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Leah Fasten of the State Press

Doing the swing thing

Brenda DiVincenzo, a junior marketing major practices the Lindy Hop, Sunday, during a Jitterbug and Big Band dance class at ASU. The class is offered every semester through the dance department.

Universities' budget decision put on hold

BY KIM PRENDERGAST
STATE PRESS

The state Capitol was bustling again Friday when the Joint Appropriations Committee met to decide the financial fate of Arizona's three state universities.

Instead of a decision, a sigh of impatience escaped the audience when the committee announced it was holding off on any budget decisions for another week.

The committee was scheduled to reach an agreement on the controversial budget for the three public universities, which would hopefully table any talks of budget cuts.

Sen. Tom Smith, R-Phoenix, said the committee would not take action on the budget until the projected

revenues are in. Those estimates of state revenues, he said, should be in within a week.

He also added the profits the state has generated exceeded the Joint Legislative Budget Committee's estimates. The JLBC initially projected a \$200 million shortfall in revenue. Now, the state is looking at a \$3.5 million budget surplus over the next two to three years.

To balance what they thought was a bloated budget, the committee recommended .3 percent cut in university funding and other cuts in almost all state agencies, said John Lee, JLBC deputy director. "The JLBC makes recommendations,

that's all," said Rep. Bob McLendon, D-Yuma. "It's a good idea to review some of the decisions made. We should not be held back by staff recommendations."

Some committee members suggested that universities could save money by eliminating some faculty positions.

"We're training children at a ratio of one faculty to 10 students," said Rep. Linda Gray, R-Glendale. "But universities are at a ratio of one faculty member to seven students. There's a problem there."

With what she said is an "extremely low" faculty turnover rate of 1.2 percent,

Gray said universities retain too many faculty members.

However, not all members agreed with Gray. Sen. Ruth Soloman,

D-Tucson, said that high school education is more expensive than elementary education. She said it was "the nature of the need" that it costs more money to educate adults.

"I don't believe it works to compare apples to oranges — K-12 to universities," Soloman said. "I'm glad faculty retention is high."

The committee said they would reconvene Friday to adopt the universities' budget.

"The name of the game is 16 House votes and 31 votes by the Senate," Smith said. "Then the governor signs it and we're flying high."

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America West labor dispute poses risks for spring break travelers

BY JODIE LAU
STATE PRESS

Students planning to fly out of town during spring break should take into consideration a possible strike March 20 by the America West Airlines' flight attendant union.

"If I were a student, I'd really be conscious," said Scott Ramsey, vice president of the Association of Flight Attendants. "I would hope that they would book on who they would think would get them to their destination."

America West is the nation's ninth-largest carrier and is based in Phoenix. The company and the union have reached an impasse and are in a 30-day cooling-off period. During this time negotiations are to continue, but job actions, including strikes, are not permitted.

The cooling period will end at 10 p.m. March 19. If no agreements are made before then, the flight attendant union is planning to launch its CHAOS operation — Create Havoc Around Our System. Instead of a complete walkout, the alternative will consist of periodic walkouts, which could happen at any time after the cooling period.

There is a \$16.5 million gap between what the union wanted and what America West offered in terms of salaries.

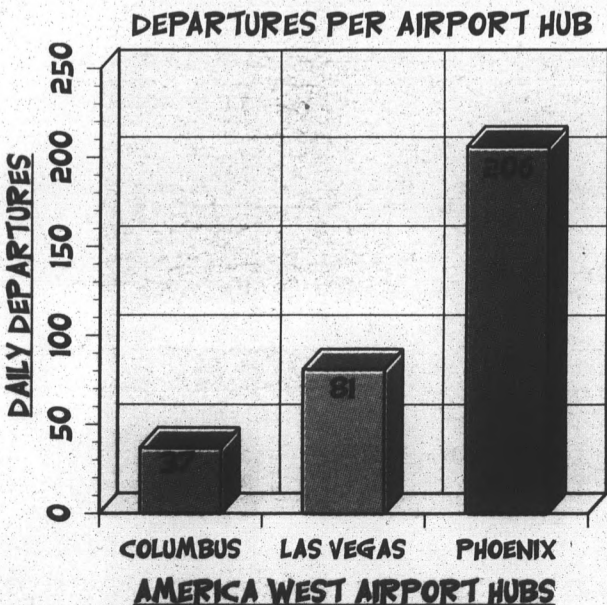
"America West does not recognize the value of its employees," Ramsey said. "They have given us no

choice but to strike."

Greg Garger, America West's vice president of labor relations, said customers should be comfortable traveling with America West.

"Should any individual take any action to disrupt the operations of the airline, we will deal firmly with the issue and take the steps requested to protect our customers," Garger said.

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Former ASASU senator files suit

BY KIM PRENDERGAST
STATE PRESS

A former Associated Students of ASU senator and presidential candidate filed suit against Sen. Robert Sistak in the ASASU Supreme Court last week, claiming the senator violated a policy rule.

The court heard the case Thursday night.

Sistak's name appears too many times on flyers and publications circulating around campus, Craig Reid, a secondary education senior, claimed in the suit. It's against ASASU regulations for certain members, such as senators, to print their name on more than two documents. It constitutes a policy and procedure violation.

Sistak's name appears on three. The flyers in question — advertising an ASASU meeting — include Sistak's name, position as appropriations chair and contact number.

Reid added that the rule keeps current officers from having an unfair advantage during elections.

Sistak is also running for vice president for the 1999-2000 academic year.

"What I'm asking for is that Mr. Sistak not be allowed to run in the election," Reid said. "Because if he's abusing his power before he gets into office why wouldn't he abuse power once he's in office?"

Josh Ackerman, ASASU Senator on the execu-

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Today

for Monday, February 22

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. Masters/Doctoral student counselors can assist with career, depression, anxiety, personal, and relationship issues. 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.
- **The Learning Resource Center** is offering a free note-taking workshop at 3 p.m. in the Memorial Union, Room 208D.
- **The University Symphony Orchestra** is hosting "Concert Soloists," featuring the winners of the 1998/99 concerto competition and composition contest at 7:30 p.m. in the Gammage Auditorium.
- **The University Toastmasters** are hosting a workshop on improving people's public speaking skills at 6:45 p.m. in the MU, Room 208.
- **Phi Alpha Delta** is having a meeting open to all ASU students at 4:30 p.m. in an unannounced room in the MU.
- **Students Toward Educational Progress (STEP)** will hold their first meeting of the semester in the MU, Room 206 at 12:30 p.m. Seating is limited so arrive early.
- **The Kandalini Yoga Club** is offering a free Yoga class tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the MU, Room 224.

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tomers," Garger said in a statement issued last week.

Brittany Nielson, a business management and international business freshman, said she would pay extra money for another airline ticket to avoid problems with the strike.

"I don't think it's worth making everyone go out of their way just so they can get what they want," Nielson said.

Local travel agencies are keeping students informed of a possible strike and acting on precautionary measures.

Jill Promesso, branch manager of STA Travel — an agency that specializes in student travel — said although it is the customers' decision, her agency is recommending

not to buy America West tickets.

"No one is currently at risk," Promesso said. "Right now, we're just making people aware of what's going on and that seems to be the easiest deterrent."

Lois Carney, owner of Adventure Bound Travel, is also letting customers know of the situation. However, she said her company is not telling customers not to take America West flights because of the potential strike.

"We never recommend not to book with a particular airline," Carney said. "We give (customers) the options so they can make an informative decision."

Because it will be hard to predict which flights the possible strike will

affect, Carney recommends buying paper tickets, rather than make electronic-reservations through an airline's computer system.

However, she said other airlines can refuse to accept the tickets.

Trisha Coronado, an education freshman, said she has been preparing her spring break plans for a while and isn't going to take chances with America West.

"You don't know how much you depend on something until it's not there," Coronado said.

If students have an America West flight during the time for potential strikes they should keep up-to-date on current information, Promesso said.

ASASU

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tive committee and a third-year law student is representing Sistak. He said that his client was ignorant of the policy.

"I think he put his name on the flyer so that when people called they would have someone to ask for," Ackerman said.

Reid said he filed this complaint to stop Sistak from putting his name and number on flyers and to instead use the general phone number for ASASU. He added that Sistak is using ASASU money to circulate the flyers.

"I find it unfair that this person can use my \$18 that I

as a student contribute to the organization," Reid said, referring to fees included in tuition that help fund the student government.

Ackerman said there is no penalty attached to the violation that Sistak is accused of.

Three days after the complaint was filed, the executive committee, of which Sistak is a member, voted to suspend policy and procedures. Policy covers things from computer usage to the amount of times one's name can appear on flyers.

The ASASU Supreme Court will reconvene in a few of weeks to issue a ruling. A date has not been set.

You'll never know unless you read your **HOROSCOPE.**
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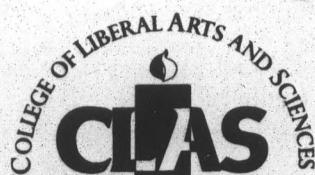
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Coffeehouse/Poetry Series meeting at 1:00 on the 3rd floor of the MU.
- TUESDAY:** Black History Month Opinions Forum at 12:15 in the MU Programming Lounge.
Film Committee meeting at 1:00 on the 3rd floor of the MU.
Recreation Committee meeting at 2:30 on the 3rd floor of the MU.
Gallery Committee meeting at 1:40 on the 3rd floor of the MU.
- WEDNESDAY:** "ANALYZE THIS" Network Event Theater Sneak Preview at 7:00 in the MU Cinema
- THURSDAY:** Barren Mind Improv. At 12:15 in the MU Programming Lounge.
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"I want to do everything I can that can save a life, even in such a difficult case." — Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder, a German government official who is working to get clemency for two convicted murderers

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Killers choose gas to avoid death penalty

By Jerry Nachtigal
Associated Press

PHOENIX — Given the option of a fatal but painless injection, convicted killers Karl and Walter LaGrand have chosen slower, more agonizing deaths in a cloud of cyanide fumes.

It's a calculated move designed to keep the brothers from becoming the first German citizens to be executed in the United States. Karl LaGrand is scheduled to die Wednesday, Walter on March 3.

The LaGrands and their attorneys are gambling that an appeals court will buy their argument that lethal gas is cruel and unusual punishment — and therefore unconstitutional.

The brothers, condemned to die for killing a bank manager in 1982, also hope U.S. officials will bow to international pressure and commute their sentences to life in prison. Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder and other German leaders have asked President Clinton, Attorney General Janet Reno, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, and Gov.

Jane Hull to intervene.

"I want to do everything I can that can save a life, even in such a difficult case," said Schroeder, who opposes the death penalty for even the most serious crimes.

