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“I’ve been here 10 years and have really grown to love the school. I have respect for the students, faculty and staff. I found out this campus shares a lot of the same ideals that I have about education,” said Carlson.

Carlson described how much he loves the CSUSB community and what he’ll miss about it. Carlson came to CSUSB from San Diego State University after serving as professor and chair of the department of Exercise and Nutritional Sciences. Carlson got his doctorate and master’s in physical education from University of Texas-Austin and his bachelor of arts in English from Trinity University. At first Carlson wasn’t interested in the position.

“As I went through the interview, I realized a potential $1 billion cut of the CSU budget May 10. The plan comes amid California’s budget crisis and threat of drastic funding cuts to all of the state’s higher education systems. Gov. Jerry Brown and the state Legislature have already approved a $500 million cut in CSU funding which will be addressed by a drop in admissions as well as a 10 percent tuition increase for the fall quarter, CSU officials said in a press release.
Community center to open in North SB

By OMAR GUZMAN
Staff Writer

San Bernardino residents are closer than ever to receiving a long awaited community center and library.

According to The Press Enterprise, The 4,200-square-foot Verdemont Community Center is expected to open in late June at Al Gulin Park on the corner of Little League Dr. past Palm Ave.

It will have a 600-square-foot library, after-school tutoring, mommy-and-baby activities, breakfast for seniors, movies for teens, exercise, arts and crafts classes and dances, as well as a basketball court and a baseball field.

“We have been without a community center for over 40 years,” said Councilman Bernardino and it’s been one of my top priorities since I first campaigned in 2003,” said 5th Ward Councilman Chas A. Kelley.

An outline of an amphitheater has also been cut into the grass, which is planned to show movies with hopes that the CSUSB arts programs will use it. The implementation of a library will educationally benefit the Verdemont area, especially because the nearest library from there is the John M. Pfau Library in CSUSB, which is around three miles away.

Kelley had lobbied in Washington D.C. three times since he set his goal and successfully acquired help from Congressmen Jerry Lewis and Joe Baca to get San Bernardino a $500,000 grant towards the community center project. Another $350,000 came from Verdemont’s city infrastructure and tax collection, which is generally used to build homes, for a total of $850,000 for the project.

The city’s original plans were to have a 15,000-square-foot building, but it was reduced to 4,200-square-foot plan to fit budget limits.

According to Kelley the city will mainly depend on volunteers to fund and run the center, which includes duties such as teaching, tutoring and organizing and carrying out events.

“We are very excited to have this finally happening. I believe it will be a tremendously successful project and we’re looking forward to strong volunteer support and a lasting impact on our public education. You can’t put a price on that,” said Kelley.

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Staff Writer

Associated Students Incorporated (ASI) is looking for students to help select the next outstanding faculty member to receive the 2010-2011 Golden Apple Award.

That student can represent the voice of other students in selecting the outstanding faculty nominee.

Since there’s not a student presently on the committee, it is open for students to select their favorite professor.

It’s up to students to submit notification for their favorite professor,” said Ja-nette Garcia, assistant to the provost and vice president for academic affairs.

Students may submit a one-page paper explaining why their professor should be nominated. The nominee who wins the outstanding faculty member will win the Golden Apple Award.

Next fall they will be surprised by an entourage led by President Dr. Albert K. Karnig and other faculty members.

The 2010 Golden Apple Award winner, Professor Mary Texeira, was ambushed in the middle of her lecture.

“President Karnig and his entourage came in my class with 15 to 20 faculty members. I thought something happened to my family. Karnig [came] to my class and said I won the Golden Apple Award. The class gave me a standing ovation,” said Texeira.

The winner will be honored at the 2011-2012 Golden Apple award ceremony, which is sponsored by Mayor Patrick Morris of San Bernardino.

They will receive a $2,000 dollar Faculty Professional Development grant to use for research or academic purposes. They will also go to a luncheon and be recognized during graduation ceremonies.

The nominees should be full-time instructional faculty members and serve the university for six years and are recognized for their creative production or scholarly achievements.

They should also have a record of particular distinction in teaching and also be widely noticed by students and other faculty members.

“The Golden Apple Award is to recognize outstanding educators from San Bernardino Valley College, our university, and San Bernardino County Districts,” said 2009-2010 winner director, Diane Podolske.

If students are interested in selecting their favorite faculty member, they should contact Janette Garcia at (909) 537-3320 or by her e-mail at jgve arca@csusb.edu

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Dean of College of Business and Public Administration to retire

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process I was acutely aware of the commitment faculty had about teaching the students. That institutional commitment is what attracted me to this university,” said Carlson. Under Carlson’s tenure as dean, the university founded the Biological Sciences building, constructed the Chemical Sciences building and the CSUSB observatory with no state funds.

Carlson also collaborated closely with the Presidential Scholars, a program for students in the top one percent of their high school graduating classes who will attend CSUSB.

“I am going to miss the graduation ceremony. It’s one big party. I feel successful as a CSUSB employee when those students graduate,” said Carlson.

A characteristic that one must have as dean is preparation and Carlson stresses the importance of that.

“We have to be a least six months ahead in my planning. I can’t be in the present as dean, but in the future. My staff is already just English. The last panel ended with three principals from three different school districts.

Edwin Gomez, principal of Lytle Creek Elementary School, said that parents and teachers should not accept excuses to why they’re not able to learn.

“There are all of these excuses that I know that in my district, and these schools representing today, that we resist and we refuse those ideologies,” said Gomez. “We know by the end of the day when we do as part as adults is that all students can learn.”

The No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) was originally introduced by President George W. Bush in 2001, planning to improve the school system by heightening the school’s standards and giving parents more flexibility in choosing which schools their children will attend.

