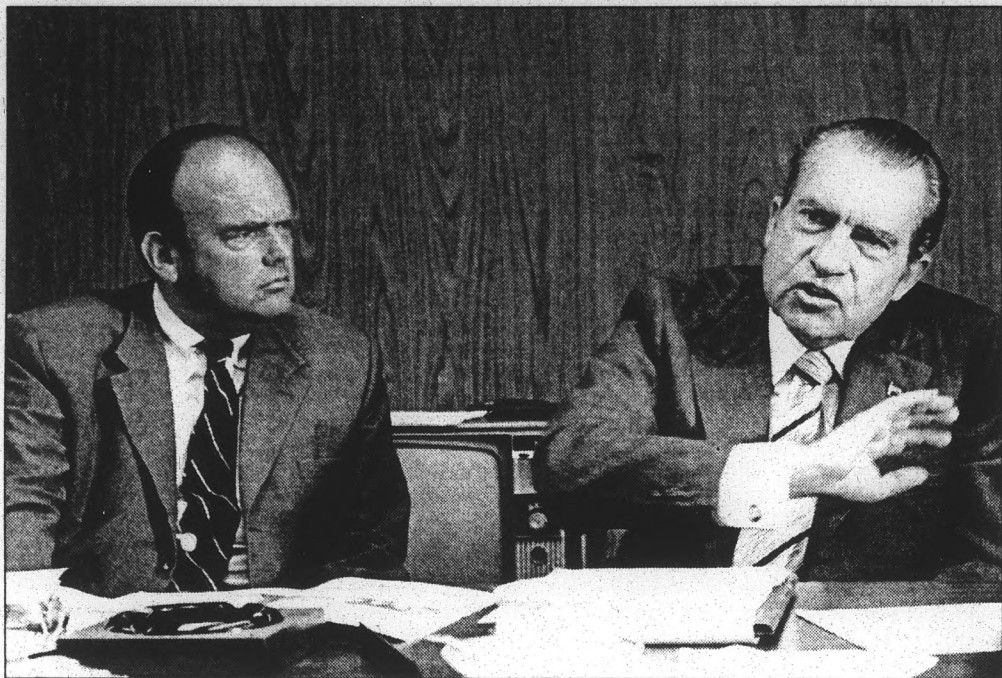
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President Nixon, right, discusses improving conditions at a California state park as John D. Ehrlichman, Nixon's domestic affairs adviser, listens in this 1972 file photo. Ehrlichman, who was imprisoned for 18 months for his part in the Watergate conspiracy, died Sunday of natural causes at the age of 73.

File photo/Associated Press

## Former Nixon adviser dies at 73

By TOM SALADINO  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — John D. Ehrlichman, President Nixon's domestic affairs adviser who was imprisoned for 18 months for the Watergate conspiracy, has died. He was 73.

Ehrlichman died Sunday of natural causes at his home in Atlanta. He had suffered from diabetes, his son, Tom, said Monday.

Ehrlichman, who along with H.R. Haldeman was one of Nixon's two top advisers, resigned from his White House post in April 1973 and was convicted two years later for obstruction of justice, conspiracy and perjury in the attempted cover-up of the burglary of the Democratic National Committee offices at the Watergate complex in Washington.

Early on June 17, 1972, burglars tied to Nixon's re-election campaign broke into the Democratic offices. They were trying to replace a faulty telephone bugging device installed during an earlier break-in. They got caught by a security guard.

Nixon, who won re-election that November, and his aides tried to cover up the growing scandal.

As the cover-up began to unravel and pressure mounted, Nixon summoned Haldeman and domestic counsel Ehrlichman to the presidential cabin at Camp David, Md., in April 1973 and told them they would have to resign. The next day, he fired White House counsel John Dean, and accepted the resignations of Haldeman, Ehrlichman and Attorney General Richard Kleindienst.

Under threat of impeachment, Nixon resigned on Aug. 9, 1974. He was later pardoned by President Ford.

Ehrlichman spent 18 months at Swift Trail Camp, a minimum-security federal prison south of Safford, Ariz., and was released in 1978. Haldeman also served 18 months in prison and died in November 1993.

Ehrlichman was born March 20, 1925, in Tacoma, Wash. He graduated from University of California, Los Angeles and got a law degree at Stanford University in 1951.

During World War II, Ehrlichman was a lead navigator in the 8th Air Force where he earned the Air Medal clusters and the Distinguished Flying Cross. Before joining the White House, Ehrlichman was a partner in the Seattle law firm of Hullin, Ehrlichman, Roberts & Hodge from 1952 to 1968.

After getting out of prison, he moved to Santa Fe, N.M., where he began a new career as an artist, writer and commentator. Ehrlichman wrote four novels: *The Company*, 1976; *The Whole Truth*, 1979; *The China Card*, 1986; (co-author) of *The Rigby File*, 1989. He also wrote a memoir published in 1983, *Witness to Power: The Nixon Years*.

He eventually moved to Atlanta to serve as senior vice-president of Law Environmental.

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# Iraq threatens to attack U.S.-used base in Turkey

BY LEON BARKHO  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq will attack a Turkish base for U.S. warplanes — and other American and British bases in the region — if the jets continue to patrol the skies over Iraq, the Iraqi vice president warned Monday.

Taha Yassin Ramadan's threat, coming in an interview with Radio Monte Carlo, monitored in Baghdad, marked the first time in years that Iraq has threatened to attack neighboring Turkey.

