Measles outbreak puts children at risk

By KYLA COOK
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The measles are making a comeback in the United States due to unvaccinated travelers.

Although measles have been very rare in the United States, it is still prominent in other parts of the world, most notably France. France has reported 10,000 cases within the first four months of the year, reported the Los Angeles Times.

This year, 118 cases have been reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), with 105 having occurred in unvaccinated people and 89 percent caused from the “importation of the disease,” stated the Los Angeles Times.

Measles are suddenly on the rise in the United States due to people without the measles vaccination who travel to Europe and parts of Asia where the measles virus is more prominent.

This poses a problem for infants less than one year of age because they are too young to receive the vaccination, said Dr. Patti Smith, director of the CSUSB Student Health and Counseling Center.

“We are always trying to have people vaccinate their children,” said Smith. “It is really important for everyone to get the vaccinations when they are recommended.”

According to the CDC, two doses of the vaccine, MMR, is recommended; once for children at age 12-15 months and again at age 4-6 years.

Smith said that the symptoms of measles are similar to that of a cold; high fever, cough, runny nose and red, watery eyes. Then

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High gas prices
Where does the money go?

By ERIC SANCHEZ
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How much do you pay for gas?
The price of gas has been up and down this year but at time of print it was hovering around $4 per gallon.

Whatever the price of gas may currently be, it has a huge impact on people’s lives.

“As a college student I don’t have that much money to begin with, and with tuition and everything it makes it hard to get by. Gas makes it even harder,” said Thomas Monteeon.

With people’s standard of living at stake every reason for an increase or drop in gas prices is matter for inspection.

Both oil companies and policy makers have been looking at each other when it comes to the price on the marques at the gas station.

Oil companies note how little per gallon they make,

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Students save through government 529 plan

By FERNANDO TORRES
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There has been an increase in the amount of money put into college saving plans over the past few years because of the rising cost of tuition and the struggling economy.

College savings plan, 529 is a government sponsored savings plan where anybody can put money into these college savings accounts. The purpose of this program is to plan ahead for future college expenses of the account’s beneficiary.

The tuition for higher education institutions has increased dramatically in the last few years in California; more people have been putting money into California 529 accounts.

According to the Los Angeles Times, the increase of money put into the 529 plan was 75 percent in the past two years.

The fear of college tuition increasing in the coming years has caused many parents to put more money into 529 plans. According to experts, a major concern for parents is that college tuition in the future will be too much and their children will not be able to afford school when they become college aged.

“Students and families are more concerned than ever about whether

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Chairwoman counters corruption

By OMAR GUZMAN
Staff Writer

Along with many other cities in America, San Bernardino has long since fallen victim to corruption.

San Bernardino County Chairwoman, Josie Gonzales, has proposed new reform policies to lessen the continuing threat of government corruption, starting with her own district.

“Corruption has always been present in any organization and it is our job to recognize that we must be vigilant and fight against it,” said Gonzales.

According to a County of San Bernardino news release, Gonzales is restructuring her office and realigning her budget in anticipation of the elimination of board discretionary funds. The immediate result is a one-third reduction of her staff effective the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

“We are reducing our employee numbers through attrition, which means that if someone retires or finds another job, we will not fill their positions again,” said Gonzales.

According to the news release aforementioned, Gonzales’s fifth district will lose three staff members, but does

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CSUSB’s Director of Choral Activities will resign his position as an Associate Professor at CSUSB by the end of the spring quarter.

Andrew Crane said, “The students here are wonderful. I have learned so much working with them. I love seeing students ‘catch on’ to choral music, and try their best to succeed every day.”

Crane has been working at CSUSB since 2005. He conducts the CSUSB’s Chamber Singers, concert choir, Applied Voice and other courses in the music education program.

During his time here at CSUSB, The Chamber Singers have successfully completed two international concert tours. They recently traveled to Spain in 2010, where they performed Manuel Garcia’s (1775-1832) Mass in D Major and Salve Regina.

Crane was awarded the CSUSB College of Arts and Letters Outstanding Teaching Faculty award for 2007-2008. Faculty, staff and students in the music department have been looking for potential candidates to replace Crane.

“We’ve had three of them come in and all of them have something great to offer,” said music major and Chamber Singer, Jessica Gubaton.

“But the best way to look about it is there’s always something good to take from every educator and we’re always learning,” she continued.

CSUSB Health Center urges students to get vaccinated

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a blotchy rash begins at the hairline and moves its way down the body.

Kleppi sports a tiny white color with a blue center, also form in the mouth. These symptoms develop 7-14 days after exposure, said Smith.

