

# Sagebrush

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# Editorial

## 'Brush editor ticketed

# Parking problem at crisis stage

The parking situation at UNR is quickly reaching the crisis stage. When the editor of SAGEBRUSH is receiving tickets for parking outside his own office you can be sure you're going to hear about it on this page.

It the problem simply involved the parochial interests of SAGEBRUSH staffers, however, you would be justified in skipping the rest of this essay. The truth is that the campus is being ripped off for thousands of dollars in fees and fines while receiving no benefits whatsoever



The 'BRUSH situation we believe to be a problem of erroneous enforcement of non-specific regulations. We are being ticketed for parking in no-parking zones although there are no indications that the zones are such, and in faculty areas not marked as such, either in the vicinity of the parking spaces or in the UNPD's own parking manual. Being the cynical types we are we suspect selective enforcement, and even the intentional harassment of employees of student publications.

So, you can always appeal the ticket, you say. It's true, of course, but in practice you must pay the fine first, and then wait around hoping you get an answer from the parking board. One 'BRUSH staffer has been waiting for three months for an answer to an appeal. Meanwhile, he's out \$5.

The problem is much broader this this, however. We are all being

charged a buck apiece simply for the right to put a parking sticker on our bumpers. That buck doesn't even promise us a spot to park. There aren't enough spots on campus to go around anyway.

If we were receiving something in return for our money it could be considered a reasonable expense. Unfortunately, while the parking problem has continually worsened, the only thing the university has done has been to remove a row of space in the lot near the Mack Social Sciences Building. When the parking board did offer "solutions" to the problem a couple of years ago, they were only extensions of the privileged parking concept in the interior campus.

So where does the money go, you ask. Well, we were recently surprised to find that our money is being used as a loan fund for university departments short of cash. The central services division has borrowed tens of thousands of dollars from the parking fund in recent years. The money has been loaned interest-free, and the payback date moved back three years as recently as last month.

Also borrowing money from the fund is ASUN, but at six percent interest. The money is being borrowed to buy a composing machine for student publications, including SAGEBRUSH.

It's nice that campus departments have somewhere to go to borrow money cheaply, but we must question the use of parking funds for this purpose when they could be used better to solve parking problems. With parking at a premium on campus we certainly think that the money could help alleviate the situation.

The first thing to be done would be to buy some land around the edge of the campus. Then all on-campus parking should be eliminated, as recommended by the master-plan consultants hired by the Board of Regents—and that means ALL interior parking, including ours—such as it is.

Then, maybe a little of the money could also be used to train people so they know what they're doing when they begin their wholesale distribution of parking tickets.

## To the Editor

### Scam shot down

In response to Ms. Errecart's letter appearing in the December second issue of the *Sagebrush* regarding ASUN's "profit scam," I would like to clarify a few things.

To begin with, the *Sagebrush* did not state that the monies to be invested were from Bookstore revenues. This money represents ASUN's savings for decades. All the money has been self-generated through various efforts of student government, none of it being fees paid by ASUN students.

When the Bookstore "sadly informs a student" that an edition is dated, they do not buy the book at all unless there is a specific and isolated demand for that edition. In this case, the student still receives 50 percent of the new price of the book. It is true that one may occasionally find books with stickers from other institutions on them. This stems from the fact that the Bookstore management strives to purchase as many used texts from book distributors as possible, so that the students can buy them for 75 percent of the cost of a new text. The price paid to these distributors is the same as that paid to students having books that have been ordered by the faculty for the next semester—50 percent of the new price. In reference to Ms. Errecart's use of the official-sounding term "tax-sheltered prices," it is not existent. A tax shelter is merely a postponement of paying income taxes through several plans, but it has nothing to do with the retail business.

If Ms. Errecart could purchase the same texts offered by the ASUN Bookstore at a downtown bookstore, she would find that she would still pay the standard 20 percent markup on the book plus freight and 3½ percent sales tax.

