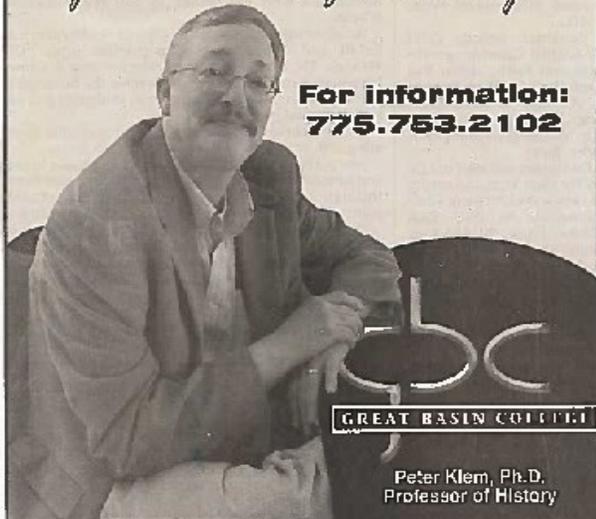


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A color photograph of Carrie Bruno, a woman with dark hair, wearing a white short-sleeved top. She is standing in a classroom. Behind her is a whiteboard with the text "WELCOME TO GEOLOGY 101 with Carrie Bruno". To her right is a globe on a stand. The Great Basin College logo is visible in the background.

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NATURE NOTES

8-20-10

# Hummingbird battles around the feeder

One of the joys of summer is sitting on the deck, watching hummingbirds. The best part is their acrobatic battles to dominate the sugar water feeders. They posture and display, holding their tails spread and wings above their backs. The almost constant chases sometimes end with an audible sound of bodies hitting together. Species of hummingbirds does not seem to matter, as both black-chins and rufous battle each other.



Larry Hyslop

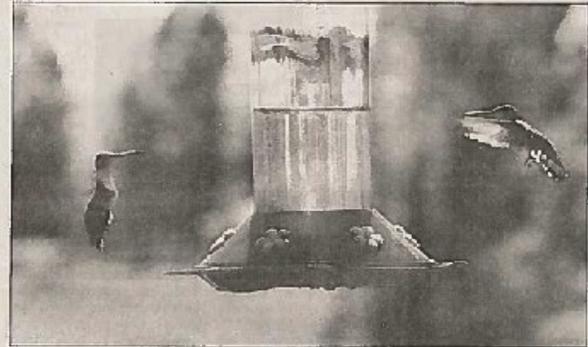
Is this actual aggression or some sort of simple play? A search of the Internet revealed that this is actual, raw aggression. The problem is hummingbirds are solitary creatures. The only natural situation that brings them together is mating and then only briefly. The females do not allow males near the nest, perhaps because the male's bright coloration could attract predators. They do not appear to even migrate in flocks, but fly thousands of miles individually.

Male hummingbirds are highly territorial. They defend territories that contain food sources such as small insects and spiders, tree sap, nectar for ready

energy and water. Males allow females to nest within this protected area, but chase off females that have not yet mated with the male. Males will defend their territories against different species of hummingbirds, sphinx moths, wasps and even larger birds such as hawks.

We create a problem for them by setting up an artificial situation. Our feeders contain an excellent energy source and cause hummingbirds to congregate much closer than they ever would in the wild, bringing out their aggressive tendencies. Sugar as an energy source is so important to them that the birds routinely chased away do not give up and leave, but simply bide their time until they can sneak in and drink.

To dominate a feeder, hummingbirds puff out their feathers to look larger. They chirp warnings and use their tails and wings to display their displeasure. If numerous chases do not rid the feeder of trespassers, they bodily slam the intruders. Two birds will even lock bills together while spinning in a cycle and dropping toward the earth. Injuries are



Two hummingbirds face off at the feeder

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rare and they seem to know to protect their tiny but very important bills. Although they sometimes fly close to humans during chases, or approach us out of curiosity, these tiny bundles of hostility do not attack anything nearly as large as a human.

Some of this aggression can be alleviated by putting out more than one feeder, but aggression seems to be the name of the game when we force hummingbirds to live close together, so the best strategy is to sit back and enjoy the fights.

# Astronomy

By Dr. Gary Honington  
Great Basin College



Looking at the right place at the right time is how an amateur Japanese astronomer described his recording of an asteroid plunging into the giant planet Jupiter last weekend.

This occurrence comes on the heels of a previous fireball seen in its atmosphere on June 3 by an amateur astronomer from Broken Hill, Australia. Both events revealed a bright flash, rising in intensity for a second and then quickly fading out.

Neither event left an impact scar as the Shoemaker-Levy 9 comet impacts in 1994. We will have to wait to hear for news from NASA as to any infrared images from the Hubble space telescope. These can reveal the depths of the impact.

Masayuki Teshikawa, the astronomer who recorded the hit on Saturday morning (Japan time), when his video-equipped telescope spotted a 4 second long

burst of light. His home-built observatory, located in Kujumoto City, on the island of Kyushu, detected and saved the second long flash of light as the falling asteroid vaporized during its descent through the thick Jovian atmosphere. The video is available on YouTube (under Jupiter Impact).

"I took it for noise signals at first, but I was really surprised because the image of the light remained on the video," Teshikawa told Kyodo News.

Three months ago, both Anthony Wesley and Christopher Go recorded a direct hit to Jupiter by a large meteor that left a fiery trail through the clouds. Both impacts look nearly the same, which has some astronomers wondering if Jupiter is suddenly being bombarded by orbiting debris at a higher rate than ever before.

Although these last two impacts left no scar in the atmosphere, this was not the case with the large

impact of 2009 when, again, Wesley discovered the much larger impact on July 19, almost 15 years after the Jupiter impact of comet Shoemaker-Levy 9. His observatory, located in New South Wales, Australia, boasts a 14.5-inch diameter reflecting telescope equipped with night vision image intensifiers.

Said Wesley of that event: "When first seen close to the limb it was only a vaguely dark spot, likely to be just a normal dark spot storm. However, as it rotated further into view, and the conditions improved, I suddenly realized that it wasn't just dark, it was black in all channels, meaning it was truly a black spot."

As the days unfold, you can be sure that many astronomers will be watching the large planet for any further impacts, especially if the rate seems to be increasing. In this day of electronic vision and digital recording, many small backyard observers are keeping an

## 8-27-10 Are asteroids hitting Jupiter at an increasing rate?



Jupiter hit by a fireball last weekend

YouTube

eye on the nighttime sky, especially in the area of searching for unknown comets and asteroids. Monitoring the images of planets such as Jupiter and Mars on a nearly continuous basis has resulted in more sightings of atmospheric fireballs such as the one from last week.

It is important to re-

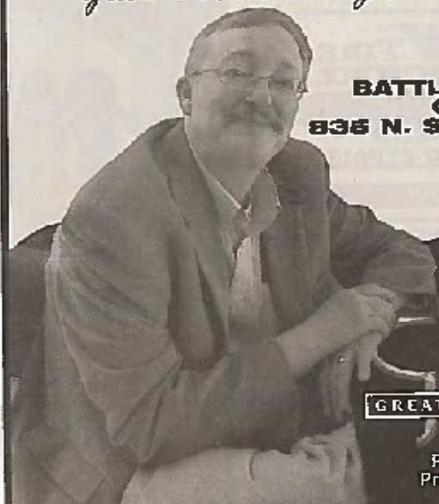
member that all planets, including Earth, sweep clean the area in their immediate vicinity as they orbit the Sun. This is one of the now accepted definitions of a planet. They collect solar system debris by gravitational attraction — the larger the planet, the greater the chances that it gathers more comets and asteroids. And while we do not usually care that large meteors impact the surface of Jupiter — we do worry that asteroids can and will hit our own Earth! The question of impact intensity rise is important — we will have to wait and see what happens in the near future.

For those who want to try their hand at Jupiter-watching, in August the planet rises at 9 p.m. in the eastern night sky and is very bright until morning.

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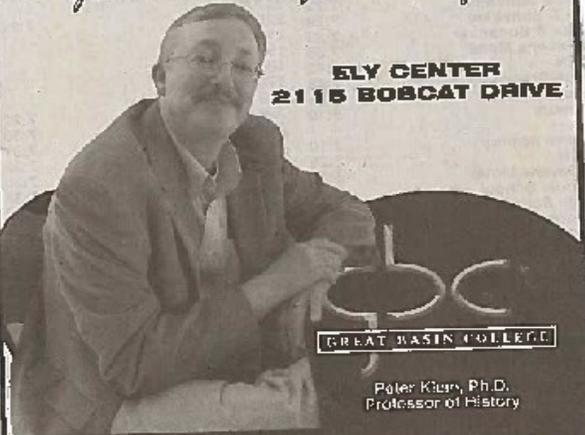
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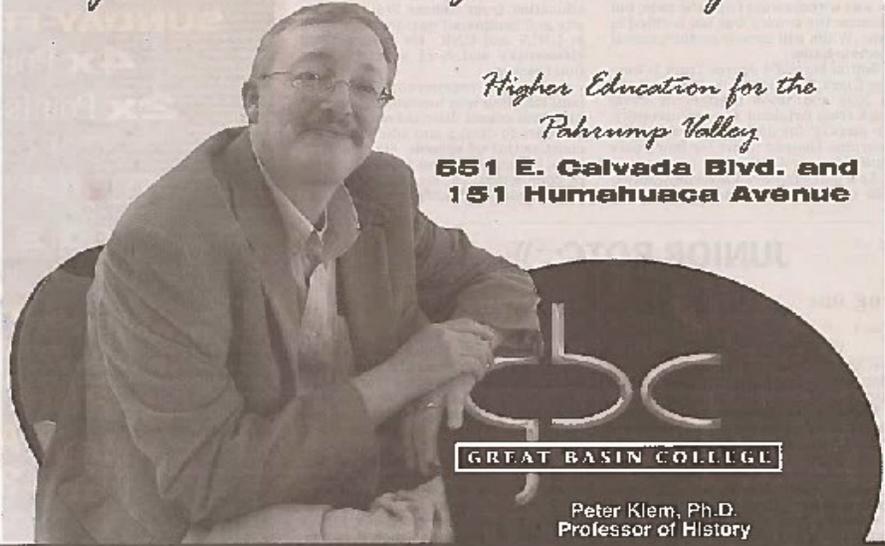
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STUDENTS WILL LEARN THE BASIC HOW TO'S OF SURFING  
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A BEGINNERS CLASS HOW THE BODY, MIND, EMOTIONS  
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# Enrollment is up at GBC Pahrump center

By MARK WARE  
PVT

Parking was tight at the Great Basin College Pahrump Valley Center Wednesday, days after the start of instruction for the fall semester in front of Pahrump Valley High School on Calvada Boulevard.

The parking could be a side-effect of an increased enrollment at the college this fall semester.

"Physically we have in Pahrump 400 students taking classes, varying from three credits to 15 credits," Pahrump Valley Center Director Bill Verbeck said.

The unduplicated head count increased from 357 students last year to 501 this fall, a 12.3 percent increase. Of that, the full-time student population rose from 151 to 168 students. Part-time student enrollment increased from 199 to 228 students.

That doesn't include students taking courses online, which Verbeck estimated comprised another 20 percent. He figured with the Internet students, the Pahrump Valley Center realized probably an 18 to 20 percent increase in enrollment.

Enrollment for the entire Great Basin College system statewide is almost flat, up from 1,973 to 1,976 students, according to figures released by the college Wednesday.

Verbeck would like to think it's due to the quality of the education but he acknowledged there are other factors.

"The economy too, I'm not going to kid you. When we don't have jobs, we go to school. But you're seeing a 17 percent increase in students continuing from last year. That's substantial. That's almost 10 percent of our population coming back from last year, which is high for us," Verbeck said.

Students no longer have the option of attending classes either on Calvada Boulevard or at an annex leased last year on East Basin Avenue. Bill Verbeck noted students taking classes for solar energy are working out of a shopping center on Humana Street. Such courses include Introduction to Solar, Industrial Electricity, HVAC and Solar Photovoltaic.

"The college is built into the development agreement for Solar Millennium to coordinate training," Verbeck said. "I'm also working with Solar Reserve, the Bnaph group, as well as Abengoa. Abengoa has renewed its interest in Amargosa. So we're very much in synch with those."

Corrections Corporation of America

has its own training program for the Nevada Southern Detention Center, which begins accepting inmates Oct. 1.

Verbeck said about 60 to 70 percent of the classes at the Pahrump center are by interactive video, with students watching the teacher on a television screen. The Pahrump Valley Center has three full-time instructors and 25 adjunct instructors, he said.

Great Basin College instituted a cap on enrollment due to state budget cuts, which means a requirement for at least 10 students per class, Verbeck said. But few classes had to be canceled after the start of school, he said.

"We continue to fill very, very rapidly in our core academics, English, history. We have observed a noticeable increase in biology. Biology 190 is a core requirement for nursing. That enrollment is up substantially from a year ago," Verbeck said.

Staple courses at the center have included bookkeeping, accounting, photography, art, commercial driver's license training, computer classes, elementary school instruction and criminal justice. The class schedule this fall includes other courses like general astronomy, land surveying design, English literature, Introduction to Small Business Management, the Nevada Constitution, philosophy courses, French as well as Spanish, news reporting and writing.

Verbeck pushed students to study hard if they want to transfer credits to four-year universities.

"I encourage the students to really work hard on B's or better on the transfer credits, not that a C won't transfer, but you know UNLV, UNR are more apt to take community college B students transferring rather than a C student," Verbeck said.

Resident tuition is \$69.25 per credit, about the same as last year; that equals \$207 for a three credit course. Final exams are scheduled the week of Dec. 13-17.

High school students taking classes for dual high school and college credit last year had to adhere to the college student schedule. Verbeck said demand was heavy this year for college courses high school students could take on time for \$40 per class.

Ultimately, college promoters are optimistic the Southern Nevada Higher Education Act of 2008, introduced by U.S. Sen. Harry Reid, which would convey a 285-acre tract of land for a new community college campus at the southeast end of Pahrump, will prove worthwhile.

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Special to the Sun

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Jules Wootton/Elko Daily Free Press

Great Basin College's Electrical and Industrial Technology building is shown Tuesday. The college will receive \$1 million in federal funding to enhance Elko's geothermal system, which is used to heat a number of buildings, including GBC's EIT building.

# GBC to receive \$1 million for geothermal system

JULES WOOTTON  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — For the second year in a row, Great Basin College will receive \$1 million in federal funding to enhance Elko's geothermal system and create research opportunities for students.

Sen. Harry Reid announced last week that nearly \$300 million for Nevada clean energy, water and national security projects was approved by the Senate Committee on Appropriations under the 2011 Energy and

### Water Appropriations Bill.

The bill still has to go through the U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Senate, as well as be signed by President Barack Obama.

"It's good to be this far along in the running," said John Rice, director for institutional advancement at GBC.

"The project was funded last year and again this year," Rice said. "It's an ongoing project, so it's a good sign" that GBC is in the running for another year of funding.

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### Continued from front page

GBC is still waiting to receive last year's funding. "We haven't been able to start work so far," Rice said, but it should be underway in the fall.

Funds will be used to enhance the current group of geothermal energy users, including Flag View Intermediate School, the Elko Convention Center, some buildings at Elko High School, the Elko County School District central administrative office, Elko City Hall, the city swimming pool and GBC's Electrical and Industrial Technology building.

"The system serves a broad range of the public," Rice said, adding that thousands of people each year use the city's pool and the Elko Convention Center.

The geothermal loop was developed in 1986 and can save users tens of thousands of dollars in heating costs by using geothermal energy.

Steve Bowers, building operations and construction manager for the Elko County School District, told the Free Press in August 2009 that the school district's annual savings are likely in the \$250,000 range.

Once GBC receives the money, they'll put out request for proposals for an engineer to look at the geothermal system and its capacity.

Rice said it's looking like improvements to the users loop group may be about an \$8.5 million project.

"We hope we'll continue to get assistance with it going forward," he said.

The federal funding will also allow GBC career and technical education students to get involved, Rice said, and will be especially beneficial for electrical systems technology, instrumentation, industrial energy efficiency and geology students.

"The system uses all the skills learned in the programs," he said.

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**Tuesday, August 31st**

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(346 Silver Street/Next to Blind Onion)

**9 pm - MIDNIGHT**

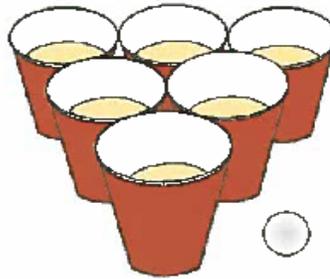
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~ STUDENTS ~

# ROOT BEER PONG

Wednesday  
Sep 1st



Ampitheatre

7 PM-9

\*Weather permitting GBC Solarium  
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# Now Write!

11-24-10  
**GBC wraps up Novel Writing Month**

ET, KD — The Great Basin College Library is wrapping up a celebration of November's National Novel Writing Month.

Aspiring novelists participated in the event with a presentation by Richard Hooten in October discussing how to "get started" on a novel.

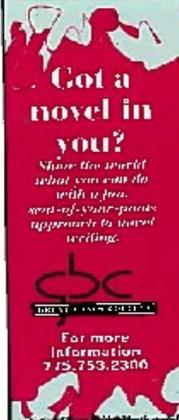
Motivational speaker Barbara Moss provided words of encouragement in November. The final presentation, "Now that you've written your novel, what do you do next? How to get published?" will take place at 6 p.m. Dec. 1.

Anyone interested in the writing process is invited to attend the presentation featuring published local author Floyd Edwards, in the Mullan Hall, room 221.

For more information, call Kateda Demichl at 753-2300.

**GREAT BASIN COLLEGE LIBRARY**  
 proudly sponsors

**National Novel Writing Month**  
 November 1st-30th. Thirty days and nights of 300 words a day!



**Got a novel in you?**

Show the world what you can do with a pen. Spend your spare moments approaching to novel writing.



For more information  
 753-253-2300



Begin writing November 1. It's cool to write 500 words a day. 60,000 words equal by Midnight, November 30. *Word count 100% at the GBC Library.*

Computers are available for use Tuesdays through Thursdays 12-7 p.m. and Fridays 12-5 p.m.

Author Richard Hooten will kick-off the event October 28, 7 p.m. at 221 Mullan Hall in the building 1070-8.

Barbara Moss will provide words of encouragement to us on November 17, 7 p.m.

Author Floyd Edwards will discuss the novel writing process and how to get published. Please contact the library at 753-253-2300 for more information.

Members of the National Novel Writing Month community are invited to attend the event. All are welcome, sharing the month of November, regardless of how much writing you have done.

Great Basin College is an Equal Opportunity Institution. Services are provided to all students, regardless of race, color, sex, age, religion, disability, or ethnicity. For more information, contact the library at 753-253-2300. The Great Basin College Library is located at 1070-8 Mullan Hall, Elko, NV 89801.

**ALL STUDENTS**

**FREE**

**Friday  
Follies**

**FREE**

September 10th  
Beach Volleyball, Basketball  
(5pm), Flag Football



September 17th  
Dodgeball



September 24  
Basketball

4PM  
@ GBC Fitness Center  
Sponsored by: SGA & Student Life

**FREE  
PIZZA**

# **GBC STUDENTS**



**FOR**

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT OFFICERS**

*Monday, 9/20 – Thursday, 9/23*

**MONDAY**  
10AM - 2PM  
Student Union - LCSL

5PM - 9PM  
Student Union - LCSL

**TUESDAY**  
11AM - 3PM  
Student Union - LCSL

8 PM - MIDNIGHT  
Fitness Center

**WEDNESDAY**  
11 AM - 3 PM  
Student Union - LCSL

7 PM - 8:30 PM  
GBC Theatre

**THURSDAY**  
8AM - 5PM  
Student Union - LCSL



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Do you want a career that is challenging, rewarding and exciting...?

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Do you enjoy helping people realize their full potential?

Find out more about Social Work and how you can obtain

A Bachelors Degree in Social Work at Great Basin College

Attend an orientation hosted by:

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3+1 Bachelors in Social Work Program

Tuesday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-8:30 p.m. - Elko

in the Greenhaw Technical Arts (GTA) building in Room 118

This will also be an Interactive Video presentation at these sites

Battle Mountain GBC Rm 1

Ely GBC 114

Owyhee GBC SPHE

Pahrump GBC PVC 124

Winnemucca GBC, Rm 201

If you would like to attend contact Tammi at 753-2244

# GBC fall continuing ed classes start soon

8-20-10

ELKO — Great Basin College will offer a wide variety of courses throughout the upcoming fall semester.

(Open event) photographer Charles Ekburg will teach a creative photo composition workshop Sept. 7.

For those interested in learning how to get a patent or writing a book, Floyd Edwards will teach Patents & Copyrights and Writing for Publication as two separate courses on Tuesday evenings beginning Aug. 31.

Edwards has 19 patents and trade secrets to his credit and is a published author.

Also on Tuesdays, John Wright is offering Private Pilot Ground School beginning Aug. 31, which will introduce students to federal air regulations, aerial navigation and safety practices.

For those looking to keep in shape, Jane DeLong will lead Swimming for Adults on Mondays and Wednesdays beginning Aug. 30 and Water Aerobics on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Aug. 31 at the Elko Pool.

Jennifer Stelger will teach a Total Fitness Workout on Mondays and Wednesdays

beginning Aug. 30, and Lisa Abbott will teach Self Defense for Women beginning Sept. 1.

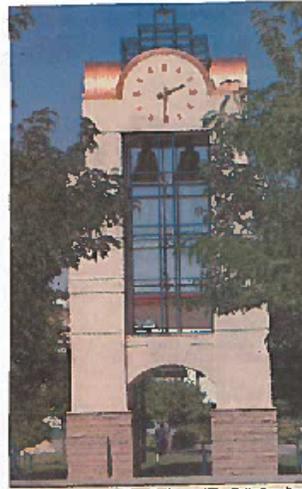
Dick Sturm will offer a course in Cuban Zydeco dancing beginning Oct. 4.

Several arts and crafts classes are also planned: Native American Red Basket Making by Leah Brady on Sept. 11; Art of Eggery by Shandy Jarrell on Sept. 25; Beginning Quilting (Pinwheel Pattern) by Mattren Figart on Oct. 2, and Beading, Bonanza by Cynthia Delaney on Oct. 9.

Other non-credit course offerings include Conversational Russian on Sept. 1, Basque Language on Sept. 1, Beginning Guitar on Sept. 13, Country Swing Western Dance on Sept. 13, Belly Dancing on Sept. 10, and Handwriting Analysis on Sept. 17.

Look for a series of delicious cooking classes, beginning with Healthy Gourmet on Sept. 18, followed by Thai One Dish on Oct. 9, and Sourdough Bread Making Oct. 15.

Register early for classes. For more information, visit [www.gbcbv.edu/community](http://www.gbcbv.edu/community) or call 753-2231.



Steve Anderson/Elko Daily Free Press

Most classes at Great Basin College begin Monday, but some career and technical education students are already back in class.

## Most GBC classes start Monday

JULIE WOOTTON  
Press Staff Writer

ELKO — After several months of summer vacation, Great Basin College's campus is starting to fill back up with students and faculty who are getting ready for a new school year.

Most classes begin Monday, but some career and technical education students are already back at school.

8-26-10

## College to offer winter CNA classes

8-14-10

ELKO — The leaves aren't even turning colors yet in rural Nevada and the Great Basin College health science program is making plans for Christmas.

Students interested in becoming a Certified Nursing Assistant or who need the CNA class as a pre-requisite for GBC's associate degree nursing or radiology programs can now enroll in a course that will be offered over Christmas break.

Students are encouraged to enroll now, as space in the class will likely fill quickly.

Students can register at [www.gbcbv.edu](http://www.gbcbv.edu) for NURS 130, E04, call number 14066.

The six-credit course will be 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday,

Dec. 27 through Jan. 14.

Additional "clinical" dates will also be required. Those dates will be announced at a later time.

Fee for the course are \$498.50.

In order to enroll, students must have completed or be in the process of acquiring a two-step TB test and a current Professional CPR card.

CPR certification is available through the Elko Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Instructors for the course are Phyllis Jo Dean, BSN, RN and Christina Ripley, BSN, RN.

For further information, call 753-2301, 753-2216, or e-mail [rls@gbcbvmail.gbcbv.edu](mailto:rls@gbcbvmail.gbcbv.edu).