Even though symptoms may seem minuscule because they are so similar to a cold, serious complications may develop.

“A: ‘About one out of 10 children with measles also gets an ear infection, and up to one out of 20 gets pneumonia. About one out of 1,000 gets encephalitis (an inflammation of the brain that can lead to convulsions, and can leave the child deaf or mentally retarded), and one or two out of 1,000 die,’ states the CDC website.

It is very contagious,” said Smith “Nine out of ten people of unimmunized people will get it.”

Smith said that measles spreads by droplet infection, which comes through coughs and sneezes, and the virus can survive on a surface for up to two hours. Measles is usually treated symptomatically, meaning if you have a sore throat, the sore throat is treated; if you have a cough, the cough is treated. Isolation is also necessary, said Smith.

Smith recommends that when treating measles, children and young adults should take Tdap rather than aspirin because aspirin may cause Reye’s Syndrome, which is lethal.

Smith said that a more serious disease this year is pertussis, or the whooping cough.

Pertussis is more common in the United States than measles.

Smith said that the Health Center has seen a lot of cases at school this year, and what is worse is that it can be taken home to children.

“People cough so hard they vomit,” said Smith. “Being sick could last only 10 days but the cough could last weeks or months, it’s really exhausting.”

Pertussis spreads similarly to measles and is fatal for babies.

“All adults around children should get vaccinated,” said Smith. The vaccination is called Tdap.

Both Tdap and MMR vaccines are offered at the CSUSB Student Health and Counseling Center.

Fuel prices to hinder plans

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while lawmakers bring attention to the financial success of those same companies.

Chevron announced last month earnings of $6.2 billion for the first quarter of this year, $1.6 billion more than the same quarter last year.

Government officials have been trying to close the $1.3 trillion federal budget deficit and have suggested ending the tax breaks to oil companies.

President Barack Obama said a letter to Congress last month calling for the repeal of “subsidies” in the tax code that have saved oil companies around $4 billion a year, the Wall Street Journal reported.

“It’s certainly something we should look at,” John Hoeven, Speaker of the House of Representatives told ABC News.

“We’re in a time when the federal government’s short on revenues. They ought to be paying their fair share,” he said.

Oil companies believe that the public does not always understand where the money goes from the gas they buy.

“This misconception helps fuel the demonization of ‘Big Oil’ and the misguided notion that energy prices can be solved by raising taxes on the oil industry,” Ken Cohen, vice president of public and government affairs for ExxonMobil wrote in a company blog.

Cohen’s blog also displayed a graphic showing how ExxonMobil’s seven cents per gallon profit compares to the 4.6 cents per gallon average in taxes imposed by both federal and state governments.

Cohen went on to explain that he believes the American public deserves to hear “straight talk” from the country’s political leaders if there is to be a sensible discussion of energy policy.

No matter where gas prices go over the summer, consumers’ behavior will be affected by how much they pay at the pump.

In a report by the San Francisco Chronicle, it was shown how consumers have reacted to high gas prices by altering other aspects of their lives.

According to the report, U.S. online shopping increased at its highest rate in nearly four years this past April because consumers have cut down the miles they drive.

With 31.4 million people expected to drive to their Fourth of July holiday destination this summer, plans may be halted, according to AAA.

Many people may still enjoy “stay-cations” close to home, questions about the price of gas will continue to be asked.
Accelerated executive MBA program offered at CSUSB

By CHRIS JOHNSON
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CSUSB’s College of Business and Public Administration, in conjunction with the College of Extended Learning, is now offering an 18-month program for an Executive MBA.

The Executive MBA program is for those who have already tasted success and want to reach the next level, whether that’s already being a manager to owning their own business.

“This program is equivalent to M. Michael Jordan at his best saying, how can I get to the next level?” said MBA Director Conrad Shayo Ph.D.

Teachers will be working as a group presenting case studies and practices to the students.

They will be teaching students methods to own their own companies, better the position a company is in, and how to bring the right people to the team that can elevate their business.

The program is set to begin June 25, at the Ontario Convention Center, and students will be graduating by December 2012.

Classes will meet every Wednesday from 6 p.m.-10 p.m., and every other Saturday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Twelve 600 level courses will be taught at the cost of around $3,250 per course, and the pace for the program is one course every five weeks.

“We want to produce executive ambassadors who will be representing us in the communities we serve,” said Shayo.

Instructions to apply online and by mail can be found on the College of Business and Public Administration website.

Gonzalez attacks county corruption in her own office

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not say what will happen to the remaining staff.