The last part of her letter is the suggestion that the bookstore offer all students a 15 percent discount. That would be rather hard to do, as the average net profit for the bookstore over the past six years has been approximately 3 percent. Perhaps after Ms. Errecart has

finished the second semester of Economics, she may be better qualified to expound upon price structuring and other managerial practices concerning the Bookstore. It would seem more appropriate to me if Ms. Errecart's entire letter had appeared under the ERRATA section, rather than under Letters to the Editor.

Gary D. Brown  
ASUN Manager

### Cycle prejudice

UNR Police Department:

I'd like to register a formal complaint regarding the parking situation at the Lombardi Recreation Building. Considering the capacity of the Recreation Building and the number of students that attend classes, the parking situation is more than inadequate.

New parking spaces have been recently established on the east side of the field house and as of this day (Dec. 6) there has been no parking signs posted designating who has priority to park there. In your parking by-laws it clearly states in Article 2.14 that "All areas not specifically marked for parking are no-parking zones." But the parking attendents insist on issuing tickets to motorcycles citing that it is a "no motorcycle parking zone"; nor is it a "B" zone, "A" zone, or "S" zone.

It is the exact same situation with the parking by the sidewalk on the north side of the Lombardi Rec. Building.

I am a faculty member and a motorcycle enthusiast. I have verbally requested to be issued a "B" sticker so I would not have to park one third mile away. I have pleaded my case to the parking division to no avail.

Must I be prejudiced against by owning a motorcycle? Do I not have the right to park near my office? ...especially when I must work nights?

Yvonne Wootten

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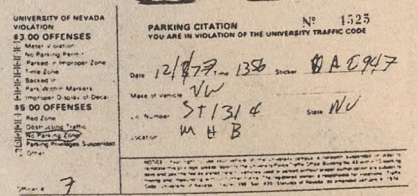
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# Senate asks for beer sale privilege

DON LaPLANTE

The ASUN Senate passed a resolution Wednesday night asking that the student government be allowed to serve alcoholic beverages at special functions.

The resolution, introduced by Senator Keith Kullby, arts and sciences, was passed unanimously.

Social and professional organizations are allowed to have alcoholic beverages at their functions, with the permission of the university president. However, permits have been denied to ASUN as it is a general organization with a large membership where it would be harder to restrict the liquor to those over 21.

The resolution asked that the student government be allowed to serve alcohol, probably beer, at tail-gate parties before football games, Homecoming, Winter Carnival and Mackay Week. The resolution will now be presented to UNR President Max Milan and Dean of Students Roberta Barnes for consideration. However, a change in policy is not likely to be forthcoming soon.

Another request in the resolution was for the possible establishment of a student pub on campus to provide service and as a possible revenue raising source for the ASUN.

Any action to establish a campus pub is many years in the future and would require approval from the Board of Regents.

The senate also voted to approve the concept of a legal information and referral service on campus. The service would provide brochures and information on common problems such as small claims courts and landlord disputes. It would also refer students with more complex problems to lawyers who would provide a free consultation with students.

The anticipated starting date of the service is March 1. While the concept was approved, the budget will still need approval next week by the Interim Finance Committee and the full Senate. The cost would run between \$500 and

\$900 depending on whether a student on the work-study program, where the federal government pays most of the wages, can be found to run the office.

In other business, a chairman for the Winter Carnival, Phil Ulibarri, was appointed by ASUN President John McCaskill. Ulibarri, the only applicant for the job, was confirmed unanimously by the senate.

Among the actions of the Activities Board meeting of Nov. 30 that were approved was an appropriation of

\$329.75 to the Associated Women Students and recognition of the American Medical Students Association, Associated Medical Students and Sigma Rho Delta, a service organization for residents of Lincoln Hall, as approved organizations.

