President Morales honored for diversity

CSUSB President Tomás D. Morales was presented with a special resolution by the Association of Latino Faculty, Staff and Students in support of his commitment to diversity during the organization’s annual winter celebration.

The resolution recognized Morales’s efforts in establishing the Office of Diversity as well as the university’s new Strategic Plan, which will serve as a guideline for CSUSB in May of 2015, focuses on five strategic goals, along with a clarification of the campus’ mission, vision and core values.

"The Strategic Plan began with a vision: CSUSB will be a model for transforming lives. As we asked ourselves how to achieve this, it was clear that inclusivity must be a core value," stated Morales. "Our two co-chief diversity officers, Jacqueline Hughes and César Portillo, are enhancing our efforts to build a diverse faculty and staff at CSUSB," said Morales.

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A total of 18,952 students enrolled in the CSUSB for the 2015 fall quarter. Of those 26,000 CSU faculty members in participation, according to USA Today.

"We’ve said all along that we don’t want to strike, but we will if we have to," stated Dr. Jennifer Eagan, CFA President and Professor of Philosophy and Public Affairs & Administration at Cal State East Bay in the CFA release.

In response to the CFA request, Chancellor Timothy White and CSU management proposed a counter offer of a two percent general salary increase.

"Unlike our peers, we have not been able to keep up with the cost of living in California," stated Dr. Jennifer Eagan, CFA President.

"Even more exciting, we want to reduce the graduation achievement gap between traditionally underrepresented segments of the college student population and non-underrepresented segments to zero percent," continued Morales.

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Oil tax for environmental health

By Jennifer Martinez
Staff Writer

President Barack Obama proposed a $10 per-barrel charge on oil, which will be addressed in his final budget request next week, according to CNBC.com.

This new tax on oil would be gradually introduced over the next five years if it is approved by Congress. Oil companies will be responsible for paying these fees.

“I think we will look back and say, “that was a smart investment,”” said Obama during a news conference on Feb. 5.

The main priority of this new oil charge is to reduce carbon emissions and the use of fossil fuels from the nation’s transportation system.

About 30 percent of the nation’s greenhouse gas emissions come from vehicles, and investing in high-speed rail and cleaner vehicles could help lower those emissions, according to The New York Times.

The White House mentioned that the oil-fee proposal would invest an additional $20 billion per year to cut traffic and “provide new ways for families to get to work and school,” according to CNBC.

The United States government would use the revenue to fund projects such as high-speed railways, self-sufficient cars, and travel systems.

The White House said the new oil tax would encourage clean energy improvement and reduce the country’s dependence on oil.

It would also put about $10 billion per year into regional travel systems and another $2 billion annually into clean transportation research, according to CNN.

Although it is unlikely for this new tax to get through Republican-controlled Congress, Obama has mentioned that the investments would put the country in a “much stronger position,” according to CNN.com.

House Speaker Paul Ryan called the tax “dead on arrival in Congress” and cautioned it would hurt lower income Americans by raising energy prices.

Another factor that can contribute to disapproval is the energy industry having been affected by a dramatic crash in oil prices.

They have fallen nearly 50 percent in the last year to just below $32 per barrel, pressuring profits in the sector, according to CNBC.

Almost all oil companies have cut jobs, many have filed for bankruptcy, and others have failed to pay their loans, according to CNN.

The fee could also add as much as 25 cents a gallon to the cost of gasoline, even with petroleum prices at historic lows, according to Politico.com.

“I think Obama’s intention to improve our transportation system is good, but I don’t want to pay more for gas, especially since I commute to school every day,” said student Isis Fuentes.

It makes more sense to implement this new tax charge now while gas prices are low for consumers, according to CNBC.com.

Obama’s chief economic advisor, Jeffrey Zients, told reporters that the $10 per-barrel fee would apply to oil that is imported into the U.S., according to CNN.

“Oil that is exported would not be taxed, ensuring a “level playing field” for American can producers,” said Zients. “Our transportation system is too dependent on oil.”

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Diversity at CSUSB

for the Fall quarter of 2015 compared to 16,400 enrolled in the Fall quarter of 2010, according to the CSUSB Office of Institutional Research.

This provides the campus with opportunities to reach out to the diverse population through various clubs and organizations such as ALFSS and the University Diversity Committee.

“The University Diversity Committee ensures that diversity is an ongoing part of the campus dialogue, through training sessions, workshops, campus events, and a wonderful guest speaker series,” said Morales.

“I do think there is enough diversity on campus,” said student Marie Valenzuela. “I feel like our campus does an excellent job at exhibiting a strong presence of diversity on campus.”

Despite the growing number of students attending CSUSB, some students believe that there is not enough diversity on campus.

“Being an African-American senior, I noticed from the time I started to now, the number of African-American students has decreased,” said student Davon Dean. “It’s to the point that I’m placed with nervousness to raise my hand to ask a question because I’d be the only color in class.”

A total of 1,247 African-American students enrolled for the Fall 2014 quarter, compared to 2,077 enrolled for the Fall 2008 quarter, according to the CSUSB Office of Institutional Research.

“I am a big believer in keeping diversity issues front and center in order to foster a safe and inclusive culture for everyone who studies and works here,” said Morales.

“I should add that our aim is not to view ourselves as members of isolated communities within CSUSB. I am confident that the common objectives shared by all-including respect, dignity and fairness can be the hallmarks of this campus,” concluded Morales.
Bill AB 60 certifies that any eligible California resident, regardless of their immigration status, may obtain a driver's license.

“We’re all the descendants of immigrants that came from somewhere. California of course, was started more than 12,000 years ago by immigrants who came from Asia,” said Gov. Jerry Brown during the bill signing ceremony in 2013.

The DMV hired 900 extra employees statewide to handle the workload brought on by AB 60, according to NBC News.

“I wasn't aware of this occurring and this will slow down the DMV process but, the positive side is that it does make more jobs for people,” stated student Nick Fernandez.

The DMV’s AB 60 statistics report states that 605,000 undocumented immigrants have been issued a driver's license as of Dec. 31, 2015.

“I do think that illegal immigrants should be given drivers licenses just because not allowing them to have the license is not going to solve the problem. When it comes down to it, there are people in this country that are here illegally, it's a fact we have to face,” said Cal Poly Pomona student Courtney Cucchissi.

“If they get into a car accident, if they can't register with the DMV then they therefore have no car insurance and that poses a great problem,” added Cucchissi.

DMV Director, Jean Shiomoto, states the new law will increase safety on California roads.

“One year after AB 60 implementation there are 605,000 more drivers on the road who have passed all testing requirements and demonstrated their knowledge of California’s rules of the road,” said Shiomoto.

While no documentation of citizenship is required to obtain a license, the DMV requires all AB 60 applicants to provide proof of identity and California residency.

