

# Coffin and Keys



The Spring 2009 Dead Day Swine Flu Edition



## History

On the night of October 24, 1916, ten men representing each of the various factions existing at the time at the University of Nevada, and comprising men of all walks of college life, met together with the idea of promoting the common good. The consensus was that a force was needed to give the proper impetus to affairs of school life. At the time, the rivalry among the various groups threatened to supplant the steadfast loyalty to the University that all its citizens should unite in giving. It was evident that unless energetic steps were taken at once, our community would become a collection of wrangling cliques instead of a united whole. Under such conditions, no progress would be possible. The very life of our University would be threatened. Realizing this, and bound by a pledge to work for the common good, these men founded this society in which all the component parts of our school may be represented around the council table.



## Swedish Fish

Three weeks have passed since the newly-elected officers of the 77<sup>th</sup> session of the ASUN Senate took their oaths of office and officially began their terms. The bar for the new Senate has been set remarkably low after the clusterfuck that was the 76<sup>th</sup> session. Priscilla Acosta will go down in history as one of the worst speakers of the senate ASUN has ever seen. Her complete lack of leadership at any basic level contributed to the Senate's unwillingness to even call her out on being useless, let alone write any legislation.

So far, the new senators are off to a promising start. After being elected Speaker, Gracie Geremia has finally started showing some actual managerial ability and may even keep some people accountable. Despite being suffocatingly passive aggressive, she has gone out of her way to cooperate with the other branches and shown that she is willing to set aside personal differences for the greater good.

Incumbent Senator, Jessica Purney, is attempting to assert herself as a leader of the 77<sup>th</sup> session. Unfortunately, she has clearly shown that she learned nothing from the previous session and continues to prove she has the intellectual equivalency of a bucket of chum. Her lack of judgment and disregard to laws and rules led to

her committing pretty blatant slander against new C&O Director, Patrick Delaplain, in an open meeting. Purney, please think before you open your face hole and spew cognitive diarrhea all over a public meeting. Just because David White is pissed off because his hairdresser fucked up his highlights doesn't mean that you should vent for him in a senate meeting.

Pat Kealy is another returning senator who shows some promise. He fired up at the end of the last session and organized a campus safety walk and worked on a few pieces of legislation. His personality is his strongest and weakest attribute. He can use humor to lighten the mood but it also has a tendency to turn people off who aren't used to his abrasiveness. So far Kealy seems to have worked on this issue and may be able to complement Speaker Geremia well.

Many of the new senators show a lot of great potential. The committee chairs this year actually seem to have real goals that deal with real issues. Senator Brandon Bishop wants to eliminate the requirement for liberal arts students to take four semesters of a foreign language to graduate. Aside from looking like Casper the friendly ghost, Haley Anderton has done a lot of research about the math and writing centers. Ryan Quinlan and Mat Neben might be able to bring some semblance of logic to the table, but those are always famous last words.

Aside from the senate, the student body decided to split the tickets again this year and elected Eli Reilly President and Charlie Jose as Vice President. Jose steps into the office with some small shoes to fill. Michael Cabrera accomplished virtually nothing as VP, but Charlie has already shown a drive to do well. His last few weeks have been spent cleaning up Cabrera's screw-ups during diversity week and we hope this drive will continue.

Reilly's lobbying efforts over the past year have been "effective and mature" but who knows if they had any impact at all. So far Reilly seems to have the best interests of students in mind. He has proposed an initiative to create new jobs on campus, fully fund campus escort, and carry out the difficult task of balancing the ASUN budget in the face of a large revenue shortfall. Reilly has also been spending a lot of time dealing with big-picture administrative issues with the University and our concern is that he could lose focus of the students' perspective.



## Roll the Flaccid Dice

On Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, the Nevada legislature will close the book on the budget of the Nevada System of Higher Education. Speculation is erratic among the University community as departments, administrators, and student leaders scramble to prepare for the final decision. All this week, legislative leaders and representatives from Governor Text Message's office have been meeting behind closed doors and working feverishly to finalize the budget and possibly prepare a tax increase package. So far, it has been estimated that there will be between a 10 and 19 percent cut to the University assuming no kind of tax increases to offset the cuts.

Next Tuesday, the Board of Regents will meet to discuss the outcome of the NSHE budget in Carson City. The Regents have the power to raise tuition and fees for next semester (even if you have already paid tuition). At this point, we can only hope that the cuts to our University are not severe and the Regents do not increase tuition by any large amount. ASUN President Eli Reilly's platform this year dealt heavily around keeping tuition as low as possible. In the next week, we will see if he will stand by his word.