U.S. jets based at Incirlik, in south Turkey, have struck almost daily at Iraqi defense sites after being targeted by Iraqi defenses while patrolling the "no-fly" zone over the north of the country.

Ramadan threatened attacks on the Incirlik base, and repeated Iraq's threat Sunday on other bases in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait from which U.S. and British jets patrol a southern "no-fly" zone.

"If the Turkish base continues attacking Iraq it will certainly be (targeted) like other bases (in the Persian Gulf)," Ramadan said.

"I say if America and Britain do not retreat, they'll soon pay dearly in relation to the properties and elements they use to launch aggression on the people of Iraq," he said.

Ramadan made his remarks the same day that Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz held talks with Turkish Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit in Ankara. Aziz went to Turkey to try to persuade the Turkish government to halt the overflights from Incirlik base. Ecevit, however, insisted that use of the base to patrol the zone would continue.

Also on Monday, U.S. warplanes attacked Iraqi defense sites in northern Iraq, the Defense Department said in Washington. The planes returned safely to Incirlik, according to the Defense Department.

The Iraqi government said in a statement that allied planes also had carried out attacks in the southern "no-fly" zone, killing five civilians and injuring another

22. The U.S. statement made no mention of strikes in the south and the Iraqi claims could not be independently confirmed.

The "no-fly" zones were set up after the 1991 Persian Gulf War to prevent Iraqi aircraft from attacking Kurdish rebels in the north and Shiite Muslims in the south of the country.

Iraq has never accepted the validity of the zones, which were created by the United States, Britain and France and are not authorized by a specific U.N. Security Council resolution. France later withdrew its participation in the enforcement of the zones.

The United States says Iraq has violated the zones 90 times since it began challenging them in December. U.S. and British planes have retaliated by attacking more than 40 Iraqi air defense sites. Iraq says at least 32 people have been killed in these attacks.

In Kuwait on Monday, a foreign ministry spokesman said the Iraqi leadership's threats reflect Baghdad's "aggressive intention toward its neighbors."

Iraq's warning on Sunday was a "direct and serious threat to Kuwait's security and sovereignty," the spokesman told the official Kuwait News Agency.

In Ankara, Ecevit made clear Monday that U.S. and British planes would continue to be allowed to use Incirlik to patrol northern Iraq. However, he distanced his nation from the American interest in overthrowing Iraqi president Saddam Hussein.

Turkey fears attempts to remove Saddam could lead to chaos in Iraq. "For us the problem is not Saddam Hussein," Ecevit reported after meeting with Aziz.

"Saddam Hussein is the concern of the Iraqi people, and it might be the problem of the United States or other states," Ecevit said. "For us the problem is to prevent Iraq's division."

He said he told Aziz the mission was operating under the strict control of Turkish officers and that U.S. jets were only striking at Iraqi defense sites when attacked or targeted.

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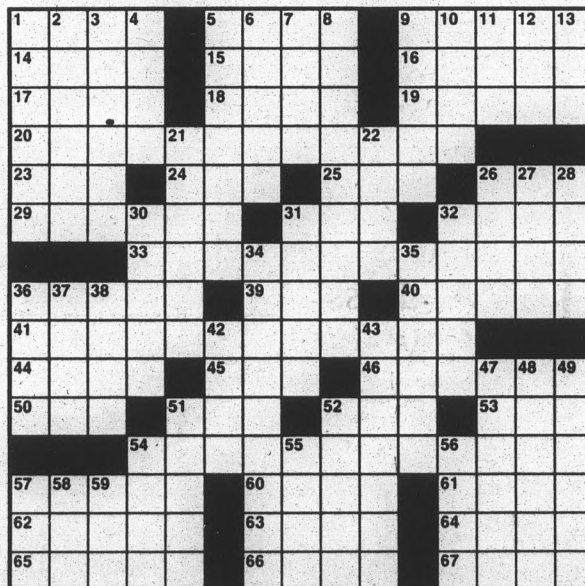