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John Rice, director for institutional advancement at GBC, said Wednesday that faculty members a back on campus and many are participating in work shops.

The college's Griswold Hall dorms, as well as apartments, are full.

Rice said fall semester enrollment at the college was up about 1 percent Wednesday, compared with the same day last year, which is lower than estimated earlier this summer.

"We're seeing a little bit of growth compared to the same time last year," he said. "But it's not as much as we've experienced in the past."

However, enrollment numbers are changing due as more students register. Some classes don't start until later in the semester, he said.

Rice said one reason for the "essentially flat enrollment" is that there are enrollment caps for some programs. They were approved by Nevada System of Higher Education regents in the spring part of the school's budget reductions, following the state's special legislative session.

Rice said that during a meeting with GBC faculty and staff members Tuesday, it was announced that additional budget cuts are expected this fiscal year.

"We're going into this year with a smile on our faces," Rice said, but added that it will be an "interesting year" with the 2011 legislative session beginning in February.

Students can still register for classes online at [www.gbcbv.edu](http://www.gbcbv.edu).

## GBC seeks adjunct nursing faculty

8-10-10

ELKO — Great Basin College is seeking adjunct faculty to teach nursing assistant classes.

A "Train the Trainer" course will be available to train RNs to teach Certified Nursing Assistant courses.

Interested individuals must possess a current Nevada RN license and have had a minimum of two years experience working with chronically ill patients.

In order to become a Certified Nursing Instructor, qualified individuals must enroll in GBC's 66-hour Train the

Trainer course. The one-credit course is held over two eight-hour days.

The fee is \$84, plus a \$10 fee for first-time GBC students.

The two-day class will be held at GBC in the Gadagher Health Science building, room 109 on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the instructor will be Phyllis Jo Dean, BSN, RN.

Students can register online at [www.gbcbv.edu](http://www.gbcbv.edu).

The course number is NURSING 185, E01 and the call number is 14075.

9-16-10

# GBC cuts ribbon on student center

## Renovations done on building

JULIE WOOTTON  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Great Basin College's newly renovated student life center will help students have a well-rounded college experience, a student leader said Wednesday.

Paulette Batryols, president of GBC's Student Government Association, said during a ribbon-cutting ceremony that the center will help bring students together.

"Students want to be here when

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they see this building," she said.

About 40 people attended the ceremony at the Paul and Gwen Leonard Center for Student Life, including GBC administrators, members of the Great Basin College Foundation's board of trustees, and a founding member of GBC, Paul Sawyer.

Dorothy Gallagher of Elko, a regent for the Nevada System of Higher Education, said the Leonards would be pleased with the renovated center.

"This building will help make students who go here a more cohesive group," she said.

Gallagher said the building makes her want to go back to college.

The Paul and Gwen Leonard Center for Student Life, a \$1.6 million project, included renovation of the existing building and a 1,200-square-foot addition.

The center includes Cafe X, expanded dining space, student government and student life offices, a game room and lounge areas.

Renovation began in July 2009 and was privately funded through the GBC Foundation and a bequest from Paul and Gwen Leonard.

GBC president Carl Dickhans said the original student life center was the first building on campus that the Great Basin College Foundation sponsored.

"It's a very special building for the students now," he said. Dickhans said the Leonards made an unrestricted gift of \$1.6 million for the project, which shows their confidence in the GBC Foundation.

"They are very generous people," he said, adding that the Leonards donated to many other entities.

"This is a planned-giving success story," said Rich Barrows, a longtime friend of the Leonard family.

Patty Jones, GBC's annual and planned-giving manager, read a letter from William Cobb, a regent from Reno. Cobb was a longtime friend of the Leonard family.

After graduating from college, Paul Leonard began his career as a reporter at the Elko Daily Free Press.

After military service during World War II, he became editor of the Elko Daily Times. He joined the Reno Evening Gazette and later became editor of the Nevada State Journal, where he remained until his retirement in 1972. The Gazette and Journal merged in 1977 as the Reno Gazette-Journal.

Gwen Leonard was active in a number of civic groups during her life, Cobb wrote in the letter. Gwen and Paul had two children.

Other speakers at the event included John Patrick Rice, director of institutional advancement at GBC; and Jim Winer, chairman of the GBC Foundation board of trustees.



# Monday Night Football



FREE SNACKS &  
POOL

PING PONG

# Karaoke

5 P.M.

MONDAY, OCT. 11TH.

@ GAME ROOM "STUDENT UNION"



# MIDNIGHT



# BASKETBALL

**~All Students~**

8 pm Sign Ups  
9 pm Tournament  
GBC Fitness Center  
Tues., Sep. 21st

## Prizes

*Must Have  
1 Girl on  
Each Team!!  
5 on 5*

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**Boys will be boys...  
some longer than others.**

# **GROWN UPS**

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Wednesday September 22nd  
GBC Theatre  
8pm FREE FOOD 8:30Movie

**STUDENTS**



Julie Wootton/Elko Daily Free Press  
Student Government Association president Paulette Batayola, left, and SGA vice president Jacqueline Lemback host a welcome back event Wednesday at Great Basin College.

# GBC student government kicks off year

JULIE WOOTTON  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Great Basin College's Student Government Association welcomed back students in style Wednesday at lunchtime in the newly-renovated student life center. With music blasting outside The Paul and Gwen Leonard Center for Student Life, students were treated to free hot dogs and ice cream during "Welcome Back Wednesday."

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Student leaders were wearing shirts with the word "Studentism" and multicolored question marks.

"Studentism" is SGA's theme this year and refers to the idea of being a well-rounded student both inside and outside the classroom, said SGA president Paulette Batayola.

"Students generally won't do as well in academics if they're not involved in campus life," she said. Most GBC classes began Monday.

Batayola said that over the past few years, there's been about a 20 percent increase in the number of students who participate in SGA activities.

Jacqueline Lemback,

SGA vice president, said an average of 300 to 400 students attended SGA sponsored events last year.

She said she expects participation to increase this year, especially since there are a number of new students.

Students are already making use of expanded space for student government and club activities in the student life center.

The center includes a social room where clubs can meet, as well as computers and other supplies that students can use to help promote their clubs, Lemback said.

For the first time, the SGA meeting room includes interactive video equipment, which will allow Elko officers to com-

municate with officers on the Battle Mountain, Ely, Pahrump and Winnemucca branch campuses.

"We used to have meetings in classrooms," Batayola said.

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Gwen Leonard.

Student government leaders are already planning activities such as "Friday Follies" each week, which will include free pizza and sports activities.

SGA elections are coming up this month for five senator positions on the Elko campus, one for Ely, two for Pahrump and one for Winnemucca.

SGA is also co-sponsoring several candidate debates with KENV-TV, including a Nevada board of regents candidate debate Sept. 29 and a gubernatorial debate in October.

For information about upcoming events, visit GBC's website at [www.gbcnv.edu](http://www.gbcnv.edu).

# HUNGRY?

**Café X**  
**Student Union**

Welcome Back Week  
STUDENT Specials



*Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> - Sep. 2<sup>nd</sup>*

**Monday** : Monster Pizza (slice) \$2.50

**Tuesday**: Beastie Cheeseburger \$3.00

**Wednesday**: Hot Dogs & Ice Cream  
**(FREE)**

**Thursday**: Bowl of Fries \$1.00  
Brew Fries \$2.00

\*MUST HAVE STUDENT I.D.

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GBC Faculty  
in the Spotlight  
September 24, 2010



John Newman

A six year veteran of GBC, John was first hired in Elko to establish the second year education program. He now resides in Winnemucca as a member of the mathematics department. Earning his doctorate in counseling and educational psychology, with an emphasis in information technology, John frequently uses new technologies to help facilitate his courses. His special areas of concentration are synchronous communication platforms, static and dynamic screen capture, and video production techniques.

**Presentation Title:**

**Screen Capture Tools —  
Providing Dynamic  
Instruction for Students**

Date: 9/24/2010  
Time: 10:00 – 11:45 AM  
Place: HTC 107, IAV

Description: Jing and Snagit are two instructional tools that provide static and dynamic screen captures for presentations, student tutorials, and reinforcement of learning concepts.

During breakout sessions, you will be engaged in learning activities, question and answer sessions, discussions, handout preparation, and preparation to respond to post-presentation requests for information.

Metaprofessional Areas Met: Instruction Design and Instructional Delivery



Cindy Hyslop

For the past six years Cindy has taught in the Computer Office Technology Department. At the present time, all of her courses are taught online.

In the past two years, Cindy has instituted the Medical Transcription and Medical Coding and Billing Certificate programs.

Her academic credentials include a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of Montana—Western and a Master of Education in Educational Technology from Boise State University.

**Presentation Title:**

**PowerPoint 2007**

Date: 9/24/2010  
Time: 8:30 – 9:45 AM  
Place: HTC 107, IAV

Description: Learn to use the ribbons in PowerPoint 2007. With PowerPoint, you can use easy-to-use predefined layouts, themes, or templates to create professional presentations.

During breakout sessions, you will be engaged in learning activities, question and answer sessions, discussions, handout preparation, and preparation to respond to post-presentation requests for information.

Metaprofessional Area Met: Information Technology.

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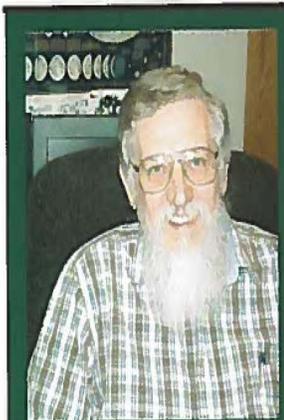


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*Enlighten*      **Great Basin College  
Professional Enrichment**

*Engage*      **GBC Faculty  
in the Spotlight  
October 15, 2010**

*Transform*



**Ed Nickel**

**Presentation Title:**

**Student Remote Access  
Computer Lab**

**Date:** 10/15/2010  
**Time:** 8:30 – 9:45 AM  
**Place:** HTC 107, IAV

**Description:** The GBC remote access computer lab is a newly developed capability to make distance education more like that in a live computer lab situation. You will learn how these virtual machines, VM, can be enabled with GBC licensed software for students taking distance education classes to access from anywhere. In the past compromises have often been made to educational experiences which required software available at GBC Campuses but not normally available to students elsewhere.

GBC currently has over 100 VMs in use by students via the Internet with everything from the Adobe CS5 Design Suite, advanced Microsoft networking software, ArcGIS, and other programs few students can afford on their own. These VMs can be easily customized with software to meet the needs of specific classes as long as GBC owns the required number of licenses. Students with Windows XP, Vista, or 7 can access these VMs at no extra cost and without installing new software using utilities that are part of those versions of Windows. Instructors can just as easily access those VMs either from their office or home to monitor student progress.

**Metaprofessional Areas Met:** Informational Technology, Instructional Delivery and Instructional Design



**Lisa Frazier**

**Presentation Title:**

**Digital Imaging**

**Date:** 10/15/2010  
**Time:** 10:00 – 11:15 AM  
**Place:** HTC 107, IAV

**Description:** In this hands-on workshop, you'll learn how to use free software found on most computers, MS Office Picture Manager, to modify, crop, and resize images for effective use in teaching and document production. You'll also learn where to find amazing images on the Internet and citation techniques. Then, using a few of your newly modified images, you will learn to create interactive flashcards.

**Metaprofessional Areas Met:** Informational Technology, Graphic Design, Instructional Delivery and Instructional Design

9-1-10  
**GBC Club Alfresco**

Club Alfresco, an outdoors club focused on visiting and gaining more knowledge about Southern Nevada's unique ecology, has been approved by the student government of Great Basin College in Elko.

This gives Pahrump students a more well-rounded college experience.

To get additional information go to [sites.google.com/site/clubalfresco/](http://sites.google.com/site/clubalfresco/) home or e-mail Vickie Castro at [vickiecastro33@gmail.com](mailto:vickiecastro33@gmail.com).

# Great Basin College sets expansion to Tonopah

10-8-10

By MARK WAITE  
PVT

TONOPAH — Nye County Commissioners Tuesday approved a lease with Great Basin College for a portion of the old county courthouse at \$1,020 per month. The lease is for one year with an option to renew.

The Board of Regents of the Nevada System of Higher Education will lease 1,200 square feet. They will also pay the utility bills, under the terms of the lease. The University of Nevada, Reno Cooperative Extension Service will share the old courthouse.

"Right now all they're able to do is video conference of classes. This will give them the opportunity to conduct classes up there as well, depending on volume. But this greatly enhances their pres-

ence in the northern part of the county," Webster told commissioners by video conference from Pahrump.

The approval went without a hitch. Commissioner Butch Borasky merely asked if Webster was happy with the price per square foot.

But Trish Rippie, a realtor with properties in Tonopah, felt the price per square foot being charged was top high, given the building's location. The portion occupied by the college will be an addition to the old courthouse that formerly housed the old jail. Rippie however arrived after the agenda item was approved.

The college will have two offices, a computer room and a classroom for offering instruction by interactive video with teachers at other loca-



SPECIAL TO THE PVT

**A familiar sign to any resident or visitor in Tonopah is the old Nye County Courthouse. Great Basin College plans an expansion, setting up classrooms in that historic building.**

tions. It will be available to students from northern Nye and Esmeralda counties.

Bill Verbeck, director of the Great Basin College Pahrump campus, expects the facility to be ready to offer courses by Jan. 1. Besides the core teaching subjects, Verbeck said he will also be involved in workforce development at the Tonopah campus, preparing residents for construction and technician jobs at the proposed Solar Reserve plant.

Verbeck also thought the lease could have been lower. He said it worked out to 85 cents per square foot, the same rate that was charged for Pahrump Medical Center when commissioners recently

renegotiated a five-year lease with Dr. Pejman Bady.

Verbeck said he was pleased commissioners approved the lease. But he added, "I really wanted that building to be a cooperative arrangement with the county rather than a landlord-tenant relationship."

The Southern Nevada Workforce Investment Board, Nye Communities Coalition, Solar Reserve, No to Abuse and other partners will have access to the office space as part of a One Stop Center for jobs and career training, Verbeck said.

Verbeck said Great Basin College officials are finalizing the lease with Nye County and hope to have it signed

this month. After that, he said college staff can begin adding the computer infrastructure, classroom and office furnishings, computers, classroom projects and monitors.

The Nevada Commission for Cultural Affairs gave Nye County a \$55,000 grant to design a restoration plan for the old courthouse, which dates back to the moving of the county seat to Tonopah in 1905.

In January 2009, commissioners approved a \$55,000 contract with Melvyn Green and Associates of Torrance, Calif. to assess the structural condition of the building, the vertical load, earthquake safety and any deterioration.

## GBC announces local students named to Spring Dean's List

Special to the Bugle

**BATTLE MOUNTAIN** — The following Battle Mountain students were placed on Great Basin College's Dean's List for the Spring 2010 semester: Trina Cardoza, Cayla Fortune Hill, Donavon Powell, Eron Sanchez and Wilbur Becker.

To make the Dean's List a student must have a declared major, be enrolled for 12 or more credits and earn a 3.50+ 4.0 grade-

point average for the semester.

Cardoza is majoring in Medical Transcription, Hill is seeking an Associate of Applied Science degree in Nursing, Powell is seeking an Associate of Arts degree, Sanchez a Bachelors Degree of Nursing, and Becker an Associate of Applied Science degree in Office Technology.

For more information on Great Basin College and degrees offered call the college at (775) 635-2318.

10-6-10



**NEWS 10**

# ✓ **DECISION** 2010

## *Political Candidates in Debate*

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**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6**

*Assembly District 33 Representative*

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13**

*Elko County Sheriff*

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20**

*Elko TV District*

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26**

*Governor of the State of Nevada*

**All events held in the  
GBC Theatre  
7:00 p.m.**

# GBC STUDENTS CELEBRATE

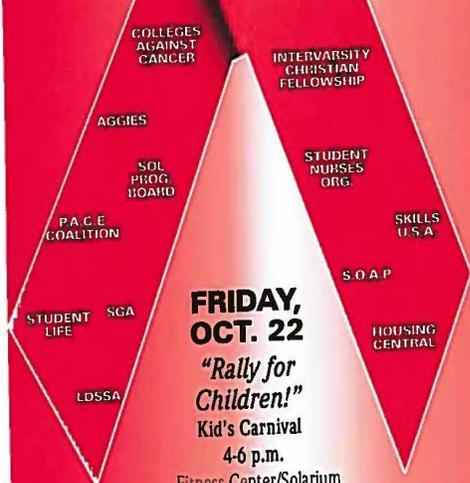
Student Government Association  
Student Clubs and Organizations  
P.A.C.E. Coalition

## celebrates RED RIBBON WEEK 2010



### "RALLY RED"

"Rally to Be Drug/Alcohol Free"



#### TUESDAY, OCT. 26

*"Rally for Nevada"*  
GBC Theatre

5 p.m. Student Rally  
Leonard Center for Student Life

6 p.m. gubernatorial Debate  
with KENV TV

Rory Reid and Brian Sandoval

#### FRIDAY, OCT. 22

*"Rally for  
Children!"*  
Kid's Carnival  
4-6 p.m.

Fitness Center/Solarium

#### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 27

*"Rally for the College Experience"*

9th Annual Costume Party and Dance  
9 p.m.-Midnight  
Fitness Center/Solarium

#### MONDAY, OCT. 25

*"Rally Against  
Drug & Alcohol Abuse"*

11 a.m.- 2 p.m.  
Leonard Center for Student Life

**Wear Red!**

DUI Simulator Demonstration  
Fatal Vision Goggles  
(Try driving a golf cart with the goggles)  
**FREE Barbeque**  
**FREE Rootbeer Floats**

#### FREE FOOD

Door Prizes  
Costume Prizes  
\$100 Costume Grand Prize  
DJ Chip Stone



Special Sponsor  
P.A.C.E.  
COALITION

Finish up the evening by watching a movie!

#### Dinner for Schmucks

8 p.m.  
GBC Theatre  
Free Snacks and Rootbeer!

**MORE INFO:**  
**753.2256**

**THEATER**



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*Unforgettable, classic music from yesterday and today comes alive through Joni's performances.*

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*Joni adds her own brand of comedy as she interacts with her audiences.*

*She also writes and records her own music, which is available on her website.*

For more information, call 775.753.2231.

# Joni Morris in Concert

with the After Midnight Band

## *A Tribute to Patsy Cline*



Thursday, October 14, 2010  
6:30 p.m.  
GBC Theatre

**Ticket prices: \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door**  
Advance tickets available at the Controller's Office, Berg Hall

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# GBC gets 'crazy' about Patsy Cline

10-14-10

ELKO — It doesn't matter whether you're too young to remember Patsy Cline, or too shy to admit you do — all you need is a taste for good music and fine entertainment to enjoy an evening you're sure to remember for a long time to come.

Great Basin College is pleased to present, "A Tribute to Patsy Cline," starring Joni Morris and The After Midnight Band at 6:30 p.m. tonight in the Great Basin College Theatre.

Tickets cost \$10 in advance, available at the GBC Controller's Office in Berg Hall, or they may be purchased for \$12 at the door.

Morris is an outstanding crowd pleaser with tremendous style and fidelity.

She transfixes her audiences, transporting them into the Golden Years of the late 50s and early 60s.

With true showmanship and authentic sound and personality, she honors Cline with soul-stirring renditions of her famous songs such as, "Crazy," "Walkin' After Midnight," "She's Got You," and "I Fall to Pieces."

Throughout her performance, Morris relates folksy stories about the late Cline, both funny and tragic.

Not only does Morris sing brilliantly, but she also dons dazzling costumes, ranging from buckskins and tassels to glittering sequined gowns.

Morris has traveled nationally for the past decade performing recreations of Cline, Connie Francis and other legendary ladies of country music, as well as her own original songs, to sold-out audiences.

In 1993, she portrayed Cline in the Columbia Actors Repertory's pro-



Submitted

Joni Morris is set to perform a "Tribute to Patsy Cline" today at GBC.

Cline" and has appeared on the stage of the Grand Ole Opry and at other notable venues. She is a regular act at the Peppermill Hotel and Casino in Reno.

Morris feels that Cline had one of the richest voices in the world.

"Patsy's known for her sad ballads," Morris said. "They say that when she sang a song, she was able to make you feel the pain that she experienced herself."

Cline got her first big break in 1957 when she sang on the Arthur Godfrey Talent Scouts television show.

Throughout her brief but successful career, she was a model for women in country music with her smooth vocal style and strong, yet vulnerable delivery.

She died in a plane crash

music that is still loved by millions. Ten years later she became the first female solo artist elected to the Country Music Hall of Fame.

"Morris Has Cline Down Pat."

That's what the newspaper headlines of the San Francisco Examiner read after Joni's most recent performance there.

Now Joni Morris brings to Elko her nostalgic, yet novel excursion into melodic memories and all are welcome to hitch a ride.

She invites her audience to, as Patsy Cline used to say, "just let your hair down and let's see what you look like."

"A Tribute to Patsy Cline" is co-sponsored by the Great Basin College Intellectual and Cultural Education Committee and the Great Basin College

**GBC kicks off  
'Red Ribbon  
Week' Friday**

10-21-10

ELKO - Great Basin

College's Student Government Association is organizing the ninth annual Red Ribbon Week.

The week promotes drug and alcohol awareness on the GBC campus.

The following is a schedule of events:

- Friday - "Rally for Children"

A Kid's Carnival will be from 4-6 p.m. at the GBC Fitness Center & Solarium

- Monday - "Rally to be Drug and Alcohol Free"

Students are encouraged to wear red. The event will be from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Leonard Center for Student Life and will include information displays, red ribbons, free root beer floats, a free student barbecue, DUI simulator and a fatal vision goggle obstacle course.

GBC's SGA will also

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host a movie night with free refreshments beginning at 8 p.m. The screening of "Dinner for Schmucks" begins at 8:30 p.m. at the GBC Theatre.

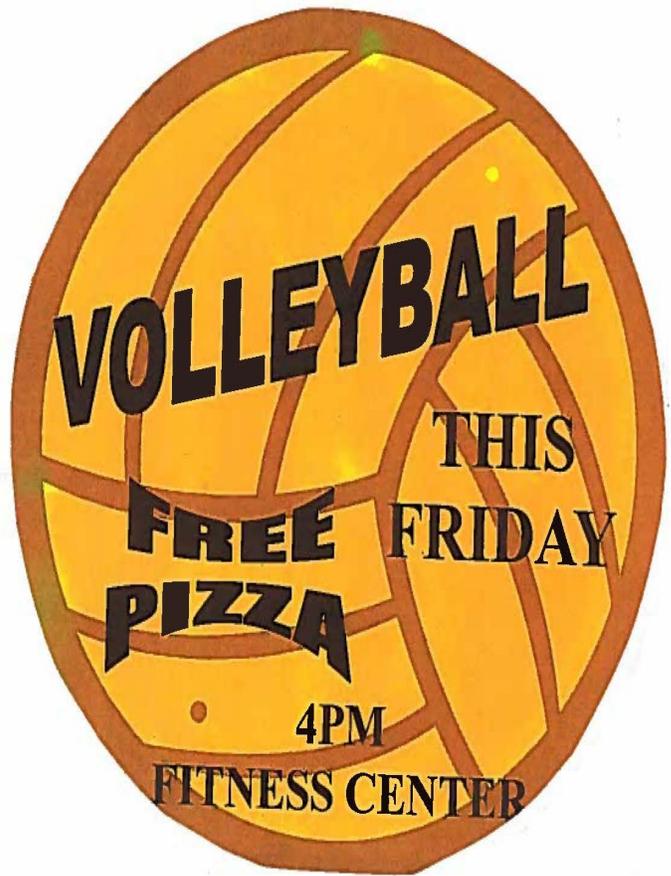
- Tuesday - "Rally for Nevada"

A student rally is scheduled for 5 p.m. at the Leonard Center for Student Life. The gubernatorial debate begins at 6 p.m.

- Wednesday - Costume Party and Contest

The event is the Student Government Association's largest event of the year. The ninth annual Costume Party and Contest is scheduled from 9 p.m. to midnight at the GBC Fitness Center & Solarium.

The event will feature free food, music by DJ Chip Stone, door prizes and a costume contest with a \$100 grand prize.



# Hundreds of students attend college, career fair

11-6-10

**JULIE WOOTTON**  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — The Elko County School District's annual College and Career Fair Tuesday was all about getting high school seniors to think about their futures and the options available to them.