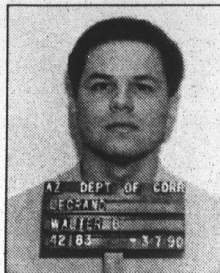
Germany, which has no death penalty, has also lodged an appeal with the World Court on the brothers' behalf.

It has also appealed to Arizona to spare the lives of two other German brothers on death row. Rudi and Michael Apelt were convicted of killing Michael's U.S.-born wife in 1988 in hopes of cashing in on a \$400,000 life insurance policy.

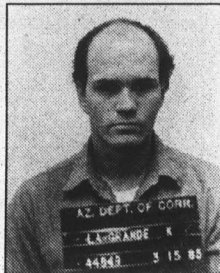
A fifth German citizen is on death row in Florida. In all, 72 foreign nationals are awaiting execution in the United States, according to Amnesty International.

The pending LaGrand executions have

Walter LaGrand



Karl LaGrand



been front-page news in Germany, where the brothers were born. Their mother, Emma, married an American serviceman who adopted the boys and their sister and moved the family to the United

States in 1967.

Karl, 35, and Walter, 36, were in trouble with the law as children. Karl was arrested for shoplifting at 9, and the boys set a fire that caused \$20,000 damage to a golf course while the family lived at a military post in Texas.

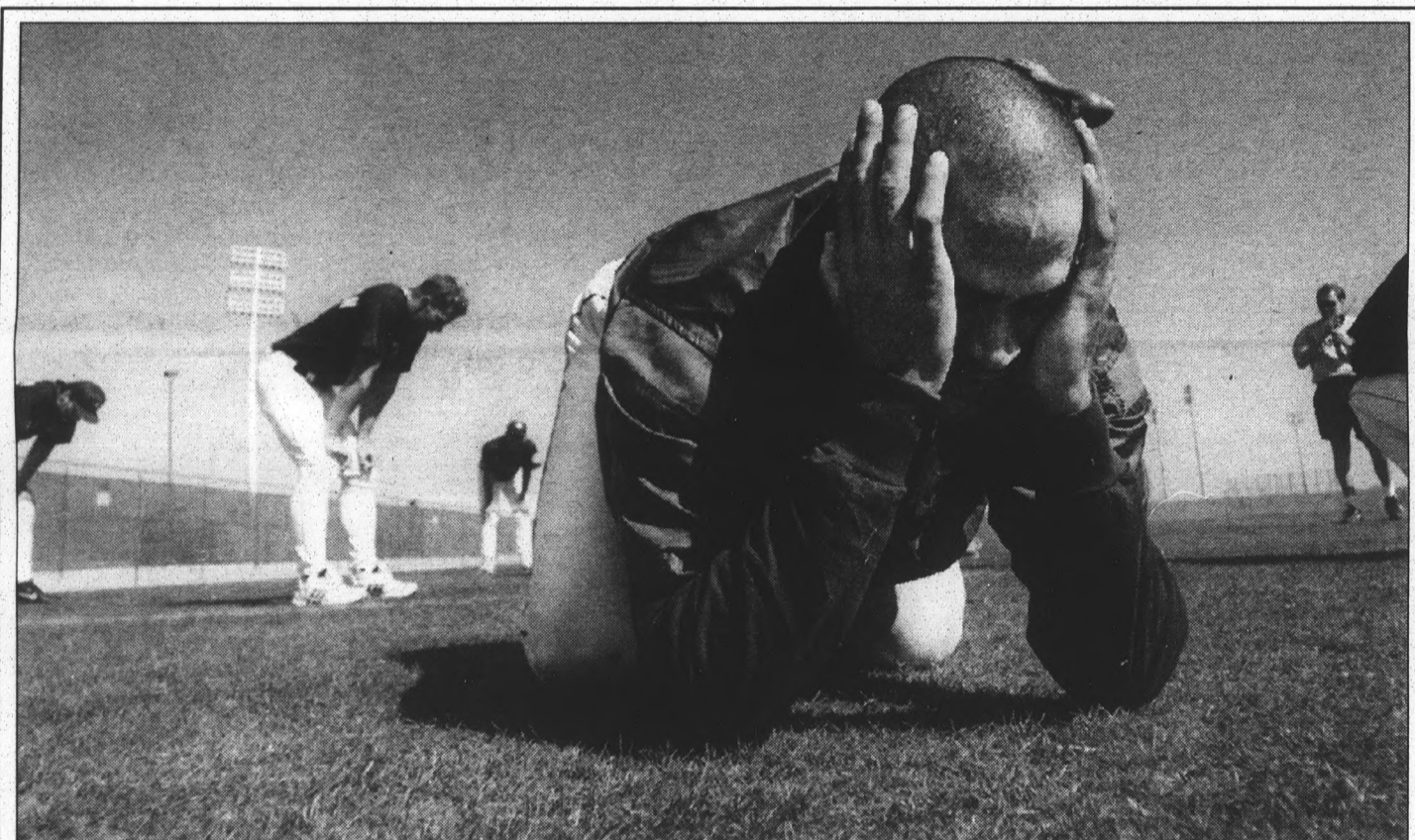
In 1981, the LaGrands robbed three Tucson supermarkets in six days. They were free on their own recognizance when they tried to hold up the Valley National Bank in Marana, north of Tucson, shortly after it opened Jan. 7, 1982. Karl, armed with a toy pistol, ordered bank manager Ken Hartsock, 63, to open the vault.

Hartsock, however, knew only half of the combination. The brothers tied up Hartsock, beat him and stabbed him 24 times with a letter opener. A clerk was also stabbed but survived.

Arizona prisoners sentenced to death for crimes committed before November 1992 have the option of choosing between lethal injection or lethal gas. All 13 inmates executed under that provision have chosen injection.

Karl LaGrand declined to be interviewed. His defense hopes to stave off execution by convincing the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco that the gas chamber is barbaric.

A panel of the appellate court in 1994 agreed with a lower court ruling that concluded prisoners executed in the gas chamber suffered "excruciating pain for between 15 seconds and several minutes" and that a gas chamber execution violates "evolving standards of human decency and has no place in a civilized society."



Elaine Thompson of the Associated Press

'The heat is on...'

Seattle Mariners pitcher Jose Paniagua holds his head as he and other pitchers and catchers try to recover from a run near the end of their workout at spring training Saturday in Peoria. Temperatures reached nearly 80 degrees with sunny skies throughout the day.

Feds catch fugitive in Scottsdale

SCOTTSDALE (AP) — Acting on a tip from a television show, the FBI on Sunday arrested a Tennessee woman wanted in connection with the first-degree murder of her 4-year-old step-granddaughter.

Lena Dianne Townsend was arrested in Scottsdale by FBI agents and local authorities based on information given to the TV program, *America's Most Wanted*, which aired the story Saturday night.

Her step-granddaughter, Karina Rowan, was found dead in her bed last August at Townsend's home in Pinson, Tenn., where she had been living for about a month.

Townsend was booked into the Madison Street Jail in downtown Phoenix where she'll appear before a judge, said Guadalupe Gonzalez, special agent in charge of the FBI's Phoenix office.

Lawsuit filed against Pima County Probation Department

TUCSON (AP) — The Pima County Probation Department faces lawsuits from two women who allege their probation officers sexually abused them.

Connie Smith, 36, is accusing her then-probation officer of sexual harassment and assault committed days before she was to be sentenced for fraud. Smith, who has two prior unrelated convictions, wants at least \$2 million in damages.

Her lawsuit, filed this month in U.S. District Court, claims the department, its administrators, and Pima County Superior Court Judge Howard Fell mishandled her complaint against the officer, *The Arizona Daily Star* reported Sunday.

The probation officer, John U. Lyon, was assigned to write a report that Fell would use in deciding Smith's sentence. Lyon has since resigned.

Smith said Lyon used the guise of gathering personal information for his report to invite her for drinks, make

inappropriate comments and pry into her sexual habits, the newspaper said.

On their last meeting in March last year, Smith said Lyon drove her to a rural area outside Tucson where he pulled the top of her dress down, fondled her, and bit her breast while coaxing her to perform oral sex, the newspaper said.

Lyon, 66, told *The Star* he doesn't remember Smith, or any probationer's allegations of misconduct against him before he resigned last April, days after Smith first made her claims.

Prosecutors didn't find any criminal wrongdoing by Lyon. The Probation Department started its own investigation, but Lyon resigned in April soon after he was told about Smith's allegations.

The second woman, Betty Guth, 47, filed a lawsuit Dec. 30 in Superior Court alleging a long-term sexual relationship with her probation officer that started after she was

sentenced in 1989 for trying to outrun police.

She claims the sex ended in 1992, but that it resumed shortly after her arrest in 1997 on a new charge of stabbing her then-husband, the newspaper said.

The probation officer, Kenneth William Haller, 56, was fired by the department late last October for "disciplinary reasons," according to county personnel records, the newspaper said.

He was fired shortly after another probation officer found him at her apartment, Guth's lawsuit claims. Haller was no longer assigned to Guth's case and wasn't at the home on business, the newspaper said.

Guth's claims were never criminally investigated because she didn't go to the police.

Haller refused to discuss the allegations with the newspaper. He now works as a criminal investigator with the state Department of Corrections as he fights to win back his probation job.

Editorial

Politicians' better halves set for a better showing

With the potential emergence of Hillary Rodham Clinton as a contender for the New York Senate race, the role of politicians' wives is being redefined.

Reports surfaced last week that the First Lady might run for the New York Senate seat that will be vacated in 2000 with the retirement of Daniel Patrick Moynihan, a Democrat.

Mrs. Clinton, who is riding high on a wave of public approval for a dignified and impressive performance through her husband's Lewinsky troubles, is perfectly primed for a Senate race that could get ugly. Rumor has it that New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani is also considering a bid for the post.

It is the perfect opportunity for Mrs. Clinton to re-emerge from her husband's somewhat grimy shadow and take her own place in the realm of American politics — something she has been trying to do since the inception of her husband's administration, with varying degrees of success (health care anyone?).

And the move could help the First Lady shed the victim aura she has been haunted by since the beginning of the Lewinsky ordeal.

The *New York Times* has reported that Mrs. Clinton — never one to jump into anything — is wavering on the decision, weighing the pros and cons carefully.

The Clinton rumors, along with similar ones that have surfaced regarding Elizabeth Dole's potential run for the presidency, could signal a new age in the American political sphere, where wives are no longer restricted to fund raisers and women's lunches, and become politicians in their own right.

There's Mary Bono for instance, who, after the unfortunate death of her husband and California Representative Sonny Bono, emerged as a force of her own, taking over her deceased husband's post and forging a strong role in the House impeachment proceedings.