On Wednesday, the Activities Board met for only six and a half minutes. The only actions were recommending Phil Ulibarri as Winter Carnival Chairman and recognizing the Hong Kong and Chinese International Students Association as an approved group.

The only action of the Finance Control Board that needed approval was an appropriation of \$1,735.35 to the Parachute Club. Although approved unanimously by the senate, it passed the Finance Control Board only after a vote change.

The board has been taking a harder line on funding athletic groups, it took Senator Frank Stokes, nursing, to change his vote from abstain to yes for it to pass. He said that he thought that the meet in Florida was too far away, but that he was more in favor than opposed and so changed his vote.

The final vote in the board was four in favor, one opposed, one abstaining and one absent. The reason the vote change was needed is that it takes four votes, a majority of the total board, to pass a motion and not just a majority of those present and voting.

The senate will meet for the last time this semester on Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the Library restaurant at 9th and Virginia.

## Seniors offer calendar

Promoting the creative resources of senior Nevadans, an art exhibition in Reno and Sparks banks began this month in conjunction with the sale of a 1978 color calendar featuring the 13 best entries.

The project is sponsored by the Washoe Retired Senior Volunteer Program and Nevada National Bank. Profits will go to RSVP, and expenses not met through calendar sales have been guaranteed by the bank.

Because the event is believed to be

the first of its kind it has drawn the attention of ACTION and the National Council on Aging, according to Patricia Blanchard, director of the volunteer program.

Of the 335 entries submitted from artists and craftsmen over age 60, most were from Washoe County, said Blanchard. Any work produced in the last five years was eligible.

Interest has been enough to raise hope of making it an annual event, said the director. She feels next year there'll be greater participation.

The calendars are available by mail or the RSVP office, 4600 Kietzke Lane, Room A106, Reno 89502. Calendars are \$2 plus 50 cents for postage. Questions may be directed to Patricia Blanchard at 784-4071, ext. 52.

Entrants whose work was selected for the calendar are D.J. McDonald, Lyle Ball, Mildred Lane, Harry Metzger, Mildred Swift, Millicent Thompson, George Eggleston, Margaret Haas, Lane Sherman, Clare Irwin, Cal Bromund, Aimee Hellman and Novella Gliszinski.

The calendar artwork was chosen by five local artists: Mimi Lohse, manager of the Nevada Art Gallery; Lou DeSerio, a well-known photographer who also took the pictures for the calendar; Mary Chadwell, a painter; and James McCormick, chairman of the Art Department at UNR.



## Elvis gets night at Blue Mailbox

The staff of the Blue Mailbox has decided to devote the coffee house's last night to Elvis Presley. The Blue Mailbox staff, according to manager Grant Luetkehas, is in the process of developing the program for the last Saturday night of the semester and is looking for help.

Luetkehas said he would welcome suggestions and ideas from the university community. He said the purpose of the event is to commemorate Elvis Presley's life, his music and his era.

This program, according to Luetkehas, will be held on Saturday, Dec. 17. It will run the entire evening from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

The Blue Mailbox, which is partially funded by the ASUN, is open each Friday and Saturday of the semester from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Students pay a door charge of 25 cents and all others \$1. Coffee, tea and popcorn are free on admission.

Luetkehas said anyone with ideas or suggestions for the Presley commemorative can contact him at the coffee house this weekend, or call 329-7550.

## Budget concept short-changes UNR

KITTY ZONNEVELD

UNR doesn't have enough faculty to handle the number of students on campus because of an outdated budgeting concept, according to a report by a UNR associate professor of sociology.

Dr. James Richardson, former chairman of the faculty senate and now a member of its executive council, prepared the report dealing with Full-Time Equivalent students at the request of current chairman Joan Chambers.

The FTE student number is based on the assumption that the average undergraduate student takes 16 credits and the average graduate student takes nine credits.

This number is then used to determine how many FTE faculty should be included in the large budget called Instruction and Department Research.