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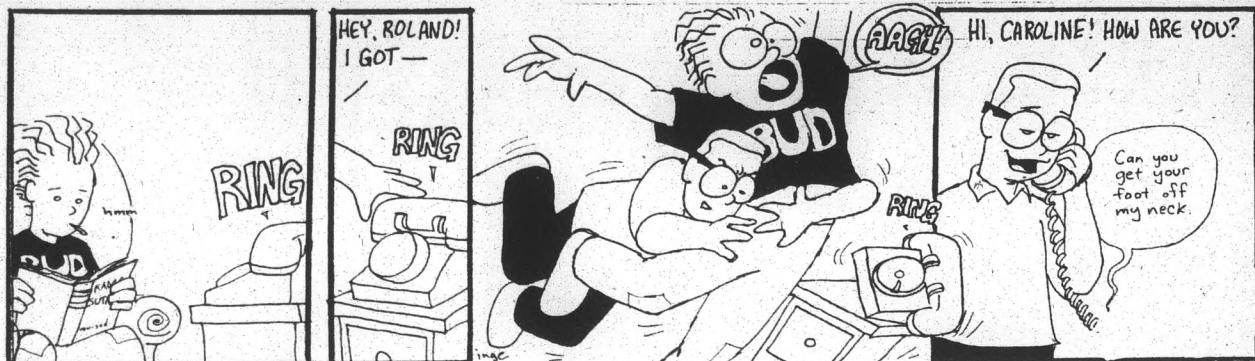
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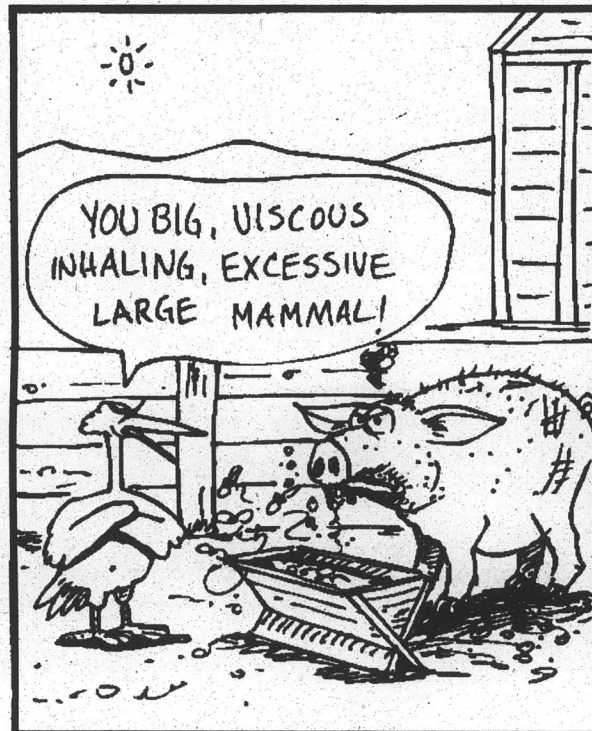
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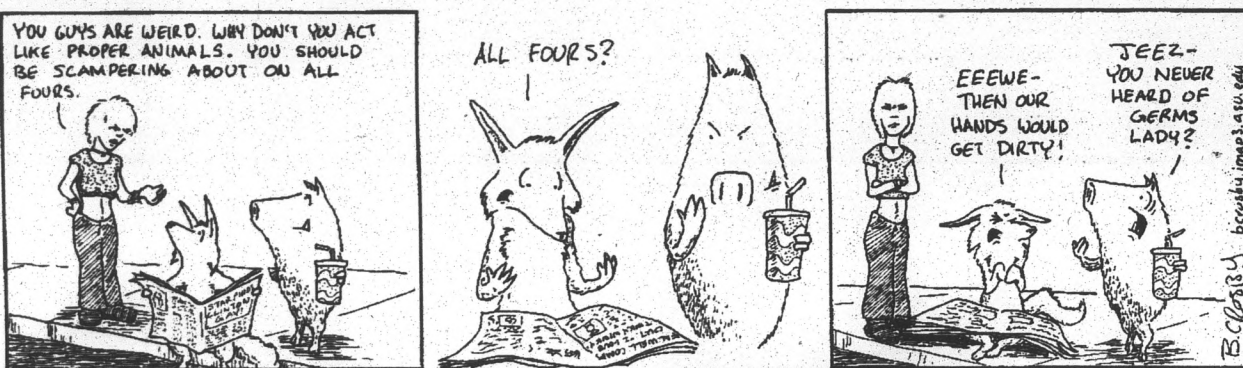
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## Flooring the competition

Former walk-on McNabb flourishes as the Sun Devils' "Miss Automatic"

BY CHRIS CARLOCK  
STATE PRESS

It's not often that a walk-on becomes a key contributor to a team. It's almost unheard of that a walk-on becomes one of the team's stars. And a walk-on becoming an All-American? Forget about it.

Enter ASU gymnast Elizabeth McNabb.

McNabb came to ASU in 1997 as a freshman without a scholarship. Now the junior is ranked No. 1 in the nation in the floor exercise. She's somehow improving on last season's stellar scores that earned her All-American honors and helped the Sun Devils to a sixth-place finish at the NCAA Championships.

"This last semester was the hardest semester in my three years here," McNabb said. "(Coach John Spini) takes us to the limit as far as hours allowed by the NCAA. He's working us real hard, but it will pay off this semester."

McNabb, a zoology major, doesn't mind the hard work at all, so long as she keeps winning.

At Bonanza High School in Las Vegas, McNabb was a four-time state champion in the floor exercise. And in her first two years at ASU the Sun Devils have finished second and sixth in the nation. So why did this natural winner have to walk on at ASU?

"I quit my junior and senior years in high school because I moved to Houston," she said. "I wanted to become a track star."

Spini and the rest of the Sun Devils are happy she decided to give gymnastics another shot.

"We didn't know about her out of high school," Spini said. "One day her mom and her showed up and wanted us to watch her work out."

McNabb also looked at UofA but decided to give gymnastics another try as a Sun Devil.

"She came in and worked real hard that first semester," Spini said. "And before the semester was even over we gave her a scholarship. She's that talented."

McNabb has been the most consistent performer for ASU with floor exercise scores of 9.95, 9.975, 9.875, 9.8 and last Friday's 9.975.

On two separate occasions she has received a 10 from one of the two judges on the floor this season.

Her balance beam performances are also helping out the ninth-ranked Sun Devils.

"(She's) a very key person for

us in the beam," Spini said. "She handles a lot of pressure. She's a perfectionist and a great asset to the program."

The floor is where McNabb shines though, and her routines have put an exclamation point on many of ASU's 15 consecutive home wins. "Miss Automatic", as Spini calls her, is enjoying herself.