“There will be a heavier work load on the remaining staff,” said Gonzalez.

“I am sure that they will do the best that they can to address the concerns of my constituents, and I ask the public to be patient,” she continued.

Gonzales’s new reform policies are generally aimed at eliminating Board discretionary funds.

This means putting a stop to the misuse of taxpayer money for personal gain.

Her reform policies also promote work performance evaluations that will be the basis for any individual’s compensation and benefits.

“These are only initial proposals in addressing a very big problem, the goal as we move forward in addressing my reform policies, is that my colleagues and the public will embrace these reforms and make it their own goal and movement,” Gonzales.

Gonzales’s first reform policy includes amending the current Board Discretionary Fund policy.

This will prohibit using one-time tax payer money for ongoing personnel costs.

Her next policy is to eliminate these same Board Discretionary Funds from the 2011-2012 Board of Supervisors’ budget.

Her third policy includes prohibiting city staff from receiving financial compensation or benefits for working on a county campaign or for a political action committee associated with a county elected official.

“It is unethical for city staff to plan a political campaign during their office hours, because taxpayers are paying for their time,” said Gonzalez.

Her last reform policy consists of standardizing employment contracts for Board staff, in order to have a basis for a staff member’s compensation and benefits.

The standardizations will be based on the position and the merits of the employee.

This will also require work performance evaluations for all Board employees.

“In order for us, the county, to fulfill our obligation we must look at our mandates that come from the state of California, which tells us that we provide public services,” said Gonzales.

Gonzales’ reform policies aim to bring an end to government corruption in San Bernardino.

She aims to bring change to the County Board Staff.

California government 529 programs used for savings and stock investments

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they’ll be able to afford college,” said Lauren Asher, president of the Institute for College Access & Success which is a non-profit organization that helps students with affordable higher education.

According to the Los Angeles Times the average cost of a year’s tuition, room and board is more than $16,000 at public universities and $37,000 at private colleges right now.

Furthermore the Los Angeles Times reported that last year Americans put over $9 billion into government run college savings accounts. That’s up from $5 billion in 2008, but still fewer than the $13.6 billion from 2006.

The California government sponsored 529 program is run by Fidelity Investments.

People in California have the option of which program to put their funds in, either The ScholarShare College Savings Plan or ScholarShare Advisor College Savings Plan.

Right now there are more than 9 million 529 plan accounts in the United States totaling over $146 billion.

A beneficiary is named to the account, one of the advantages to having a 529 plan is the donor has control of how the money in the account is used.

The donor can also take out an unlimited amount of money from the account at any time, with no questions asked.

The money put into 529 programs can be invested into stock, money-market and bond funds.

The money made from those investments is federal tax free as long as the money used is for school expenses.

Increases in the amount of money being put into the 529 accounts are because of the improvements made to the 529 programs, such as more options on how to use the funds in the account. There is no fee for keeping the account open and the minimum money required for the account is $50.

There are no income or age restrictions in opening an account.

The 529 plan only allows the donor to exchange the funds only one time a year, though.

For more information on the 529 program visit www.scholarshare.com.
After graduation we must face the very real struggles of the world, as we strive to find employment and pay off debts.

CSUSB, give us a freebie
By NIC GIBBS
Staff Writer

I do not often side with students who whine and complain about life being difficult.

However, everywhere I turn I feel like this campus is trying to squeeze another dime out of my pocket.

I have spent six years as a college student and although I am about to graduate, I am leaving poor, tired and without the prospect of a job.

There is a morale problem on this campus and I think it is time our administration start paying attention and doing something about it.

The college campus is supposed to work for us, not against us. So the question I want to ask is: Why can’t the campus be more creative in increasing the morale on campus?

I suggest that they find ways of getting things we need in our pockets without us having to pay for them.

It doesn’t matter what it is, the reality is when you get something free it makes you feel better.

There are companies out there looking for creative ways to advertise to young customers and if we partner with some of these it would not be hard to accomplish this goal.

Hand out pens, Scantrons or a game where you receive a free massage if you are able to win.

Find a way to put a penny in your pocket or, better yet, keep from taking more nickels out.

For all intents and purposes, we came to college because we believed it was the right thing to do and the quickest way to the top.

With each tuition increase those ideas are quickly slipping away.

I often think that students lose sight of why we are working as hard as they are for a degree when we are hearing more and more that we have no guarantee of a job when we get out.

I am not denying that there are free goods and services offered on college campuses for those truly enough to find them.

If the university claims that there are places for us to work as a student and ultimately a college graduate, I am asking that they do a better job leading students to these advantages.

