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There is a hint of optimism in the air at CSUSB as Election Day nears this Nov. 2. Students are taking a proactive stance by registering to vote here on campus.

“Voting is important to me,” said student Brittany Duda. “As soon as I turned 18, I registered to vote because I knew that what happens in our government affects me.”

Students are showing a special interest in this upcoming election, because of their dissatisfaction with California’s $20 billion deficit and consequential budget cuts that have occurred under the Governor Schwarzenegger’s administration.

“I am definitely voting, because I’m of the mindset that we have had the same party voted into office for the past eight years and it’s time that we take out all incumbents and let some new comers try to fix the problem,” said Duda.

In the running for California governor is former eBay CEO Republican Meg Whitman and Attorney General and former California governor Democrat Jerry Brown.

Whitman served as co-chair for Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) campaign during the 2008 presidential elections. However, she is most noted for her position as CEO over the billion dollar Internet company eBay.

Running opposite of her, Attorney General Jerry Brown is returning after 30 years from when he first was elected to office. Brown has severed two terms as California governor in the 70s and has also ran for U.S. Senator and U.S. President.

Also on the ballot for U.S. Senator is incumbent Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.) and former executive of Hewlett-Packard Republican Carly Fiorina, just to name a few. Students like Duda said she firmly believes that one vote can make the difference.

“It’s disappointing to hear my friends complain about politics when they don’t vote,” Duda said.

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Pub dubbed “The Blue Coyote”

By JOEY MONZON

The pub was recently rebranded the “The Blue Coyote.” It has undergone some aesthetic changes that were meant to bring in more business and school pride.

“We’re trying to increase the flow of traffic and put out a product we think the students will like,” said Dave Janosky, general manager.

However, the pub has not brought in the business it hoped for just yet.

“We are just trying to do something nice for the students,” Janosky said.

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Decision may overturn LGBT restrictions in military

By MELISA BUIGUES

After 17 years, a local U.S. district judge in Riverside, Calif., brought “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell” to a halt Tuesday Oct. 12 , prohibiting the U.S. military from discharging openly gay and lesbian personnel.

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Attorneys of the Justice Department have 60 days to appeal the court’s decision, but for now we stand with the much debated status quo repealed.

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CSU budget sees gains

By KATHERINE ORR
Staff Writer

Courses will be restored and more students will be accepted at CSUSB because of the new 2010-2011 California state budget.

For the first time in three years, there is an increase in state funding, thanks to the 2010-2011 California state budget, which provides $60.6 million for enrollment growth and restores $199 million to the CSU.

The $60.6 million will help fund an enrollment growth of 2.5 percent. Approximately 30,000 new students will be admitted to the winter and spring 2011 terms.

In addition, the CSU will receive $106 million in federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding that will be used to help fund payroll.

The CSU system reserves approximately one-third of the revenue from fee increases for financial aid. Over half of the student population receives some sort of financial aid.

Many students rely on financial aid and the services provided by the colleges.

“Students are expected to have access to computers, expensive calculators, and the Internet,” said grad student, Kaitlyn Spaulding.

Spaulding, who uses financial aid to finance her education also explained how buying such necessary tools and devices places further costs and stress on students.

“A few times last year the library was closed, which meant some students couldn’t access a computer to do their required homework,” said Spaulding.

This new bill promises to afford students more access to education and alleviates some student financial concerns.

Over the last few years, the CSU system faced extensive cuts in state funding which in turn resulted in system-wide fee increases, enrollment cuts, and employee furloughs.

“The last two years have been extremely challenging for us, but our mission is to educate the future workforce of the state, and despite these ongoing challenges the CSU will continue to provide both access and service to students,” said CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed.

The CSU system receives approximately $106 million from state support and student fee revenues previously cut due to budget reductions,” according to the CSU.

Senior Allison Mark believes that the funding is well deserved, and can do good for the system.

“(It is) difficult for students to go to school right now. It is difficult to work at a high enough paying job that will allow you to attend school as well as pay for it.”

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Federal funding to CSUSB helps promote North American Free Trade

By ELVIA RODRIGUEZ
Staff Writer

CSUSB received a $190,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education to create a minor focusing on North American Trade between international universities. The program will benefit trade between the U.S., Mexico and Canada, each nation a part of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

“This is a great opportunity to develop an international dimension to business studies,” said Ernesto Reza, professor of management.

Reza is one of the lead faculty members working on the course, and through the use of Internet networking, brought the schools together to create the minor.

CSUSB and Texas A&M University are the only U.S. schools that received the grant. The course was developed with the help of two Mexican universities and two Canadian universities.

Included in the project are Royal Roads University and the University of Prince Edward Island in Canada, and La Universidad de Colima and La Universidad de Guanajuato in Mexico. All the universities received similar grants from their own countries.

Here at CSUSB, the management department will be responsible for the curriculum.

The grant will fund the course over a four-year period. The minor will be available next year in the fall of 2011 and aims to teach students about the commercial trade occurring among the three countries.

Students learn about international trade, management and inventory control. The grant also provides students with the opportunity to study abroad in one of the two countries for a term.

Annalee Carrillo is a management and marketing student at CSUSB and spoke of the relationships between NAFTA countries.

“The U.S., Canada and Mexico have [a] different structure in their economies,” Carrillo said. “This minor would allow us to learn from the other countries and improve our own strategies.”

Reza explained that an increase in students majoring in international business law encouraged him to create a minor that teaches students about the countries involved in NAFTA.

“The students will be able to use the skills they learn in any job like working for an airline, a railroad company, pharmaceutical company, or Costco,” Reza said.

The minor is open to all majors and students who have an interest in developing leadership skills, learning about cultural ideas, and experience the trade process between the three countries.

“I would be interested in the minor because you learn about other countries’ economies,” said freshman Veronica Ruvolo. “It would be interesting to learn how to use my math degree in a business relation.”

The process to receive the grant was competitive, requiring each school to develop and bring together ideas to develop the minor.

“The biggest challenge was being able to work with 5 other schools to develop one proposal,” Reza said. “We encountered cultural difference as we worked to create one program for all 6 schools.”

“I think it’s a fresh idea you can get a lot of experience from studying in another country,” said Andrew Delgado, CSUSB senior and a marketing student.

Richard Chuhnay, a kinesiology major, said the minor is an opportunity to learn about what our economy offers in contrast to the economies of other countries.

“If I would [add the minor] because studying abroad is always a good experience,” Chuhnay said.

CSUSB will have the opportunity to grow and expand its outreach with the onset of this new program for years to come.