"I love being last. I don't get nervous at all," McNabb said. "I

have a lot of fun on the floor routine. When I smile, I really mean it. I don't just smile for the judges."

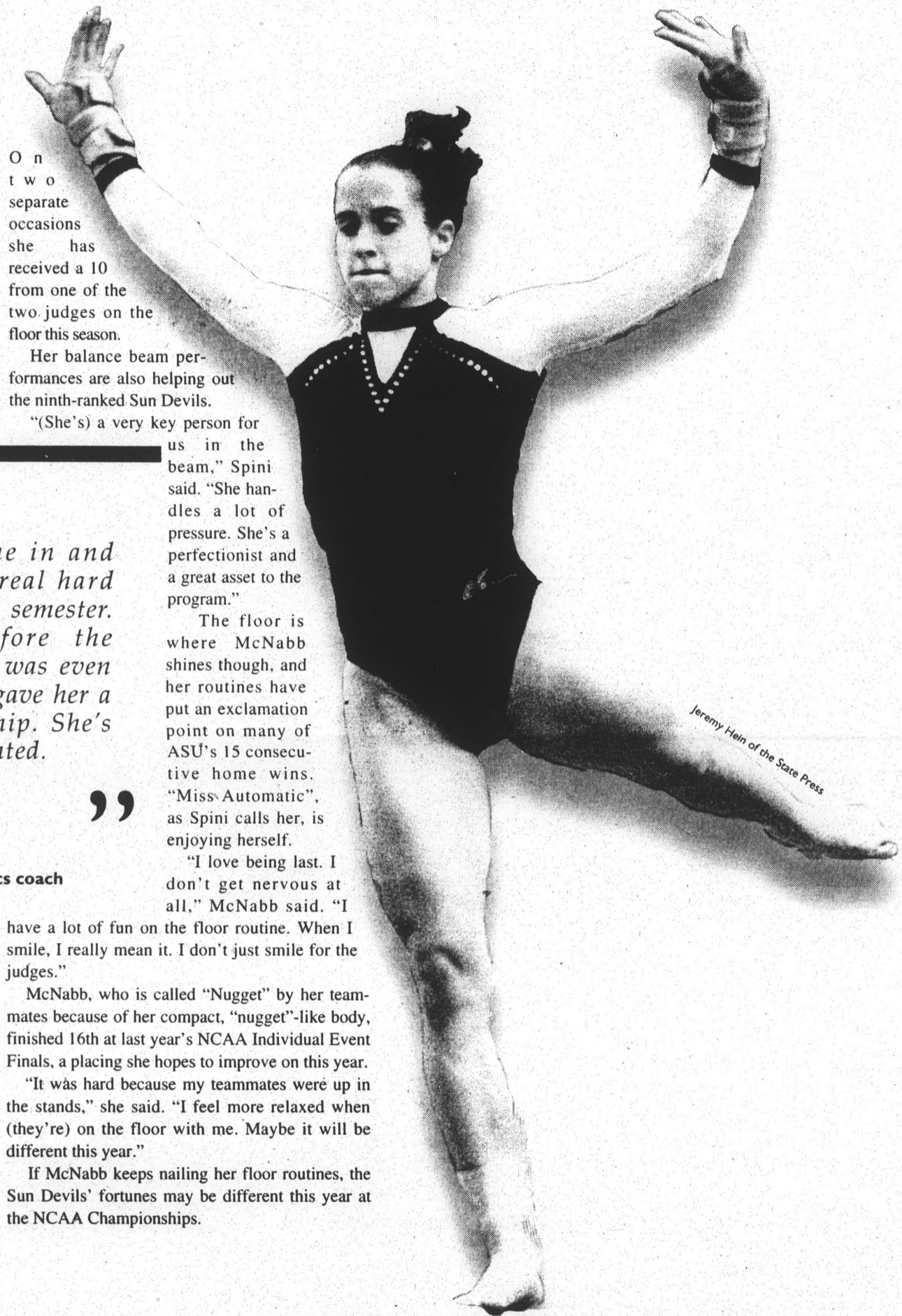
McNabb, who is called "Nugget" by her teammates because of her compact, "nugget"-like body, finished 16th at last year's NCAA Individual Event Finals, a placing she hopes to improve on this year.

"It was hard because my teammates were up in the stands," she said. "I feel more relaxed when (they're) on the floor with me. Maybe it will be different this year."

If McNabb keeps nailing her floor routines, the Sun Devils' fortunes may be different this year at the NCAA Championships.

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John Spini,  
ASU gymnastics coach



Jeremy Hein of the State Press

## Red Hot Sun Devils



Sanchez capped his ASU dual meet career by recording victories in the 50 meter freestyle (44.12), the 100 free (44.12) and the 100 fly (48.55) at UofA. Sanchez also swam a 19.3 during the anchor leg on the winning 200 free. Sanchez will leave ASU with a perfect record against the Wildcats.

Francisco Sanchez  
Men's swimming



The All-American senior has made life tough on her recent competition, improving her overall season record to a team-leading 12-5 this weekend. The Paradise Valley native waxed UNLV's Marcella Valkenhoff on Sunday 6-0, 6-0 to help the Sun Devils demolish the Runnin' Rebels 8-1.