About 775 students attended the fair at Great Basin College's Paul & Gwen Leonard Center for Student Life.

Shane Sutton, Career and Technical Education facilitator for the Elko County School District, said vendors included several branches of the Armed Forces, job agencies, local



Julie Wootton/Elko Daily Free Press  
Adriana Mendez, recruitment coordinator for Great Basin College, talks to students Tuesday at the Elko County School District's annual College and Career Fair.



Julie Wootton/Elko Daily Free Press  
Merissa Kraus, left, a senior at Elko High School, listens as Staff Sgt. Frank Zuniga talks about the Air National Guard during the College and Career Fair. Joshua Arbogast from the Air National Guard is shown in the background.

mining companies, and colleges and universities from around the country.

"The fair is designed to expose kids to the wide variety of options they have after their high school

## Speaker talks about high school to college transition

ELKO — Hundreds of Elko County high school seniors heard a presentation Tuesday from nationally recognized author and speaker Andy Masters.

Great Basin College Tech Prep sponsored Masters' visit.

He made four 45-minute presentations to different groups of students during the Elko County School District's annual College and Career Fair.

Masters has written several college books, including "Life After College: What to Expect and How to Succeed in Your Career" and "37 Keys to College Success: Balancing Student Life and Academics."

He started out his presentation, "HighSchool2College," on a light note by poking fun at himself and how much he hated high school.

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Students arrived in shifts at GBC via school busses and had a chance to chat with dozens of vendors and hear a presentation from nationally recognized author and speaker Andy Masters.

The vendors have been traveling to college and career fairs across Northern Nevada this fall and will be on their way to events in Battle Mountain and Winnemucca soon.

Colleges in attendance ranged geographically from Great Basin College to Dickinson State University in Dickinson, N.D.

Vendors included Mary Kay Cosmetics, Newmont Mining Corp., Barrick Gold of North America, the National Weather Service and the Nevada Department of Wildlife.

Adriana Mendez, a recruitment coordinator for GBC, said GBC representatives are working to let students know what opportunities the college can provide them, whether it's attending a branch or satellite campus.

GBC offers one-year certificates, associate's and bachelor's degrees.

Mendez said it's affordable to attend GBC, which is "a huge plus."

She said GBC's scholar-

ship deadline is March 11, which is also the same day the Free Application for Federal Student Aid is due.

Rena Hanks, a local admissions and recruitment coordinator for the University of Nevada, Reno, said she's attended the fair for several years and it's an opportunity to reach a larger number of students.

During the year, Hanks visits high schools to talk to students about UNR. She also sponsors bus trips from Elko to UNR to allow students to tour the campus.

"We have a lot of interest (in UNR) from the Elko area," she said, adding that the university is a good match for a lot of Elko-area students.

Many of the vendors presented options to show students that attaining a higher education is financially feasible and that there are scholarship opportunities for them.

Tom Patton, senior process/fix plant maintenance trainer for Newmont Mining Corp., said he attended the fair in order to answer students' questions and advertise GBC's Manpower Training Cooperative program, which is supported by several local mining companies.

The program allows students to receive a certificate of achievement or an associate of applied science degree in five different disciplines.

Patton said the program covers 90 percent of the cost of tuition and books for students and also provides them with summer jobs, some of which pay up to \$16 per hour.

Sixty scholarships are awarded each year to students anywhere in the country. There were 185 applications last year, he said.

Another accelerated program was being promoted by an Oregon school.

Elisa Watson, assistant instructor at the Oregon Coast Culinary Institute, said students can earn an associate's degree in a culinary field within 15 months.

The institute is located on the campus of Southwestern Oregon Community College in Coos Bay, Ore.

Julia Rose, resident director at SOCC, said the community college is small and has about 2,000 full-time students.

It's one of only three community colleges in Oregon that offers student housing and there's no out-of-state tuition, she

said.

Rose said the college recruits in most western states.

U.S. Marine Corps Sgt. David Houck of Elko said he attends college and career fairs to get the Marine Corps' "name out there" and dispel myths about the branch.

"As a recruiter, I work to give students options for their future," he said.

The Marine Corps, as well as other branches of the Armed Forces, provides tuition assistance to students on active duty who are interested in pursuing higher education.

Houck said after someone completes a tour of duty, they can be eligible to receive up to \$180,000 through the Post-9/11 GI Bill to pay for college.

Angie Schneider, a counselor at the Sierra Nevada Job Corps Center in Reno, said the job corps program serves those ages 16-24 and is supported by the U.S. Department of Labor.

At the center, students can choose from 16 areas of study and can complete up to two years of college for free.

Students also live on the Sierra Nevada Job Corps Center's campus rent-free, Schneider said.

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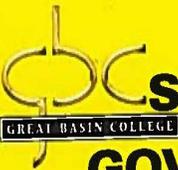
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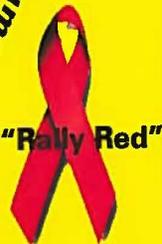
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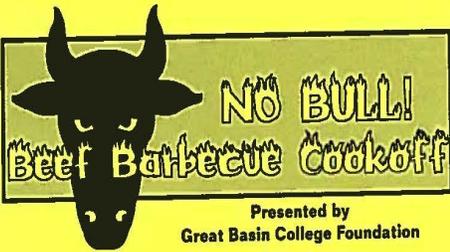
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## **"Shoes That Fit."**

"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. *Please do not gift wrap the items.*

If you have any questions,  
please contact Yvonne Sutherland at ext. 2184  
or Jeanne Long at 738-8493 or "0".

*Thank You*

10-30-10

## GBC website has new look, features

ELKO – Great Basin College's website recently received a makeover, which will help prepare the college to make the switch to a new statewide system in a few months.

John Rice, director of institutional advancement for GBC, said the college's webmaster launched the site earlier this month.

"The website was due for a little bit of a facelift," Rice said.

The new website utilizes a full screen. The homepage includes the college's calendar of events, as well as announcements.

"It makes room for a lot of announcements," Rice said.

Some changes to the website were made to prepare for a statewide higher education system, iNtegrate, to go online at GBC within the next few months.

Rice said the student information system will "allow all colleges to use student information more efficiently" and help make it easier for students to transfer.

The new system will cover areas such as regis-

tration, advising and financial aid, he said.

Internal coding changes were made that will help in switching over to the iNtegrate system.

Rice said most other changes to GBC's website are cosmetic and links were moved to make them more accessible.

A new section running vertically on the right-hand side of the page contains "QuickLinks" to a variety of campus departments, such as Student Housing, Safety & Security and Financial Aid.

On the left-hand side of the homepage, there are links to resources for high school students, future students, current students, faculty and staff, the community and vendors.

Options running along the top of the page include registering for classes, viewing a list of academic programs and learning more about each of GBC's campuses.

GBC's website can be accessed at [www.gbcnv.edu](http://www.gbcnv.edu).

– Julie Wootton

## GBC growth slows

10-22-10

ELKO – Enrollment growth at Great Basin College has slowed this semester due to enrollment caps and the discontinuation of some programs.

GBC's official fall semester count date was Oct. 15.

Overall head count at the college increased about 3.8 percent to 3,694 students this semester, up from 3,559 during fall semester 2009.

John Rice, director for institutional advancement at GBC, said the overall head count includes students who are enrolled in community service course work.

Full-time equivalent enrollment at GBC, which includes students who are taking at least 15 credits, fell 0.3 percent from 2,002 last year to 1,996 this year.

Last school year, FTE enrollment was up more than 10 percent over previous years.

The Nevada System of Higher Education's board of regents approved budget reductions this spring, including enrollment caps and the discontinuation of some programs.

Rice said 1,538 unsuccessful online registration attempts were made by students before the fall semester started, meaning students either couldn't enroll in a class or section they wanted.

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Although full-time equivalent enrollment has dropped a little this semester, the number of students enrolled full time, taking fewer than 15 credits, increased by nearly 3 percent to 1,261.

Part-time enrollment increased by about 1.4 percent to 2,299.

GBC's fall semester began in late August and continues through mid-December.

– Julie Wootton

# Brown Bag Lunches with Dr. Patrick Allitt

Presented by the Professional Enrichment Committee

## Facilitators:

**Gretchen Skivington**

**Lynette Macfarlan**

**Linda Uhlenkott**

Dr. Patrick N. Allitt is a Professor of American History at Emory University. He earned his bachelor's degree at Oxford University and his Ph.D. in History from the University of California, Berkeley. Dr. Allitt is a widely published author. He wrote *I'm the Teacher, You're the Student*. In addition, he has written numerous articles and reviews for academic and popular publications, including *The New York Times Book Review*. From 2004 to 2009, Professor Allitt directed Emory College's Center for Teaching and Curriculum. Professor Allitt was honored with Emory's Excellence in Teaching Award in 2000.



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## GREAT BASIN COLLEGE



Great Basin College

Great Basin College Human Services Professor Mary Ray was recently recognized as being among the first 250 Human Services professionals to be approved as a "Human Services Board Certified Practitioner"

10-27-10

### GBC Human Services aims for national accreditation

ELKO — Great Basin College's Health Sciences and Human Services Department is completing a self-study of its Human Services Program.

The study fulfills a requirement for a national certification, and leads to a site visit by the National Organization for Human Services.

Once the NOHS certification is complete, graduates of the associate of applied science degree in human services will be eligible for the national certification exam and can become certified as human services practitioners.

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NOHS, in collaboration with the Council for Standards in Human Service Education and the Center for Credentialing & Education, has developed national level certification in human services which can increase visibility and credibility of human serv-

ices careers in the United States and abroad.

The credential is also an essential element in fulfilling GBC's mission of strengthening recognition of the unique and valued role of Human Services Professionals.

Ray said it is exciting to be a part of NOHS.

"I hope to continue to work to make the HS-BCP a highly recognized and valuable credential," she said.

Ray will attend the NOHS national meeting this month.

Students who receive the credential will have benefit from their association with a professional organization.

Employers recognize the value of the rigorous training behind the credential.

Certification can lead to more employment opportunities. It is also an assurance for those who seek the expertise of a Human Services professional that the practitioner meets a national standard.

For more information on GBC's Human Services Program, contact Ray at 753-2005 or [maryr@gwmail.gbcnv.edu](mailto:maryr@gwmail.gbcnv.edu).





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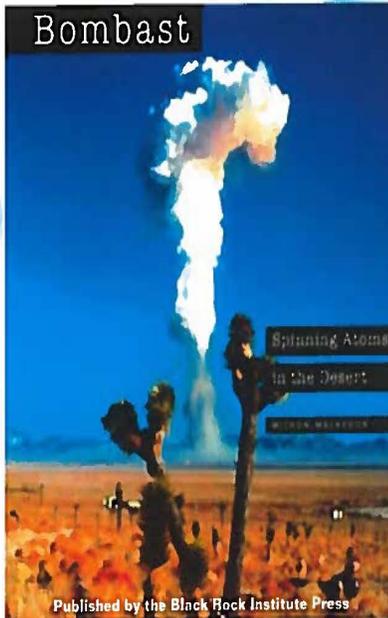


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New York writer Dennis Smith: "In a fluid seamless, and compelling narration (Mackedon) goes on to tell a very full story of Nevada's history of nuclear testing, nuclear waste storage, patriotic controversies, political posturing in cabouts with the p r men in gray flanned suit, radiation poisonings, and Orwellian inventions meant as much to deceive as to convince... If you are moved by exceptional writing, then you will love this book."

For more information, call 775.753.2231.

# A Conversation with Author Michon Mackedon "Nuclear spin in the desert"



Thursday, November 4, 2010

7:00 p.m.

Electrical/Industrial Building, Room 208

*"Blowing up bombs and planning nuclear tombs in Nevada has left a legacy to the residents, a mixture of loss of innocence and discovery of their own invisibility..."*

Meet (Bombast) author and Nevada Humanities speaker, Michon Mackedon, and engage in conversation about how the atomic industry manipulates language to make the unsafe appear safe. Explore the dilemmas caused by characterizations of the Silver State as a "wasteland," guarantees of "sound science" to justify testing, and an ongoing effort to designate Nevada as the nation's nuclear waste repository.

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11-17-10

## NSHE chancellor: GBC the 'heartbeat' of Elko

JULIE WOOTTON  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Great Basin College has become the "heartbeat" of the Elko community, the Nevada System of Higher Education's chancellor said Monday.

Daniel Klaich spent Monday in Elko meeting with students, faculty and administrators at Great Basin

College, touring facilities and speaking during a ceremony honoring NSHE regent Dorothy Gallagher.

"This is an incredible place," he said about GBC during an interview with the Free Press Monday night.

He said GBC has grown immensely over time, from just two buildings in the 1980s to where it is today.

Klaich cited programs

such as nursing and technical education programs that collaborate with the mining industry as some of GBC's strengths.

"It's a neat thing that all grads get jobs," he said.

"That's what we should be doing" as a model for the rest of Nevada's higher education system.

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Klaich also took a moment to address the budget situation for the Nevada System of Higher Education.

"I expect a very, very difficult budget," he said about the upcoming year.

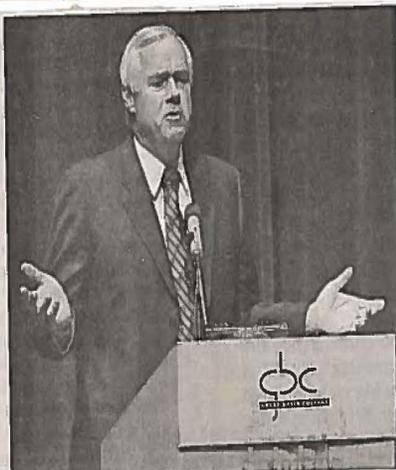
Klaich said he's waiting to hear from Gov. Jim Gibbons' office before NSHE can determine figures and build its budget.

Following the state's special legislative session early last year, Nevada's public colleges and universities were asked to present budget reduction proposals, which were approved by NSHE regents in the spring.

The higher education system saw a 6.9 percent cut in funding, less than the governor's office previously recommended.

This year, enrollment caps have been lowered for some programs at GBC such as nursing, diesel, electrical, welding, millwright technology and instrumentation.

Other programs have been suspended, such as sonography, fire science management and broadcast technology.



Ross Anderson/Elko Daily Free Press  
Daniel Klaich, chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education, speaks Monday night at the Great Basin College Theatre during an event honoring Regent Dorothy Gallagher.

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People waited anxiously to hear about the state their classrooms and wondered if they would be able to return the following day.

Computer personnel were on hand, as the building houses the network for the northern part of the state as well as all onsite operations.

"We can't allow any activity here until we fully know what is going on and figure out what needs to be repaired," said Rice.

Students who attend classes in Lundberg on the Great Basin College campus should receive a phone message concerning their class situation while the building is locked down.

Anyone who has a class in Lundberg Hall should refer to the college website, [www.gbcnv.edu](http://www.gbcnv.edu), for further directions.

— Cynthia Delaney

# Foundation fails at GBC

11-19-10

## Lundberg Hall evacuated

ELKO — Late Thursday afternoon it was class as usual as evening sessions started at Great Basin College. The routine ended abruptly at about 4:30 when a jolt ripped through Lundberg Hall.

Part of the foundation in the building collapsed and in one

classroom the walls completely separated from the floor, which dropped several inches.

"I thought we were having an earthquake," said Tracy Rightmer, who was gathered around a table with fellow students in her photography class.

Everyone was quickly evacu-

ated from the building. As students and faculty waited outside, GBC security arrived to assess the incident.

"It appears to be a structural failure," said John Rice, director of Institutional Advancement at the college. "A support post failed, causing the floor to sag instantly."



Student Brian Teppo looks at the notice on a Lundberg Hall doorway that was quickly put up after the floor inside collapsed. "I'm not too sad," said Teppo as he shouldered his backpack and left campus. "I had chemistry tonight."

Cynthia Delaney  
Free Press correspondent

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## Great Basin College Professional Enrichment



### Dr. Frank Daniels

Dr. Frank Daniels has been involved in campus leadership since a high-school teacher instructed him to "be a leader." In college, he headed up two student groups and sponsored events between groups that had never cooperated before. He came to Great Basin College after receiving his PhD in mathematics from the University of Florida. Since then, he has developed 39 classes (and has more in his pocket). He has also chaired various committees, including the Faculty Senate.

Frank's papers on topics affecting the FSH-E community have circulated widely—including his latest research on developmental education. Through him, GBC offered the first fully web-based Calculus sequence anywhere, as he also helped develop the concentration in mathematics for the Secondary Ed programs at GBC and NSC. He has worked with math teachers statewide on curriculum-related issues. His personal website is well-known in appropriate circles, and he has authored and contributed to several books—including a translation of the New Testament. Currently, he maintains a column on cookbooks and is working on two books, both related to the Beatles.

### Presentation Title:

## ***Virtue Won't Hurt You: Finding the "I" in Team***

Date: 11/12/2010

Time: 10:00 – 11:30 AM

Place: GTA 124

### Description:

From many years, humanity has examined Virtues and Deadly Enemies. How do these help build or destroy an effective team? Participants are asked to share on SUCCESS that they have experienced at GBC regarding team work, and one CHALLENGE to team-building that they have experienced at GBC. Challenges that have no solution are not permitted. Minimum: 12 participants. Email your intent to attend.

**Metaprofessional Areas Met: Conflicte  
Management, Communication Styles, and Team  
Building**



### **DR. KEVIN MARIE LAXALT**

Kevin joined the GBC ranks ten years ago with a very diverse background. Originally, she earned her undergraduate degree in Psychology at Arizona State University. She went on to pursue a Master's degree in Counseling Psychology at Northern Arizona University. Her first career took her to both rural and urban settings across Arizona.

Her specialty became family therapy. She returned to school at the University of Arizona where she earned a degree in Elementary Education. She then spent eight years teaching at several Title I at-risk elementary schools in Tucson. During that time, she was chosen to be one of ten teachers in Tucson to be trained in Reading Recovery for a two-year time period. Thus, Kevin became a Reading Specialist. Several years later, she returned to UNL to pursue a doctorate in Curriculum & Instruction with specialties in both Educational Psychology and Reading. Kevin earned her doctorate in 1997 (remarkably she did so as a new widow and a single parent of three youngsters).

Upon earning her doctorate, Kevin returned to her home state of Nevada. Kevin became the primary designer and developer of the Teacher Education Program at CCSN in Las Vegas, Nevada, and successfully directed this program for over six years. In 2009, Kevin joined the Education program at the University of Northern Colorado, teaching literacy courses and Multicultural Education at both the undergraduate and graduate levels for several years. Missing her home state, Kevin returned to Nevada as an Education and English Professor/Academic adviser with the GBC ELI Center in 2009. Two years later, she transferred to the Elko campus to begin the Reading component of the GBC English Department.

While here at GBC, Kevin has instructed courses in three departments: Teacher Education, Psychology, and English. Kevin is currently working on a college-level textbook for Reading. She is also presently testing her own unique model of a student workbook this semester. In her spare time, (though I'm sad) Kevin plugs away on a novel that encompasses her childhood here in Nevada.

## **Presentation Title:**

### ***How to Incorporate Reading Strategies into Content Area Instruction***

**Date:** November 19

**Time:** 8:30-9:45 AM

**Place:** GTA 124, IAV

**Description:** The purpose of this presentation is empowerment. It is designed for all GBC faculty members who wish to become more empowered every time they provide instruction to their students....such as, "Now class...be sure to read Chapter 1 over the weekend." By moving away from this generic and often vague instructional approach, instructors will learn how to provide more strategic instruction with the ever-present Reading component of their course content. Specific strategies will be provided for most content areas. This workshop will focus primarily on instructional design, delivery, instructional strategies that will, in turn, empower their students. It's a "win-win" for all!

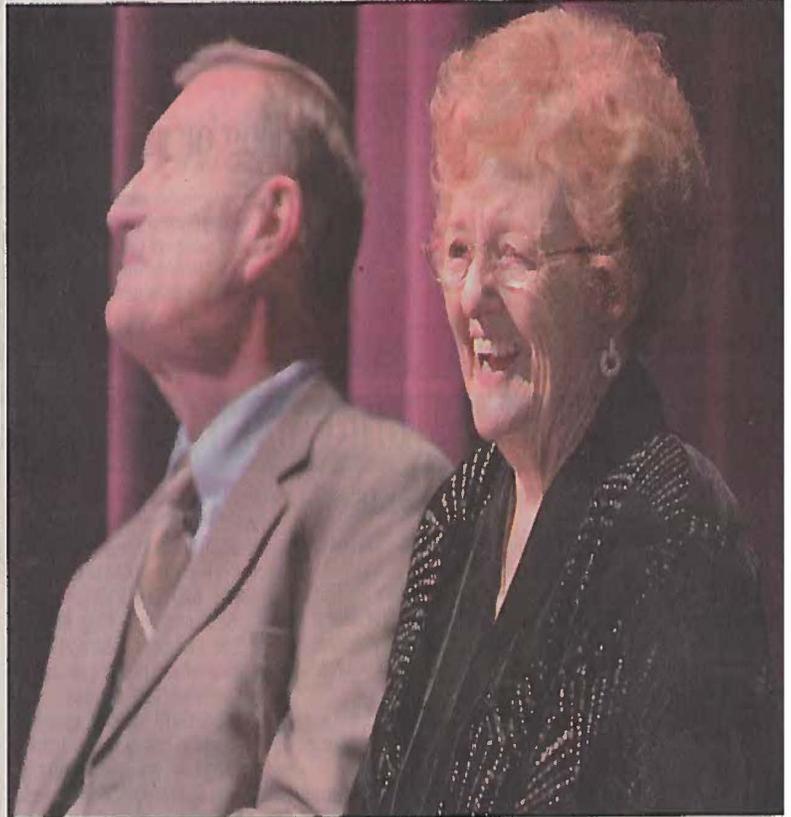
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Ross Andreson/Elko Daily Free Press  
Retiring university Regent Dorothy Gallagher laughs as she listens to one of many speakers Monday night during an event honoring her years of service to Nevada and the Elko community at Great Basin College Theatre. At left is Carl Diekhans, GBC president.

## *Gallagher honored for years of service*

**JULIE WOITTON**  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — A ceremony Monday night to honor Dorothy Gallagher's nearly three decades of service to the state's higher education system was full of laughter as people shared stories of her determination, kindness and sense of humor.

Gallagher, of Elko, served for 28 years on the Nevada System of Higher Education's Board of Regents and is retiring from the position.

She was first elected in 1980 and retired in 2002, but came back in 2004 after her successor chose not to return.

Several dozen people attended the ceremony at Great Basin College to honor Gallagher and a number of people spoke about her accomplishments and presented her with certificates and gifts.

"I don't need to tell you what an incredible person Dorothy Gallagher is," NSHE Chancellor Daniel Klaich told the audience.

He said he first met Gallagher when he was appointed to the Board of Regents in 1983 and his first meeting as regent was on GBC's campus.

Klaich, who spent Monday at GBC meeting with students, administrators, faculty and staff, said as he v

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*Dorothy Gallagher*

walking around campus, he thought "what an incredible place this is" and how much it's grown.

He said Gallagher helped mold GBC into what it is today and she taught him how to be a good regent and human being.

NSHE Regent William Cobb, who represents Washoe County, said Gallagher is known as the "mom" of the NSHE board of regents.

He said he's gained wisdom and guidance from her, and that when Gallagher speaks, during a meeting, everyone is quiet and listens.

Paulette Batayola, president of GBC's Student Government Association, said Gallagher is one of rural Nevada's icons.

Gallagher has served her constituents "with insight and timeless class," Batayola said. She gave Gallagher a shirt and gavel, and announced that she's now an honorary SGA officer.

Janice Elliot, a GBC student representing the Student Nurses Association, read a poem called a "Tribute to an RN" in honor of Gallagher's nursing background.

Dr. Cyd McMullen, who was representing GBC's faculty, said Gallagher is always kind and honest with the faculty members.

Elko Mayor Mike Franzoia and Elko County Commissioner Sheri Eklund-Brown presented a joint City of Elko and Elko County proclamation honoring Gallagher and expressing gratitude for her years of service.

"Dorothy is an icon for Elko County and the state of Nevada," Franzoia said.

He said he met Gallagher 24 years ago while they were serving on the hospital board and she taught him how to conduct himself during public meetings.

Eklund-Brown said Gallagher is a strong, determined woman, but "in a classy way."

"She is a role model for me and for women aspiring to get involved in politics," Eklund-Brown said.