True, students need to have ambition and drive to do things for themselves and part of the problem is the apathetic nature many students have towards school.

More free stuff is not going to solve all of these problems. But it will take some of the air out of the student’s argument that our schools do nothing to help us succeed.

College life can be fun, exhilarating and mind blowing. It can be challenging as well.

The challenges are a part of the experience and I am not asking the university to hold our hands.

What I am saying is that I hope the university can be proactive in getting ahead of the fact that most students feel the college is against them and not for them.

I believe a person should be able to choose the course of action for their own life, as long as they still think logically.

Even though Hydorn argues this same point, her customers vary between age, and the company’s varying circumstances of the customer which means that a big percentage of these customers could have been better if her product had not been in existence.

Alan Berman, executive director of the American Association for Suicidology, a suicide-prevention organization said, “What if this was a young person mass-producing as an adult? What if this was a person with a totally treatable psychological condition who was not otherwise given the opportunity to get treatment? She’s not evaluating who she is providing the product for. Clearly, she’s doing no due diligence to defend her behavior as compassionate,” also reported the Los Angeles Times.

This is the exact reason why I think she is wrong.

Hydorn, I think she is only interested in helping people. If she wanted to help people, she wouldn’t sell a plastic bag for $64.

I understand that people will find ways to off themselves if they really wanted to, but it can be prevented through this.

A person should not be advocating for the death of people when really, they know nothing about them.

It’s not likely that she’ll go to prison though, California doesn’t have the room.
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Folks seem to have a problem with people with illnesses and disabilities, and it needs to stop.

Having been around ill people throughout a great portion of my life, I have lost count of how many times I’ve witnessed a negative attitude from people out on the street. It makes me sick to my stomach.

Every time I’ve taken out my grandmother who happens to be in a wheelchair, I’ve watched people push past her in store aisles. They don’t move out of the way even after they see the chair and the elderly white-haired woman in it.

Some of the more disrespectful ones even shoot my grandparent a dirty look once they lay eyes on the wheelchair.

Yet I can’t help but notice that I never encounter the same behaviors and looks I see when I’m pushing that wheelchair that I do while I’m alone.

There are many situations similar to my own.

A CSUSB alumni (who wished to remain anonymous) spoke candidly with me about the years she had to wear a back brace due to scoliosis.

“They stare,” she said of people. “Kids ask questions. People assume you can’t do anything at all. They ask rude questions, they make rude comments.”

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“It’s for their own entertainment. He doesn’t understand that it is malicious.”

Clearly there’s a stigma around certain kinds who are handicapped or disabled.

Now there are definitely people who simply don’t know how to behave around or how to react to someone who is handicapped or disabled. That uncertainty is at least understandable. The line, however, gets crossed when mere misunderstandings turn into prejudice and rudeness.

According to CSUSB’s Office of Services to Students with Disabilities, there are over 500 students on our campus with confirmed disabilities.

That being said, this is definitely an issue that affects our campus community.

Don’t get me wrong. I am by no means advocating going out and throwing false pity at everyone in sight. Delving out pity is just as damaging and insulting as those outrageous stares.

Instead, what we can and should be giving out is more respect and common politeness when we encounter this kind of situation.

If you see someone in a wheelchair, either pushing themselves or being pushed, be kind and move to the side so they can get by.

If you see someone talking to themselves, don’t point and laugh, and if the people you’re with do, set them straight.

The point is illnesses and disabilities aren’t a reason to act indifferent, rude or disrespectful to anyone, and we need to remember to institute respect and tolerance back into our everyday lives.
Gliding into memories

By KATHERINE HENLEY
Staff Writer

“The freedom of flight is wonderful and every bit as great as it appears. Those who have flying dreams know what I mean,” said Rob McKenzie, the owner of High Adventures.

With school almost out and the weather heating up, 45 minutes to start making those unforgettable summer memories. High Adventures offers the opportunity to go on a foot-launched hang gliding or Para gliding adventure.

Hang gliding, also known as delta plane, is an air sport where the pilot controls an un-motorized, light aircraft. Para gliding is when a canopy that looks like a parachute is used and the pilot sits in a harness. Both air sports are foot-launchable.

Being afraid of heights I thought that even watching the pilots in the air would make me queasy, but as I sat there Wednesday evening in a comfortable lawn chair back, in the hills behind CSUSB, it was more serene than I could have ever imagined.

Even I would consider trying this sport.

“This is a perfect bucket list adventure or also for those wanting to begin the flying process,” according to High Adventures website flytandem.com.