According to the DMV, the same rules apply to an AB 60 driver's license stating that all vehicles must be registered and insured.

“I don't see the point or the harm really. I mean, they are going to drive anyway right? License or not,” stated Cal Poly Pomona student Cassie Schmidt.

The AB 60 driver's license is similar to those already distributed by the DMV.

According to driveca.org, the only distinguishable difference can be found in the top right corner of the license above class top right, according to the American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California (ACLU), means that federal officials and out of state law enforcement are not required to accept the driver's license as a form of identification.

The cost for an AB 60 driver's license is the same standard $33 fee that the DMV charges all California drivers. California is one of ten states that provides driver licenses to undocumented immigrants.

“We are the biggest state, we are the dream state, and now we’re the state of opportunity and we’re sending a message to Washington,” said Brown.

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Not only did Twitter aggressively try to get rid of these videos and links, sites like Facebook and YouTube have tried to do the same, according to CBS News.

The problem lies in the “global nature of social media” where people can create a new account if their other account gets deleted, according to wired.com.

“The history of Twitter is that they wanted the ‘Twittersphere,’ their own world with free speech for all regardless of country or origin. Unfortunately, it reflects the real world, where criminal elements can exploit it,” said CSUSB Director of The Cyber Security Center, Tony Coulson in an interview with The Press Enterprise.

ISIS is looking to other social media sites to post information now that Twitter is monitoring terrorist-related activity, according to ryot.org.

Diaspora is a non-profit organization and is a community-run, distributed social network that ISIS is now posting content on since Twitter has locked them out, according to bbc.com.

Since Diaspora consists of private individual pods or networks, it’s more difficult for the Diaspora team to monitor and terminate content posted, according to ryot.org.

“We are not offering a service, we just create the software driving the network…It’s very unfortunate to see violent groups using our software and as you already know we are working on getting them out of the network,” said Diaspora’s spokesperson, Dennis Schubert in an interview with Buzzfeed.

Social media sites are working hard to take down terrorist content on their websites, ISIS continues to spread their terror, and if Twitter relaxes their policies then ISIS will try again, according to ryot.org.

“Although it makes the public more aware, I feel like it might promote violence for younger people too, so the whole issue is controversial,” said Montes.

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Spring quarter in jeopardy by strikes

California and recover from the recession. Our ask of 5 percent plus a step increase is not a raise, but a partial recovery from the deep hole that our faculty have been in for over 10 years,” said Eagan in a news conference in Sacramento. If the strike does happen, it is said to be the largest faculty strike in the CSU history, according to the statement.

By participating in the strike, faculty must refrain from all work duties, including faculty working from satellite campuses. This means professors must cancel their classes and will not be permitted to check their campus email during the strike days, according to califac.org. "I'm mad, because I'm paying for these classes and my education," said student Bremma Saunders.

Faculty wanting to participate in the strike cannot claim vacation or sick days, as paid leave is not considered being on strike. "It sucks that faculty isn't getting paid that much, because they're the ones doing all the hard work," said student Victoria Pelayo.

Robert Kennedy’s assassin denied bail for 15th time (Feb. 10)

Senator Robert F. Kennedy’s assassin Sirhan Sirhan was denied parole in California for the 15th time.

Commissioners concluded that Sirhan has not yet understood the enormity of his crime, nor has he been able to show remorse of his acts, according to Fox News.

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Mexico prison riot chaos (Feb. 11)

A riot broke out on Feb. 10 at Topo Chico Prison in Monterrey, Mexico, which left 52 dead and 12 others injured.

The riots started when two rival gang leaders started a fight that turned into a melee.

The riot started the night before at approximately 11:50 p.m. and was under control by 12:30 a.m.

Family members of inmates aroused outside the prison after the release of the news.

Hope Solo thinks about not going to Olympics due to Zika (Feb. 9)

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Goat arrested in India for Grazing in garden (Feb. 9)

A goat in India has been arrested for repeatedly grazing into a neighbor’s garden.

The goat’s owner Abdul Hassan and the goat were taken into custody after the neighbor, a judge, filed a complaint.

Hassan and his goat have been charged with damaging and destroying other’s property and trespassing and faces over two years in prison if proven guilty, according to Sky News.

Georgia prison guards arrested after FBI sting (Feb. 11)

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Five of the suspects were Spanish nationals of Syrian, Jordanian and Moroccan origin; the other two were foreigners of Morocco and Syria, according to NBC News.

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Rape acceptable? What!?

By Nicholas Whitt
Staff Writer

Rape is now deemed "acceptable" in the eyes of some; wow, how society has fallen.

Roosh Valizadeh (Roosh V), a self-described "pick-up artist," believes that society needs to follow a more traditional route.

Valizadeh is dubbing his ideologies as "neomasculinity." Neomasculinity combines traditional gender beliefs, masculinity, and animal biology into one ideological system. Roosh also said that women are to be caretakers.

Valizadeh also teaches guys how to be "sexually attractive," which includes "being confident and masculine, traits that women say they don’t love, but respond favorably to anyway," according rooshv.com.

The idea of him walking around, encouraging these barbaric views for men makes Valizadeh a couple steps close to being the devil himself.

"If a woman got raped, that is a sad thing. It’s a bad thing. But whose fault is it? Is it the woman’s fault? No, I’m not saying that," said Valizadeh to reporters during a secret press conference, according to Vox Media.

Valizadeh continued "But a woman can do things to reduce the likelihood that she will get hurt. If I get a BMW car right now and I leave the key inside and park it in a bad area and it gets robbed, whose fault is that? Is it the thief’s fault, or is it my fault for being a moron?"

Rape should in no way be tolerated. In fact, forcing someone to have sex is disgusting and horrendous—yet people are supporting him.

"Rape is amongst the most gruesome crime any human being can commit," stated student Nick Beck.

It is disturbing that there are people who partake in this, knowing the repercussions it can cause to people who have been raped.

"Rape is a horrible crime. And it effects the victims for the rest of their lives. Depression and post-traumatic stress disorder are common conditions among rape victims," according to Kevin Caruso, founder of suicide.org.

All of these symptoms typically affect murderers, war survivors, or those who are dealing with death. Survivors of rape also suffer from these symptoms.

"Fifty percent of women surveyed with severe mental illness had suffered rape or attempted rape in adulthood, of whom 53 percent had attempted suicide as a result," according to a study published in Psychological Medicine.

It is also mind-blowing since there are instances where survivors of rape will stay quiet about what happened in their life time. Furthermore, there are still a high number of individuals assaulted daily.

One out of every six American women has been the victim of an attempted or completed rape in her lifetime, according to rainn.org.

"Rape affects hundreds of thousands of women each year in which return a lot go unheard," stated Beck.