Katy Propstra  
Women's tennis



"T" is making up for lost time in a big way. The freshman forward made a strong case for her second straight Pac-10 Player of the Week award on Saturday against UofA, putting up career-high numbers in points (24) and rebounds (16). Jantzen, who sat out all of the non-conference schedule with an injured left foot, is now averaging 10.1 points per game.

Theresa Jantzen  
Women's basketball



Gosewisch blasted a 68 mile-an-hour change-up over the left field wall on Sunday for his first home run of the season and the second of his career. According to coach Pat Murphy, Gosewisch, who went 2 for 4 overall on Sunday, is beginning to swing the bat the way he did before undergoing shoulder surgery last April.

Chip Gosewisch  
Baseball

# ASU looks to continue recent hot streak against Southern Alabama

BY ROBERT DEAL  
STATE PRESS

With only two more dual matches before the grueling Pac-10 season opener against UofA, the ASU men's tennis team hopes to carry its momentum against 38th-ranked South Alabama at 1:30 this afternoon at Whiteman Tennis Center.

The Sun Devils are coming off of a four-game winning streak, defeating UCLA and Utah and then sweeping Wisconsin and Auburn. At 5-1, the team has got a great deal of momentum going into the match.

South Alabama is currently 1-5, most recently losing in a 6-1 blowout against Pepperdine. Still, the ASU men's team refuses to take the competition lightly.

"We won big out here (against Auburn)," senior Tim Hammond said, "but we have to make sure that we're at this level against every opponent, not just the high-ranked ones."

The South Alabama Jaguars are an extremely young team with six freshmen, three sophomores and no upperclassmen. The team is led by freshman Julien Raynal, who is currently tied for No. 94 in the nation,

and won the French Championships three times in five years before college, most recently in 1997.

At the other top spot for the Jaguars is sophomore Zak Lahmar. Ineligible his freshman year, Lahmar has come out strong this season, playing a fast and aggressive game.

One of the few returning players on the South Alabama team, sophomore Paul McInerney, once again heads up the top doubles team with partner Raynal. McInerney finished last season 13-12 on the dou-

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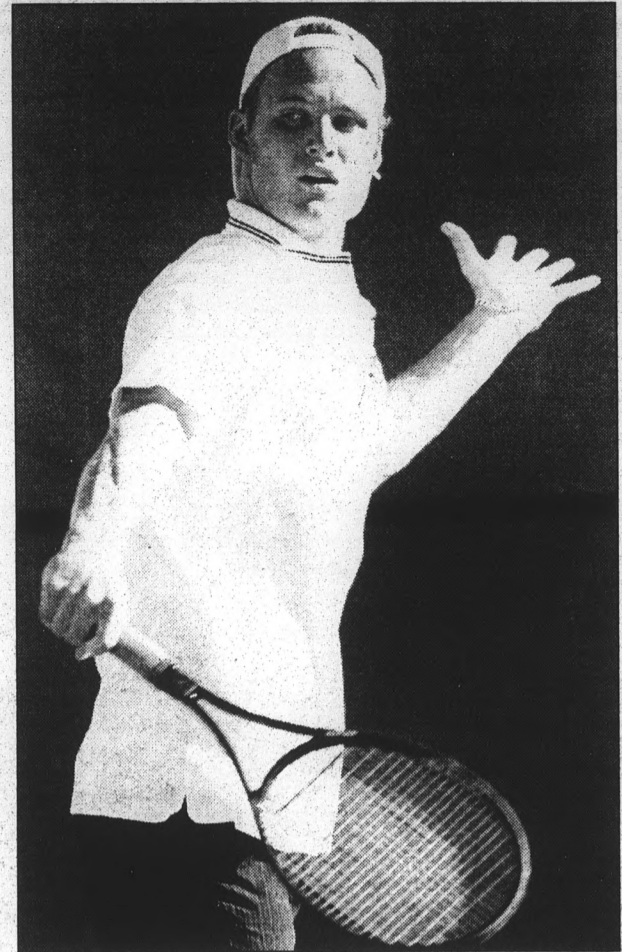
**Tim Hammond,**  
ASU tennis player

bles court.

While the Jaguars' abundance of youth may prove to be an asset to the team's future, it will most likely be a drawback against the more experienced Sun Devil team.

Following today's match, ASU will face off against UC-Santa Barbara on Friday. This will be the last week before the Pac-10 season starts next week against UofA.

"The Pac(-10) is probably the toughest conference there is," ASU head coach Lou Belken said. "The guys are looking forward to playing those teams, but we have to keep winning against the other guys before we can really worry about it."



Jeremy Hein of the State Press  
Walk-on freshman Matt Klinger and the rest of the ASU men's tennis team will compete against Southern Alabama today at 1:30 at the Whiteman Tennis Center.

# 2 runners make junior national team, will run in Ireland

BY JOE MANTONE  
STATE PRESS

While the rest of the ASU track and field team prepares for the Pac-10, freshmen Isaiah Festa and Fasil Bizuneh prepare for the world.

Festa, who finished third, and Bizuneh, who took fourth place, both qualified for the U.S. junior (under 19) team at Sunday's USA Winter Cross Country National Championships in Tacoma, Wash. The two will compete in the Junior World Championships in Dublin, Ireland (March 27-28).

"They will miss at least two of our scheduled meets," said cross country and track distance coach Walt Drenth said. "So they will probably redshirt during the outdoor season, too."

The absence of Festa and Bizuneh—who are currently redshirting for indoor track—won't bother track coach Greg Kraft.