This isn't to say that women haven't already blazed trails into politics, independent of men — Senators Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, are examples of such women — but it's a way that Hillary Clinton and Elizabeth Dole could refuse to be defined by the specter of their husbands' political legacies.

And while these women have always had accomplishments and lives separate from their husbands', the larger public has primarily known them through their roles as official wives.

Now these women have the chance to restore political luster to their family names. Perhaps the Dole name might not always have to be associated with a failed presidential bid, or the Clinton name with scandal and impeachment.



ASU politics about promotion

Last week, I was walking toward the Memorial Union when I noticed an unusual sign.

It read: Ender Bender for President.

Then it struck me — is winning the Associated Students of ASU presidency really about politics? Because this year's campaigns seem to be more about beer and sex.

We still have weeks before we elect our next ASASU president, but the hoopla has already started.

I can't wait to hear all of the informative speeches. Candidates telling us how they are going to save the University, cut tuition and make life much easier for students. They will debate over who has the higher GPA and who was the better high school president.

But if the candidates for next year's ASASU presidency think their nominations have anything to do with politics, they are only fooling themselves.

Because it all comes down to one thing — who does the best promoting.

It's hard to imagine, but the candidate with the cutest picture, the funniest slogan and the most chances to brand us with his or her name will more than likely win. It doesn't matter where each candidate stands on various political issues — the university once deemed the second-best party school in the nation wants only one thing from its future leader: a cute and playful image.

College politics is nothing more than an ongoing popularity contest. If you don't believe me, simply take a look at the top four candidates and their slogans.

Oh, Ender — Ender Bender is a write-in candidate, but her posters show enough leg to land her in ASU's highest seat. Sometimes I forget if Bender is running for president or next year's swimsuit calendar. Her motto, "keep your wildlife wild," shows that not only is she beautiful, but she's in touch with ASU's most

brant Galloway
columnist



sensitive creatures.

But don't get me wrong, Bender's campaign will probably be effective. She relates to every constituent on campus in her poster of two cowboys drinking beer. "Hold it cowboy, Ender needs your vote too."

Just Jenny — no last name, but a creative play on words from Nike's "Just Do It" promotions. I guess Jenny thinks her name is really unique, because otherwise, why would she bore us with meaningless details — like her last name. The emergence of an additional Jenny into the race could pose problems.

Got Mike? — Mike Sosso uses several cow-print banners to get his name branded. Dairy farmers everywhere will be happy to know that their catchy milk slogans have made it into ASU's political campaigns. If elected, Sosso can definitely say he took a healthy approach to becoming our next president.

The soup man — Bryan "soup" Campbell looks to be the early favorite by his unique and colorful posters. Campbell has covered campus with posters that read, "If the 'A' could speak, it would say vote Bryan 'soup' Campbell ASASU president."

Campbell's vivid posters represent the true theme to this year's elections. It doesn't matter what you say as long as you say it in creative fashion.

By the way, there is one more candidate for the ASASU presidency, who goes by the name of Beekman. I would like to apologize for leaving him or her out. I guess that candidate's signs of "Beekman for president" are just too plain and dull. Beekman hasn't learned that society won't stand for a boring leader. We love the outrageous and favor the controversial.

That's why politicians such as Jesse "The Mind" Ventura and Bill Clinton are so appealing.

Best of luck to next year's ASASU president. If your political career doesn't work out, there's always the promotions industry.

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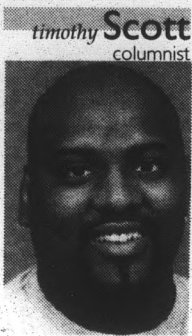
By now, everyone's heard about the Rev. Jerry Falwell's recent campaign against the children's television show, *Teletubbies*. Falwell said he believes one of the four characters promotes a gay lifestyle.

While Falwell's comments were openly ridiculed and widely dismissed, local attacks on the gay community have been harder to overlook.

Rep. Karen Johnson, R-Mesa, made news earlier this month when she, along with four other state legislators, sponsored a bill (HB 2523) that would deny health benefits to the domestic partners of unmarried government employees. This bill would affect employees of ASU, since it's a state school.

Providing health benefits to the domestic partner of an unmarried employee gives unmarried heterosexual or same-sex couples the equal compensation they earn by doing their jobs. Health benefits account for 39 percent of payroll, according to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Denying medical insurance to unmarried heterosexual or same-sex couples, who cannot marry, violates the principle of equal pay for equal work.

If same-sex couples can hold the same jobs and make the same personal commitments as



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straight men and women, they should be entitled to the same wages and benefits.

Those who disagree with equal rights for unmarried heterosexual or same-sex couples say marriage is the foundation of the nuclear family that defines our society.

"Sexually promiscuous sex," said Johnson, as recently reported by *The Arizona Republic*, "threatens to undermine the very values and institutions, especially the family, upon which a stable and vital society is built."

Johnson has been married five times. Her contributions to a stable society could certainly be called into question. Yet, throughout her five marriages, no one would have denied health insurance to any of her spouses or, for that matter, to her seven children.

With people like Karen Johnson, changing husbands like hairstyles, same-sex couples certainly can't be accused of being a drain on resources.

Benefit enrollment by same-sex couples is about 1 percent at most companies. Federal law does not legally recognize same-sex marriage, which forces unmarried employees receiving insurance for their partner to pay more taxes on their additional income. So most partners opt for coverage by their own employers.

Tucson and Pima County are among 70 local and county governments in the nation offering medical coverage to domestic partners. Nearly 500 private corporations offer domestic-partner benefits, including AT&T,

Disney, Microsoft and Xerox, according to the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association.

Supporters of the bill that would ban this provision in Arizona, such as Johnson and Rep. Barbara Blewster, R-Dewey, are making a thinly veiled attempt to turn their prejudice into public policy. At the Legislature's hearing on Feb. 3, Johnson made her bigotry quite clear, as quoted in *The Arizona Republic*.

"Homosexuality is at the lower end of the behavioral spectrum," Johnson said.

The Arizona Republic also recently reported that Blewster sent an e-mail to a constituent, likening homosexuality to "bestiality, human sacrifice and cannibalism."

So let's not kid ourselves. The gay rights debate isn't a simple issue of treating people with fairness and equality. There is an undeniable sentiment among certain people that gays and lesbians are loathsome human beings. That's what needs to be overcome.

No one is saying everyone should support or even agree with the lifestyles of other citizens. Still, it's incumbent on all of us to accept that each person deserves certain basic rights.

Conservative politicians (like Johnson) throw the risk of AIDS into the debate, when AIDS is clearly not a gay disease. In 1998, 15 percent of all HIV cases were heterosexual adult men and women, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

While it's true that homosexuals still face a higher risk than others, would you support a

bill banning health care for Mexican or African Americans because they have a higher risk of developing diabetes or sickle cell anemia? You can label almost anyone a high risk for something. How does that change an employer's obligation to provide that person with health care?

Members of the religious right, like Falwell, say being a homosexual isn't the same as being a member of an ethnic group. They say it's a lifestyle choice.

Let's assume that's true. Isn't it also a lifestyle choice to get married and have children? Can't a person make a lifestyle choice to stay single?

Denying certain employees the right to medical coverage because of their lifestyle would set a discriminatory precedent that should concern heterosexuals and homosexuals alike.

In 1999, the gay community is still facing vicious resistance to attaining the same basic rights and benefits enjoyed by heterosexuals. The state of Arizona should receive some of the blame for this lack of social progress, due to the ignorant and outdated moral concepts currently being promoted by the state's conservative fringe.

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Readers' Poll

What is your opinion?

Arizona's public universities are haggling with the state legislature over their proposed budget for the 2000 and 2001 fiscal years. ASU's Main, East and West campuses requested \$62.3 million more than the \$303.3 million they received last year. Governor Jane Hull's staff responded with a proposed increase of \$7.4 million. The joint Legislative Budget Committee recommended ASU's funding be decreased by \$1.9 million.

Do you think ASU's request is reasonable?

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

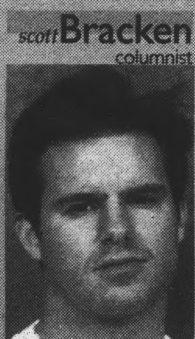
To vote, visit our website at <http://news.vpsa.asu.edu/spress/spress.html>. Answers will be published in next Wednesday's issue of the *State Press*.

Gene Siskel fondly remembered

Over the weekend, Gene Siskel, one of the most influential critics in the film industry, passed away at the age of 53. He sat in the balcony every week, along with his co-host Roger Ebert, and debated the content, social impact and artistic value of movies of great consequences and other not-so-memorable ones.

It's a sad day amongst Hollywood celebrities and all the other film critics out there as well. In a way, Siskel and Ebert were sort of the measuring stick in terms of accurate film critique and are probably responsible for selling more movie tickets than they realize. When movie promos on TV flash up Rex Reed's or Leonard Maltin's quote, "I don't think too much of it, but when I see 'Siskel and Ebert give it two thumbs up!'" I might be persuaded; and when they say Siskel and Ebert give it "two enthusiastic thumbs up — way up!" I might even catch it that afternoon.

In the world we live in, where there are things to do, people to see, aerobics to be executed, cars to be repaired and groceries to be shopped for, time is of the essence. More often than not, we don't have the available time to watch all the movies that get released onto the big screen. And in a day and age where movies entertain us and answer some of life's little questions, it's nice to know there are people out there who watch them all and tell us which ones are must-sees and which ones to avoid. Gene Siskel was one of the best at this craft — a gatekeeper to American film, a cinematic guru.



scott Bracken
columnist

I'm also going to miss the *Siskel & Ebert* show. Watching those two go at each other's throats on which way their thumb pointed sometimes got pretty vicious. It almost made you wonder if they ever really got along. I'd like to think they both love movies so much that it was almost like a personal attack when the other disagreed with them on a certain flick. It also made the show a little more interesting to see two old guys get upset over something as innocent as *Mulan*.

I always turned to Gene Siskel and Roger Ebert to guide me through the fog of newly released movies on their show and on their Web site, Siskel_Ebert.com. The Web site's great because it archives old reviews of movies from the past with a thumbs up or down, explaining why, and contains the top 10 best and worst lists for each year the show's been on the air. It's a perfect tool for video night with your loved one, helping you gain some perspective on virtually any motion picture.

This is not to say Siskel and Ebert were always right — if my memory serves me correctly, they both gave *Ace Ventura* two big thumbs down. But even if I didn't agree with their take on a movie, I was always interested in hearing them dissect it and explain why.

The movies will still be released and we'll all continue to go wait in line to see them, but there will be no more Siskel and Ebert thumbs for any one of them.

Maybe it's time we finally use our own two thumbs to think and draw our own conclusions.