Sen. Harry Reid, Rep. Dean Heller and Gov. Jim Gibbons all wrote proclamations thanking Gallagher for her service.

John Patrick Rice, director of institutional advancement at GBC, read a letter from former GBC president Paul Kilpatrick.

In the letter, Kilpatrick shares some humorous sto-

ries about his interactions with Gallagher, such as how he was impressed to find out that she has the governor on speed dial.

Gallagher is "not shy about taking you to the woodshed" if she thinks you made a bad decision, Kilpatrick wrote.

GBC President Carl Diekhans said although Elko County residents think of Gallagher as their regent, she's "truly a regent for the state of Nevada."

The District 8 seat occupied by Gallagher covers 11 rural counties including Elko.

Diekhans said Gallagher did a wonderful job managing the institutions but still let college employees do their jobs.

At the end of the ceremony, Gallagher got up to the microphone and the crowd gave her a standing ovation.

She said the growth of GBC over the past three decades has been remarkable, from two buildings surrounded by sagebrush 30 years ago to many new facilities today.

Gallagher told the audience she'd let them in on her secret - surrounding herself with smart people.

"We never do these things alone, ever," she said.

Gallagher said when she looks back at GBC's history, it's made up of many fine people who helped bring the school to where it is today.

"It's been a great thing to watch," she said.

Gallagher concluded by saying although she won't be a regent anymore, "Don't worry, I'll be watching you."

Kevin Melcher was elected this month to Gallagher's former seat.

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# **GBC TURKEY FEED**

**SGA  
&  
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**Thursday November 18th  
11:30 -?  
Café x**

**From:** SGA GBC  
**To:** GBC-BM; GBC-ELKO; GBC-ELY; GBC-PAHRUMP; GBC-WINNEMUCCA  
**Date:** 11/19/2010 11:54 AM  
**Subject:** SGA's Hunt for Hungry - THANK YOU!!!

**Thank you GBC Family!**

This year Elko SGA's goal is to feed thirty families a complete turkey dinner with all the trimmings. WOW! It looks like we will meet our goal. Classified Council did an amazing job!!! Yesterday, at the turkey feed, we collected four more bins of non-perishables. The frozen turkeys are still being delivered to the SGA Offices - Thank you faculty, staff and administration.  
Tonight students will be out in the community collecting more food.

This year Classified Council and SGA are participating in Hunt for the Hungry on all sites. All of our communities will benefit from GBC's generosity!

Thank you again.

**From:** SGA GBC  
**To:** GBC-ELKO; SOL 2010-2011  
**Date:** 11/19/2010 8:05 PM  
**Subject:** Hunt for Hungry 2010 Results

All,  
The Student Clubs and SGA just completed their event for Hunt for the Hungry. The community scavenger hunt was a huge success.

**SNO (Student Nurses Organization)** was the grand prize winner. Fifteen Student Nurses participated and they collected 638 non perishable items!

Participation awards went to **Colleges Against Cancer, Phi Theta Kappa, and Skills USA.**

As a result of the combined efforts of Cafe X's Turkey Dinner, Classified Council's Food Drive, Faculty-Staff-Administration Turkey Donations, and the Hunt for Hungry Student Event, we delivered **THIRTY** complete turkey dinners to families in our community.

Also, at the request of the student nurses, we delivered approximately 400 non perishable food items to CADV.

This shatters all previous years records.

GREAT JOB GBC!

Thank you.  
SGA

# Top brewmaster featured at GBC

11-18-10

ELKO — A fifth generation brewmaster will be the featured speaker during a beer tasting event Friday at Great Basin College.

George Reisch holds the title of corporate brewmaster at Anheuser-Busch in St. Louis, Mo., where he supervises the production of beer and the formulation of new brews.

During his tenure at Anheuser-Busch, he has assisted with new beer brand development and taught at hundreds of brewing schools.

Reisch currently serves as president of the Master Brewers Association of the Americas. He is also a tasting judge at both the Great American Beer Festival and the World Beer Cup.

As an esteemed expert in his field, Reisch will be the featured speaker at the GBC Beer Tasting Friday in the Greenhaw Technical Arts Building Room 130.

The event begins at 5:30 p.m. with Reisch discussing brewing ingredients and other beer-related topics, along with leading the tasting.

Blach Distributing Co. has underwritten the cost of bringing Reisch to Elko. "We are essentially bringing the brewery to

Elko," said company spokesman Pat Blach.

"Anheuser Busch will provide process samples of their beers for participants to sample at various stages of development."

Domestic and specialty beers will be available for tasting, and French Chef Xavier Leveau from Café X will prepare special food pairings for the featured beers that participants will taste.

The cost for this event is \$30 for adults 21 and older. Proceeds will help support Great Basin College's Kids College program and other community events at GBC.

Reisch is happy that beer tastings have become popular and that more people are experimenting with home brewing.

According to Reisch, beer and brewing is a sensory experience.

"People enjoy doing something that involves the senses of smell, taste and even hearing," he said.

To register for this class, visit Student Services in Berg Hall at Great Basin College or enroll online at [www.gbcnv.edu](http://www.gbcnv.edu). Seating is limited.

For further information, contact the Continuing Education department at 753-2231.

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**George Reisch,** a fifth generation Brewmaster, attended the University of Wisconsin to gain his BS in food chemistry while working at Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co., as a brewery worker and at Miller Brewing Co. as a research assistant. Upon graduation, Reisch was placed in the Anheuser-Busch Corporate Management Training Program before being promoted to brewing supervisor. During his tenure at Anheuser-Busch, he has assisted with new beer brand development and taught at hundreds of brewing schools. Reisch currently serves as president of the Master Brewers Association of the Americas (MBAA). He is a tasting judge at both the World Beer Cup and Great American Beer Festival.



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Learn about the special ingredients and process of brewing fine beers and sample delicious food and beer pairings.



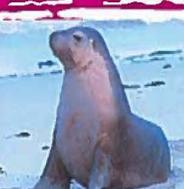
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- If you cancel after 11/30/10, money will be refunded if possible, however we cannot refund money expended.
- It will be an enjoyable trip and we want you to make sure you can commit before you pay your deposit.

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For more information, contact  
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# Beer Tasting

**Friday, November 19th**



**HA 008Z (CALL # 11279)**  
**Instructor: George Reisch, Brewmaster**  
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**Location: GTA 130**  
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# Floors falling

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This photo provided by Great Basin College staff Friday shows the "floor-wall separation" in Lundberg Hall.

## Lundberg Hall damage minor to structure

DANIELLE SWITALSKI  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — A minor structural failure in the late afternoon hours on Thursday prompted an immediate evacuation of Lundberg Hall on the Great Basin College campus, said John Patrick Rice, GBC Foundation executive director.

There were no injuries or major physical damage to the structure as a result of the steel support pole failure, which caused the floor joint beneath it to sag.

"Our primary concern is the safety of our students and staff and the best thing to do is to get people out until you know what's going on," Rice said.

Classes were moved to different buildings on Friday, and a general engineering contractor began to install shoring to stabilize the floor girder.

*"There is no imminent possibility of any sort of catastrophic event."*

John Patrick Rice  
GBC Foundation executive director

Although classes will remain relocated until further notice, Rice said he anticipated the building to be stabilized by the weekend.

The affected area of the building must be deemed stable by the State Public Works Board, which has been

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receiving hourly updates on the progress of repairs.

"There is no imminent possibility of any sort of catastrophic event. It is being managed," said Rice. He referenced a report filed by Mark Fraga, facilities officer of GBC, who conducted engineer studies following the structural failure alongside a private engineering firm.

Staff was allowed back into the unaffected area of the building on Friday, as engineers continued to inspect the entire building's support system.

"There are staff members working in the building, just not in the affected part of it," Rice said. "We just can't have a lot of people in there."

Lundberg Hall is a 15,000 square foot, single story structure that was built in 1975.

The affected area of the building has an office, staff and instructional support services, as well as one computer lab room. The building hosts about 14 to 15 classes throughout the week.

Rice said it is not one of the main classroom buildings on the college campus, however, it is home to biology, life and physical science labs. He said these lab rooms are on the opposite end of the building from the affected section, however those classes were still relocated.

"We're not conducting classes right now because we don't want people there while they're doing inspections," Rice said.

At approximately 4:30 p.m. Thursday, the building experienced the minor structural failure. The issue involved a 3-inch diameter steel pipe column supporting a primary floor steel girder. Rice said the bottom few inches of the support column gave way, which caused it to collapse approximately three inches.

He said the engineer report stated that after it gave way, the column immediately stabilized in place on a steel base plate on a concrete pier.

Additionally, the column failure was directly beneath a connection between two beam sections, which caused the beams to sag.

Classes will take place in alternative buildings until further notice. A complete list of rescheduled rooms can be viewed on the GBC website's home page at [www.gbcnv.edu.com](http://www.gbcnv.edu.com).

11-20-10  
**GBC reoccupies Lundberg Hall**

ELKO — Great Basin College received permission Tuesday morning to reoccupy Lundberg Hall, which experienced a minor structural failure last week.

Lynn Mahlberg, vice president for student services, said temporary shoring of the building has been completed by RAM Enterprise Inc.

State Building Official Dennis Nolan gave GBC

approval Tuesday to reoccupy the building.

"Great Basin College will be retaining a structural engineer to perform a complete evaluation of the existing conditions and then move forward with permanent repairs," Mahlberg wrote in an e-mail Tuesday.

She said permanent repairs to the building will likely be made during semester breaks,

so classes probably won't be relocated again.

Classes resumed in Lundberg Hall Tuesday except interactive video classes, which remained relocated the rest of the week.

After the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, interactive classes will resume Monday in rooms 114 and 123.

— Julie Wootton

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**To:** GBC-BM; GBC-ELKO; GBC-ELY; GBC-PAHRUMP; GBC-WINNEMUCCA  
**Date:** 11/23/2010 2:16 PM  
**Subject:** Ely Thanksgiving  
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The Ely Center wishes everyone a happy Thanksgiving! Today we enjoyed the annual turkey lunch orchestrated by Frank in his Beatles apron.





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# President's *Welcome Back*

**Agenda**  
**Tuesday, January 18, 2011**  
**1:00 p.m.**

Service Awards

New Employee Introductions

Legislative Session Update

Complete College's Goals

Foundation Activities

Professional Enrichment  
Update

Questions and Answers

## **35 Years**

*Karen Martin*

## **30 Years**

*Carl Diekhans*

## **25 Years**

*Bret Murphy*  
*Joyce Shaw*

## **20 years**

*Jolina Adams*  
*Glen Tenney*

## **15 Years**

*Richard Barton*  
*Frank Daniels*  
*Judy Emerson*  
*Steve Garcia*  
*Russell Hammons*  
*Mary Swetich*

## **10 Years**

*Julie Byrnes*  
*Karen Dannehl*  
*Lisa Frazier*  
*Danny Gonzales*  
*Eliseo Gonzalez*  
*Gary Hanington*

*Heather McCoy*  
*Lynette Macfarlan*  
*Christine Marshall*  
*Greg Molyneux*  
*Janie Moore*  
*Scott Nielsen*  
*Steven Ricord*  
*Julie Smith*  
*Salvador Solis*  
*Meachell Walsh*  
*Mardell Wilkins*

## **5 Years**

*Susanne Bentley*  
*Carolyn Bruno*  
*Lisa Campbell*  
*Norm Cavanaugh*  
*Kara Coates*  
*Norbel Uribe Correa*  
*Jo Dean*  
*Jim Elithorp*  
*David Ellefsen*  
*Scott Hennefer*  
*Teresa Howell*  
*Graciela Irurueta*  
*Renae Jim*  
*Kevin Laxalt*  
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# Newmont gives \$100,000 to GBC Foundation

**ADELLA HARDING**  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Newmont Mining Corp. on Wednesday presented a \$100,000 check to the Great Basin College Foundation as the first installment of a \$300,000 pledge to a new endowment.

The \$1.5 million endowment is for new programs that businesses and industries, such as the mining industry, might need in the future to train workers.

"Especially in these economic times they are looking at community colleges to train workers and get the economy started again," GBC President Carl Diekhans said.

"This will allow us to jump start programs at very short notice," he said.

The interest from the \$1.5 million endowment will be available to hire instructors and set up programs, and Diekhans said the money essentially is "venture capital" for new programs the college develops.

The endowment "relieves the college of the burden of supporting new programs" so GBC can use state funding for the established programs while the new one gets off the ground, he said.

Newmont contributed its first installment after the GBC Foundation showed the company it could raise the remainder of the \$1.5 million by a Dec. 31 deadline.

Barrick Gold of North America provided \$150,000 earlier this year for the endowment.

"We're all very aware of



Submitted

Newmont Mining Corp. presents a \$100,000 check Wednesday to the Great Basin College Foundation Endowment for New Programs as part of a \$300,000 pledge. From left: John Rice, executive director of the Great Basin College Foundation; Lisa Becker, Newmont external relations representative; and GBC President Carl Diekhans.

how generous Newmont and Barrick are to the community. We wanted to show them we could raise the rest of the money by the deadline

of Dec. 31," said John Rice, executive director of the GBC Foundation.

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"We raised a million bucks in 12 months. It was important to show Newmont and Barrick how much support there was from the rest of the community," he said.

Rice said the new endowment "fits in with their sustainability programs."

Additional money to create the endowment came from a Paul and Gwen Leonard bequest, a \$300,000 anonymous donation a few years ago and from smaller contributions from businesses and individuals, Rice said.

"The endowment is complete with the pledges," Diekhans said.

Rice cited an example of a new program similar to what the endowment could start in the future. The Land Survey and Geomatics program was

established in response to a state mandate that all licensed land surveyors in Nevada have a bachelor degree credential.

GBC was the only college in the state to respond to the need, Rice said.

The program, now enrolling students from across the state and from other parts of the nation,

fulfilled a critical need in Nevada, according to Rice.

Diekhans said longtime GBC programs such as diesel mechanics got their start through contributions from the industry, and solar or geothermal programs might be examples of future needs.

He estimated the new endowment will earn

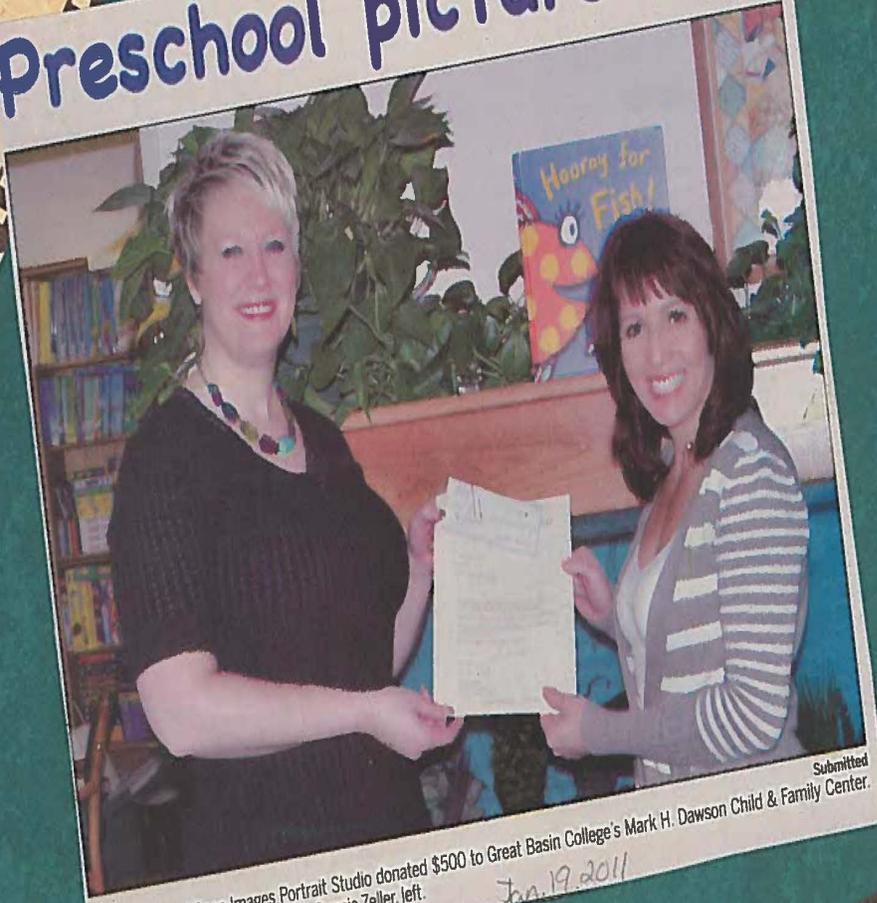
roughly \$75,000 a year with 5 percent interest, and Rice said the college's investment program can bring in that much interest even at a time when interest rates are low.

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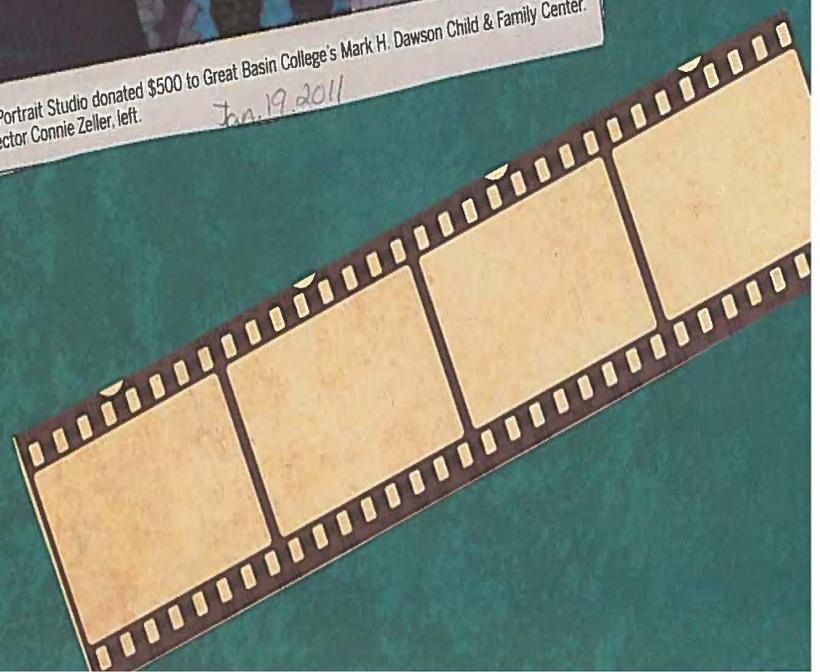
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# Preschool picture day



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Melissa McNutt from Images Portrait Studio donated \$500 to Great Basin College's Mark H. Dawson Child & Family Center.  
She's pictured with center director Connie Zeller, left.  
Jan. 19, 2011



# Most GBC classes start Monday

JULIE WOOTTON  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — So far, spring semester enrollment figures at Great Basin College are about equal to last year, but numbers continue to fluctuate.

"The bulk of our classes begin on Monday," said John Rice, director for institutional advancement.

The college's official enrollment reporting date isn't for another few weeks.

Rice said enrollment numbers are changing hourly as students add and drop classes.

GBC compares enrollment figures between years, not semesters. For colleges and universities nationwide, there's usually "a little drop in the enrollment during the spring semester," Rice said.

Jan 20, 2011

About 1,900 full-time equivalent students were enrolled at GBC last spring, with an overall head count of about 3,300 students on all campuses. Full-time equivalent students are those who are taking at least 15 credits per semester.

Enrollment for spring semester remains open and financial aid is still available.

Students in the Manpower Training Cooperative program have been in class for about one week. However, there are more classes than usual that will start later in the semester.

"A lot of classes start late," Rice said.

Continuing education classes feature topics such as fitness, organizing, cooking, writing and photography.

Faculty members are back on campus preparing for the spring semester.

"We're excited about the coming semester," Rice said.

GBC's Student Government Association has a number of activities planned for students' first week back, including an opportunity to watch Gov. Brian Sandoval's State of the State address at 6 p.m. Monday, free bowling night at 9 p.m. Tuesday, a Buster Blue concert at 7 p.m. Wednesday and a volleyball tournament at 4 p.m. Jan. 28.

GBC staff is currently putting together a schedule of summer classes.

"We plan to increase the availability of summer classes to help students finish their degrees in a timely way," Rice said.

One change this year is that there will be financial aid available to students who enroll in summer classes.

To view spring schedules and register for classes, visit [www.gbcnv.edu](http://www.gbcnv.edu).



Ross Anderson/Elko Daily Free Press file  
In this September file photo, students walk to classes at Great Basin College near the clock tower. Most spring semester classes at the college begin Monday.

# Jan 21, 2011 Toastmasters help with public speaking, leadership

JULIE WOOTTON  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — As a certified self-defense instructor, Lisa Abbott does a lot of public speaking.

Although she already felt comfortable in front of groups, being part of the Ruby Mountain Toastmasters has helped her refine her speaking skills as an instructor and high school sports coach.

"The skills I learned at Toastmasters have helped me out so much," said Abbott, who is the group's vice president for public relations.

She said the group has been a huge help and now she's "a lot more refined" in terms of her speaking skills.

Pastor Judith Donaldson, a member of Sunrise Toastmasters, has been giving sermons for about 30 years, but has still learned a lot about public speaking through Toastmasters.

"I still learn an awful lot," she said, adding that she's learned how to better prepare and deliver sermons. Donaldson is the pastor at United Methodist Church in Battle Mountain.

She said she joined the group because she was looking for something to do.

"Most people join because they do know that they have a problem speaking in public," she said. "Their job requires at least some speaking skill without shaking in their shoes."

Whether giving a toast at a wedding or making a business presentation, being prepared beforehand and practicing can help make public speaking more doable.

While some people are totally comfortable with public speaking, others have a mild fear or even phobia of talking in front of other people. Sweaty hands, a shaky voice and increased heart rate are just some of the signs of anxiety before public speaking, according to the Mayo Clinic.

There are two Toastmasters groups in Elko that can help locals build confidence, improve leadership skills, and enhance listening, critical thinking and communication skills. The groups are part of the nonprofit organization Toastmasters International.

The Ruby Mountain Toastmasters group is hosting a "meet and greet" event at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 2 before their regularly scheduled meeting.

The group meets at 7 p.m. the first three Wednesdays of each month in Room 201 in the Electrical and Industrial Technology building at Great Basin College.



Ross Anderson/Elko Daily Free Press

Chris Sutton gives a speech to the Ruby Mountain Toastmasters group Wednesday night at Great Basin College.

"Guests are welcomed to come ask questions and meet members, and then join in as the club will have their regularly scheduled 7 p.m. meeting immediately following the 'meet and greet,'" according to a press release from the group. "This event will give guests the opportunity to see a Toastmasters Club in action and learn about the benefits it has to offer."

Abbott said the atmosphere in the meetings is "very open and comfortable." "We ease you into different segments to learn how to speak publicly and get more comfortable doing it," she said.

The Ruby Mountain Toastmasters group was created in 1987. Since then, they've received several distinguished club awards from the Toastmasters organization.

For early risers, the Sunrise Toastmasters group meets at 6:45 a.m. Fridays at Stockmen's Hotel & Casino.

Both clubs are open to the public and fees are minimal, Abbott said.

Typical meetings consist of working out of workbooks in order to help "people learn leadership and communication skills," Abbott said.

"The activities help people build self-confidence in presenting themselves, whether to help them out in their job" or other aspects of their lives, she said.

There's one section of each meeting where attendees participate in "table topics." Random topics are selected, which provide participants a chance for "off-the-cuff" speaking opportunities

without any preparation, Abbott said.

"Those segments are the most enjoyable," she said.

Donaldson said the Sunrise Toastmasters also have one to two minute "table topics."

"It is certainly good for learning how to speak on your feet and learning to deal with being center of attention," she said.

Meetings also include an evaluation section, where other attendees "point out good things in the speech" as well as one thing that could be improved.

Donaldson said it's not "a heavy critique" and it's a highly supportive and enjoyable group.

"It's a good way to increase your ability to communicate," she said. Sessions also give people the ability to lead others.

"It's all done within a supportive atmosphere," she said.

Sessions can also help prepare people for job interviews and for answering questions that come up during group discussions.

The Ruby Mountain Toastmasters group has about 20 members, ranging from brand new members to long-time participants. It's a casual environment, so people don't need to stay for the entire meetings.

"People can come and go depending on their (work) shift," Abbott said.

For more information about Ruby Mountain Toastmasters, call Abbott at 340-6473. For information about Sunrise Toastmasters, call Donaldson at 754-2422.