Festa



"When we were recruiting them we told them this (the world championships) was a possibility," Kraft said. "It's good chance for the university to get some exposure."

Traveling to Ireland, the freshmen will be exposed to a different cross country culture.

"The whole world does running," Drenth said. "If they can be in the top 25 that would be good. They're going to have to run 4:24 miles. That's fast running."

Festa (23:42) ran one second faster than Bizuneh in Washington. Only four other runners qualified for the U.S. team. But Drenth and Kraft said before the race that they would not be surprised to see two ASU runners on the junior national team.

"They're talented athletes," Drenth said. "They had a great fall, and they are training harder and running faster."

Festa and Bizuneh were two of the five freshmen who helped the cross country to its highest finish ever (fourth) at the Pac-10. The other three (Juan Chavira, Ron Buchanan and Kris

Bizuneh



Alexander) are redshirting for the indoor season, but their fate for the next season has yet to be decided.

"(We) will cross the outdoor season bridge in the spring," Kraft said.

But neither Kraft nor Drenth want to push Festa and Bizuneh too much during their first season.

"In a couple of years, they will be at the top national level," Drenth said. "There is no need to rush them and ruin that."

Although Festa and Bizuneh will probably not be competing with the team, the rookie runners will at times practice with the rest of the squad.

"They will do a little of both," Drenth said. "But they will mostly run on their own. We're going to increase the intensity of their workouts."

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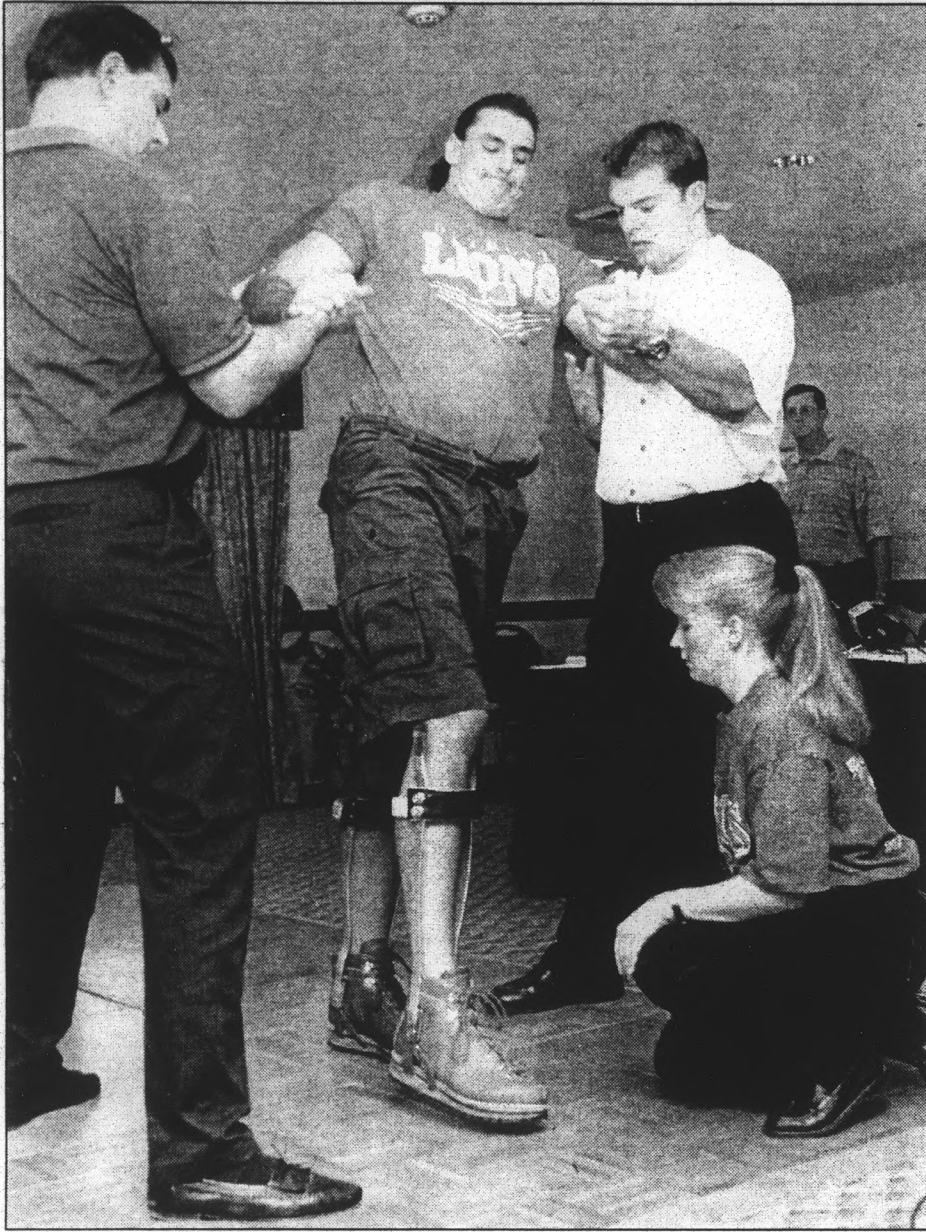
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# Utley takes first steps since 1991 paralysis



Former Detroit Lions center Mike Utley (center) takes his first steps since being paralyzed in an NFL game in 1991. Mike Fiala of the Associated Press

PHOENIX (AP) — For the first time since he lay paralyzed on the Pontiac Silverdome turf seven years ago, Mike Utley stood in public Monday and took a few wobbly steps.