It saddens me to see people like Valizadeh rape others just because of an unhealthy desire to sexually dominate another.

"In bragging about his sexual exploits, Valizadeh has admitted to multiple instances of having sex with women who were reluctant to, or could not, consent (he has since claimed these quotes were taken out of context and denied any allegations of rape)," according to Lindy West for The Guardian.

Valizadeh has no concerns as to what he has done to previous females or potentially will do to future females.

"Realistically, I am disappointed at the flood of negative attention that will now put me in the "rape proponent" box for the rest of my life," said Valizadeh, according to West.

It humors me a little that he is complaining about dealing with "negative publicity."

Valizadeh believes that men should run this earth and dictate how people should react towards horrific events, like someone being raped.

I am confused and disgusted with how he lives his everyday life, teaching men who may have no knowledge or understanding about how to court women. Ultimately leading them to believe that forcing a woman to have sex with them is the correct way to entice them.

Valizadeh, if this is your idea of meeting a woman, I feel bad for you, son. You got 99 problems and all of them include rape.

It is unhealthy to gain so much weight in so little time. In my opinion, I believe we should learn how to take care of ourselves on an individualistic level rather than allowing others to invade our personal health choices.

"Oral Roberts implemented a new prerequisite for their first year students in January, requiring all freshmen to wear a Fitbit fitness tracker," stated Marie Solis from Mic News.

"The devices data, which includes statistics on steps taken, distance traveled and calories burned will sync to the school’s online grade book, where instructors will evaluate students according to how much they exercise on a weekly basis," stated Solis.

Monitoring a student’s health is crossing a personal line—forcing someone to wear a Fitbit is like wearing an ankle bracelet.

The freshman students attending Oral Roberts University need to purchase the Fitbit in their campus bookstore as they do textbooks, which costs about $140 and are required to walk 10,000 steps a day, according to Bill Sherman.

As an ORU student, if you do not pass the Fitbit requirements, you will be scheduled in a health/fitness class the following semester. If you do not pass either one, you will not be able to graduate, according to ORU’s academic policies.

"I’m sure Fitbit and other fitness brands are an amazing resource for the right people. But with my complicated relationship with food and exercise, all the numbers just provided more chances to feel like I would never be enough," stated Andria Martin for xoJane.

There are many experiences to look forward to when attending college, if it’s time to make precious mistakes/ memories. But a time when your life shifts dramatically. However, gaining weight hurts a college student’s self-image. The transition from home cooked meals to campus cafes, Top Ramen, beer, alcohol, sugared sodas, all nighter’s, and fast food, leads to the horrific freshmen 15.

"Researchers at Auburn University in Alabama followed 131 students over four years of college that a whopping 70 percent of them packed on pounds by graduation (an average of 12, and up to 37 pounds)," stated Health magazines Amy O’Connor.

When your body experiences the traumatic shock that is freshman year, I can understand how a person can gain the freshmen 15.

Typically, you go from living at home with rules, a curfew to no rules and getting home at around three in the morning.

What about those who are insecure about their body and have eating disorders? Although it can be motivating to those who want to get in shape or help those who need to live a healthier lifestyle, there are many people that this can negatively effect. Ultimately causing them to go into a depression.

Having to wear a tracking device on their wrists is a constant reminder about their body image. It can be just the issue to cause severe emotional and mental damage.

It is almost like freshmen students are Regina George and ORU is Gretchen Wieners saying, “you can’t sit with us.”

There are many ways to get into a healthier lifestyle without the pressure of being graded on it.

Try to switch from IPWS or lagers and go for a bad Light instead. If you really want to be adventurous, back in the day, they used to go for walks, try it out.

Universities need to stop jumping into personal lives or reducing tuition.
Authorities must be held accountable

By RACHEL RUNDENGAN
Staff Writer

A woman found dead in jail, a man suddenly immobilized shortly after his arrest, a man with a medical condition found on the floor of a jail due to negligence, a girl arrived at a juvenile detention only to be taken to a morgue the next day.

Death, while in police custody, is needless to say, always very controversial.


When ARD occurs, many different re-actions take place within law enforcement, medical community, and public.

Though they might come up with various interesting theories, most often, the truth remains a mystery.

There is plenty of blame to go around, but no one is taking action nor is anyone taking responsibility.

So, who should be at fault? The person in custody, or the authority?

For all we know, the suspect in custody could have retaliated and as a defense, the police officers had to take control.

Now here’s where they should have drawn the line, regardless of the truth.

There’s a difference between having the defendant submit to authority by taking charge forcefully, and taking charge carefully.

No matter who a person is and what he or she may have done to be held in custody, no man should act as God and take his/her life away.

There have been too many death-related issues that happen under the hands of police custody.

Perhaps the number of cases we, as a society-witness, seem to grow daily is revealing of the immediate exposure we get from the pervasiveness of smartphones.

But as a matter of fact, according to ARD in August 2015, for three consecutive years, the number of inmates who died in state and local jails have in fact increased.

This makes me question not only the authorities, but also people who enforce justice.

It’s unfair for the families and friends who have lost a loved one under custody, and the best explanation they get is due drug overdose, homicide, and or suicide. As a result, the public develops a growing distrust with the police departments.

“We do not deal with the dregs of our society, because police do so on our behalf... It is their special burden to administer justice in the face of witnessing daily injustice,” stated Jeff Schweitzer, scientist and former White House Senior Policy Analyst.

“That is their job, and those who violate that responsibility must be held responsible,” Schweitzer continued.

The deaths of those who were under police supervision should be a reminder to us all that even the people who we could find great comfort in, could in fact, be the very people that endanger us all.

Fine bros. money grab fails

By STEFFANIE MARTINEZ
Staff Writer

The Fine brothers are famously known for their react content: where kids, teens, and elders react to music, artists, nostalgic artifacts, and pop culture.

Due to the popularity of their series the Fines felt confident enough about making an announcement that shook up the Internet community.

Their plan was to license “React World,” a deal that would allow viewers to use their logos and formats to create their own versions of reaction videos. They also promised to give guidance and promotion to the creator.

In reality, with this deal, the person who makes the video would actually be giving the Fines promotion and money not the other way around like they are making it seem.

While it sounds like a good business deal from the perspective of a viewer, they are taking from those who already give to them.

Why must you be accredited for content that was not initially produced by you in the first place?

It seems pretentious for them to think that they could license something as broad as a reaction format.

Certainly, they were not the first to come up with this type of video.

Rumors quickly spread that they had plans of trademarking the word “react.” This caused the most backlash throughout the years.

Especially considering that in the past the Fines, with the help of YouTube, have taken down videos that they felt were mocking them.

If they felt entitled to make that move now when they have no rights to the react format, it is safe to say that they would go after not only these big companies, but start-up content creators once the licensing went through.