Student transfers made easy

By CHELIS CHASTAIN
Staff Writer

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger recently signed a new bill, SB 1440, that will guarantee transfers with associate degrees admission into their local California State University (CSU).

The new transfer bill will provide a smooth transition and establish guidelines for students entering the CSU system from a community college.

“When I transferred, I had two Associate degrees,” said senior Shannon Willis. “One in math science and one in social science.”

AD 1440 is projected to save an estimated $160 million in extra expenses that students accrue when they take unnecessary classes as they work toward transferring to a four-year university.

An associate degree requires 60 transferrable units. However, a transfer student accumulates over 20 more units than necessary on average.

Now that the bill is official, it will be referred to as the Student Transfer Achievement Reform (STAR) act.

The STAR act establishes guidelines for both sides of the transfer process which makes for a smoother transition.

It guarantees admission into a local CSU with junior standing. However, it does not guarantee admission into specific majors or campuses that may be impacted. In such cases, the student will be accepted into a similar emphasis, and the closest CSU in proximity.

The CSU system will now be able to serve on average 14,000 more students in the same amount of time. This will increase graduation rates as well as the amount of students that can get through the CSU system in a timely manner.

This bill garnered support from Schwarzenegger, as well as the California Chamber of Commerce and many of the community colleges.

“This transfer initiative will put an end to the confusion and serve as a student passport to the California State University system,” said Jack Scott, the California Community Colleges Chancellor regarding the bill.

The STAR act aims to be a win-win situation for both community college students looking to transfer as well as the CSUSB system.
California should legalize marijuana

Prop. 19, if passed, would generate vital revenue

By ALLISON UPSTILL
Staff Writer

California voters should say yes to Proposition 19: the legalization of marijuana in California for non-medical use. According to the Legislative Analyst’s office: “Under the measure, persons age 21 or older generally may (1) possess, process, share or transport up to one ounce of marijuana; (2) cultivate marijuana on private property in an area up to 25 square feet per private residence or parcel; (3) possess harvested and living marijuana plants cultivated in such an area; and (4) possess any items or equipment associated with the above activities.”

Why should voters say yes?

I think there are three reasons: it will reduce court congestion and overcrowding in our prisons and jails; it will increase revenue for the state through taxes and new jobs; it will free up law enforcement to focus on more imperative and violent crime.

Legalizing marijuana will help the already overcrowded court system. According to, NORML.org (The National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws): “In 2009, there were 17,008 felony and 61,164 misdemeanor marijuana arrests, for a total of 78,172. This was the highest arrest total since marijuana was decriminalized in 1976.

3.3 million Californians are presently using marijuana for non-medical purposes.

Under the new proposition an individual who’s “caught” with less than an ounce of marijuana would not face any criminal charges, as long as it was used at home, or in a publicly sanctioned location for marijuana use.

Another positive outcome would be increased revenue for the state. This would be accomplished through direct taxes on marijuana sales, and through the thousands of jobs that would be created after the drug is legalized. Ballotpedia.com reported that the passing of Prop. 19 will create between 60,000 and 110,000 new jobs in California, and predicts it will generate between $1.2 billion and $1.4 billion annually in new direct tax revenue.

Lastly, it’s projected to expand California’s economy by between $16 billion and $23 billion annually.

Those opposed to Prop. 19 argue that the decriminalization of marijuana is “enough” and that legalizing it is not necessary. Recently, the governor signed a bill to reduce the crime from misdemeanor to an infraction. This is obviously not enough based upon the statistics above.

Californians’ are still being penalized for something that should be legal. Instead, we are still being put through a faulty system that should be focusing on more pressing legal matters.

With this large amount of people already using marijuana illegally, it makes sense not only to capitalize on the revenue, but also to better regulate the usage.

According to the Legislative Analyst’s Office, “In November 1996, voters approved Proposition 215, which legalized the cultivation and possession of marijuana in California for medical purposes.”

The U.S. Department of Justice announced in March 2009, that the current administration would not prosecute marijuana patients and providers whose actions are consistent with state medical marijuana laws.

With medical marijuana already legal in California, the next step in the complete legalization process is for marijuana to be legal for non-medical purposes, like personal and recreational use.

Those who oppose Prop. 19 point out that under federal law it is an illegal drug, and even if the proposition passes, the federal government could still prosecute any usage.

It is unclear at this point what the future holds with federal law, but with the proposition passing we are one step closer to change and reform and the overall national legalization of marijuana.

Lastly, it is relevant to mention that the existence of the proposition on the ballot alone is predicted to increase voter turnout. Interestingly, this increase is projected to be in the notoriously voter apathetic group, the 18-35 age group (our college age group).

So students, if you are passionate about the issue you should vote on Nov. 2 to pass Prop.19.
Opinions

Jerry Brown, the better choice for Gov.

By LOUIS PENNA
Staff Writer

The final debate between gubernatorial candidates Jerry Brown and Meg Whitman made it clear whose policies and credentials match up with what is needed for California.

The clear choice for California is Jerry Brown.

Brown was quick to jab at Whitman’s plan to eliminate the capital gains tax, which he said would “compound the problems for next generation.” He explained that 82 percent of the benefits from the tax break would go to those who make over $500,000 a year, “and there’s not one guarantee they’ll spend that money in California.”

Brown finished, “Ms. Whitman, I’d like to ask you: How much money would you save if these tax breaks were in effect this year or last year?”

After a roar of excitement from the crowd, Whitman conceded that she would benefit from the tax cut.

The debate then turned to Proposition 23, an initiative to suspend California’s unprecedented renewable energy and clean-air legislation. Both Whitman and Brown said they oppose the proposition, but Whitman said she supports a one-year moratorium on Assembly Bill 32, another bill designed to reduce California’s carbon footprint.

Whitman said AB 32 would endanger trucking jobs, ignoring the fact that the project would create thousands of jobs in the green sector.

Brown tackled the big oil companies in Texas during their personal scandals and controversies.

Whitman’s recent discovery of an undocumented worker in her home.

“You said businesses and households ought to be held accountable for employing undocumented workers,” Brokaw commented. “If you couldn’t find out someone in your home was undocumented or illegal, how do you expect businesses to be able to?”

Thus, the debate stacked evidence against Whitman and further solidified my belief that Brown is the best option.

The road to repairing California to what it formerly was is clear: decrease the deficit and create more jobs, both of which Jerry Brown did in his former office.

Brown cut state spending to balance the budget, while in office and created 1.9 million jobs, more than any governor since.