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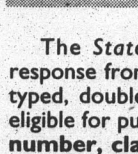


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Black History Month time to reflect on 'the people who paved the way'

BY JUNE D. WILHITE
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As Black History Month comes to an end, some ASU African-American activists and students spoke last week about the history and purpose of the month-long campus celebration.

Black History Month

"Black History Month is a time to remember my roots, origins and the people who paved the way for Black America," said N'Dome Dougherty, an exercise science sophomore. "Although it is only one month out of 12, everybody must celebrate and participate as much as possible."

For the Black African Coalition organizers, the celebration is a way to bring cultural awareness to ASU.

"Our goal has always been to attract the entire campus to our event, not just African Americans, and it's never been an easy job," said Vince Nicholes, a computer science engineer senior and BAC president.

"I appreciate the action of those organizations, like the Memorial Union Activities Board, who have come forth and offered assistance to celebrating black history and hope to get more involvement from others," he said.

The national celebration of Black History Month is the legacy of Carter G. Woodson, who started Negro History

Week in 1926. Seventy-three years later, activists say it's still necessary to make the month visible to students and the entire ASU community.

"Often during Black History Month, I am called upon to give lectures and I do this gladly," said Jewell Parker Rhodes, a creative writing professor. "Black history is human history and we need to know and understand our history in order to be more fully human, more fully ourselves ... more fully Americans."

Colleen Jennings-Roggensack, executive director of ASU public events, said she supports Rhodes but added there is a far greater challenge to accomplish.

"African-Americans have contributed to all the areas of study in the ASU curriculum and it would be interesting to have every faculty member explore contributions made by them and cultures across the board," Jennings-Roggensack said.

For one ASU student, the month-long celebration is not enough.

"I recognize the importance of having a month that focuses positive attention on the historically significant past of America's citizens of African descent," said Karen Carson, a graduate student in western history and president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People college chapter.



"But I think we should celebrate the accomplishments of our ancestors as often as we can, when and wherever we can."

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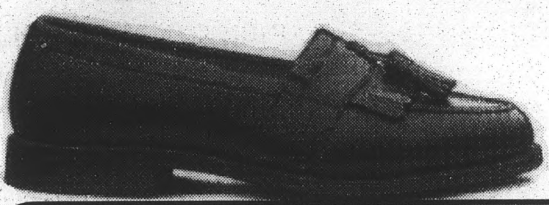
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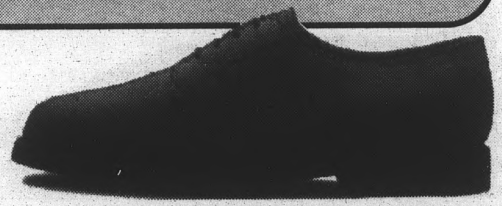
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College of Education symposium to focus on cultural psychology

BY CARRIE SEVERSON
STATE PRESS

One founder of cultural psychology will be the first of three speakers at the second-annual College of Education 1999 Spring Symposium Series.

Richard A. Shweder, a cultural anthropologist and a human development professor, will come to ASU Thursday to give a message to Arizona about its future of the blending of varied cultures.

His speech, titled "The Place of Cultural Psychology: An Emerging Field," will start at 5 p.m. Thursday in the Education Building lecture hall.

"Shweder has pioneered the fast-growing field of cultural psychology," said Gene Glass, associate dean for research in the College of Education.

Shweder will focus on how culture and human development interact to produce the adult personality and sense of self.

Heidi Hagan, communications coordinator for the College of Education, said Shweder will kick off the free three-part symposium.

"Students should be aware that there is

no place in the United States that so thoroughly evidences the blending of varied cultures as this little settlement on the bank of the Salt River," Glass said.

The series was started by Dean David Berliner and is now co-sponsored by the Graduate College.

"He (Berliner) started it as part of his efforts to place the ASU College of Education at the center of the intellectual discussion of education in this state,"

Glass said.

Following Shweder will be Michael Apple, a professor of educational policy studies at the University of Wisconsin at Madison, who will speak March 4 about his efforts to democratize educational research.

Linda Darling-Hammond, a Stanford

University education professor, will be the last speaker in the series. She will speak March 11 about teacher preparation, school policy and educational equity.

"Speakers are chosen because of their national prominence and their specialization," Glass said.

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PoliceBeat for the weekend

ASU police reported the following incidents Friday:

- Two men not affiliated with ASU were arrested, cited and released for underage possession of alcohol at 725 E. Adelphi Drive.
- A man not affiliated with ASU was arrested, cited and released for underage possession of alcohol in Area 57.
- A man not affiliated with ASU was arrested, cited and released for disorderly conduct at 525 S. Forest Ave.
- A man not affiliated with ASU was arrested on an outstanding warrant from Tempe police. He was unable to post bond and was booked into the Southeast Jail.
- Four students reported their bicycles stolen from various campus locations.
- A student reported that someone entered his car, while it was parked in Structure 5, and removed stereo equipment.
- A man not affiliated with ASU reported that someone

entered his car, while it was parked in Structure 5, and removed a laptop computer and a cell phone.

Tempe police reported the following incidents Sunday:

- Police arrested a 42-year-old Tempe man Wednesday in the 300 block of South Beck Avenue on charges of aggravated DUI, hit-and-run, possession of marijuana and an outstanding Maricopa County Sheriff's Office warrant for contempt of court. The man was booked into the Tempe City Jail and released. There were no injuries involved in the hit-and-run accident.
- A 39-year-old Tempe man was arrested Wednesday in the 400 block of West Baseline Road on charges of assault, criminal damage, delaying and obstructing officers and an outstanding Tempe warrant for disorderly conduct. Officers said he spit in a person's face, then tried to flee from police and avoided being handcuffed. He also dented a police car with his knee while he was being searched, police said. The man was booked into

the Tempe City Jail.

- Police arrested 32-year-old New York man Thursday at 1201 S. McClintock Drive on charges of possession of narcotic drugs and possession of drug paraphernalia. Police said they found a substance believed to be crack cocaine and a glass pipe in the man's pants pocket. He was booked into the Tempe City Jail and released.
 - Officers arrested a 34-year-old Phoenix man Friday at 63 E. Southern Ave. on charges of disorderly conduct, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Officers said he became abusive toward employees and customers at a business at that location. A search revealed a substance believed to be marijuana in his pants pocket. The man claimed he was injured and he was taken to Tempe St. Luke's Hospital, then booked into the Tempe City Jail and held to see a judge.
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State prosecutors meeting to discuss sweepstakes gimmicks

By Mike Smith
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Frustrated with consumer complaints and filing costly lawsuits against mail-in sweepstakes, attorneys general from nine states and representatives from 16 others are meeting to discuss way to halt deceptive gimmicks.

They hope further agreements with the industry and new laws will help.

"Right now the only tool we have to deal with deception and fraud in the sweepstakes industry is to file a lawsuit, and that's a very inefficient way of dealing with the problem," said Indiana Attorney General Jeff Modisett.

Indiana has lawsuits pending against American Family Publishers and Publishers Clearing House, two of the giants in the industry, claiming they use deceptive mailings to trick people into purchasing magazines and other products in hopes it will help them win.

Both companies say they promote their disclaimers prominently and have paid out millions of dollars to winners, including many who didn't purchase a thing.

Other states have filed similar lawsuits against sweepstakes companies and settlements have been reached in some cases.

Pat Raines, of Willard, Mo., is coming

to Indianapolis for the meeting starting Wednesday to share the story of her father Neil Hancock, who died in April at 80. After taking control of his finances in 1997, Raines discovered he had written dozens of checks totalling \$102,000 to contest promoters over a four-year period.

She begged him to stop sending money.

"Of course he wasn't about to because he thought he was in the final stages of winning \$12 million or \$35 million or whatever," Raines said. "They say they are legally within the limits, that you're a winner only if your number is selected, in small print. But they do a lot of things I think are unfair and deceptive and to me it's a crime, because they are targeting the elderly."

Federal law prohibits companies from requiring a purchase or charging a fee to people who enter sweepstakes. People who don't buy magazine subscriptions, for example, must have the same chance of winning a prize as people make a purchase.

Under a bill filed in the Senate earlier this month, sweepstakes that use deception to lure people into buying products could be fined up to \$2 million.

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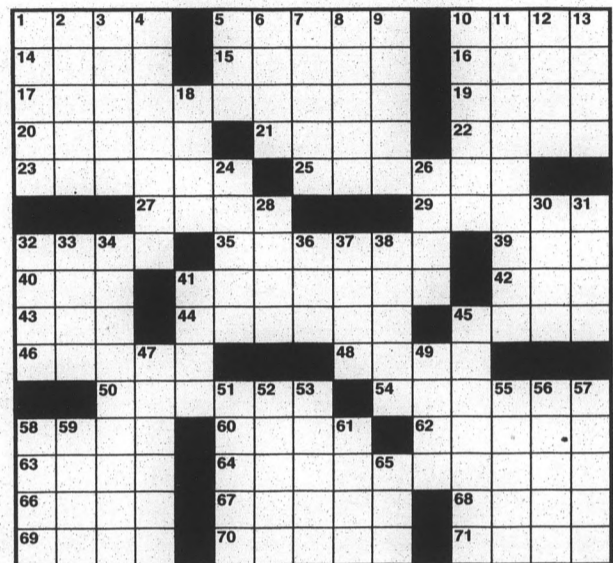
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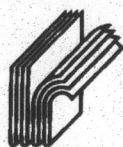
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Barbara Walters completes Monica Lewinsky interview

BY DAVID BAUDER
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NEW YORK — After months of waiting for the go-ahead from Kenneth Starr, Barbara Walters taped her interview with Monica Lewinsky at a tightly guarded television studio in New York City.

Officially, the network had nothing to say about it, but an ABC executive speaking on the condition of anonymity confirmed the interview was done over the weekend.

Walters and ABC News President David Westin scheduled a news conference for today to talk about the interview expected to air over 90 minutes in prime-time on March 3 — the final day of a television "sweeps" period used to set local advertising rates.

The date remained tentative. The network might decide to broadcast the interview sooner, the executive said.

Walters is expected to talk today about how ABC worked within restrictions placed on the interview by Starr, the independent counsel who investigated President Clinton and his relationship with the one-time White House intern.

Lewinsky reportedly wasn't supposed

to make statements going beyond what she's already told Starr's office and a grand jury.

Guards were posted outside the studio Saturday when Lewinsky talked with Walters.

Walter's landing of the Lewinsky interview was considered the biggest TV news coup of the presidential scandal, although its impact may have been diminished by Lewinsky's videotaped testimony during the Senate impeachment trial.

Walters won the interview last November, but Lewinsky couldn't talk until Starr granted his permission. Starr gave an in-depth interview that month to Walters' ABC colleague, Diane Sawyer.