To the brothers, Steve, this felt as it could be a revolutionary move for the YouTube community; clearly, not many others agreed.

Although their intentions might have been sincere, they do not seem to have taken into consideration that YouTube is the place where people go to be able to share content they create without the rules of a big industry.

Seems as if the Fines think they are becoming too big for YouTube rules.

This is the same platform that brought them their success, so why not give others the chance to produce whatever content they feel without having to worry about legal repercussions.

If anything, they should feel humbled that their type of videos have inspired others to create similar videos to theirs.

Regardless, their millions of followers have remained loyal to them throughout the years.

Do not bite the hands that feed you; especially when their loyalty and views are accumulating you millions of dollars yearly.

Days after the announcement and continuous backlash, the brothers made a video apologizing.

They announced they would not be going through with the licensing program, trying to make their intentions clear.

Yet the damage was already done, according to Social Blade, a website that allows users to track statistics and measure growth across multiple social media platforms, their YouTube channel has lost 568,113 subscribers in the past 30 days.

As a fian of their content, I will continue watching their videos, hoping they will make better decisions in regard to expanding their brand in the future.

Although, the issue seemed bigger than the Fine Brothers. It was not about whether they would have taken down others content, but that they could obtain the power to do so.

Football extinct?

By MICHAEL ISBERTO
Staff Writer

Football will continue to exist because people will always be willing to risk their lives for the game.

However, there are recent discussions about current and past player’s health and the new blockbuster movie “Concussion,” people are questioning if football has a future.

“Concussion” revolves around the story of forensic pathologist Dr. Bennet Omalu, played by actor Will Smith.

Through his autopsy research, Dr. Omalu discovers neurological deterioration in former NFL player Mike Webster due to football related head injuries.

Dr. Omalu then decides to spread knowledge of the dangers of the game.

“Football is one of the most beautiful games,” said Dr. Omalu.

“It’s one of the most beautiful sports you will ever watch. It’s the biggest, strongest, fastest, most powerful human bodies on earth. But by the same token, at the same time, it’s dangerous in a way that at a minimum, the information, the reality, and the science of what’s happening, has to be injected for the players who play the game,” Smith continued.

People sharing this information do not seem to want to risk the world of football, but merely shed light on potentially dangerous circumstances.

“I want to be a part of delivering the information,” Smith said.

“I think what this film does, is it takes something that’s really complex and really complicated and something that hides in plain sight, and it makes it simple, and digestible and comprehensible,” he continued.

It is not a secret; head injuries have always been a part of the game.

Many legendary football players including Troy Aikman, Steve Young and others retired earlier than expected due to head trauma and concussions.

Now, more retired players are coming forward admitting cases of depression, dementia and memory loss—all signs and symptoms of Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE).

Although the high risk factor of football isn’t a new topic, the recent discussions of health pertaining to the game are a good dialogue starter.

Players and fans deserve to know about CTE and other serious injuries concerning the game.

The recent influx of information circulating is not out to attack the NFL.

It is mainly to inform everyone about the risks of football, and spark changes to help make the game much safer for future players of the sport.

Maybe hearing about the risks will make someone more subject to the real people watching.

Particularly those who are involved in the game, like parents who start their kids playing football at an early age.
Features

Celebrating Black History everyday

By CAROLYN SOLAR
Staff Writer

Black History Month is dedicated to recognizing and honoring the accomplishments that black people have made throughout history. This is a time for many students to be proud of their heritage, look back at the past, and look to the future for all that is to come.

At CSUSB, we see that the African-American population is an underrepresented portion of our student body. Of the 20,024 students enrolled in Fall 2015, 1,182 were African-American, according to the CSUSB website.

For some students, Black History Month is a “double-edged sword.” It seems to separate itself from regular history, but at the same time, it acknowledges the people striving for progress that are underrepresented throughout history.

“Students like Malaysia Parris believe that this holiday should be more than just February. It is people of color gathering together to raise awareness towards issues we face every single day.”

“In [institutions] of higher learning, one can only learn about African-American history as an elective. For this reason, this month gives me joy to teach.”

MALAYSIA PARRIS

“It seems to imply that our history is somehow separate from everyone else’s. But I understand the need. Black people suffer from a severe lack of representation in everything from prime time television to my overpriced history book.”

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“People become more aware of other people. With that comes growth, and with growth comes change,” said Stiles.

Stiles is proud of seeing how far society has come; although, he thinks there is still a lot of progress to be made.

“There’s a natural progression when it comes to social justice issues. People learn more. People become more aware of other people. With that comes growth, and with growth comes change,” said Stiles.

For others, this month allows for the opportunity to raise awareness to the community about concerning racial issues.

“Understanding that this was not something learned in a history book, but was a historical event with a personal connection, it gave Lawrence the pride he has today.”

Other organizations, such as fraternities, one student has gained a better appreciation for the position he is in today from learning about the struggles of his ancestors.

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Almost 3.1 million children die from hunger each year, according to the World Food Program. Every year, 2.3 billion tons of food is wasted, according to World Food Day. It is ironic that many people die from hunger with so much food wasted. Some people waste their food, but some people die because there is no food to eat.

Why does this problem still exist? There are some reasons for this problem, according to Jean Ziegler. One of the reasons is war.

In the case of Somalia, the country has been in anarchy since 1991, and there are many militarists fighting each other. The U.S. military entered the country to create peace and solve hunger problems, but they were murdered by the militarists. The militarists plundered food aid ships and trucks. Many people died from hunger while the militarists focused on an internal war and plundered.

The second reason for world hunger is the corruption of politics. Sankara was the fifth president of Burkina Faso. Before he was the president of Burkina Faso, the country was corrupt, and the public suffered from hunger. Sankara made a radical reform: the abolishment of head taxes, decentralization of power, and nationalization of the land, which made land clearing possible.

The third reason for world hunger is corruption of the country. In North Korea, the country was self-sufficient of dictatorship in the country. Many relief organizations sent food to the poor North Koreans, but high-ranking government officials intercepted the food and didn’t provide any to the public.

The fourth reason for world hunger is China’s radical politics is communism, but there is no communism in the country. From B-sung Kim, there were 70 years of dictatorship in the country. South Koreans knew how the innocent North Koreans are suffering from hunger. Many relief organizations sent food to the poor North Koreans, but high-ranking government officials intercepted the food and didn’t provide any to the public.

The fifth reason for world hunger is manipulation of market prices. Market prices are fixed by the law of supply and demand. If supplies are too great, prices are down. Therefore, people abandon huge amounts of food to maintain the food’s price.

One third of all food produced is never consumed, according to World Food Program.

France solved this problem by using big supermarkets. France forces supermarkets to give unsold food to charities to solve the food wastage problem, according to the Guardian.

