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Scalia decries judicial activism



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United States Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia lectures at Utah State University on Monday. Justice Scalia was the keynote speaker for USU's "Freedom and the Rule of Law" conference.

Supreme Court justice draws overflow crowd at USU

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LOGAN — Called the "next best thing to a rock star in the judiciary world," U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia appeared Monday afternoon at Utah State University and drew an overflow crowd.

Scalia's speech criticizing judicial activism drew more than 1,700 people, one of the largest turnouts for a speaker USU has ever seen, a university spokesperson said.

Scalia said he originally thought about talking about originalism, or the idea the U.S. Constitution's meaning is fixed.

"They assured me this audience does

not need much persuasion in that matter," he said to cheers, "and I detest preaching to the choir."

Scalia was the keynote speaker for USU's "Freedom and the Rule of Law" conference, hosted this week by the political science department.

In the last 50 years, Scalia said, American policy has become obsessed with relinquishing power from elected officials to "the expert."

"Alphabet agencies," such as the Federal Communications Commission, with appointed officials, have been given power that formerly belonged to the executive branch.

The project, he said, was a grand failure.

Agencies deal with issues in which there is no right or wrong answer, only

social preference — such as how many television stations a company can legally own.

Today, several of those agencies no longer exist and "belief in the expert has been replaced by belief in the judgmentalist," Scalia said.

He then cited abortion, assisted suicide and same-sex marriage and said policy concerning such issues where there is a moral right and wrong should be determined by the people through the political process, not by a group of unelected judges.

"I question the propriety, even the sanity, of having such value-laden decisions being decided by judges," Scalia said.

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WEBER HIGH WINS JESSICA

Text-message blitz brings singer to high school in radio contest

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PLEASANT VIEW — "Keep texting for Jessica!" was the mantra repeated by many Weber High School students throughout the last week. And it worked.

Actor/singer Jessica Simpson made a brief Monday morning appearance for an audience of 1,800 at Weber High as the prize for the winning school in a K-Bull 93 FM texting contest.

Weber beat out second-place Fremont High School by about 250,000 texts, coming in the winner with a total of 571,795.

Pat Garrett, afternoon deejay for K-Bull, said the station got more than 1 million texts.

"It's absolutely amazing. We've got moms over here saying, 'We want to see her, too. We're paying the bills,'" Garrett said.

While senior Liz Jessop said she thought the contest was more about beating rival Fremont High than seeing Simpson, she was still excited.

VIDEO: See more of Jessica Simpson's Monday visit to Weber High School.

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LEGACY COMMUTE, DAY ONE

Drivers report smooth sailing on first workday

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FARMINGTON — Mike Anderson's Monday morning commute was 10 minutes shorter than usual.

The Legacy Parkway made its official debut Saturday, but Monday's morning commute was the newly paved road's first true test.

For months, transportation officials have said the highly anticipated alternative to Interstate 15 would disperse freeway traffic in Davis County and cut down commute times.

Initial estimates from the Utah Department of Transportation were that 30 per-

cent of I-15 traffic would move to the parkway.

After the dust settled Monday, commuters reported a smooth commute on both I-15 and Legacy, and transportation officials said the road lived up to expectations.

"Traffic didn't slow at all," said Anderson, a Fruit Heights resident who works in Salt Lake City.

"There were quite a few people using it, so it was busy, but it was a smooth commute."

Anderson used Legacy at 6 a.m. Monday and said the new road was full of cars.

"It's nice to have another option," he said. "I just wish it was three lanes in each direction instead of two. I would

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Crash! Bang! Oh, sorry! YOU aren't my boyfriend!

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OGDEN — An upset woman attacked two vehicles with her car after she allegedly mistook their drivers for her boyfriend.

Gabriela Macias, 23, was drunk driving near the 2900 block of Monroe Boulevard around 11 p.m. Thursday when she intentionally slammed into the back of a vehicle, causing the driver to pull over and call police, said Lt. Scott Sangberg.

Macias kept going, even-

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Scalia

From 1A

He also said that, until relatively recently, the meaning of laws was thought to be static. Now the Constitution is being rewritten, phrase by phrase, and judges are being selected based on what kind of Constitution they will write.

"Each year, the conflict between judicial appointments has become more intense," he said.

Scalia fielded questions from the audience, a mix of students, professors and law professionals.

One audience member asked Scalia about his feelings regarding Utah

law allowing handguns on college campuses.

"I have no views on policy. That's a policy question, and it's up to the people," he said. "I can tell you it is constitutional."

Anthony Peacock, a USU associate professor of political science who helped organize the conference, said Scalia has been on the agenda for the conference for almost two years.

"He's got a great fan following in Utah," Peacock said.

"The idea was to address liberty in context of the American Constitution. This was a great kickoff event."

This was USU's first year to organize the event, and Peacock said he hopes similar conferences will take place in coming years.

Sorry!

From 1A

tually ending up driving south on Washington Boulevard near 28th Street, where she thought she saw her boyfriend again and smashed into the back of another vehicle, this one driven by Juan Vargas, Sangberg said.

Macias had never met either of the drivers, he said.

One car was a sedan; the other vehicle was a small SUV. Police have no idea why Macias thought the two vehicles were being driven by her boyfriend.

Sangberg said Vargas was on the

phone with police as he attempted to maneuver away from the angry woman.

"He was trying to get away, but she kept ramming him," he said.

Sangberg said an officer in the area saw Macias smash into Vargas' car, sending sparks across the boulevard. The officer pulled up behind Vargas and Macias and saw Vargas on his cell phone and waving to get his attention, he said.

When the officer turned on his emergency lights, Macias took off, leading police on a chase through downtown that reached speeds of roughly 65 mph, Sangberg said.

The chase ended when Macias pulled over near 29th Street and Monroe Boulevard, Sangberg said.

Macias was booked into Weber

County Jail, where she's facing charges of driving under the influence, evading police, operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license and two counts of aggravated assault.

Sangberg said Macias caused several thousand dollars in damage to the two vehicles.



Students watch and photograph singer Jessica Simpson at Weber High School on Monday.

Jessica

From 1A

Senior Jonathan Androtti said, "We hate Fremont and (Simpson's) hot."

Simpson arrived at 11:30 a.m. to talk to student body officers and the two most prolific texters, then moved to the gym, where the rest of the student body greeted her with a deafening roar.

Several members of the media were frustrated at being shut out of the school by Simpson's staff after having been told by the radio station that they would be allowed into her presentation.

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Romo.

"I just like ridin' in the car and talkin' and pullin' over and kissin'," she said, when asked about her most exciting date with Romo.

A handful of students received hugs and kisses on the cheek from Simpson. She laughed after giving one boy a hug, saying, "I think he's shaking."

Students were shown the video for Simpson's latest single "Come on Over."

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"I love her. I mean, she's just about the prettiest lady in the world."

Josh Naylor, a Weber junior, sent more than 23,000 texts to propel himself to first place so he could meet Simpson.

Both Naylor and Spilker said unlimited texting plans were key to their success.

But even with the flood of messages pouring into K-Bull, teachers said they didn't really think the contest distracted students.

Don Kenyon, who teaches business, said most teachers kept the school's cell-phone ban in place during the last week, but a few allowed students to send texts if they were for the contest.


Special-education teacher Connie Perry said she thinks more phones were taken away from students in the last week than during any other time.

"We see that (Simpson's visit) as a spectacular, fun way for Weber High to kick off Homecoming Week," said Weber School District spokesman Nate Taggart, "but it's not the type of distraction we'd want to occur on a regular basis."

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