The current problem with the act is that Congress is under high demand to change the NCLB. The act has failed to achieve its own basic intention, which was to raise the student achievement and closing the achievement gaps from students from distinct tive backgrounds.

Baca ended the event with closing remarks and left the audience with optimism.

“There are a lot of challenges. This is only one chapter right now and we have to look at the next chapter and how we’re going to write the next,” said Baca.
CSU aims to get funds from proposed oil taxing bill

By CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The CSU Board of Trustees seeks to amend a proposed bill that would bring financial support back to the CSUs, UCs, and California Community Colleges.

The bill, AB 1326, was proposed in the California Assembly with the goal of creating an oil and gas severance tax on California oil producers in order to fund higher education for public schools.

This bill will create the California Higher Education Endowment Corporation (CHEEC) in state government which will then annually give the money gained to all three branches of higher education within the state, according to the AB 1326 bill.

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Atheists deserve tolerance, not hate

By STEVEN AVILA

Atheists are the most hated group in America, according to a study by the University of Minnesota.

If so, this is a sad indictment of the so-called love of diversity in the United States. Minnesota’s study asked its subjects which group doesn’t agree with their vision of American society and which group they would discourage their children from marrying.

Atheists made up nearly 40 percent of the first question and 47.6 percent of the second.

It’s hard to believe that a society known for its diversity and its many different cultures has such an aversion to atheists because of their beliefs.

What this study implies is that Americans are more willing to tolerate someone believing in a different god than the one they believe in rather than someone disbelieving in a supreme being.

This is ridiculous, to say the least, and even heart-breaking.

How can people of faith preach things like respect and love when they treat people differently because of a different belief?

Let me be clear, I was raised Catholic and believe in God, yet I’m appalled by the idea of mistreating someone because he or she is an atheist.

Believing someone is a bad person because he or she is an atheist is no different and just as outrageous as automatically labeling someone due to that person being a particular color or ethnicity.

Here at CSUSB there are religious students and groups around whom I had the chance to speak with about their views of atheists.

Heather Young, president of the Latter Day Saint Student Association, made it clear that she does her best to be tolerant with everyone, has no problem with atheists and feels judging them differently is simply prejudice.

Also, said Devout Christian and CSUSB alumna Jessica Bow- en, “I don’t think anyone should be treated differently. As a Christian I am called to treat people how Jesus treated people, and he would love an atheist and treat him with respect.”

Yet there definitely seems to be discordance at work.

After contacting members of the campus’ Secular Student Association (SSA), I was treated to an unforgettable experience.

“When religious people hear about my club, they automatically assume that we are some sort of hate group,” said James Neal, SSA President.

“Several girls have broken up with me because they couldn’t accept the fact that I wasn’t a Christian,” said Aaron Carter.

Other members went on to tell stories of having lost jobs, friends and family members due to their being atheist.

In this country, it’s supposed to be wrong to persecute anyone based on their religious beliefs.

Persecuting atheists is no different.

Instead of judging atheists, attempting to make them feel shameful because of what they believe, the ones who treat them in this way should be ashamed of their own actions instead.

Atheism should not be frowned upon here, or in any other country. They shouldn’t be viewed as immoral or untrustworthy or anything in the nature.

According to Gregory S. Paul’s writing in The Journal of Religion & Society “in almost all regards the highly secular democracies consistently enjoy low rates of societal dysfunction, while pro-religious and anti-evolution America performs poorly.”

Secular locations have fewer problems than religious ones according to Paul.

What should that tell us?

Anything related to religion should be free from persecution, and atheism must not be regarded as an exception.

Religious or not, show a bit of tolerance. Don’t judge an atheist or any other belief that you don’t agree with because you fear it.

For more on this, take a look at the front cover in this edition, featuring a picture of an atheist and a Christian.

Some CSUSB fashions need to die

By ANGELINA GARIBAY

Some CSUSB fashions need to die

The red carpet in Hollywood is not the only place sporting fashion blunders for all the world to see. Right here at CSUSB you can view some spectacular oversights in fashion.

There are the “Bump-It” hairdos, shredded jeans, Uggs boots with shorts, beanies in the summertime, sagging jeans, and more to draw the ire of the fashion police.

I conducted a mini-poll among students with just one question: “Are there any fashions that you think should die on campus?”

The one that comes at the top of the list of what not to wear, among these students, is a pair of pants slung so low that you see underwear.

It’s amazing to me that someone would actually position their pants to showcase their underwear. What really is the point of that? Does it keep your temperature cooler or does it just make you cool?

You have seen these guys walking with their legs awkwardly far apart to keep their pants up or strangely enough had it fashionable to have most of their underwear showing around campus.

One complaint that I was not surprised to hear about was the Uggs. Boots. There have been articles written about how much they are hated by men.

Many men think they are unattractive and want to call them “Uggy” boots. They think they are especially unsightly when paired with shorts.

Now they might have a point about pairing them with shorts. It makes you think of hot smelly feet in the summertime and that can’t be a good fashion statement.

But, I am not ready to give up my Uggs. When the temperature dips the most important thing to me is keeping warm—not fashion.
Newt Gingrich has recently announced he will in fact run for president in 2012 and if America wants to learn from his mistakes, he should not receive a single vote. Gingrich’s history of unethical decisions is well documented.

He was the first speaker of the House to ever be disciplined because of ethical violations. Not to mention he cheated on not one, but two of his three wives and had no trouble leading the charge to impeach President Bill Clinton for his affair while he was involved in an affair of his own.

Gingrich is quoted as saying, “There’s no question at times of my life, partially driven by how passionately I felt about this country, that I worked far too hard and things happened in my life that were not appropriate,” according to an article in New York Magazine.

