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BUDGET CRISIS

8-5-08

GBC offers buyouts

By JOHN SENTS
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — With the potential of an additional 14.5 percent in state cuts looming, Great Basin College is extending longtime employees the opportunity to take advantage of voluntary buyouts as a cost-saving measure that may help avoid layoffs.



Under the terms of the buyouts, employees would receive payment for no more than nine months and health insurance benefits for nine months depending on the effective date of the buyout agreement.

The college is Nevada's final higher education institution to offer the buyouts to meet the state budget cuts. It could potentially see savings if longtime employees are replaced with less experienced — and lower paid — staff.

"We postponed this action hoping revenues would improve and the financial situation of the state would recover sufficiently to avoid this drastic move," said interim GBC President Carl Diekhans in a letter to employees. "Unfortunately, state revenues continue to decline."

Diekhans said this morning it is undetermined how many buyouts will be offered at this point, but they will not be extended to individuals from whom the college will not

"This is not a good thing. We are going to lose a lot of good people."

Carl Diekhans
President, Great Basin College

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Requests must be submitted to the college's human resources department by Sept. 15 and will be considered on the basis of whether an employee may be replaced at a lower cost and it is in the best interest of the college — among other conditions.

In his letter to employees, Diekhans said

the college will "continue to do everything in our power to buffer our students from the impact of these cuts, but clearly, there will be many necessary changes in our services to students."

"We don't like doing this. This is not a good thing," Diekhans said. "We are going to lose a lot of good people."

If the 14.5 percent cuts are put in effect, the col-

lege would need to cut \$2.4 million from its budget each year over the next two fiscal years.

Diekhans said the college has already planned to meet half of that amount by continuing a hiring freeze and making other operating cuts. Administrators hope the buyouts will help meet the other half.

"The only way we can anticipate this kind of

reduction is if we are able to buy some people out of their contracts," Diekhans said. "If we don't realize those savings and it does come to pass that we are going to be reduced, there would have to be involuntary layoffs."

Some staff can use the buyout to purchase service credits toward the state's Public Employees Retirement System program.

Did someone mention cake?!

Get a grip on the upcoming fall semester with one last morsel of fun and fanfare before it "officially" begins.

August 5, 2008

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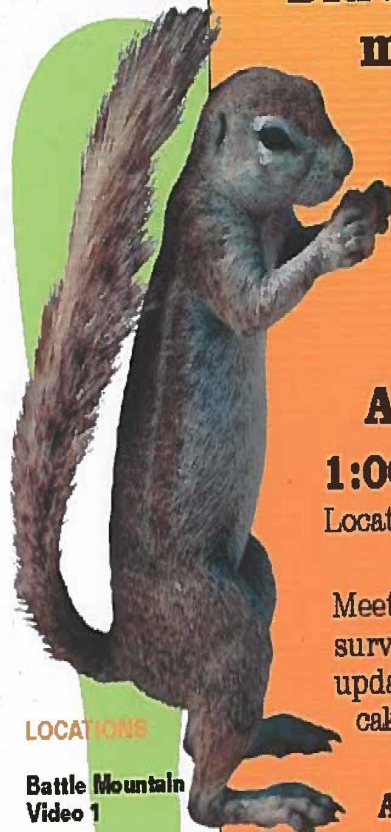
Meet with your fellow summer survivors, VPs, and Prez for updates, information, and yes, cake...ice cream too!

At 2:00 p.m.

the Controller's Office will provide updates on financial transactions and recordkeeping.

Please join us.

For more information call
head nut Janie Moore, 753.2187.



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Faculty & Staff at "Welcome Back"

We're protected so we're celebrating!

Great Basin College and NSHE System Computer Services are pleased to announce the installation of a new back-up power generator designed to protect critical statewide services in the event of a disaster.

No more financial or educational interruptions!

Please join us for a celebration
Friday, August 22
3:00 p.m.
Clock Tower Plaza
Elko Main Campus
1500 College Parkway
Refreshments will be served



GBC accreditation continues

ELKO — Great Basin College recently received final approval on accreditation with the Northwest Commission for Colleges and Universities.

The report was part of an ongoing accreditation process with the commission, which is the regional authority on educational quality and institutional effectiveness of higher education institutions in the seven-state Northwest region of Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, and Washington.

Representatives recently visited the

college as part of a process to ensure it meets professional standards and "the result of that visit was basically a clean bill of health," said Mike McFarlane, vice president for academic affairs at GBC.

McFarlane said the commission's next accreditation visits to the college won't be for another five years, but the college must continue to show improvement.

"We can't rest on our laurels now," he said. "They don't want to see us static. They want to see us continuing to improve."

8-29-08



9-6-08

GBC tech center up and running

By JOHN SENTS
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — After more than three years of planning, fundraising and construction, Great Basin College's new \$6,400-square foot Electrical and Industrial Technology Building is up and running.

"It is a really welcome addition," said interim GBC President Carl Diekhans. "It was a long time coming, too ... It is an excellent, beautiful building. If people have time to come by and take a look, they ought to do that."

College faculty started moving into the building the weekend before classes started

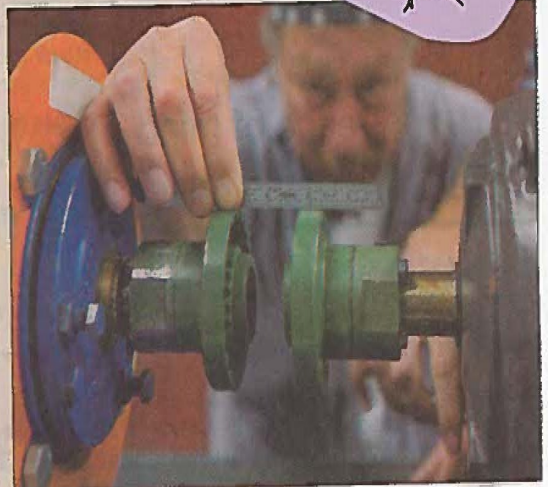
last month. While all the classrooms are operating, some small improvements are ongoing at the school, including finishing touches at the Academic Success Center relocated there.

The space for the academic success center means the old

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A Great Basin College student measures alignment of couplers Thursday in the Industrial Millwright class taught by Norman Whittaker in the new Electrical and Industrial Technology Center.

Ross Anderson/Elko Daily Free Press



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The building was finished slightly behind schedule, but John Patrick Rice, the college's director of institutional advancement, said it was still ready in time for class this fall, "which is what we were really aiming for."

The Legislature approved funding for the \$15 million building. The college was required to raise \$500,000 in-kind donations toward the cost, and has nearly reached that goal thanks in large part to large checks from local mines and mine vendors.

The building includes four career and technical education labs, including instrumentation, electrical technology, low voltage technology and millwright technology.



Ross Anderson/Elko Daily Free Press

Students study technology Thursday at Electrical and Industrial Technology Center on the campus of Great Basin College.

with 150 computers, a dedicated testing center, 26 faculty offices and a

classroom space with Smart Boards for its education program, which helps senior teachers

used in the classroom.

The college is planning an open house but has not yet set a date. Rice

9-18-08
GREAT BASIN COLLEGE

Enrollment increase a mixed blessing

*Funding cuts mean larger
classrooms, slower service*

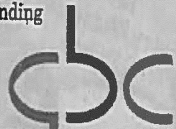
By JOHN SENTIS
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Great Basin College has mixed blessings this fall as preliminary student enrollment estimates indicate nearly 10 percent more students, while this year's funding was cut more than 8 percent due to the state's budget crisis.

"It is a good news, bad news situation," GBC interim president

Carl Diekhans said. "With this growth and the necessary budget reversions to the state, additional cuts would make it difficult for us to maintain the required programs and services necessary for the students."

Preliminary, unofficial counts of students enrolled at the school indicate the number of "full time enrolled" students is approximately 1,770 this fall — 9.6 percent more than the



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1,611 in fall 2007.

The unofficial head count showed approximately 3,100 students at the school compared to 2,909 in fall 2007 — a 7 percent increase.

The college conducts an official enrollment count Oct. 15, which is submitted to the Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents. The college's budget for this year was set two years ago and then reduced to meet required cuts.

An increase in enrollment typically means the level of per-student funding also increases for the coming biennium, but Diekhans said the college is unsure what will happen at this point.

The college was to receive nearly \$17 million in state support this year for an estimated 1,570 full-time students and cut this funding by almost eight percent — about \$1.25 million. With the budget cuts, Diekhans said classrooms at GBC will likely be larger this year. The college is not expanding programs and instituted a hiring freeze on all but essential positions, Diekhans said.

Students will likely see longer lines at school facilities and face extended wait times to see counselors and get information from student and financial services.

"It is just going to be more difficult for us to provide all those services that students would probably expect," Diekhans said.

"We have some programs we would have liked to have started and are not

doing those."

Internet course enrollment is up nearly 30 percent from last fall and the school is seeing more traditional students, Diekhans said. The school also has seen increased enrollment in student activities and student housing.

Diekhans attributed the increase in enrollment to factors including the economy — as more students are staying close to home for school.

"We have more young students here on campus," Diekhans said. "I think it is just more expensive to go out of town. They stay here now."

He also cited demand from local industries for more training, and the college's interactive video technology — which makes more classes available to facilities in the college's 62,000 mile service area. Moreover, the college started many programs several years ago that are now becoming more developed and popular, he said.

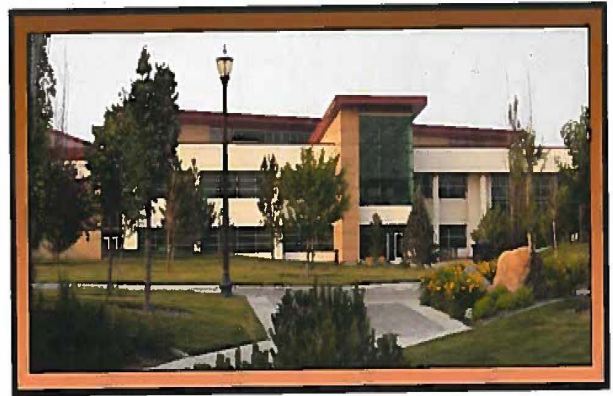
The college opened a new Electrical and Industrial Technology building this fall which, among other things, improved the college's offerings for local mining and technology industries.

Diekhans said growth at Elko's campus has been strong and the college's campuses throughout the state are also doing well.

Enrollment at GBC's Pahrump campus is expected to be at least as good as last year or better, Diekhans said. The college recently rented property to add to facilities at its Pahrump campus, he said.



GRAND OPENING



Great Basin College Foundation is pleased to announce the Grand Opening of the newest facility on the Elko Main Campus, The Electrical and Industrial Technology Building

Please join us for a fun evening of festivities, refreshments, and starlight dancing with the Joe Muscolino Band

August 14, 2008
7:00 p.m.

No Host Bar

Please R.S.V.P. to Carolyn Trainer, 775.755.2246, or carolynt@gwmail.gbcnv.edu.

This evening graciously sponsored by



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Donors and supporters were recognized Thursday night at a ribbon-cutting event for Great Basin College's new Electrical and Industrial Technology building. Doing the cutting were, from left, Dave Muehlstein, Nate Turner, Dorothy Gallagher, John Carpenter, Dave Roden, Mark Chilton, Carl Diekhans, Mark Fraga and John Rice.

The opening was postponed until 9-08

GBC christens new technical center

ELKO — Community supporters and donors to Great Basin College's Electrical and Industrial Technology building turned out en masse Thursday night for a ribbon-cutting event that recognized their contributions toward a project more than 10 years in the making.

About \$500,000 in private

funding was raised toward the \$15.1 million facility — a requirement of the state Legislature. Community donors stepped up to meet that goal. The largest donors were Barrick Gold of North America and Newmont Mining Corp., which contributed \$100,000 apiece. Sierra Pacific contributed \$50,000 toward the

effort and more than two dozen others also donated.

"Tonight you can look over my shoulder and see with your eyes the dividends of your wise investment," said Great Basin College Foundation Executive Director John Patrick Rice. "But your investment with Great Basin College Foundation

runs far deeper than the brick and mortar you can see today.

"It is what you cannot see that is most important. And what you cannot see is the distinction between what is acceptable and what is excellent."

Rice said the college pre-

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...viously had "acceptable" facilities for the programs housed in the EIT building. Thanks to support from the Legislature and private donors, the college now has "excellent" ones, he said.

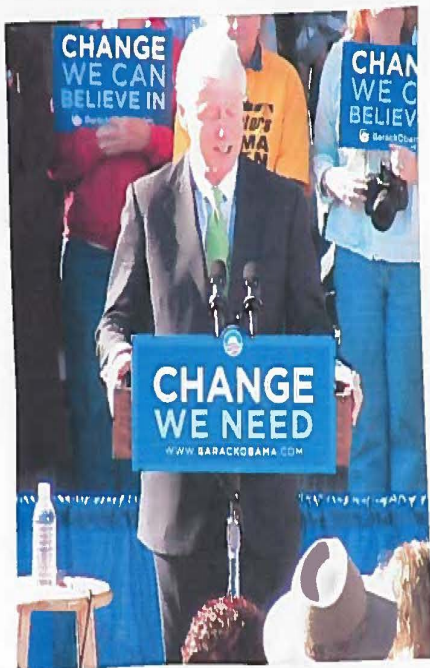
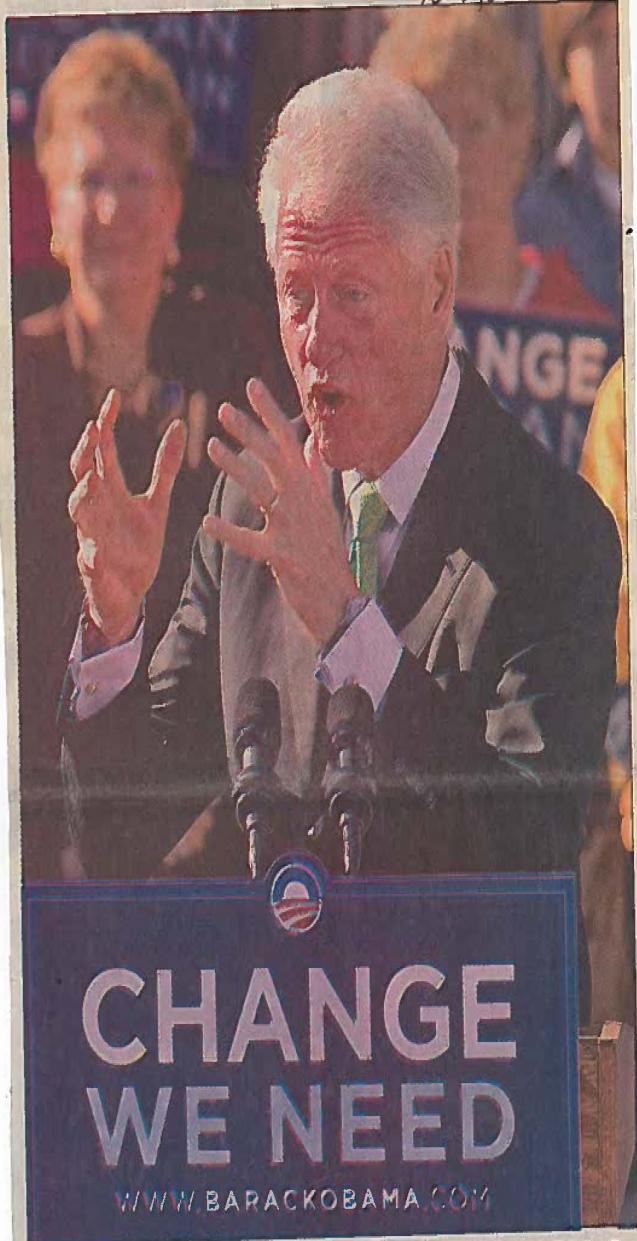
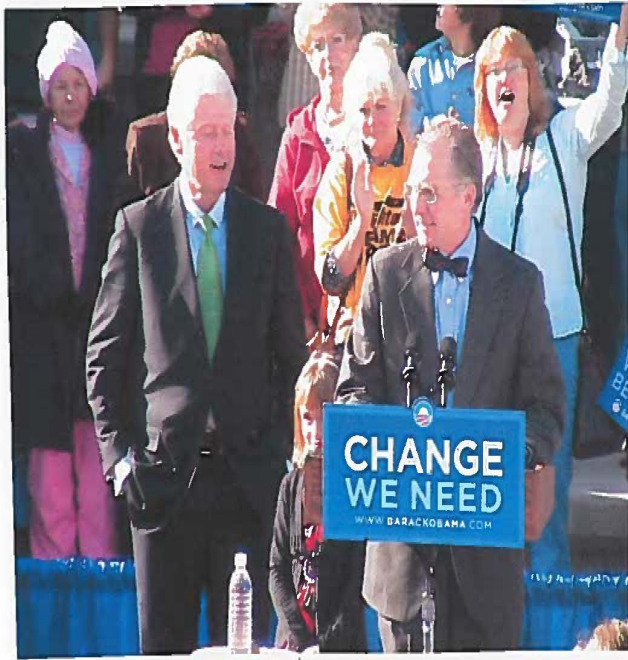
The fundraising effort was part of the GBC Foundation's Campaign for Rural Nevada, which began in 2006 to raise \$3.5 million for three major projects.

In addition to raising \$500,000 toward the EIT building, the fundraising effort has met a \$1.5 million goal for the Paul and Gwendolyn Leonard Center for Student Life.

Presidential push

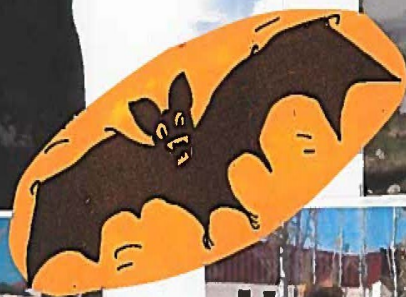
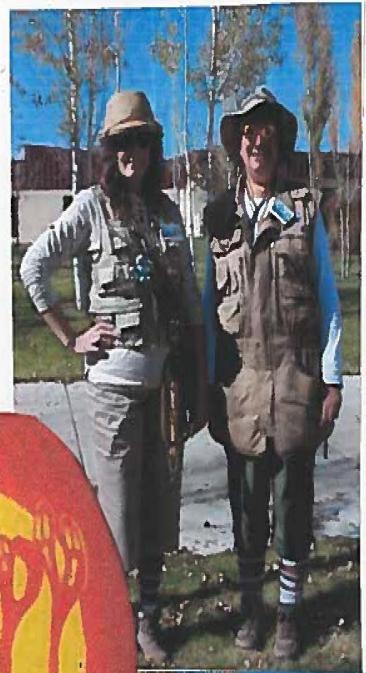
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Bill Clinton touts Obama as best hope for country



Ross Anderson/Eiko Daily Free Press
Former President Bill Clinton talks about the job of the presidency this morning at Great Basin College Amphitheatre.

President Clinton talks on GBC Campus





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Winter and cold weather are sneaking up on us...it is also time for

"Shoes That Fit."

"Shoes That Fit" is a program which was initiated in 1992 by Elodie Silva who partnered with Harvey Mudd College to provide elementary school children with clothing. Her idea has since grown to over 500 sites in 25 states.

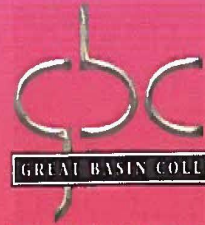
Great Basin College has partnered with Elko's Southside Elementary School for more than ten years to provide new, cold weather clothing and shoes for many children. Sue Kimmet, Southside's counselor, has provided GBC with the names of several children who could use our help again this year and she will continue to give us additional names as she receives

them.

The bulletin board across from the mailboxes in Berg Hall will display the index cards listing the students' needs and their sizes. Once you have selected your student's card, please return the purchased item to Yvonne Sutherland at Student Services in Berg Hall within a few days. Since the temperatures are dropping, we want to get these students their warmer clothes soon.

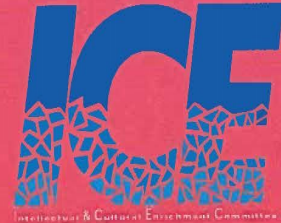
If you have any questions, please contact Yvonne Sutherland at ext. 2184 or Jeanne Long at 738-8493.

Thank You



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Intellectual & Cultural Enrichment Committee

presents

Afghanistan: The Long War

presented by

Nigel J. R. Allan PhD

Emeritus Professor of Geography, UC Davis

Tuesday, November 18, 2008

5:30 p.m.

Health Sciences, Room 108

About the presenter:

Dr. Allan first traveled to Afghanistan at the very end of the 1960s and conducted field research on 410 villages on the topic of ethnic and tribal affiliation and all the crops grown in the villages, revealing the quantitative relationship between all the ethnic/tribal groups and the differing agrosystems found among the villages. The title of his PhD dissertation was *Men and Crops in the Hindukush*.

He has conducted additional field research in and published on Tajikistan, Tibet Autonomous Region of China, Nepal, and Indian Himalaya including Kashmir (Ladakh) and the state of Himachal Pradesh. His research has been financed by the National Geographic Society, Smithsonian Institution, Fulbright, IREX, American Institute of Indian Studies, American Institute of Pakistan Studies, American Institute of Afghanistan Studies, and U.S. Office of Education). Allan is also a consultant to the U.S. Marine Corps, Mountain Warfare Training Center in Bridgeport, CA, briefing on Afghanistan to pre-deployment marines.



Home For The Holidays Celebration

Thursday, December 11, 2008

5:00 p.m.