He’ll be tough on cutting the deficit, a difficult reality that will be solved by taxes and living within our means. California will flourish under the new green job sector which will develop under his policies.

Brown isn’t backed by the police and firefighter unions because they know he will be hard-nosed on increasing their pensions. He will make the tough financial decisions that politicians before him were too timid to make previously.

Leaving a financially beaten, dying horse of a state to someone who has never served in public office is not ideal. The only reason Whitman is on the ticket is her bank account. According to NBC, Whitman has spent more than $140 million on her campaign, seven times more than Brown’s campaign.

Haven’t voters made this same mistake before with the Governor?

It’s time to vote in someone with a proven record of success in this state. That person is Jerry Brown.

Libraries must stay

During hard economic times, sites of knowledge for the community must be able to thrive

By COURTNEY POOLE
Staff Writer

Libraries are so integral to the academic and social life of universities and it is a tragedy that they must face budget cuts.

Although the Pfau Library is not likely to close its doors, budget cuts have made an impact upon CSUSB’s academic and social life.

“We can’t buy as many books as we would like to and can only hire a few work study students,” Marcus Whittenberg, a library employee said.

In a tough economy the library budget usually gets chopped, yet the services they offer to members of the community are invaluable.

For example, they provide free Internet access, offer low cost printing, promote literacy and offer family oriented activities.

On Monday Oct. 4, the Pfau participated in Snapshot: One Day in the Life of California’s Libraries, an event hosted by the California Library Association.

The idea was to show what happens every day in a library, and the Pfau yielded a good turnout, receiving a lot of feedback from students on how the library could better serve them.

One major concern was the library’s operating hours.

“Students want the library to be open later. Night students do not have the opportunity to use the library because we close so early,” Whittenberg said.

Despite budget cuts that have forced reduced operating hours, libraries such as the Pfau are seeing an increase in usage. As students we often think of the library as a place we are forced to go to complete assignments, but for many students the library is vital to their success.

“I come here Monday through Thursday for two to three hours,” senior Sandy Melancon said.

Academic libraries serve a different purpose than the public libraries. Public libraries offer many opportunities to members of the community they serve.

The public library promotes literacy by encouraging children and reluctant readers to open up a book.

All reading increases comprehension and literacy skills, no matter what you read.

Most libraries, whether it’s the Pfau or a public library, offer computer access to it’s patrons and give people a chance to apply for jobs, even going so far as to offer classes in computer literacy.

It has been said that libraries will not exist in the future because they are outdated, and Internet is more accessible and useful.

The truth, however, remains to be seen.

Libraries today are expanding the services offer, with many public libraries hosting teen game and movie nights in addition to story hours for children.

So for people who think the library is just a boring place to read books, think again! There is a lot of exciting stuff to see and do in the libraries of today and in the future. Check out the Pfau, next time you have studying to do.
On September 10, 2010, U.S. District Court Judge Virginia A. Phillips ruled Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell to be unconstitutional. I view this verdict as the single best thing to happen to the U.S. Armed Forces in years.

For those who aren’t aware, Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell is, or was, the policy set in place under the Clinton administration that barred servicemembers from being openly homosexual. According to the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network, 11,704 men and women had been discharged under the “don’t ask, don’t tell” policy as of 2006. These are men and women who volunteered to train and risk their lives for their country, yet they were still being ousted for their personal lives. I am strongly against Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell, because all it does is provide an opportunity for legalized discrimination.

Lt. Daniel Choi, who has been making headlines for the past few months after he refused to stay quiet after his “don’t ask, don’t tell” trial, is one of many amazing soldiers whose talents become secondary to their sexuality because of this law. Lt. Choi got his degree in Arabic, graduated from West Point Academy and served in Iraq. Still, he stood trial for admitting to his homosexuality (though it was only a trial, as his discharge was never finalized).

Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell has been holding our military back from being as advanced and inclusive as the country it represents. Now that Judge Phillips has ordered the immediate suspension of discharges under the “don’t ask, don’t tell” policy, our army might again be as respectable as it once was.

Many other first-world countries did away with their bans on homosexual soldiers serving openly years ago, with America proving itself to be too conservative and behind on the times by allowing the ban to stay in place. With Judge Phillips’ ruling, our soldiers can for the first time in 17 years serve proudly as who they are, regardless of sexuality, without fear of being penalized for it.

The suspension of Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell will hopefully raise the morale within the military, as individuals who were afraid of being discovered and outed can now serve without that fear. Unfortunately, it would seem that not all servicemembers are aware of the ruling as of yet.

According to the New York Times, on Wednesday former servicemember Omar Lopez walked into a recruiting office in Austin, Tx. Lopez, 29, had served nearly five years in the Navy, but was honorably discharged in 2006 for admitting to being homosexual. He attempted to re-enlist, but was turned away because recruiters had no knowledge of any change in military policy.

So many men and women have served this country well, even while being known by their equals to be homosexuals. Thus, the argument of open homosexuality having a negative effect is moot.

Now that Judge Phillips has ordered the suspension of Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell, hopefully word of her ruling will reach the ears of those who need to hear it.

I’m convinced that allowing homosexuals to have the opportunity to serve will only benefit the military.

It will provide a chance for people to serve with pride in who they are and what their country stands for.
Fistful of Mercy's debut album, As I Call You Down, is a masterpiece of bluesy-folk jams. The band features famed singer-songwriters Ben Harper, Dhani Harrison, and Joseph Arthur. The album is filled with catchy melodies, whimsy harmonies and charming lyrical points shot from the hearts of the young trio. It's the kind of warmth and simplicity you hear accented by the fierce, bluesy melodies and lovely, three-part harmonies that accompany notable songs such as “Father’s Son” and “I Don’t Want To Waste Your Time.”

The music is so laid-back and modest, giving the listener a down-home, strum along, country feel evocative enough to awake a dreamer from slumber and in other places, offers lullabies for the restless. It's almost hard to believe that this album was recorded in only three days.

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The band formed in February when Arthur invited Harper to accompany him in a studio which led to Harper asking Harrison for his involvement in the recording after a chance meeting at a Santa Monica skate park.

“I thought I was going there to add some guitars or harmonies on Joseph’s album,” said Harrison in an interview with Rolling Stone Magazine. “When I got to the studio, I saw Joe and asked, ‘What songs are we going to do?’ He said we hadn’t written them yet.”