This is his explanation of two affairs? Patriotism?

If he had two affairs due to the passion he felt for our country while being speaker of the House, who knows how many affairs are in his future if he’s elected president.

I do, however, think Gingrich can and should run for president. But if he is elected, and history undoubtedly repeats itself, Americans can only blame themselves.

The nation should learn from California. This state has not recently had the best track record for appointing of officials who are ethically sound.

The cities of Bell and Upland according to articles published in the Los Angeles Times, have had multiple city officials who are facing charges that could land them in prison.

The recent news of the hidden child of former California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger can now be added to this list. The reality is that if voters did a little more homework on the people they are putting into office, many of these situations could have been avoided.

For the city of Upland, you did not need to do much research to smell something fishy. Instead of doing their own investigations of these city officials, voters elected, and then reelected individuals whose offices were later swarming with FBI agents.

When the writing of a politicians past is so blatantly on the wall, and there are so many easily recognizable red flags, why would America ever be willing to take a chance?

It would be great if Gingrich has really changed his ways and is now a different man. The reality is, however, that his past precedes him and America is in too vulnerable of a place to elect a man to represent our nation who has proven he will willingly lie, deceive, and, ultimately act in a way opposite of the character this country hopes to regain.

Rebuilding America starts with the voters recognizing that they hold the power to choose who leads us into the future. A vote for Gingrich is a vote in the wrong direction.

Keep Gingrich out of presidential affairs

By NIC GIBBS
Staff Writer

Gingrich seems to be one of the few front running candidates emerging from the GOP for the 2012 presidential election.
Jimenez has open ears and mind

By LINDSEY MARTINOVICH
Staff Writer

The newly elected Associated Students, Inc. President Aar- on Jimenez took time out of his busy schedule to sit down and discuss his upcoming presidency.

“I want to be a president that every- one can talk to. If they have questions, concerns or feel like something is going wrong, I want to be approachable,” said Jimenez.

Jimenez feels the key to being a suc- cessful ASI president is being able to listen to the students.

He stressed the importance of know- ing what the students want, what they don’t want, getting the answers and working from there.

In addition to being able to listen, Jimenez explained other key elements of being president is having the ability to talk to faculty and staff and being able to col- laborate with other student leaders.

One of his main goals as president is not only to collaborate with other student leaders but to also collaborate with other departments on campus as a whole.

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Coyotes stand up for single dads

By BRENT THOMPSON
Staff Writer

Last Thursday students in Astrid Shei’s, Ph.D., PR Class sold wristbands outside the Gym to try and raise money for the Andre Sobel River of Life Foundation’s (ASRL) “Stand Up for Fa- thers” campaign, which helps provide sin- gle fathers with severely sick children the neces- sary money for the Andre Sobel River of Life Foundation’s (ASRL) “Stand up for Fa- thers” campaign.

ASRL gives single fathers and moth- ers financial assistance to pay for bills such as rent, electricity, groceries, transporta- tion, baby-sitters and many other neces- sities.

Coyotes stand up for single dads

By YANETH HOIL
Staff Writer

The clothes that you wear for your next job interview could make the differ- ence between getting hired or being turned down. CSUSB students learned useful tips at the “Suit Up Fashion Show: How to Brand Your Professional Self.”

“ASL is small, and we need to get big- ger,” said Jimenez. “Not a lot of students know what ASI does and everything that it provides.”

As president, Jimenez plans on chang- ing that.

Jimenez feels that there needs to be more on campus because many students view CSUSB as unexciting in general.

“There has to be something to plug students into the campus and make them feel proud to be a Coyote,” said Jimenez.

He admitted that when choosing pro- spective colleges, CSUSB was not his first choice, but once he came on campus and got involved in his fraternity and ASI, he gained an overwhelming sense of school spirit and pride.

In addition to being elected ASI presi- dent, Jimenez has recently been elected as president of his fraternity, Sigma Chi.

ASRL’s “Stand up for Fathers” cam- paign will run for the entire month of June to coincide with Fathers day. According to the U.S. Census Bureau there are 11.8 mil- lion single parent father, nine percent are

Land the next job interview with the right sense of style

By YANETH HOIL
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Jimenez has open ears and mind

By LINDSEY MARTINOVICH
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The students in the class have spent the quarter providing useful PR work to help heighten awareness for the foundation and its cause.

“Last year we raised $6,000,” said student Emily Greminger. “This year our goal is to raise $10,000 and add 1,000 e- mails to the foundation’s database so that they can reach out to more people and keep them informed of recent events and fund- raisers.”

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The costs also include the fear of los- ing a child and watching the suffering that comes along with the battle of treating the disease or ailment.

And sadly, for some, the ultimate cost is losing a beloved child. For all families who are put in such a situation the last thing they want to have to agonize about is how they will pay rent or buy groceries.

Yet, for many families the economi- cal burden can become completely over- whelming, especially in cases involving single parents.

These families are faced with harsh financial realities and put into situations ranging from foreclosures of their homes, evictions, utilities being disconnected, or repossession of the family car.

“ASRL gives single fathers and moth- ers the opportunity to be by the side of their child instead of being forced to choose between work and staying with the child,” said ASRL’s Dr. Jennifer Shei.

But the single fathers are out there, and we feel they are an understated demo- graphic.”

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Make a suitable fashion statement for your future

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it’s something that many interviewers pay close attention to.

Student Brenda Yasmin Luis said that after the fashion show she now sees shopping differently and is able to recognize the appropriate attire for interviews. Luis also admitted that she is now going to be more aware of her nails, jewelry and the fitting of her clothes. “I will put myself in the employer’s shoes and ask would I promote myself?”