Entertainment GBC Theatre

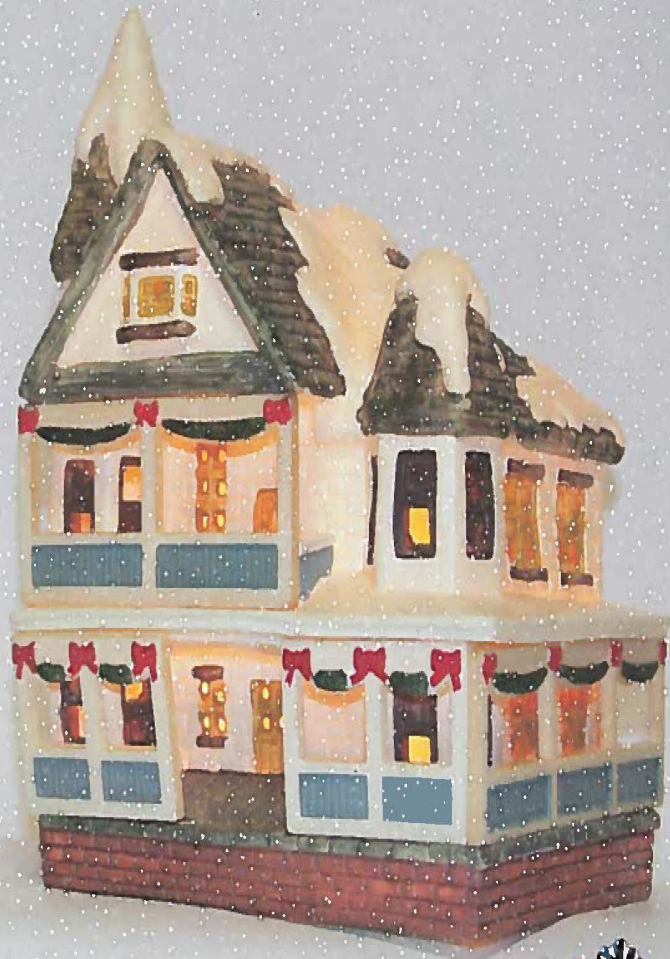
6:00 p.m. Turkey and Ham Dinner
Solarium and Cafe X

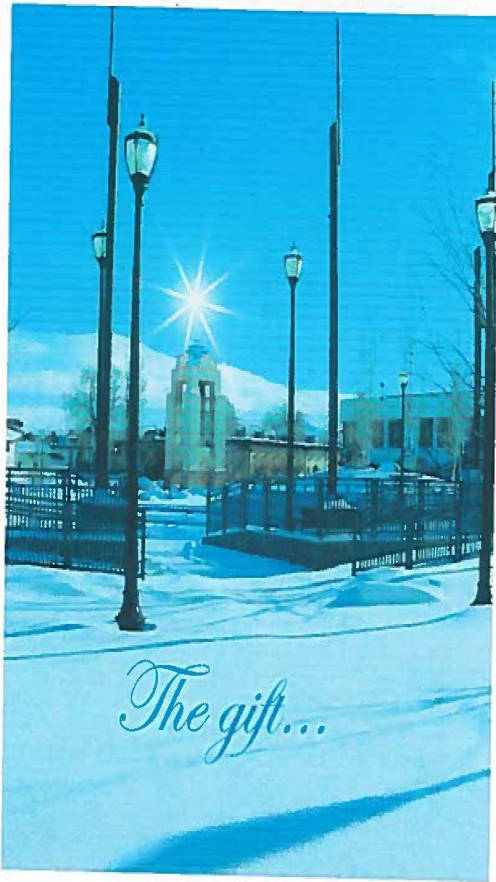
You and an adult guest are invited

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brandiss@gwmail.gbcnv.edu or 753.2108





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with every good wish for the New Year.*

*Thank you for sharing your gifts
and brightening our efforts.*

Hostess: Carl A. Dickhens

20th Annual
Christmas
 In The
Nighttime Skies
 at Great Basin College

December 6, 2008
5:00PM - 8:30PM

- ★ Chili Feed & Entertainment
- ★ Fireworks
- ★ Admission - New unwrapped toy for a boy or girl

Generous Sponsors

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- Barrick North America
- Team Green
- Elko Kiwanis Club
- Newmont Mining
- Farmer Brothers
- General Moly
- GBC Student Gov't Assoc.

Christmas kick-off

Richard and Joyce Jaskulsky were among the crowd of people standing by fire barrels at Great Basin College Saturday night listening to the Elko High School Choraliers sing Christmas carols.

The night air was cold, but that didn't stop the Spring Creek residents from attending what they call the annual start of the Christmas season, Christmas in the Nighttime Skies.

"After this, you're in the (Christmas) mood," Richard Jaskulsky said.

Terry Hritz, who helped organized the event, said about 4,000 people attended, the highest number since the event moved to the college. The higher attendance meant more toys donated for children in the community.

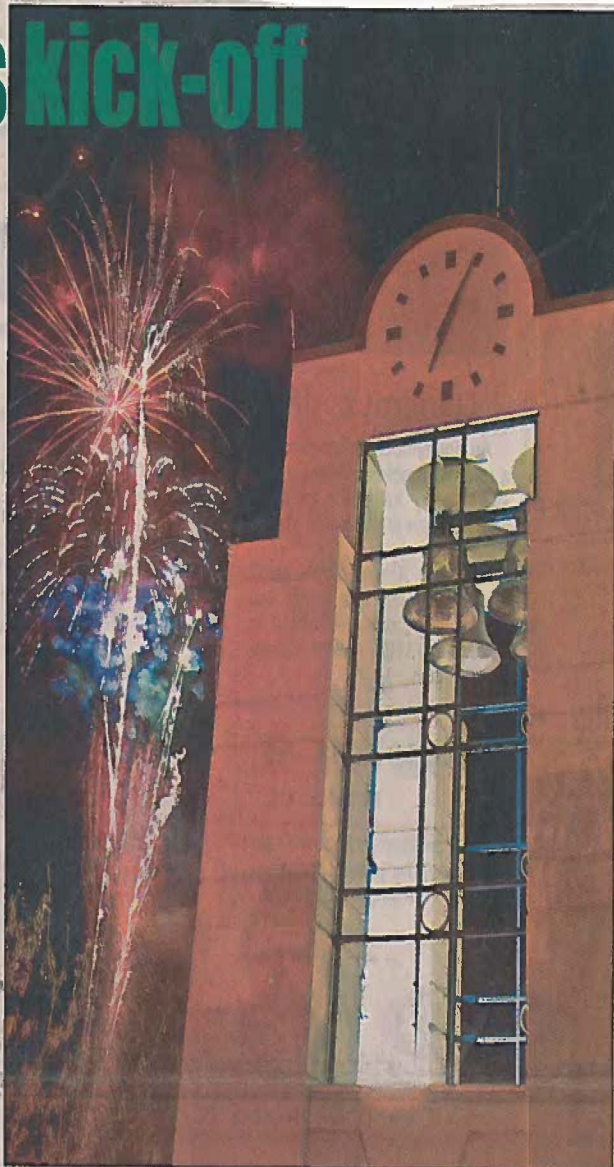
"It was a great community event and we thank everybody in the community for supporting it," Hritz said.

By Ali Helgoth



Ross Anderson/Elko Daily Free Press

Anndria Kay, 3, claps her hands during the 2008 Christmas in the Nighttime Skies Saturday night at Great Basin College.



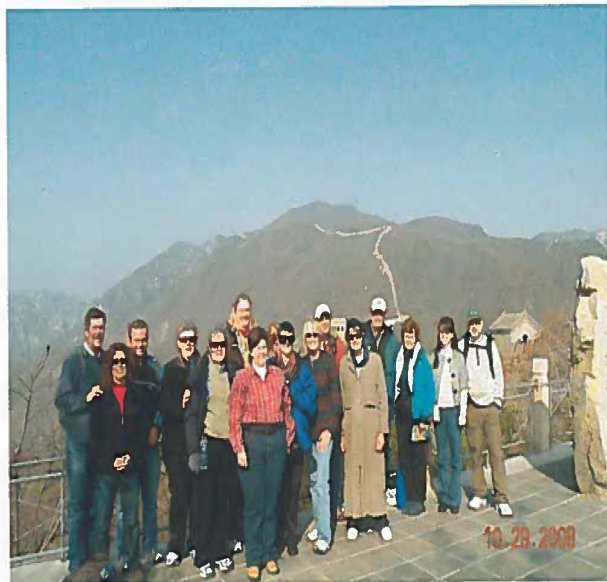
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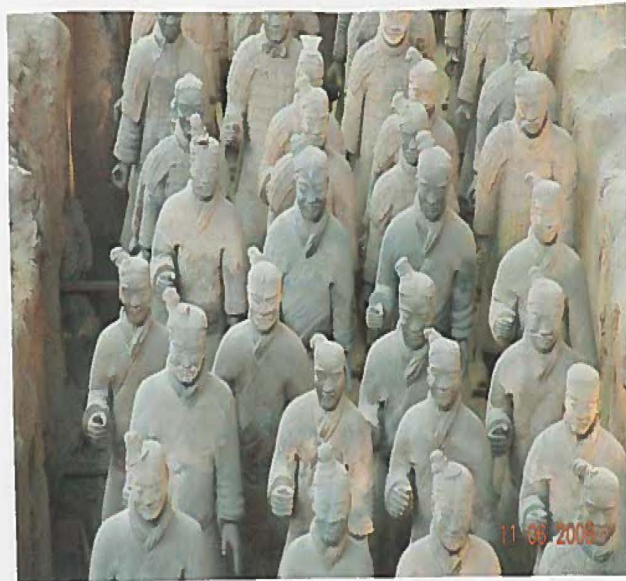
Fireworks erupt over Great Basin College Saturday night during the 2008 Christmas in the Nighttime Skies.

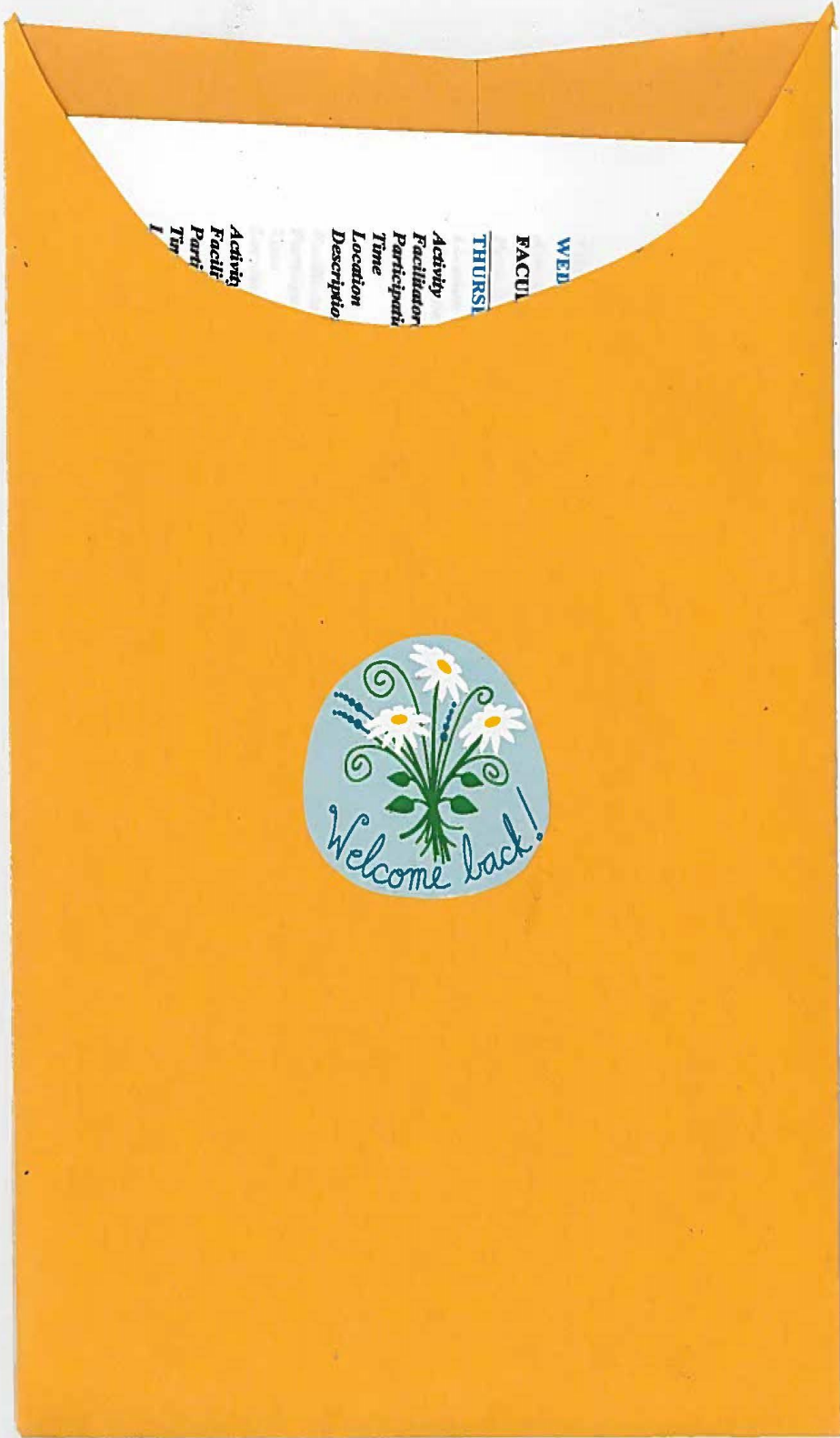
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Imperial China: Hidden Dragon-Emerging Power

GBC FALL 2008 TRIP TO CHINA







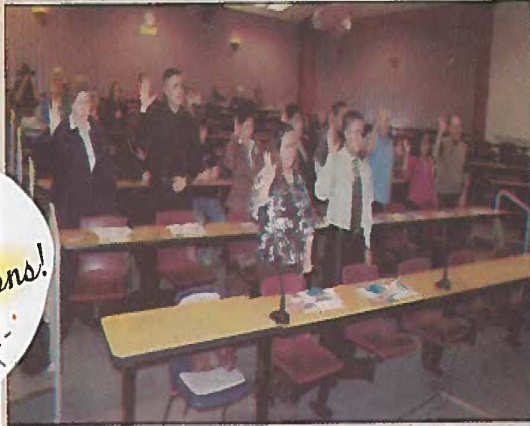
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2-4-09

Elko hosts naturalization ceremony

By JOHN SENTS
Free Press Staff Writer



John Sents/Elko Daily Free Press

Ten new American citizens from northeast Nevada swear an oath of allegiance Tuesday at a naturalization ceremony held at Great Basin College.

ELKO — Tears were shed by several new American citizens and their families at the first naturalization ceremony held in Elko for many years at Great Basin College Tuesday afternoon.

Ordinarily, northern Nevada residents have to travel to Reno for the short ceremony. In a break from the tradition, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services officials made the trip to Elko and followed the ceremony with a presentation about the work they do.

The ceremonies used to be held in Elko years ago, and Elko County Clerk Win Smith said she remembers them occurring in the 1960s. She said her office has records

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of naturalizations held in Elko County going back to the 19th century.

The 10 new citizens naturalized Tuesday are from Elko, West Wendover, Wells and Battle Mountain. They have been legal permanent residents for at least three years — and many have resided in this country for much longer than that. The majority of the new citizens were originally from Mexico, with one person from the Philippines.

Battle Mountain resident Jose Luis Gonzalez, a mill operator for a

drilling fluids company, was one of the new citizens who took the oath. When given the opportunity, he spoke before the room, thanking the United States for giving him the opportunity to be a citizen here.

Gonzalez first came to this country from Mexico in 1984 as a permanent resident, following a path his parents had taken before him. He has since made a family of his own — getting married and having two sons.

His process to become a citizen as a permanent resident took about two years, and he said any person who wants to do the same should work

hard and not give up the dream. It is important to learn American customs and be good citizens, he said.

"I'm very proud of this day I've become an American," he said. "Thank you to this country for the opportunities it has given me."

In addition to the oath, the ceremony included speakers Meachell LaSalle, the Adult Basic Education and English as a Second Language director at Great Basin College; and Monica Toro, the U.S. CIS Reno Field Office director.

"To be here is an absolute joy for us," Toro told attendees. "I applaud you, as the daughter of immigrants."

2-24-09

GBC hosts cultural events this week

ELKO — Great Basin College will hold several events this week as part of activities organized by its Intellectual and Cultural Enrichment Committee focused on civil rights and making a better world.

Ruby Duncan, a Las Vegas community activist and winner of the Margaret Chase Smith American Democracy Award, will discuss her role in starting Operation Life, a poverty relief program that helped thousands in the Las Vegas area shut down Caesar's Palace in protest.

She will speak at 5:30 p.m. today via

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interactive video in room 130 of the Greenhaw Technical Arts building on GBC's Elko campus.

On Wednesday, GBC instructor Carrie Bruno will lead students in a brown bag discussion of the small ways people can contribute to a "greener" world. She will speak at noon in room 107 of the Health Sciences Building.

The week's activities culminate Thursday with the "I Have a Dream" and Empowerment Performance Art Showcase. Members of the community will share what empowerment means to them through poetry, dance and music at 7 p.m. at the Great Basin College Theater on Chilton Circle.

All events are free, and the public is encouraged to attend.

Elko regent hopeful on budget cuts

3-12-09

Gallagher believes higher education system can come out of recession 'stronger'

By **ADELLA HARDING**
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Nevada System of Higher Education Regent Dorothy Gallagher of Elko said Wednesday there will be cuts in the budgets of Nevada's universities and colleges, but said she is "not buying into the doom-and-gloom thing. We can't let higher education fail."

She said the system's Presidents Council is meeting to come up with proposals to cut costs back in light of Nevada's predicted \$1.4 billion budget shortfall, and the presidents will then come to the regents with their plans at their board meeting April 2-3 in Carson City.

Gallagher said "if we do this properly, we can come out of the recession stronger." She also said she has been talking one-on-one with the presidents to encourage them as they face the hard decisions.

When the state started talking about cuts, "first it was 4 percent, then 8 percent, then maybe 20 percent, then 36 percent," she said. "There is no way we could be ready for this kind of cut. Thirty-six percent



Gallagher

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Gallagher said the regents earlier gave Gov. Jim Gibbons a \$1.9 billion budget for the Nevada System of Higher Education and said "let us know when you know how much to cut."

The governor asked the regents in December for 14 percent, 24 percent and 34 percent cuts, according to news reports, and Gallagher said "even a 14 percent cut would be disastrous."

She said tuition and fees will have to be raised, but they can't be increased enough to solve the entire funding shortfall. Gibbons suggested tuition

increases could fill the void, but Gallagher said she heard estimates were as high as a 200 percent tuition hike to cover all the red ink.

"We wouldn't have to worry. We wouldn't have any students," Gallagher said. "We have to raise tuition and fees, but not to the point where we wipe out students."

Roughly 85 percent of the funding for the colleges and universities is for employees, and many of the instructors are tenured, Gallagher said. The regents would have to make a special financial declaration to cut professor positions without facing lawsuits, and then the colleges and universi-

ties could lose accreditation, she said.

"So we might as well close the doors. That's why we are going to come out of this with cuts that won't affect the student part of education and keep instruction intact," the longtime regent said.

Nevada needs higher education to provide an educated workforce for the future and to attract companies looking to locate in the state, Gallagher said.

She said the faculties and staffs at the colleges

and universities, meanwhile, are uneasy about their jobs, and she is receiving calls from worried people. "It's a tough time for them," she said.

She wasn't sure how the new funding that is coming to Nevada for higher education through the stimulus package approved earlier and the spending bill President Barack Obama signed Wednesday will affect the higher education system's budget. The money yet to be sorted out

GBC hosts job fair April 8

ELKO — Great Basin College will sponsor the 2009 Career Opportunity Fair from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. April 8 in the Electrical and Industrial Technology Building on its Elko campus.

This year's event will feature more than 50 employers from federal, state, mining, retail and educational agencies. Among those that have committed to the event are Barrick Gold of North America, Highland Manor, Newmont Mining, Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge and Renown Health.

During the fair, Garry Wyatt from the

Nevada Department of Education will offer free Career Interest Inventories for anyone of any age. He also will be available for questions regarding nontraditional careers and employment.

This is a chance to connect with employers, explore career and educational options, discover new opportunities, obtain employer information and locate summer jobs, internships and full-time employment.

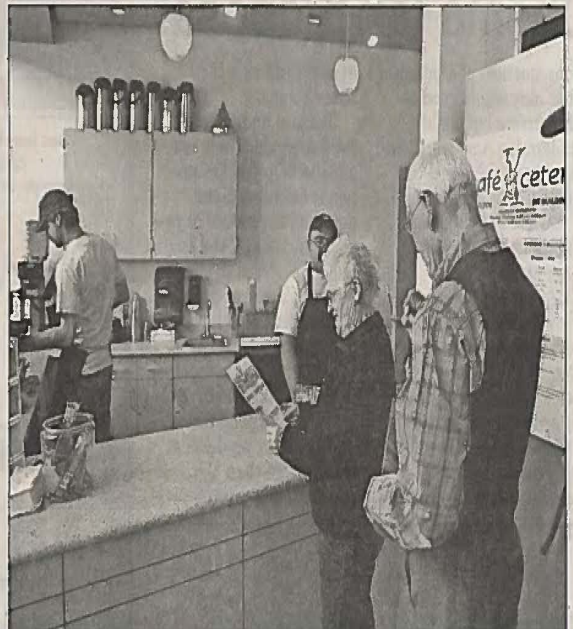
The event is free and open to the public. For information, contact Keitha Donovan at 753-2180.

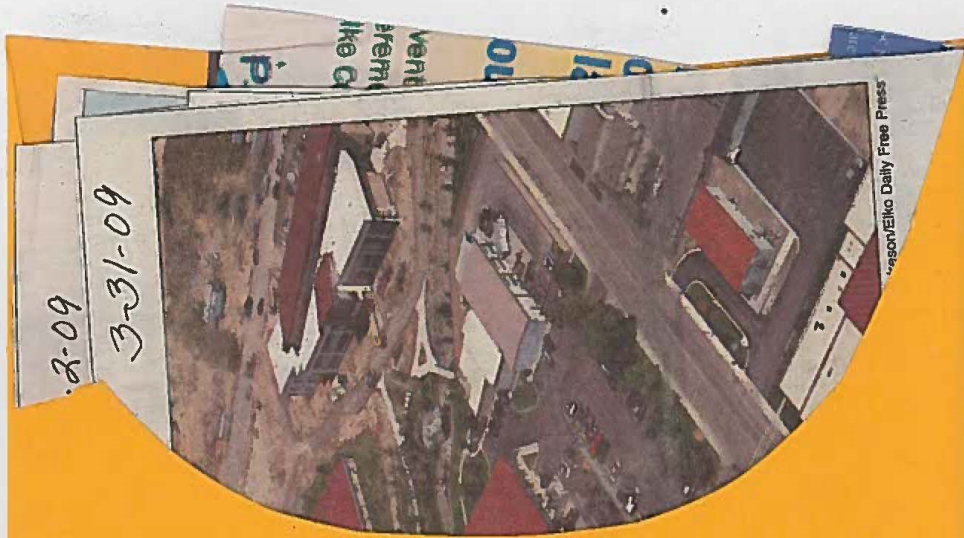
3-28-09

Café X relocates

Patrons wait in line to order this morning at the new location of Café X in the Electrical and Industrial Technology Building at Great Basin College. Executive Chef Xavier Leveau said Café X moved to the Café X-cetera site while remodeling is under way at the student union.