Richardson pointed out two major shifts in enrollment patterns in recent years: an increased enrollment in upper-division courses coupled with a decreased number in lower-division courses, and a rapidly changing relationship of actual

"headcount" students to FTE students.

Lower-division courses can realistically accommodate larger numbers of students, but upper-division courses require smaller enrollments and more individual instruction.

Tables used in Richardson's report show a 7.6 percent drop in lower-division enrollment and a four percent rise in upper-division courses.

These figures, Richardson said, prove that UNR is becoming more an upper-division and graduate university, while funding has not followed this change.

The second shift shows in the fact that more students attend UNR part-time and the average full-timer is taking fewer credits than in 1971. Richardson cited for example the Arts and Science College, in which more students are majoring while the FTE enrollment number is dropping.

"Statistics like those we found show that the FTE-student concept has worked against UNR's many efforts to meet the educational needs of the state's citizens,

because we end up with fewer faculty than we need," Richardson said.

Some statistics show that in 1973, the actual student "headcount" was 17 per cent more than the FTE figure on which budgeting was based. But in fall 1977, that "headcount" had risen to almost 39 per cent over the FTE figure.

Richardson said the opposite trend had been in effect at UNLV for a long time, but now the southern campus is feeling a similar pinch.

The FTE problem has long been recognized as such, but Richardson's report may bring it to the attention of the proper decision-making authorities of the state.

"The students at the University of Nevada are demanding courses and programs in which to major and we have to try to meet those needs," he said. "The relatively larger number of students need advising and counseling, even if they are part-time, but more important, they require more and smaller courses in their areas of specialization."



## Your Economy

Rittschof

# Minimizing auto insurance expense

*Car insurance is wrecking my budget. Got any tips on how I can minimize this expense?*

Don't skimp on bodily injury or property damage liability coverage, but carefully evaluate your need for collision coverage and the amount of the deductible. Take the largest deductible you can comfortably manage or that the finance company will let you get away with. If your car is owned free and clear and it's several years old, consider eliminating collision coverage altogether. Investigate special discounts offered by some companies in some states such as the "safe driving discount" (if you've had no accidents in several years) and the "good student discount" (if your grades are good). There are also special discounts for college students attending a school more than one hundred miles from home and driving a family car, as well as discounts for women over 30 and persons who have two or more cars insured with the same company. There is considerable competition

among companies, so decide what coverage you want and then comparison-shop to make sure you're getting the best possible rates.

Vicki Boston

*What do you think about work-at-home schemes? I need to make some extra bucks without being tied down to regular hours.*

Well, I was attracted by advertisements which promised "\$500 per week from your armchair—no experience needed" and "Big money stuffing envelopes—details free." When I answered some of these ads, I found all to be misleading in some respects. The details were never free. Each response I received required that I send money before the secrets would be revealed. I did send money to four advertisers and no one sent

the promised material. My complaint letters have not been answered and the Post Office has been unable to do anything.

My experience suggests that the schemes generally fall into three categories. First, there is envelope-stuffing. You pay for a kit of stamped, addressed envelopes and stuff them with unspecified material designed to induce people to send you money. According to the Better Business Bureau, the material to be stuffed usually consists of ads for more get-rich-quick kits. So you're really involved in perpetrating fraud on other people.

Second, are the pyramid schemes, versions of the now-illegal chain letters. You send money for "valuable business information" to four names at the top of a list, add your name to the bottom and re-mail the letter to friends. Apparently the top four names are all aliases of the same person and you never receive anything more.

Lastly are the mail order sales schemes. The company sends you a training course, a catalog of shoddy gift items, "free" samples and ads for the catalog to be placed by you in various publications. The kit may cost as much as \$80 and you still have to pay for placing the ads. Most people who fall for this sell little, if anything.

Don't answer ads like these. It's a waste of time and money. You might also discourage such advertising by writing letters of complaint to the publishers.