## Pineapple Express

Within the 18 social fraternities and sororities that exist here at the University of Nevada, there are countless members that represent an incredibly influential part of the undergraduate population. Their influence extends to most parts of campus life, but incessant bickering between the houses on our great campus has belittled the power of the Greek community to somewhere around the level of Christopher Reeve's calf muscles. Excessive pride and ostentation will be the failure of any organization, any community. It starts with the simplest and harmless of conflicts and can escalate to dangerous conclusions.

Take the latest of many examples—Frat guy Dick Zinya walks into a bar and makes a snide comment about Jim Nasium's exquisitely gelled faux-hawk. Nasium, a member of a different fraternity, defends himself by making fun of Dick Zinya's new Affliction V-neck. A battle of wits ensues as the words "bro" and "dawg" are used at an average rate of 4.2 times a sentence. The two then proceed to do what so many young, ignorant, stereotypical fraternity men do... talk shit about each other's fraternity. To make a long story short, a fight erupts and Dick Zinya is left so butt hurt that he goes out and recruits a gang to go after the other

The fraternity that the gang is now after is Sigma Alpha Epsilon. After they were brought into the situation, the gang showed up unannounced at the SAE house and jumped a quantitative few. Due to some continued threats, the case has now escalated to involve UNRPD, RPD, the Reno Gang Task Force, and the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms. SAE's house is now under 24-hour surveillance. University officials have sent letters to the families of every SAE member, and many who live in the chapter house have been instructed to not even sleep in their own beds.

While the origins of the conflict between SAE and the other party are debatable and blame could be put on either side, the extent to which this conflict has grown has become dangerous and inexcusable. Regardless of whom you put the initial blame on, the gang was in no way a part of the original conflict and should never have been brought into the situation. This is an example of what can potentially arise from a simple war of words between two immature fraternity men.

The Nevada Greek community now has a heavy weight on its shoulders. It is a defining moment for our fraternities and sororities to come together, become a community, and bring an end to this conflict. The reach and connections of the Greek system cannot be ignored at a time like this. Someone, somewhere, in some house, knows who assaulted Nevada students that night and who is threatening to "spray" one of the oldest landmarks on our campus. Ignore petty fraternity differences and the fact that his letters are arranged in a slightly different order than yours and make a difference. Even though we may not act like it, we ARE a community on this campus. What happens to one house affects all of the others and the university community, be it in decreased enrollment, worsened perception of Greeks, or the removal of the Greek system entirely. University officials have realized what is at stake and are doing what they can to protect its beloved students. Withholding information protects no one and only prolongs the conflict and the threat to our university. The students and people in the surrounding community should also realize that every one on this campus matters, and death threats have no place here.



## Shaqbonics

The Wolf Pack basketball team has had a very eventful off-season to say the least. Mark Fox left Reno for Athens, Georgia and \$1.3 million. David Carter took over the head coaching duties and instantly had to deal with multiple tribulations. Malik Cooke has asked for his release from the team due to unknown "family issues". We have the utmost respect for Cary Groth's decision to not release Cooke. Ahyaro "I used to go to college" Phillips finally had enough of students spending more than the allotted 30 minute time limit on the elliptical and decided to bring a deuce deuce to Lombardi to regulate that shit. We don't know the thought process that went on in that little brain of his, but his logic was obviously flawed. He ruined his chance to get a free education and play D-1 basketball all because he couldn't swallow his pride after taking a knockout punch to the dome piece. Why would someone that has been blessed with an opportunity to play a sport at a prestigious university throw it all away?

- A. Doo Doo for Brains
- B. Ignance
- C. \$\$\$\$ Straight Cash Homie \$\$\$\$
- D. Cuz she got dumps like a truck...truck...truck
- E. All the above.

Correct answer....E. All University of Nevada Wolf Pack athletes should definitely uphold themselves to a higher standard of conduct.

No matter where you're from or what you do, we as students should be model citizens to the entire community of Reno, especially the athletes. Players that are more arrogant than Kanye West need to pump the brakes and drive slow homie. So Brandon Scheels you're the next pawn to go, especially when you fail Theory of the Five Finger Discount, FFD 201 call #45771, luckily for you it's a 200 level class and you can retake it.