“The fashion show was definitely worth my time because I got a better sense of style and now I know the do’s and don’ts,” said student Heidi Panichiello. She also acknowledged that future fashion shows can help students to keep updated with trends.

Men should wear a suit, long sleeved shirt, tie, dark shoes and should always wear a belt in order to avoid wardrobe malfunctions.

Nordstrom Regional Recruiter Brian Viscusi said, “Dress appropriate for your age and style, what you are wearing should reflect that you have a genuine interest for the job and that you have respect for the interviewer’s time.”

Viscusi also added that Nordstrom provides wardrobe advice for those who call and make appointments.

Before you dress for the interview the fashion show panelists recommended that you know your audience by researching the culture and background of the company that you are interviewing for. This will give you a better sense of how much creativity is acceptable and the types of clothes you should wear.

What’s essentially important is that you feel comfortable with what you are wearing and the way you look, and remember that the personality you reflect is more important than the price tag.

ASRL foundation helping local families to stay together

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raising children under the age of 18.

The wristbands, which sold for $2, are embroidered with three simple words; strength, honor, love.

“We as a class picked these words because we felt these where the qualities that single fathers exhibit while they are struggling to care for a sick child and at the same time supporting their family,” said CSUSB student Eddie Hahn.

The foundation was founded by Valerie Sobel who is also too familiar with the stress and heartache of having a child diagnosed with a terminal illness.

Her teenage son, Andre, died from a malignant brain tumor in 1995. One year later her grief-stricken husband, Erwin, took his own life.

Reflecting upon the loss of her child she realized that she was fortunate to have the financial means to care for her son and her family, while also being able to be by his side for the entire time during his illness.

Through her ordeal she was saddened to see too many single parents not given the same opportunity she had.

Sobel started ASRL to help respond to the financial needs of single parents to allow them to remain by the side of their child and comfort them.

Starting in California, the foundation has expanded nationally in 24 states, and is affiliated with 12 pediatric hospitals.

In ten years it has provided $4 million in assistance to 11,300 families in need of their help. Fifty seven percent of the funds raised goes to help families stop foreclosures and evictions from their homes.

Besides helping families with their housing situations, the foundation also provides help with various things such as airplane tickets for grandparents to come and help their family, wigs for teenagers receiving chemotherapy treatment, paying for sibling activities such as ballet or sports, alternative therapy or burial costs.

Within 24 hours of being asked to help by social workers at children’s hospitals affiliated with the ASRL, families are given the financial assistance that they desperately need.

“It’s a noble cause and we’re proud to be apart of it,” expressed student Rebekah Dailey.

Besides selling wristbands on Thursdays, the Comm 442 class will also be putting on a charity auction at a date to be announced later.

And on June 2 they will be putting on a fundraiser at Logan’s Roadhouse Roundup from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. For more information on both events contact Dr. Sheila at astrid@csusb.edu.

For information on the Andre Sobel River of Life Foundation go to andresrl.org or call Anne Swire at (909) 626-0222 or (240) 994-4183.
CSUSB has a new ASI vice president. Marlena Villar will immediately begin her official duties as a vice president starting Fall 2011 quarter.

Villar is currently a junior double majoring in Psychology and English, aiming to work in fields of family or marriage counseling. She hopes to graduate with her bachelor’s in the winter of 2012, and then would like to go on to pursue her Masters at UCLA.

Villar is also a member of the Kappa Delta Sorority and is also in a Greek Honor Society called Roh Lambda which is involved in doing different community service. Intertwining with her Psychology major, she is also in the Psychology club.

Villar believes she is well suited to be the vice president of ASI for the reasons that she would rather give back instead of holding in what she has. She would agree that she has an outgoing personality, enough to help others and she is very selfless.

Her determination toward obtaining her position drives her to work hard and put forth her whole heart into being one of the best in the administration. She finds this position exciting and is ready to take on the challenges and opportunities that lay ahead of her.

Her decision to pursue a position in ASI wasn’t about the politics, it was about serving students and giving back to them. The position simply intrigues her and she feels this is her calling. Villar has set many goals for herself as the new vice president of ASI.

She hopes to have the ASI table out at least once every month and have brochures explaining what ASI is all about, even have applications ready for students if they are interested, giving them the opportunity to sign up and have the chance like she has had.

She says she wants students to be more aware of who the officers are, since they are the one serving the students, and it’s really important to have a relationship between the two.

Wanting to get to know the students rather than having them simply acknowledge her as vice president is something she also strives for.

She wants students to not just see this campus as just a commuter campus as their home; it isn’t just a school students come and go from, they live here too.

Despite shadowing the previous vice president since receiving this new position, she says she wants to improve her public speaking skills and build even more confidence. She believes it’s a bit harder since people tend to stereotype the “sorority girl” in a negative light, but she says she is optimistic that she’ll break free from that by going out and actually getting to know the students more.

Together as president and vice president, Aaron Jimenez and Villar want to go above and beyond. They are passionate about having more school spirit, even if it’s just games or painting faces.

“Some people tend to downgrade San Bernardino, so we want to build it up, and want other students to see the pride that we have in this campus,” said Villar.

CSUSB has a lot to offer.

By NIN GARCIA
Staff Writer

Feature Story

Marlena Villar, 2011-2012 ASI Vice President

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Villar will work with ASI President Jimenez to establish more school spirit. She believes that CSUSB has a lot to offer.
Oprah bids show farewell

By BRITTANY FILIPPINI
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Powerhouse entrepreneur Oprah Winfrey, who has touched and influenced many lives with her daytime talk show, will air her last episode, May 25. Winfrey’s talk show has been on the air for the past 25 years and sadly, for many faithful viewers and followers of the mogul, will come to a close in the following week.