Each year, 7.1 million tons of food is wasted in France, and 11 percent is binned by shops.

French law bans waste, and it can be helpful to those who are suffering from hunger.

Do you know the top five U.S. supermarkets who waste food?

The answer is SuperValu Incorporated, Ralphs Grocery Company, Wal-Mart Stores Incorporated, Costco Wholesale Corporation and Safeway Incorporated, according to Alternet.

America wasted 40 percent of food in 2012, according to the Natural Resources Defense Council 2012 report.

Now, the world has the ability to provide enough food to supply everyone in the world. If people reduce the wastage of food, the food can save other people’s valuable lives.

If other countries follow France’s footsteps, more people can stay alive.

Remember, the food you waste is the food other people sincerely long for.

In America, New Year’s Day is every Jan. 1. In China, New Year’s Day in 2016 is Feb. 8. Why does the Chinese New Year different from America’s? How does Chinese New Year’s Day operate on the Lunar Calendar?

“Thought China officially operates on the international Gregorian calendar, the traditional lunar calendar maintains the most important significance, and so every year, around the new moon closest to the beginning of spring, Chinese people ring in the beginning of a new annual cycle,” according to Time magazine.

The Chinese calendar allocates each new year with an animal of zodiacs: rat, ox, tiger, rabbit, dragon, snake, horse, goat, monkey, rooster, dog and pig. 2016 is the year of the Monkey.

On Chinese New Year’s Day, families come together to enjoy, celebrate, and eat food.

“The New Year’s Eve dinner is called ‘reunion dinner’, and it is the most important meal of the year,” according to chinahighlights.com.

“During the dinner, normally fish will be served. Dumplings are the most important dish in Northern China. These two dishes signify prosperity,” according to chinahighlights.com.

In addition to enjoying symbolic food, Chinese people decorate their houses and the streets in celebration of the holiday.

Red is the typical color for the Chinese New Year, because Chinese believe that red symbolizes good fortune. Chinese use red lanterns, paper cuttings, paintings, and door couplets for celebrating the Chinese New Year.

Chinese people like to have a kumquat tree at home for the Chinese New Year.

“Having a kumquat tree at home symbolizes a wish for both wealth and good luck. Kumquat trees are a very popular plant displayed during the Chinese New Year holidays,” according to chinahighlights.com.

They also have superstitions about celebrating the Chinese New Year.

The Chinese do not use sharp objects like knives on this important day, since pointed objects are considered bad luck, according to fengshui.lovetoknow.com.

They do not argue or cry on New Year’s Day unless they wish to cry and argue throughout the upcoming year.

They serve noodles for the New Year’s meal, because the longer the noodle, the longer and happier their luck and prosperity will be.

These superstitions are symbolic in hopes of good fortune, prosperity, and longevity for the upcoming year.

Chinese people enjoy and celebrate the Chinese New Year in diverse ways with their families.
Zika Virus
The birth of a threat
By CHRIS CAUHAPÉ
Staff Writer

Worldwide, “nearly 7,000,000 people get a mosquito borne illness each year resulting in greater than 1,000,000 deaths,” according to Oxitec.

There are two species of mosquito that spread Zika Fever. In order to spread the virus, they must first bite an infected human and transmit it to another with a subsequent bite.

These two mosquito species, Aedes Aegypti and Aedes Albopictus, are ominously known as the Yellow Fever and the Asian Tiger mosquito. They are black with white stripes—hence “tiger.”

Not only do they spread yellow fever, they are also responsible for the spread of the chikungunya virus, dengue, Eastern equine encephalitis, and the West Nile viruses.

They are termed an “invasive” species because they are indigenous to the tropics and not native to California.

So far Riverside County has been spared the presence of these mosquitoes. These mosquitoes have been detected in San Bernardino County, and every other county that borders with Riverside County.

“Tests are conducted daily for these two insects and, so far, we have found none,” said Bobbye Dieckmann, a field supervisor for the Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District, who monitors mosquito populations in the area.

These two species lay eggs in very small amounts of water. Just a few drops may be enough for the eggs to develop. Discarded tires and drinking water bottles make perfect nurseries for the larvae.

If a tiny incubation puddle goes dry, eggs may remain viable for months, according to the just-updated guide for invasive Aedes mosquitoes, published by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). Unlike most mosquito species Aedes bite in daylight. Most people infected with Zika virus experience no symptoms.

Some are afflicted with fever, rash, red eyes and joint pain within three to seven days after the mosquito bites, according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC). Pregnant women infected with the virus have given birth to babies with abnormal head and brain sizes. This is a condition called microcephaly.

Zika virus sufferers are sometimes prone to Guillain Barre Syndrome (GBS), which affects the nervous system. Whether the Zika virus causes microcephaly or GBS is still not clear and awaits further studies,* states the CDPH on the Zika page of its website.

The CDC has confirmed that the Zika virus is now considered a sexually transmitted disease.

The CDC now advises condom use for any vaginal, oral or anal sex when an infected partner is involved.

The CDC has also advised pregnant women not to visit certain affected countries.

Although Zika has been found in practically all the Western Hemisphere countries, Brazil has been the prime focus of concern.

Brazil’s government has confirmed 224 cases of microcephaly since May 2015.

The 2016 Olympic Games are to be hosted by Brazil in August, which gives great urgency to resolve the problem.

Brazil has been releasing 800,000 genetically modified male Aedes Aegypti mosquitoes every week in the city of Piracicaba.

The genetic modification causes offspring to die in the larval stage of development.

Aedes Aegypti population has dropped by 82 percent since the weekly release of the modified insects began in April of 2015.

Countless numbers of lives have most likely been saved by this method already.

Regardless, it’s imperative to take preventative measures to protect yourself from the virus.

*Story continued online @ Coyotechronicle.net

RESTAURANT REVIEW
Sundowners is Sun yummers
By EMMANUEL GUTIERREZ
Copy Editor

Sun yummers

Sundowner’s, located on E street, is a gem for the San Bernardino elderly and the family-oriented on a budget.

With those two demographics in mind and having been raised on the SB1 delicacy, I wanted to know how college students who had never experienced Sundowner’s would perceive it.

Amongst my party were four Christopher Colombuses who were about to embark on an epic, maiden voyage to the Sunyummer’s, located on E street, is a gem for the San Bernardino elderly and the family-oriented on a budget.

Prior to entering the fine dining establishment, there were spells of mutiny and disdain for our gastronomic destination by members who shall not be named.

I cast aside any vilification for Sundowner’s and the recommendations for another place; fortunately for myself, recent CSUSB graduate Daniel DeMarco intervened: “You guys, it’s worth it for the experience.”