"By standing up, you feel who you are," he said. "I was 315 pounds and 6-foot-6. I was proud to be as big as I was. I was proud to be as tall as I am. I want it back."

Towering over everyone as he did so long ago, wearing a Detroit Lions T-shirt, the former offensive lineman made it a few feet down a wooden walkway, painfully swinging one leg ahead, then the other.

He wore lower leg braces to keep his ankles from rolling. Friends steadied him on each side. He grimaced as he took each excruciating step, his girlfriend Dani Andersen helping him by making sure his spindly lower legs stayed straight.

A couple of times, his legs gave way, and the two buddies on each side, retired NFL center Bill Lewis and Lions linebacker Rob Fredrickson, had to catch him. But he made it 10 feet or so.

"Whew! I'd rather go through double days (in training camp) than that," he said afterward. "No, it's exhilarating. Seven years is a long time to be sitting in this chair."

His sense of humor, a major ally throughout his struggle, was on display, too.

As Utley stood poised for this high drama, a cell phone rang.

"Dominos," he said, imitating the person who answers at the pizza place.

Everyone laughed.

Then it was back to business, as it has been every tough day since that horrifying moment on Nov. 17, 1991, in the Lions' home game against the Rams.

He knew immediately the injury was serious. Two of his vertebrae had been

crushed. As he was carried off the field, he gave the crowd a "thumbs up" gesture.

It's become his trademark, and Utley has come to symbolize grit, determination and optimism in the face of grim odds. He vows to someday walk off the field from the spot he was injured. He talked Monday of someday walking his mom three blocks from her home to church.

He's a long way from that, but those steps in front of a crowd of reporters and photographers in a Phoenix hotel conference room were an emotional triumph nonetheless.

"It was awesome to see him up there," Lewis said. "Yesterday when we rehearsed, I was practically in tears. It's nothing short of miraculous."

Utley, 33, is paralyzed from the chest and elbows down. His upper arms still are the bulging biceps of a football lineman. But he has only partial control of his hands and lower arms. About two years ago, he began to feel some sensations in his legs. He can feel his toes, describing it as the way you'd feel on an extremely cold day.

He began working with biofeedback, trying to identify the connection between his brain and those few alive nerves in his legs. He kept up daily, grueling physical therapy.

"Rehabilitation is a lifestyle," he said. "It's not something you just do."

A major reason for his public display, and the pressure that came with it, on Monday was his desire to raise more money for his Mike Utley Foundation, dedicated research aimed at finding a cure for spinal cord injuries.

Utley was quick to point out that no two spinal cord injuries are the same.

"The one thing you can control is your mind," he said.

## What the Kruk?: a jovial look at the events in the sports world

John Kruk played first base and in the outfield for ten seasons with the Padres, Phillies, and White Sox. He was one of the leaders of the 1993 National League Champion Philadelphia Phillies, one of the most colorful teams in baseball history. Kruk batted .348 in six World Series games that year as the Phillies lost a thriller to the Toronto Blue Jays.



Despite his considerable talent, Kruk is remembered for his gruff appearance, his rotund character, and his thoughtful quotes (To an onlooker, shocked to see him smoking: "I ain't an athlete lady...I'm a baseball

Kruk

player."). He loved hot dogs, hated exercise, and — except for the one-testicle part — remains the hero of many lazy sportswriters. To honor one of the most entertaining men ever to put on a uniform, we present you with "What the Kruk?"

What the Kruk is going on in San Diego? The Padres get to the World Series, where they roll over before the Yankees like a beaten cur, then convince the fans to put forth their tax dollars to fund a new stadium. The fans' reward? The owners gut the team like a fresh caught marlin, trading away slugger Greg Vaughn and allowing ace Kevin Brown, former MVP Ken Caminiti and slick centerfielder Steve Finley to escape via free agency. The most notable player the Pads picked up? Country music superstar Garth Brooks.

So we give a giant 'Kruk you' to Padres

general manager Kevin Towers, the piece of Schmidt who orchestrated this dismantling.

Is the Moore for Miller?

The biggest sports question around the valley this week: Why the Kruk did the Arizona Cardinals franchise wide receiver Rob Moore, severely restricting his movements, and allow stud linebacker Jamir Miller to test the free agency market. The answer, like many when you see them, is absurdly simple. As of this moment, Miller is still a free agent, while Moore most certainly would have been on another team by now.

The "What the Kruk" practical joke of the week

Call a computer store. Ask them if they have any mouse balls. Careful, now! For obvious reasons; the real Kruk considered

buying a mouse ball, which, of course, would have ruined the joke.

The ESPYs

ESPN dubbed last night's ESPY's the greatest night in sports and called the 'past year the best the sports world has ever known. We can agree on the latter, but not on the former. We don't know about you, but we prefer to limit our tasteless jokes and tacky puns to a 19-inch sports column, not a two and a half hour awards show.


What the Kruk is in a name?

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The NFL's career sacks leader turned in his retirement letter to Green Bay Packers general manager Ron Wolf — and gave no indication he intends to return.

"He's officially retired. It's over. I think he's had it," Packers spokesman Lee Rempel said.

White, 37, had said last season would be his last. But there had been hints the All-Pro player might coach, replacing Mike Holmgren.