“A lot of people are inspired by Oprah. I am one of those people. She has balls and a wealth of compassion, and I have learned so much from her,” said Madonna according to People magazine about Oprah Winfrey’s departure from daytime television.

Madonna was not the only celebrity who commented and showed their gratitude to Winfrey.

On May 17, a plethora of celebrities gathered together on “The Oprah Winfrey Show” to say farewell to the talk show host and share their gratitude and love for her. The celebrities in attendance included Beyoncé, Madonna, Halle Berry and Tom Cruise.

According to the Los Angeles Times, director of programming for Katz Media, Bill Carroll said, “It’s going to be very difficult, if not impossible, for someone to be as dominant as Oprah has been.”

Now other TV personalities such as Katie Couric and Anderson Cooper are already considering the opportunity to showcase more of their talents.

Rhythms, Rhymes and Recycling

By KRISTAL MCGEE
Staff Writer

Students from all over California are anticipating an entirely student produced festival, featuring a weekend of amazing artists and performances. UCLA will host the 25th Annual JazzReggae Festival on Memorial Weekend, May 29-30.

The festival will be located outdoors in the beautiful Intramural Field on the UCLA campus, from 12-7 p.m.

The first day of the festival, Jam Day, will feature reggae artists with Steele Pulse headlining the event. Some of the featured artists performing that day are Bilal, Karriem Riggins, Quadron and Talib Kweli.

The second day of the festival, Reggae Day, will feature reggae artists with Steele Pulse headlining the event. Some of the featured artists performing that day are J Boog, The Expanders, and Los Rakas.

The JazzReggae Fest is a huge event for UCLA. For the past 25 years UCLA’s students and staff have been hosting the festival that brings cultures, generations and communities together all in the name of great music.

Past artist that have graced the stage at the JazzReggae Festival were Barrington Levy, Cherine Anderson, Stephen Marley, Damian ‘Junior Gong’ Marley, Mavado, and Etana.

The dedicated students who host this event want people to enjoy the music but they also want people to learn the importance of protecting and saving the environment.

The students have decided to “Go Green” during the event.

“The greening of the 25th annual JazzReggae Festival at UCLA has made great strides in minimizing its environmental impacts and producing a sustainable festival. This is due largely in part to the support of The Green Initiative Fund (TGIF),” according to the festival’s website.

At the Festival there will be water re-filling stations for water bottles along with waste cluster units for recycling, trash and compost.

There will also be a sustainability tent that will give festival-goers information on the environment and sustainability.

The festival will have other special features this year. The festival will have art on display with interactive art installations.

Live art will be on a 360 degree canvas from renowned graffiti artist Man one and TEEbs.

Custom screen printed T-shirts will also be available and a host of craft booths for festival attendees.

Tickets for this event are currently on sale and will continue to sell even on the day of the event. Ticket prices for single day pre-sale are $29 and on the day of the event is $35.

Tickets for both days pre-sale are $50 and tickets on the day of the event is $60.

Tickets can be purchased on Ticketmaster.com and for further information visit JazzReggaefest.com

Horns sounding and drums pounding at CSUSB

By ADRIENE MOORE
Staff Writer

A sweet melodic sound carried across campus on a Saturday evening, much to the delight of many in attendance including myself. May 21, The CSUSB Jazz Ensemble played host to the RCC Jazz Ensemble and award winning jazz quartet, Poem, at CSUSB’s first annual Jazz Fest.

The festival featured the jazz ensemble from Riverside Community College (RCC) first, CSUSB’s Jazz Ensemble second and Poem for the finale.

Peter Erskine, the legendary drummer from Poem, had a special number for each group’s performance in which he played the drums.

The RCC Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of Charlie Richard, was the first to perform and was quite an opener to the festival. Their songs were met by an eager crowd and their delivery was flawless.

When Erskine took the stage to duet with the group, he exchanged smiles with other musicians who also had solos in the number. During his own solo he looked lost in his music, then he smiled and gave his nod of approval when he was ready for the ensemble to join back in.

After a quick warm-up RCC was ready to perform their final number and my personal favorite, “Minuano.”

This number featured high notes from the brass sections and energetic solos from the trumpets. It took all I could not to stand and cheer, I was so excited.

The CSUSB Jazz Ensemble, directed by Dr. Robert Knop, was equally exciting, performing “Greenpeace,” “Prince of Darkness,” and “Too Close for Comfort,” which Erskine played the drums for.

My favorite piece from the CSUSB Jazz Ensemble was “The First Circle.” I first heard it at their rehearsal and it was even better than ever festival night.

Erskine took the stage for the second time and while he soloed, I found it almost impossible to look away to jot down my notes; it was that mesmerizing.

The crowd was well behaved and appreciative throughout the whole festival. Every soloist was greeted with an energetic round of applause.

The CSUSB Jazz Ensemble came to be in 2004 when Dr. Robert Knop was invited to be the director. Over the years, the jazz festival has been performing at different competitions and that practice definitely paid off.

The main event of the night, Poem, did not disappoint an eager crowd when they performed and was well worth the wait.

Hopefully the Jazz Fest will fulfill Dr. Knop’s wish and make San Bernardino a destination for Jazz.
Glee star takes a break for new album

By RENEE ETCHEBERRIA  Staff Writer

Matthew Morrison took a well-deserved summer leave from the Glee Club to release his self-titled debut album on May 10. Morrison’s solo album is jam-packed with star-studded duets. He collaborates with just the right people to make this album a hit, including both original songs and covers.

The world renowned Sir Elton John harmonizes with Morrison on “Mona Lisa/Twistin’ Poppin’ Rocket Man” to create a contemporary pop album which strayed from his original intent of creating a “Justin Timberlake meets Michael Buble” kind of sound.