I substantiated his claim by saying, “Yeah, even when you get Alzheimer’s, you will remember this place.” Sundowner’s may be categorized as a cafeteria-style restaurant. You get in line to order, slide a tray, collecting appetizers, beverages and so on, pay for your meal at the end of the line, and an announcer on a speaker system calls your number to pick up your food.

It is, for lack of a better term, unforgettable—impressible; perhaps some would even go as far as to call it “ghetto-fabulous.”

“They trying it, and you know what, I have a feeling it’ll be bomb!” said Loydie Burmah, Coyote Chronicle Managing Editor.

However, not all first impressions amongst the group were as optimistic.

I saw a few pursed lips and squinted expressions dart from one wall to another, withholding judgement for later—I presume.

Recent CSUSB graduate Clarissa Toll ordered the soup and salad lunch special, CSUSB graduate John Johnson and DeMarco ordered a cheeseburger, and the rest of us ordered patty melts.

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The Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising (FIDM) hosted the 24th annual “Art of Motion Picture Costume Design,” which opened to the public on Feb. 9 and featured over 100 costumes from 23 motion pictures.

In attendance were costumes from all five Academy Award Nominees for Costume Design: “Carol,” “Cinderella,” “The Danish Girl,” “Mad Max: Fury Road,” and “The Revenant.”

FIDM curators make it a point to have award nominated costumes featured in the exhibit.

“We don’t just study the costumes but we also study movies,” said Nick Verreos, fashion designer and FIDM representative.

The collection of costumes featured in “Cinderella,” was the first thing viewers saw when they walked into the museum.

The gown worn by Lily James in “Cinderella,” which appeared puffy and glistening with small rhinestones placed all around it, was just as lavish in person as it was on film.

The only difference we noticed with the Cinderella gown was that on screen the color of the dress looked vibrant blue, while in person it appeared a light shade of baby blue.

Another nominee featured was Paco Delgado’s design for “The Danish Girl.”

These costumes where unique to see in person, because they were female gowns designed for a male’s body.

“One of my main worries was to try to see if we would be able to create a real woman from Eddie [Redmayne],” said Delgado. “We were very lucky because Eddie was really open to start working with us before we started doing the movie.”

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“The fact is some of the best costume designers do the finest work when you can’t even tell that it’s a costume,” said Verreos.

The curators have a certain criteria to ensure the exhibit is pleasing to many.

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For example, on display were Salvador Perez Jr.’s “Pitch Perfect 2” costumes, the popular A cappella teen movie.

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Majid Jordan’s self-titled album dropped Feb. 5 and it’s easy to say that Majid Al Maskati and Jordan Ullman will go far in their music career. The Toronto power duo is signed to OVO Sound. Their EP “A Place Like This” was released digitally through OVO Sound radio in 2014. They worked with Drake on his hit single “Hold On We’re Going Home” in 2013. They then collaborated again on their first single “My Love” which debuted on Apple Music’s Beats 1. “I really enjoy listening to Drake’s ‘Hold On We’re Going Home,’” said student Elmer Escobar, “but Majid Jordan can definitely hold their own and it’s been proven with this new album.”

The two shared their album cover on Instagram where they stated, “When we met 4 years ago, we never would have imagined the journey that lead to this album. Thank you to our friends, family, and mentors for making this project possible.”

Majid Jordan’s album cover is fluorescent dark blue, depicting the two artists, dimly lit, back to back, wearing dressing shirts, paired with ties. The cover art isn’t too fancy but the use of contrast gives it a dark vibe. In the album, you’ll find a mix of gloomy lyrics combined with rhythmic beats that will instantly get your head bobbing from side to side.

“R&B with a pinch of edge”

By JAYNENE MORENO

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Harry Potter lives on

Everyone lost their mind after hearing about the Harry Potter sequel coming alive in the form of a play in London, “Harry Potter and the Cursed Child.” The fans to this much anticipated sequel were quickly sold out, leaving Potter fanatics upset. Much relief came on Feb. 10 after publisher Little, Brown and Company announced that the script version of the play will be released on July 31.

Fans no longer have to worry about missing out on what happened 19 years after, although a scripted version is different than what we are used to reading.

Johnny Depp mocks Donald Trump

Johnny Depp pulls off Donald Trump's signature comb-over in a biopic. “Funny Or Die” surprised us all on Feb. 10 with a fifty minute movie called “Trump: The Art of the Deal.”

This satirical clip consists of Trump having flashbacks of the ridiculous events that shaped him into the racist, sexist man he is today.

Laurel company feels Jenner heat

Kendall Jenner calls out Culteria, a laser genesis acne treatment company, for using her faceless flaw to advertise their product on Feb. 10.

“Today’s lawsuit by Ms. Jenner against Cutera, Inc., for the unauthorized use of Ms. Jenner’s name and likeness to promote its product should serve notice that Ms. Jenner will vigorously defend her rights under the law,” said Jenner’s lawyer, Todd Wilson.

Her lawsuit could cost Cutera a good $10 million, give or take.

Janet Jackson returns

For the first time after her surgery, Janet Jackson was seen in public on Feb. 10. “Hey you guys, I am preparing for my tour in Europe . . . can’t wait to see you! #Unbreakable,” tweeted Jackson.

Thankfully, the rumors of her surgery being caused by cancer were disclaimed. Jackson will hopefully come back stronger and better than ever.

Kanye’s mini documentary

Kanye West’s 16 minute documentary hit the internet on Feb. 10, just in time for his album and Yeezy Season 3 fashion line release.

“Dissertation: A KanYe West Story” features the compliments that many music journalist and editors give West. It highlights how he has impacted the music industry, his fashion and creativity, and the milestones he has hit during his music career.

Mexican rock band inaugurates Hollywood star

Yet again, the members of Mana make history after receiving a star on the Hollywood walk of fame on Feb. 11. “It is very difficult for a Latino artist to break here in the U.S.,” said Mana’s band member Alex Gonzalez.

“We are very grateful for everybody who has been behind this for 30 years,” commented Mana.

Mana has already been greatly influential in the Latin music industry, but being the first Mexican group to inaugurate a star in the walk of fame is definitely legendary.
G-Eazy engaged the crowd of screaming fans at the Shrine Auditorium sporting his signature comb-over, dressed from head to toe in black, and a skull bandanna covering half of his face.

Walking into the designated press area I was immediately drawn to the inventive stage. There was a very dark, urban feel to his stage setup. A grungy inspired layout displayed a sign that read Motel, a strip club and a bar with neon lights flashing the words “The Saint,” and “Girls, Girls, Girls.”

This highly anticipated five month world tour was announced after the release of his new album “When It’s Dark Out.”

Selling out almost every show, the young artist performed Feb. 9 in Los Angeles to a venue full of dancing and hyped fans.

The tickets for the tour were on such a high demand that the artist decided to add an extra LA show.

