

Briefs



GENERAL

The intramural gold two-person scramble will be held Tuesday, April 30, at 11 a.m. at the Beverly Hills Golf Course. For more information, contact 972-3109.

Members of Pi Sigma Alpha and Pi Gamma Mu may pick up cords for \$10 until May 3 from Dr. Harding in room 420 in Wilson Hall. For more information contact Gaylon Rainwater at 934-9998.

GRANTS

The ASU Alumni Association is accepting applications for its special grants program. To be eligible, the organization must be in good standing, submit a completed grants funding request, detail the total cost associated with the project or activity, include all additional sources of money, and provide a follow-up report concerning the project or activity that will include how the grant funding will be utilized. Forms must be submitted by May 1, 2002. For more information contact Elizabeth Kingcade at 972-2586

SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications are now being accepted for the Thompson Minority Scholarship. Four scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 will be awarded to currently enrolled full-time students with a minimum 2.75 gpa. The scholarship is open to minority students who qualify for in-state tuition. For more information, contact Parice S. Tylor at 972-2034 or e-mail at ptyler@astate.edu.

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-tion loss may affect the future hiring of ASU computer science graduates, although the primary concern was experience and general knowledge of computer science.

However, students graduating in May should have no problems with finding a job, Jennus said. "Right now there is still a great demand for computer science majors. Job opportunities remain the same," he said.

Bobby Peppers, a senior computer science major of Jonesboro, said he doesn't have any concerns about finding a job right now. "It could have a possible affect for education," he said. "I know they are doing everything they can to re-attain accreditation."

The ABET Web site listed other

problems related to the accreditation loss that rely with taxpayers and the general public. The Web site said accreditation lets taxpayers know their money is being spent well. Without it, taxpayers or other members of the public may become angry.

Dr. Richard Tangeman, professor of computer science, agreed that the loss of accreditation was unfortunate. "It'll probably hurt it (the program) some although the program itself really isn't hurting that much," he said. "Our graduates are successful in the world so I don't think it will hurt it that much either."

Dr. Ralph Abernathy, professor of computer science, said the loss will affect the perception of the program, as well as funding. "Students will suffer the most from the loss of accreditation," he said.

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Utilizing groups throughout the region the athletic program hopes to improve attendance and support for all areas of ASU athletics.

"I am also meeting with community groups, and organizations to begin outreach for the programs we offer," he said. "We will try to increase our fan base in the North East Arkansas Region and improve our support outside the university as well as with the students."

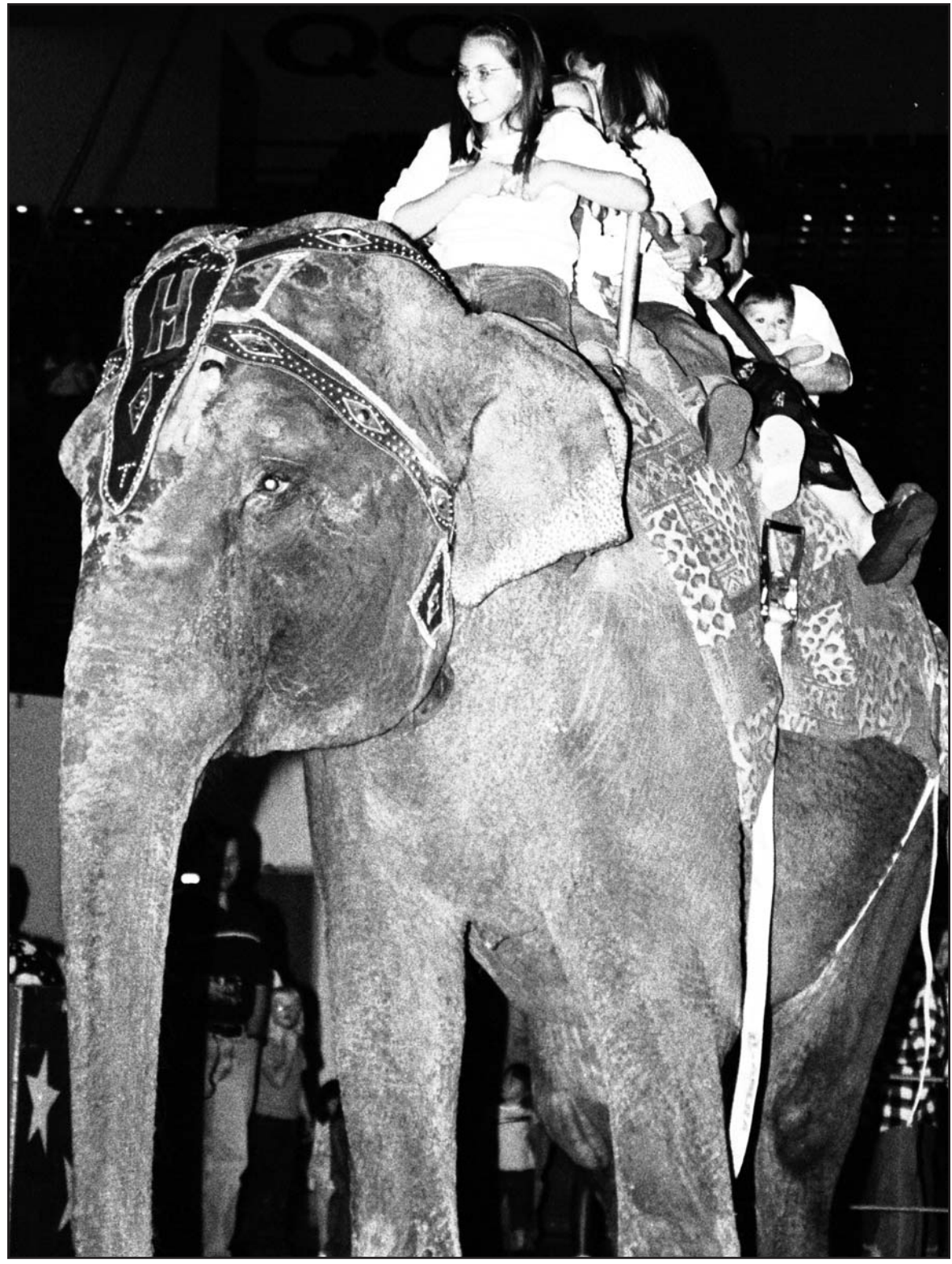
Sach Oliver, president of the Student Government Association,

said he understood the new approach.

"The students here want to support the athletic programs at ASU," he said. "Not just football or basketball, but the whole program. I think working to get students to games has to be the focus if we are going to insure that future problems with athletic funding are going to be done away with," Oliver said.

"We as students have been ignored in the past, and now most are disconnected from the teams. This new plan will lend itself to increased pride, and interest in what or how ASU is doing."

Peanut gallery



Children take an elephant ride at the Royal Hanneford Circus Thursday at the Convocation Center. The show featured trapeze artists, human statues and a bareback horse-riding comedy team.

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