Morrison has gained notoriety from his work on the Broadway show “Hair,” and most recently his role as Mr. Schuster on Fox’s hit show “Glee.” “Glee” has become one of the top entertainment shows on television, creating a built-in fan base for Morrison.

According to an article in People magazine, Morrison expressed that he wanted to stay away from creating just another “Glee” album. However, a majority of the tracks have strong harmonies and familiar background singing that give it the very vibe he was trying to avoid.

Although some songs show originality, Morrison does showcase his Broadway roots, sounding reminiscent of many other “Glee” ballads.

Along with the debut of his album, Morrison also announced a 22-date U.S. tour, which followed his recent announcement that he postponed to be the opening act for the upcoming New Kids on the Block/Backstreet Boys tour.

“This was an opportunity I couldn’t pass up,” said Morrison to Billboard.com.

For more information visit his website, matthew-morrison.net, or follow him on twitter at @matthew_morrison.

IE’s local acts to saturate downtown Riverside

By MATTHEW BRAMLETT  Asst. A&E Editor

The Inland Empire’s most interesting and entertaining acts are set to convene on Memorial Day weekend in Riverside for Saturation Fest.

The music and arts festival, which runs from May 26-30, will feature dozens of local musicians and artists for an overload of alternative culture. The festival heavily promotes a do-it-yourself ethic, meaning that it is completely participant created.

According to the festival’s press release, Saturation Fest “pushes for the de-commodification of culture, concentrating instead on the value of the experience.”

The festival is in its tenth year, and it has steadily grown from only a couple hundred people to tens of thousands. Started by Alaska Whelan in 2001, Saturation Fest has become one of the premier local festivals in the Inland Empire.

“I launched Saturation Fest as a weekend event of every local band and artist I knew, and people were really excited about it,” said Whelan.

Over the years, the fest has grown from just a few bands and artists, to a plethora of different events like film, workshops, exhibits and organized bike rides.

The festival will be spread throughout the labyrinthine streets of downtown Riverside, with local coffee shop Back to the Grind, art and music spot Division 9 Gallery, and non-profit multimedia space Blood-Orange Infoshop serving as the three main venues.

Local musical acts will still be among the main staples of the fest with Naive Thieves, Summer Twins, French Exit and Turkish Techno among the relatively notable acts that will be playing.

Also happening during the fest will be the Riverside DIY Print Fest at the Metropolitan Museum. The fest is open to anyone interested in the awesome and exciting world of screen printing, zine making and self-publishing among other things.

The entire fest is open to all ages and mostly cost-free, which reflects the true DIY philosophy of the event.

For more information, visit their website at saturationfest.org
The upcoming summer season is set to become one of the best in years for movie fans.

There are as many as 20 highly anticipated movies coming out this summer, with a diverse range of genres including action, comedy and drama.

“Transformers: Dark of the Moon” is the third installment of the Transformers series. In this film the Autobots learn of a Cybertronic spacecraft that is hidden in the moon. The Autobots must learn its secrets before the Decepticons do. The fate of the world is once again in the semi-capable hands of Shia LaBeouf’s character Sam Witwicky, the US Military and the Autobots.

The expected release date for this exciting sequel is July 1 in 2D, 3D and IMAX.

“X-Men: First Class” is the fifth X-Men movie. If you are familiar with the first three X-Men films, you know that they did a good job of following suit with the comic books.

The fourth and fifth X-Men movies, “X-Men Origins,” tells the back story of Wolverine’s character. This fifth installment follows the same pattern by giving us the back story of Professor X and Magneto, among other characters. The movie tells the story of how Charles Xavier starts the school and the X-Men team and also how Erik Lehnsherr, better known as Magneto, becomes the Professor’s arch-enemy. “X-Men: First Class” is set to be released June 3.

Also in the superhero category is “The Green Lantern,” a movie derived from the popular DC comic book. It is about the Green Lantern Corps who are protectors of peace and justice in the Universe.

When a new enemy, Parallax, threatens to destroy this balance of power, the Green Lantern Corps is forced to resort to drastic measures and place the fate of the world in the hands of their first human recruit. His name is Hal Jordan, played by Ryan Reynolds. You can see “The Green Lantern” in theaters on June 17.

If you are looking for a lighter movie, you should check out “The Hangover Part II.” If you thought “The Hangover” was funny you are going to think this sequel is absolutely hilarious. This movie takes place in Thailand for Stu’s wedding. Stu (Ed Helms) only wanted to have a pre-wedding brunch, but just like their adventures in Vegas, this trip also leaves this group of friends with a cloudy memory of the events of the night before.

This side-splitting movie’s expected release date is May 26.

Looking for a family movie to take your children, nieces or nephews to see? There are two great sequels to choose from: “Cars 2” and “Kung Fu Panda 2.” In “Cars 2,” Lightning McQueen and his best pal Mater travel to Europe for McQueen’s big race in the World Grand Pix. This race determines the best car in the world. You can look forward to seeing the same great and funny characters from the first movie with lots of new ones added to the mix. “Cars 2” is scheduled to be released June 24.

In the first “Kung Fu Panda,” Po was training to become the Dragon Warrior who would protect the Valley of Peace. In “Kung Fu Panda 2.” Po does just that. He protects the Valley of Peace with his friends, the Furious Five. But all their hard work is put to the test when a new villain comes into the scene with plans to conquer China and destroy Kung Fu. Po must discover the secrets of his origins to be able to obtain the strength he needs to defeat this new villain. “Kung Fu Panda 2” is expected to be released May 26.

Whether your taste is family, exciting action, or bone-crushing special effects, this summer has everything you want.