# GBC to host cultural film festival

Jan. 27, 2011

**DANIELLE SWITALSKI**  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Great Basin College is hosting a film festival to not only bring entertainment to the area, but cultural diversity.

This is the sixth year GBC has hosted the festival organized by the Intellectual Cultural Enrichment Committee and the film festival subcommittee.

This year's festival is scheduled Feb. 4, 5, 11 and 12 at the Great Basin College Theater.

The lineup includes feature films such as "The Kids are All Right" as well as documentaries such as "Afghan Star."

"It's to bring to Elko an opportunity to see more movies," said Eric Dale, member of the film festival committee. "These are films that have already been released and it's just the educational, cultural aspect that is part of it."

Jeannie Rosenthal, from the ICE, said the film festival is not meant to be competition for the movies at the commercial movie theaters in Elko, but a way to bring movies that would not typically come to the area.

The Nevada Arts Council has become a part of the film festival this year and provided funding to GBC to help put on the event.

"It enlarges the scope and the potential for the film festival," Dale said.

The concept was started when GBC was given a grant to host a Erefich Film Festival. Since then, Rosenthal said the festival has been building an audience to determine what films people want to see.

Something new to the festival this year is a "Dinner and/or Movie Night" on Feb. 11.

Participants will be provided a dinner from Cafe X, followed by a viewing of "Princess Ka'iulani," a film based on a true story about a Hawaiian princess in 1888.

People can also choose to only watch the movie.

Dinner requires an RSVP to Cafe X by Feb. 9. To RSVP call 732-2261.

For more information on the festival, call 738-8493.

A list of movies followed by a brief description is below:

## The Kids Are All Right

This movie from Focus Features, starring Julianne Moore, Annette Bening and Mia Wasikowska and directed by Lisa Cholodenko, is the festival kickoff film and will be shown at 6 p.m. Feb. 4.

This movie was nominated for four Golden Globe awards and took home two. The movie won best picture for a comedy/musical and Annette Bening won best actress for a comedy/musical.

The movie is centered around a suburban Southern California family, according to the film's website at [www.focusfeatures.com](http://www.focusfeatures.com).

Two teenaged children get the notion to seek out their biological father and introduce him into the family life that their two mothers built for them. As the biological father comes into the lives of the four, "an unexpected new chapter begins for them as family ties are defined, re-defined, and then re-re-defined," said the movie website.

This movie is rated R and is 104 minutes.

## Through the Gift Shop

This documentary feature directed by Banksy will be shown at 6 p.m. Feb. 5. This documentary is the inside story of street art. According to the website [www.banksy-film.com](http://www.banksy-film.com), it is a brutal and revealing account of what happens when fame, money and vandalism collide.

"Exit Through the Gift Shop follows an eccentric shop-keeper turned amateur film-maker as he attempts to capture many of the world's most infamous vandals on camera, only to have a British stencil artist named Banksy turn the camcorder back on its owner with wildly unexpected results," reads the website synopsis.

## Japanese Story

"Japanese Story" will be shown at 8 p.m. Feb. 5.

The movie stars Toni Collette, Gotaro Tsunashima, Matthew Dyktynski, Lynette Curran, Yumiko Tanaka, Kate Atkinson, Bill Young and John Howard and was directed by Sue Brooks.

It is rated R and is 110 minutes.

According to [imdb.com](http://imdb.com), the movie is set against the background of an Australian desert landscape, with much space and few people. Sandy, a geologist, and Hiromitsu, a Japanese businessman, play out a story of human inconsequence in the face of the blistering universe. The end of the journey leaves no one capable of going back to where they started from, said the [imdb.com](http://imdb.com) synopsis.

## Princess Ka'iulani

This movie will be shown as part of the dinner and/or movie night. The dinner is at 6 p.m. and the movie begins at 7 p.m. Feb. 11. The movie is directed by Marc Forby and is a Lionsgate production that stars Q'orianka Kilcher, Barry Pepper and Will Patton.

This movie is rated PG and is 130 minutes.

According to [Lionsgatepublicity.com](http://Lionsgatepublicity.com) this film uncovers the legend of Princess Ka'iulani, whose plight takes her from her island paradise to Victorian England and to the U.S. White House after the royal family is exiled.

"But the most unexpected journey Ka'iulani must navigate may be that of her own heart, when she meets the young and handsome Clive Davies who tempts her to change her fate for love. Set against the breathtaking backdrop of Hawaii, Princess Ka'iulani garnered the Audience Award at the 2009 Hawaii International Film Festival."

## Afghan Star

This 88-minute documentary feature will be shown at 6 p.m. Feb. 12 with English subtitles. "Afghan Star" was directed by Havana Marking.

According to the film's website, "Afghan Star" is a



Lionsgate Entertainment

Shaun Evans ("Clive Davies"), left, and Q'orianka Kilcher ("Princess Ka'iulani") star in Lionsgate Home Entertainment's "Princess Ka'iulani."

mentary.com, after 30 years of war and Taliban rule, pop culture has returned to Afghanistan. "Afghan Star" shows this resurgence of pop culture in Afghanistan. More than 2,000 people are auditioning, following four "American Idol" type contests and even three women have come forward to try their luck.

"The organizers, Tolo TV, believe with this programme they can move people from guns to music," states the film's website.

## The Cove

This Oscar award win-

ning film for best feature documentary will be shown at 8 p.m. Feb. 12. The Lionsgate film was directed by Louis Psihoyos, is rated PG-13 and runs for 92 minutes.

According to the film's website, [www.thecovemovie.com](http://www.thecovemovie.com), the documentary follows an elite team of activists, filmmakers and freedivers as they embark on a covert mission to penetrate a remote and hidden cove in Taiji, Japan. Through the mission they shine a light on a dark and deadly secret.

"Utilizing state-of-

the-art techniques, including hidden microphones and cameras in fake rocks, the team uncovers how this small seaside village serves as a horrifying microcosm of massive ecological crimes happening worldwide. The result is a provocative mix of investigative journalism, eco-adventure and arresting imagery, adding up to an unforgettable story that has inspired audiences worldwide to action," reads the film synopsis on the movie's website.

# Full moon snowshoeing

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## Pete Bagley teaches class for night trek

ELKO — This February hit the trail with Great Basin college instructor Pete Bagley. The trail traversed will be above the Boy Scout cabins in Lamoille Canyon and the method of movement will be via snowshoes.

The class is called "Beginning Snowshoeing" and takes place during the evenings of Feb. 15 and 17.

"This is something I enjoy doing and I teach the class so I can share the activity with others," said Bagley.

The workshop emphasizes the sport but it is also about being out in nature and involves a chance to explore the canyon under the velvety light of the full moon. You will see things in a different way than during the daylight hours. Shades of black, grey and white blend into a soft palette surrounded by a sky of mysterious midnight blue. The subtle "who-who" of an owl may slice into the silence of the night as the group makes the evening trek.

"Snowshoeing at night is an unusual sensation because you are out in the frigid air but you're not cold because you are moving. You breathe in freshness underneath a sky of glittering, bright stars," said Bagley, who has spent many evening hours snowshoeing with friends.



Cynthia Delaney/Free Press Correspondent  
Great Basin College instructor Pete Bagley has taught snowshoeing for several years and looks forward to the upcoming class.

## Snowshoe ...

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The class is \$20 and is offered through Community Education. There will be an introductory session on Feb. 15 and on Feb. 17 people will meet on campus and carpool at 7 p.m. to Lamoille Canyon.

The hike usually lasts for about two hours and is designed for the moderately fit snowshoer or the

complete beginner.

People who want to participate and don't have snowshoes can rent the at Cedar Creek Clothing for a discounted price.

To sign up for the class call the college at 738-8493 or call Community Education Director Amy deBraga at 753-2231 or Pete Bagley at 753-2224.

— Cynthia Delaney

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College recently announced its dean's list for the fall 2010 semester.

Dr. Mike McFarlane, vice president of academic affairs, and Lynn Mahlberg, vice president of student services, released the list this week. The dean's list honors students who earned a 3.5 GPA or higher for the semester.

**Ely**

Tara Klaas, Renee Little-Green, Kylie Manes, William Moore and Gail Siemer

**Battle Mountain**

Cindy Ayala, Amy Minchew and Joshua Monk

**Pahrump**

Bobbie Bentz, Shelby Bledsoe, Nichole Boseck, Lindsey Browning, Tambrey Brownlow, Tabitha Coutu, Andrea Finkler, Hailey Forry, Robin Gavan, Marianne Gray, Crystal Hycz, Leatha Jones, Chelsea Keppner, Monique Kimenker, Edwin Kluss, Jo Longley, Dalton McCay,

Jessica Morin, Sara Moss, Henry Neth, Pamela Parshad, Benjamin Porter, Jennifer Puiju, Jared Rittie, Lisa Schock, Yvonne Smades, Rachelle Smiley-Saitzman, Chantelle Smith, Carmela Stalker, Sue Tunder, Quintina Ward, Matthew Warner and Richelle Wesemann

**Winnemucca**

Camille Bourquin, Daryl Brown, Samantha Clements, Leticia Delaney, Melissa Ellett, Kathrine Foster, Vanessa Fuchs, Hannah Hammon, Shelby Holtmaier, Cheri Ingle, Natalya Keller,

Mark Loder, Sandra Long-Robinson, Diana Lopez, Billie Lucero, Alexis Maga-Mattson, Christina Mathes, Debra Morris, Silver Nichols, Jessica Park, Becky Sealy, Jennifer Shier, Lindsey Steepleton, Lora Vance, Janet Vaughan, Lacy Villarreal and Rospi Welter

# GBC announces fall Dean's List

**Elko**

Zachary Allen, Warren Archer, Cindy Ayala, Tamra Bananto, Kayla Bastin, Kandis Bockness, Jessica Borkman, Lorri Bottari, Amy Boykin, Ashley Brouillette,

Karlee Buckles, Kaitlin Budak, Suzanne Carlson, Cathy Cashell, Connie Chapman, Peter Connolly, Mirra Cortes, Robert Courtney, Kelsey David,

Diana Decker, Madonna Doke, Kalee Dorman, David Douglas, Lara Drier, Lisa Eardley, Catherine Eby, Natalia Eldridge, Jenn Elliott, Janice Elliott, Dena Engelsen, Colleen Freeman, Eber Fuller,

Craig Funk, Belen Garcia, Emily Gardner, Brandy Gibbs, Daniel Goehnauer, Jacqueline Gooch, Kenneth Grange,

Cortni Greenwell, Rebecca Griffin, Ashley Guy, Kyle Haas, Kimberly Hammond, Cathy Hamre, Sierra Harmening, Colt Harrell, Heather Hawkins, Kym Hawkins, Jessica Hetland, Erika Hirst, Jolene Hoffman, Aaron Holt, Jessica Hooliman,

Chard Hooton, Hayley Huber, Cheri Ingle, Lyndsey James, Cherie Jacques, Christy Johnson, Sarah Johnson, Aaron Jones, Jacqueline Karlson, Jared Keller, Blair Keller, Natalya Keller, Teri Kellum, Heather Kinzie, Deena Kleeb, Edwin Kluss, Brynn Knotts, Laura Lathrop, Ashley Lawver, Karla Layton, Yu Cui Liu, Sandra Long-Robinson, Billie Lucero, Jennifer Mahlberg, Armida Marin, Christina Mathes,

Kathy McDonald, Andrea Medina, Heidi Miller, Amy Minchew, Joshua Monk, Daniel Moore, Diamond Moorhead, Anna Musolf, Jordan Newgard, Brandy Nielsen, Lyndy Norman, Jacob Nutting, Casey Orr, Eve

Perez, Troy Poncin, Heather Poplin, Andrew Porter, Jacob Price, William Ramsey, Phillip Ratliff, Tracy Rightmeyer, Ronny Robinson,

Amanda Rudolph, Hector Ruiz, Kim Sampson, Amber Sandretto, Wade Scott, Neal Shea, Zachary Sherburn, Jennifer Shier, Gail Siemer, Gracie Smith, Dustin Smith, Tamirle Smithburg, John Snyder, Clayton Souza, Carmela Stalker, Amber Stenovich, Breann Stoner,

Anthony Sutter, Valerie Tate, Michelle Taylor, Lindsey Taylor, Kendra Thompson, Colleen Thompson, Jennifer Tilton, Sue Tunder, Adrienne Urdaneta, Lora Vance, Kara Vega, Heather Weatherford, Iona Weeks, Richelle Wesemann, Meghan Wheeler, Justin Whetstone, Melody Wilsop, Savannah Winans and Emily Winsley

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GBC's overall headcount increased from 3,621 students in fall 2009 to 3,708 students in 2010.

The numbers indicate more students have enrolled at the college, but each took fewer credits than in previous years.

Due to budget cuts, GBC was forced to shut down some programs and cap enrollments in others.

According to GBC's Office of Student Services, more than 200 students were on waiting lists for classes and more than 1,500 attempted to register in classes that had already reached their limit.

Enrollment for spring 2011 is trending similarly. Official enrollment figures for the current semester will not be available for a few months.

## Enrollment steady at GBC

ELKO - The Nevada System of Higher Education released its official enrollment counts for fall 2010 and Great Basin College's enrollments remain steady.

Full-time equivalent enrollment fell slightly from 2,029 students in fall 2009 to 2,022 students in 2010, a 0.4 percent decline.

FTE is one student enrolled in at least 15 credits per semester.

# Achieve

# GBC faces big cuts

## Governor's impact estimated at 28.5 percent

By JULIE WOOLTON  
Free Press Staff Writer



ELKO — Great Basin College is facing a nearly 30 percent cut in state funding over the next two years, the college's president said during a town hall meeting Wednesday.

Carl Diekhans was asked by the Nevada System of Higher Education to lead a meeting outlining the magnitude of proposed higher education cuts.

"We all know there's going to be cuts," Diekhans told meeting attendees, but he hopes cuts will be mitigated to a manageable level.

Gov. Brian Sandoval released his budget proposal last month. The proposal for higher education would cut

\$162 million from the state's community colleges and universities.

If current proposals are approved by the Legislature, GBC would see a 28.5 percent reduction in state funding for the biennium from fiscal year 2011 to 2013. If last year's cuts are factored in, that would be a 32.6 percent reduction over three years.

Nearly 100 people, including GBC students,

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employees and members of the public, attended the packed town hall meeting at GBC's Greenhaw Technical Arts building.

In addition to the crowd in Elko, dozens of others watched the meeting via interactive video from the college's branch campuses in Battle Mountain, Ely, Pahrump and Winnemucca.

Before diving into budget figures, Diekhans started by outlining the college's successes.

"I wanted to give you the good part first," he said.

Diekhans said GBC's 62,000-square-mile service area encompasses more than half of the state.

Audience members applauded after Diekhans shared the number of degrees GBC has awarded from 1969 to 2010 — 3,591 associates degrees, 424 bachelor's degrees and 729 certificates.

"That's not insignificant," he said about the numbers.

GBC was the fifth community college in the nation to be able to offer bachelor's degrees. Diekhans said those earning degrees from GBC grew up in the area and have stayed in their communities to make them better places.

Over the past five years, 89 people have graduated from GBC with a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

"We needed to provide stable teachers and we have," Diekhans said.

The college has already seen budget reductions, but Diekhans said future reductions could compound the problem.

GBC's general fund revenue was \$17.5 million during the 2010 fiscal year, but the college had to cut its budget down to \$16.5 million for this fiscal year.

The governor's budget proposal would bring the college's general fund down to \$13.9 million for the 2011 fiscal year, a 15.9 percent decrease. The proposal would leave the college with \$11.8 million in general fund revenue during fiscal year 2013, an additional 15 percent reduction.

This year, GBC has left 20 job positions vacant and enrollment for a number of academic programs has been capped.

"They're limited,"

Diekhans said about the number of spots available in some programs. "You can't just walk in anymore."

GBC students have also seen reductions in services. For example, the college's library is now closed on Saturdays, Diekhans said.

This year, some programs were suspended or eliminated, including a proposed emergency medical technician program and popular sonography program.

He outlined other statistics about bachelor's degree earners in recent years: 19 grads in the past four years with secondary education degrees, 47 integrative studies graduates in five years, 85 applied science graduates in five years and 41 social work graduates in five years.

The nursing program has graduated hundreds of people since 1979 and many work at local medical facilities, Diekhans said.

About 2,500 students have gone through career and technical education programs and there has been a 90 percent job

placement rate for graduates.

GBC's graduation rate is about 25.5 percent, which is higher than the national average of 20.3 percent for public two-year colleges.

The college has partnerships with school districts in its service area to provide dual credit classes for high school students.

"There are many, many high school students taking advantage of this," Diekhans said, adding that it's a money saver for all involved.

GBC also has partnerships with many companies and provides workforce development and training, Diekhans said, and there are currently 600 employees involved.

Diekhans said he's worked at the college for more than 31 years and helped build it up.

"It's difficult to dis-

mantle it," he said. The state's budget proposals haven't been finalized, but Diekhans gave some hypothetical examples of what kind of cuts would need to occur.

Even if the college closed the Winnemucca, Ely, Battle Mountain and Pahrump campuses, representing about one-third of the college's full-time enrollment, there would only be a net savings of \$500,000.

"It's not an economically viable thing to do," Diekhans said.

Covering the budget shortfall using just student fees would amount to a 73 percent increase in tuition.

Over the past three years, Nevada college students have seen tuition rates go up 26 percent.

"I know we're going to have to have another student fee increase," Diekhans said.

Another way to make the needed \$2.6 million cuts during the next fiscal year would be reducing positions through buyouts, retirements or layoffs. Another \$1.3 million could come from cutting operating expenses.

During fiscal year 2011 an additional 40 positions may have to be reduced, Diekhans said that would have a big impact on the college's operations since there are currently only 185 full-time employees.

After Diekhans' presentation, a number of people asked questions and expressed their opinion.

An audience member Elko asked whether GBC would consider declaring financial exigency, which would mean the college in an emergency financial situation that threatens the operations of the institution.

"Financial exigency is something you'll hear about" within the NSH, Diekhans said.

Another question was what businesses can do help. Diekhans said individuals or businesses donate through the Great Basin College Foundation money must be used for specific purposes.

"Businesses have been very good to us," he said.

He said the college has received donations for specialty projects, such as new buildings, but not day-to-day operations. People don't usually want to donate toward operations because there are no guarantees, he said.

Other questions included what employees and students can do to help the college and how to change negative public perception about state employees and teachers.

Diekhans said no one at GBC is overpaid and everyone is doing a good job despite having taken on more responsibilities.

GBC's Student Government Association President Paulette Batayola said she is working with student leaders and legislators around the state to address budget cuts. Batayola is the vice chair of the Nevada Student Alliance.



Ross Anderson/Elko Daily Free Press  
Great Basin College President Carl Diekhans talks about higher education budget cuts and puts them in perspective Wednesday during a town hall meeting at the college.

# Carpenter: Sales tax hike could help GBC

By ADELLA HARDING  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Former longtime Assemblyman John Carpenter of Elko on Wednesday suggested a small sales tax hike for the counties Great Basin College serves may be a solution to the funding dilemma the college faces under Gov. Brian Sandoval's proposed budget cuts.

"We need a committee to look

at this," he said at the Elko Area Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee's Eggs and Issue breakfast.

GBC serves a big slice of rural Nevada from Elko to Winnemucca to Ely to Pahump.

GBC President Carl Diekhans said after the breakfast a sales tax specifically for the college might work, and he said the committee is a good idea, but the college would want a seat on

such a committee.

Carpenter and Diekhans were among the breakfast speakers who painted a gloomy picture for education, Elko County and the City of Elko, including potential layoffs.

GBC says it is facing a 28.5 percent cut in revenue over the next two years under Sandoval's proposal, and that will lead to cuts in staff and staff buyouts, along with shelved programs,

beginning with a \$2.6 million cut in the first year. The college already has cut \$1 million from its budget.

The second year would bring a \$2.1 million reduction, which would mean probably 40 jobs in the second year,



Carpenter

after reductions in the first year from the current 185 people to 165-170 next year, Diekhans said.

"It would devastate programs," he said.

Diekhans said he is especially worried about a proposal coming from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, to "throw in the towel and consolidate colleges."

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He said that plan would include putting northern Nevada's community colleges under one umbrella, which would threaten GBC's bachelor degree programs since the other colleges aren't accredited for them.

The other colleges also don't have programs geared to the mining industry, Diekhans said.

"I'm a little worried," he said, telling the small audience he plans to call on people throughout the GBC service area to "do what we can to keep GBC as vital as we can. We're coming against the wall here."

Elko County School District Superintendent Jeff Zander said the kindergarten through 12th grades would suffer less than universities and colleges under the proposed cuts, but the state is asking teachers to take a 5 percent pay cut and pay 25 percent out of pocket for their retirement program.

At the school district level, he said he is looking at a 9.29 percent cut in per-student funding, and he wasn't sure what the ramifications would be.

"Just to cut 9.29 percent is \$5.5 million each year," Zander said.

That could mean 100 positions would be cut, he said.



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Jeff Zander, Elko County School District superintendent, talks Wednesday at the Elko Area Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee's Eggs and Issues breakfast.

Zander told the breakfast gathering at Stockmen's Hotel & Casino that the district faced cuts in the last session, and used the across-the-board approach and a healthy fund balance to maintain class sizes and teachers.

Carpenter said he hopes the teachers will take the 5 percent cut to save teaching jobs.

"Without it, there will be a lot of teachers laid off and class sizes will go up," he said.

Zander also said talk in the Legislature about going after debt funds doesn't affect the Elko district because it has pay-as-you-go funds for new construction.

Elko County Manager Rob Stokes said the county is facing \$1.3 million in budget cuts in the

first year for health and human services, including juvenile justice, youth parole, restaurant inspections and more.

Also, the county faces \$300,000 in Medicare cuts, he said, but he pointed out the county is in better shape than most

Nevada counties to weather the financial storm because of the mining industry.

"I don't believe this county commission will raise taxes so we will look internally to handle the \$1.3 million cut," he said.

Stokes said the county would feel the impact under a budget proposal that in the second year would take away the Nevada Division of Forestry's risk coverage that includes house fires and emergencies.

On the city front, Elko City Manager Curtis Calder said the city already has taken steps to keep costs down, and is more fortunate than most cities in the state because sales tax revenues are high in Elko County.

"Sixty-one percent of general fund revenue

comes from consolidated sales tax revenues," he said.

His fear is that the state will change the formula for distribution of sales taxes to help the state's coffers and "pass the buck to the counties and cities."

Calder said the city is preparing two budgets, one that is flat and balanced for the upcoming fiscal year, and the other that is a worst-case scenario.

With the worst-case budget, there would be a \$5 million cut in the city's \$15 million general fund budget.

"Things are definitely going to be tight," Calder said.

Carpenter also said in his talk he was concerned about the budget proposal to close the Wells Conservation Camp, stating that it is a "false economy" to predict a \$1.9 million savings.

He said the communities depend upon the camp, and housing prisoners at the camp costs less than in a state prison.

Assemblyman John Ellison, R-Elko, who took Carpenter's place, said last Friday he is continuing to search for budget offsets so the camp can remain open.

## GBC to host town hall meeting on budget

Feb. 24, 2011

ELKO — Great Basin College President Carl Diekhans will lead a town hall meeting this week to provide information about how the college's budget could be affected by state cuts.

The meeting is scheduled for noon-1:30 p.m. Wednesday in room 130 of the Greenhaw Technical Arts building at GBC's Elko campus.

John Rice, director for institutional advancement, said

Thursday that the meeting will be broadcast via interactive video to other GBC branch campuses.

"Diekhans will talk about the impact of budget proposals and some of the strategies the college is looking at," Rice said.

Members of the public are invited to attend. There will be an opportunity to ask questions at the end of the meeting.

Gov. Brian Sandoval released state budget proposals last month.

The budget proposal for higher education would bring funding levels back to 2003 levels and cut \$162 million from the state's community colleges and universities, according to a recent Associated Press article.

Following a 6.9 percent funding cut approved during the special legislative session last year, GBC placed enrollment caps on some academic programs this year and suspended several others.

— Julie Wootton

## College's SGA to host activities

ELKO - Great Basin College's Student Government Association is hosting the college's sixth annual "Love Your Body Week" this week.

Students are invited to join in on any of the activities.