“It was very Wilbury style,” said Harrison, referring to super-group Traveling Wilburys of the late 80s and early 90s, formed by George Harrison (late father of Dhani Harrison), Roy Orbison, Bob Dylan, Tom Petty, Jeff Lynne, and drummer Jim Keltner. For this reason, it was a special and emotional request for Harrison to ask Keltner to do some percussion overdubbing on the album.

Their recording style was very much collaborative without getting in the way of each other’s musical wits. They went back and forth between establishing the repertoire of musical elements needed for the album as a band and then retreating to secluded corners of the studio to hammer out lyrics individually.

“The opening lines of the track “Things Go Round” indulges the listener to a playful one-two piano staccato groove that jumps off into the kick beats and rants of, I’m gonna make it/you’re gonna make it/we’re gonna make it somehow, with a classic Beatle-esque feel in its entirety. In fact, Harrison used the famous John Lennon song “Instant Karma” as inspiration in constructing this track.

The only instrumental song of the album, “30 Bones”, proves adorable in all its quiet yet romantic vigor. This slow-to-rise morning tune illustrates a nuance of color, established by violinist Jessey Greene and the bluesy slide guitar lines of Ben Harper that altogether, accents a country-like oasis for all things folk.

Fistful of Mercy has graced us with a down-to-earth and virtuous record in As I Call You Down. Now we can only hope that this is just the first album of many to come.
Eminem “Recovers,” produces hit album

By COURTNEY KEEFE
Staff Writer

Slim Shady is back and as strong as ever, as he heads back to rapping reflecting and reflecting in a strangely familiar, yet mature style.

I think I was with millions of other fans as I eagerly anticipated Eminem’s comeback album Recovery. After his hiatus from music, Eminem returns with a new outlook, reflecting the major life changes he’s undergone. The question is, was two years too long? Would he strike out or hit a home run?

It seems like the verdict is in: his new album is amazing.

Three of his singles have reached the Billboard Top Ten and the album sold 714,000 copies in the U.S. its first week out. On top of that, he is tied with Lady Gaga for the most Billboard Music Awards this year.

Not only has he reached professional success this year, but he has reached personal success as well.

For the first time in many years, Eminem is two years sober. In his recent “60 Minutes” interview, Eminem talked about the fact that he had just finished a show completely sober, a first for the controversial artist.

Consequently, his music reflects his newfound personal success with songs like “Not Afraid,” where he raps about “Not being afraid to take stand,” showing his excitement that he is in a place to help others.

Eminem seems to have done a lot of maturing in his absence. This has caused his voice to go from being all about angst and anger to being more mature, even inspirational.

He also seems to have taken on a style that allows him to be more accessible by a larger demographic. He seems to use a more pop tone in his hit “I Love the Way You Lie,” featuring Rihanna. Another thing Eminem has explored in this album is working with new artists like Pink, Rihanna and R&B artist Kobe, to name a few.

Eminem’s sound may have changed some, but we still get the same hard hitting rhymical rhymes that made him famous along with the comical satires of others.

He discusses the fact that rhyming for him has always been something that he has excelled at, even “reading the dictionary as a young kid.” This is quite an accomplishment considering that he never even graduated the ninth grade.

In his “60-Minute” interview he again was asked about his controversial lyrics about hating gays and disrespecting women.

He points to the fact that the rap genre as a whole uses the same derogatory terms he uses, but other artists are never singled out the way he is.

He goes on to say that he feels that, “he is singled out because of his skin color.”

Another hot topic he addressed was if he feels guilty about the negative influence he has on children with his lyrics. He responds by saying, “If you’re a parent,” explaining it isn’t his job to police what children listen to. As a matter of fact, he said there is no swearing in his household and that he leaves his rap persona at the door when he is in father mode.

Eminem has shown over and over that he knows how to write an album.

As of today, “Recovery” has sold 2.7 million copies and it’s his sixth consecutive album to reach Billboard success. With the outstanding sales and his way to keep people interested with his lyrical story-telling, Eminem is definitely here to stay.

Eminen’s two year hiatus from the music scene put some concerns in the minds of his fans, but his new album Recovery demonstrates the artist’s ability to transform and adapt, traits that reflect his recent personal struggles and successes.

By BRITTANY SHAW
Staff Writer

Late music legend John Lennon played a great role in shaping the music world.

John Lennon was a man of many talents, with a vision of peace. He left the world unfairly and much too soon, but the legacy he left can never be changed.

The former Beatle would have been 70 years old this year. Instead he is forever 40, after being tragically murdered outside of his home 30 years ago.

Instead of celebrating if he were alive, we remember and pay tribute to a life that inspired so many towards peace. Lennon was a man who was selfless, while others were selfish. He asked us to give peace a chance.

People today still find their own personal ways to celebrate his life.

“I named my daughter after a song of his written out of love for his mother” said Lennon enthusiast Margarita Davis, “John Lennon motivates me to stay sharp on issues and events so that we stay informed and aware; his music is dynamic, raw and honest.”

Fans all over the world stopped to pay tribute to a man who inspired many people, through love, his life and moreover, his music earlier this month on Oct. 9, the anniversary of his birthday.

Yoko Ono, Lennon’s widow, recently made a video in memory of Lennon, which has been posted online.

Ono and Lennon were married for 11 years before Lennon was murdered.

“John’s voice was unique and beautiful and his voice is still here traveling all over the United States on the John Lennon Educational Tour Bus, so that students across the country can make music,” Ono said.

Eminem mentioned so much to so many people, immediately after his death, a spontaneous gathering occurred at the band shell in Central Park in New York, where an estimated 100,000 people gathered to honor his memory.

This has now become a ritual, as every year people gather with candles, and sing old Beatle songs together. Many fans also visit the memorial mosaic to Lennon, Strawberry Fields in the city of Naples, Italy.

Lennon lived a very accomplished life being a member of the best-selling musical group of all time. He created over 200 songs with Paul McCartney, also a former Beatle, and wrote hundreds more on his own.

Five of Lennon’s top songs were; “Imagine,” “Norwegian Wood,” “Revolution,” “In My Life” and “Instant Karma.”

He was a passionate man who stood for peace in the world and he gave us all hope. He inspired the music world and gave music meaning.

In our generation it is hard to find music that actually means something to so many people. Music like The Beatles doesn’t come along very often.

It’s hard to celebrate a death of a man who was not done living, a man who had so much more talent to share, so many more lives to change.

