

GLSO received other threats

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"We received a previous bomb threat in our Union office," he said. "It was on a Saturday so we just avoided the office."

Blutt said the bomb threat shows there is discrimination and

ignorance on the ISU campus.

"The threat expresses an attitude (of violence) that is unacceptable on a university campus," President Eaton said. "There are far more positive ways to express oneself than with a bomb threat."

Bomb threat possibly directed against GLSO

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A bomb threat at the Margaret Sloss Women's Center Tuesday evening may have been directed against a Gay/Lesbian Student Outreach meeting, according to the center's coordinator.

Center Coordinator Peg Lonnquist said the only meeting

scheduled at the center on Tuesday evening was a GLSO meeting and film at 7 p.m.

"I'm relatively sure the bomb threat was connected with the GLSO meeting," she said.

Vice President of Student Affairs Thomas Thielen said it is "plausible" that the threat was directed against the group's meeting.

"It's a concern to all of us even

though it was proven a hoax," Thielen said.

University President Gordon Eaton agreed. "I'm very concerned," he said. "It's a natural reaction to assume that it was (directed against GLSO). The occurrence in that time and that place with that meeting suggests very strongly it was."

ISU Patrol Chief Dean Drake said the Ames police had received

an anonymous phone call about 6 p.m. from someone who said his "roommate put a bomb in Sloss House."

Ames Police Chief Dennis Ballantine said his department took the call but then only assisted ISU Patrol in dealing with the threat.

DRAKE SAID A search of the center did not reveal a bomb,

though one student who had been studying there was asked to leave.

Lonnquist said the student was unaware of the bomb threat until the ISU Patrol officers arrived.

"We at the center haven't done anything to warrant a bomb," she said, but "with the GSB bill that recently passed, the hatred of those opposed to the gay and lesbian lifestyle may have been re-aroused."

The Government of the Student Body bill Lonnquist referred to was passed last week and gave "active support" to GLSO, though it did not provide them with funding.

But GSB President Brian Kennedy said it was "ridiculous" to assume that whoever made the threat got their inspiration from the GSB senate meetings.

"Anybody would do something so irrational as threaten to bomb a building while people were meeting in it definitely has a problem," Kennedy said.

If the threat actually was directed against the GLSO meeting, it is not the first one they have received this year, according to GLSO spokesman Michael Blutt.

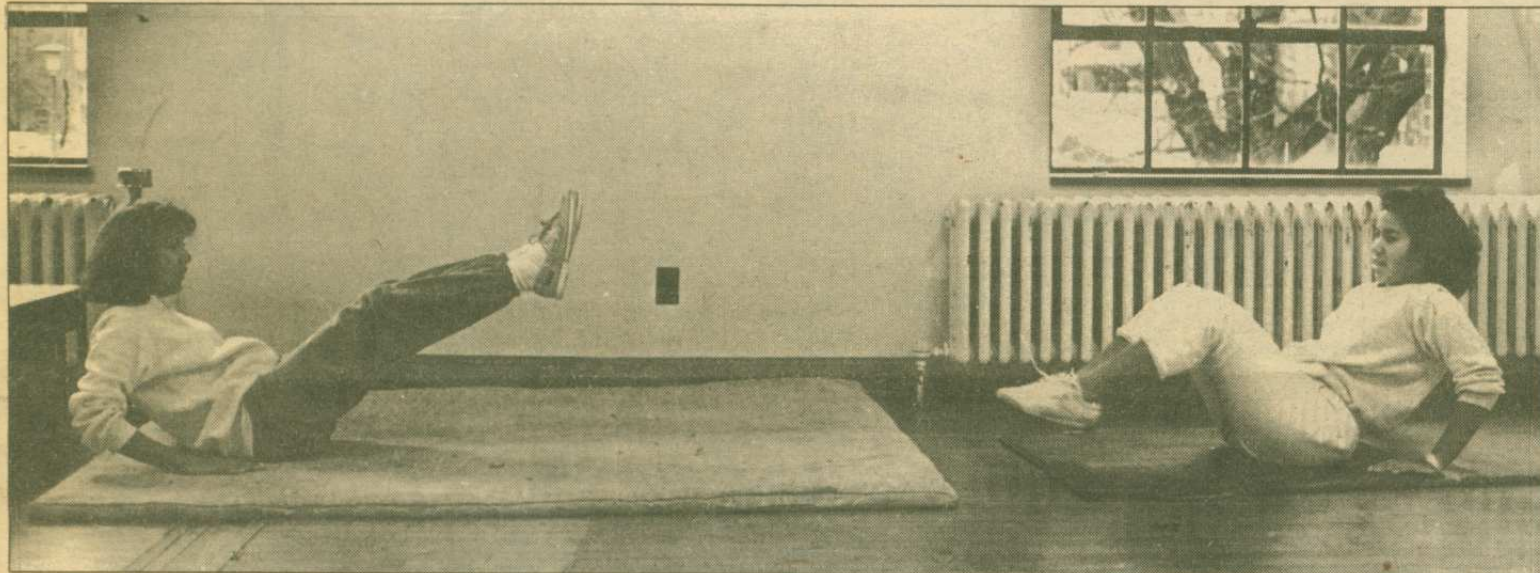


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Working out is easier when it is done with a friend. Brenda Santiago, H R M 3, works on some leg exercises with Raquel Moreno, D FN 3, at the Physical

Education Building Wednesday afternoon.