Café X at its new location offers sandwiches, salads, soups, desserts and specialty drinks. Barbecues will be from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Hours are 6:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and 6:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Fridays. The new phone number is 753-2178. Waiting to be served are Cecelia Koch and Lou Caple.



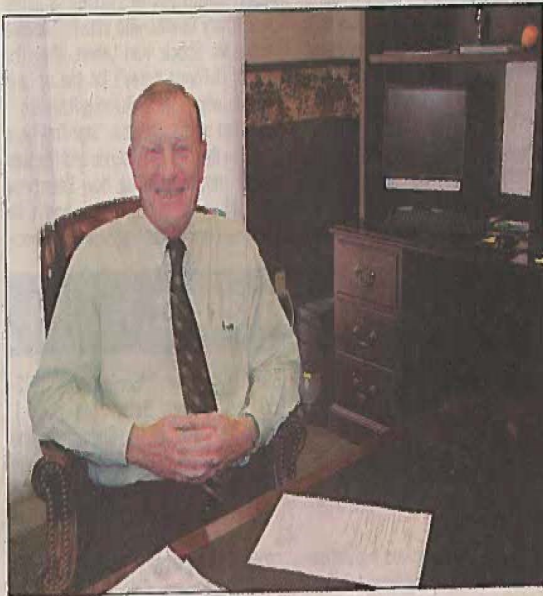


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GREAT BASIN COLLEGE

4-8-09

Diekhans interim no more

University regents approve 4-year contract for longtime educator, administrator

By **ADELLA HARDING**
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Carl Diekhans isn't Great Basin College's interim president anymore. He's the president.

The Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents approved a four-year contract for Diekhans during a meeting in Carson City last week, and Regent Dorothy Gallagher of Elko said today

Great Basin College President Carl Diekhans sits in his office on the Elko campus Tuesday, a few days after signing a four-year contract as president.

Adella Harding/Elko Daily Free Press

she was thrilled at the unanimous vote.

"He has done such a good job for many years for the college," she said.

Gallagher said she had received many calls of support for Diekhans and calls urging the regents to make him the official president.

"I was greatly pleased the regents would consider me for this, and the support from faculty and students was phenom-

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Congratulations!

Continued from front page enal," said Diekhans, who has been the acting president since last July when former GBC President Paul Kilpatrick left to become president of Lake Tahoe Community College in South Lake Tahoe, Calif.

Diekhans also was acting president in 2001 and 2002.

"I like the job, other than the budget thing, it's great fun," he said, commenting that the current budget crisis is the worse he's had to handle. "The contract gives me a little more stability, but there was no raise or anything because of the financial situation."

With Nevada's universities and colleges in the throes of anticipated budget cuts because of the state's economic downturn, Diekhans said his No. 1 goal as president is to keep quality education programs in place and continue to provide access to education to people throughout the GBC service area that ranges from Winnemucca and Battle Mountain to Ely and Pahrump, and the small communities in between.

"Some of these people don't have any place to go" for schooling, if not for GBC, he said.

Although the college is on a tight shoestring

financially, GBC has one construction project under way, and Diekhans explained the \$2.3 million cost of remodeling work at the community center is covered entirely by a legacy to the college specifically for this project.

"It will be great. It will primarily be a student center building. Actually it is a good time to do it, when prices are down," said Diekhans, who has been involved in most GBC construction projects over the years.

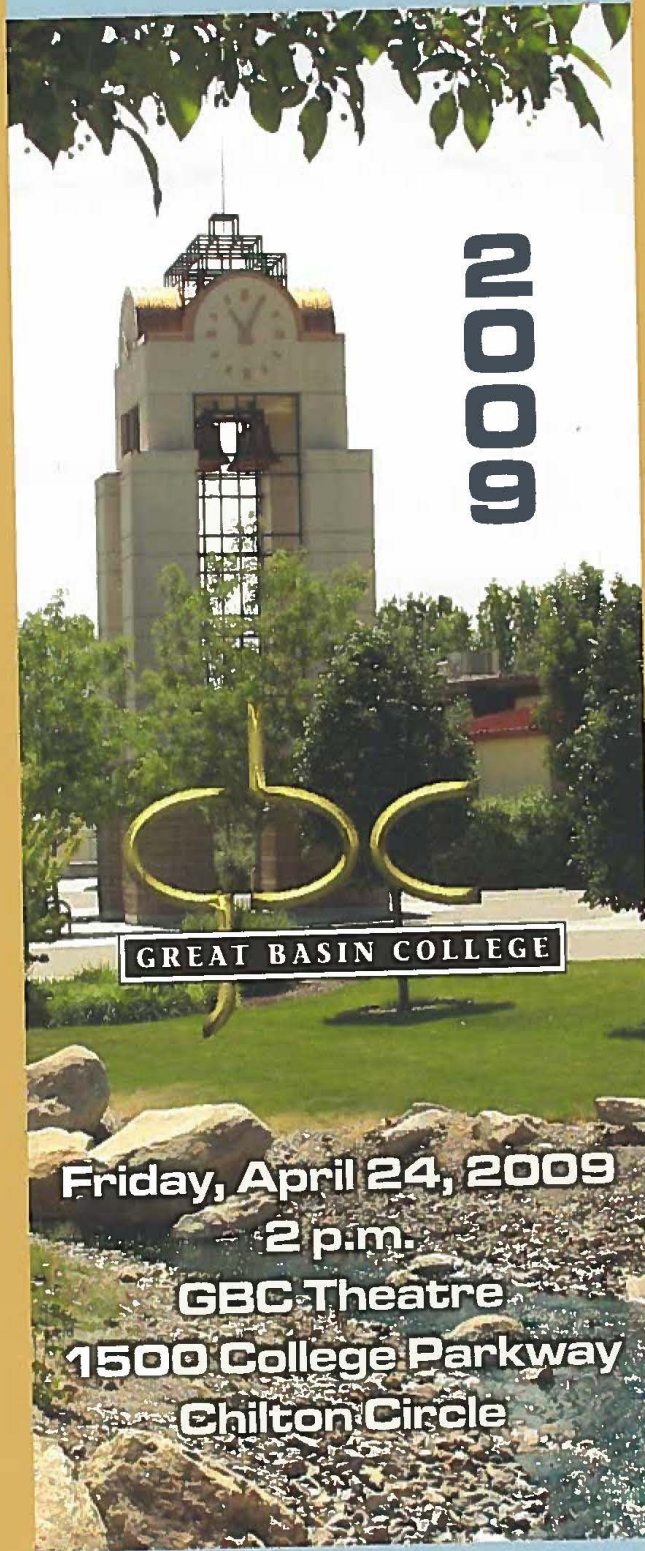
The college has a head count of 3,500 students, with roughly 1,800 enrolled as full-time equivalent students.

Diekhans' return to the job of interim president last year cut short his plan to return to teaching mathematics at the college after stepping down in 2007 as vice president of administrative services and then helping build up the Pahrump program.

Diekhans, 64, came to GBC in 1980 when it was known as Northern Nevada Community College and had two buildings. "There were some sheep and cows right over there," he said, pointing out his office window.

He started out as a math and computer science instructor and received his tenure in 1984.

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A look at Nevada college university achievements

By **WILLIAM COBB**
University of Nevada Regent

As a member of the NSHE Board of Regents, I report on the many positive accomplishments of our universities, state college, community colleges and the Research Institute. Our member institutions provide excellent educational opportunities to our citizens in education and outreach. This summarizes certain achievements of the Northern Nevada institutions:

Desert Research Institute is celebrating its 50th year. In the last 10 years, DRI generated \$230 million in research dollars to Nevada. In addition to protecting Lake Tahoe, DRI assists China in preserving its famous terra cotta wall from environmental damage. DRI has produced over 100 Ph.D. and M.S. graduates since 1970 and is a recognized world leader in environmental protection.

Great Basin College was Nevada's first community college (1967). GBC educates some 3,500 students over 6 square miles. Today, one-third of its students get their education through "synchronous live-net technology" in real time via the Internet. Since 2004, over 700 trained professors have received their degrees from GBC.

Truckee Meadows Community College enrolls more than 13,000 students in 50 academic and occupational areas. Nevada dental hygiene students have ranked first in the nation on their Boards; 88 percent of TMCC's nursing graduates are employed in local hospitals. TMCC trains 82 percent of Northern Nevada's public safety personnel and offers programs in automotive repair, computer technologies/electronics and other fields resulting in high demand, good paying careers.

University of Nevada, Reno, offers 175 degree programs through eight schools and colleges to more than 17,000 students. 17 National Merit Scholars attend UNR, as do 10 Pulitzer Prize winners. UNR boasts a world-class structural engineering laboratory that tests stresses on large scale structures. UNR features a nationally-ranked MBA program. Recognized by the Carnegie Foundation Comprehensive Doctoral Institute, UNR generates approximately \$75 million annually in sponsored research.

University of Nevada Medical School has trained more than 1,500 physicians since its inception 40 years ago; 62 percent of whom practice in Nevada. UNSOM physicians and student doctors see 120,000 clinic patients and 35,000 hospital patients annually. Its biomedical research generates approximately \$40 million in external funding.

Western Nevada College, headquartered in Carson City, provides educational opportunities to more than 5,000 students in seven counties. WNC offers 40 academic degrees and certificates in diverse fields such as construction management, machine tools, information technology, nursing and criminal justice.

Students securing a college degree will earn approximately \$1 million more than high school graduates and are less likely to seek public assistance, go on welfare or be incarcerated. Technical information doubles every two years; the number of jobs in demand this year did not exist six years ago - 1 in 10 jobs of today's college majors.

The value of education for both the student and the state of Nevada is apparent: for every one dollar Nevada invests in higher education, an average of four dollars is returned to the school's community in economic benefits.

As Benjamin Franklin stated, "An investment in education pays the best interest."

Sudanese speaker at GBC Wednesday

5-12-09

ELKO – John Bul Dau, whose journey as a refugee from the African nation of Sudan was featured in an award-winning independent movie, will speak at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Greenhaw Technical Arts Building, Room 130, at Great Basin College.




John Bul Dau

The event is free and open to the public.

Born in Sudan, Dau fled to Ethiopia in 1987 after his village was attacked during a civil war. He stayed there for four years until more violence in the region forced him to flee again.

Dau's amazing and arduous journey to a refugee camp in Kenya and ultimately to the United States led him to be dubbed one of the "Lost Boys of Sudan," one of thousands of orphaned Sudanese who banded together to survive. His story is featured in the film "God Grew Tired of Us," a winner of multiple awards at the 2006 Sundance Film Festival.

Dau has also written a memoir of the same name.



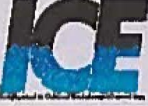
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Great Basin College president to meet with faculty, staff

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Diekhans

ELKO – Great Basin College President Carl Diekhans plans to meet with GBC faculty and staff Friday to talk about the Nevada Legislature's vote for higher education cuts of up to 12.5 percent, GBC spokesman John Rice said today.

"The news we heard will be considered by the Board of Regents tomorrow, so that's

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Continued from front page really all we can say at this point. The board makes the final decisions," Rice said.

Regent Dorothy Gallagher of Elko said today she believes the lawmakers "did everything for us they could," and she is pleased with the 12.5 percent cut in comparison with Gov. Jim Gibbons' proposed 36 percent cut.

Gallagher said she will be in Las Vegas for the board meeting that begins at 8 a.m. tomorrow to talk about how to handle the budget cuts, including looking at formula funding, tuition increases and "some addenums."

The meeting can be seen in the Berg Hall conference room at GBC via video-conference.

– Adella Harding

5-16

No job losses at GBC

President announces small cut in budget

By ADELLA HARDING
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Great Basin College President Carl Diekhans had good news and bad news Friday for the college faculty, administrators and classified staff.

"The good news is we've got jobs," he said, reporting that the college won't have to lay off anyone or seek early retirements.

He said despite the Legislature's 12.5 percent cut in funding for higher education, the Board of Regents decided Thursday that GBC faces a 2.7 percent cut in funds over its original fiscal year 2008-2009 budget based on an enrollment formula.

"GBC was treated best," he told a gathering packed into a room at the High Tech Center.

That's because the college had a 9 percent increase in enrollment, which he said will average 1,780 students for this



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Great Basin
College president

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fiscal year ending June 30.

The college's general fund budget will be nearly \$19.9 million for the upcoming fiscal year, including \$17.3 million in state funding plus nearly \$2.6 million to be raised in fees and tuition.

That's higher than the current budget of roughly \$18.6 million for the 2008-2009 fiscal year after cuts earlier this year, leaving GBC ahead \$1.2 million, Diekhans said. The 2.7 percent reduction is based on GBC's original funding for this year, which he said would have been "\$20 million and some change."

The bad news is that the classified employees must take one furlough day a month beginning July 1, meaning they will lose a day's pay every month for

a 4.6 percent pay cut.

"I'm sorry to say the regents are mandating a furlough one day a month for state employees," Diekhans told those packed into a classroom at the High Tech Building Friday afternoon for his budget update.

Also, Diekhans said the regents decided Thursday to form a committee to determine how professionals could take a similar cut. Professionals are on contracts that can't be changed that quickly, and they work by the job, not by the hour.

Additionally, GBC faculty may lose their current pay steps under an agenda item regents will consider that will essentially amount to a salary freeze by eliminating merit and cost-of-living hikes,

Diekhans said.

They would still get salary increases for promotions, including tenure and obtaining advanced degrees, however.

Diekhans also said out of the \$1.2 million extra over this year's budget, roughly \$600,000 will go for basics, such as increasing insurance costs, possible utility hikes, \$250,000 for rent in Pahrump for the college branch there and automatic promotions and software.

The remaining \$600,000 could be used to fill a portion of the faculty and staff positions lost this year when jobs were cut through retirements and attrition, Diekhans said.

GBC currently has 25 vacant positions, including 6.5 faculty slots and 18.5

staff jobs, and could hire three to four people for faculty slots and two to three support staff, he estimated.

The Nevada System of Higher Education regents worked from a general fund total for all the institutions of a little less than \$592.5 million in determining the amount of the budget cuts for the universities and colleges, and that figure included \$92 million in stimulus dollars for each of the two years of the biennium.

Diekhans said colleges may be in trouble in two years if the economy doesn't turn around and the stimulus dollars have dried up, but for now they helped keep the overall budget cuts to 12.5 percent, or 13.1 percent using Board of Regents figures.

"The bad news is that is still the highest cuts of any agency," he said.

While GBC is facing a 2.7 percent general fund cut from what it would have received, Nevada State College in Clark County is seeing its budget slashed the most, 24.1 percent, due to low enrollment.

The University of Nevada, Reno, and University of Nevada, Las Vegas, will see 15.35 percent cuts, and the other colleges will see varying cuts. GBC's is the lowest of all, according to the budget worksheet Diekhans presented.

If the regents had gone

with a straight 13.1 percent budget cut across the board, GBC would have lost \$2.5 million, which "would have been serious," Diekhans said.

"We need to say thank you to those who said we needed to cover enrollments," he said.

He emphasized that all the budget figures are still tentative. He said Gov. Jim Gibbons is likely to veto the education funding bill since tax increases will be needed to cover it. That means the measure will go back to the Legislature for a vote to override his veto.

"We're not out of the woods yet," Diekhans said.

Great Basin College enrollment is up 7.4 percent

ELKO- The final headcount of full-time equivalent students enrolled at Great Basin College during the spring semester was up 7.4 percent compared to last spring.

Director of Enrollment Management Julie Burns said full-time equivalent

enrollment is based on the number of students completing an average of 15 credits per semester.

There were 1,749 full-time equivalent students enrolled at the college during the spring semester.

"The increase could perhaps be due somewhat to

the economy," Burns said. "More students are staying at home."

She said increasing enrollment has been a continued trend over the past few semesters.

"We are not seeing anything that we didn't expect," Burns said.

Policy changes at four-year universities, such as new GPA requirements, could also explain the enrollment increases at community colleges, she said.

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The final headcount for the spring semester, which ran from January

through May, was completed Monday.

In total, there were 3,447 students enrolled at the college this spring, including both full-time and part-time students.

The total figure does not include students taking zero-credit courses or those with a senior discount, Burns said.

By Julie Wootton



Ross Anderson/Elko Daily Free Press

Great Basin College President Carl Diekhans swings a hammer during a "wall bashing" in the old Cafe-X building this morning as part of Great Basin College Foundation's celebration and the start of renovation work on the college's community center. Diekhans and other officials joined in the demolition phase of the project.

State worker benefits to be reduced

8-2-08

Cuts part of Nevada's budget woes

CARSON CITY (AP) — More than 41,000 government workers and retirees covered by Nevada's health insurance plan face reduced benefits and higher premiums starting in July 2009 as a result of nearly \$58 million in Public Employees Benefits Program budget cuts.

Leslie Johnstone, the program's executive director, will outline options at a September meeting of the board overseeing the program. She said Gov. Jim Gibbons has made it clear the program will get no more for

retirees in the two-year budget cycle that starts in July 2009 than it did in the current budget period.

"There will be direct financial impacts on participants," Johnstone said, noting that medical claims are expected to increase about 9 percent each year and inflation is expected to raise costs 10 percent a year.

The budget cut would have been higher but the board deferred a plan to expand benefits to cover domestic partners, including same-sex couples. The move, which saves \$8.6 million, was made after Gibbons said he'd cut the funds from the budget anyway because of the state's economic problems.

Gibbons has ordered all state agencies to produce plans for 14

percent cuts in their budgets for the coming two years.

The health insurance program provides benefits to state employees, non-state workers employed by local governments and retirees. State support for the coming biennium will be capped at \$509.8 million under the governor's orders.

When state worker, retiree and non-state worker premiums are added in, the program's total proposed budget will be just under \$1 billion for the biennium.

The state currently contributes \$626 a month for each state employee and \$410 per month for each retired state employee. There also is a subsidy to help cover part of the cost of dependents.

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School hoping plan will help avoid layoffs

ELKO (AP) — Great Basin College is offering longtime employees voluntary buyouts as a cost-saving measure that may help avoid layoffs that are on the table in the face of an additional 14.5 percent cut in state spending.

Under the terms of the buyouts, employees would receive payment for no more than nine months and health insurance benefits for nine months depending on the effective date of the buyout agreement.

The college is Nevada's final higher education institution to offer the buyouts to meet the state budget cuts. It could potentially see savings if longtime employees are replaced with less experienced, lower paid staff.

"We postponed this action hoping revenues would improve and the financial situation of the state would recover sufficiently to avoid this drastic move," said interim GBC President Gari Diekhans in a letter to employees. "Unfortunately, state revenues continue to decline."

Diekhans told the Elko Daily Free Press on Aug. 5 that it was not yet determined how many buyouts will be offered, but they will not be extended to individu-

BATTLE MOUNTAIN CAMPUS

GBC joins other Nevada colleges offering buyouts

AUGUST 2, 2008

als if they would not result in a savings to the college.

Requests must be submitted to the college's human resources department by Sept. 15 and will be considered on the basis of whether an employee may be replaced at a lower cost and it is in the best interest of the college — among other conditions.

In his letter to employees, Diekhans said the college will "continue to do everything in our power to buffer our students from the

impact of these cuts, but clearly, there will be many necessary changes in our services to students."

"We don't like doing this. This is not a good thing," Diekhans said. "We are going to lose a lot of good people."

If the 14.5 percent cuts are put in effect, the college would need to cut \$2.4 million from its budget each year over the next two fiscal years.

Diekhans said the college has already planned to meet half of

that amount by continuing a hiring freeze and making other operating cuts. Administrators hope the buyouts will help meet the other half.

"The only way we can anticipate this kind of reduction is if we are able to buy some people out of their contracts," Diekhans said. "If we don't realize those savings and it does come to pass that we are going to be reduced, there would have to be involuntary layoffs."

'Mining Rocks' at Great Basin College Elko

Learn more
about industry
through tour

Special to the Bugle

ELKO — Local high school students interested in knowing more about the opportunities and education that lead to mining careers in Nevada can participate in the "Mining Rocks!" tour with Great Basin College. Participants will explore all the careers and programs available to become a part of Nevada's mining industry.

Great Basin College, in collaboration with Barrick-Goldstrike, will be offering a rare opportunity to tour a mine site and learn about all the different careers and educational opportunities available in mining. Tour participants will be able to get up close and personal with daily mining operations and meet with employees to learn about the variety of career opportunities available in mining. Some of the different careers and programs at

EMS classes at Great Basin College: On-Line and in-person

Special to the Bugle

ELKO — Great Basin College is offering two State of Nevada EMS approved EMT Recertification Courses, one, on-line, the other in-person.

EMS 109B, IO1, (Call Number 12577) will be offered online. EMS 109 is an EMT Refresher Course. The course is composed of six on-line modules, with two "live" skills competency and evaluations scheduled on Dec. 6 and Dec. 13.

The same course will be

offered in a live session, scheduled on the weekends of Nov. 14 — 15 and Nov. 21 — 22. The sessions are on Friday evenings and all day on each Saturday. The skills competency and evaluations for the live courses will also be held on Dec. 6 and Dec. 13.

Students can also register for the American Heart Association's Heart Saver Pediatric First Aid Course. EMS 198B, 12989, EO2, to be held Nov. 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in The Health Sciences Building Room 110.

For more information contact Karen Mowrey at (775) 753-2212.

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Great Basin related to mining discussed on the tours will include: electrical systems technology, diesel technology, welding technology, mining, engineering, natural resources, earth sciences, office technology, human resources and business.

This opportunity will be open for 45 participants. Interested high school students who want to participate will have first priority.