Music today won’t transcend over time because it’s soft, it doesn’t say anything, most of the music today doesn’t inspire people the way The Beatles’ music does and the way Lennon’s music continues to do.
Coyote Commentary

Problems with Harry Potter
End of film franchise must overcome hurdles to satisfy longtime fans
By CODY WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

One of the most popular movie franchises is poised to come to a close with first half of “Harry Potter and the Deathly Hollows” being released later this year on Nov. 19.

Rumors are that the conclusion to the Harry Potter series was to be made in 3D. However, it seems that idea has been abandoned.

While some may be disappointed that the latest Harry Potter movie is not to be released in 3D, a retro, classic 2D movie might be refreshing. It would be a cheap trick to make one movie of a series “stand out” figuratively and literally from the others.

Another aspect to consider is that the movie is being split into two parts. What can viewers expect with this tactic? The producer, David Heyman, faces the task of making the last movie of the series. By splitting the story in two parts means more profit for the producer and backers of the film, but also more risk.

A question that viewer should ask is, “How will this impact the storyline?” The way the separation is made between the two halves could frustrate the viewers. The suspense ensures a safe but demands a greater sense of satisfaction.

Other questions to be asking are: “Can each part be satisfying to the audience?” As the last story of the Harry Potter series, this movie needs the most dramatic climax. Each movie has been darker than the last.

So the question in, Can Heyman deliver?

The last book wrapped up the Potter story, but not without having too much and too little of certain characters and events, so even with splitting the two movies it will be interesting to see how Potter and friends come to put an end to the magic show.

The second part of the movie will be released July 15, 2011.

It really is kind of a funny story

“It’s Kind of a Funny Story” debuted in theaters Oct. 8, and to be honest, it’s kind of a good one.

The film focuses on a suicidal teen who learns how to let go of his stressful life and become a free spirited kid.

The movie takes place in New York where 16-year-old Craig (Keir Gilchrist) checks in at a mental clinic in Brooklyn. As Craig waits in the emergency room he meets Bobby (Zach Gilifianakis) who is another patient disguised as a doctor.

Thinking Bobby is a doctor, Craig starts telling Bobby why he is so stressed.

After being evaluated by a doctor, Craig is sent to the third floor and enrolls at the adult ward 3 North.

Realizing what he has done, Craig calls his parents Lynn (Lauren Graham) and George (Jim Gaffigan) to help him get out because he has school the next day.

Lynn tells Craig that he should stay for his own good.

Craig is taken to his room where he meets his depressed roommate Mugtada (Bernard White) who has never left his room.

From here, the film follows Craig’s five day journey at the mental clinic and his interaction with Bobby and Mugtada.

Craig meets up with Bobby who has become Craig’s mentor throughout his five-day journey at the mental clinic and teaches Craig how to live and loosen up. He often tells Craig, “He who is not busy being born is busy dying, so stop dying and start being born.”

Craig takes this to heart and tries to have a good time and relax by having fun with the other patients.

Throughout all of this, Craig meets Noelle (Emma Roberts) another teen in the adult ward. Insert the typical misguided and misunderstood teen romance.

They start a friendly relationship, during some bumps along the way but at the end they become a couple.

Noelle helps Craig get in touch with his artistic side which is begging to come out. With that, Craig surprises everybody with his incredible drawings and amazing voice.

After meeting with Dr. Eden Minerva (Viola Davis) on a regular basis she now believes Craig is ready to go back home.

To repay everybody for their help and support Craig throws them a pizza party that the patients have been wanting for the longest time, so much so that Mugtada finally comes out of his room and dances his worries away.

As Craig starts his new life out of the adult ward, he knows that he is not one-hundred percent better but with his new girlfriend, good friends, and an understanding family he will be able to live and love life.

Despite the predictable flow, the movie is good all around. It shows how teens can feel lost in life even though they have everything going in their life.

The movie is a bit toned down but still has a good humor to it, with the bumbling Bobby acting as misplaced as ever. As for the rest of the cast they fit perfectly to their roles; there is not a time where the actors seem out of place.

Even the soundtrack of the film helps set the scene, albeit containing a few songs but, one that turned heads is when Craig imagines himself as the rest of the cast as the glam-rocking members of Queen singing “Under Pressure.”

The movie seems to perfectly tie in with the script and everything Craig is feeling throughout his journey. “It’s Kind of a Funny Story” is playing in theaters everywhere.

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Living the California dream

By MAUDE TEASDALE
Staff Writer

Hollywood Boulevard, Beverly Hills, Venice Beach, Malibu, Golden Gate Bridge. All these paces were just a dream for me until recently.

From the start of my college career, I planned to study abroad. I realized the value of foreign languages, particularly English, in the professional world.

Since French is my native tongue, I knew that the best way to improve my English was to study in the U.S. After nearly a year of preparation, the California dream became a reality for me. I am now at CSUSB for the next three months.

Before I could realize the dream though, there were several administrative steps that had to be completed. Where will I stay? How long can I study abroad? Do I need a visa? These are some of the things I had to think about before making my decision.

When I heard that students from my own university with the same major as me applied to CSUSB, I was somewhat disappointed. I thought, how can I improve my English skills if I am surrounded by French speaking people?

When I arrived here, I was happy to find out that my roommates are native English speakers. I strongly believed this should help me improve my English skills.

I must admit, however, that it’s nice to share my experience with people in the same situation as myself. The real challenge for me is the English language. Everyone speaks very quickly. It requires much concentration, but I’m slowly adjusting. One of my roommates told me how much my English had improved since I arrived.

I realize language can be a barrier, but it can also be a way to meet people. I noticed that both students and professors are interested to learn more about foreign students. I’m surprised to see how understanding professors are of our situation and want our experience to be more pleasant.

I think most students will agree that everything goes by quickly at school. It’s also one of the first impressions I felt. Compared to where I live, the school year here is much shorter. The first day of class, I was surprised to hear the first exam was coming up in two weeks.

Overall, the hardest part for me is to concentrate on my studies when the weather is so nice. Another distraction is the swimming pool. Where I come from in Quebec, there is up to six feet of snow during winter. It’s not that bad to study in California. Don’t you think?

Coming to CSUSB is also a good opportunity for me to visit scenic California. For example, I have participated in several activities organized by the CSUSB Outdoors, took the opportunity to travel around the state and made new friends.

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An American Coyote in London

By MATT SHAW
Staff Writer

The plane touched down in London and my anxiety subsided.

I knew my trip would occur right after the beginning of fall quarter but I hadn’t fully anticipated the level of stress I’d be under as I left behind fully anticipated the level of stress I’d be

If I haven’t been to London before, I have a few recommendations that could be helpful to you during your journey.