This ignant behavior causes a big problem for the future recruitment of quality athletes. Steven Bjornstad has already asked for his release due to this ignant behavior. We feel for Luke Babbitt because now he'll probably have to play more center rather than posting up where he is best, and dat is ignant. The Wolf Pack will have their own Coach Carter (not played by Samuel L. Jackson) that with patience will steer the team back to the NCAA tournament. We should not have to be embarrassed by our athletes but be proud of them for their work on and off the court. The University is not a gang, it's not da hood, it's a way of life son.



## Inside the Numbers

The Men of Coffin and Keys prefer science to conjecture. Facts to presumption. Reality to speculation. Because when you break it down scientifically, the numbers never lie:

**3,984:** Total number of unique student ID swipes for basketball tickets during the 2008-09 season.

**16,000:** Total student body population. Maybe students should start showing up to basketball games before demanding better seating.

**1:** Number of tampon strings seen "dancing" at last weekend's Black Foot-White Foot dance (period)

**16:** Total number of Tri-Delta members at their own philanthropy. Way to save those Little Lebowski Urban Achievers!

**0:** Number of classes cut this year stemming from the budget issues. Two thumbs up to the administration.

**123:** Days until the Wolf Pack pulls the first major upset of the 2009 college football season with a stunner over Notre Dame. Touchdown Jesus is going to be one sad panda!

**1:** Number of llamas seen in the front yard of the Rugby house on the night of April 11.

**78:** Senator Jessica Purney's IQ...Congrats, that's three points higher than Forrest Gump's. "Jennnnnnnaaay"

**231:** Number of times Eli Reilly will address the Senate as "boys and girls" at next Senate meeting.

**10:** Tons of Titties that Gracie Geremia hides under her array of nice sweater things she wears. Release those Beasts!!!

**0:** Total number of seats won by the SHART Party in this year's ASUN election. A steaming pile of ass-barf could have secured more votes than you marmots. Oh wait, Turtle did get himself elected....nevermind.

**19:** Percentage of possible total budget cuts facing the University of Nevada.

**60:** Percentage of broads on campus with HPV...true story, no glove no love.

**2:** The shortest razor clip Sandy Rodriguez uses to perfect her ravishing high fade.

**\$104,000:** The annual salary those of those toad stools behind the counter at Admissions and Records.

**52,000:** Number of Lean Cuisines you can buy with that money so you can stuff your faces while trying to yell "Next!" at students in line.

**25:** The number Yaro wore for Nevada, and the number he will be wearing next season for the San Quentin Spungos.



## Two Million Pounds of Peanut Butta

The Men of Coffin and Keys would like to recap what a great year it's been! The 2008-2009 school year has cum and gone as fast as Sean McDonald at the Mustang Ranch. The "G" movement worked wonders recruiting the largest amount of Tang-Tang Nevada has seen in years. The Men of Coffin and Keys are glad to see the saga of Devils, Grand Bigs, Crescent Cousins, twins, beer pigs, and aborted stepsisters twice removed continue.

The nation was surprised by one of the brightest political stars in years. Bristol Palin's fetus filled FUPA made college students across the nation milkshake their pants, enough to paint the Nevada "N" white again.

The shit storm hit the Vegas strip as the masses of Nevada students flocked to Nevada Southern for a 49-27 victory. On return, Nevada Health Center was filled fixing the viral diseases found on every pit stop on the return trip home.

The largest Homecoming in years hit our beloved campus, thanks to Brita Muller. We believe her looks single handedly pulled it off. Zac Rogers' Congo grey Gorilla-like hairdo didn't deter people either. A giant chicken and an 18 foot boat paraded to the Joe as the best floats of the year.

Tyler Hansbrough shit on Nevada. The rest of the season didn't really impress us with losses to Portland State and UNLV. However we were greatly impressed by the comedic distractions of every game. The classic Mark Fox foot stomp, Cody Wagner's unsuccessful free throws, Josh Greenbaum's successful referee ass grab which resulted in him being 86'd. Not to mention a dancer with a broken foot and male cheerleader extraordinaire, Dustin Steffey, setting the record for Spandex shirt pull downs in one game, 490. This is the same dollar amount of money he embezzled from Alpha Kappa Psi while president.