Great Basin College students and community members who are interested in attending GBC are also encouraged to sign up if there are additional seats available for the tour. Call (775) 738-8493 for information and to sign up.

The tour will be held on Wednesday Oct. 22, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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10-15-08

Registration for spring 2009 classes begins at GBC

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ELKO — Winter seems to be teasing its way into the fresh mornings of autumn, but spring is in the air and on the minds of Great Basin College students. Registration for spring 2009 is underway, and according to Julie Byrnes, GBC's director of Enrollment Management, the process is simple.

"Students can register a couple of different ways," Byrnes said. "The simplest way is to log on to our Web site at www.gbcnv.edu and follow the easy steps to register online. Or just stop by at branch campuses and satellite centers in Battle Mountain, Ely, Pahrump or Winnemucca." The spring 2009 course schedule is available online at the college Web site as well.

Academic advisors at each campus site can assist with registration. Advisors can assist students who are beginning or continuing education, and launching a career.

Byrnes said that the advisors provide a valuable service to students. "They will help you to establish a program of study, choose your first classes and find money for your education. They're very thoughtful and will put you on the right track," she said.

Byrnes said that once a student is enrolled, advisors can help students look further into the jobs and career opportunities their studies may present. The financial challenges of going to school don't stop after you've started, either, and advisors can help you work with the financial aid office to find ways to finance

your education.

Whether a student decides to study full-time or part-time, the college offers several options for study. "In addition to our traditional schedule, we have a schedule of late starting classes you can enroll in now. We also offer dozens of online courses," she said. Studying online gives a student an incredible amount of flexibility. Evening and weekend classes are also available, as well as "compressed courses" that allow students to complete requirements in just a few weeks.

For more information on enrolling in courses at Great Basin College call (775) 753-2102; in Battle Mountain, (775) 635-2318; in Ely, (775) 289-3589; in Pahrump and Nye County, (775) 727-2000; and in Winnemucca, (775) 623-4824.

11-19-08

Battle Mountain students named to GBC Dean's List

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CNA Train the Trainer course offered at GBC

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The course will be offered on the GBC Elko Campus. For more information, call (775) 753-2301 or (775) 753-2216.

2-18-09

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GBC offering 'Kids College' —

Register now for summer programs for youngsters 4 — 18 years

6-3-09

Special to the Bugle

ELKO — Great Basin College's annual "Kids College" is right around the corner and sign-ups are taking place now.

Kids College is for children between the ages of 4 — 18 who want to get off the couch and discover something new. The college will be offering a variety of classes and opportunities in hopes of enriching children's summer break.

The program will start on June 15 and will go through July at the GBC campus. Classes range in price from free to \$110. From art to animal education, "Kids College" has it all!

Do you have a young Spielberg in the house? Then Digital Movie Making is for you. Using Windows Movie Maker, students will have the opportunity to edit video and create "mini movies" that they can share with the whole family.

Your would-be chef can get involved in the Cake Decorating Class. In this class, students will be introduced to cake decorating. They will prepare icing, fill decorating bags and experiment with three different kinds of decorating tips. At the end of the class the student will take home six

'Behind the Wheel' —

GBC driver education summer session starts soon

Special to the Bugle

ELKO — It's time to get "Behind the Wheel" at Great Basin College. A summer session of Behind the Wheel Driver Education will begin June 15.

The fee for this course is \$175, and it will be taught by certified instructor Luke Sellers. A valid driver's permit is required to participate. Taking this class will give students the ability to get real-life driving experience with a trained professional. During the

course, each student will log six hours of drive time that can be subtracted from their Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles required driving log.

Successful completion of this course may also give students an opportunity to receive lower auto insurance rates. At the end of the session, a certificate will be awarded to each student who meets or exceeds all the behind the wheel driver's education standards.

Limited spots are available for

this session, so registering soon is a must. To enroll for the course visit Great Basin College Admissions and Records in Berg Hall or visit the Web site at <http://www.gbcnv.edu/drivers-ed/> for steps on how to register online. The course number is DE 0012 Section: ES9 and the call number is 10818.

For more information about "Behind the Wheel" driver's education, contact Angela de Braga at (775) 753-2231 or visit www.gbcnv.edu/drivers-ed/.

sweet treats to enjoy.

The scientist in the family will enjoy the Mad Scientist Training Camp, where students will make mothballs dance, see Styrofoam disappear, turn chicken bones into rubber and much more!

Rock Climbing is available for the daredevil in the family. The instructor will teach students how to properly wear and tie a harness. They will learn proper climbing techniques and of course work off their excess energy. Parents must attend this

class with their child.

"Kids College truly has something for everyone, and is a great opportunity to experience hands-on learning or something new. We hope to see lots of kids on campus this summer!" said Continuing Education Director Angela de Braga.

Registration forms can be found in the Continuing Education office at GBC or online at www.gbcnv.edu/kidscollege. Payment can be brought into the office or mailed to: Great Basin

College ATTN: Community Education, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, NV 89801.

For additional information about "Kids College" contact Angela de Braga at (775) 753-2231 or visit www.gbcnv.edu/kidscollege.

Child care assistance available to GBC students

6-17-09

Service provided at all campuses

Special to the Bugle

ELKO — The Great Basin College Foundation has established a program to benefit students with child care requirements enrolled at each of the institution's campuses across rural Nevada. Qualified students will be awarded \$750 per semester for child care, with an additional \$250 if there is more than one child to be cared for. Applications for the assistance are now being taken. The deadline for applications is June 30. The awards will be announced on July 15.

To be eligible for the assistance, students must be "Pell Grant Eligible" and be enrolled in at least 9 credits of course work. Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA in order for the award to continue into the spring semester. Once assis-

tance has been awarded to the student, the student must submit proof of child care expenses. Child care providers must meet IRS requirements for being a qualified provider.

Applications are available online at www.gbcnv.edu. Scroll down to the "Announcements" portion of the homepage, and look for the GBC Foundation Student Childcare Assistance Fund Application link. Or, call the GBC Student Financial Services Office at (775) 753-2399.

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GBC to host history training

4-22

Special to the Bug

ELKO — Great Basin College has developed a workshop designed to prospective volunteers a Bureau of Land Management's California Trail Center.

The workshop, coordinated through the Bureau of Management, will train students to participate in his cal interpretation and history presentations for visiting public at the California Trail Center, west of Methods taught in this cc will provide teachers with and innovative ideas to them make history come in their class rooms.

The course (EDU 295, ing History Training) meet on Saturday and Sunday May 2 — 3 from 8 a.m. p.m. each day. Students learn new and innovative ways to make history alive in the classroom or a California Trail Center Guidelines for creating interpretive character constructing authentic pe clothing will also addressed.

Students may register online at www.gbcnv.edu in person in Berg Hall, on GBC Elko campus. For information contact Angela de Braga at (775) 753-223



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12-23-08

Helping the homeless

Boy Scout collects survival gear for those in need

By ALI HELGOTH
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — It's not hard for Josh Mills to identify the men and women he helped through his Eagle Scout project — he just has to look for the packs on their backs.

Mills, 13, raised money and collected donations to provide about 50 homeless men and women with sleeping bags and backpacks filled with essentials, toiletries, sweaters, hats and gloves.

He received donations from family members, members of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, students at Great Basin College, other members of the Elko community and from his uncle's Rotary club in Phoenix.

"It felt pretty good to help out a lot of people who need it," he said.

He sought help from Deacon Craig LaGier from St. Joseph's Catholic Church, who has a rapport with many of the people living on Elko's streets, to distribute the items.

Together, they helped hand out some of the packs. There were some odd characters and he learned a bit of the culture, he said.

The deacon has about 10 of the packs remaining that he plans to distribute as needed.

As for Mills, he's not sure if he'll continue with projects to help the homeless, but he is sure of one thing, he won't be giving them money. They don't spend it wisely, he said.

Instead, he said, give them the supplies they really need.

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A people classified took care of and the whole Cal donated

From: Carl Diekhans
To: GBC-BM; GBC-ELKO; GBC-ELY; GBC-PAHRUMP; GBC-WINNEMUCCA
Date: 1/22/2009 5:00 PM
Subject: Congratulations to Tony Villalobos

Congratulations to Tony Villalobos! Tony will be receiving the 2009 Regents' Academic Advisor Award (Community College). The award is given annually to a faculty or staff member with a distinguished record of student advisement. Tony will be receiving the award at the upcoming Board of Regents' meeting on February 5-6, 2009. GBC is proud to have the honor bestowed on one of our own!!!

Stop by and congratulate him!

Carl A. Diekhans
Interim President



From: Annie Ulrich
To: GBC-CLASSIFIED
Date: 2/19/2009 12:58 PM
Subject: A Champagne Night on a Beer Budget

Hi all,

Classified Council received a donation of 5 sets of tickets for the GBC Foundation Dinner Dance which will be held next Saturday, February 28th.

As announced at today's meeting, it was the sense of the Council to open up a raffle for those interested in attending.

Please submit your name on a plain sheet of paper to Jeanne Long at the switchboard desk by Tuesday, February 24 by 9 a.m. The drawing will be at 10:00 a.m. and is opened to Classified staff only!

Dress is from extremely formal to casual.

*Best of Luck to everyone. There will be **5 lucky winners**.*

Annie Ulrich
Classified Co-Chair

From: Annie Ulrich
To: GBC-CLASSIFIED
Date: 2/24/2009 10:28 AM
Subject: And the Winners Are!

The Dinner Dance is this weekend.
Plan on joining the recipients of the Tickets for Two Drawn
Mary Gilbertson
Renaë Jim
Kat Hearon
Shirley Jones
Sandy Quijada
and their guests at the Foundation Dinner Dance !

Annie

2009/2010 Classified Staff Elections

Vote for One Chair/Co-Chair

Co-Chair **Jolina Adams** Co-Chair **Shirley Jones**

Co-Chair _____

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Vote for One Vice Chair

Vice Chair **Pat Loper** Vice Chair **Lynnette Peterson**

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Vice Chair _____

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Vote for One Treasurer

Treasurer **Mindy Caskey** Treasurer **Amy Reichenberg**

Treasurer **Renae Jim**

Treasurer _____

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Vote for One Secretary

Secretary **Jacque Jensen** Secretary **Janis McCollum**

Secretary _____

(Write in Candidate)



From: Cynthia Vaughn-Giles
To: GBC-CLASSIFIED
Date: 6/1/2009 11:28 AM
Subject: New Classified Council Officers

Congratulations to our new 2009-2010 officers!

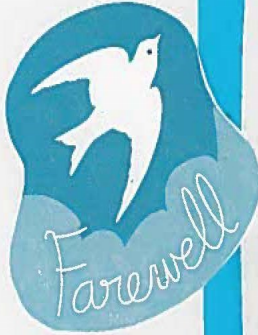
Co-Chairs:
Jolina Adams & Shirley Jones

Vice Chair:
Pat Loper

Treasurer:
Renae Jim

Secretary:
Janis McCollum

We will formally introduce officers at our next meeting on June 18.



From: Shirley Chambers
To: GBC-BM; GBC-ELKO; GBC-ELY; GBC-PAHRUMP; GBC-WINNEMUCCA
Date: 6/3/2009 11:09 AM
Subject: Goodby!

I really don't like to say good by, but rather see you sometime later.

I am very excited to about my new adventure. I have accepted a position at UNR as the Manager of Student Accounts. If you are in the neighborhood, stop by and see me.

I have really enjoyed working with all of you wonderful people here at GBC. I moved to Elko the summer of 1989 and started attending school at Norther Nevada Community College during the spring semester of 1990 and started working in the "Business Office" during that semester as well.

I have gained so much knowledge and have had so many wonderful experiences through my association with GBC.

I will treasure all of the fond memories that I have of my time here at GBC.

So, see you all sometime later.

Shirley



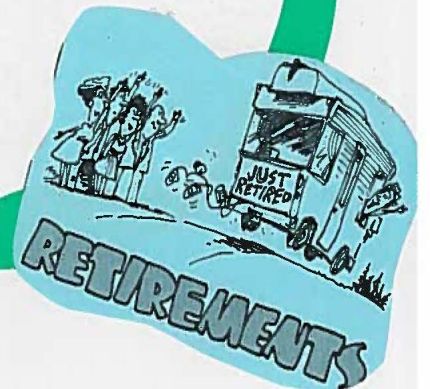
From: Jolina Adams
To: GBC-CLASSIFIED
Date: 6/17/2009 10:56 AM
Subject: Pot Luck Classified Meeting Tomorrow!
Attachments: Hospitality Report for May.doc; Treasurers report for May 2009.xls; 6-18-09 Agenda.doc

Don't Forget! Tomorrow is the pot luck and last Classified Meeting for this academic year at 11:00 a.m. in Elko GTA 130

(IAV Connections: Ely GBC 114 and Pahrump PVC 124)

~~Please bring a dish to share and say bye-bye to Annie Ulrich.~~

See you then. Jolina



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Bone up on math for free

The Great Basin College Academic Success Center's Math Refresher Workshop will take place Aug. 11 and 12, from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. The sessions will originate from GBC's High Tech Center, room 137 on the Elko campus. The workshops will also be broadcast using the college's interactive video distance education technology. Students in Battle Mountain, Ely, Pahrump and Winnemucca can attend the sessions at GBC campuses in those communities as well.

The workshops are free and no registration is required. The refreshers will help students prepare for the Accuplacer placement test, which determines which college mathematics class a student may enroll in.

According to Barbara Moss, GBC's Academic Success Center Director, students

may attend as many of the sessions as they wish. "Whatever evenings they can come will be of benefit to them," she said.

For more information, contact Moss at 775.753.2144. Students in Battle Mountain can call 775.635.2318; Ely, 775.289.3589; Pahrump, 775.727.2000; and Winnemucca, 775.623.4824.

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August 6, 2007

ELY CAMPUS

GBC takes steps to avoid Gibbons' budget cuts

8-6-08

By JOHN PLESTINA
Ely Times Reporter

Great Basin College is taking cost-savings steps to prevent the Ely campus from becoming another victim of the Gibbons Administration's budget axe.

John Patrick Rice, GBC's director of institutional advancement, said there is no plan in place to close Ely or any of the other satellite campuses. He did acknowledge that closing satellite campuses, including the one in Ely, is one of GBC's three scenarios that was presented to University of Nevada Chancellor James Rogers to meet budget reductions for the next biennium beginning July 1, 2009.

"We presented a memo to the chancellor with three scenarios of how we could meet the budget cuts at the 14 percent level which are being predicted for the next biennium," Rice said, adding that none of

the three scenarios are plans at this time.

The scenarios are:

-- Close all branches and satellite centers including Ely and the coordinated educational sites in Lund and several other locations and retain only the Elko campus;

-- Cut entire educational programs (this could result in nursing and health career programs or technical programs being eliminated);

-- Spread across-the-board reductions in campuses and programs throughout the system.

Rice said the third option could derail the nursing and education programs for future teachers and degrade other programs and general education.

The amounts of the cuts have varied between 14.25 and 14.5 percent. "That figure is a moving target," Rice said.

He said GBC is not filling 15 empty positions throughout the service area and continually looking for cost-savings measures in the operation of the campuses.

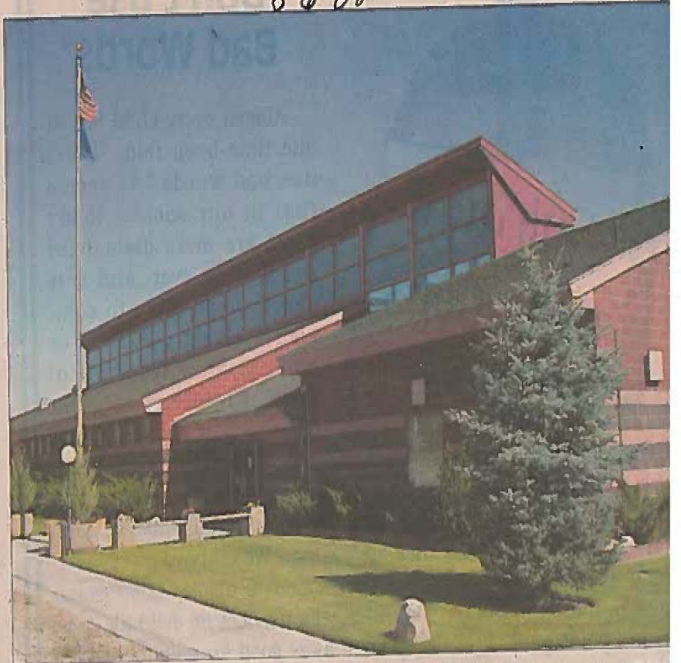
"Our mission is to serve rural Nevada," Rice said.

"It's also important for everyone to know that the challenges we are facing are major challengers. We have for a long time provided opportunities for education in rural Nevada. We are going to continue to be doing that. It will be challenging," he said.

Possible changes that would affect students that were released by the chancellor's office last week include the following.

-- \$244,000 in maintenance savings including roofs not fixed;

-- \$914,000 in institutional operating cuts including a hiring freeze with as many as 12



Although Great Basin College has cited closing its Ely campus as a cost-savings measure, there is no plan to do so.

SGA at GBC

9-24-08



Janae Johnson (left) and Lauren Yourdon are the Ely Campus representatives in the Student Government Association (SGA) of Great Basin College; both are sophomores pursuing degrees at the Ely Campus. SGA senators make recommendations concerning student welfare, provide leadership for meetings of the student body, assist in directing and coordinating student activities, encourage student involvement and cooperation among students, staff, and faculty. In addition to attending leadership workshops, senators also participate by interactive video in weekly SGA meetings that include Elko, Winnemucca, Battle Mountain and Pahrump. The two senators are planning college activities and will soon contact local businesses for discount offers to students with current GBC student ID cards, encouraging students to shop locally. Businesses wishing to participate in the discount program should contact the Ely Campus at 289-3589.

full-time and three part-time positions not filled;

-- Possible buyouts of employees during fiscal years 2010 and 2011 to encourage early retirements and not filling the positions;

-- \$133,000 in new revenue from student surcharges at \$2.75 per credit hour for the 2008-2009 school year only;

-- Fewer course offerings;

-- Larger classes;

-- Reduced library hours;

-- Reduced student retention and mentoring services;

-- Delays in enrollment services and financial aid processing.

Rogers wrote in a memo to the Board of Regents dated

July 9: "In terms of sheer dollars, any budget reductions imposed on the NSHE will be focused on the two universities and the College of Southern Nevada. However, the pain of these cuts and the impact of them cannot be limited to which schools suffer the largest dollar cuts. Nowhere is this more true than at Great Basin College." Rogers went on to ask the regents to put themselves in the position of a college student from rural Nevada. He wrote that without GBC students from rural communities could have a limited economic future.

GBC is Nevada's smallest college and serves the largest

service area, 62,000-square miles encompassing seven counties. There are at 3,500 total students, at 1,700 are full-time through the GBC system. GBC branch campuses in Winnemucca and Pahrump and other educational facilities in Battle Mountain, Wendover. There are 13 coordinated sites at Lund, Ely, Crescent Valley, Wells, Ca Round Mountain, Au McDermott, Owyhee, Jack Gabbs, Tonopah and Beat. Ninety-one full-time students attended the Ely campus during the spring semester. There were a total of 172 and part-time students.

GBC offers online drivers' ed

9-3-08

Great Basin College will again offer Driver's Education to high school and non-high school students in Elko, Eureka, Lander, Humboldt, Nye and White Pine counties.

One of the chief benefits, according to Angie de Braga, GBC's Director of Continuing Education, is that completing the course can cut the amount of training the Department of Motor Vehicles requires of a student driver in half. "The DMV requires that a beginning driver under 18 years of age must log 100 hours driving time with an adult before applying for a license. With

successful completion of a Driver's Ed course, the time is reduced to just 50 hours," she said.

Students can enroll for the Driver's Ed course by clicking on the "driver's ed" icon listed under "announcements" on the college's website at www.gbcnv.edu.

The ten-week, two credit course is delivered online and is taught by experienced local school district instructors with the Driver's Education endorsement. The next class starts September 2, 2008. Other sections begin on October 27 and November

1. High school students are eligible for a special \$35 tuition fee. If a student has not been enrolled at GBC in the past, a once in a life-time \$10 admission fee will also apply. Non high school students may also enroll, but will pay the regular tuition fee.

In order to enroll, students should be 15 1/2 years old by the end of the course. The class provides the student with sufficient knowledge to pass the Nevada state written driver examination. A passing grade on the written examination enables the student to obtain

their driver's permit.

For more information on Driver's Education at GBC call 775.753.2231.

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GBC offers Christmas CNA class

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas as the Great Basin College Nursing Program plans for a special offering of a training course for students interested in becoming a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA).

The section is to be offered Mondays through Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. beginning Dec. 15 and running through Jan. 14, 2009. The course also includes clinical sessions, which will be held from 6:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. five days during the course. Classes will not meet from Dec. 24 through Jan. 2, in observance of the Christmas holiday.

NURS 130, "Nursing Assistant," is a six-credit course that qualifies the successful student for the Nevada CNA licensing examination. In order to enroll students must provide evidence of a negative TB skin test or negative chest x-ray, and have a current CPR certification. Total tuition and fees for the course is \$434.

The Nursing Assistant course provides students with the classroom, laboratory and clinical experience to make them eligible to take to the State Certified Nursing Assistant Examination. A CNA licensee qualifies for an entry level position in the health care industry. It also opens the door

to further study and advancement in health care. For more information on the CNA Program at Great Basin College call (775) 753.2301 or log on to www.gbcnv.edu.

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10-8-08

GBC offers 2 EMT classes

Great Basin College is offering two State of Nevada EMS approved EMT Recertification Courses, one, on-line, the other in-person.

EMS 109B, 101. (Call Number 12677) will be offered online. EMS 109 is an EMT Refresher Course.

The course is composed of six on-line modules, with two "live" skills competency and evaluations scheduled on December 6 and December 13.

The same course will be offered in a live session, scheduled on the weekends of November 14, 15, 21 and 22. The sessions are on Friday evenings and all day on each Saturday. The skills competency and evaluations for the live courses will also be held on December 6 and 13.

Students can also register for the American Heart Association's Heart Saver Pediatric First Aid Course. EMS 198B, 12989, EO2, to be held November 7, 2008 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in The Health Sciences Building Room 110.