“Hit Her in the DM” rapper Yo Gotti also took the stage performing a duet of the popular song. “This concert was literally perfect. From the opening act to G-Eazy I enjoyed every second,” said concert goer Juan Cortez.

G-Eazy had the crowd with their hands up in the air, jumping up and down and dancing to his up-beat music.

He performed some of his older well-known songs like “Tumblr Girls” and “Lets Get Lost” from his “These Things Happen” album.

He also played “Far Alone” that can also be found on the “These Things Happen” album where it seemed like he made a tribute to the Bay Area, which is where he’s originally from.

Going to this show it was easy to see how talented and loved this artist is.

Thousands of pictures could be found on social media outlets using #whenitsdarkout, #geazy, and #eazyseason.

With the talent and support that G-Eazy has, it is no wonder he’s selling out shows in every city he goes to.

Something tells me that this is just the beginning of a long and successful career.
Super Bowl Halftime Show

By DAWNIELLE FLOYD
Staff Writer

Superbowl 50 fell nothing short of amazing, from the opening ceremony to the final touchdown. Lady Gaga dressed in a red custom two-piece Gucci suit and all America style heels, while performing an epic version of the national anthem, at Levi Stadium in San Francisco

However the halftime show, which paid homage to past performers, took the cake with performances by Beyoncé, Coldplay, and special guest Bruno Mars.

The show was full of inspiration and bright vibrant colors from the crowd down on the field, to the fans chanting lyrics back at the artists. Coldplay took the stage first performing their hit single “Viva La Vida,” followed by Beyoncé, who took the stage to perform her new hit single “Formation.”

Queen B and Bruno Mars battled it out to his hit song “Uptown Funk,” ending with Chris Martin, lead singer of Coldplay, to the end of the stage. Coldplay and Beyoncé sent out inspirational messages during both of their performances in regards to the LGBT community and the Black Lives Matter Movement.

Chris Martin remind the world that we are all in this together. "Whoever you are, where ever you are, we’re all in this together.”

As Chris Martin took the stage the floor, which doubled as a video screen swirled with bright colors while the stadium stands filled with bright colors, the fans surrounded him on the field.

The energy in the crowd got even higher when Martin introduced Mars. As Martin performed Coldplay’s hit song “Get It Together,” Beyoncé and Mars joined him on stage as screen flashed back to past historically performances like Whitney Houston, and Michael Jackson just to name a few.

Just one day before her performance on Sunday, Beyoncé shocked the world with the release of her new song and video of “Formation.”

The music video promotes Black Lives Matter, with clips of the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, as well as a young black boy dancing in front of police before raising his hands. Beyoncé’s background dancers showed their support backstage by holding their fists up and holding a sign that said, “Justice for Mario Woods,” who was recently gunned down by police in San Francisco back in December.

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Social media creates stardom

By ARTHUR MEDRANO
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Lately there has been a rise in popularity with average joes who get lucky on social media websites and earn fame and fortune just as fast as their followers grow.

Making the trek from cyberspace to reality TV is almost every social media user’s dream. A few lucky media junkies have actually made that journey towards appearing on shows like “Jimmy Kimmel Live!” or “The Ellen DeGeneres Show,” or even having their own shows.

For instance, the YouTube sensation Tyler Oakley appeared on DeGeneres’s show and talked about pop culture and his comedy skits from his YouTube channel. He is also a supporter of the LGBT community, which revolves around his everyday life in part for being an openly gay celebrity.

Oakley is a published author with his novel “Binge,” which compiles his stories when he first began making videos for the Internet.

His autobiogrophy provides insight on his roller coaster ride towards stardom. The epitome of being on TV and getting interviewed by your favorite host would make anyone’s wish come true.

Vine is a quick video sharing network that lets users express themselves in six seconds or less. Shawn Mendes got famous with the likes of this media app. Currently Mendes has a single called “Stitches” ranked No. 11 on Billboard’s Hot 100.

“The beautiful melody speaks to you and reveals how he strives for the best, and made it,” said student Angela Diaz. Mendes first started making cover videos of popular songs and has now found fans doing the same for his music on social media.

While he continues his success with opening acts for Taylor Swift, Time magazine reported him on their annual “30 Most Influential Teens of 2015.”

Comedian/actress Grace Helbig got her start on social media, and making something appear out of nothing with her career. Helbig was known for having her own web series on YouTube and appearing on fellow Internet stars’ videos or shows that gained her millions of followers.

She has also made it to the point of being a part of TV commercials and hosting her own talk show on E! called “The Grace Helbig Show.”

As of now, Helbig continues appearing on TV or web talk shows while discussing her second book that talks about fashion in a lighter perspective as an everyday guide.

Some will have their time to become rich and famous, but only a select few will do so through parodies and comedy sketches.

Actor Yousef Erakat, better known as FouseyTube, has made a name for himself with comic skits and fitness. He made vlogs throughout his transformation following the workout from P90X and became a motivational speaker to those who need the pick me up to start living a healthier life.

Erakat has recently announced he’ll be going on a live-viewing tour for his comedy.

He will be performing alongside Roman Atwood, which follows the steps of fellow star Tyler Oakley doing live shows for fans.

The popularity of online celebrities draws the attention of younger viewers just as much as any TV or movie star we find.

Their ace in the hole to stardom came from the everyday users of social media who helped pave the way for them to reach this status.
Jiu-jitsu benefits mind and body

By KIARA PAUL
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With all the midterms going on and the quarter going by unbelievably fast, students are stressed. If you are looking for a good stress reliever, look no further!

A good way to relieve stress is through exercise, and what is more fun than a group class you can take with your friends after hours of studying?

The Rec Center offers multiple group exercise classes here on campus. One of those classes is Jiu-Jitsu.

Jiu-jitsu is an ancient martial art developed by the Samurai back in ancient Japan. It was used as a replacement for losing his sword.

The main goal of Jiu-jitsu is to manipulate the opponent’s force against himself, rather than confronting the opponent with one’s own force.

Students who take the class will learn the basics of Jiu-jitsu; the Rec Center offers a slight insight into what will be taught during the class.

“The students are taught how to roll safely, how to fall safely, throwing techniques, escapes from grabs, how to block punches and submission techniques,” according to the Rec Center Website.

Jiu-jitsu also has tons of health benefits, both mental and physical.

For example, each hour and 30 minute class burns up to 400 calories!

That could burn off an entire meal. The website Examined Existence provides a list of the eight benefits of Jiu-Jitsu.

One of the top benefits is that you are able to face your fears. The fear of being attacked and robbed is a common fear, but with some training, one might learn how to protect themselves.

Jiu-Jitsu does help with physical fitness, it increases stamina and builds endurance.

Students are constantly moving. Jiu-Jitsu helps you into shape and become more athletic, this builds confidence in the students with every class taken.