Kitty Mentaberry

*I work part-time during the regular school year and full-time every summer. How much can I earn before my parents lose me as a dependent for tax purposes?*

As long as you are a full-time student for at least five months each year and your parents pay for more than half your basic expenses they can continue to claim you as a dependent on their tax return regardless of how much you earn. Since the federal government considers that these expenses include food, clothing, medical care, and the cost of maintaining a room at home for you to use during vacations, as well as the cost of your college education, the odds are that they won't lose you as a dependent under normal circumstances even if you earn a fairly large amount of money.

Vicki Boston

*I'm really serious about quitting smoking but don't seem to have the willpower. Can you tell me about getting help?*

There are various programs for "kicking the habit" which have worked for people in your situation, but we haven't been able to identify such groups in the Reno area. Maybe some of our readers could help us out on this one.

Group programs offer moral support from others with a common goal. In the regular sessions of this group therapy approach, you would probably be asked questions about your habit and any previous efforts to quit. You might also be asked to keep a record of when you light up, and then share it with the group, along with reasons why you did it. One such group is SmokEnders. Follow-up records show that 60 percent of their clients still were not smoking one year following the therapy. SmokEnders meet once a week for nine weeks and pay about \$200 for the therapy.

Another method is aversion therapy, where negative thoughts about smoking are induced. Each time the smoker lights up some form of mild punishment is given. In the Schick Centers for Control of Smoking and Weight a mild electric shock is used. In another program the smoker is required to inhale on his smoke every six seconds until the smoking can no longer be tolerated. Of course this is not advisable therapy for someone with heart or lung problems.

Hypnosis seems to be gaining in popularity and is no longer shrouded in mystery. In this case a doctor or psychologist gives positive suggestions for quitting. A one-hour session might cost around \$100.

As you can see, the time cost and financial cost can be substantial. The best approach might depend upon your personality and willingness to make the sacrifice. Good luck.

Jane Zamora

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# Periphery

## ASUN needs logo

A logo contest with a \$200 prize is being conducted by ASUN.

The student association's goal is to become more easily recognizable by those outside the university community.

Competition is open to the public and several entries in any medium may be submitted before Jan. 20. Further information may be obtained from the ASUN office in Jot Travis Student Union, telephone 784-6589.

A guideline is that the design reflect elements of student involvement in areas such as academics, self-government, campus life and community interaction.

The logo design would be used on all objects and communications representing the student government.

ASUN has had no logo for 61 years, President John McCaskill said. He said that a graphic representation would help to focus the community's attention on ASUN projects.

The organization has grown since its 1916 origin to comprise over 5,000 members and an operating budget of nearly \$250,000. It has sponsored lecture series, art festivals and exhibitions, concerts, Homecomings and other activities on and off campus.

## Ski race a no-snow

Not enough snow forced the Women's Ski Racing Club at UNR to cancel its first scheduled meet at Shasta, Calif., Dec. 3 and 4.

The women, who have been training since August, will compete again after returning in January from the semester break. Club president Lacey Anthony said, "We plan to just keep working out, and the rest depends on if it snows."

The club has scheduled weekly meets starting Jan. 13. Members also hope to attend the national end-of-season competition in New Mexico during March, but may not be able to attend because the club lacks money.

The nine-member organization is fun-

ded almost entirely by ASUN, having received \$1,715 this year. The Finance Control Board has reduced allocations to athletic clubs, feeling that the university athletic program should finance them.

The women's club and men's team sponsored an unsuccessful ski swap to raise money.

Club members put in extensive training at Mt. Rose, hiking the hills. They have set up a course there with gates to practice ski runs.

Other training has involved long-distance sprint running, lifting weights, playing soccer, doing calisthenics and running up and down the bleachers in Mackay Stadium.

## Wassail tonight

The traditional Orvis School of Nursing wassail at UNR will be held in the OSN lounge today from 2 to 5 p.m.