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Continue your studies at CSUSB this summer.
Log on to http://cel.csusb.edu/summer

For more information, call 909.537.3978 or e-mail summer@csusb.edu
By ANNETTE VERDEJO
Staff Writer

Despite the lack of snow in the mountains, season pass holders and locals are still enjoying all of what Bear Mountain has to offer.

The snow has melted and all the snowboarders have put away their gear for the summer and have turned to other sports to help pass the time until the resorts open up again. But there is still use for your 2010-2011 Dual Mountain Season Pass.

Snow Summit and Bear Mountain will be offering golf, hiking, mountain biking and scenic sky chair rides. Both resorts are open for spring and summer events.

For those of you that love to hike, this is the place to do it at. You might be worried about having to hike all the way up the mountain, but you don’t have to. You simply pay your fee and are able to ride the chair lift, which has breath-taking views of the lovely San Bernardino mountain range. When you reach the top, you exit the lift and enjoy your hike down the mountain.

“I always get a season pass to Bear Mountain in the winter because it’s totally worth the price if you go snowboarding a lot,” said Trevor Jackson, a resident of Big Bear. “Then you can still use it all summer to go golfing or hiking.”

Bear Mountain has a nine-hole golf course and driving range. They also offer lessons and equipment rentals.

The golf course at Bear Mountain features a deal called the Penny-a-Stroke beer deal for those of you Coyotes that are 21 and over. The offer also applies to soda. “It’s a par 35 for 9-holes so if your score is 109 you pay $1.09 for your drink,” as stated by snowsummit.com

If mountain hiking is more your thing, you can strap your bike to your car and head up the hill for some great trail rides.

Only cross-country style bikes are permitted on the Scenic Sky Chair. No downhill-specific bikes will be transported.

Fees for the sky chair and for a scenic roundtrip ride with no bicycle is $12 for adults 13 and up, and $6 for children 7 to 12 years old. As always children six years and younger are free with a paying adult.

For a one way ride without a bike it is $8 for an adult and $5 for a child. For a one way with a bike, the price is the same as roundtrip without a bicycle. An all day pass with a bike is $25 for adults and $15 for children.

SoCal teams sweatin’ into dog days of summer

By MACKENZIE VON KLEIST
Staff Writer

As the heat starts to crank up, so are Western Divisions for MLB local teams: the Los Angeles Dodgers, Los Angeles Angels and San Diego Padres.

Angels are currently tied for first in the American League West Division and doing it with a young core of rookies. Starting pitcher, and Redbirds native, Tyler Chatwood and reliever Jordan Walden are earning their halos.

“I think the season is going well so far,” said student Mike Perez, an Angels fan. “They have a few players that are pretty young but have done a lot for their success including their 23-year-old center fielder Peter Bourjos. The season looks promising.”

The only problem they seem to be facing is a lack of power and consistency on offense.

One of the Angels main power hitters Kendrys Morales has been out since May of last year from an embarrassing break of his leg due to celebrating a home run and landing wrong at home plate.

Although the Angels are doing well in their division, the Dodgers are not looking too hot currently in third place in the National League West Division playing less than .500 ball so far this season.

The McCourts, the family that owns the Dodgers, not being able to make payroll in May, the league itself has decided to maintain leadership of the team. “I think they are not performing to their expectations at all this season,” said student Nick Stark, a Dodgers fan. “They have a really good, young team with a lot of talent but I think their playing is distracted with what’s going on with the ownership situation and the baseball commissioner taking over their daily operations.”

The San Diego Padres aren’t helping their local MLB fan base by placing last in the NL West with a record less than .500.

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Casey Kelly, for three prospects, right handed pitcher Casey Kelly, first baseman Anthony Rizzo, and outfielder Reynold Fuentes. They are all still just prospects and only time will tell if the Padres will see any real value for what’s going on with the ownership situation and the baseball commissioner taking over their daily operations.

The New York Mets and the San Diego Padres are the only teams without a no-hitter. The Washington Nationals do not have a no-hitter, but their previous franchise does, with the Montreal Expos, therefore they are in the clear.

Having a good manager like Bud Black hasn’t helped them this season due to trading away some of their best players and losing other solid talent to free agency.

Adrian Gonzalez was traded to Boston for three prospects, right handed pitcher Casey Kelly, first baseman Anthony Rizzo, and outfielder Reynold Fuentes. They are all still just prospects and only time will tell if the Padres will see any real value for not keeping Gonzalez.

With more than half the season left and the dog days of summer still ahead, hopefully these three local teams can push through and give Southern California something to root for.
Differences on hurling the ball

By BRITTANY SHAW
Staff Writer

Softball has more of a natural underhand throw; the pitchers go over their head and back around kind of like they are bowling. Baseball pitchers go over the top of their head with their pitching arm and down with the snap of their wrist, which is very bad on your shoulder and elbow.

Although softball is bad on the shoulder as well, it’s a more natural pitching style than baseball.

Softball and baseball have so much in common that it seems so natural to think that they are the same, but looking deeper into the heart of it will show you just how different it truly is.

But the biggest thing that makes these two similar sports so different is the way the ball is delivered.

Differences lie in many areas such as field size, bat differences, differences in innings, and many more. The area that is most different though is the pitching.

When looking at the differences between pitching we find the most obvious first, the size of the ball. A softball is much bigger and softer than a baseball.

Pitching areas are different as well. Baseball has a pitching mound that is raised above the playing field that the pitcher throws from while softball pitchers pitch at a level ground.

The distance is also different from the pitching area to home plate. Softball pitchers deliver the ball in an underhand motion; while baseball pitchers throw overhand or even a side armed motion if they choose.

The overhand motion is extremely hard on the baseball players elbow and shoulder while the softball pitcher does not have this same problem because of the more natural underhand motion.