Avoid taking the underground metro from Heathrow to your hotel or be helpful to you during your journey.

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The city of London, or “The Square Mile” as its known, hosts many points of interest, from Big Ben to the House of Parliament (both above) to other gems strewn across the town.

The architecture of the Westminster Palace, the Tower of London and Saint Margaret’s Church were breathtaking. London’s extremely diverse culture came as a shock to me. I have never in my life been to a place where I have heard so many spoken languages. It seemed like everyone I passed on the street spoke in a different tongue.

If you haven’t done much traveling, I encourage you to get out there and see the world. You will never regret making the journey and experiencing other parts of the world. London is a city that I could only read about before.

I hope my recommendations have been useful to you. Cheers!
Features

Students seek out the best that CSUSB offers

From gaming, to eating, shopping and more. CSUSB students make the most out of San Bernardino.

By ANDREA BRANDSTETTER
Staff Writer

Students just want to have fun, and the best way is to find your favorite hangout spot.

Whether its hiding in the corner of a library study hall or making a trip to Village Square, Coyotes know where to be.

Victoria Laureano believes CSUSB is more than just a place of learning.

“I feel at home here,” Laureano said, referring to the school’s Performing Arts Hall.

Whether they are looking to study, rest, or socialize with others, Laureano and other students spend their time outside of class in a variety of places.

For Laureano, who plays the ukulele and the guitar, the Performing Arts Hall is the perfect place to meet other instrumentalists.

Other students find their perfect place to be the Santos Manuel Student Union (SMSU) – either in the conference rooms, the food court or the Gamers Lounge.

When it comes to services, “we have everything in here,” claimed Rodriguez, referring to the sprawling couches, pool tables, and large screen TV.

Yorke fell in love with the Gamers Lounge after participating in SOAR this past summer. Now that school has started, she enjoys coming there to play air hockey.

“I like winning, I’m very competitive,” she said.

Freshman Christian Flores enjoys watching movies in the Cross Cultural Center in between his classes.

While the SMSU may be popular with students, it doesn’t outshine many of CSUSB’s other “hotspots.

Katarina Campos heads to the Robert V. Fullerton Art Museum in her spare time.

“I really like art. I enjoy looking at it,” Campos said.

There is also places outside of campus that students find pleasurable.

Senior Breshon Christmas frequently visits the Village Square and University Village. However, she’s not picky about where she spends her time.

“I’m really spontaneous. I hang out everywhere around campus. For me, there is no one specific place,” said Christmas.

“I like being able to walk around and be around random people. That’s how you make friends.”

While many students enjoy hanging around on campus, others prefer to go elsewhere.

Senior Sophia Hawkins enjoys playing card games with her roommates at their apartment. She also loves to shop, particularly at places like Wet Seal and Forever 21.

“Once I start shopping, I try everything on, and if everything fits, I’m going to want to keep it all,” said Hawkins.

Campos, despite spending a great deal of time on-campus, also prefers other environments. She enjoys shopping at the Inland Center Mall and dining at Alfredo’s.

“I’ve been eating there since I was a little kid,” Campos said.

Freshman Luis Ruvalcaba frequently visits places like Big Bear and Lake Arrowhead, where he can walk around, hang out by the lake or snowboard.

Ruvalcaba has been a snowboarder for the past three years and calls the sport “extremely fun.”

To him, nothing can compare to the adrenaline that comes from “listening to music while going down the side of a mountain.”

No matter what the activity or where the location, one thing is clear. CSUSB students value their free time.

CSUSB debate team changes pace this season

By RUBEN REYNOSO
Staff Writer

Members of the Coyote Forensics Debate team hope to mentor new recruits to do well in the upcoming season.

“Debate is a forum where people are informed about current issues in the world, and can see different sides of the issue with objectivity,” said Corey Henderson, the team captain.

“I know more about international politics than I ever have before. It helps bring more background information into a discussion and has enhanced my participation in all other classes I have taken.”

Members begin practice by discussing current events and trying to find underlying themes and issues. People then join up into teams of two and draw from a hat to see what side of an issue they will support.

Teams get 15 minutes to prepare a seven minute speech.

In a recent practice, the debate was whether or not to “allow the death penalty for people convicted of pedophilia.”

The team in favor of the topic had to define various terms and had to support their position by citing examples in recent news. The opposing team was challenged with arguing that the status quo, or the way things are now, is enough to solve the problems at hand.

Regardless of the debaters’ personal view of any topic, they have to back up all statements they make with historical cases or with logic.

The Debate team has competed and earned recognition around the world. Debating in British Parliamentary Style, the team has traveled to Turkey, Thailand, Australia, Canada, Ireland and England.

Nationally, they have competed in Vermont, Oregon, and Colorado, and have gone on to semi-finals and finals at the University of LaVerne and the Claremont Colleges, and have won first place in tournaments in Hawaii, and Colgate University in New York.

Although the team has quite a record, recent changes have forced the team to change philosophies.

“The university has wanted the organization to move toward a different direction,” said Shawnee Biggerstaff, the newly-chosen advisor to the debate team.

A former debater herself, Biggerstaff has embraced a debate format that she claims will encourage “a more inviting environment.” She hopes that the team will gain “more recognition on campus and be more respected abroad.”

Former debater John Migaiolo believes that debate “teaches you to question events around the world instead of following one common point of view. You can talk about things that are taboo in an intellectual manner.”

The Coyote Forensics Debate team extends an invitation to all students who are interested in bettering their mind. Debate practice is held at 3 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday in UH 033. As a member of the debate team myself, I believe that the forensics program has provided unique opportunities for students to travel and learn.
If you asked me where I envisioned myself once I got my bachelor’s degree, California would have probably been the last place in mind. It’s not because I didn’t want to come here, nor did I have other plans.

It was simply because I thought it was too good to be true!

Coming from Quebec, Canada, the change was going to be big. The biggest shock would be the weather. I was leaving behind the beginning of fall, coats, long sleeved shirts, and more.

Fortunately, I made the decision to come to CSUSB. When I left home, a lot of people asked me:

“Why are you leaving for your last semester?” My answer was:

“Why not?”

There are many positive sides to this experience. The best thing so far has been meeting new people. Even though I came here with two good friends, it was important to broaden my horizons and share my background with others.

It’s not always easy to fit in when you are from a different country. I try my best to talk as much as I can to students in my class. Being in California makes me realize how much I am gaining life skills. Since I’ve been here, I have become more independent and more confident. It makes me believe I can do anything if I do my best.