White wound up making 16 sacks and earning Defensive Player of the Year honors in what was to be his farewell season, and that also raised speculation he might not be ready to retire.

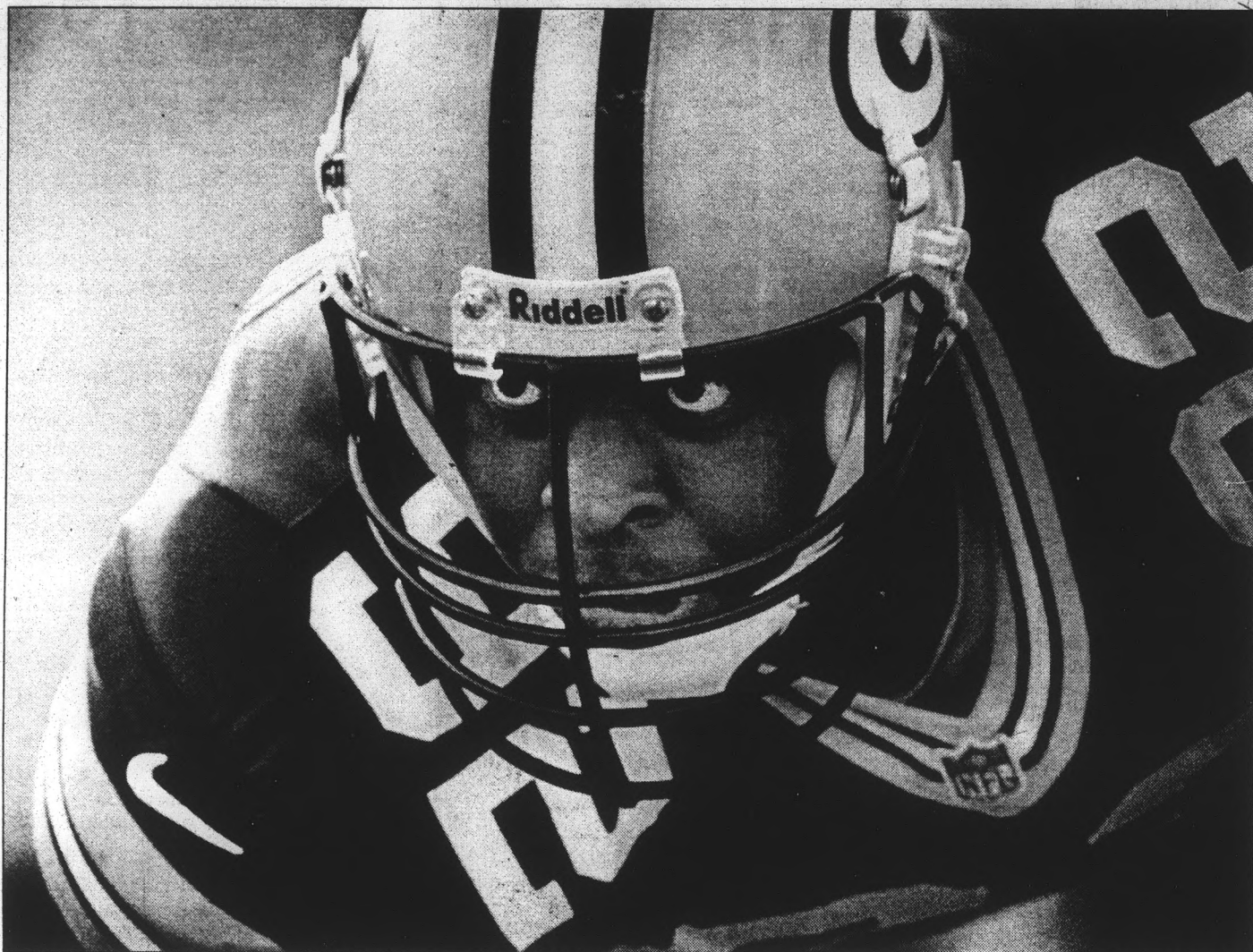
Then came reports during the weekend that a return by White would cause trouble for the Packers in staying within the NFL salary cap.

White, an ordained minister, said last April that he intended to retire. But after repeating to Holmgren he wouldn't come back, White said he had a revelation while having back therapy.

"God spoke to me and said you made a promise," White said at the time. "When I signed the deal last year, I signed a five-year deal with the promise that I would play for two years."

Last month, after the Packers lost to San Francisco in the playoffs, White said he expected to retire and focus on his other interests.

But when he was in Hawaii earlier this month for his record 11th Pro Bowl appearance, he seemed to leave a slight opening



Jeffrey Phelps of the Associated Press

Defensive lineman Reggie White announced his retirement from the Green Bay Packers on Monday.

when he told an interviewer he was "intrigued" about the idea of returning to play under Rhodes.

"When Ray got the job, if anyone else had gotten the job I wouldn't have been intrigued," White told Fox television at the time. "I've really been praying about it and

thinking about it. Right now I'm retired."

Wolf had acknowledged the Packers were counting on White's \$4.4 million salary to provide room under the salary cap to pay defensive tackle Santana Dotson and linebacker George Koonce under the long-term deals they agreed to last Friday.

The team also has yet to sign All-Pro wide receiver Antonio Freeman, who was designated last week as the Packers' franchise player.

The Packers this week lost their first free agent since the signing period began, as guard Adam Timmerman signed a five-year contract with the St. Louis Rams.

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