The Christmas party is open to all students and faculty members. Entertainment will be provided.

## Sit on it

Need a house sitter for the semester break? Want someone to help share your place for rent or just for company? Are you a dorm resident looking for a place to stay over the hiatus?

If you answer "yes" to any one of the above questions, then maybe Student Services-Housing can help. Through Dec. 20, this office will be taking listings from people who have places and want to sublet them for the break or who want to find someone to share their place until school begins again in January.

If you are a dorm resident looking for a place to stay, or if you live off-campus and would be willing to help a dorm resident out, call 786-6116 or come in to Thompson Student Services, Room 103.

## Home Ec robbed

Intruders yesterday morning broke into the School of Home Economics and stole two IBM Selectric typewriters valued at nearly \$1,000 from the desks of two secretaries, according to a spokesman today.

Acting Dean Hazel Hardy discovered the break-in when she arrived for work at 7 a.m. Tuesday.

The burglars entered the south side of the building after breaking a window of an instructor's office. The thieves broke

another window in the door of a glass-enclosed office to reach the typewriters.

The campus police said they have no suspects.

## Late nites at library

Library services will be expanded during finals week in anticipation of greater student need, according to Joyce Ball, public services librarian.

The Dec. 11-20 schedule will be as follows:

<b>Sunday-Thursday</b>	<b>8 a.m. to midnight</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8 a.m. to 5 p.m.</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10 a.m. to 4 p.m.</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>1 p.m. to midnight</b>
<b>Monday-Tuesday</b>	<b>8 a.m. to midnight</b>

There will be only limited services after 9:30 p.m., including checking out of books and use of photocopying machines. There will be no reference services.

The current schedule of midnight study hours, with no services provided, will remain in effect through Dec. 11.

## Classical Christmas

Rare classical Christmas music from around the world will be played Dec. 18-25 on the UNR radio station, KUNR-FM, 88.7 mhz. The holiday music will be aired from 1 to 11 p.m.

The recordings, said program director Wendell Dodds, "are old and may not be known by many people."

## RLT auditions

The Reno Little Theater will hold tryouts for its circlet production of Dylan Thomas' "Under Milkwood" Monday and Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the theater lounge. Fourteen players are needed for the production.

## Art is obsolete?

A joint exhibit by two Midwestern artists featuring a 19-century reproduction process now considered obsolete is on display in the UNR Church Fine Arts Gallery on the UNR campus.

The colotype and photogravure series by James Butler and Robert Malone, titled "Projections '76," was made possible by a \$10,000 grant from the state university in Illinois where the artists teach. Both artists have exhibited nationally.

The exhibit, which will continue until Dec. 31, includes a collection of the artist's lithographs, etchings, relief prints, drawings and collages. It was financed in part by the Nevada State Council on the Arts.

## Boxers, report

The UNR boxing team will hold workouts/tryouts for this year's team Monday starting at 3:30 p.m. in the old gym. Interested men should report to coach Jimmy Olivias then. This promises to be a big year for the team as it will be hosting the nationals with 22 teams competing from around the country, according to Olivias.

## Informal exchange

On Tuesday, Dec. 13, the National Student Exchange Program will be holding an informal meeting for all students interested in obtaining information about the program. The meeting will be held in the Travis Lounge of Jot Travis Student Union, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

The National Student Exchange provides an opportunity for students to attend schools in other states without paying out-of-state tuition at those schools. UNR is able to exchange students with 29 colleges and universities across the country and in Hawaii. The requirements for entering the program are a 2.5 cumulative grade-point average, Nevada residency, and being a sophomore or a jun-

ior during the period of exchange (12 months maximum).

Students currently on exchange to UNR from other schools and UNR students who have returned from exchange will be present at the meeting to talk about the program and their experiences with it.

## Aggies cancel

The country-western dance scheduled for tonight by the UNR Aggie Club has been cancelled.