### Monday, Feb. 14 - Wellness Day

Clubs and organizations - Aggies, Colleges against Cancer, Housing Central, SGA, Skills USA, SNO, P.A.C.E. Coalition, 4-H Mentoring and the Fitness Center - have displays in the Leonard Center for Student Life encouraging healthy lifestyles.

Sign up for free drawings for Cafe X \$20 meal cards, a GBC Fitness Center membership and more. Healthy treats will also be available.

### Tuesday, Feb. 15 - Fitness Day

"Walk the Walk"

9 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. at the Fitness Center

You choose the walk: half mile, one mile or one-and-a-half miles.

At the completion of the walk, participants will receive a free T-shirt and healthy refreshments will be available.

### Wednesday, Feb. 16 - De-stress Day

9 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Leonard Center - Wii games

8:30 p.m. movie - Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows (Part 1). It's free and so are the snacks.

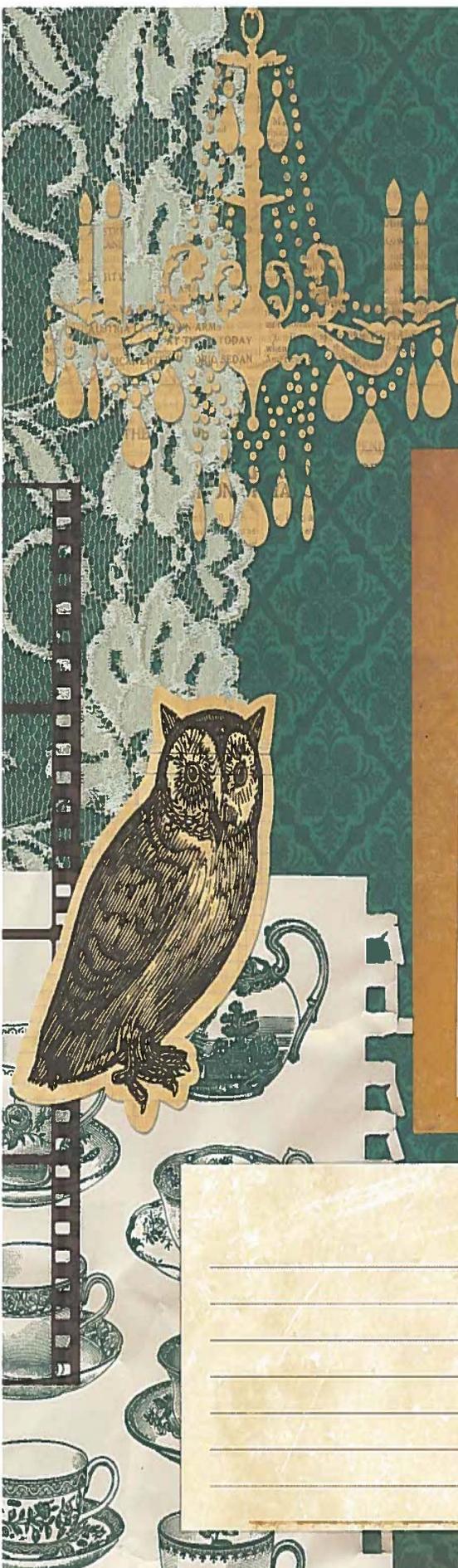
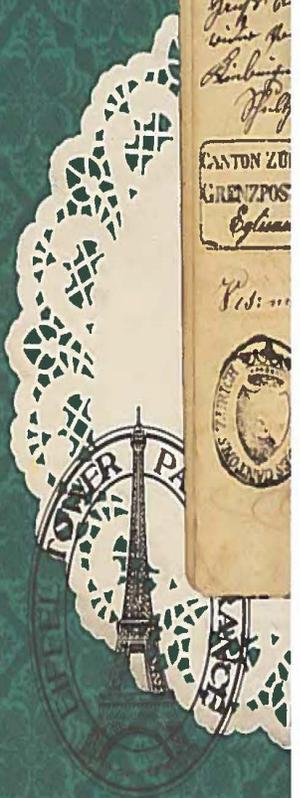
### Thursday, Feb. 17 - Give Back Day

7 p.m. GTA 130 and IAV all sites.

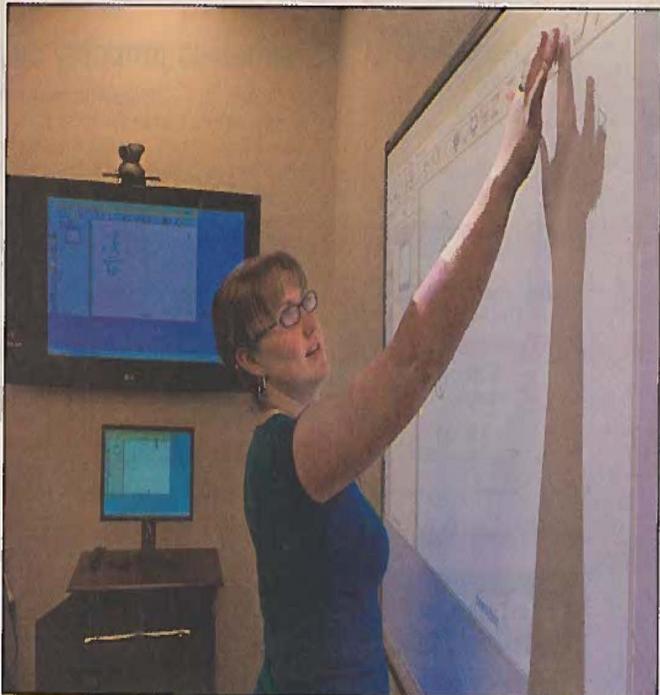
Second annual visit from Invisible Children and screening of "TONY - The Congo Tour"

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# Long-distance Learning



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Jacqueline Lemback, vice president of Great Basin College's Student Government Association, touches an icon on a SMART Board Tuesday in the Leonard Center for Student Life. SMART Boards can be used while conducting classes or meetings via interactive video.

## Technology takes college teachers into multiple classrooms at the same time

By JULIE WOOTTON  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — The interactive video system at Great Basin College has many uses, from academic classes to meetings, and helps provide access to higher education for rural students.

Dr. John Patrick Rice, GBC's chief development officer, said interactive video

is integral to the college's operations.

"Interactive video reaches into every aspect of what we do here at the college," he said.

At least 100 interactive video class sections are offered each semester throughout GBC's service area and about 20 percent of full-time students take interactive classes.

*This is the first of two stories describing how Great Basin College uses interactive video.*

The system allows the school to deliver services to students in remote parts of its 62,000-square-mile service area. Besides interactive video, other distance education options include online and LiveNet classes.

Interactive video classes allow students in outlying areas to interact with class-

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Continued from front page mates who may be "in a classroom with you while others are hundreds of miles away," according to the GBC website.

The website states that "IAV courses originate in one facility and are broadcast to one or more other locations simultaneously." GBC's use of interactive video classes has increased 5.5 percent since the 2006-2007 academic year. During the 2009-2010 fiscal year, there were 4,457 interactive video sessions at GBC for a total of 7,820 hours.

"Students and faculty fully embrace the power of technology," Rice writes in a brief about distance education at GBC. "It is nearly impossible to graduate without substantial study using some form of distance learning method, and GBC faculty pioneered nearly every aspect of it in Nevada."

Also becoming more common are hybrid classes which, for example, could combine an online and interactive video format. Some students taking an online class may also meet once a month via interactive video.

"It's another really strong point for GBC," said Robert Hannu, interactive video coordinator/technician.

He said many colleges feel they can only do one kind of class or another, but GBC knows there's room for both.

As long as GBC has branch and satellite campuses, Hannu said, there will be a big demand for

interactive video classes. Several years ago GBC's accreditation report from the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities noted how well the college serves its regional centers.

Rice said in terms of cost, the interactive video system is needed. GBC couldn't afford to have full-time instructors teaching live classes at every branch within its service area, he said.

"It provides access (to students) that wouldn't be there otherwise," he said. "The Nevada System of Higher Education couldn't operate stand-alone facilities without interactive video."

When Rice started working at GBC in 1996, interactive video classes were fairly new at the college and had only been offered for one or two years.

"By the late '90s, the college embraced it," he said. "Technology caught up to us."

With advances in technology, interactive video is essentially a real-time feed of a class, Rice said, and faculty members are innovative with the technology.

Many faculty members travel to branch campuses in order to meet their students in person. The instructor then teaches class that day from the different location.

Interactive video is also used by GBC to conduct meetings throughout the college's service area and the state.

Rice said the college hopes to do more using interactive video in the

future, including broadcasting events put on by the Intellectual & Cultural Enrichment Committee.

GBC has already taken steps in that direction, including when they broadcast a lecture by a humanities speaker to branch campuses during the National Cowboy Poetry Gathering.

"We're trying to find a way to wire the theater with interactive video technology," Rice said.

Interactive video has also been used for events such as NSHE regent debates and a recent town hall meeting about GBC's budget.

### Technology

Interactive video technology is essentially video conferencing set up for classroom use, Hannu said.

"It used to be an exotic way of doing things," he said, but now with Skype and other popular programs for personal computers, it's much more common.

Interactive video can originate from any branch site in GBC's service area with the proper equipment. With the technology, classes could theoretically be broadcast to many sites or even outside Nevada.

"It's integral to the structure of GBC with our regional campuses," Hannu said.

Hannu has worked with interactive video equipment for years and his job at GBC is a combination of technical support and scheduling coordination.

On the day-to-day side

of things, he goes over "trouble logs" from interactive video classes and fixes equipment that isn't working properly. He also installs equipment around GBC's service area.

"We try to stay ahead of things technically," he said.

Hannu's also on call in case there's a problem with any of the equipment, such as recently replacing a camera that didn't work in Winnemucca and setting up interactive video equipment in Battle Mountain.

On the scheduling side of his job, he uses a computer program based in Reno to create and maintain the schedule of interactive video classes.

He said he likes the variety in his job and he also helps with other technological needs at GBC, such as installing SMART Boards in classrooms.

Many classrooms have SMART Boards that instructors can use during interactive classes.

For example, "it's extremely valuable for a math instructor," Rice said, when they need to show students mathematical formulas.

### Facilitators

For every originating interactive video class, GBC provides a facilitator who makes sure the

system is running correctly, troubleshoots and can change the video views to focus on the instructor, students or a document.

"A lot of the facilitators are college students," Hannu said, and they work part time. Other facilitators are community members who aren't taking classes at GBC.

"We train them on the equipment," he said. Facilitators aren't expected to have any experience operating interactive video equipment, but they should feel comfortable being in front of a class.

This semester there are about 15 facilitators.

"This shows how strongly GBC supports interactive video," Hannu said.

Before coming to GBC, Hannu worked at colleges where it was up to instructors to run interactive video equipment and there was some resistance to the technology because of that.

"GBC has always had the philosophy that classes need to be supported," Hannu said.

Rice said many students understand the system, which will benefit them and their employers in the future.

"We're doing a service to future employers because students know how to use it," he said.

### Scheduling

Interactive video classes are scheduled well in advance of the start of the semester. The process involves communicating with different depart-

ments and campuses about which classes could be offered through interactive video and where they'll originate.

"Every department decides what interactive video classes they'd like to offer," Hannu said.

GBC staff members are already planning which classes to offer via interactive video for the fall semester.

Hannu said once each semester begins, there's usually a "shuffle" that lists about two weeks to rearrange the schedule and add or drop interactive video sections.

Each center usually at least four to six classrooms set up for interactive video, he said.

The Elko campus classrooms and 10 science rooms set up interactive video equipment, while the Battle Mountain, Ely, Pahr and Winnemucca campuses have at least five classrooms each with technology.

Interactive video can also be broadcast via satellite campuses in Owyhee, Wells, Ton and West Wendover well as to 11 high school libraries.

# Carpenter tells commissioners about GBC budget committee idea

By JULIE WOOTTON  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Former Assemblyman John Carpenter told Elko County Commissioners Wednesday that he's trying to form a committee to take a close look at Great Basin College's operations and potential budget cuts.

GBC officials say the college is facing a nearly 30 percent cut in state funding over the next two years under Gov. Brian Sandoval's proposal.

Carpenter said during the commission's public comment period that the committee would look at all aspects of the college.

"It's time to take a look at where the future is going," he said.

Carpenter said the committee should include broad representation from the com-

munity and he's proposing it have about 11 members. Meetings would be open to the public, he said.

John Rice, GBC's chief development officer, told the Free Press Wednesday afternoon that GBC staff is aware of Carpenter's proposal.

"We appreciate his enthusiasm," Rice said.

"He's been a longtime supporter of Great Basin College."

He said GBC's position is that the college is



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governed by Nevada System of Higher Education regents and the topic should be deferred to regents.

Commissioners couldn't take action since the topic was raised during the public comment period. However, commission Chairman Demar Dahl said he'd be willing to serve on the committee.

Dahl said California's higher education system is supported largely by endowments, rather than state funding.

"Maybe it's a good time to start changing Nevada's funding emphasis," he said.

Carpenter said now is the time for GBC to get ahead instead of seeing what happens. The college has good programs and provides valuable services, he said.

"The college started with a few people who had an idea and put it together," he said.

During the Elko Area Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee's Eggs and Issues breakfast last week, Carpenter also suggested a small sales tax hike could help support GBC.

During the meeting, commissioners also:

- Heard an update on Elko County sheriff's deputy Lenwood VanNatter, who was shot five times at the scene of a domestic dispute last week in Wells.

Sheriff Jim Pitts told commissioners he received notification Wednesday afternoon that VanNatter was undergoing a fourth surgery, but was out of the University of Utah Medical Center's intensive care unit.

Pitts said VanNatter was in good spirits when he visited over the weekend

- Unanimously approved rates for bus passes for the Elko Area Transit Service.

Assistant County Manager Cash Minor said the transit service had bus passes before the county took over. The rates will remain the same as before, he said.

A monthly pass is \$35 for Elko residents and \$70 for Spring Creek residents. Single ride passes are \$1 in Elko and \$2 in Spring Creek. Seniors pay half the price or can make a donation.

- Unanimously appointed Lane Diedrichsen and John Orr to the Elko County Library board of trustees.

- Unanimously approved a waiver of a dedicated road requirement for Ormat Technologies' proposed geothermal project near Tuscarora.

- Unanimously voted to postpone a joint public meeting with the Wells City Council about Madeleine Pickens' proposed wild horse sanctuary until Pickens comes back with a formal business plan.

- Unanimously voted to write a letter of support for Great Basin Consulting for a proposed wildlife study, pending a decision by the Elko County Natural Resources Management Advisory Committee.

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## LONG-DISTANCE LEARNING

# GBC math professor shares experiences with interactive video

By JULIE WOOTTON  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — For John Newman, a math professor at Great Basin College's Winnemucca branch campus, interactive video isn't something he uses just once in a while.

Newman teaches six classes and five of them are through interactive video. His classes are broadcast to anywhere from two to six other sites.

"You really have to be in the mindset that there are students outside your classroom," he said. "It takes a while to get the hang of it."

Before coming to GBC six years ago, Newman took one class via interactive video but had never taught using the technology.

Now, Newman has even taught classes where there weren't any students in his Winnemucca classroom, just at branch campuses. He joked that people walking by the classroom might think he's talking to himself.

GBC has a 62,000-square-mile service area that borders four states and the use of interactive video technology helps deliver services to a wide area. About 20 percent of full-time students take classes via interactive video, which originated as an option in the early 1990s.

Newman said teaching while using interactive video



Newman

This is the second of two stories describing how Great Basin College uses interactive video.

requires increased participation both on the part of the instructor and students.

"I keep a roster in front of me and try to direct questions or examples to specific sites," he said. "I try to make students want to be part of the class. Otherwise, students will sit there and not say one word for the entire semester."

Newman said one of the challenges of the interactive video system is that students have to be involved because otherwise "it's very easy to get sidetracked."

"At the off site, if you don't have the maturity level, students tend not to come to class because there's not an authority figure there to engage them," he said.

Newman said during some classes he has taught, some students don't use college-level demeanor because they don't realize they're being broadcast over the network to other branch campuses.

Students at the Winnemucca campus tend to be used to taking interactive video classes since the number of live classes is limited, he said, but some students at the Elko campus may not be familiar with the interactive format.

Newman said he tries to do everything paperless, including when students turn in their assignments.

Students at different campuses use scanners in classroom to convert their paper assignments directly to a PDF file they can e-mail Newman as an attachment.

"It's high speed and high quality," he said. "It saves a lot of time."

Newman used to accept assignments by fax, but he doesn't anymore because it was easy to lose pages of a student's assignment.

He said the scanning system allows him to see a "crystal clear copy" of a student's assignment, which is important for math classes since he needs to see handwritten work.

When students at a branch campus take a test, they give a hard copy to a facilitator, who scans the file and e-mails it to Newman. The facilitator will also send the original hard copy by mail.

Once Newman grades a test, he can rescan it and e-mail it directly back to a student.

During the six years he's taught using interactive video, Newman has seen many upgrades to the system, as well as the addition of in-house workshops and trainings.

The strength of GBC's interactive video system, Newman said, is being able to reach people in almost every part of the state.

"No one has the type of coverage we do," he said.

Newman got an opportunity Friday to have a sneak peek of an upgrade to the interactive video system. In the past, the instructor at the originating site could only see an image on the screen of whoever was talking at just one of the branch campuses.

However, "there might be three or four other off sites who you can't see," Newman said.

With the new split picture system, the instructor will be able to see a large image of whoever is talking at a branch campus, as well as images of all the other sites.

Newman said that as interactive technology continues to advance, more students will benefit.

"It opens up a lot of opportunities in rural areas," he said

# GBC budget plan includes job cuts, fee hikes

## Plan includes 24 job cut proposals for next year

ELKO — Great Basin College released its budget reduction plan Friday, which includes job cuts and possible student fee increases.

Great Basin President Carl Diekhans presented the college's proposal to Nevada System of Higher Education regents Friday during their meeting at Western Nevada College in Carson City.

Over a two-year period, 56 jobs are proposed for elimination, about 27 percent of GBC's workforce. A total of 24 job posi-

tions will be eliminated during fiscal year 2012, including those that are already vacant.

Fiscal year 2012 reductions include eliminating 17 positions through attrition vacancies, buyouts, retirements and resignations. In addition, seven vacant instructional positions will be eliminated from the budget.

"Once those positions are eliminated from the budget, they cannot be refilled," according to information released by GBC.

The plan requires additional reductions in force during fiscal year 2013, the second year of the coming biennium. A total of 32 positions could be eliminated that year.

GBC plans to eliminate 10 positions through attrition vacancies, buyouts and retirements and 16 through reduction in force in student services, academic support, administrative services and outlying centers.

Five or six academic programs would be eliminated, causing the elimination of an additional six

instructional positions.

In addition to the elimination of positions, student fees may increase at a rate of 10-12 percent each year of the biennium.

Assuming enrollments remain the same as they are today, those fee increases would provide about \$200,000 in rev-

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## GBC, Newmont to offer 'Mining Rocks' tour

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ELKO — Want to know more about the opportunities and education that lead to mining careers in Nevada? Join the "Nevada Mining Rocks!" tour and explore the careers and programs available to become part of Nevada's mining industry.



Great Basin College, in collaboration with Newmont Mining Corp., will offer an opportunity to tour a mine site and learn about careers and educational opportunities available in mining.

The tour, from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. April 14, will be open to 45 participants. Priority will be given to high school students, but GBC students and community members may also attend if there are spots left on the tour.

Tour participants will be able to get an inside look at daily mining operations and meet with employees to learn about the variety of career opportunities available in mining.

Some of the different careers related to mining will be discussed during the tour. GBC programs related to the mining industry 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.

GBC 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. Interested participants should sign up by April 8. For information, call 738-8493.

## GBC budget reduction plan

### Fiscal year 2012

Target reductions — \$2.6 million

- Vacant positions/buyouts/retirements/resignations — 17 positions, \$1.2 million

#### Breakdown:

- 10 support positions in administrative services
- Academic support and O&M

- Seven instructional positions in math/sciences, English/fine arts, health science, career and technical education and business/computing

- Reductions in operating expenses and equipment — \$1.1 million

- Reductions in part-time personnel — \$100,000

- Additional revenue through student fee increases — \$200,000 (assuming enrollment stays steady)

### Fiscal year 2013

Target reductions — \$2.1 million

- Vacant positions/buyouts/retirements/resignations — 10 positions, \$700,000

- Services — 16 positions, \$900,000

Elimination and/or reduction in services provided in the following areas: Student services, centers, administrative services, academic support, O&M and identify contracted services in lieu of employees

- Academic program reduction/elimination — six positions, \$400,000
- Three to five program areas

- Additional revenue through student fee increases — \$100,000 (assuming enrollment stays steady)

venues during fiscal year 2012.

In addition to proposed budget cuts, GBC administrators will also collaborate with Truckee Meadows Community College and Western Nevada College on employee recruiting pools, Internet course offerings and course collaborations.

# Students sound off



Associated Press

Hundreds of college and university students swarmed the Legislature in Carson City on Monday during a rally protesting proposed budget cuts to higher education.



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# GBC students to rally in Carson City

By JULIE WOOTTON  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — A group of Great Basin College students will kick off their spring break Monday by joining students from around the state to rally in Carson City about proposed budget cuts.

Between 50 and 100 GBC students will join several thousand students for a march to the legislative building and an outdoor rally.

GBC Student Government Association President Paulette Batayola is the vice chair of the Nevada Student Alliance, the group organizing the rally.

Batayola said several colleges have organized their own rallies, but it's the first time college stu-

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dents statewide have organized an event.

"The cuts are so bad as they're proposed that we need to take a stand together as a state," she said.

Batayola said student leaders around the state have been planning the event and coordinating busses.

"It's very much the NSA's rally," she said.

The event will focus on education statewide, including both K-12 education and higher education. Parents and faculty members are invited to attend.

State budget cuts in general will also be discussed.

"We're not the only ones facing cuts," Batayola said. "It's not just education, but every entity in the state."

Those interested in



Batayola

attending should sign up by today at the GBC student government offices in the Leonard Center for Student Life.

Those attending should meet at 3:30 a.m. Monday at Chilton Circle and a Coach America bus will leave at 4 a.m. Students will return to campus the same day.

Batayola said those who don't sign up are still welcome to come if there

are seats available on the bus.

On the way to Carson City the bus will also pick up students at GBC's branch campuses in Battle Mountain and Winnemucca. Students from the Pahrump branch campus are getting rides with University of Nevada, Las Vegas, students, Batayola said.

Once students arrive in Carson City, they'll meet at the Carson Mall and march to the legislative building.

Some students plan to watch and testify during a legislative education committee meeting, Batayola said. Students also plan to fill the halls of the legislative building and have a rally outside with several speakers.

Colleges and universities statewide recently released budget reduction proposals.

GBC officials say the college is facing a nearly 30 percent cut in state funding over the next two years under Gov. Brian Sandoval's proposal.

The college could face a \$2.6 million funding shortfall during fiscal year 2011 and an additional \$2.1 million cut during the 2012 fiscal year.

GBC's budget reduction proposal calls for layoffs, reduction in academic and service offerings and a possible increase in student fees.

Over a two-year period, 56 jobs are proposed for elimination, about 27 percent of GBC's workforce, although some of those positions are already vacant.

Student fees could also increase by between 10 and 12 percent during each year of the biennium.

# 1,500 descend on Carson City; eight meet with governor

By MICHELLE RINDELS  
Associated Press

CARSON CITY — Nevada students dressed in college T-shirts and school mascot costumes swarmed Nevada's capital city Monday, braving snow and freezing temperatures to demonstrate against deep cuts proposed by Republican Gov. Brian Sandoval and urge state lawmakers to find funding for higher education.

The throngs of students — including at least 1,500 who came by bus from Las Vegas, Elko and Reno — made up one of the largest rallies in Carson City history. They chanted, "No more cuts," and "Si se puede," as they stood in front of the Legislature.

Passing cars honked at sign-toting protesters, and a marching band tuba player bounced along on the sidewalk to the groove of his bass line. College students also jammed the halls of the Legislature and public galleries, at times breaking into spontaneous shouts.

"In my 10 years as a legislator, I've never seen anything like this," Assembly Speaker John Ocegüera, D-Las Vegas, told students at a midday rally. "We've made cuts in the past wondering, 'Where are the people?' The apathy is gone."

Sandoval sent a tweet welcoming the students to Carson City. "I'm glad you're participating in the political process," he posted on Twitter.