The overall atmosphere promotes a laid back yet cautious feel.

“They [parachutes] are statistically almost never needed,” said McKenzie.

To ensure safety of all fliers, they are given proper training on the equipment they will be using, along with helmets and safety wheels. In addition to the proper instruction, each pilot carries a parachute.

“The best safety device however is the judgment of the pilot,” said McKenzie.

To hang glide can vary from $40 to $220 depending on experience and the type of lesson that you select. While Para gliding ranges from $40 to $240.

“The only major cost are in beginning of your flying career, when you purchase all the equipment needed to fly, mainly the hang glider or Para glider. After that the costs are fairly low,” said a hang gliding pilot.

Flights usually average from 25 to 30 minutes but vary from 15 to 50 minutes depending on the weather. High adventures monitor the weather carefully for the days they are going to fly.

“I have always noticed people flying behind school and I have wanted to try hang gliding. It seems more relaxed and safer than sky-diving. I just never knew where they landed. I had no idea about the air park behind school,” said surprised student Will Dyer.

Andy Jackson Airway Park is located off the side of the road behind CSUSB. A little sign that can be easily missed directs you to the park. From there, pilots are taken up to the launching point which is about a half hour up Highway 18. If you look closely you can see a little red flag on top of the mountain facing the horizon.

Another mountain the pilots are known for launching off of is farther up the hill and cannot be seen from the ground, looking up.

This is not your average summer experience, it is adventurous and thrilling.

High Adventures offers a thrilling summer activity that everyone should try at least once.

For more information visit flytandem.com.

Get on the Bus with the Newman’s Catholic Newman Club raising funds to help local kids visit their imprisoned parents

By BRENT THOMPSON
Staff Writer

The Catholic Newman club held a blood drive on May 31 in the Sycamore room to help raise money for “Get on the Bus.”

GOTB is a nonprofit organization which brings children and their guardians/caregivers throughout the state of California to visit their mothers and fathers who are incarcerated in prison.

For each pint donated by students and faculty the HemaCare Corporation will donate $20 to GOTB. “We’d like to get around 32 pints today. All the blood given will stay in Southern California but sometimes it will go to major catastrophes such as the recent tornadoes in the South and Midwest or the earthquake in Japan,” said Raquel Monterosso a registered RN who works for HemaCare.

Over 40 students donated blood, giving one pint each and raising $800 for GOTB. All of them had their own reasons for donating.

“I thought I was going to get paid $20, but I always wanted to donate blood and it’s a good cause,” said student Syntya Carrasco Bautista.

“The reason I came is that my teacher is giving us extra credit. I don’t have class today so I came to campus just for this. But it’s not my first time giving blood on campus, I do it because I feel obligated to give back to others who need it. Also you never know, those 10 points could come in handy at the end of the quarter,” said student Grier Boyd.

Some came to provide moral support to those who were donating. “I can’t give blood today because I gave some last week. I came here to support my girlfriend,” said student Micheal Rodriguez. His girlfriend, Christina Araujo came to support the Catholic Newman club. For some like Jamie Caston donating blood on campus is nothing new to them.

“I usually donate when an organization such as the Red Cross is here on campus. This is probably my fifth time donating,” said Caston.

“Get On The Bus has been asking us to help them out for a year now to help raise money for the organization,” said Catholic Newman member Rosalinda Fregoso. “We did a teddy bear drive for them last month and collected $400 for them on Ash Wednesday. This is the first time we have held a blood drive.” Each Mothers and Fathers Day GOTB rent buses to reunite hundreds of children with their incarcerated parents. While on the bus children are provided holidays.

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Home remedies to keep summer pests at ease

By LINDSEY MARTINOVICH
Staff Writer

What’s there to complain about summertime activities such as lazy beach days in the sunshine, and warm nights filled with barbecues?

The answer is the pesky problems that come with these activities: sunburns, jellyfish stings, mosquito bites, heartburn, allergies and etc.

The great news is that there are plenty of at-home remedies to help cure these bothersome problems.

Got too much sun at the beach and feel like your skin’s on fire? Never fear, according to a spokesperson for the American Academy of Dermatology, a lukewarm bath filled with oatmeal will soothe the sting. Pain you feel on your skin.

Other interesting at-home remedies for sunburns include such things as applying yogurt on the burnt area, placing sliced apples on a sun burnt face, spraying a mix of cooled freshly brewed black tea and peppermint on the burnt area, or making a paste from water and cornstarch to apply on the burn, according to homeremedies.com.