Lewinsky had talked with Oprah Winfrey about an interview earlier last fall, but Winfrey said she had broken off talks when it became clear the former intern wanted to be compensated for the interview. ABC said it had not paid for its interview.

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Iraqi state newspaper blames foreign power for cleric's slaying

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A government newspaper accused foreign powers Sunday of masterminding the slaying of Iraq's top Shiite Muslim cleric while the opposition blamed President Saddam Hussein's regime.

Grand Ayatollah Mohammed Mohammed Sadiq al-Sader was shot to death Friday in his native town of Najaf, a holy city for Shiites 100 miles south of Baghdad. His two sons also were killed.

No one has claimed responsibility.

"We were shocked by this incident," Iraqi Foreign Minister Mohammed Saeed al-Sahhaf said during a visit to Beirut, Lebanon. "As to who might have carried out the assassination, I cannot predict. But regardless of whether it was an internal or external quarter which did it, it is an ugly crime."

In a commentary, the *al-Jumhuriya* newspaper said the killings were "motivated by the devil" and were "part of conspiracies against Iraq."

It did not name any country, but indicated that the masterminds were Western powers and Israel.

"Iraq will not be shaken by these types of attempts that are created by imperialism, Zionism and those who serve them," it said.

Al-Sader was highly respected among Shiites, who comprise about 65 percent of Iraq's 22 million people. The ruling elite is almost entirely made up of the minority Sunni Muslims.

Al-Sader was once thought to be close to the Iraqi government, but his relations soured after he issued an edict about six

months ago calling on the Shiites to attend weekly Friday prayers in mosques.

The Iraqi government is known to disapprove of big crowds, which al-Sader frequently drew. His edict, or fatwa, was seen as an attempt to distance himself from the government and establish himself as an independent leader.

A London-based, Arabic-language newspaper, quoting unidentified sources inside Iraq, accused the Iraqi government of assassinating al-Sader because he refused to issue a religious edict challenging "the legitimacy of Arab presidents and leaders," whom Saddam accuses of not supporting Iraq.


Al-Sader refused on grounds that he was a man of religion who would not interfere in politics, *al-Zaman* said in today's edition, a copy of which was sent Sunday to The Associated Press.

Iranian radio said al-Sader also defied official orders and entered a mosque Feb. 5 in Najaf that the government said was being "rebuilt."

Several Shiite clergymen have been killed in mysterious circumstances in Iraq in recent years, and the government has blamed foreign countries.

In a statement faxed to the AP, the London-based opposition Iraqi Communist Party accused Saddam of "this latest murder."

Sunday in Syria, hundreds of Iraqi Shiite refugees marched at the Sayida Zeinab mosque, a Shiite holy site near Damascus. Some carried a coffin in a mock funeral for al-Sader. "Saddam is the enemy of God," they chanted.



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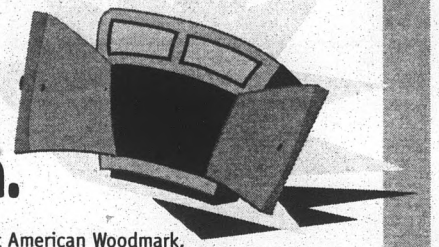
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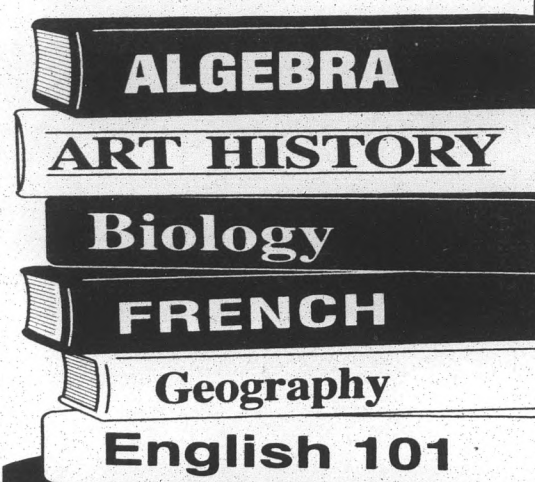
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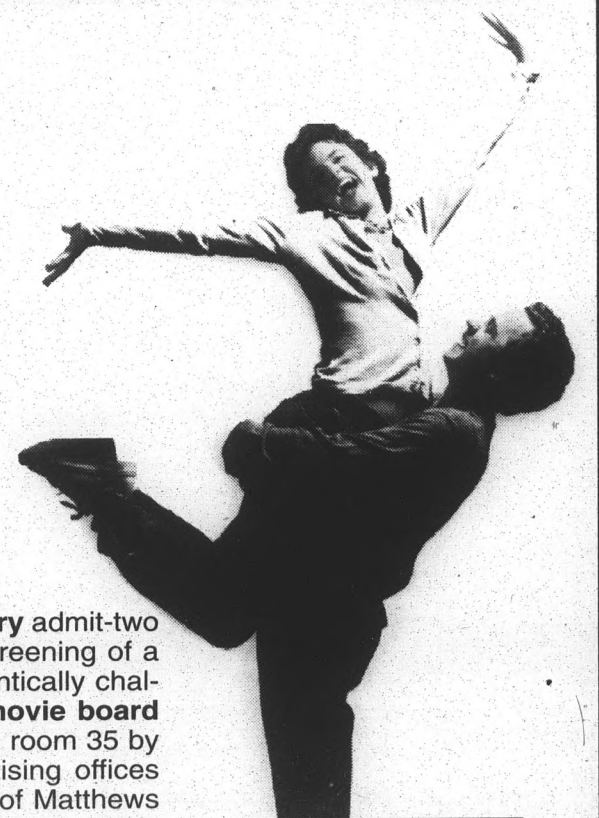
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Turkey to West: Back off on Ocalan case

BY LAURA KING
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ANKARA, Turkey — The Turkish prime minister's manner was mild, but his message was unmistakable: Back off.

Now that Turkey has rebel warlord Abdullah Ocalan behind bars, it is telling the West in no uncertain terms it wants no advice from anyone on how to conduct his trial.

"We would consider such attempts an unacceptable affront to Turkish justice," Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit told a news conference on Sunday, six days after Turkish commandos captured Ocalan in Nairobi, Kenya. He is now on an isolated Turkish island prison where he remains in solitary confinement, under interrogation but not yet under formal arrest.

Even before a trial date has been set and the nature of the proceedings agreed upon, the case is pitting Turkey against Western critics who cite its shaky human rights record and question whether the much-reviled Ocalan will be dealt with fairly.

At the hourlong question-and-answer session held by the prime minister and his foreign minister, Ismail Cem, Turkey's prickly brand of nationalistic pride was on ample display. So, too, was an increasingly strident tone at the first briefing specifically for foreign reporters since Ocalan's capture.

Both men stopped just short of openly gloating over violent protests by expatriate Kurds that erupted across Europe within hours of Ocalan's arrest, including many staged on the soil of countries that have expressed sympathy for the Kurds' struggle for autonomy.

"There is a Turkish expression, 'Long live the snake

that doesn't bite me.' The attitude of some governments in Europe could well be described with that expression," Ecevit said. "Now that they have been slightly bitten by the snake, they may better realize what we have been suffering for many years."

The 73-year-old prime minister, a published poet noted for his evocative translations of Sanskrit verse, said autonomy for the Kurds is out of the question — and so is talking to Ocalan's Kurdistan Workers Party, or PKK, which has waged a 15-year military struggle for autonomy.

"A dialogue need not be formed with minority groups who want to partition Turkey," Ecevit declared.

The Ocalan case is drawing international attention to Turkey's treatment of its 12 million Kurds, concentrated in the desolate mountains of the southeast. The area is governed under harsh civil restrictions akin to martial law.

Speaking the Kurdish language, related to Iran's Farsi, was illegal even in unofficial settings between 1983 and 1991. Teaching and broadcasting it are still against the law.

At his news conference, Ecevit advanced a view commonly held in Turkey, that supporting autonomy or minority rights for the Kurds amounts to racism, because Kurds benefit by full assimilation into Turkish society.

"In contrast to the racist heritage and tendencies of certain European nations, we have had no concept of racial differentiation," he said.

Such combativeness on Turkey's part is likely to intensify as the trial unfolds, particularly if it is held in state security courts, which include military judges. With national elections less than two months away, the country's leaders will likely stick to the politically popular line that the trial is Turkey's business and no one else's.

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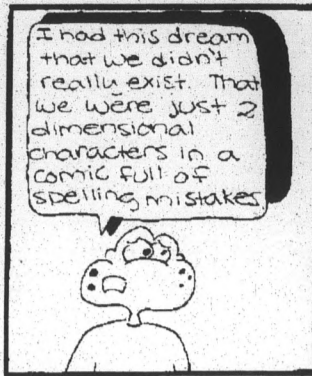
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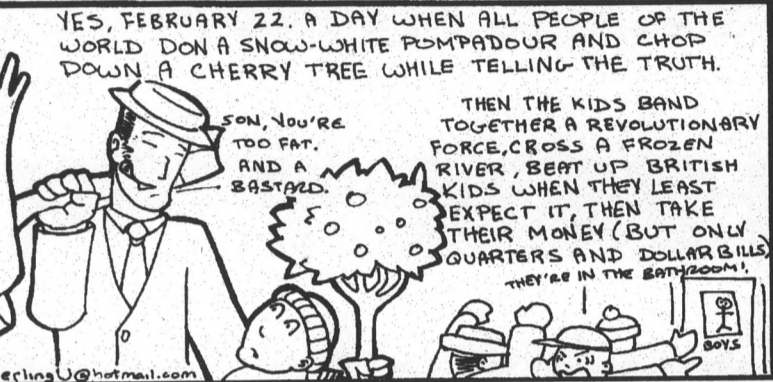
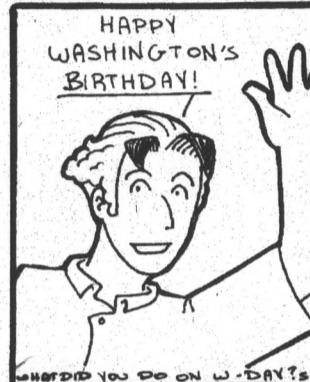
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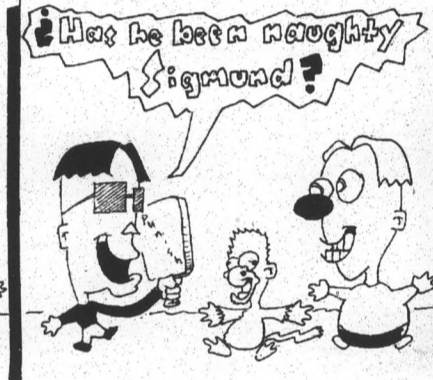
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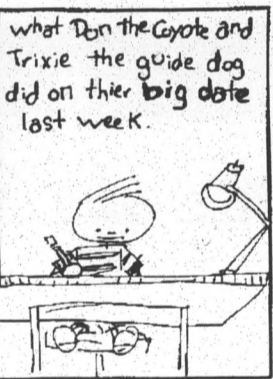
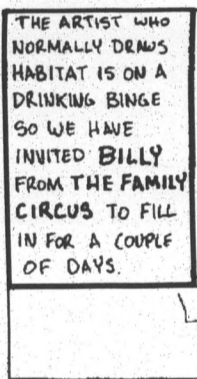
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"We weren't aggressive. We were a little bit deer-in-the-headlights."
- ASU softball head coach Linda Wells, on the team's slow start.