The most negative thing so far is being away from home and missing my family. I think when I came here, I underestimated how much moving away from home would be an adjustment.

I had never been the most independent person in the world, so this was a big step. Now, I realize that being far from home is just what I needed. I appreciate skills I’m gaining here more than the things I’m missing back home.

Another challenge is the language. Fortunately, I already have a strong knowledge of English, but sometimes, I have trouble understanding some accents or when someone speaks quickly.

I would not change a thing about how I was integrated into my classes. I think it’s good that teachers are aware of who is an exchange student in their group. This way, they acknowledged that it might be slightly more difficult to understand some parts of the lectures.

At the same time, it’s important not to treat exchange students too differently, because the goal is to learn as much as possible, at the same level as local students.

Now that about one-third of my trip has flown by, I can honestly say I’m having the best time of my life. Not only do I learn a lot from the classes I’m taking, but also about what I want to do later in life. This experience is forever shaping the way I view the world. It has surpassed my expectations. And what’s the greatest thing about it?

The best is yet to come!

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Collaborating with students to help support the community is the foundation of Enrichment Through Action. ETA was founded in the Fall of 2006 by Juan Young. Within its three years of campus and community service, ETA has received the ‘Outstanding Student Leadership Organization Award.’

ETA meetings give students resources on how to be successful in the fields of their majors. ETA encourage students to put their skills to use at charity benefits like the annual bowling tournament and Apollo nights.

Tryouts for the Apollo will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday Oct. 19 and end Friday Oct. 22. ETA’s general meetings are Thursdays at 6 p.m. in the Lower Commons. ETA collaborates with the Santos Manuel Student Union to enrich student unity through motivational seminars, and fun filled nights like.

If you’re a student who has been looking for a study group, needs guidance from a fellow student or wants to get involved with mentoring others, then attend these meetings.

In the second week of October ETA celebrated its fourth anniversary with a week of festivities. ETA’s former President Lauren Walker attended the week of festivities.

“My highlight of Enrichment Through Actions Enrich-Week would be Thursday, our first general meeting of the academic school year,” Walker said.

ETA utilizes a Big-Brother, Big-Sister concept to make your time at CSUSB more meaningful.

“I enjoy seeing the new freshman ready to go to work and make a name for themselves on their campus. What better way to do so than joining an organization such as ETA.”

Monica Stockhausen, the current President of ETA said, “I joined ETA because it was a resource... it was definitely like a support system for me.”

In addition to an on campus student support system, ETA teams up with San Bernardino County schools and students K-12 on a weekly basis.

“It’s important for student to get involved on campus, it shows a different side of college and opens up many doors,” said Young.

Building relationships on campus and in the community gives students resource like jobs, tips, trades and new skills. Student collaboration and unity is great because you learn so much about yourself.

“Relationships, fun, a new outlook, and new perspective on life, is what ETA has given me. I mean wow, and that is nothing compared to the relationships I have developed with the members throughout the three years in ETA.

Just like ETA and other organized student clubs make a difference, and students can do the same by checking out organizations such as ETA.
Men’s soccer on track to take tourney

By NICK HOLDING  Staff Writer

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Hurlers make hitters sick at the plate

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The Tampa Bay Rays and Texas Rangers series was the only to be taken to the limit of five games.

It was the first time in the history of baseball that the road team won every game, with the Rays winning twice in Texas, and the Rangers winning three times in Saint Petersburg, Florida.

Pitching again was the story as Cliff Lee dismantled the Rays winning twice on the road while posting a 1.13 ERA giving up only two earned runs in over 16 innings pitched.

The Yankees – Rangers series begins in Texas as CC Sabathia who is a possible Cy Young winner takes on CJ Wilson in game one of the ALCS.

The main storyline will once again be pitching, and if the Yankees starters will be able to control the Rangers offense, who have been dominant all year long.

For the Rangers it’s about holding serve until Cliff Lee can take the mound, he will be unable to pitch until game three in New York. If they can, the Rangers feel that they’ll be in good shape.

The two teams have met three times before in 1996, ’98, and ’99. In those three postseasons, the Rangers lost nine out of the ten games played.

The League Championship series are set, the teams are ready, and if the first round was any indication, pitching will once again be the driving force to victory.
Women’s soccer strikes back to take win

By MONIQUE TORRES
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The CSUSB women’s soccer team has ended their four game losing streak with a win against CSU Monterey Bay and a win against Cal Poly Pomona.

Now that they are back on track, the CSUSB women’s soccer team is definitely one to look out for.

“I expect us to win every game we have left of this season and make it to playoffs,” said defender Jillian Seminara.

The team played CSUMB on Oct. 10 and came out on top, shutting out the Otters with a score of 5-0. Despite the matchup happening in our season, it’s like we carry our sadness from previous games into the games we meet in a room and talk about what the other team is good at, their formation and their key players to watch. Then our coaches leave and we play our pump up music and dance,” Seminara said.

The team won with help of Jani Carmona, who ranked in with a hat trick, scoring three out of the five goals. They hope to start a more positive streak off of the win over CSUMB, and indeed they did.

Facing Cal Poly Pomona on Oct. 15 the team pulled through with a 3-1 victory.

“We really need to overcome what has happened in our season, it’s like we carry our sadness from previous games into the next games when we really need to forget about the previous games and focus on the future games,” Seminara said.

The girls plan on building on the momentum and making the rest of the season even more successful.

“For us, every game is a big game. Before games we meet in a room and talk about what we need to do to win. We discuss what the other team is good at, their formation and their key players to watch. Then our coaches leave and we play our pump up music and dance,” Seminara said.

The season hasn’t been easy so far, but they have been working hard. Already the team has played some tough games so far, but still have a tough lineup ahead.

“I think playing Chico State was the toughest game. We weren’t playing as a team and we weren’t playing our hardest,” Seminara said. “We were on the road each weekend for three weeks, and everyone was tired and we let that get to us.”

The Lady ‘Yotes have played 13 games so far, and are learning and developing as a team each game passes. With the losing streak done, the team is doing all they can to put their winning foot forward.

“I think when everyone is giving all we have we play really well together,” Seminara said.

Come out and support your Lady ‘Yotes at their next home game Oct. 22 as they look to build momentum and learn from past mistakes to find the goal.

Women’s volleyball warms up

By CHRISTIAN MARTINEZ
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The Coyotes still feel strong enough to come back and win it all. Despite a crucial loss to CSU East Bay, CSUSB women’s volleyball feels confident they can recuperate and win a championship.