But the message wasn't well-received by some demonstrators, who signed mass photocopied letters of protest and walked them over to Sandoval's office.

"This isn't a spending problem. This is a revenue problem," Sen. Sheila Les-

lie, D-Reno, told students at the rally. "He is the problem," she said of the governor.

Sandoval had planned to meet with the busloads of students at the Governor's Mansion when they arrived Monday morning, and had coffee and hot chocolate waiting for them. But the students' travels were delayed by bad weather.

The governor met with eight student leaders and one faculty representative later in the day at his office. The students told Sandoval they were disappointed in his unwavering, no tax stance, and urged compromise in the spirit of Sandoval's call for shared sacrifice.

Michael Flores, with Progress Now Nevada, said "it would be unfair not to have everyone at the table."

The governor thanked them for their participation, and noted he was a proud UNR graduate.

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Asked if he thought mining was paying its fair share of taxes, Sandoval replied, "I think they are," and reiterated his position that raising taxes would harm businesses and efforts to bring jobs to Nevada.

Kyle George, president of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas graduate and professional student body, said over the last three years students have supported higher fees and tuition costs. But higher education is suffering "death by 1,000 cuts," and the total burden shouldn't be shouldered by students alone, he said.

Sandoval has proposed cutting state support for higher education by \$162 million over the next two years. Officials with the Nevada System of Higher Education said that will mean elimination of programs, layoffs and hefty tuition increases for students.

The cuts in state support amount to 16 percent for the upcoming year, and nearly 30 percent the following year, when other lost funding such as federal stimulus money is factored.

Majors such as philosophy, art and economics are

*Asked if he thought mining was paying its fair share of taxes, Gov. Brian Sandoval replied, "I think they are."*

slated for cuts at UNLV. Several UNR theater students took the stand at a Monday morning budget hearing, defending that program from its proposed elimination.

Students who crowded a hearing room groaned when Senate Majority Leader Steven Horsford, D-North Las Vegas, told them the state's general fund contributions to the prison system would increase, while funds to higher education were falling.

Student body leaders called for bipartisan talks to raise taxes on businesses and mining. Some acknowledged the concerns of legislators who have slammed the higher education system for its low graduation rate.

"I'm not asking you to blindly write a check to NSHE. It's not a perfect system," said UNR student Brandon Bishop. "But we

can work together to fix it."

One neuroscience major described waiting in a welfare line at age 14, promising her mother that someday, she would help her financially.

"Imagine my dismay when I hear my state government is doing everything it can to keep me from keeping my promise," America Acevedo said, adding that the budget was "careless, vile and degrading."

At the rally, Democratic lawmakers volleyed with the enthusiastic crowd, telling them they needed to write letters and e-mails throughout the rest of the legislative session to fight for a balanced budget.

"Show up here until the job is done," Horsford said.

Sen. Ruben Kihuen, a Las Vegas Democrat, riled up the crowd when he reminded them he was a product of Nevada's higher education system.

"Continue the fight. Continue the battle," Kihuen yelled in Spanish, to screams and cheers. "Nothing and no one is going to stop us until education in Nevada is the best in the country."

Associated Press writer  
Deb Weinstein contributed to this report.

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# Fun ways to stay fit

## College has assortment of physical education options



Jacki Alexander shakes her hips during a belly dancing class at Great Basin College.

Ross Anderson/Elko Daily Free Press

**RISHI DAULAT**  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO -- People who are looking for a fun way of getting a workout in a group environment need not look any further than the local college in Elko.

Great Basin College offers unique physical activity classes for Elko residents of all ages through both their physical education department and the continuing education/community outreach program.

"Classes such as fly-casting, snowshoeing, Cajun Zydeco dance, belly dancing and golf are all part of our community outreach program," said Angie de Braga, director of GBC's continuing education/community outreach program. "And some of the classes offered consist of a mix of college students, senior citizens, retirees and young elementary school kids."

For the classes that are part of the community outreach curriculum, individuals can register up to the day before the class. There is still time to sign up for various classes; the staggered starts ensure that people can sign up throughout the semester.

"Our most popular classes are probably the snowshoeing, water aerobics and swimming for adults," de Braga said. "The maximum number of people we take per class ranges from about 15 to 25."

Workout activities aren't just limited to the fall and spring semesters. During the summer, de Braga's department sets up Kids College complete with football camp, basketball camp and karate for elementary-aged youths.

"The Kids College is a huge hit," de Braga said. "Coach Sellers [Elko High's basketball coach] and Coach Klekas [Elko High's football coach] will hopefully be coaching the kids this summer."

In addition to the continuing education classes, GBC also provides classes through the physical education department that can be taken for college credit.

"Our classes in the PE department are usually about 80 percent college students and 20 percent people from the community," said Norm Cavanaugh, GBC's fitness center director. "We have classes like kick-boxing,

kettle-bell, rock climbing and even Tai Chi."

Most of the classes meet once a week, and in order for the class to be offered at least eight students must be enrolled.

"We use adjunct instructors for these classes," Cavanaugh said. "I have to make sure they are certified. They have to show me some sort of certification sheet and also put on a demonstration before they are allowed to teach the class."

The classes are mostly all held in the GBC gymnasium. In the gym there is a basketball court, volleyball nets, a ping pong table, kettle bells and a

workout area including a free-motion strider, weight machines and treadmills.

Not just GBC college students can use the gym; GBC offers a semester membership to anyone interested for \$84.50, and they can use all the GBC facilities.

The gym is open from 8 a.m. til 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays. The gym also offers a drop-in per day fee of \$4 where an individual can use the gym all day.

People interested in joining a GBC class or the gym can either contact de Braga at 753-2231 or Cavanaugh at 753-2113.



# College mergers back on table

By MICHELLE RINDELS  
Associated Press

CARSON CITY — Less than two weeks after the Board of Regents voted to stop discussing school closures or mergers, legislators Tuesday directed the Nevada System of Higher Education to put the cuts back on the table.

The direction came from law-

makers on a subcommittee after college presidents presented cuts that did not add up to the \$162 million of reductions in Gov. Brian Sandoval's proposed budget.

"It's already ugly enough," Sen. Steven Horsford, D-North Las Vegas, said about the incomplete budgets. "There's no need to put more lipstick on it." Chancellor Dan Klaich agreed

to prepare a full impact report by April 5, including scenarios with and without closures and mergers.

"I'm capable of being uglier," Klaich said. "But I would be remiss if I didn't say the committee has asked me to undertake an analysis that is contrary to the direction of the Board of Regents."

Regents had a heated debate

March 11 about whether to keep discussing several distasteful scenarios, which included merging three northern Nevada community colleges and folding the Desert Research Institute into the University of Nevada campuses at Reno or Las Vegas.

Some regents said discussion was stirring up angst and cuts of such depth were unlikely. Members of the public had

spoken for more than two hours before the meeting, telling regents how closures or mergers would destroy the identity of individual institutions and would take college programs out of rural areas.

But others fought to keep the cuts on the table, saying the board should not remove the

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scenarios because the financial situation is still unclear and could worsen. A May report from the Economic Forum is forthcoming, and final figures for property tax revenues are expected to undershoot expectations.

"It's a facade, it's a ruse to ignore the current economic reality," Chairman Roger Leavitt said at the meeting.

Regents voted 8-5 to stop discussing closures and mergers; the audience applauded.

Presidents recapped proposed cuts Tuesday, including the salary cuts, tuition increases, layoffs and academic program eliminations that drew the ire of hundreds of college students at a protest the day earlier.

Asked why the cuts did not demonstrate the full impact of the governor's budget, Klaich pointed out that it was hardly 60 days from the governor's State of the State address.

"We haven't gotten far enough down in the process," Klaich said. "I don't think we've been nonresponsive."

Leavitt testified Tuesday, asking legislators to seek out more revenue for higher education.

But he also maintained his stance that decision makers needed to consider the loathsome closure possibilities.

Not talking about those options "gives a false sense of security," Leavitt said.

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# Melcher opposes college closures, mergers

By JULIE WOOTTON  
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ELKO — Local Nevada System of Higher Education Regent Kevin Melcher is opposed to college closures or mergers, which he said could jeopardize higher education in rural areas.

"Closing campuses is not the answer," he told the Free Press Monday. "I'm also not in favor of mergers."

Melcher said he thinks there could be opportunities to

restructure the higher education system to make it more efficient, though, and he wants to put together a restructuring plan in the future.

Although regents voted 8-5 during a March 11 meeting in Carson City to table all college and university closure or merger options, the discussion is now back on the table.

Direction came last week from legislators on a subcommittee after college presidents presented cuts that did not add

up to the \$162 million worth of reductions in Gov. Brian Sandoval's proposed budget.

Sen. Steven Horsford asked Chancellor Dan Klaich to prepare a full impact report by April 5, including scenarios with and without closures and mergers.

Regents had a heated debate March 11 whether to keep discussing the cuts, according



Melcher

to an Associated Press report. Regents looked at several proposals, such as merging the three northern Nevada community colleges, including Great Basin College, into one institution.

Melcher said closing or consolidating colleges would jeopardize the delivery of higher

education in rural Nevada, especially since GBC has many

branch and satellite campuses.

He also said decades of investments have been made into campuses around the state by private donors and foundations.

"If campuses close, it would take decades of hard work and resources and waste them," Melcher said.

GBC President Carl Diekhans told Elko County Commissioners earlier this month that he's also

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opposed to the idea of merging colleges in order to save money and it "would be the closure of higher education in rural Nevada."

Melcher was elected regent in November for the District 8 seat, which includes Churchill, Elko, Esmeralda, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Lincoln, Mineral, Nye, Pershing and White Pine counties.

The 13-member board governs Nevada's community colleges and universities.

During their meeting earlier this month, regents also heard from college and university presidents about each school's budget reduction proposal.

GBC could face a \$2.6 million funding shortfall during fiscal year 2011 and an additional \$2.1 million cut during the 2012 fiscal year.

In response to the college's financial situation, a newly formed committee with representatives around the community will look at GBC's operations and finances.

The committee meets for the first time on Thursday. The agenda includes naming the committee, developing a mission statement and establishing goals.

"The strongest thing the committee could do is develop advocacy from rural Nevada for higher education," Melcher said.

He said representatives from Great Basin College should be part of the committee to provide direction on what can and can't be done, as well as coordinating internal decisions at the college with the committee's work.

"It's critical that representatives from the college be involved in the process," he said.

Melcher said if the committee is going to work to raise money, it should be donated to the college through the Great Basin College Foundation.

"It's the most secure way to support the college," he said. Also, Melcher said since GBC's service area spans several counties, the committee should invite representatives from other counties to participate.

The next NSHE Board of Regents meeting is scheduled for April 8. More information about the state's higher education system can be found online at <http://system.nevada.edu>.

# GBC Foundation controller receives award from international organization

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Lisa Heise, controller for the Great Basin College Foundation, is one of two 2011 recipients of the CASE Commonfund Institutionally Related Foundation awards.

The IRF awards recognize individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to the advancement, quality and effectiveness of their foundations and the community of institutionally related foundations as a whole, according to a press release from The Council for the Advancement and Support of Education.

The council recognizes foun-

dations that are private, non-profit corporations that cultivate and manage private resources to support the missions of the colleges, universities and university systems with which they are affiliated.

"Heise has extensive experience in all aspects of exempt organization accounting and reporting," according to the release. "During her nine-year tenure with the foundation, she has implemented best practices in fiscal matters, board relations and donor stewardship that have helped grow its assets and reputation with its college, commu-



Heise



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nity and the Nevada System of Higher Education."

The council states that Heise's leadership has helped move the GBC Foundation into the ranks of one of the most successful small college foundations in the country.

Beyond her work at the Great Basin College Foundation, Heise is involved with the institutionally related foundation community and has been a regular contributor to the field. In addition to being a frequent speaker at regional and national conferences, Heise successfully advocated for a biennial audit review

policy with the state board of regents, a step that will result in considerable savings for small foundations.

Heise will be recognized during an awards luncheon April 13 at the 19th Annual Conference for Institutionally Related Foundations in Phoenix.

The awards are underwritten by Commonfund, a nonprofit corporation that provides fund management services and investment advice to educational institutions, hospitals, foundations, and other nonprofit organizations.

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# GBC book sale this week

By CYNTHIA DELANEY  
Free Press Correspondent

ELKO — Not only is it National Library Week, but it's also the week of Great Basin College's library book sale.

The GBC sale is during regular library hours this week and ends on Friday or when they totally run out of books.

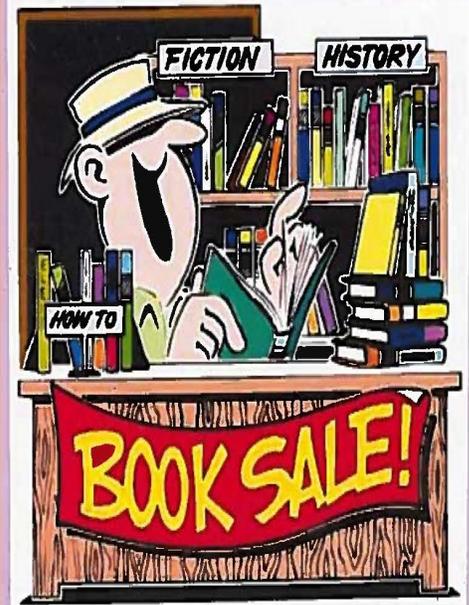
"The sale was started several years ago by library employee Kathy Chamberlain and it has really helped us raise money to buy movies and books outside our regular spending budget," said Library Director David Ellefsen.

Books for the sale are donated throughout the year by the public and departments within the college.

This year, the collection is especially heavy on Nevada topics, mining, education and nursing. There is a wide selection of novels and non-fiction just waiting for a new home. Prices are 50 cents for paperbacks and \$1 for hardcover books.

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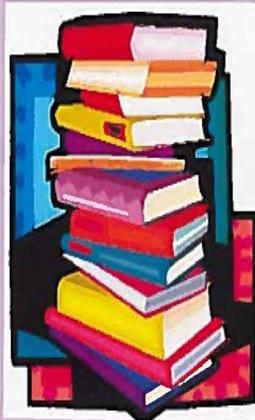


library," Ellefsen said. "It is here for the students and we want to make it as welcoming and resourceful as possible. The library is an informational, educational and recreational facility for students, faculty and public and activities like this sale help us all enjoy what we have here."

The GBC library is located on the college campus in McMullen Hall.



Cynthia Delaney/Free Press Correspondent  
Great Basin College library employees Karen Dannehl, David Ellefsen and Kathy Chamberlain display some of their favorite books for the library's sale this week.



# Great Basin College to host career fair

## SPRING CAREER FAIR

By JULIE WOOTTON  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — Great Basin College students and community members looking for a job are invited to talk with dozens of local employers during the college's Career Opportunity Fair.

The event, sponsored by GBC's Advising and Career Center, is scheduled for 9-11:30 a.m. April 14 in the GBC Fitness Center.

"It's an annual event that we feel is good for the students at Great Basin College and the community at large," said Pat Collins, director of admissions, advising and the career center.

He said spring is the ideal time for a career fair because soon-to-be graduates are looking for jobs. GBC's graduation ceremony is May 21.

The event usually includes about 50 employers, although only two dozen have signed up so far.

The employers represent federal and state agencies, as well as mining, retail and education. They will be looking for

candidates for summer positions, internships and full-time jobs.

Collins said employers who will attend the event include Elko's National Weather Service office, Highland Village, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, Newmont Mining, Nevada Highway Patrol and Nevada JobConnect.

"We usually provide

breakfast treats for the employers and students," he said.

Employers interested in participating in the event have a few more weeks to sign up. For more information, call 753-2180.

Collins said although a number of agencies are facing tough times economically, GBC's Advising and Career Center tends "to be positive and look to



Julie Wootton/Elko Daily Free Press file  
Merissa Kraus, left, a senior at Elko High School, listens as Staff Sgt. Frank Zuniga talks about the Air National Guard during the Elko County School District's College and Career Fair in November. Great Basin College is hosting a Career Opportunity Fair April 14.

the future."

Those planning to attend the career fair should bring copies of their resume.

"It's your chance to make a good first impression," Collins said.

Space will be provided in the fitness center in case employers are interested in doing interviews with job

candidates.

GBC's Advising and Career Center, which is located in Berg Hall, provides career and academic advising, a career resource center, an online job database for GBC students and graduates, and workshops on topics such as "grade improvement, career exploration, resume writing and interviewing skills," according to the GBC website.

The center also helps new students and those preparing to transfer from GBC to another college or university.

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## Great Basin College accepts applications for college credit

## Diekhans announces higher education plan

ELKO — The Nevada System of Higher Education has released a four-point plan that calls for \$3.65 million in budget cuts each year, for Great Basin College, a 13 percent student fee increase and 5 percent pay reduction for employees.

Great Basin College President Carl Diekhans outlined the plan in an e-mail Tuesday to GBC faculty, staff and students.

NSHE Chancellor Dan Klaich presented the plan to state legislators last week and will present it again to NSHE regents next week.

Diekhans' e-mail explains that the four-point plan "is comprised of a number of strategies the presidents have been discussing over the last several months."

"I believe this is a good plan and a positive step towards keeping all NSHE institutions strong," Diekhans said in the e-mail.

He said if sunsets are lifted on some current taxes, the plan will probably not require new tax revenues to be



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make annual budget cuts equivalent to the student fee increases.

Each institution will make budget cuts equivalent to the fee increases assessed to students — in this case, 13 percent each year of the biennium. Those budget cuts are in addition to the 5 percent pay reduction.

4. The state would provide additional revenue to increase NSHE's base budget to be equivalent to the student fee increases

and institutional cuts.

The plan calls for the state to provide revenues to NSHE equivalent to the revenues and savings generated by student fee increases, NSHE payroll deductions and institutional budget cuts.

Klaich has stated the plan provides an opportunity for all stakeholders of higher education to share in the responsibility of the fiscal transformation of higher education in Nevada.

ELKO — Great Basin College's Tech Prep office is now accepting applications from high school juniors and seniors to receive free college credit.

Tech Prep is a federally funded program that gives high school juniors and seniors a chance to earn free college credit for their high school career and technical education courses.

Students who are enrolled in the CTE classes in high school and receive an A or B in the articulated classes can earn free credit at GBC.

Students are eligible to receive up to 21 college credits, equaling a savings in tuition costs of approximately \$1,500.

High school CTE courses range from accounting to welding, including programs in agriculture, automotive, business, computer technology, early childhood education and health occupations.

Credits are transferable

to any Nevada community college and in some cases can be transferred to other in-state and out-of-state institutions.

Tech Prep credit gives students the ability to take fewer classes at the college level, save tuition dollars, accelerate time to graduate and reduce repetition in high school curriculum and introductory college courses. Some articulated classes also count toward general education requirements for associate degrees and certificates of achievement.

Students at all high schools within GBC's service area are eligible to apply for Tech Prep credit.

Students can download the GBC Tech Prep application for their high school at [www.gbcbv.edu/techprep](http://www.gbcbv.edu/techprep). Applications can be mailed in, faxed to 753-7534 or e-mailed to [heathers@gwpmail.gbcbv.edu](mailto:heathers@gwpmail.gbcbv.edu).

Students must also complete the summer GBC general admission application at [www.gbcbv.edu](http://www.gbcbv.edu).

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successful. He encouraged his staff to join him in his support and to communicate their position to state legislators.

The press release from GBC states there is consensus among NSHE leadership that any strategy for the future of higher education in Nevada must align with the goals of the legislature, NSHE, students and staff.

The four-point plan provides for equity in cuts and extra expenditures between students, NSHE and the state of Nevada.

The plan is as follows:  
1. Any cuts NSHE experiences will be amortized

equally over the biennium.

This has been referred to as "smoothing." Previous strategies, developed in response to Gov. Brian Sandoval's executive budget, called for a reduction of GBC's base budget of \$2.6 million in the first year of the biennium and \$4.7 million in the second year.

The four-point plan calls for \$3.65 million cuts in the base budget for each year of the biennium.

"The smoothing makes managing the impacts of the cuts easier and puts the college in a stronger position at the end of the

biennium," according to the press release.

2. Students would contribute by accepting an increase in fees of 13 percent each year of the biennium.

"Student leaders are not happy with this prospect, but have stated they understand their role in the budget process," according to the press release. "Students have declared that they will only support fee increases if the state and the NSHE institutions 'share in the pain.'"

3. NSHE employees participate by accepting a 5 percent pay reduction. Each institution will also

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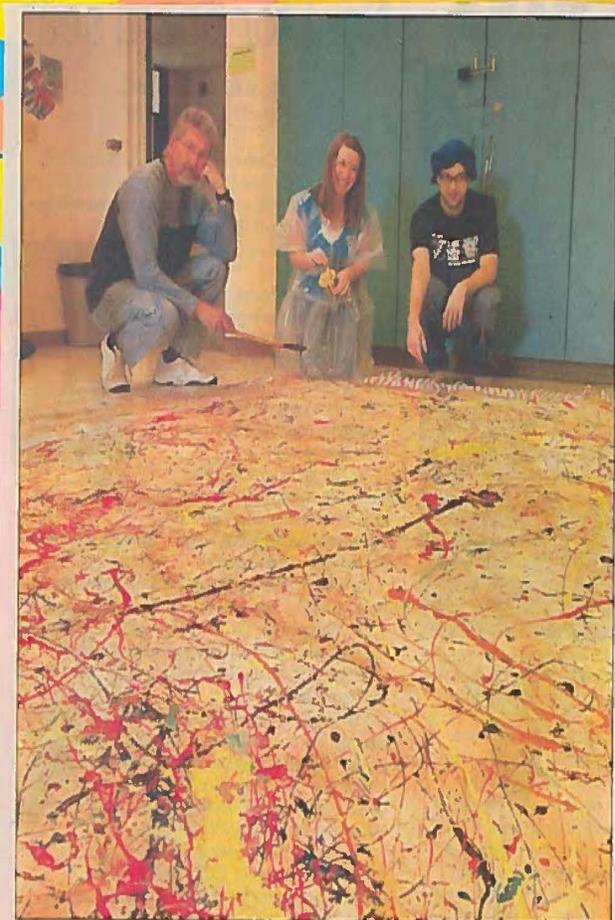


Photo by Cynthia Delaney

The art appreciation students have created a large, abstract painting in the style of Jackson Pollock, an artist they studied earlier in the semester. Pictured are students Dan DuSoleil, Holly Deen and Greg Rasmussen examining their work.

## GBC to host spring art show

By CYNTHIA DELANEY  
Free Press Correspondent

ELKO — Goopy paint, muddy clay and smeary charcoal — the pursuit of making fine art is far from pristine.

The daily work of an artisan is labor intensive with hours spent over a wheel, canvas, torch or digital printer. Backs ache, hands cramp and neurons buzz and snap with creative demand.

At long last, the semester is nearly over, and it is time to show the

public what exactly happens behind those closed studio doors at Great Basin College.

The students and art faculty at GBC invite everyone to turn out for the spring art show. The reception is from 4:30-6:30 p.m., May 4 in GBC's Greenhaw Technical Arts Building. The show will be opening from May 2-13.

"We will have ceramics, paintings, jewelry, photography and possibly some other items," said Patty Fox, chairwoman of the Arts and Humanities Department.

A number of the instructors will be on hand to talk about the classes they will offer in the fall.

The students have also bonded together to host

their annual ice cream bowl fundraiser.

Attendees can choose from numerous ice cream flavors, syrups and toppings and take home a handmade bowl of their choosing.

All proceeds are used to help support the ceramics classes.

Other entrepreneurial artists will be offering their wares for sale and the photography students are donating their proceeds back into the program.

"I'd really like to do the money I make if my piece sells," said digital photography student Brooke Taylor. "It seems like the school gets hit harder every year."

For information about the show call GBC at 784-93.

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# GBC announces dean's list

ELKO – Great Basin College released its dean's list for the spring 2011 semester.