Sun Devils pound out 28 in win over BYU

By PERCY EDNALINO JR.
STATE PRESS

The scoreboard said it all: 28-3, in favor of the Sun Devils. It looked like a football score. The only difference? It wasn't ASU's football team racking up the points.

After a so-so series last weekend against New Mexico, the ASU baseball team rebounded and easily swept the Brigham Young Cougars in a three-game series at Packard Stadium. ASU capped off the series on Saturday with a 28-3 win in front of 2,569 fans.

The 28 runs were the Sun Devils' fifth-best total in team history. ASU scored 36 runs against UTEP on April 6, 1974.

The Sun Devils got out to a fast start, scoring eight runs in the first and 10 more in the second. ASU shortstop Willie Bloomquist said the quick start had its good and bad points.

"It's kind of a blessing in disguise," Bloomquist said. "It forces you to try and stay focused which will help you later on down the road. It's a long season, so you have to take it for what it's worth."

Bloomquist, who extended his current hitting streak to 15 games on Saturday, also added that the quick start gave others on the team the chance to get more at bats.

"It's good that some of the non-starters got a lot of at bats in," he said. "They were quality at bats, too. It obviously boosted their confidence, too, and we're going to need everybody later on down the road."

Sun Devil pitching coach John Pawlowski said keeping the pitchers focused was tough.

"There's some guys that we need to really stay sharp, regardless of the score and situation," he said. "It's always been tough to pitch in games like that, but if you keep the guys mentally focused and locked in, then they've got a chance to be successful."

Staying focused also was a problem for

the rest of the team.

"It's really easy to lose focus when you get ahead by a lot of runs," infielder Mark Ernster said. "But the team did well, and we still stayed focused and played ball for all nine."

The Sun Devils gave up a total of eight BYU runs during the weekend, while scoring 61. The Sun Devils opened the series on Thursday with a 16-1 win and continued on Friday with a 17-4 victory.

Pawlowski said he was pleased with the way ASU's staff pitched.

"It think the biggest thing is the staff was throwing strikes," he said. "But the most important thing is that we were playing good defense. When the ball is put on the ground, I feel confident we can make the plays and play hard defensively."

But it was on offense where ASU shined. In the fourth, ASU's

Andrew Beinbrink stroked a grand slam to left field. Beinbrink, who went 3 for 3 with six runs scored, tied his career-high for RBI with six. The last time he accomplished that feat was on Feb. 16, 1997, against Southern Illinois.

But Beinbrink wasn't the only Sun Devil to do well with the bat on Saturday. Bloomquist went 3 for 7 with three runs scored and two RBI. Ernster went 6 for 6 with two runs scored and three RBI.

ASU pitcher Chad Pennington (4-2) was handed the win, scattering just four hits and no runs. Pennington struck out three in four innings of work.

BYU's Micah Mangrum (0-1) earned the loss, giving up 17 runs and 11 hits in 1-plus innings.

The Cougars scored all their runs in the fifth off ASU reliever Shaylor Hatch.

The Sun Devils face Grand Canyon University at Brazelle Stadium on Tuesday.

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Mark Ernster
ASU infielder



Samaruddin Stewart of the State Press

Mitch Jones, like most of the Sun Devils, had a huge day on Saturday. He was 3 for 5 with a home run, a double and four RBI in ASU's 28-3 rout of the Cougars.

ASU bounces back against Beavers

By NICK PIECORO
STATE PRESS

The bizarre Sun Devils showed up against Oregon State on Saturday.

"You could just say everything was in reverse," said Oregon State guard Deandra Tanner, referring to the contrast between Saturday's game and the Beavers' 81-51 Jan. 21 win over the Sun Devils' men's basketball team, their worst loss of the year.

But his statement could just as easily have been applied to the differences in ASU's play from Thursday to Saturday. ASU lost a gut-wrenching game 76-75 to Oregon on Thursday, due mainly to lack of first-half execution.

But on Saturday afternoon, everything was different. An energized ASU team, out for redemption and revenge, returned the favor to the Beavers, giving them their worst loss of the season, 87-66, in front of 5,002 at Wells Fargo Arena.

The win gives ASU head coach Rob Evans his 100th career victory and keeps the Sun Devils (14-12, 6-8 in the Pac-10) alive — barely — for an NCAA Tournament appearance.

Fueled by bad memories of the Oregon loss and by bulletin-board material from Tanner, a fiery ASU squad built a 20-point first half lead that never went away.

After the Beavers' 30-point win in Corvallis, Tanner was quoted in local newspapers as saying they played ASU guard Eddie House like he was their girlfriend.

"I filed that. I took that personally," House said. "I made sure that when I came out I was going to make them pay for making statements like that."

And they did. ASU came out with a hop in their step formerly reserved for big games, such as those against

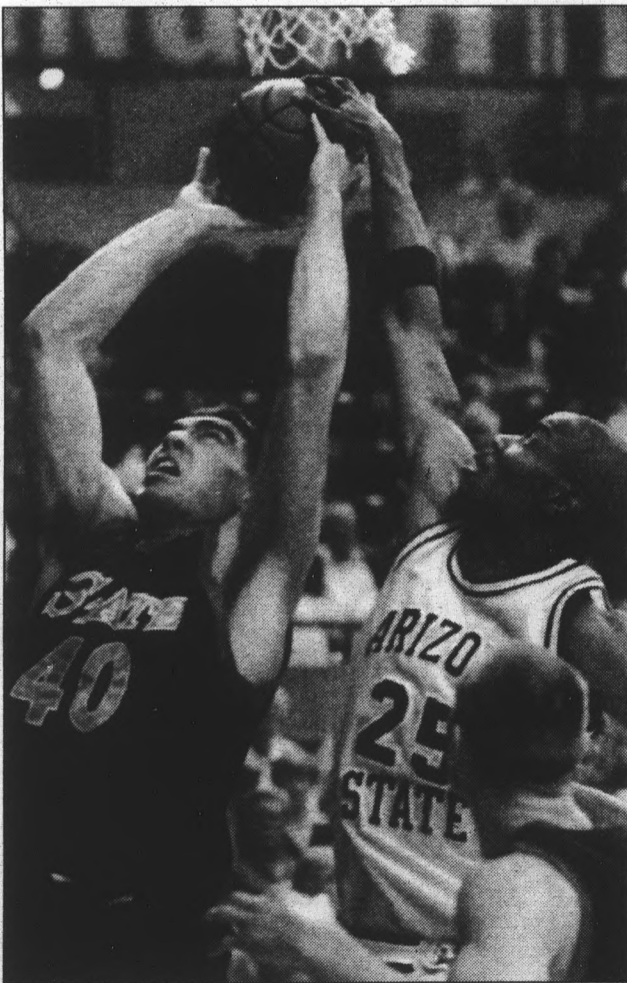


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Sun Devils' forward Okeme Oziwo blocks a shot attempt by Oregon State's Jason Heide during ASU's 87-66 win on Saturday.

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Sun Devils split in Oregon

By DOUG FLANAGAN
STATE PRESS

CORVALLIS, Ore. — The schedule says there are four regular season games left for the ASU women's basketball team after Sunday's contest with Oregon State at Gill Coliseum.

But given the way the Sun Devils have been playing lately, they wouldn't mind seeing a few extra games tacked on.

"We're really improving. We showed (that) tonight," said ASU forward Theresa Jantzen, who had a game and career-high 28 points in the Sun Devils' 77-65 victory. "Everybody's playing their role, and everybody's doing great things out there. We're starting to peak. It's too bad it's this late in the season, but the way we're playing right now is the way we want to play."

"We keep getting better and better," ASU head coach Charli Turner Thorne said. "I'm just really excited because all along we knew going into this year we had some really good talent, but it was going to take some time to learn. I think we've really adjusted in the second round. This is our fifth game in a row where we've really played well. This is a great win for us on the road. I'm excited."

The Sun Devils picked up their 11th win of the season (surpassing last year's victory total of 10) due to a dominating inside game led by Jantzen and Rachel Holt (18 points) and patient offensive execution which resulted in a season-low 15 turnovers.

ASU, which had a 40-30 lead after one half thanks to 59 percent shooting and 14 of Holt's points, withstood a furious Beaver rally, led by guard Felicia Ragland (who had a team-high 17 points) at the start of the second half that cut its lead to three at 44-41 with 17:08 to play. Jantzen then converted a three-point play, but Oregon State chipped away and tied the game at 53 with a Ragland free throw with 12:10 to play.

From there, however, the game was all Sun Devils — specifically Jantzen, who picked up the scoring slack from Holt, who played reduced minutes in the second half after her knee collided with Beaver forward Tammy Arnold's

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ASU captures Classic championship going undefeated in six games

BY CHRIS CARLOCK
STATE PRESS

The ASU softball team was perfect over the weekend at Sun Devil Club Stadium.

The Sun Devils won all six games in the three-day Louisville Slugger Classic, capturing the tournament championship with shut-out victories over Michigan State and Illinois State on Sunday.

In its first two games of the tournament on Friday night, ASU showed a deadly combination of power hitting and dominant pitching in routing San Jose State and Illinois State.

After being held scoreless through three innings against San Jose State in the opener, ASU scored three runs in each of the last three innings to coast to a 9-1 victory. Third baseman Chris Gill smashed a two-run homer in the fourth and designated hitter Kirsten Voak blasted a three-run shot in the fifth.

In the nightcap, ASU scored seven runs in the first and breezed to a 10-1 win over Illinois State. Catcher Bonnie Brannen drove in four runs while Kathy Ponce picked up her first win of the season, striking out a career-high seven batters in four innings of work.

"It's easy out there knowing I can give up a run and we can get it right back," Ponce said.

The Sun Devils came out Saturday with their hitting shoes on again. First baseman Jamie Hlebechuk drilled a three-run homer to right in a five-run first inning. Holly Smith added a two-run blast in a six-run third for ASU. Erica Beach picked up her fifth win, scattering eight hits, in the 12-3 victory.