For more information contact Karen Mowrey at 775/753-2212.

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Heller and Derby spar in Elko

10-29-08



Republican Congressman Dean Heller, pictured left, and Democrat challenger Jill Derby, shown at right, agreed on one thing during their debate in Elko: there's little similarity between their positions and they offer a clear choice. Also pictured is debate moderator Lori Gilbert of KENB News 10.

Great Basin College registering for Spring '09 term

Winter seems to be teasing its way into the fresh mornings of autumn, but spring is in the air and on the minds of Great Basin College students. Registration for spring, 2009 is underway, and according to Julie Byrnes, GBC's Director of Enrollment Management, the process is simple.

"Students can register a couple of different ways," Byrnes said. "The simplest way is to log on to our website at www.gbcnv.edu and follow the easy steps to register online. Or just stop by at branch campuses and satellite centers in Battle Mountain, Ely, Pahrump or Winnemucca." The Spring,

2009 course schedule is available online at the college website as well.

Academic advisors at each campus site can assist with registration. Advisors can assist students who are beginning or continuing education, and launching a career.

Byrnes said that the advisors

provide a valuable service to students. "They will help you to establish a program of study, choose your first classes and find money for your education. They're very thoughtful and will put you on the right track," she said.

Byrnes said that once a student is enrolled, advisors can help students look further into the jobs and career opportunities their studies may present. The financial challenges of going to school don't stop after you've started, either, and advisors can help you work with the financial aid office to find ways to finance your education."

Whether a student decides to study full-time or part-time, the college offers several options for study. "In addition to our traditional schedule, we have a schedule of late starting classes you can enroll in now. We also offer dozens of online courses. Studying online gives a student an incredible amount of flexibility. Evening and weekend classes are also available, as well as "compressed courses" that allow students to complete requirements in just a few weeks," Byrnes said.

For more information on enrolling in courses at Great Basin College call 775/753-

2102. In Battle Mountain, 775/635-2318. In Ely, 775/289-3589. In Pahrump and Nye County, 775/727-2000. In Winnemucca, 775/623-4824.

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11-12-08

GBC to remain open, but cutbacks are coming

By JOHN PLESTINA
Ely Times Reporter

When a representative of Great Basin College addressed the Ely Rotary Club Thursday he equated the college's efforts to stay afloat in the face of severe state budget cuts to sipping champagne on a beer budget.

John Patrick Rice, GBC's director of institutional advancement, said the school with campuses across Nevada will weather the Gibbons Administration budget ax but corrective and preventative measures are being taken. Just how deep the actual cuts will go remains unknown.

While closing the Ely campus was one of GBC's three scenarios that was presented to University of Nevada Chancellor James Rogers last summer, Rice said that is no longer an option. It was considered a remote possibility when the school presented it. He told the Rotary that GBC is not closing and neither is the Ely campus. A possibility remains of cuts in programs and staff.

"We've left over 20 positions empty because of budget cuts," Rice said, but cautioned, "If we have to leave more positions open the students will feel it. We really and truly are down to the bone. We'd have to cut people and programs. It's a downward spiral."



John Rice, GBC's director of institutional advancement told Ely Rotarians, 'We have two or three full-time faculty members (in Ely) but the fact is that income generated in Ely funds four or five faculty members (around the state). Closing anything is simply not an option.'

He said about \$1.8 million was cut from the current budget. The largest concern is the \$473 million that Gov. Jim Gibbons proposed to cut from higher education for the next biennium during his State of the State address Jan. 15. While proposed cuts, which were in answer to revenue shortfalls, go deep into many state department budgets and could drastically impact K-12 education across the state, higher education is slated for the biggest financial hit.

"We have two or three full-time faculty members (in Ely) but the fact is that income generated in Ely funds four or five faculty members (around the state). Closing anything is simply not an option. It will not

work," Rice said.

Great Basin College has about 3,400 enrolled students, many part-time. Rice said it equates to about 1,800 full-time students. Roughly 45 percent are young, traditional-age college students and about 55 percent are older, non-traditional learners. Rice said 14 percent are over 50 years old.

Statewide enrollments had increased 8 percent this year as of last week.

Worst case scenarios for budget cuts include the possible elimination of entire programs and possible cancellation of bachelor degree programs which would reduce GBC to only offering associate degree and certificate programs.

The doom and gloom of the most dismal possibilities include a total of \$4.6 million in cuts from current budget levels for the next biennium, which is fiscal years 2010 and 2011 (beginning July 1 of this year), and a potential loss of 35 percent of staff employed statewide.

The following are three new scenarios GBC presented before the beginning of the current legislative session.

- Elimination of the computer office and technology, education, health (nursing) and human services programs. The three are the most expensive of GBC's programs. These programs represent more than 20 percent of the college's enrollments.

- Elimination of the entire agriculture, business, computer office and technology, criminal justice, diesel, early childhood, electrical, industrial and welding programs. This scenario would focus on preserving university programs that are offered by cutting more expensive technical programs.

These programs represent about 36 percent of GBC enrollments.

- Elimination of all bachelor degree programs which are applied science, education, interactive studies, nursing and social work. These programs represent about 25 percent of GBC enrollments.

All three scenarios including cutting GBC departments that provide services to students in the reduced or eliminated programs by amounts ranging from 15 to 50 percent.

Rice emphasized that it is important to continue to offer rural high school graduates educational opportunities in their own communities. "When they go away to college they stay away," he said of many college graduates who went away to college and never moved back to their home towns.

"Great Basin College is a great big organism from Pahrump north," Rice said of the Elko-based but widespread community college that is charged with the responsibility

of delivering higher education "to an area that is arguably most remote in the United States."

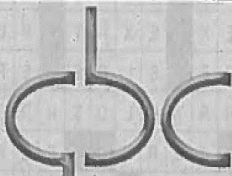
The service area covers 62,000 square miles and serves an overall population of about 118,000. GBC serves numerous rural communities from Pahrump north to the Idaho and Oregon borders stretching from California to Utah.

The virtual campus online courses is the large segment of distance delivery

Rice called access to higher education a staple for rural residents. "It's not a privilege rural Nevada," he said.

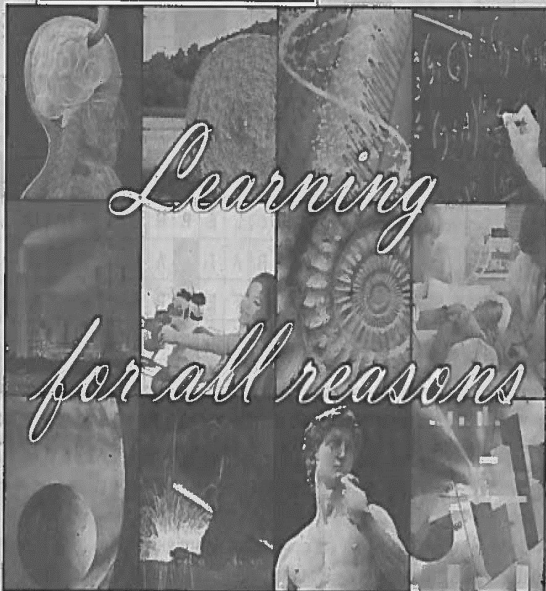
For 13 smaller communities with coordinated sites including Lund, Eureka and Crescent Valley, there is no GBC facility and it is unlikely there would be any change unless courses and programs were eliminated. Those sites operate with interactive video and online courses.

More than 90 full-time students (over 170 including part-time) attend the Ely campus



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Orientation:
 Saturday, January 24, 1-5 p.m.

Free Math Refresher Workshops:
 January 5-15, 5:30-7:30 p.m

**Most
 classes
 begin
 January 24**

1-28-09
**GBC hosts forum
 on immigration**

The Great Basin College ABE/ESL will host a forum on the Immigration and Citizenship Process, Procedure and Fraud, on Feb. 3, at GBC campuses and centers throughout its service area. The interactive video English language presentation will take place at 2:30 p.m. in the Greenhaw Technical Arts Center, room 128 on the Elko campus, at the Battle Mountain Campus Center, room 3, Ely Branch Campus, room 118, Pahrump Valley Campus on Calvada, room 119, Winnemucca Branch Campus, room 110 and the Wendover satellite center, at the West Wendover High School, room T2.

Rudy Bustamante, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) community relations officer will lead the forum, along with Monica Toro, the Reno USCIS Field Office Director, and Russ Webb, USCIS Fraud Investigation Supervisor. Elko Attorney Robert Salyer, an immigration law practitioner, will also present.

Participants will be provided with information on United States Citizenship and Immigration policy and procedure, and how and where to obtain valid immigration information and how to avoid fraud.

The sessions are free. A Spanish language presentation will take place in Elko on Feb. 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the multi-purpose room at Southside Elementary School.

For more information on the USCIS workshop, or ABE/ESL services at Great Basin College, contact Irma Reyes-Forney at 775.753.2126 or irmar@gvmail.gbcnv.edu.

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GBC President's Award

5-6-09



Melanie O. Martinez, right, was recognized as the outstanding student in the accounting program at the Great Basin College President's Award Ceremony on Friday. According to accounting and business professor Bea Wallace, "Melanie is to be commended for achieving her degree while raising her family and working full-time. It is no easy task to juggle the activities of work and college while making time to care for your family." Wallace also noted that Martinez will be one of the first graduates of the Associate of Applied Science Degree in Accounting at Great Basin College next month. The degree was approved a year ago and has several students enrolled at the Ely Campus. Also recognized at the award ceremony as outstanding student in Industrial Millwright Technology was Kelvin J. Christensen of Lund, who will receive an Associate of Applied Science Degree this semester.



Get in shape at GBC

6-3-09

Great Basin College is offering Body Conditioning for all ages this summer with 3 classes all on Saturdays starting June 13 and continuing through Oct. 3.

PEX 172 is intended to enhance physical activity to improve overall health and quality of life. Students will participate in aerobic activities, calisthenics, conditioning and flexibility training.

The course, which is listed as a fall semester class and taught by Mary Flanagan, costs \$65.50. It is open to juniors and seniors in high school and adults and will meet at the WPHS track, 9-10 a.m. Register for this one, college credit-transferable course online at www.gbcnv.edu or at the college. The college is open for registration 7 a.m.-5 p.m., weekdays

Kids' College includes body conditioning for younger students and will also be held on Saturdays, June 13-Oct. 3. Ages 11-15 will meet 10-11 a.m. at the WPHS track and ages 10 will meet 2-3 p.m. at the McGill Ball Park. The courses are also taught by Flanagan, cost \$10 per student, and have limited enrollment. Parents need to register their children in person and sign a release form at the Ely Campus 2115 Bobcat Dr. Payment can be made check, money order, credit or debit card. Participants for all classes must be registered and bring water, hat, gym shoes, and sunscreen. For more information, call the Ely Campus 289-3589.

GBC Regional Meeting

7-8-09



Great Basin College Regional Directors meet quarterly to organize class schedules and plan college programs in their respective communities. Finishing up the fall distance education schedule are Lisa Campbell (Winnemucca), Mary Swetich (Ely), Bob Hannu (GBC Interactive Video Coordinator), Charlene Mitchel (Battie Mountain), and Bill Verbeck (Pahrump). They work as a team to offer a variety of courses to fill degree requirements for associate and bachelor degrees. The fall schedule has now gone to print and should be in homes after July 9 but is available on the college website at www.gbcnv.edu. Fall semester begins Aug. 29, and academic advising is available by calling 289-3589. Those in need of financial assistance can call the Ely Campus to make an appointment to meet with financial aid counselors Aug. 3-4.

GBC to help with child care

6-17-09

Great Basin College Foundation has established a program to benefit students with child care requirements enrolled at each of the institution's campuses across rural Nevada. Qualified students will be awarded \$750 per semester for child care, with an additional \$250 if there is more than one child to be cared for. Applications for the assistance are now being taken. The deadline for applications is June 30, 2009. The awards will be announced on July 15. To be eligible for the assistance, students must be "Pell Grant Eligible" and be enrolled in at least 9 credits of course work. Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA in order for the award to continue into the spring semester. Once assistance has been awarded to the student, the student must submit proof of child care expenses. Child care providers must meet IRS

requirements for being a qualified provider. Applications are available online at www.gbcnv.edu. Scroll down to the "Announcements" portion of the homepage, and look for the GBC Foundation Student Childcare Assistance Fund Application link. Or, call the GBC Student Financial Services Office at 775.753.2399. Great Basin College is a member institution of the Nevada System of Higher Education and is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. For 40 years GBC has provided opportunities in higher education for rural Nevadans. GBC awards Certificates of Achievement, Associate and select Baccalaureate degrees using a variety of instructional methods.

Career Fair April 8 at Elko GBC

3-25-09
Great Basin College will sponsor the 2009 Career Opportunity Fair from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 8, in the Electrical & Industrial Technology Building on the Elko campus.

Fifty employers from Federal, State, mining, retail, and educational agencies. Among the organizations that have committed to the event are Barrick Gold of North America, Highland Manor, Newmont Mining, Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Renown Health and many others.

The event is free and open to the public. For information, contact Keitha Donovan at (775) 753-2180.

GBC preparing for Fall

4-8-09
Spring has sprung in northeastern Nevada, but fall is in the air at Great Basin College. Student can now register for Fall 2009 courses on line or at campuses throughout GBC's rural service area. According to Julie Byrnes, GBC's Director of Enrollment Management, the process is simple.

"Students can register a couple of different ways," Byrnes said. "The simplest way is to log on to our website at www.gbcnv.edu and follow the easy steps to register online. Or, students may stop by campuses and centers in Battle Mountain, Elko, Ely, Pahrump or Winnemucca."

Advisors at each campus site can assist with registration. "Our advisors can assist students who are just beginning their education, those who are continuing their education, or thinking about launching a new career.

Byrnes said that the advisors provide a valuable service to students. "They will help you to establish a program of study, choose your first classes and find money for your education. They're very thoughtful and will put you on the right track," she said.

Once a student is enrolled, advisors can help students look further into the jobs and career

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Yoga Classes at GBC

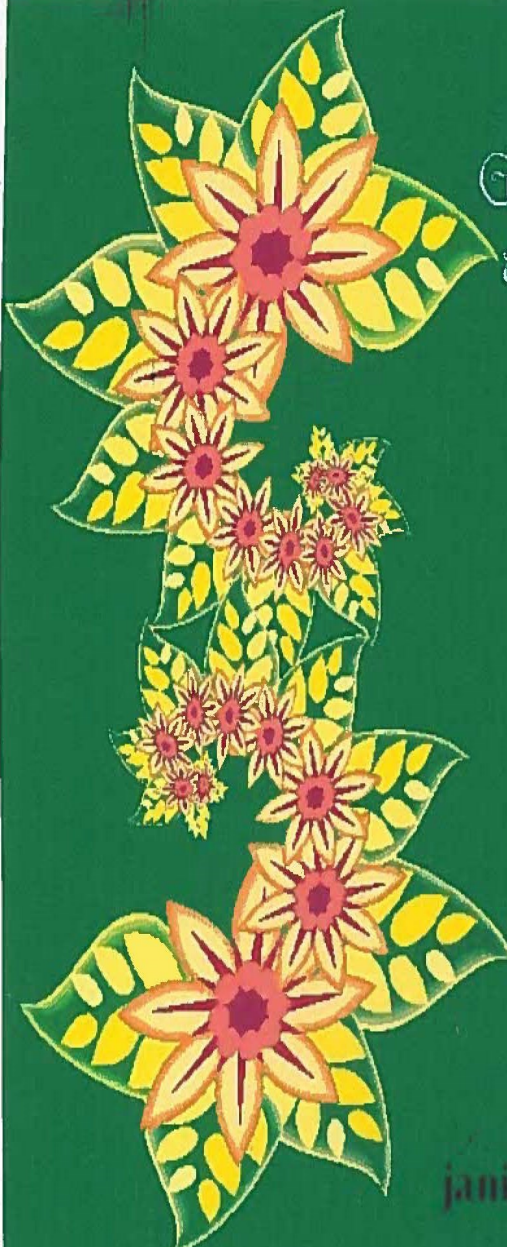


Instructor Mary Flanagan, left, leads some members of the Great Basin College yoga class in a Warrior II pose. The class has been meeting on Saturday mornings and ends each session with a foot massage from Flanagan, a licensed massage therapist. A body sculpting class scheduled for May 4-June 24 will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays, 5-6 a.m. Students will need 5-pound weights. Future exercise classes include yoga in the fall semester and possibly a summer boot camp, depending upon requests. GBC's late spring and summer schedule is available at the campus at 2115 Bobcat Dr., or call 289-3589 for more information.

opportunities then students may present. "The financial challenges of going to school don't stop after you've started, either, and advisors can help you work with the financial aid office to find ways to finance your education."

Whether a student decides to study full-time or part-time, the college offers several options for study. Students can study in the traditional classroom or engage in one of the college's state of the art online distance learning technologies. Studying online gives a student a considerable amount of flexibility. Evening and weekend classes are also available, as well as "compressed courses" that allow students to complete requirements in just a few weeks. Call (775) 289-3589 for more information.

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Garry Heberer, John Pryor,
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Friday, September 19, 2008

5-7 p.m.

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Please RSVP to Janie at 753.2187 or
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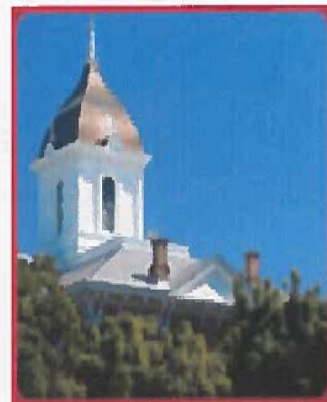


Farewell, Start!



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**Good Luck Celebration
Wednesday, November 12, 2008
Solarium
2:00 to 4:00 p.m.**



GBC prof to present 'The Turbulent '60s'

ELKO — Great Basin College professor Dr. Squy Wallace will present "The Turbulent 60s and the Nuclear Threat" 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Northeastern Nevada Museum.

The Veterans Day presentation will include voice recordings of John F. Kennedy and his strategy discussion about the

Russian medium range missiles in Cuba, recordings of Lyndon Johnson and Martin Luther King Jr. discussing the civil rights movement and other key points in the 1960s.

In the 1960s, Wallace served in the Air Force. He now teaches interactive video and online U.S. history and business courses at GBC.

11-5-08

Giving all he has

Blood drive organizer Cavanaugh honored

ELKO — Great Basin College blood drive coordinator Norm Cavanaugh has been honored by United Blood Services.

The award was presented earlier this month on behalf of his organization having the most consistent drive in terms of units collected in Elko County. Each collection site is given a projected number to pull in by United Blood Services. Cavanaugh and his volunteers have always reached or surpassed this goal at the semi-annual blood drive held in the school gymnasium.

"I attribute our success to the people who come to GBC on a repeated basis," said Cavanaugh. "We have a large number of faculty and students who always donate."

Cavanaugh relies on local media to help promote the drive and mentioned special help and thanks to KENV and Ruby Mountain Broadcasting.

"I also have always gotten the college's student government involved since I started working here. The stu-



Cynthia Delaney/Free Press Correspondent

Norm Cavanaugh was recognized by United Blood Services for his successful recruitment of donors.

dents go on television and it helps to appeal to other young people to donate."

The next blood drive

at Great Basin College will be March 20. For information call Cavanaugh at 753-2113.

By Cynthia Delaney

11-29-08

Congratulations!

From teacher to student

12-20-08

Murphy's Diesel becomes Neff's

By MARIANNE KOBAK
Free Press Business Editor

ELKO — An Elko man — along with his two brothers — is continuing the business started by his mentor.

Jeremy Neff and his brothers Luke and Jason recently bought Murphy's Diesel & Electric from Jeremy's former teacher and boss Bret Murphy.

Murphy and his wife, Kathy, have owned the business since 1990.

He said they had the business up for sale for about a year before he called Jeremy to see if he wanted to purchase the diesel shop.

Jeremy said he jumped at the idea because he was "tired of working for other people."

Despite the purchase, Murphy will stay connected to the business as a consultant. Murphy said he liked the arrangement.

"Jeremy was one of my students, then one of my employees and now he's my boss," he said.

Murphy was a full-time instructor at Great Basin College in the diesel technology program. Jeremy graduated from the program in 2004 and worked for Murphy as a diesel tech for a couple of years.



Marianne Kobak/Elko Daily Free Press

Murphy's Diesel & Electrical changes to Neff's Diesel Repair and Performance. From left are Luke and Jeremy Neff and Kathy and Bret Murphy.

Jeremy's brothers also are GBC graduates. Luke graduated in 1999 from the diesel technology program and Jason graduated in 2004 from the welding program.

Jeremy said he became interested in diesel technology from growing up on a ranch. He said he had been "tinkering" with diesel equipment for years before college.

Neff's Diesel
5241 Manzanita Drive
Hours: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Monday - Friday

The business, now called Neff's Diesel Repair and Performance, will continue as a full service repair shop, specializing in Dodge Cummins, Ford Powerstroke and GM Duramax. The Neffs will

continue to use up-to-date computer diagnostic tools to scan and repair most diesel trucks. The business is also a NAPA Truck Service Center.

"We'll service pretty much anything," Jeremy said about the business. "We work on trucks, tractors and diesel pickups. Hopefully, we'll expand a little on performance items for diesel trucks."



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Saturday, January 31st, 10 am – 6 pm

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Saturday, January 31st, 11 am

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Thursday, January 29th, 6:00 pm
Friday, January 30th, 8:30 pm
Saturday, January 31st, 6:00 pm

For more information:
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*YBC Adjunct
Faculty*

Golden Girl

3-3-09

Dorothy Gallagher honored for support of mining education

By ADELLA HARDING
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Longtime Elko resident and System of Higher Education Regent Dorothy Gallagher now has a gold medallion from the Mining and Metallurgical Society of America in recognition of her support of mining education.

The society made the presentation to her at a recent dinner in Denver.

"I certainly was surprised," Gallagher said. "I've never been so non-plussed in my entire life."

Gallagher said the ceremony was "a beautiful thing."

The society honored Gallagher for her efforts while on the Board of Regents to promote vocational training programs to meet mining industry demand, and for her support of mining courses at the university level.

The society has only presented the prestigious award 31 times in 101 years, and Gallagher said she believes she is the first woman to receive the medal alone.