“A world class female pitcher who throws a 68 mph pitch released at 38 ft. would allow the hitter .381 of a second to react, which equates to a 95 MPH pitch in baseball,” said Dave Paetkau, a hitting coach with the Canadian Women’s National Softball team.

In baseball, pitchers don’t pitch two nights in a row because the act of starting a game and pitching the standard 5-8 innings, is extremely straining on their arm.

Most starting pitchers in baseball don’t pitch two nights in a row in a because it’s very dangerous to the arm as well as the fatigue is very tiresome, and that would make them ineffective in the second game.

Tommy John was a former left handed pitcher in Major League Baseball. He was the first one to have ulnar collateral ligament reconstruction surgery, an operation that was later named after him.

After this surgery John came back stronger than ever. With recent medical advancements, when a player has this surgery it does not mean that their career is over, in fact sometimes it means that they will come back stronger.

Tommy John is replacing a ligament in the medial elbow with a tendon from somewhere else in your body.

While softball pitchers are not as injury-prone as baseball pitchers, they can still suffer overuse injuries if the proper precautions are not taken.

Softball pitchers are rarely switched out in the middle of the game. Usually they are expected to pitch every inning, which can be very harmful to their arm.

NFL team owners in court continue to lose fan support

By JOVANI GAMA
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Standing at the doorstep of the upcoming NFL Season, fans and players still find themselves locked out.

The 8th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled May 15 that the emergency stay given last month that kept the lockout in place will remain, at least until a final ruling is issued.

This decision blocked an order given last month by U.S. District Judge Susan Nelson to lift the lockout.

The final ruling won’t come until at least late June after both sides in the Brady v. NFL antitrust lawsuit present their case to the 8th Circuit in St. Louis.

After such an exciting and riveting 2010 season, there was a buzz about the upcoming season.

The draft only added to the appeal as many star players such as Cam Newton and Von Miller will look turn their team’s recent misfortunes around.

Students here at CSUSB are starting to get excited too.

“I’m a Cowboys fan and I am very excited to see how Tyrion Smith plays for us. Overall, there are a lot of teams that made some progress, and I think that teams that have been bad will be forced to be reckoned with next season,” said student Neftali Fernandez.

While it may be hard to accept the fact that there may be a lockout next year, the fact is that negotiations have stalled and that the clock is still ticking away.

New England Patriots president Jonathan Kraft recently shared his thoughts on the situation.

“We were negotiating in the first part of March under the guidance of the federal mediator and from the NFL’s perspective we thought we had put fair things on the table and we’re having rational dialogue,” said Kraft according to the New England Sports Network.

Kraft believes that after standing up and walking away from the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) negotiations in March, the players are to blame for the current situation.

“I feel that they should have stuck around during negotiations and should have gotten the situation resolved. I really want there to be football next year, and I hope they can make it happen,” said student Michael Slater.

In the Feb. 14 edition of the Coyote Chronicle, J. Levi Burdlin reported that the amount of money players are receiving, the new 18 game schedule and the rookie wage scale are the biggest issues that must be resolved in order to complete the new CBA.

The life line for next year’s NFL season is slowly thinning out.

If an agreement isn’t made soon, fans and players can kiss the season goodbye.
For more photos on the weekend’s tournament and the run that the girls had check out coyote-jocktalk.blogspot.com and coyotecronicle.net.

By JESUS ROMERO
Sports Editor

The search for a first National Championship for CSUSB continues.

The roller coaster of a dream came to an end this season for the CSUSB women’s softball team.

The Lady Coyotes traveled to La Jolla to face CCAA division rival, UC San Diego (UCSD) Tritons. Falling to the Tritons Friday and Saturday keeps the Coyotes from advancing to the NCAA Finals.

Errors cost CSUSB Friday’s game as they fell to UCSD 3 to 1. All three runs came in the third inning from a couple of errors and a base hit. The Coyotes couldn’t bounce back from the inning and were only able to scratch one run off of Stefanie Pace’s second home run of the season in the sixth inning.

Saturday’s game on the other hand was heart breaking and unexpected as UCSD rallied back in the seventh and final inning to crush the Coyotes’ dream and beat them for the second consecutive day, 3 to 1. Everything looked to be going the ‘Yotes’ way until the end.

Cassidy Lee pitched all the games for the CSUSB women’s softball team and was stellar all year long, ending with a 17-10 record.

CSUSB was the home team and couldn’t bring two runs across the board in the bottom half of the inning.

“I never once believed we were going to lose that game,” said Coach Tacy Duncan.

Coach Duncan explained that they would rather have had good solid base hits that UCSD earned then the little dinkers that squeaked by the infield.

“Those hits suck. Even if they both dive they don’t get to those hits. It’s a tough way to lose,” said Duncan.

The Coyotes cannot hold their heads down, as they battled in Hawaii beating the NCAA defending champs (Hawaii Pacific) and Sonoma State twice. This is the first time the girls have made it to the Division II West Super Regional.

“What’s awesome about getting here is that now my whole team knows what it takes for this, said Duncan. “We have 10 of them coming back, there’s no reason we can’t do this again.”

CSUSB has only three seniors, and the remainder of the pack will be back next year in hopes of getting over the next hump. Cassidy Lee, Priscilla Curiel and Jacquelyn Holtzclaw will be graduating but have set a good foundation for the future of CSUSB women’s softball.

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Tess Granath pinch hit for Charly Swanberg and got a seeing-eye single through the right side of the infield which scored two runs, and advanced to second on the throw home, which set up for the Triton’s third run.

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Coach Duncan explained that she was talking to Lee letting her know that she was going to pitch the next game, and counting down the innings.

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