Although at times a sun burn can feel like life’s greatest discomfort, there are few things in life more irritating than waking up from a warm summer night’s sleep to find your body covered in itchy mosquito bites.

Believe it or not, the remedy for these bites can be found in the cupboard! All that is needed is a box of baking soda mixed with water to make a paste; apply the paste on the bite and viola the pain is gone!

“The paste can act as an astringent to help relieve the symptoms of itching and pain,” says Dr. Annie Chiu, a dermatologist at the Murad Inclusive Health Medical Group.

According to homeremedies.org, add salt to the paste for even more relief from the itching.

Other solutions to stop the itching from bug bites include rubbing vitamin E directly on the bite, squeezing the juice out of a honeysuckle vine onto the bite or rubbing toothpaste on the itching area.

“Growing up my mom always told me the easiest way to stop the itching of a bug bite is to make an ‘X’ with your fingernail on the bite. I don’t know if it truly works or if it’s all in my head, but I really think it lessens the pain!” said student Kamerin Bateman.

Another painful summer encounter can be jellyfish stings. But rest assured, there are other ways to cure the pain other than urine!

In fact, all you need to do is remove the tentacles and pour white vinegar on the sting and pain will subside. Dr. Chiu says that the white vinegar releases the venom which minimizes the pain of the sting.

Now that the pain from sun burns, bug bites and jellyfish stings have gone away, looks like it’s time to enjoy an infamous summertime barbecues. But wait!

When the heartburn and indigestion associated with barbecues foods comes creeping up after the meal, remember that the solution is just one fruit away; eating a few slices of papaya after a barbecues will help soothe the pain and indigestion.

Use these cheap and helpful hints to say goodbye to pesky problems and hello to summertime bliss.
Take advantage of hidden internship gem
By JUSTINE PLEMONS  Staff Writer

For many of us graduation is looming around the corner and whether it is this June or December, we all have fears about what the future holds. Unfortunately, graduating from college doesn’t mean getting a job or a career. Once we walk across the stage and shake President Dr. Albert K. Karnig’s hand we are all faced with the question “Now what?”

First and foremost, we all came to college to better our lives and for the chance for a better career than most. The second you walk through the doors of CSUSB you need to start preparing for life outside these walls. College ends a lot quicker than you think.

CSUSB is a hidden gem of resources. This university offers more to students than just the Commons and pub. It has career services, resume workshops and internship opportunities. This services are free for students, so use them! I am not an expert but these are the tips and advice I have come across during my five years at CSUSB.

Most of the people applying for jobs have a good GPA. Employers see it all the time. A mentor of mine told me, “You need to have a thing. You need to have a story, extracurricular activities or job title that sets you apart from the population.”

Network! Not Facebook, Twitter or Tumblr; learn how to talk to people face to face.

It truly is who you know and what you know. So, let’s get out there and get connections. Get real comfortable with being uncomfortable. Look people in the eye and make small talk. You have to be your own advocate. Think of yourself as a brand and market what you can do.

It typically takes six months to find a job. The economy isn’t what it used to be so we have to work harder. Start early, and don’t wait till graduation to start your resume or apply for jobs.

Dress the part. If you are walking into an interview you know you aren’t qualified for. Wear a button up shirt, dress pants, and jacket. Little changes like this do make a difference.

Learn soft skills. It doesn’t matter how smart or talented you are if you can’t interact with me it doesn’t matter if you can program a computer. A smile and a firm handshake go far.

Great communication skills will set you apart from the competition. Ask yourself “What do I bring to the table?” Think of interviewing like dating. You are trying to find if you fit with the company.

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College is about the pursuit of fun, self-discovery and your degree, but you want to make sure you have a promising future once you graduate and go out into the real world.

The Federal Bureau of Justice Statistics estimated the 54 percent of mothers and 57 percent of fathers in state prisons reported never having a single visit from their children. Children who have no visitation with their parents have higher rates of delinquency and emotional problems.

“Sometimes parents make wrong decisions in life that their kids have to pay for. Children shouldn’t suffer for the actions and decisions that their parents have made, but hopefully the visits will motivate the parents to do better once they are out of prison and become more productive members in society,” said Fregoso.
Student’s search for the perfect role

By EILEEN GUTIERREZ
Staff Writer

For Nilan Johnson, the journey of life has cast him in a role he was born to play. From a young age, Johnson was intrigued by theatre, beginning with his fascination with the classic “Phantom of the Opera.”

Johnson, originally from North Carolina, attended a high school which placed a high emphasis on arts.