Former President Herbert Hoover and his wife Lou took the first honors in 1914, according to Ken Brunk, senior vice president for Romarco Minerals Inc., who explained the award at the dinner.

"During her 27 years on the Board of Regents, Dorothy has worked tirelessly to ensure that the minerals industry in Nevada received strong support from the universities and community colleges," said Mary Korpi, director of external relations for Newmont Mining Corp. and a member of the society.

She introduced Gallagher at the dinner.

"During the mid-to-late 1980s, the growth of mining in northeastern Nevada placed a heavy demand for skilled craftsmen," Korpi said, ex-



Adella Harding/Elko Daily Free Press

Regent Dorothy Gallagher of Elko displays a 5-ounce gold medallion she received from the Mining and Metallurgical Society of America in recognition of her support of mining education.

plaining that Gallagher "cut through these skills to mining operations the bureaucratic red tape" to get around the world. Twenty years later, the programs still function well and

"Thousands of tradespeople have benefited from this training and taken

See GALLAGHER, A3

blazed the trail for women in Nevada and across the Western region. It is doubtful if that was ever her intended purpose, but as a result of her work, she is clearly a role model for many of us today," Korpi said in a copy of the speech she gave at the dinner late last month.

Along with her many years as a regent, Gallagher served 10 years on the board of the Rocky Mountain Health Care Corp., 10 years on the Security Pacific Bank board and was an adviser to Northeastern Nevada Regional Hospital.

the school faced rough times, including a move in 2002 to shut down the school.

"Immediately recognizing the seriousness of the problem, Hurricane Dorothy mobilized a group of alumni and executives from the mining industry into what came to be known as the Mackay working group," Korpi said.

The school is now called the Mackay School of Earth Science and Engineering, and enrollment is increasing, she said.

"On a personal note, Dorothy has

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are an example of how education, the mining industry and local communities can collaborate for mutual benefit," Korpi said.

She said Gallagher also pushed for master's degree programs that students could earn through community colleges, and she worked to see Great Basin College offer four-year degrees.

Korpi said Gallagher also "lent her powerful voice" to the preservation of the University of Nevada, Reno, Mackay School of Mines when



This is the entrance to Lucina's office. Carmen gave her this sign and Lucina says she means it! Ha, Ha, Ha or LOL



The building's conference room.



This is the spectacular office of Lucina Lewis. And yes, she is hiding behind her computer. I understand she is quite shy.



They are spoiled. They have a copier and a microwave!



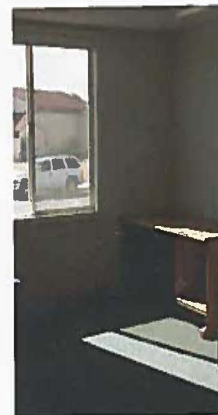
Lucina is on a very important phone call looking towards her window. Loves having a window.



Lynnette says this is another room for filing cabinets.



I'm heading down to the Security Offices. See the beautiful peach colored fire system.



This is Meachello's office. They are still moving.

Famed eagle doing well at local facility

By JARED DuBACH
Free Press Staff Writer

4-4-09

SPRING CREEK — The German countess sat pensively in her room as the door creaked open and her caregiver told two strangers of the majestic lady's traumatic ordeal, capped with a glimmer of hope for her future.

The countess, of course, is Fraulein, a female golden eagle who survived going through the windshield of a Freightliner tractor-trailer March 2 on Interstate 80. Her left eye had swollen and some of her wing bones had small fractures. The eagle's survival of the accident made national headlines.

Jo Dean, who is Fraulein's caregiver, said the wraps on the eagle's wings have recently been removed since the fractures have healed and the swelling of her left eye has gone down. Dean and her husband, Lance, named the eagle as a play on Freightliner.

Overall, the eagle's prognosis is good. In a few weeks, she will be put in a flight cage and after a few months in there when she's demonstrated an ability to fly, she will be released. Raptors who aren't able to fly are placed with individuals or places such as zoos that can care for them properly.

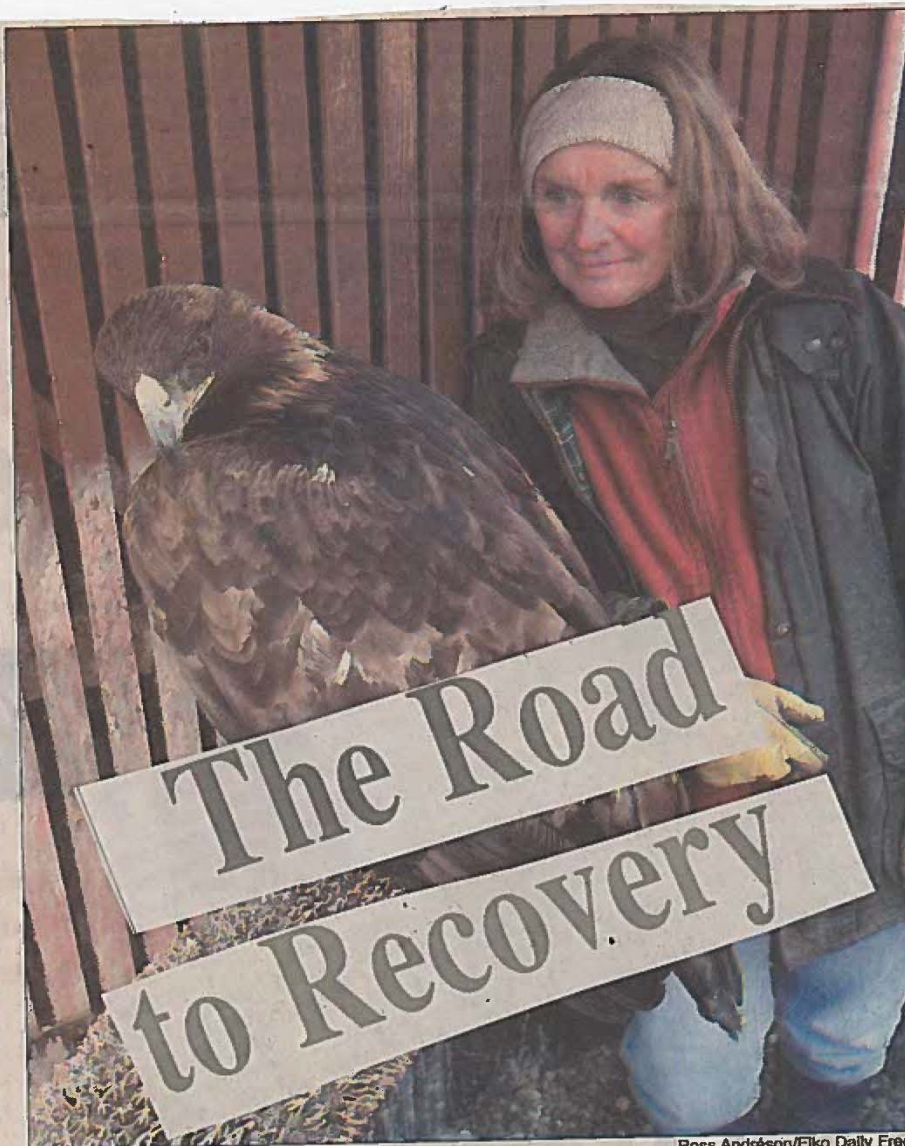
Dean, who started working with injured raptors — birds of prey — 19 years ago at the Northeastern Nevada Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, said an eagle can eat about 250 jackrabbits a year. Dean can serve up about 2,000 pounds of gophers a year to the birds in her care. Indeed, she has entire freezers dedicated to donated jackrabbits and pocket gophers from concerned area residents. She also works with Joe Doucette and Pete Bradley of the Nevada Department of Wildlife.

"I've had a lot of support from the public," Dean said.

Dean said she got involved after working with HawkWatch, a group dedicated to studying raptors on their migratory routes with one locale in the Goshute Mountains near Wendover. Dean said she noticed a lack of rehab facilities in this part of Nevada and wanted to do something about that. She has a medical background, obtained all the necessary licenses and everything fell into place. Dean cares for about 45 raptors a year on average.

Currently she is caring for Fraulein and another golden eagle. She also has an immature bald eagle who will likely never fly due to extensive wing damage, as well as a prairie falcon and three great horned owls.

Fraulein's prognosis for release is strong at this point, as is the other



Ross Andréson/Elko Daily Free

This female eagle keeps a watchful eye on the photographer Monday while it is recovering from an accident with a semi truck at Northeastern Nevada Wildlife Rehabilitation Center in Spring Creek operated by Jo Dean at right. The accident with a semi occurred March 2 on Interstate 80 near Wells.

golden eagle in the flight cage. Dean said she had to hand feed that eagle because it was so weak from having West Nile virus. Not many raptors survive the disease, but this one did die in no small part to Dean's constant care.

Dean said raptors often get hit on roadways when they're on the site of road kill. Sometimes the birds try to face off the vehicle since they don't have many natural predators, and sometimes they try to take off from a site, but are laden down with meat, and have a hard enough time as it is taking off from a fixed spot.

Another major enemy for raptors is exposed power lines. Dean said a new or increased method of running power lines by NVEnergy is leaving many exposed areas, and an increasing number of raptors are being electrocuted. Recently, Dean was brought a hawk which a line worker saw hit the line, burst into flames and shoot to the

ground. Once on the ground, the hawk started to run off through the sagebrush. The hawk was brought to Dean but its feathers were completely burnt and its legs had been fried. It had to be euthanized.

Dean sometimes questions whether the work she and others do has great value since the raptor's fate is often unknown after release. It's also unknown what the rate of successful breeding is after undergoing such a traumatic ordeal.

If nothing else, the bird is given a second chance at life and those that no longer fly help educate the public about those of their species that can't.

The rehabilitation center is a nonprofit entity, and it functions on the generosity of the public and through Dean's own resources. Anyone interested in learning more about her facility or how to help can call her at 753-6657.



This is Irma's office. Nice Irma!



Security desks. They guys are out protecting us! Thank you!



Pat happily discussing business with Russ Hammons.



Pat very seriously telling Russ what a great job his crew and he did on their building.

I must say, it is very nice!

Good job B&G!

FINANCIAL AID

Mines, GBC cover lost scholarships

By JOHN SENTS
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Another light at the end of the tunnel will be provided to some former Jerritt Canyon Mine employees after Newmont Mining Corp., Barrick Gold and Great Basin College agreed to fund \$15,000 worth of scholarships for GBC students who lost them after the mine closed.

Many of these former employees were surprised to find shortly before the fall semester that Yukon-Nevada scholarships, both personal and for their dependents, had also disappeared.

The contribution from the mining companies and the college will cover 15 of the affected students attending GBC this semester.

The effort came about when GBC officials contacted Barrick and Newmont after they were notified the scholarships had been lost. "Without blinking an eye," the companies agreed to step up for the effort, said John Patrick Rice, GBC director of Institutional Advancement.

"We had students stop in at 8:30 in the morning and by 4 in the afternoon we had \$15,000," he said. "(The students) had the rug pulled out from under them like 10 days before school started. Our commitment was that this not change their mind so they would not go to school."

GBC is essentially "matching" the mines' contribution with \$7,500 it raised from its foundation accounts.

Newmont Director of External Relations Mary Korpi gave credit to Rice for his efforts.

"John is really the one that made this happen," Korpi said. "When he realized some GBC students didn't get their scholarships from Yukon-



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Barrick Gold of North America community representative Katie Neddenreip, GBC Foundation scholarship coordinator Patty Jones and Newmont Mining Company external relations representative Lisa Hoffman announce the mining companies and college will fund tuition for GBC students this semester who lost Yukon-Nevada scholarships.

Nevada he contacted us and Barrick. He deserves all the credit."

The scholarships will help full-time students pay most of their college expenses. Students taking 12 to 15 credits at GBC pay roughly \$750 to \$1,000 a semester in tuition, plus the cost of books, Rice said.

He said college officials provided students at other schools who lost Yukon-Nevada scholarships with information on foundations and financial aid offices at other schools.

Moreover, many former Yukon-Nevada employees who landed jobs at Barrick may take advantage of the scholarship opportunities it

extends to employees and their dependents.

Barrick has hired approximately 180 former Yukon-Nevada employees as of last Wednesday, not including those in the recruiting process, while Newmont had filled roughly 50 vacancies with those workers. Both companies, as well as mining operators throughout North America, continue to be in desperate need for workers.

Four hundred Yukon-Nevada employees were laid off from the Jerritt Canyon Mine in August.

Free Press associate editor Doug McMurdo contributed to this report.

GBC/Suzie Creek Arabians scholarship show

By MARY BRANSCOMB
Free Press Correspondent

ELKO — In 1997, Great Basin College with Pat Warren as head of continuing education and Sue Dixon, owner of Suzie Creek Arabians, together staged the first Scholarship Show held in the Suzie Creek arena at Maggie Creek Ranch aiming to give some show experience to children planning to enter the annual Elko County Fair's Stock Horse events; and to encourage, with scholarships, ranch and livestock-oriented youth who want to go on with their educations.

Last year the show had to be canceled because a wildfire engulfed Maggie Creek Ranch and destroyed several buildings at Suzie Creek Arabians.

Nevertheless, in 2007, the scholarships were awarded to students who were afoot but who competed in interviews.

Every year about \$1,000 in scholarships or bonds is given to five places in each class except for the Pee Wee Rodeo and the Buckaroo Bay revolving trophy, which is given to the high point reining horse.

Some of the competitors in this event have gone on to be a dentist, a dental hygienist; a dental assistant and several are teachers.

This year there were 26 entries in the show that includes reined work and herd work, a separate cutting class and Peewee classes for children 9 and under. In all cases the judge critiques each person's performance as soon as

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he or she rides out of the ring to help them prepare for their Fair competitions. Judges in the past have included Blenda Lewis, Dave Glaser, Brad Bowlen and Chad Alexander. This year's repeat judge was Paul Barnes of Minden. The cattle are provided by Maggie Creek Ranch and the needed help as herd holders and turn back riders comes in the form of parents and grandparents. Lunch is made available by the Elko Rodeo Club.

Matt Barnes of Jiggs on his

horse Teddy won the Buckaroo Bay revolving trophy given in memory of the Dixons' national champion reining Arabian stallion.

Casey Barton on I'm A Lucky OP won the cutting. Stephanie Barton of Spring Creek on Fritz was second. Sheena Hansen of Spring Creek on Peppy Mar J was third and Rachel Wines on Josy Rocky was fourth.

Sara Morrison of Ruby Valley on Blue won the College-age Working Cow Horse Class. Stephanie Barton was second. Third was split between Kelsea Krenka of Ruby on Dear Dessa Doc and Amelia Spratling of Starr Valley on Coyote.

Ryan Gallagher of Lamoille riding Slick won the senior working cow horse class. Jessi

Vega of Wells on John Wayne was second. Shyanne Row of Elko on Bell was third and Telden McClain of Tuscarora on Angelo was fourth.

Ricky Barnes of Jiggs on Lady Cash and Patrick Wines of Starr Valley on Lonesome split first place in the junior working cow horse class. Third went to Dally Goemmer on Panther and fourth went to Matt Barnes on Teddy. Rachel Wines was fifth on Josy Rocky.

Dally Goemmer was the Pee Wee Rodeo All Around Cowgirl. The 9 and under event included dummy roping, stick horse barrels and a boot race.

This year the show was managed by Angie DeBraga, new head of continuing education at GBC.

9-12-08

FITNESS CENTER



New GBC Fitness Center Fall 08 Hours

Monday 8:00a.m-9:00p.m

Tuesday 6:30a.m-9:00p.m

Wednesday 8:00a.m-9:00p.m

Thursday 6:30a.m-9:00p.m

Friday 8:00a.m-7:00p.m

**Closed Saturday(except for Kettlebell Class)
& Sunday**

It is policy of the GBC Fitness Center to close one-half hour before posted closing time if the gym and weight room are empty. Phone # 753-2113

From: Norm Cavanaugh
To: GBC-CLASSIFIED; GBC-ELKO; GBC-FACULTY
Date: 11/4/2008 3:04 PM
Subject: Basketball Challenge

Gretchen Skivington has suggested a "Basketball Challenge" for all, however, those that are 50 plus mature individuals will have a slight advantage in playing a co-ed three on three basketball game every Fridays beginning Nov. 14 through Dec. 12, 2008. Practice shooting begins at 2:00pm and all games begin at 2:15pm.

The rules are simple:

1. If you have 2 members on your team that are younger than 50, it is mandatory that your team will spot the MATURE TEAM 4 POINTS...**ALL GAMES PLAYED TO 10 POINTS, half-court** (this is so that we can get in as many games as possible and that the mature individuals maintain enough energy to play a 2nd game).
- 2.. Show up with tennis shoes or dust off those converse from years of being stored since you last wore them in high school or college.
3. Shorts or sweats, If you can find those knee pads from your earlier era when they were the most popular part of basketball attire, it may be a good idea to wear them, so if you should fall down on the floor(God forbid), it will prevent a floor burn, if you have extra it may come in handy to wear on the elbows as well.
4. T-shirt with the sleeves cut-off to show off your tattoo on your once muscular arm that may now be somewhat indistinguishable, for both men and women.
5. Real leather basketball if you still have one stored in your closet, please dust off and we do have a pump at the Fitness Center to inflate it properly.
6. A defibillator has been specially ordered, just in case.
7. The EMS office has been contacted for use of an oxygen bottle for those individuals that have developed allergies due to a wild lifestyle of smoking, "nothing but the best-unfiltered cigarettes" during their youth.
8. Keep in mind, Fitness First and all is to **Change** you to become a lot more Healthier, Happier & yes, maybe wake up some of those muscles that having been lying dormant for all those years waiting for this opportunity to **SHINE!**
9. There will be no need for referees since we all know that Mature players have been watching professional basketball for years so that they will be able to immediately recognize a flagrant or unsportsman like foul which they will call themselves.
10. Bring a colleague or your spouse, I will be looking forward to seeing many of you on the 14th.)

disclaimer: all participants will be required to sign a liability waiver, available in the Fitness Center.



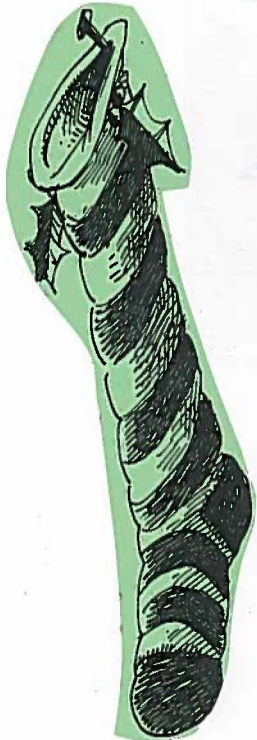


**Fitness Center will close at 5:00
P.M. December 12. Open
December 15-17, 1 p.m. -8 p.m.
and will re-open January 5, 2009
at 8:00 A.M.- 8:00 PM.**

**WE WISH YOU A
MERRY
CHRISTMAS & A
HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Remember to sign up for the Holiday
sampler

The Fitness Center Staff





Holiday Fitness Sampler 2009

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Special Topics:
Get Fit —
Yes, You Can!

Make that
New Year's resolution
a reality!

Monday-Friday:
12:00 p.m.-1:05 p.m.

January 5 through
January 24, 2009

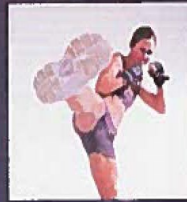
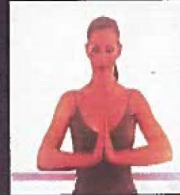
Any questions,
call the
Fitness Center,
753.2113

This class will feature various instructors teaching at the Fitness Center on the GBC campus in Elko. Here is an opportunity for students, faculty, anyone interested in sticking with their New Year's resolution for a healthy lifestyle and get fit! Check out the following classes and instructors, so you can decide if you would like to sign up for the entire Spring Semester.

REGISTER AT
WWW.GBCNV.EDU

Yoga Exercises (Monday) **Lisa Erickson, Instructor**

This class is intended to introduce yoga to students interested in the basics of yoga movement and correct poses. Proper alignment of the body structure that is beneficial for physiological, psychological, and mental alertness.



Kickboxing (Tuesday) **Michelle Smith, Instructor**

Outstanding cardiovascular, all-around physical work out, featuring the fine art of punching and kicking, very effective self defense activity to condition the entire body. A guaranteed fat burner!

Kettlebells (Wednesday) **Raul Lopez, Instructor**

Using kettlebell (weights) for fat burn, build your muscle, increase strength, stamina and endurance. This style of lifting is superb for a complete cardio workout. Excellent for physical body sculpting!

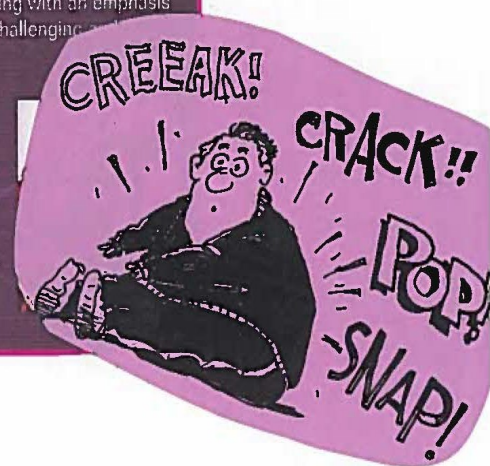


Body Conditioning and **Strength Training** **Aerobics (Thursday)** **Terri Covert, Instructor**

This is a great opportunity for participating in very effective body conditioning through aerobic fitness and strength training with an emphasis on the entire physique and cardio! Most challenging and satisfying work-out ever!

Pilates and Core **Strengthening (Friday)** **Jennifer Steigen, Instructor**

There will be a variety of exercises for flexibility and core (abs) strengthening. Excellent for stretching all of the muscles in your entire physique. Also, relaxation techniques to promote stress relief.



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People who donate blood three times a year are like gold. At about \$750 an ounce, that's serious value.