The spring semester flew by faster than a Jap Kamakazi fighter (we are using this in context to the CH 203 class taken by all students). We all attended the various philanthropies that make up the windy, snowy, hot, and cold weather of our spring semester. A spaghetti feed in the house that ATO built; A big fat show with a drunk girl on roller skates; Phi Delt beating NAK 1-0 in a game resembling a Special Olympics event at Frats at Bat; and a big rugby sausage dong at Delta Gamma's Anchor Splash, which by all accounts was the highlight of the event.

The year cannot end without a fond farewell to sorority class of 2005. Becky Sugino, your facebook updates on your future will be missed. Shivani Dingleberry, farewell until your reappearance in Slumdog Millionaire 2. Rachel Siekerman, DTF? Carly Bodensteiner, your boyfriend is a giant vag (Deeds, that's short for vagina), he complements you well!

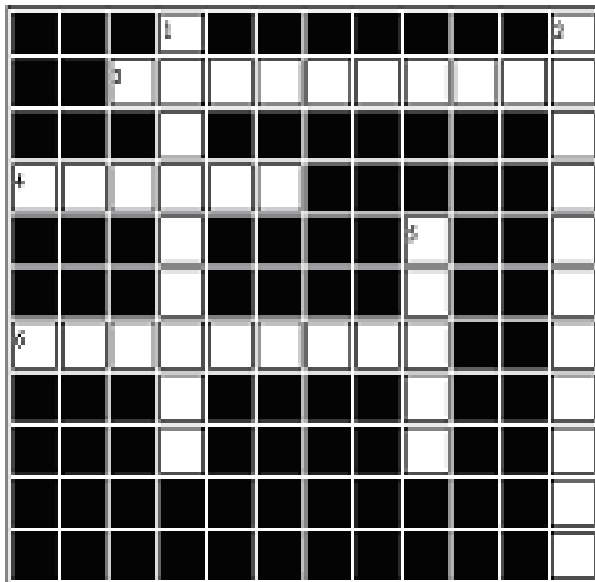
Jennie Miller, thanks for being our biggest fan.

The year cannot be overlooked without giving shout outs to the classical characters of Reno. To the bouncer at Imperial, your cut off sleeves, biker gloves, and sweet tats have kept us coming back weekend after weekend. To Antonio Banderas at the Little Waldorf, your lazy eye and amazing pony tail just adds to the \$1.49 cocktails. To Cain at The Breakaway, your mullet, lighting bolts, dip lip, and the wonders your work with the Pi Phi's make us jealous. Don't forget about the UndieRun. Come strip down and donate your clothes while sporting your package.

See you tonight at midnight in front of the Joe.



## The Sister Fistin Grand Littles. New Members of XK



### Across

- 3. A gay Mormon pornstar
- 4. Sigma Kappas are full of it
- 6. I love wieners

### Down

- 1. Hard wood that always comes back for more
- 2. I eat your mom's minge
- 5. Black and white and wet all over



## Grades

**B: Austin Davisson** successfully bags his first beast on his African Safari. See his facebook profile picture for more details.

**A: Professor Ake:** Winning the F. Donald Tibbitts Distinguished Teacher Award. He is an awesome teacher, and his Music 123 History of American Pop Song is a great class if you need a fine arts credit.

**F: Dance Team:** Being fat and taking up 2 seats per person in the student section isn't cool. Most airlines charge double for that shit.

**D: Reno Gazette Urinal:** Reporting false information about the athletics department and causing potential recruits to reconsider due to the false information you publish is fucking stupid. For all further sports coverage go to [www.silverandbluesports.com](http://www.silverandbluesports.com), not the Urinal.

**F: Sean McDonald and Corinna Cohn for still harassing the ASUN Senate.** Sean, trim spa baby! Corinna, Han Solo misses having you around for a right hand man. Why don't you give him a call and fly your disgusting Wookie ass back to planet Kashyyk. Yeah Phi Delts, we know our Star Wars.

**A: Pistol Pete:** Your mascot fight with the Utah State Aggie made ESPN. Thanks for showing more fight than the Pack.

**A/F:** For the MGC having the step show. The "F" is for no other fraternities attending to show their support.

**F: Insight Magazine:** Mistakenly publishing Pi Kappa Phi instead of Pi Kappa Alpha. Leave the journalistic malfeasance to Coffin and Keys.

**D: QSU:** For neglecting to repaint the "N" back to its proper hue.

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Smalls, Butters, Shylock, Mumble, Judas, Yellow Belly, Kobayashi, The Graduate, Seamen,  
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