Butch Ricci, club vice-president, said members could not afford the roughly \$1,000 the dance would cost. The Aggies will try to sponsor a dance next semester.

## Jazz in Travis

The UNR concert jazz band will offer a free concert in the Jot Travis Lounge next Tuesday at noon. The concert will feature swing, "Who's Sorry Now"; jazz rock, "Yesterday's Lettuce"; jazz waltz, "Dill Pickles"; and much more. Ken Lillo will direct the band.

## Foresters sell trees

Christmas trees are now on sale at the Renewable Resources building on Valley Road from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week. The UNR Forestry Club is selling the trees at prices from \$4 to \$36.

Joe Nishikida, president, said a sample tree was donated to the College of Agriculture. It is on display on the second floor of the Fleischmann Agriculture Building.

Funds generated by the sales will help send members to the Western Association of Forestry Clubs convention in Astoria, Ore. Proceeds also should help pay for a display at the Sierra Cascade Logging Conference in Reno and help with the club's Arbor Day activities.

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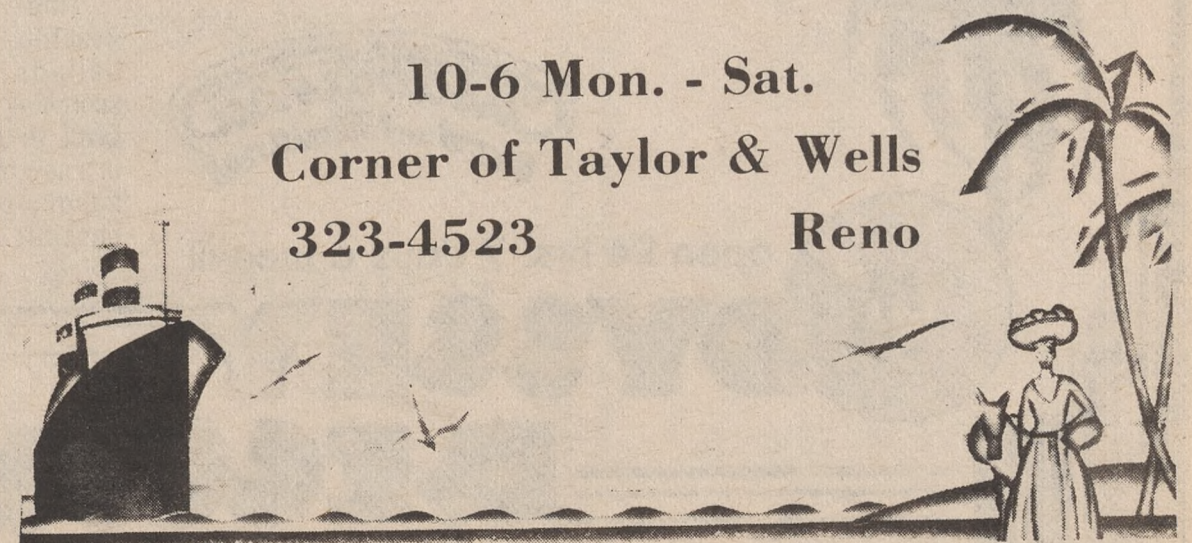
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# Sports

## Wysocki ends amazing career

STEVE MARTARANO

To state it flatly, simply and fittingly; UNR's cross country dynamo Tom Wysocki has had a hell of a year.

As far as national ranking goes, what other athlete here can boast of being the fourth best in the nation? Who else has earned first team All-America honors? Who else has a bona fide shot at the Olympics?

If this is starting to sound like a basic puff-piece, then that's probably because this is one. Wysocki is everything proclaimed above. There are only three other collegiate runners in the nation ranked higher than him and after placing he finished third of 170 runners in the 1977 Track and Field Federation at Madison, Wis., he and Dave Murphy, who placed 10th, earned the right to be called All-America.