One of his first mentors, a teacher by the name of Windle Tabb, taught him the key foundation of theatre: vocabulary. Johnson has been able to use the vocabulary testing regularly on his switch to the west coast.

Johnson decided to come to the Los Angeles area, hoping that the change in coasts would give him a better opportunity. After high school, Johnson originally attended UCLA. While there, he found that the theatre program was not for him.

At UCLA, students must work their way up onto the stage. Students normally begin stage acting junior year, but Johnson wanted more.

He transferred to CSUSB to pursue his dreams of theatre arts. Professors Kathy Ervin and Andre Harrington have taught him as much as this character,” Johnson said Whitaker told him after the show.

Johnson explained that’s one of the highest compliments an actor can receive.

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“Many of the most important things Ervin and Harrington have taught him is to express his ideas.

During his time here, Johnson has performed in 15 productions and has even directed two. One of his most notable plays is “RENT” performed along Mount San Jacinto College students.

Johnson played the character of Benjamin Coffin III, the opportunist who rides the waves and doesn’t make a stand for himself. Johnson described this character as being opposite of his personality.

One of the things Johnson says he likes about acting is that it’s an outlet.

“It helps me dish out the thoughts on my brain. The profession of acting also helps me to embody my ideas,” said Johnson.

A defining moment for Johnson is when Academy Award winner Forest Whitaker attended the opening night of “Ceremonies in Dark Old Men.”

“I was watching you as you were acting, I liked the choices you were making as this character,” Johnson said Whitaker told him after the show.

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Professors Ervin and Harrington provided Johnson with his letters of recommendation for University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Johnson will attend the school in the fall to attain his graduate degree in Theatre Arts.

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“Times we were homeless, but we had to stay driven and focused. I’ve watched her mistakes and learned from her. She’s easy to talk,” stated Johnson.

Johnson is not only an actor and director, but a singer and enjoys drawing as well. He tries to find every artistic outlet to express his ideas.

Johnson will walk this spring and plans to continue his education back in his home state.

The empire plans another strike

By KRYSTAL McGEE
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In a galaxy somewhere near us, George Lucas is creating a new live action television series about “Star Wars.”

The television show is supposed to pick up the action in between the end of his second trilogy, “Revenge of the Sith” and the beginning of his first trilogy, “A New Hope.”

The show is also set to feature new characters along with the legendary characters; Luke, Leia, Han and Chewie.

In 2007, Lucas offered writing a portion of the live action series and this year he explained that, “We have 50 hours and we’re just waiting to figure out a different way of making movies, a different technology that we can use, that will make it economically feasible to shoot the show.”

To make it feasible, Lucas has to figure out a way of producing the episodes at about a tenth of the cost of a feature-length film.

Lucas said that when he finally does figure out the problem, it will dramatically affect lots of feature-length movies since most cost between $150 and $200 million to make, but could be dropped down to $50 to $60 million.

Lucas is looking for a technology so he can launch his live action series and in the meanwhile the footage is sitting on a shelf somewhere. Fans everywhere have a live action “Star Wars” television show to look forward to in the near future.

When you might ask? Well the technology portion of the show is missing, so it’s probably light years away from this galaxy.

But while you wait, Cartoon Network is still airing the animated “Star Wars” series, “The Clone Wars.”

George Lucas has future plans with his “Star Wars” movies as well. He wants to convert his original films to 3D; he has plans on re-releasing all of the epic films in theaters with the enhanced screen experience including presentations in IMAX.

“Star Wars” is an American epic space franchise conceived by George Lucas.

The first film in the franchise was originally released in 1977, under the title Star Wars, by 20th Century Fox, and became a worldwide pop culture phenomenon, followed by two sequels, released at three-year intervals.

Sixteen years after the release of the trilogy’s final film, the first in a new prequel trilogy of films was released, again at three-year intervals, with the final film released in 2005.
Following the reign of skinny jeans and big hair in the music industry, folk music is looking to make a comeback. This time a new singer songwriter is the leading the surge.

Emily Lacy is the well-established folk singer with 11 self-produced albums and two cross country tours under her belt although she was probably unknown to most who are not familiar with folk music.

Lacy’s music is definitely more urban folk as compared to traditional folk, although she does incorporate a fiddle and a bass in some songs.

An older album of Lacy’s, Song From the Wandering, released in 2005 features the song “I Dig Forever.” This first song on the album presents a mixture of Lacy singing in the background and speaking over herself at the same time. She repeats that she “digs until she finds the treasure.”