Going in to the game against CSUEB, the Coyotes boasted a 13-1 overall record, and 10-0 in the conference. Knowing that CSUEB would be eager to break the CSUSB winning streak, the team braced for a challenge.

Despite practices and an upbeat attitude from both coach and team, the Lady Coyotes lost three games to two against CSUEB on Oct. 9.

“Statistically, on paper, we won the match. In the two games we won, we dominated. In the three games we lost, we lost by two points,” Head Coach Kim Cherniss said. “CSU East Bay just had everything go their way. I’m a firm believer that you make your own luck. At the right time the right things went in their favor,” she said.

Cherniss was quick to say the team felt strongly motivated although forced the upset. Since they only lose about two or three games a season, they all use the loss in a constructive sense, focusing on ways they need to improve.

Though dropping from number four in the rankings to number eight in the top 25 Coaches Poll, Cherniss focus is much more set on the NCAA Rankings that come out next week.

When asked how the loss might affect the rest of the season, Cherniss answered: “It mainly depends on what we learned from the loss. If we learn and get better form mistakes we identified it could be tremendously helpful. It could make us closer to the team who we need to be.”

November 18 begins the start of the NCAA Western Regional Tournament. Cherniss and the team knows that skill must outweigh confidence in order to be victorious.

“It’s the West Region. It is one of the strongest, if not the strongest regions in the country,” said Cherniss. “We don’t have the advantage as in some spots where they ship teams out to other regions to try and really come up with the best final four participants in the championship.”

Cherniss mentioned that the team’s expectations were that they were trying to survive the weekend going 2-0. Prior to the CSU East Bay game on Saturday, the previous night the team played at University of California, San Diego.

“The two matches were played 500 miles apart. After Friday’s victory against UCSD, we had to fly over to East Bay to play in the morning. Against UCSID, who is generally a more of a competitive rival, we won and came out feeling great. Unfortunately, we ended the weekend in a split,” Cherniss said.

Although bringing up the distance, Coach Cherniss did not use traveling as an excuse for the loss. Against both teams, offensive dominance and an outstanding attacking percentage was an obvious strength. However, on defense the team felt off balance.

The team still has the tournament ahead, but with Cherniss at the helm some wins so far, things look good.
The Pack in Pink

By JESUS ROMERO
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Pink has engulfed the nation and it has also swept through San Bernardino. For the first time in school history, CSUSB will work with the Susan G. Komen for the Cure foundation, the movement to fight breast cancer.

On Oct. 22 CSUSB Women’s Volleyball team will host CSU Dominguez Hills as they help out breast cancer awareness month. The team will come out in pink shirts as well as wrist/head bands, socks, athletic tape, shoes, shoelaces etc.

The game will be played with a pink NCAA volleyball, and pink giveaways will be thrown to the stands throughout the game and half time.

Donations and proceeds will go to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure campaign, which is not only a foundation, but a movement.

Their goal is to end breast cancer completely. Donations and proceeds go to research for finding the cure for breast cancer.

“At Along with doing our part of raising money for the foundation, we are having our athletes wear pink for the awareness,” said Dr. Kevin Hatcher, director of Athletics.

“Most people don’t know that October is Breast Cancer Awareness month. By wearing pink some will question and we hope that it sparks them to donate or at least get tested.”

According to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure: somewhere in the world every 69 seconds a woman dies of breast cancer.

Everyone has a mother, sister, girlfriend, friend or family that should get tested.

Often women don’t realize that they have breast cancer until it’s too late. By having CSUSB athletes wearing pink in the month of October it is a reminder for women to go get tested.

For the game on Oct. 22, students and fans are encouraged to wear pink and if course are able to donate to the foundation if they would like.

Aside from the volleyball team, other Coyotes both in and out of the athletics department are doing their part to fight breast cancer.

The women’s soccer team for CSUSB wears pink socks this month during games to show their commitment to the cause.

Whilst between the games, students can check out the many events on campus such as sorority, Zeta Tau Alpha’s “Think Pink” string of events Oct. 13-21.

Come out and support the Coyotes and breast cancer awareness month by wearing pink to the games and events. And for more information or to donate visit the foundation at www.komen.org.

NFL proves that real men wear pink

By LEVI BURNFIN
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Larry Fitzgerald has pledged to donate one thousand dollars for every catch he makes and five thousand dollars for every touchdown he scores in the month of October.

He and the rest of the NFL have immersed themselves into the promotion of the “Susan G. Komen for the Cure” campaign. All NFL games from Oct. 5 to Oct. 27 will be promoting breast cancer awareness month.

Each team will support breast cancer awareness with several nationwide initiatives during the month, including the “Pins That Touch Hearts” campaign.

Coaches and other game personnel will be wearing NFL shield pins that have pink ribbons outlined across the pins during the game.

Teams have used pink padding to surround goal posts and have used pink coins during the pre-game coin flaps.

All 32 NFL teams also have their own promotions planned throughout October.

Many teams plan to pass out pink ribbons at a designated home game during the month of October.

Some teams have their own special programs planned, such as the Buffalo Bills who will hold a ceremony to honor cancer survivors and the Chicago Bears sold “Real Bears Fans Wear Pink” t-shirts at home games during October with all proceeds being donated to breast cancer research and treatment programs.

A full list of individual teams’ breast cancer awareness programs and ceremonies has been created by the league.

Many players, such as Larry Fitzgerald who, mother, Carol, died from breast cancer in 2003, have been affected by breast cancer.

Whether the players had loved ones who died from cancer or loved ones who were diagnosed but ultimately survived cancer, the players have shown solidarity by supporting breast cancer awareness by participating in the “A Crucial Catch: Annual Screening Saves Lives” campaign.

The NFL Referee’s Association is also showing its support by donating $14,000 to Susan G. Komen for the Cure.

Players are wearing pink armbands, pink wristbands, pink cleats, pink towels and pink ball caps to help remind viewers how important it is for women over 40 to get screened for breast cancer every year.

The pink game gear will be auctioned off at the end of the month and the proceeds will be donated to breast cancer research.

“I’m more than comfortable with my manhood to wear pink shoes,” Dolphins Linebacker Joey Porter told NFL.com reporter Ryan Denney, a current NFL free agent, said to NFL.com that “a lot of people will tune into the game, mostly men.

But maybe those are the guys that need to be made aware if they have a wife, a mother, a loved one that they can ask ‘Hey, mom, have you been checked out lately?’ Check out NFL.com to find out more.