Wysocki ran nine races this season, winning four of them. In addition, he never placed any worse than 12th. "The year was kinda a surprise," said Wysocki who has been the No. 1 Pack runner since his sophomore year. "I knew I had it in me to have a year like I did but it was really satisfying when it turns out that well."

The season had many highlights for the 5-7 senior from Las Vegas. The first big clutch win came against powerful Cal-Irvine here Sept. 17. Irvine was the two-time defending Division II champion while the Pack was supposed to be rebuilding.

But Wysocki clipped off a 28:45 over the 5-mile course to win it easily and lead the team to a stunning 22-33 victory. The race ended in front of 8,100 Mackay Stadium fans at halftime of the Idaho-UNR football game.

"I don't think they (UC-Irvine) were in the best of shape," Wysocki says now, "but that was really a win to cherish."

Even though Wysocki finished third in the federation finals at Wisconsin, he feels that the NAAs in Spokane, Wash., was his best overall performance. Wysocki placed 10th there but was the fourth American to finish. It was the first time that UNR qualified for the nationals as seven Pack runners made the trip.

"It was a super cold day there," Wysocki said about Spokane, "but I was psyched for that race, and I just got good position early. Once I got going, the cold didn't affect me."

Wysocki's training techniques are rigorous, to say the least. He runs himself

the 1977 campaign prepared like never before. Instead of working during the summer, Wysocki stayed in Honolulu doing nothing more than running and laying on the beach. It was obviously a formula which worked.

He claims in past years his motivational level was not what it should have been. But a two-week stint of travel and running in Europe last March changed all that. He said, "I ran a total of two races while I was there and it was great. It really got me going because I was running against the best in the world."

In the two races, Wysocki did alright. His best was 99th in a world championship meet. He was fourth on the U.S. team.

UNR's cross country coach Jack Cook is considered among the finest around. But according to Wysocki, his career would have probably taken the same route regardless of who coached him.

"A coach is good for advisement—he can recommend things," Wysocki said. "But for motivation, I feel a runner must motivate himself. Some people I imagine are different. But if they can't jack themselves up for a race, there is a little a coach can do."

Wysocki has his own methods of getting ready. The night before, he will eat a chili-hamburger and then just sit around with Murphy and talk about what they will have to do.

The day of the race, Wysocki feels he must be in a good mood. He said, "If I'm not joking around with everybody, then I know I'm in trouble. When I'm somber before a race, then it's time to worry."

Wysocki, a political science major, is planning on a graduation date of Dec. 1978. He still has some running to do for UNR, however, with track season coming up in the spring.

But cross country is his fortitude and he has his sights set high there. He lists only three collegians ahead of him; Mark Hunter of Cleveland, Thom Hunt of the University of Arizona and Alberto Salazar of the University of Oregon. Wysocki also claims he is in the top 25 or 30 runners in the country.

So his avenues are wide open. What he hopes to do after graduation is go to Oregon and run out of a track club there. The club would get him a job, somewhere so it would be a diet of nothing more than working and running.

"I knew I had it in me to have a year like I did, but it was really satisfying when it turned out that well."

almost as intensely in practice as during a race and one teammate who has run with him termed Wysocki an "animal."

During the season, a regular day would go as follows: He and his roommate Murphy arise at 7:30 and rip off five quick miles, probably before most people brush their teeth.

In the afternoon, it's 10 more miles of different work: either repeats at a park or a hard run. He calls it a "good quality workout." Rarely will Wysocki be found using a track.

But being a senior, he knew his potential to make this "his" year so he entered

UNR's coach Cook has said that Wysocki's next three to six years should be his peak—just in time for the 1980 Olympics. "The Olympics are a nice thing to think about," he said. "I would be ready to put myself through the kind of training needed to get there, but I wouldn't cry too hard if I didn't make it."

After the kind of career he's had running cross country for UNR, he can afford to be reflective of it all. Everything from here on out would be a bonus because UNR never had another like him.



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