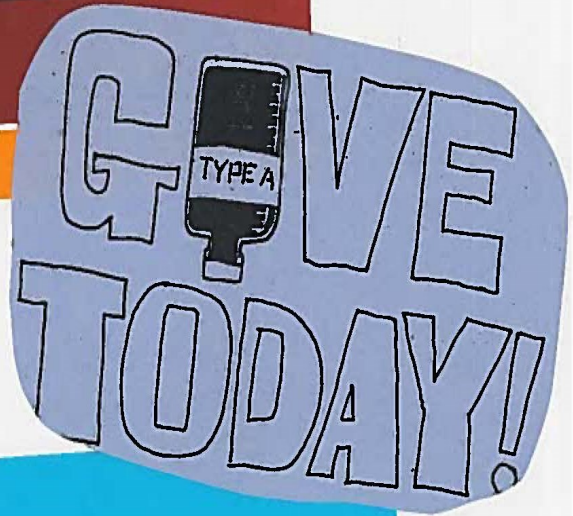
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Subject: Fwd: Calling All Heroes: Fast Facts About Blood Donation
Attachments: Calling All Heroes: Fast Facts About Blood Donatio

Early notice to inform you that the next **United Blood Services Drive will be held on March 20th in the Fitness Center.** Please let you family and friends know so that they can either call the Fitness Center(753-2113) to schedule an appointment or go on line to make an appointment. Your support is greatly appreciated:) **Be a hero!**

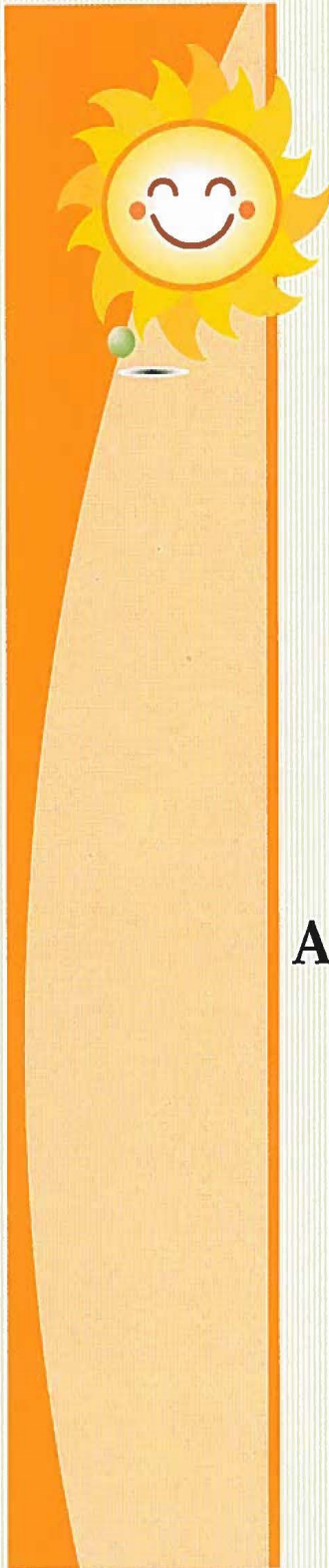
Happy
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**The Fitness Center
will be closed Saturday,
February 14 and Mon.**

February 16th



Have an awesome week-end - Fitness Center Staff



Summer Hours

June 1—June 19

7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

June 22—July 30

6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

August 3—August 21

7 a.m. to 7 p.m.



GBC Fitness Center

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FITNESS CENTER

PEX 134 E01 Beginning Rock Climbing

Tuesday, Thursday, 5:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
Instructor: Stodal, A.

PEX 143 E01 Karate

Monday, Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
Instructor: Rynearson, J.

PEX 170 E01 Belly Dancing

Tuesday, Thursday, 7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m.
Instructor: Packham, A.

PEX 172 E01 Body Contouring and Conditioning

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,
6:30 a.m.–7:30 a.m.
Instructor: Covert, T.

PEX 180 E01 Pilates

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,
7:35 a.m.–8:35 a.m.
Instructor: Covert, T.

PEX 180 E02 Pilates

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m.
Instructor: Covert, T.

PEX 180 E03 Pilates

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m.
Instructor: Stieger, J.

PEX 199 ES9 Open Workout

Instructor: Cavanaugh, N.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 753.2113.



2009

Barrick gives \$50K to GBC

10-24-08

Health sciences programs targeted for donation

ELKO — Barrick Gold North America has donated \$50,000 to the Foundation of the Health Sciences System of the Nevada System of Higher Education in support of Health Science Programs at Great Basin College.

Great Basin College Foundation Executive Director Dr. John Patrick Rice said the Foundation is deeply appreciative of the gift.

"Barrick's gift to support GBC's health science programs is testimony to their commitment to the whole community of rural Nevada. Their generosity will help fund the training of more students in GBC's allied health care programs. That means health care is strengthened for all of us."

Rice credits BeBe Adams, Barrick's manager



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Great Basin College recently received \$50,000 from Barrick. Marking the occasion were, from left, Lindsay Croft, Margaret Puccinelli, Dorothy Gallagher, Carl Diekhans, BeBe Adams, Maurizio Trevisan and John Pryor.

of government affairs, for the vision. Adams is a member of the GBC

Foundation board of trustees. She is also on Health Sciences System

Foundation board of trustees and was recently appointed its president.

"Barrick welcomes the opportunity to blend our support with Great Basin College with the University's efforts to enhance the Health Sciences System's programs here in Elko," Adams said.

Dr. Margaret Puccinelli, director of GBC's nursing programs, thanked Barrick for its generosity as well as supporters of the nursing program.

"Having an adequate number of health sciences faculty is critical if we are to sustain the programs we have worked so hard to grow and strengthen over the past several years. This is especially the case with our highly successful associate and baccalaureate degree nursing programs," Puccinelli said. "We are fortunate right now to have a full complement of well-qualified nursing faculty. This has permitted us to expand our enrollment capacity and in so doing, address the nursing shortage in our state."



Puccinelli said the gift will help support a nursing faculty position and comes at a time when health science educators are concerned about the level of future state funding for their programs.

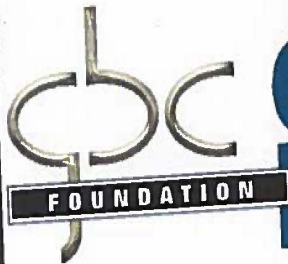
Great Basin College President Carl Diekhans also is pleased with the gift.

"The first goal of the Health Sciences System is to foster collaboration among all of the NSHE institutions. By directing this gift to Great Basin College Foundation, the Health Sciences System shows their commitment to that goal," he said.

"With this gift Barrick shows their commitment extends far beyond their own needs for training in areas that support the mining industry. This gift makes life better for everyone who lives in rural Nevada."

The Health Sciences System was established by the Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents in 2006 to address Nevada's community health issues. It is a statewide collaboration of higher education health science programs and educators, health care professionals and practitioners, business partners and community stakeholders committed to meeting the health and wellness needs of Nevada's adults, children and families. Its intention is to be the catalyst for health system change in Nevada by increasing and retaining the number of physicians, nurses and other health care professionals.

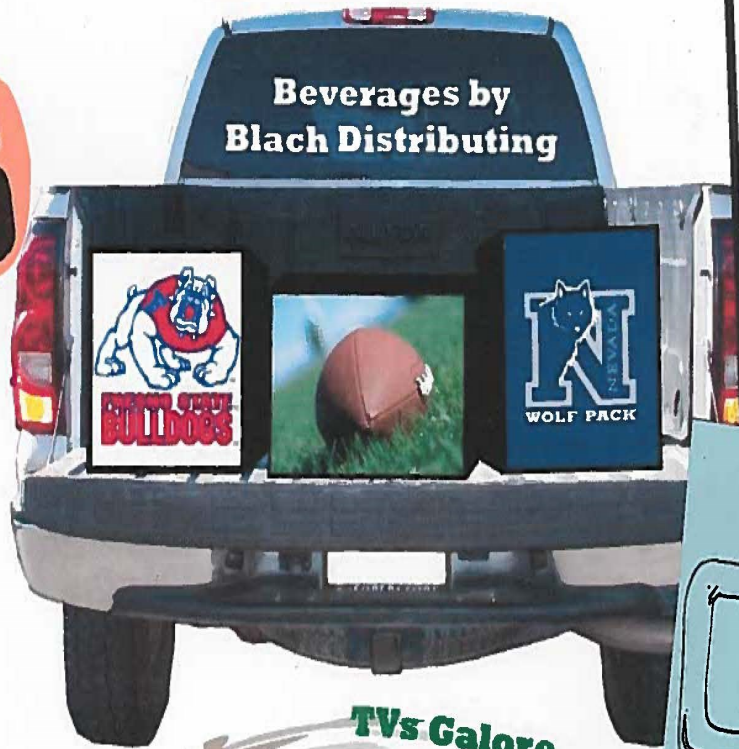
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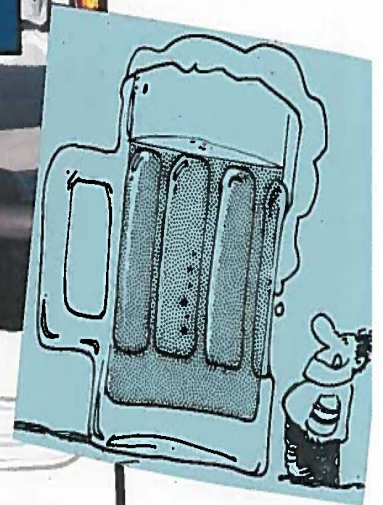
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Wells Fargo gives to GBC Foundation

Wells Fargo bank representatives Jim Kelley, center, and Kenneth Braaten, right, present a \$5,000 check to Patty Jones of the Great Basin College Foundation to go to the Student Child Care Assistance Fund at the Mark Dawson Child and Family Center on the college's Elko campus. Wells Fargo has supported the child care fund for six years and Jones said the college is extremely grateful for the bank's support.

Submitted

2-4-09



'A CHAMPAGNE NIGHT ON A BEER BUDGET'



John Sents/Elko Daily Free Press

Great Basin College staff, from left, Carolyn Trainor, Patty Jones, Squy Wallace and John Patrick Rice show some of the auction items available at the college's upcoming dinner and dance fundraiser event.

High class on a budget

GBC Foundation to host annual dinner-dance fundraiser

ELKO — Supporters of higher education in rural Nevada will have the opportunity to take part when the Great Basin College Foundation hosts an evening of music, food and fundraising at its annual dinner and dance event.

With the rough economic times, the foundation

themed the event "A Champagne Night on a Beer Budget." More than 120 tickets have already been sold for the popular event, which begins at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Elko Convention Center.

In addition to funds raised from the \$65 tickets, the event will feature an auction

with items such as jewelry from Blohm Jewel package with hotel stay tickets on the 50-yard for the University of N. Reno-Boise State Univ football game this fall; Nintendo Wii system v Wii Fit; a freezer pack with lamb; power tools "Taste of Elko" restaurant package; and more.

The event features music from the Joe Muscolino Band. For tickets or information call 753-2246.

A Champagne Night...



...on a BEER BUDGET

PLEASE JOIN
GREAT BASIN COLLEGE FOUNDATION

for our 2009 Annual Fundraiser

Saturday, February 28, 2009

Elko Convention Center



No-Host Cocktails and Silent Auction

6 p.m.

Fine Dining

7 p.m.

Catered by Café X

Spirit Sponsor: Blach Distributing

Followed by dancing with
The Joe Muscolino Band

\$65.00 per person

Photography available by Gene Russell



This evening's attire:

Your choice of

Casual or *Couture*



Decorate a table and win \$250 for your department!

In keeping with the flavor of this year's Dinner Dance, "A Champagne Night on a Beer Budget," we want to involve faculty, staff and student organizations in helping us decorate the 40+ dinner tables. We have come up with a contest we hope will involve each and every department and student organization. Here's how it is going to work....

-Pick out a theme for your table, something that captures the essence of your department. Then get very creative in designing a centerpiece with various odds and ends. To keep the contest fair, we ask that you spend no more than \$25 out of pocket, so pool your pennies together and get started on your plans. Also, remember there will be eight to ten people sitting at each table, so don't make your centerpiece too large.

-If your department is feeling extra energetic, you can do more than one table (still keeping with the \$25 per table limit).

-All campuses are encouraged to participate. Just layout your table, take a picture, then send the picture along with all the items boxed to the Foundation so we can set up for you on the day of the event.

-The night of the event all the attendees will vote for their favorite table and the department or group with the winning table will be awarded \$250 to be credited to your department/ group account at GBC.

For example: the Foundation might decorate their table with play money, gold candy coins, etc.; Mike McFarlane could use rocks, Steve Baker-a bouquet of bullets (just kidding). LET YOUR IMAGINATION RUN WILD!

The date of this year's event is Saturday, February 28.

Let us know you are participating via email to us prior to February 13.



Fall 2008

Great Basin College Foundation

A Word from the Director....

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In the summer of 2006,
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GRADUATION

GBC graduates four BSNs

2-13-09

ELKO — Great Basin College recently awarded Bachelors of Science in Nursing degrees to Phyllis Dean, Eric Szendry, Jill Connelly and Deborah Knotts.

All four students are registered nurses who began the bachelor's program in the fall of 2006 and completed eight upper division nursing courses and a variety of both lower and upper division course work over a five semester time frame. Because the majority of nursing courses and many of the non-nursing courses are offered via the internet, all four students completed course work requirements while



Connelly



Dean



Knotts



Szendry

working.

The Great Basin College BSN Program is accepting applications for Fall 2009 from Nevada licensed Registered Nurses who have graduated from a National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission accredited or State Board of Nursing approved associate degree program.

The application deadline

is 5 p.m. April 1. The BSN degree program has been approved by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities and the NLNAC.

To find out more about this program, visit GBC's Web site at www.gbenv.edu or contact its Health Sciences and Human Services Department at 753-2301.

GREAT BASIN COLLEGE

5-19

Student to graduate from high school, college at same time

ELKO — Soon-to-be Great Basin College graduate Mallary Paoli, 17, plans to become a guide dog mobility instructor once she receives a master's degree.

She may be able to accomplish that goal in just a few years, too, because she will receive two associate degrees Saturday from GBC, while also graduating from high school.

"I have trained guide dogs for nine years now," said Paoli, who is planning to attend Oregon State University to earn a bachelor's degree in animal science with an emphasis on animal behavior and bioethics.

She has been training the dogs as volunteers with Guide Dogs for the Blind, but she hopes the nonprofit organization will hire her to train guide dogs and the people who need the dogs after she completes her schooling.

"I will go for a master's at San Francisco State Univer-

sity in special education with an emphasis on guide dog mobility training," Paoli said.

The associate degrees to be conferred Saturday are in science and art. Her high school diploma is coming from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Independent Study High School, which provided online education.

Paoli said she started home-schooling her freshman year of high school so she could do extra math and science studies. She started taking classes at GBC at age 14, after passing her SAT tests. The Nebraska school accepted her GBC credits.

She said she still had opportunities to socialize with her high school peers, however. She took agriculture classes at Elko High School and was in EHS band classes for four years.

Paoli is the daughter of Mark and Margaret Paoli of Elko.

By Adella Harding



Mallary Paoli is pictured with her eye dogs that she trained during a presentation in 2007 at No. 10 Side School. She plans to begin working toward a master's degree and become a guide dog mobility instructor, after graduating this week from both high school and college.

Submitted

A Job Well Done!

GBC to graduate record number

By ADELLA HARDING
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Great Basin College will honor 304 students in a graduation ceremony at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Elko Convention Center, and "that's the most we've ever had," said GBC President Carl Diekhans.

The number of students is up from 296 students last year and the college is expecting an overflow crowd, so plans are under way for guests to view the ceremony via a live televised feed to two convention center banquet rooms.

Howard Rosenberg, an art profes-

sor at the University of Nevada, Reno, and a former state System of Higher Education Regent who served for 12 years, will be the commencement speaker. He served as a regent for 12 years.

The student body chose Rosenberg as the speaker, according to GBC spokesman John Rice.

Also at the ceremony, Regent



Rosenberg

Scholar Joshua Robbins of Elko be acknowledged for his academic achievement and leadership.

The Regents Scholar Award conferred by the Board of Regents and scholars are nominated by faculty, Rice said. The nomination process is rigorous, and the regents recommend the scholar to the regents. The award comes with a \$5,000 stipend.

Robbins will receive two degrees — associates in applied science, agriculture and science.

Regents Dorothy Gallagher,

See GRADUATION

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Knecht and James Dean Leavitt will attend the ceremony, Rice said, and members of the Great Basin College Advisory Board and Great Basin College Foundation trustees also plan to attend.

An honorary bachelor of arts degree will be awarded to Kim Miller, who has long been involved with the growth and success of the Great Basin College Foundation, Rice said. She was chairwoman for several years and helped the foundation raise several million dollars.

Among the projects completed during her tenure on the board were the Donald W. Reynolds Campus Enhancement Project, the Electrical and Industrial Technology Center and planning for

the community center remodeling project. Construction on the center, funded by the estate of Paul and Gwen Leonard, will begin this summer.

Cathy McAadoo will be honored with the college's Community Service Award. McAadoo is the executive director of Partners Allied for Community Excellence, or P.A.C.E. The organization partners with GBC student groups on projects throughout the year.

Graduating students will receive baccalaureate degrees, associate degrees or certificates of achievement.

The college will award 50 bachelor's degrees. Twenty-six students will receive a bachelor of arts degree, and 18 will receive a bachelor of applied sci-

ence, including the first four graduates in the land surveying and geomatics program. Four will receive a bachelor of science degree in nursing.

In the associate degree programs, 88 will be awarded associate of arts degrees, 24 will receive associate of science degrees, 16 will receive associate of general studies degrees, and 101 will get associate of applied science degrees.

One of these students, Mallary Paoli, 17, will receive two associate degrees and a high school diploma at the same time as a home-schooled student.

Two of the students are mother and daughter, who are both receiving associate nursing degrees. Kelli Leach and daughter Talia Phelps both live in

Spring Creek.

"I'm excited. It's quite a journey to go back to school," Leach said.

Also, two post baccalaureate certificates in education will be awarded, and 53 certificates of achievement in career and technical areas, according to Rice.

Eighteen degrees will be awarded to students from the GBC's Pahrump Valley Campus, 24 from Battle Mountain, 51 from Winnemucca and 13 from Ely.

Doors will open at the Convention Center at 8:45 a.m. Rice said that because of the large number of

graduates, the live, large-screen televised feed will be available in the center's Gold and Turquoise banquet rooms.

Each graduate will receive three general seating tickets for guests to attend inside the theater. Guests viewing the ceremony from the banquet rooms will not need tickets for admission. Video tapes of the ceremony will be available for purchase, as well.

Photographer Shari Kurtz will take individual and group photos of graduates beginning at 8:45 a.m.

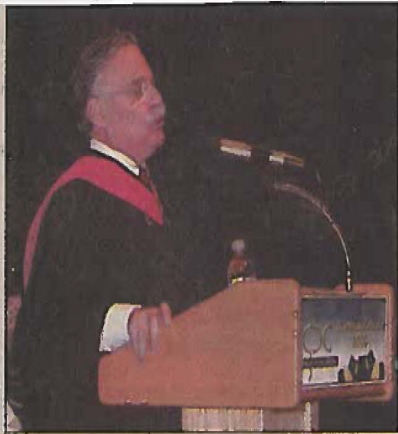
Great Basin College graduation Saturday

5-22-09

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The college is expecting a large crowd, and the overflow may view the ceremony via a live televised feed in two convention center banquet rooms.

Howard Rosenberg, an art professor at the University of Nevada, Reno, and a former state System of Higher Education Regent who served for 12 years, will be the commencement speaker. Regent Scholar Joshua Robbins of Elko will be acknowledged for his academic achievement and leadership, according to GBC President Carl Diekhans.



Jared DuBach/Elko Daily Free Press
University of Nevada, Reno, art professor and former regent Howard Rosenberg gives sage wisdom to the Great Basin College graduating class of 2009 during Saturday's commencement.

5-25-09

Graduates earn their diplomas

By JARED DuBACH
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Taking advantage of life's opportunities was a popular notion mentioned by two speakers to inspire the 304 graduates at Saturday's Great Basin College commencement ceremony.

With the Elko Convention Center's Lorena Moren

Theater at capacity and the side rooms fully seated as well, guest speaker Howard Rosenberg reminded graduates that when it comes down to brass tacks, everything they really needed to know in order to make it in this world they learned in kindergarten.

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Regent Dorothy Gallagher reminded the graduates that Great Basin College has given them tools, but those tools are useless if they're never

taken out of the toolbox. And when applying these tools, she said sometimes it's necessary to take calculated risks.

"Take risks," Gallagher said. "But choose well the

risks you decide to take." Gallagher offered another kernel of wisdom that has come with her years of not only being a regent, but also living life.

"Do something you're

happy with so you'll get up and go do it," Gallagher said. "As short as life is, it's very, very long if you choose to do something you don't love."

Rosenberg also noted

it's important to do what you love, and he said opportunity often knocks more than once.

"Opportunity doesn't just knock once," Rosenberg said. "It knocks all the time, but you have to listen. I have a problem with that because I like to talk."

But when one does answer the knock of opportunity, Rosenberg referred to the book, "All I Really Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten," and cited the following bits of advice when entering the workplace: Don't hit other people, don't place your head in a plastic bag, don't place anyone else's head in a plastic bag and never give yourself a haircut after drinking three Margaritas.

In a more serious tone, Rosenberg said most

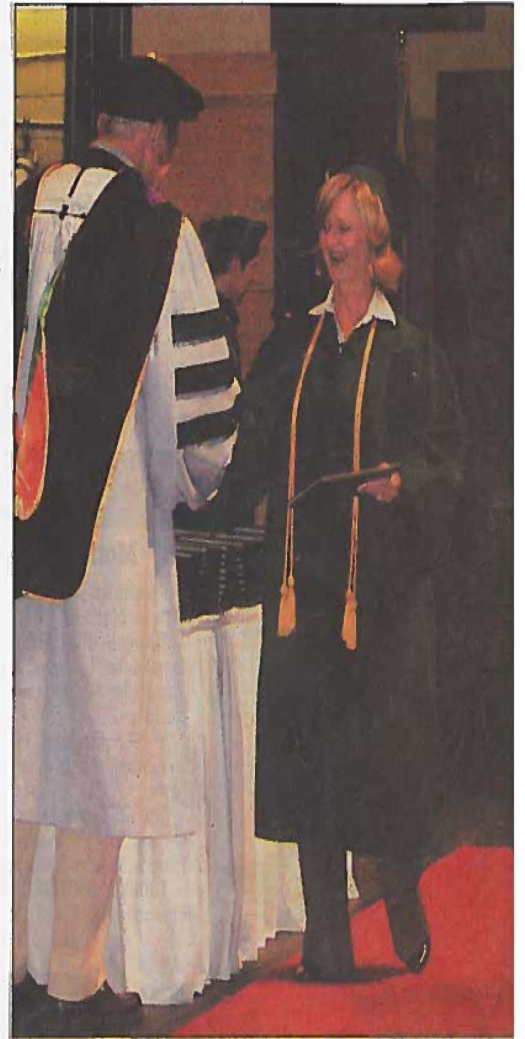
employers aren't interested in "helping you find yourself. Look in the mirror. There you are," he said.