The Sun Devils got a test against No. 16 Iowa in Saturday's second game. A solo homer in the second and an RBI single in

the sixth put Iowa up 2-0. In the bottom of the sixth with Smith on third and Brannen on second, Iowa's catcher Tammi Utley allowed a passed ball. Utley's throw to the plate was wild and Brannen came home to score after Smith, tying the game at 2. After RBI singles by Beach and Nichole Thompson, the Sun Devils were up 4-2 and that's all they needed.

"We weren't aggressive," head coach Linda Wells said after the team's slow start. "We were a little bit deer-in-the-headlights, but in the sixth we turned it around. This was a real character builder for our team."

Voak got credit for the victory, putting together a four-hit, eight-strikeout effort.

"This was a new experience," shortstop Smith said. "We'll have a lot of games like that and it's nice to know that we can win them."

Things got back to normal yesterday as the Sun Devils shut-out Michigan State and Illinois State.

Voak took care of things on the mound, striking out eight in a complete game 7-0 win over the Spartans. Gill had three RBI and freshman Missy Hixon, who is leading the team with a .432 batting average, had two hits and scored twice. Beach followed that up with a one-hit shutout in an 8-0 rout over Illinois State. Ponce launched her first career home run and Thompson collected two hits, extending her hitting streak to 10 games.

The Sun Devils take their show on the road to Columbus, Ga., next weekend where they'll play in the NFCA Leadoff Classic Tournament.



Erica Beach, who owns a 1.24 ERA and a 6-0 record, winds up during the Sun Devils won 12-3 against Michigan State on Saturday afternoon. ASU won all six games it played over the weekend. Samaruddin Stewart of the State Press

Sun Devil gymnasts come up short against hot Cardinal

BY CHRIS CARLOCK
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The ASU gymnastics team faced Stanford on the wrong night.

Coming off their huge victory over UCLA, the seventh-ranked Sun Devils happened to catch the 10th-ranked Cardinal on their finest night of the season, as Stanford won, 195.775 to 194.250 in Palo Alto Friday night.

ASU was hoping to beat its third top-10 team of the season, but it wasn't meant to be.

"It's kind of disappointing," senior co-captain Wendy Ellsberry said. "But we didn't have that bad of a meet. We

got a pretty good score."

ASU's other captain returned to action as junior All-American Amy Shelton made her first appearance of the season after hurting her elbow before the season-opening meet. Shelton showed no signs of rust in landing a 9.9 on the balance beam, her only performance of the night. Shelton should be ready to compete in all four events this weekend.

"She did awesome," Ellsberry said. "It was great. We missed her a lot."

Stanford outscored ASU in the vault, beam and bars while the Sun Devils, led by Elizabeth Reid's and Elizabeth

McNabbs' 9.9s, took the floor exercise.

Stanford dominated on the uneven bars, taking the top three spots. Reid led the Sun Devils with a 9.825 while freshman Britnee Bowden posted a 9.8.

If they want to go all the way, the Sun Devils know they are going to have to perform like they did at home against UCLA two week ago.

"We need to work on staying comfortable, like we are at home," McNabb said. "It's all mental."

The Sun Devils will host Cal, Denver and Illinois State on Friday night in the UNO's Classic at Wells Fargo Arena.

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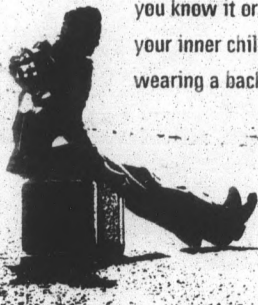
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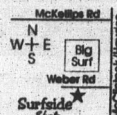
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Men and women finish third at MSPF

By JOE MANTONE
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No Sun Devils added their names to the NCAA Championship list...yet.

Both the No. 5 men's team (2-0) and the women's team (1-1) finished third at Friday's and Saturday's MSPF Championship in Reno, Nev. Although none of the ASU athletes automatically qualified for the NCAA, senior Dawnyell Linder won and provisionally qualified in the 200 meters (23.88).

"Her time is on the bubble," Kraft said. "We don't know if she'll make it."

Freshman Kelly MacDonald's 9:46.74 in the 3000 meters broke her own school record and provisionally qualified her for the NCAA.

Even though he would have liked to have more qualifiers, Kraft said the format of the MSPF could help ASU.

"This was our only competition, where we had trials on Friday and finals on Saturday," Kraft said. "It really does put them through what it's like (at the NCAA Championships)."

Senior Vondre Armour described the schedule as "hectic."

"With traveling, it makes it really tough," Armour said. "But we got to get used to running the same event on

back-to-back days."

Sophomore Marcus Bronsun appeared to be used to it.

On Friday, Bronsun beat the previous meet record (6.17) by .9 seconds in the 55. In the finals, Bronsun finished first with a 6.13.

Sophomore Dwight Phillips won the long jump (24 feet, 10 1/2 inches) and the triple jump (51 feet, 1 3/4 inches). Phillips, who had previously provisionally qualified for the long jump, fell short in the triple.

"He missed qualifying by a half inch," Kraft said.

Phillips also ran the lead leg on the 4x400 relay team. However, officials disqualified the ASU relay squad because junior LaVell Robinson-Blanchard's legs got tangled with another runner.

"The tracks are so small and the turns are so tight, it's bound to happen in indoors," said Armour, who ran the third leg. "Lavell thought he could cut over. Everything looked legal."

Not only did the officials disagree with Armour, but they also disagreed with each other.

"I challenged it, but we had conflicting reports from two judges," Kraft said.

"We would have won that handily."

Senior Priscilla Hein was also the subject of controversy. Hein was disqualified in the finals of the 800.

"We didn't see any infractions, and no one could give us an answer," Kraft said.

Hein ran the fastest time at Friday's trials. But even if Hein wasn't disqualified on Saturday, she would have slipped to fourth.

"She ran great Friday, but she had a disappointing race on Saturday," Kraft said.

Hein and few other runners could have one more attempt to qualify for Nationals.

"I think we might take Priscilla Hein to Notre Dame (and) Linder to the USA Championships," Kraft said.

The third-year coach added that Phillips might also go to a last chance meet. Although it does not seem likely, the rest of the 4x400 could be traveling next weekend.

"Right now, I think we're second in the nation," Armour said. The top 10 relay teams go to the NCAA. "If we get knocked out we'll go somewhere next week to and try get back in."

ASU drops two to UofA, again

By CLINT CURRIE
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ASU's men's hockey team's weekend losses in Tucson — 5-4 on Friday and 4-2 on Saturday — were a painful *deja vu* from the Jan. 23 and 24 losses, in which UofA beat ASU 5-4 and 6-2.

Perhaps ASU's brightest moment of last weekend came with six seconds left in the final game when Nils Satterstrom scooped up the puck in his own zone, outskated all of UofA and beat goalie Mark Meister. The crowd of 6,333, which previously had been chanting, "ASU sucks," was immediately silenced. Meister slammed his stick on the ground in rage as the remaining ASU players celebrated.

"It felt good to get that last one, especially with all those hecklers," Satterstrom said.

"With the losses, it gives me a little something left," senior goalie Greg Powers said. Powers picked up the assist on the play because the puck last touched him. It was a UofA shot that bounced off his pads.

At the game's onset Saturday, both teams keyed on the others top lines. The checking was heavy and Satterstrom and Austin Messer (who both had two goals the previous game) took the brunt of the punishment.

"That's how it works," Satterstrom said. "We did the same thing to their top line."

After ASU's Tim Jolley and Paul Goff played keep-away, Jolley got off a pass from the boards to a charging Andy Berg. Berg bounced the puck off Meister and then put in his own rebound to tie the game at 1 with 3:50 left in the first period.

Twenty four penalty minutes in the first period seemed tame compared with 44 in the second period. The stellar goal-tending by both sides didn't allow a goal until 1:53 left in the second period. UofA's Hunter Cherenack won the faceoff with the puck going out to Marc Harris. Harris was alone in front and patiently beat Powers up high to put UofA up 3-1.

Just 1:08 into the third period, another Harris goal put the game out of reach, 4-1.

From there, play got increasingly rough and the game was often stopped to pry opposing players apart.

The first player to exit was ASU's Tom Bernard, who was given 12 penalty minutes. With 1:55 left Hester squared off with UofA's Kevin Meehan. After Hester man-handled Meehan he skated off the ice waving to crowd as they chanted, "Hey, Hey, Hey, Good-bye."

Following Hester in later brawls, were Russ DeMariano, Paul Goff and Ron Altavesta.

Order was restored and with 43 seconds left. However, almost as the puck was dropped Jeff Kennedy was engaged in battle and later tossed out.

In all, the refs handed out 55 penalty minutes and five game misconducts in the third period.

In both the Jan. 23 and last Friday's game, ASU had two-goal leads going into the third period, and lost both games in overtime.

Last Friday, in front of 5,140, Satterstrom opened up the scoring at 6:02 in the first when he shot the puck from behind the net off the calf of goalie Jason Morgan. Morgan turned his head around to see the puck lying in the net.

ASU went up 2-0 when Gordon Hester passed to Austin Messer, who shot the puck between the legs of Morgan at 18:27 into the game. Things continued to go ASU's way when freshman goalie Dan Woog stopped a point-blank shot by UofA's Harris.

Harris got to Woog 3:20 in the second period to bring the score to 2-1. Halfway through, Messer put ASU up 3-1 with a chip shot from the right side. The score was soon 4-1 when Satterstrom drove to the net and put it past Morgan, who didn't know the puck was behind him until he turned around.

Goals by UofA's Kyle Neary and Harris helped send the game into overtime.

In OT, ASU's Tim Jolley got penalized for tripping, a call which ASU head coach Gene Hammett protested to no avail. With the man-advantage Harris scored the game winner, which rocketed all 5,140 fans to their feet.

"If the refs were any good, it would have been a different hockey game," ASU defenseman Andy Tomarchio said.

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near halftime. Jantzen scored 12 of ASU's next 15 points to give the Sun Devils a 68-59 lead with 2:28 to play, and ASU held off another brief Beaver run to post its second conference road win of the year.

"We played really strong the first half, and they came out right away in the second half and caught up to us," Jantzen said. "But we pulled together, played strong defense, re-focused and played strong at the end when it counted."

ASU took advantage of a smaller Beaver lineup to once again make the post its first scoring option. Jantzen made 10 of 12 shots, Holt 6 of 8 and Kristine Sand added 10 points off the bench.

But Jantzen deferred the posts' success to the passing abilities of Natalie Tucker and Kitch Kitchen.

"The guards were doing a great job of getting the ball to us when we were open," she said. "The passes they were giving me were perfect — right where I wanted them. When you get a good pass like that, it's just a quick move and you get a layup."