Jiu-Jitsu can have a huge affect on mental health as it takes focus and patience to master all the techniques.

Jiu-Jitsu toughens you mentally, instructors teach how to build the correct mindset, and teaches a student control too.

Student Alyssa Martinez shared her experience after she took this Jiu-Jitsu class offered by the Rec Center.

“It was definitely fun,” said Martinez. “Challenging because you never actually know how to react to a physical situation until it’s happening.”

Martinez goes on to talk about what she learned, “We learned how to use our bodies as a weapon basically and it was cool knowing that if something were to happen, I have a better understanding of how to protect or defend myself.”

The Jiu-Jitsu classes on campus are offered every Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30 p.m. for the Winter quarter, with the instructor Chris.

They are subject to change by the quarter, so keep an eye out for the new schedule. A few other classes include Cycle Fit, Boot Camp, Yoga, Butts & Guts, and Mixed Martial Arts.

The entire schedule with all classes offered can be found on the Rec Center Website.

As with all Rec Center classes, Jiu-jitsu is geared for beginners so anyone can join.
Men’s basketball falls to Tritons

The visiting 13th ranked UC San Diego Tritons came to visit the Coussoulis Arena Feb. 6, giving the Coyotes men’s basketball team their third straight loss in a row.

This was a tough fought battle on both sides of the court, with neither team leading by more than nine points the entire contest.

The largest lead for the Coyotes was only seven with 17:43 remaining in the first half.

The Tritons’ largest lead was by a mere nine points with 3:02 left before halftime.

There were three other Coyotes who scored in double figures.

Anthony January finished with a game high of 16 points and 2 blocks.

Deshi Barmore had 15 points, three assists, three blocks, and made 75 percent of his shots for the night.

The opposite was in effect for San Diego.

Every Triton who attempted 3-point shots made at least 50 percent or more of them during the game.

CSUSB shot 37.5 percent from the field and 26.7 percent from the three point line versus UC San Diego shooting an even 50 percent overall and making six of their eight 3-point shots for a high 75 percent.

Coyotes overall record 10-10 and 7-8 in the California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA).

CSUSB kept the lead for almost 10 minutes in the first half.

It was not until after five minutes into the game that UC San Diego got their first five points.

Once the Tritons took the lead at the 10:14 mark, they would not give it up for the rest of the half, ending the half with a lead of seven points and a score of 38-31.

Everett Turner started off the second half with a three-point bucket. However, this would be one of few to fall in for the Coyotes.

Not one player shot over 50 percent from beyond the arc.

Turner finished the game with 10 points, two assists, and three steals.

There were three other Coyotes who scored in double figures.

Juan Martinez had 11 points, as well as two steals.

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Deshi Barmore had 15 points, three assists, three blocks, and made 75 percent of his shots for the night.

The loss to the Tritons made the Coyote women’s basketball team put up an excellent fight against the UC San Diego Tritons on Feb. 6 at the Coussoulis Arena but unfortunately fell short with a 63-58 defeat.

The loss to the Tritons made the Coyotes overall record 10-10 and 7-8 in the California Collegiate Athletics Association (CCAA).

Player of the game for the Coyotes was senior Chelsea Barnes, who led the Coyotes with 20 points.

Another leader in the game was senior Adriana Brodie who scored 18 points.

The Coyotes put up a great fight to try and stop the Tritons, but in the end the Tritons took the victory.

The Coyotes managed to score enough points to only be behind by four points. Barnes scored a beautiful 3-pointer with 14 seconds left in the quarter.

However, this was not enough to win the game for the Coyotes.

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The Coyotes have three more games left in the season.
Softball wins big in Desert Stinger Tourney

By WILLIS TORRES

The Coyote softball team returned from the Desert Stinger tournament, winning three out of five games.

It is safe to say that the team came out swinging against their competition since the Coyotes were able to score 39 runs over the course of the five games that took place during the tournament in Las Vegas.

The Coyotes began the tournament on Feb. 5 against the University of Hawaii Hilo Vulcans where they had multiple home runs.

Sophomore Kaylee Gemmell started the first inning with a two-run home run to left field.

In the third inning, sophomore Aman da Herrera hit a two-run home run as well.

The next game against the Western Washington University Vikings was no different.

The team had some strong at-bats during the seventh inning against the Mountain Lions with a final score of 8-7.

The second day of the three-day tournament, the team played against the Colorado Mesa University Mavericks where the Coyotes came out with their bats a blaze, winning by a score of 12-4.

It was apparent that the Coyotes got plenty of rest the night before since the team tallied 11 runs alone in the first inning against the Mavericks.

The next game against the Western Washington University Vikings was no different.

The Coyotes came in strong with sophomore Jessica Brown hitting a three-run home run that earned her three RBI’s in the fourth inning.

The Coyotes triumphed over the Vulcans with a final score of 8-2.

The Coyotes went toe-to-toe against their final opponent, the Central Washington University Wildcats.

The Coyotes still maintained strong at-bats but fell short by one run, giving the Wildcats the win with a final score of 4-5.

Wells dominates again but Dixie State sweeps

By KAILA MORALES

Pitcher Tyler Wells is off to a great start with the season just starting.

With 20 strikeouts, and six shut out innings, Wells was named the first California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) Baseball Pitcher of the Week for the 2016 season.

“It’s a nice award to have, but in the light of things, I’m just trying to go out there, and compete with my team,” said Wells.

“Whatever I do out there on the field it’s not for any award, it isn’t for myself, it’s for us,” continued Wells.

A very humble Wells credits his pitching success to good communication between coach Dave Martinez and catcher Andrew Lopez.

Junior Damion Edmonds is also off to a very strong start.

With a run for every hit he has made, Edmonds is the leading scorer for the Coyotes.

“It’s my teammates, usually I’m on the top of the line up, so they’re good at getting me in and moving me over, and scoring me eventually, so I think it all on them rather than just me,” said Edmonds.

On Saturday the Coyotes were swept by the Dixie State Red Storm in a double-header, losing 8-2 in the opener and 14-2 in the second game.

In Game 1, Edmonds started off with a double to right field and senior Grant Buchanan followed up with a RBI single to give the Coyotes a 1-0 lead.

Seniors Ryan Rich and Dillon Fahr each came through with an RBI in the fifth.

Although the Coyotes fell short it was a good weekend for Fahr, who produced a series batting average of .545. Going 6 for 11 overall, including the two doubles and a homer.

The Coyotes were defeated again by Dixie State on Sunday with a score of 10-2, which concluded the four-game series.

The Coyotes will play in a three-day tournament in Lancaster, going against the University of British Columbia and Cal State LA. This will take place from Feb. 17 to Feb. 19.

“We just need to keep building on what we’ve been practicing and stringing it together,” said Edmonds.