Rosenberg also said common sense, although in short supply these days, is something that can serve a recent graduate well when "going out there." For instance, he cited consumer products that now have warning labels that common sense should take care of. A lawnmower has a warning label that instructs users not to remove the blade when it's in motion. A popular hair care product notes not to smoke until it has finished drying. But there is one thing that should come with a warning, and doesn't:

"All our political parties should be labeled, 'Warning: This product may contain nuts,'" he said to a massive applause.

Rosenberg quoted E.C. McKenzie: "At 20, I knew all the answers. At 74, I don't even know the questions." He then wrapped up with the George Burns quote: "You can't help getting older, but you don't have to get old."

"Don't let that happen to you, kids," Rosenberg said. "Find something you love and do it well."



Jared DuBach/Elko Daily Free Press
Stacie Lyn Gardner accepts her diploma for a bachelor of arts degree in secondary education. She is on the dean's list and graduated magna cum laude.

GREAT BASIN COLLEGE



COMMENCEMENT 2000



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The 2008-2009 Staff



David Ellysee, Kathy Chamberlain
Pat Lopez, Karen Dannel
Sonya Hand, Eric Walker, David Leahy



Weaving exhibit on display at GBC library

ELKO — A program celebrating the rich diversity of Nevada's traditional artists dubbed The Texture and Weave of Traditional Art is on display at the Great Basin College Library in McMullen Hall beginning Sept. 26.

The exhibit can be viewed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. on Saturdays through Nov. 7.

The artwork featured in the exhibit highlights traditional and ethnic visual arts created by artisans who live and work in Nevada. The work includes examples of Ukrainian decorated eggs, Peruvian embroidered textiles, beaded and willow baskets, rawhide and horsehair equine gear,

American Indian water jugs and silver and gold jewelry with classic Western images.

Curated by the Nevada Arts Council, The Texture and Weave of Traditional Art is part of the Nevada Touring Initiative, sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts.

The Texture and Weave of Traditional Art blends two strands of traditional art forms — pieces created by recent immigrants to Nevada whose work continues to reflect their home countries and artworks inspired by Nevada's historic residents including American Indians and members of ranching communities.

The exhibit celebrates the remarkable cultural variety and

diversity of Nevada's traditional artists and their communities. Basketry, horse gear and silver work introduce exhibit visitors to ancient traditions and intricate works that maintain cultural vitality. Ukrainian egg writing and Polish paper cutting pique the imagination with their detailed designs. Iranian miniature painting and Shipibo-Peruvian embroidery demonstrate that traditional arts of our more recent residents possess outstanding beauty and meaning.

Each piece in the "Texture and Weave of Traditional Art" is complemented by a description that illuminates the processes used to create the work.

For more information, contact Karen Dannehl at 753-2300.



Submitted

This piece by Mohammad Darehbaghi, dubbed Iranian Miniature Painting, will be part of the Nevada Arts Council's Traveling Exhibition Program.

9-19-08



*You are invited to attend the
Grand Opening Gala of
"The Texture and Weave
of Traditional Art"*

*Please join us for desserts & coffee
Thursday, September 25, 2008
from 7 o'clock until 9 o'clock p.m.*

*Great Basin College Library
1500 College Parkway
Elko, Nevada 89801*

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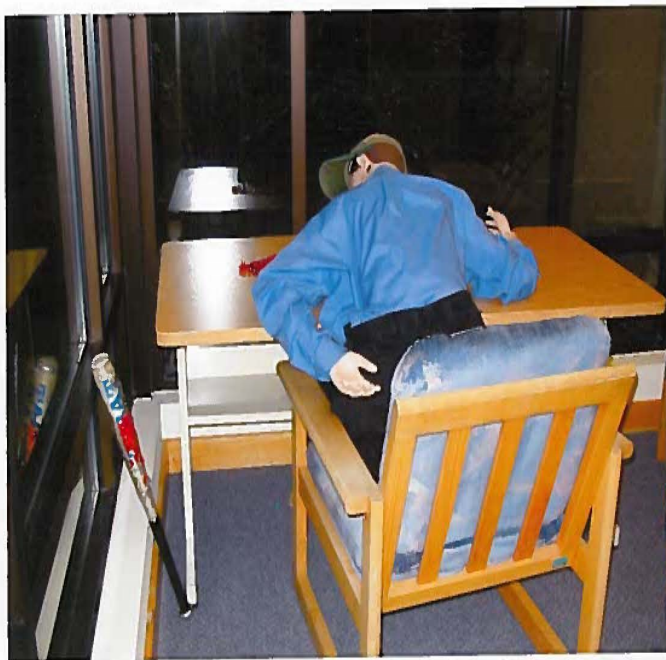
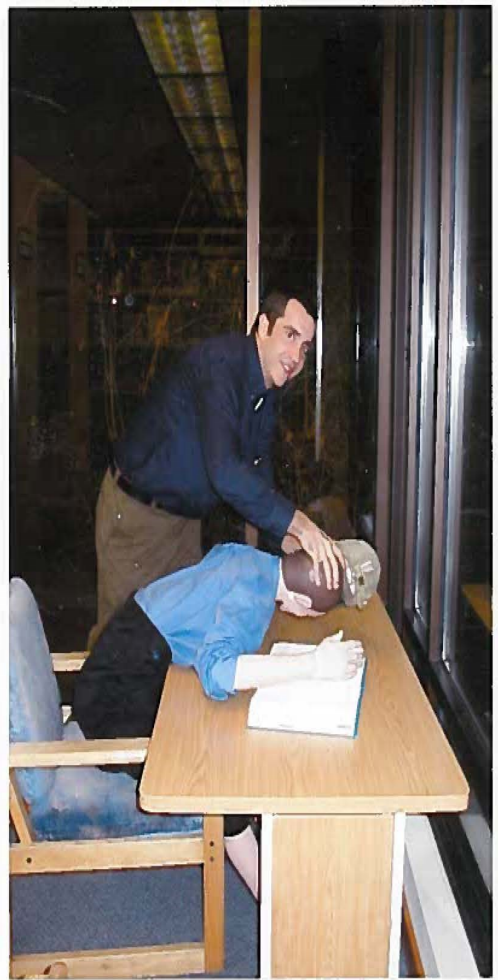
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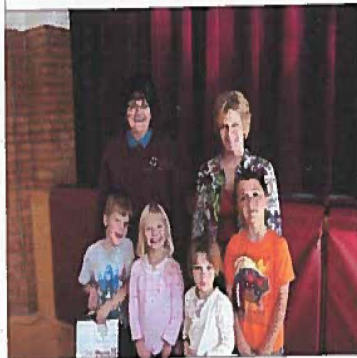
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Owyhee Combined Schools Red Ribbon Week poster contest winners
 Lyric Cota 3rd Place, Jade Roubideaux 2nd place and Mariah Gonzales 1st Place and Nancy Oster, Prevention Coordinator, P.A.C.E. Coalition.



Grammar School II Red Ribbon Week poster contest. The first place winners are pictured above:
 Back Row from Left to Right: Cathy McAdoo, Executive Director of P.A.C.E. Coalition, Nancy Oster, Prevention Coordinator, P.A.C.E. Coalition.
 Front Row from Left to Right: Johnny Spurlock, Kacey Rose, Anna Spurlock, Tristyn Herrera.



Julie Smith, Director of Student Life and SGA Student Advocate at Great Basin College is seen driving P.A.C.E. Coalition's DUI Simulator during Red Ribbon Week. Elko County Sheriff's Department Alcohol Enforcement Team member, Larry Robb instructs participants about the dangers and consequences of driving under the influence.

Local Events

Every year, P.A.C.E. Coalition celebrates Red Ribbon Week by partnering with Elko County schools, students, parents, businesses, law enforcement, community members and leaders to increase community awareness and encourage everyone to live a drug free lifestyle.

This year, P.A.C.E. Coalition partnered with Elko High School, Great Basin College, Spring Creek Middle School, Grammar School II, Owyhee Combined Schools, Southside Elementary School, Community Leaders Against Meth task force (C.L.A.M.), the Boys and Girls Club, Elko Assembly of God, and Mountain View Elementary School. Each group planned their own events ranging from poster contests, games and other activities to raise awareness among the students, parents and other community members of the importance of choosing a drug free lifestyle.

P.A.C.E. Coalition is always looking for opportunities to partner with and collaborate with community members, parents, students, business leaders and educators to help everyone in Elko County to make healthy lifestyle choices and promote a drug free community. **Our mission together is possible. Let's live in a drug free community!**

If you would like more information on how you can partner with P.A.C.E. Coalition, or if you would like to host an educational forum with P.A.C.E. Coalition using the DUI simulator please contact Cathy McAdoo, Executive Director of P.A.C.E. Coalition at 775-777-3451 or stop by 249 Third Street, Elko.

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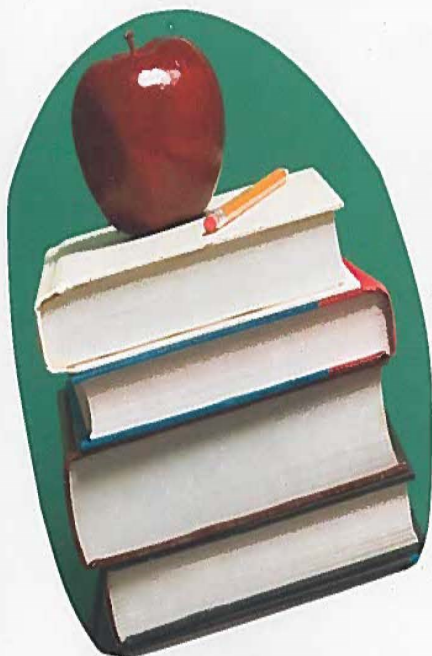
The Elko County Library recently received a \$12,000 donation from the Friends of the Elko County Library. The donation will be used to help fund collections, technology and the Nevada Regional Book Mobile. From left, Friends of the Elko County Library members David Ellefsen, Lisa Arkell, Carol Fertig, Donna White, Friends president Jana Thompkins, Elko County Library director Jeanette Hammons, Mildred Hart, Laura Oki and Eric Walsh.



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Good Morning Furniture gives fireplace to GBC

Books, coffee and pecan pies helped Great Basin College library staff raise funds for an electric fireplace. When Good Morning Furniture owners Glen and Casey Guttry heard about their efforts, they donated the fireplace. Pictured from left are GBC Library director David Ellefsen, Glen and Casey Guttry of Good Morning Furniture and Patty Jones, planned and annual giving manager of Great Basin College Foundation.



GBC holds book sale

ELKO — In celebration of National Library Week, the Great Basin College Library will hold its second annual book sale April 13-17.

The sale will run from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Proceeds will be used to purchase library materials for students and faculty.

In addition to books,

coffee and goodies will be available. Persons with books they would like to donate to the sale are welcome. Contact Kathy Chamberlain at the GBC Library, 753-2222.

The Great Basin College Library is located in McMullen Hall on the Elko Campus.

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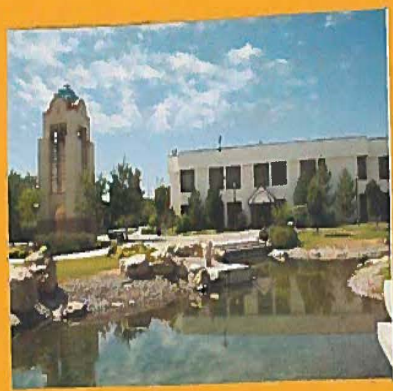


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23456	AIT 120	101	Basic Electrical for Technology	3.0	T, Th 7:30-8:45 a.m.
23484	ART 160	102	Art Appreciation	3.0	Th 7-9:45 p.m.
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23464	BUS 110B	101	Human Relations for Employment	3.0	T, Th 5:30-6:45 p.m.
24696	BUS 273	102	Business Law I	3.0	M, W 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
23487	COT 060	102	Computer Basics	3.0	Sat 8-11 a.m.
23486	COT 062	103	Introduction to Word	3.0	Sat 8-11 a.m.
23485	COT 063	102	Introduction to Excel	.5	Sat 8-11 a.m.
24900	COT 064	102	Introduction to PowerPoint	3.0	Sat 8-11 a.m.
23455	COT 122	101	Medical Typing and Transcription	3.0	M, W 5:30-6:45p.m.
24695	COT 151	101	Introduction to Microsoft Word	3.0	T, Th 5:30-6:45 p.m.
23465	CONS 101	101	Building Construction I	3.0	M 7-9:45 p.m.
23467	CONS 102B	101	Blueprint Reading And Specifications	3.0	W 7-9:45 p.m.
24898	CRJ 104	101	Introduction to Administration of Justice	3.0	W 7-9:45 p.m.
23483	CRJ 106	101	Introduction to Corrections	3.0	T 7-9:45 p.m.
23474	ECON 103	101	Principles of Macroeconomics	3.0	W 7-9:45 p.m.
23458	ECON 104	101	Current Economic Issues	3.0	Th 7-9:45 p.m.
25520	EDU 214	101	Preparing Teachers to Use Technology	3.0	W 7-9:45 p.m.
23459	ENG 095	102	Basic Writing I	3.0	M, W 7:30-8:45 a.m.
23469	ENG 101	104	Composition I	3.0	M, W 7:30-8:45 a.m.
25521	ENG 101	105	Composition I	3.0	M, W 5:30-6:45 p.m.
23472	ENG 107	101	Technical Communications I	3.0	T, Th 5:30-6:45 p.m.
23478	ENV 100	102	Humans and the Environment	3.0	M 7-9:45 p.m.
23466	FIN 101	101	Personal Finance	3.0	T 7-9:45 p.m.
24897	HIST 101	102	U.S. History to 1877	3.0	T, Th 7:30-8:45 a.m.
23481	HMS 101	101	Introduction to Human Services	3.0	T, Th 7:30-8:45 a.m.
24899	HMS 200	101	Ethics in Human Services	3.0	M, W 7:30-8:45 a.m.
23457	IS 201	102	Computer Applications	3.0	T 7-9:45 p.m.
23460	MGT 103	101	Small Business Management	3.0	M, W 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
23461	MGT 201	101	Principles of Management	3.0	T, Th 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
23462	MKT 127	101	Introduction to Retailing	3.0	M, W 4-5:15 p.m.
23473	MKT 210	101	Marketing Principles	3.0	M 7-9:45 p.m.
24893	MATH 091	103	Basic Mathematics	3.0	T, Th 7:30-8:45 a.m.
23463	MATH 095	104	Elementary Algebra	3.0	M, W 5:30-6:45 p.m.
23470	MATH 095	105	Elementary Algebra	3.0	T, Th 7:30-8:45 a.m.
23477	MATH 116	101	Technical Mathematics I	3.0	M, W 5:30-6:45 p.m.
23482	MATH 120	102	Fundamentals of College Mathematics	3.0	M, W 5:30-6:45 p.m.
23468	MUS 101	101	Music Fundamentals	3.0	Th 7-9:45 p.m.
23454	OSH 102	101	Introduction to Industrial Hygiene	3.0	M, W 7:30-8:45 a.m.
23479	PHIL 102	101	Critical Thinking	3.0	T 7-9:45 p.m.
23476	PSC 103	102	Principles of American Constitutional Government	3.0	M, W 7:30-8:45 a.m.
25522	PSY 101	103	General Psychology	3.0	T 7-9:45 p.m.
23475	PSY 208	101	Psychology of Human Relations	3.0	Th 7-9:45 p.m.
23443	SOC 101	102	Principles of Sociology	3.0	W 7-9:45 p.m.



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Math refresher at Great Basin College

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The Great Basin College Academic Success Center's Math Refresher Workshop will take place August 4 through 8 and August 11 and 12, from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. The sessions will originate from GBC's High Tech Center, room 137 on the Elko campus. The workshops will also be broadcast using the college's interactive video distance education technology. Students in Battle Mountain, Ely, Pahrump and Winnemucca can attend the sessions at GBC campuses in those communities as well.

The workshops are free and no registration is required. The refreshers will help students prepare for the Accuplacer placement test, which determines in which college mathematics class a student may enroll.

According to Barbara Moss, GBC's Academic Success Center Director, students may attend as many of the sessions as they wish. "Whatever evenings they can come will be of benefit to them," she said.

For more information, contact Moss at 775-753-2144. Students in Pahrump can call, 727-2000.

Great Basin College is a member institution of the Nevada System of Higher Education and is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. For over 35 years GBC has provided opportunities in higher education for central and northeast Nevadans. GBC awards Certificates of Achievement, Associate and select Baccalaureate degrees using a variety of instructional methods.

10-22-08

Concerns abate over possible closing of local GBC campus

By MARK WAITE
PVT

Officials from the governor on down to the Great Basin College Pahrump administrator downplayed fears the local college campus could be closed by upcoming budget cuts in the 2009 state legislative session.

Jim Rogers, chancellor of the Nevada Board of Regents who has been very vocal in his criticism of the governor's proposed budget cuts, wrote a series of alarming memos outlining what may happen to the university and college system if 14.5 percent budget cuts were imposed on top of 4 percent cuts already made this past biennium.

A July 9 memo from Rogers to the board of regents addresses the Great Basin College system. It outlines two scenarios if the proposed

budget cuts requested by Gov. Jim Gibbons are enacted.

"The first scenario closes all branch and satellite centers and retains operation of only the main Elko campus. This would include shutting the branch campuses of Winnemucca, Ely and Pahrump, closing facilities at Battle Mountain and Wendover and closing the coordinated sites at 13 other locations," Rogers wrote.

The 13 coordinated sites include towns from McDermitt, Owyhee and Jackpot on the Idaho border to Tonopah, Gabbs, Beatty and Round Mountain.

"The people living in many of these small communities would then be hours of travel time from the nearest center for higher education. Enrollments from these areas would plummet, creating even more

gravity to budget cuts in the future from lost enrollment. The savings from this action would still not completely cover a 14.5 percent cut and further cuts would be necessary," Rogers wrote.

A second scenario would be to cut entire programs, using as an example the health sciences program that supplies nurses and health care specialists for 120,000 rural residents. Those cuts would be so great Great Basin College couldn't effectively exist and serve its educational mission, he wrote.

Rogers, contacted at home Monday, downplayed any fears the Pahrump Great Basin College campus could close.

"We've done 30 memos, one a week, and it describes in there exactly what the budget
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cuts would mean at the worst. It's really very premature to say something like that," Rogers said.

"I mean there's talk about doing all sorts of things but we're not even at the beginning of the stage of deciding what it's going to be. I wouldn't be worried at this point," he said. "There are problems out there, but we would let everybody know well in advance before that happened."

Carl Diekhans, president of Great Basin College, said, "I can't say they never would consider that. Our position at this time is not to close any centers."

Diekhans said closing the Pahrump campus wouldn't save much money. Originally called the High Tech Center,

the Pahrump Great Basin Campus was erected in front of Pahrump Valley High School in September 2001.

"I mean it wouldn't even be a drop in the bucket what we spend down there," he said from the college administration offices in Elko. "Plus there would be a reduction in our enrollments, which gives you another hit when you get your funding on your enrollments. So it's not a good idea."

"That would be the worst case possible scenario that could ever happen us," Diekhans said "It's not in our plans here. It doesn't mean somebody else won't try to get us to do something not in our college plans."

Diekhans said the rumors have been out there. Other schools have closed some

small education centers, he said.

"They could close part of the college system, they could close entire campuses. I hope it doesn't get that bad," Diekhans said.

Great Basin College has a lot of hopes for Pahrump being a major enrollment center, he said. College officials recently began leasing a shopping center on East Basin Avenue for \$10,000 per month to expand class offerings, though that's a three year lease renewable annually.

Pahrump Great Basin Campus Director Bill Verbeck said if state budget cuts exceed 14 percent "then that's really cutting into the bone marrow if you will."

Verbeck said he recently proposed a few classes to prepare applicants for the

proposed federal detention center based on recommendations by the Corrections Corporation of America human resources director. Then he mentioned the dual credit program with Pahrump Valley High School.

"We are definitely going to feel it in this valley," Verbeck said of the budget cuts. "It will have a ripple effect and certainly it will come down to this level."

Verbeck said he was concerned about morale problems and losing educators looking outside the state for employment. The Pahrump Great Basin college has three full-time faculty and a number of adjunct professors.

"Are we going to be able to continue with our 400-plus students in the valley? Those students are going to have to

go somewhere. If they can't continue here I suppose it will be over the hill," Verbeck said.

Gibbons, after a speech to the Pahrump Valley Chamber of Commerce Monday, said he doesn't control higher education, that's controlled by the board of regents and the chancellor. Gibbons said he only tells them the amount of dollars they will have to spend.

"I can make recommendations to them which did not include closing any community college. They have the choice to accept my recommendation or not. They have every choice as to how their budget is constructed," the governor said.

Budget reductions imposed on Nevada state higher education would be focused on the

two universities and the College of Southern Nevada, but Rogers said the impacts can't be limited just to schools suffering the largest dollar cuts.

Great Basin College has 3,200 students, or the equivalent of 1,650 full-time students, in a 62,000-square-mile service area, Rogers said. The Great Basin College system adapted to the 4.5 percent budget cuts by cutting operating budgets, hiring freezes, deferring maintenance, deferring merit raises for employees and increasing student fees, he wrote.

"Great Basin College serves a vast area of the state but a relatively small population. It serves that most rural part of the state where most communities struggle with a challenging economy even in good times," Rogers wrote.