"Oregon State was trying a double team a little bit, trying to sag," Turner Thorne said. "But definitely, a big part of our game plan was to get the ball inside — be patient, make the extra pass, and get the ball inside. The guards did a great job of that, and we know our posts can score one-on-one. I didn't know they would score with this efficiency tonight, but obviously, Theresa and Rachel are as good a tandem in the block as any team in the Pac-10."

The Sun Devils now need to win three out of their last four to post their first winning season since 1992. Based on their recent play, Turner Thorne said that is a realistic goal, even though they have Stanford and UCLA left to play.

"I said to them after the game, 'Hey, you know what? We're good,'" she said. "We knew we could be good, but we're finally doing it."

Sun Devils throw scare into No. 18 Ducks

EUGENE, Ore. — Since last year's trip to McArthur Court to play Oregon was a total nightmare, the Sun Devils were bound and determined to put up a better showing Friday night against the 18th-ranked Ducks.

ASU did just that, with the memory of perhaps its worst game of the 1997-98 season (a 100-61 shellacking on Jan. 21, 1998), serving as strong motivation.

"We played a lot stronger than when we came here last year," Holt said. "That's what I was thinking about — I was thinking about last year and how we performed. That was nothing about what our program was about. This year, we wanted to show people that we're good enough and we deserve respect."

The Sun Devils definitely earned Oregon's respect, even though they lost 58-53 in front of 6,979. ASU stayed with the Pac-10 co-leaders (21-4, 12-2) through 11 ties, seven lead changes and never fell behind by more than five in the second half. The Ducks, who have "possibly the Pac-10's best half-court offense," according to Turner Thorne, were pressured by the Sun Devils after ASU made a basket. This threw the Ducks' normally potent offense out of rhythm, as they made just 6 of 23 shot attempts in the first half.

"Our coaches kept telling us, 'you gotta push the ball, you gotta push the ball.' We had some problems, but a couple times we got the break and it went well," Duck forward Brianne Meharry said. "Other than that, we had to run a half-court offense. ASU played great tonight. They played really well."

"ASU played an awesome game," added Oregon guard Lisa Bowyer, who led the Ducks with 20 points. "They were really patient offensively, which kind of frustrated us on defense. We couldn't get steals and fast breaks. They played a great game, and we were lucky to get out of it and come through at the end."

The end of the game was indeed where the Ducks proved their superiority. They had a 56-51 lead with just over a minute remaining, but Tucker hit a driving righthanded layup with 59 seconds to go to cut Oregon's lead to three.

On their next offensive possession, the Ducks could not find an open shot until Bowyer, at the top of the key, swung it out to guard Nicole Strange, who spotted up at the southeast corner of the court near the baseline. Strange's 15-footer fell, giving Oregon breathing room and it's final margin of victory.

"It was all Lisa," Strange said. "She did a little pass fake, gave it to me, and I shot it. I didn't even think about it. It seems like any person on our team can take the last shot. It happened to be my turn, so I took it, and it happened to go in."

Turner Thorne has said in the past that her program is "way past moral victories," but after the game she conceded several positives could be extracted from the loss.

"We just came in here with the mindset that this is a great opportunity," she said. "We have a ranked team, first in the conference, on their home floor. What better way to make a statement about how far ASU has come than to beat them? Obviously, we're very disappointed. But at the same time, I think the game shows how far we've come."

Strange agreed.

"I'm glad that game's over," she said. "That was a tough one."

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UofA. The Sun Devils played what Evans considered the best all-around game this season.

"It was one of the most complete games they've played on the defense end of the floor and executing on the offensive end and rebounding the basketball," Evans said.

Evans said he could tell before the game that the team was focused and ready to make up for Thursday's loss.

"I could tell early on that they were really committed to winning this basketball game. I could see the seriousness in them when we were in the locker room," Evans said.

ASU trailed only once, by one point just over a minute into the game.

Evans downplayed the possible revenge motivation, but it probably played a bigger role than he led on.

"It didn't have anything to do with revenge," Evans said. "Plus, if we were trying to get revenge, we've lost 12 ballgames. We got a lot of revenge to get on people."

"We took it personal because they made some comments after the game (last month)," ASU forward Mike Batiste said. "I think if we would have won by eight or 10, we would have been unsatisfied. I'm glad we won by 20 points."

Forward Bobby Lazor led the Sun Devils with 23

points and had nine boards. House had 16 points and added seven assists. Jason Heide led the Beavers in scoring with 18 points.

A slim chance at the NCAA tournament still exists but the NIT looks likely for ASU. However, don't mention that to House.

"Right now we're standing in fifth place alone and it's looking like they might take five teams from the Pac-10...I really don't even want to talk about the NIT," House said.

"We still have a small, small chance to get into the NCAA and this was one we've got to have," ASU guard Kenny Crandall said.

Actually, every game is one they've got to have. If the Sun Devils can win all four remaining games, which is a lot easier said than done, there will still be a chance at getting a tournament bid. ASU has games remaining against Stanford and Cal on the road and USC and UCLA at home. All but Cal have beaten the Sun Devils this season.

The Beavers dropped to 12-12 and 6-9 and can only look forward to the NIT as their postseason goal.

“I think if we would have won by eight or 10, we would have been unsatisfied. I'm glad we won by 20 points.”

**Mike Batiste
ASU forward**

12th-ranked ASU taken down by No. 5 Sooners

FROM STAFF REPORTS

The 12th-ranked ASU (11-8-1 duels, 2-1-1 in the Pac-10) wrestling team concluded its regular season on Saturday, falling to the fifth-ranked Oklahoma Sooners 23-6 Sunday at Wells Fargo Arena.

Sun Devil senior Casey Strand (184 pounds) won the final home match of his career. The fifth-ranked Strand beat the 19th-ranked Tom Grossman, 7-5. This was Strand's 118th win as a Sun Devil, which ties him for fifth with Thom Ortiz in ASU history. Strand needs nine wins to take over the fourth spot.

At 133, freshman Eric Larkin was the only other winner for the Sun Devils. The fourth-ranked Larkin defeated 19th-rated Dane Valdez, 9-3.

ASU's Steve Blackford was one of four Sun Devils to lose by one point.

Blackford, 10th in the nation, lost 4-3 to fifth-ranked Rodney Jones. The decisive point was awarded to Jones because of riding time.

At 141, the Sooners' Michael Lightner, who is ranked fourth in the nation, ended ASU's Mark Perryman's nine-match winning streak with a 3-2 decision.

Patrick Catarello lost 4-3 to OU's Michael Barger at 174. And the Sun Devils' Quinn Foster dropped his match to Jared Frayer, 5-4, at 149.

The Sun Devils will travel to Stanford for Friday and Saturday's Pac-10 Championships. ASU has won the last two championships. Strand can also become a three-time conference champion.

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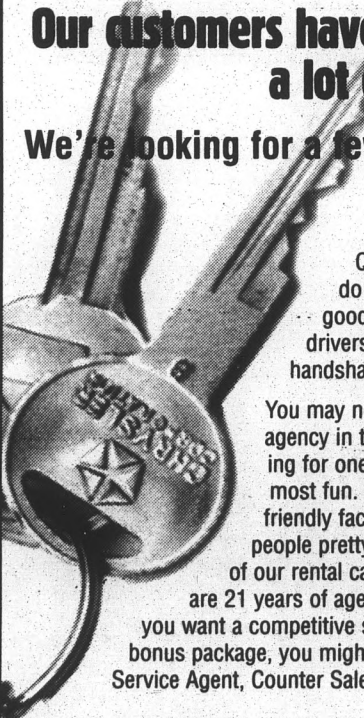


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Sun Devils win their sixth straight match

BY ROBERT DEAL
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In a nerve-racking and highly emotional match, the ASU men's tennis team managed to extend its winning streak to six and its overall record to 7-1, beating UC Santa Barbara 6-1 on Friday.

After last year's disappointing 4-3 loss to the Gauchos, the Sun Devils came out prepared and ready to redeem themselves.

"It's good revenge to get the win back," said freshman Matt Klinger. "We came out better and more focused. That's why we sent them home with a loss."

UC Santa Barbara added the loss to their surprisingly low record, now 1-6, before heading into their conference season.

Although the match was decided in two sets, there were no true blowouts. The biggest ASU wins came on the low-seeded courts.

At the No. 5 position, ASU's Klinger improved his current record to 12-1, beating UC Santa Barbara's freshman Marcin Kosakowski 6-4, 6-1. Stamina and composure played a major part in the heated match as frustration caused many unforced errors and mishit shots for Kosakowski.

"I think we were a more mature team," Klinger said. "I just kept my composure

and finished off the match."

On the sixth-seed court, another battle ensued as the Sun Devils' senior Tim Hammond found his way around the emotional frustration the court provided, beating the Gauchos' freshman Marcio Pepe 6-1, 6-4.

On the second court, senior Jeff Williams used speed and endurance to finally overtake UC Santa Barbara's junior Simon Shen 6-4, 6-4. The 60th-ranked player in the country, Shen plays the same speed-oriented style game that Williams does, but was unable to produce enough as the final breaks fell to ASU's favor.

"(UC Santa Barbara) had a really strong



Senior Jeff Williams helped lead the Sun Devils to a 6-1 victory over the Gauchos.

top of the lineup," Williams said. "I'm just glad we were able to finish them off good."

On the third-seeded court, the Sun Devils' junior Alex Osterrieth extended his overall record to an impressive 12-2, beating the Gauchos' junior Sandy Gentile quickly 6-2, 6-3.

On the No. 4 court, ASU senior Ed Carter was able to finish off UC Santa Barbara's junior Michael Ortiz in straight sets. After a long and grueling first set tiebreaker, Carter quickly ended the second, taking the match, 7-6, 6-1.

"After 20 straight days of tennis, it's tough to try and come out here and stay emotionally stable," Carter said. "I

think we were able to do that.

"Last year was intense. We managed to settle down and have a more mature day than they did."

ASU's only singles loss came on the top-seeded court where the Gauchos' Cory Guy managed to pull off a close win over Sun Devils' senior Gustavo Marcaccio, 7-5, 6-4.

ASU's doubles teams once again stepped up to claim their point winning easily on the second and third courts.

ASU's third-seeded doubles team of Carter and Casey Was improved its record to 5-1, destroying the Gaucho team of Gentile and Kosakowski, 8-1.

The team of Marcaccio and Osterrieth also improved its record by beating the UC Santa Barbara team of Ortiz and Fritz Allhoff, 8-4.

However, the Gaucho's top doubles team of Guy and Shen proved to be too much for the Sun Devil team of Williams and Hammond as it won 8-6 and improved its record to 8-2 on the year.

"We showed we can take care of ourselves out here," ASU assistant coach Laurie Warder said. "We tried not to get over-fired up and came out with a good win."

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