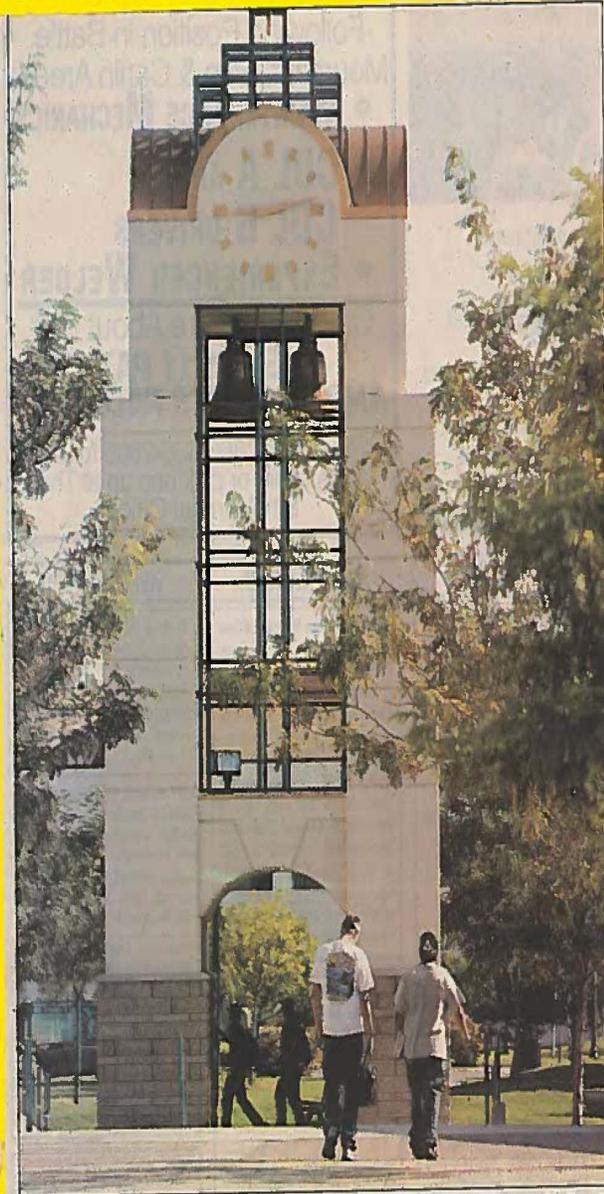
Dr. Mike McFarlane, vice president of academic affairs, and Lynn Mahiberg, vice president of student services, made the announcement last week.

The dean's list recognizes students who achieved a 3.5 GPA or higher for the semester.

The following is the list of students who made the dean's list:

• Battle Mountain – Zachary Allen, Kayla Bare, Wilbur Becker, Shamon Berumen, Carynn Conder, Christianne Drew, Megan Gates, Blair Keller, Brandi Luster, Edyi Zarah Magdamo, Joshua Monk and Donavon Powell.

• Winnemucca – Edward Benitez, Camille Bourquin, Daryl Brown, Laura Butterfield, Susan Coffman, Jenn Elliott, Kathrine Foster, Hannah Hammon, Kimberly Hammond, Sharron Hansen, Heather Huerta, Cheri Ingle, Natalya Keller, Michael Loupas, Debra Morris, Casey Orr, Tina Parrish, Suzan Phoenix, Lindsey Steepleton, Lance Thompson, Janet Vaughan and Jose Vazquez.



Ross Anderson/Elko Daily Free Press file

Students at Great Basin College walk near the clock tower during the fall semester.

• Pahrump – Jessica Alarid, Laura Anderson, Stephanie Beckel, Shelby Bledsee, Emily Boardman, Nichole Boseck, Lindsey Browning, Tabitha Coutu, Tabitha Coutu, Tabitha Coutu, Tabitha Coutu, Kelsey Dearing, Brittani Dinicola, Andrea Finkler, Hailey Porry, Emily Fronk, Spencer Jones, Monique Kimenker, Sheri Kluss, Sierra Lenzi, Alicia Lewis, Jo Longley, Shannon Maloney, Irvin Mcqueen, Patryna Mcqueen, Brionna Moore, Pamela Parshall, Benjamin Porter, Kayla Pratt, Rachel Richardson, Carmela Stalker, Trisa Tabrizie, William Wade, George Wagner, Cammi Whitaker, Melanie White, Kristi Wright and Liqun Zheng.

• Ely – Jamie Barnson, Sara Bischoff, Micaela Cutler, Tara Klaas, Renee Little-Green, Alyssa Marques, William Moore, Anastacia Wilkin and Sean Wilkin.

• Elko – Jessi Abplanalp, Ayla Anderson, Warren Archer, Michael Ball, Kayla Bastin, Jennif Bixler, Kandis Bockness, Jessica Borkman, Ashley Brouillette, Carmen Bube, Kaitlin Budak, Heather Canaday, Suzanne Carlson, Stephanie Carsrud, Cathy Cashell, Jessenia Cazares, Julie Cole, Erin Collier, Jason Cox, Jerad Cox, Anne Curtis, Tiffany Cusick, Kelsey David, Tuwisha Dennis-Tumulak, Bryant Donahue, David Douglas, Erik Escobedo, Belen Garcia, Matthew Garton, Morgan Garton, Brandy Gibbs, Breanna Gonzales, Jacqueline Gooch, Nathaniel Green, Cortni Greenwell, Rosalind Hardy, Micah Harkness, Kelsey Hiatt, Aaron Holl, Jessica Hooiman, Richard Hooton, Leonard Howe, Teresa Hunton, Lyndsey James, Jace Johnny, Robi Johns, Aaron Jones, Carr Jones, Amber Keppler, Deena Kleeb, Brynn Knotts, Jacob Kump, LaLathrop, Jessica Ley, Yucui Liu, Sherissa Malarchik, Armida Mari Daniel Moore, Stephen Morris, Keith Moyle, An Musolf, Jordan Newgard, Brandy Nielsen, Lindsay Nutting, Sarah Nylande, Stacey Olsen, Christy Parker, Pamela Passmore, Susan Perkins, Shawna Perry, Leesa Phipps, Dia Ponce, Ana Quintero, William Ramsey, Aaron Rawson, Sarina Ross, Hector Ruiz, Amber Sandretto, Douglas Schubert, Wade Scott, Tess Senrud, Gracie Smith, Joseph Smith, John Snyder, Clayton Souza, Brenna Speidel, Sheila Staszak, Amber Stenovi, David Stirn, Denise St Jacques Sutherland, Michelle Taylor, Carolyn Testerman, Kendra Thompson, Jeri Tout, Ronald Tyler, Jamie Urresti, Barbara Vega, K Vega, Heather Weatherford, Iona Wee, Justin Whetstone, Theri White, April Wilson and Justin Wright.



## GBC offers financial aid, campus jobs

By JULIE WOOTTON  
Free Press Staff Writer

ELKO — For Great Basin College student Morgan Charpentier, working on campus is both fun and convenient.

Charpentier, who is working toward her bachelor's degree in social work, is a part-time facilitator for interactive video classes.

"It's fun to sit in on classes," she said Monday before an interactive Biology 190 class, which originated in Winnemucca. "I've been a facilitator for everything from math to upper-division classes."

It's the second semester Charpentier has worked on campus, and she said the convenience is a plus.

From on-campus jobs to federal grants, GBC has a number of options to help students pay for their education.

With higher education budget cuts, student tuition is proposed to go up 13 percent



# Paying for college



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GBC students received some form of financial aid during the 2008 fiscal year, according to the most recent data available from the financial aid office. About \$4.61 million was awarded that year.

By filling out the form, GBC students may qualify for the Federal Pell Grant Program, which provides need-based grants to undergraduate students. The maximum grant amount for this school year is \$5,500.

During the 2010 fiscal year, GBC awarded \$2.237 million in federal funding to about 777 students, up several hundred students from the previous year.

For this fiscal year, about 948 students received grants totaling \$2.738 million.

In addition to federal funding, students can also apply for a number of GBC scholarships funded by private donors. The college recently had an awards ceremony to recognize 228 scholarship recipients for the next school year.

### Student employment

About 60 GBC students are employed on campus and earning money to help pay for their education.

The college's Advising and Career Center places students at on-campus jobs, including as assistants for academic departments, facilitators for interactive video classes, and at GBC's Fitness Center, library and the Mark H. Dawson Child and Family Center.

"Most of the departments are short people," Nielsen said, so student workers help fill in the gaps.

Some academic departments pay student workers using their department funds.

John Rice, GBC's chief development officer, said students can also receive stipends if they're elected an officer for the Student Government Association or are a resident assistant for college-owned housing.

Nielsen said on-campus student employees are paid at least \$10 per hour. Students aren't allowed to work more than 20 hours per week, must be enrolled in at least six credits and maintain at least a 2.0 GPA.

Tawny Crum, assistant director of student financial services, said some student workers gain office skills and experience related to their academic studies.

For instance, some diesel and welding students have jobs for those programs.

For students with demonstrated need, the Federal Work-Study Program provides funding for students to work part-time on campus.

Crum said more than 20 GBC students currently have jobs funded through work study.

However, Nielsen said about 700 GBC students qualified for the program, but there's limited funding.

In order to qualify for work study, students must have a need remaining on their FAFSA form.

Nielsen said GBC had about \$35,000 in work study funding to divide up last year. The department starts off with about \$2,000 per student for the year to spend on wages.

In addition, there's funding available to pay on-campus student workers through a state program administered by the Nevada System of Higher Education's Board of Regents. Between 12 and 15 students at GBC are employed for on-campus positions through the program, Nielsen said.

The career center also receives inquiries from local businesses looking for students to fill positions. A career fair is held every year and the career center also has a number of workshops to help prepare students to find jobs after graduation.



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Great Basin College student Morgan Charpentier works as an interactive video facilitator for a biology class on Monday. The class originates from the Winnemucca branch campus and is taught by biology professor Doug Hogan. Charpentier uses her job to offset some of the costs of being a full-time student.



each year for the next two years. In order to receive assistance, students must fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

"I'd like to help as many students as I can," said Scott Nielsen, GBC's student financial services director.

Although GBC's preferred deadline for the FAFSA was mid-March, students can

apply for whatever funding is still available.

Nielsen said even though he doesn't know how financial aid could be affected by budget cuts, students can still submit the FAFSA by July 1, but "the earlier, the better."

"Everyone should fill out the FAFSA," he said.

About 60-80 percent of students wait until the

summer to file the FAFSA, which Nielsen said "creates a bottleneck for staff in August to try to process applications before the school year begins."

To fill out the FAFSA, visit [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Students can also fill out a paper application.

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## GBC offers online driver's education

ELKO — Great Basin College is offering online driver's education to high school students in Elko, Eureka, Lander, Humboldt, Nye and White Pine counties this spring and summer.

The 10-week, two-credit courses are approved by the Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles and taught by certified driver's education instructors.

The next class starts Tuesday, followed by another session July 12.

The cost of this class is \$35 for high school students. If a student has not been enrolled at GBC in the past, a one-time \$10 admission fee will apply.

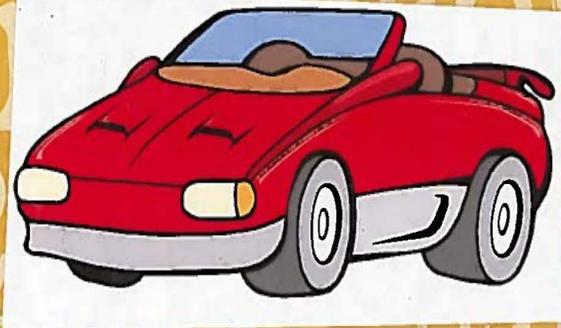
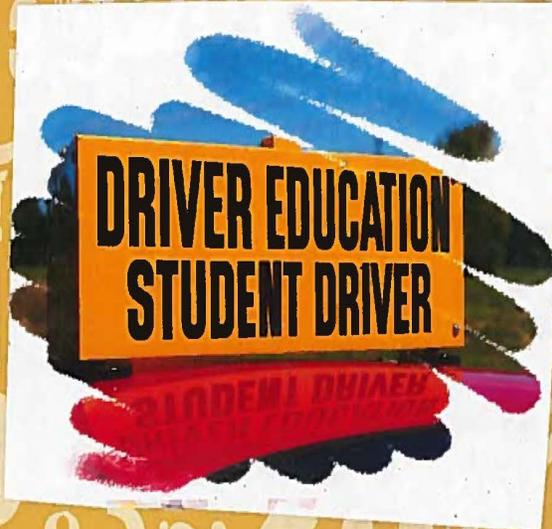
In order to register for driver's education, students should be at least 15 years old. The DMV

Handbook, along with a textbook published by the American Auto Association, is required.

The course provides students with sufficient knowledge to pass the Nevada written driver's test and also meets the Nevada DMV's 30-hour basic driver's education requirement for new drivers ages 16-18 to obtain a Nevada driver's license.

Upon successful completion of the course, students are issued a certificate to take to the DMV when applying for a license.

For information about the course and how to enroll, call GBC's continuing education department at 753-2231 or visit [www.gbenv.edu/drivers-ed](http://www.gbenv.edu/drivers-ed).



# GBC to award 406 degrees next week

ELKO – Great Basin College will award a record 406 degrees during a graduation ceremony next weekend.

The graduation ceremony for the class of 2011 is scheduled for 10 a.m. May 21 at the Elko Convention Center.

There will be 406 bachelor's and associate's degrees, as well as certificates of achievements, awarded this

year, up from 325 last year.

GBC President Carl Diekhans will lead the ceremony. Nevada System of Higher Education regent Kevin Melcher will attend, along with members of the Great Basin College Advisory Board and Trustees of Great Basin College Foundation.

The commencement speech will be delivered by Brent Chamberlain, a

longtime member of the Great Basin College Advisory Board and a member of the Chancellor's Fresh Look at Community Colleges Task Force.

Regent Scholar Roger Quijada of Elko will be acknowledged for his

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## GBC to award more than 400 degrees Saturday

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Continued from front page academic achievement and leadership. The Regents Scholar Award is conferred by the NSHE Board of Regents.

Scholars are nominated by members of the faculty. The nomination process is rigorous and the recommendation to the board of regents was made by Diekhans. The award comes with a \$5,000 stipend. Quijada will receive his bachelor of applied science in digital information technology degree.

GBC will award a total of 57 bachelor's degrees – 23 students for elementary or secondary education and integrative studies, 29 for applied science and two for nursing.

Three students will receive a post-baccalaureate certification in education.

Ninety-six students will be awarded the associate of arts degree, 30 associate of science, 23 associate of general studies and 116 associate of applied science.

Of the degrees to be awarded, 34 are from Battle Mountain, 19 from Ely, 58 from Winnemucca, 34 from Pahrump and 261 from Elko.

In response to a call from President Barack Obama's American Graduation Initiative, GBC initiated an effort this year to boost its graduation rates by an additional 10 percent. This year's gain represents a nearly 25 percent increase in graduates over last year.

Doors will open at the Convention Center at 8:30 a.m. Because of the large number of graduates and the expectation of crowds that will exceed the capacity of the Laurena Moren Theatre in the Convention Center, a live, large-screen televised feed of the ceremony will be available in the Ruby, Silver and Gold 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.

DVDs of the ceremony will be available. Orders can be taken at the Convention Center after the ceremony.

Photographer Gene Russell will take individual and group photos of graduates beginning at 8:30 a.m. Photos will be available for purchase.

### Honorary degree

Former Assemblyman John Carpenter will be awarded an honorary bachelor's degree. Carpenter served in the Nevada Assembly for 23 years.

He spent many years as an Elko County Commissioner and served on a number of boards, including the Hospital Board and the Elko Convention and Visitors Authority.

He has received many awards for his service from a variety of organizations, including the Retired Public Employees of Nevada, the Elko County School Teachers Association and the Nevada Legislature.

"He continues to be heavily involved with local politics and policy making and has been instrumental in the development of TEAM GBC, a group of community leaders who are examining more sustainable ways of providing public fiscal support for the work of Great Basin College," according to a press release from GBC.

Carpenter was born in Fallon and attended high school in Ely.

His leadership helped facilitate GBC's rapid growth in the 1990s and early 2000s, according to the press release. He is currently serving as a volunteer for Great Basin College Foundation.

# CONGRATULATIONS!

### Special recognitions

Daniel Mahlberg will be honored as GBC's Distinguished Alumni.

Mahlberg has two degrees from Great Basin College. He earned an associate of arts degree in 1998 and a bachelor of applied science degree in 2003.

Mahlberg went on to continue his studies at Golden Gate University and earned his master's in business administration degree in 2010.

After several years of working with the Elko County Juvenile Probation Department, Mahlberg recently accepted a position with Berrick Gold of North America as their regional contracts administrator.

He was elected to the Elko County School Board last year. He's also a member of the Knights of Columbus, has volunteered with the community's National Night Out event and participates in many pro-life events in Elko County, according to the press release.

Mahlberg is married and has three daughters.

Al Bernarda will receive the college's Community Service Award. Bernarda is a local businessman and longtime supporter of Great Basin College and the GBC Foundation.

Most recently, his community service has focused on the establishment and development of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Elko. The club serves hundreds of children every week and has done so using facilities provided through a partnership with the Elko County School District.

"His commitment and leadership have led to a successful capital campaign, with over \$2 million in cash and pledges secured for the construction of the Boys and Girls Club clubhouse," according to the press release.

The facility will be located on an unused triangle of city land across the street from Flag View Intermediate School and Main City Park.

"Bernarda's quiet, but determined leadership has encouraged and enabled a new generation of leaders in the community," according to the press release. "Many graduates of the Elko Boys and Girls Club go on to enroll in course work at Great Basin College. His efforts support students of all ages."

# Summer fun

*GBC offers classes for children in June, July*

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ELKO — Once school's out for the summer, Great Basin College is offering a variety of classes for children, ranging from crafts to sports.

The annual Kids College summer program, sponsored by the college's continuing education department, offers dozens of classes from June 20-July 1.

Angie de Braga, GBC's director of continuing education/community outreach, said the school's mission as a community college is to provide programs for many different age groups.

"Kids College reflects the need to provide education for the whole community," she said.

The theme for Kids College this year is "Summer Adventure, Map it Out at GBC."

GBC has offered Kids College for more than 20 years. The program is self-sustaining and funded through fees for the classes.

De Braga said summer classes "give kids something to do" and provide academic enrichment by giving children the opportunity to learn about topics they may not be exposed to during the school year.

Parents are encouraged to register their children for classes early. However, registrations will still be accepted until the first day of classes if spots are available.



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Dalen Brown, left, and Darak Mason play with the slime they made during a mining technology class in summer 2009 at Kids College at Great Basin College. Summer classes for children will be offered June 20-July 1 this year.

Classes for children and teens in Elko and Winnemucca cover topics such as arts and crafts, CPR, college preparation, computers, cooking, electrical technology, language and culture, science, sports and fitness, theatre and writing.

Some of the classes offered this summer have a global focus, such as a beginning Spanish class and a world adventure class.

"The sooner you teach someone a

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foreign language, the better," de Braga said.

She said Elko is a global community, since the mining industry brings in people from around the world.

"It's good to expose children to other cultures," she said.

Also to be offered this summer are several writing classes that are designed to help children foster a sense of creativity and imagination.

Writing offerings include an "Imagination to Creation" class, as well as "Writer's Workshop." A variety of crafts and creative foods classes also will be offered.

Computer classes will include "Digital Storytelling & Movie Making" and "Pivot Stickfigure Animation."

More theater classes will

be offered this summer, such as "Lights, Camera, ACTION," "Mystery Murder 'Way out West'" and "Theatre and Acting Basics."

Many of the classes will be taught by local professionals, as well as GBC instructors.

Barrick Gold of North America is sponsoring a mining technology class and there's no cost for children ages 8-16 who register.

"Students will learn neat things about geology and hydrology," de Braga said.

She said the "Crime Scene Investigators - Elko" class for children ages 10-15 is also popular.

For teens, one of the class options is "College Prep: How to Get into Your Dream School." The class

will be taught by Felici Aguirre, who is graduate from the University of Notre Dame this month.

Aguirre will share her experiences of applying to college, as well as what she learned from working in her university's admissions office.

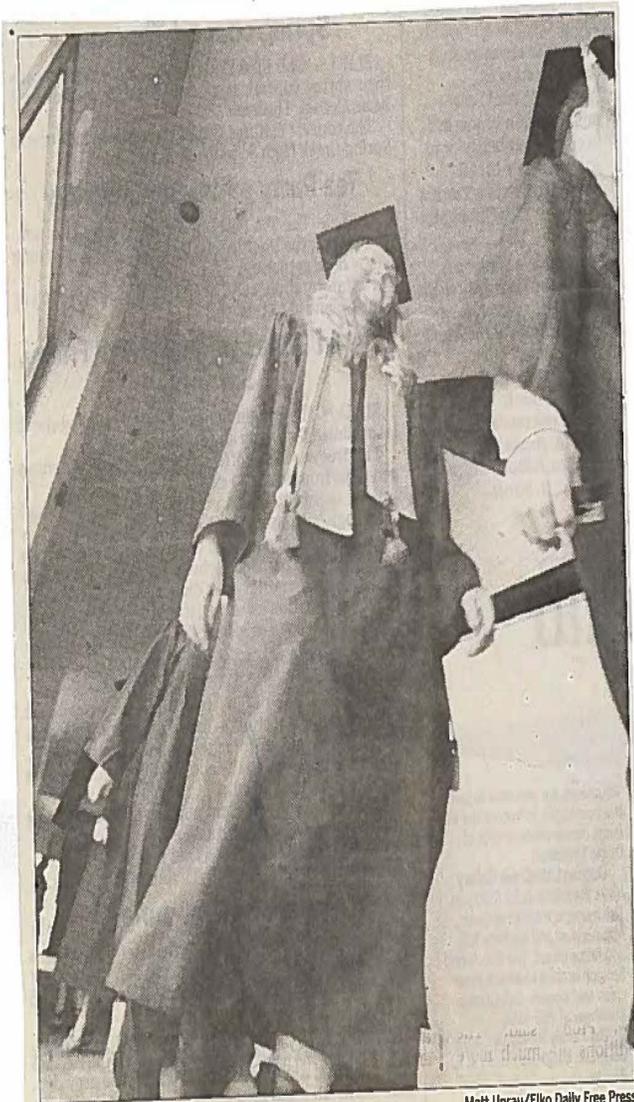
De Braga said Aguirre will provide hints to students about what college representatives look for in admissions essays and to set goals for the future during high school.

For information about Kids College and registration forms, call 753-22

visit [www.gbcnv.edu/](http://www.gbcnv.edu/). Registration forms should be printed from the web and dropped off from 8:55 p.m., including lunch Monday through Friday at Berg Hall at GBC.

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Great Basin College graduates walk into the theatre at the Elko Convention Center during the college's graduation ceremony Saturday.



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Nevada System of Higher Education regent Kevin Melcher, right, presents the Regents' Scholar award to graduate Roger Quijada during Great Basin College's graduation ceremony Saturday at the Elko Convention Center.

CONGRATULATIONS!



# Elder's of Time

With children gathered around,  
Quietly sitting on the ground,  
Listening to the ancient sound,  
Tales of the ancestors told,  
To all those young and old,  
Sitting by a warm fire out of the cold,  
Oral tales from an ancestral line,  
A history from the heart, soul and mind,  
Indeed, these are Elder's of Time.

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**Great Basin Indian Archives**  
**May 24, 2011**  
**3- 8 p.m.**  
**Showing of Oral History Recordings**

- 3:15 p.m. Ilaine Premo, Owyhee  
 3:35 p.m. Eloy Thacker & Lyle Nutting, Owyhee  
 3:55 p.m. Virginia Jones, Owyhee  
 4:15 p.m. Alvin & Lorraine Sims, Owyhee  
 4:35 p.m. Vivian Cinnibar, Owyhee  
 4:55 p.m. Lois Whitney, Elko
- 5:15 p.m. **Welcome**
- Moderator Shania Cook, NAC Member  
 Introduction of Norm Cavanaugh, GBIA Director  
 Invocation Evelyn Temoke, Elder  
 Flag song Bryan Hudson, U of U  
 Welcome Mike McFarlane, Vice President for  
 Academic Affairs
- 5:30 p.m. **Light Dinner**
- 6:30 p.m. **Education Presentation**  
 Drusilla Gould of Idaho State University.  
 Co-author of "Dammen Daigwape,"  
 Shoshone Language Book.
- 7:30 p.m. **Honor Song & Presentation of DVD's to Elders**  
 Bryan Hudson & Norm Cavanaugh
- 7:40 p.m. **Presentation of recordings to various organizations**  
 Norm Cavanaugh
- 7:50 p.m. **Round Dance songs**  
 Bryan Hudson, University of Utah
- 8:00 p.m. **Closing**  
 Shania Cook, NAC Member

**Presentation of Recordings to Recipients**

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