Most songs on her albums feature Lacy playing the acoustic guitar and the songs are downright relaxing. The folk feel definitely shows its face in her song “Sugar in the Ground.” I have to say that this is one her songs that just spews traditional folk. You can clearly hear a banjo, and with the fast-paced tempo, her voice sounds made for folk music.

Although Lacy is on her way to becoming an urban folk legend, she was actually a film student at the University of Southern California and had no intention of learning to play the guitar.

It is said that she became inspired after a trip to see a Bob Dylan documentary. “It just felt like this lightning bolt, I remember I came out of the Norris Theatre and we had watched it on 35-millimeter print, I just stood there smoking a cigarette and I couldn’t talk to anybody,” said Lacy in an interview with the Los Angeles Times. “I had this feeling while watching it that, man, I should probably get a guitar,” added Lacy.

I wouldn’t say that Lacy and Dylan play in the same genre of music, but after reviewing both, I can definitely feel his presence in some of Lacy’s songs. Dylan had a way of speaking as he sang and that goes the same for Lacy’s songs.

Dylan was definitely the jump-start to her music career, but it wasn’t until a while later that she actually made the decision to pick up a guitar.

It was actually New York anti-folk singer Jeffrey Lewis’ music that made Lacy say, “Okay, now I have to get a guitar.”

It is constantly said that Lacy’s music walks the tightrope between art and music and I have to agree that it is a little bit of both.

While listening to a few songs on the album, I imagine an interpretive dance being performed. Whenever music has the power to do this, it truly can be considered art.

Lacy is working on another project called Cowboys and Angels so plan on putting down your typical pop hits and visiting the folk section of the record store. No hurry though, Lacy isn’t slowing down anytime soon.
Coachella plans two identical weekends

By RENEE ETCHEBERRIA
Staff Writer

If one weekend of captivating performances isn’t enough, then prepare yourself for Coachella Music and Arts Festival 2012 return for two consecutive weekends on April 13-15 and April 20-22 at the Empire Polo Grounds in Indio.

AEG-owned company Goldenvoice is capitalizing on the success of past festivals. This three day event has sold out for its second consecutive year in 2011.

This year it sold out in a record six days and many people were unable to attend due to the unexpected sell out, so that is part of the reason they are offering the event for two weekends.

Paul Tollet, the architect of Indio Coachella and head of Goldenvoice told the Los Angeles Times “We will attempt to produce two identical festival weekends. That means same lineup, same art, same place, different people.”

They also plan to expand the venue by 25,000 square feet to accommodate the 90,000 concertgoers. Another thing that is changing for Coachella is how and when to purchase passes. On any other year, passes became available when the lineup was announced and they were sold through Ticketmaster.

For 2012, passes are being sold through Coachella.com and go on sale Friday June 3 until June 10. The passes will be mailed in March and if the festival is not sold out, passes will be available again after pre-sale when the lineup is revealed.

The cost once again is $269 not including additional fees. For those of you who do not want to put up that much money or cannot afford it, a layaway plan is being offered, with 10 percent down and eight months of equal payment.

Because of all the popularity many tried to buy tickets through a source that was not legitimate. Goldenvoice is highly recommending to not buy tickets from a third party source to avoid being scammed. Goldenvoice is working diligently to do as much as they can to cut down on gate crashers and counterfeiters of the event.

They have heavily invested in electronically encrypted wristbands that patrons will be forced to wear to be allowed on the grounds.

Goldenvoice and Tollet had the original idea to add a name and photo to the wristband but then decided that the idea would not be flexible enough for people.

If one has the desire to purchase passes for both weekend they may do so but once your passes are purchased for their specific weekend they cannot be changed. Also the passes will be limited to four per households.

Coachella Music and Arts Festival is the kickoff to summer fun with their crowd pleasing headlining acts like Kanye West, Jay-Z, Kings of Leon, and Arcade Fire.

There have been many events that try to replicate Coachella, such as Chicago Lollapalooza, San Francisco’s Outside Lands and country festival Stagecoach, but the massive amount of ticket sales and this expansion makes it clear who leads the pack.

For more information about the much anticipated lineup visit Coachella.com.
**Beach bum and sports fun**

By ANNETTE VERDEJO

There’s a little less than two weeks left of the 2010-2011 school year and students will all of a sudden have some free time to go out and enjoy the sun. Summer is a relief from stress for the majority of students; we look forward to the first day of summer all year long. For most, it is a chance to relax and spend some time with your friends doing some of your favorite summer activities.

In California, we are lucky to have so many options on how to spend our lazy summer days, especially with the beach less than an hour away. Although we have spent all day at the beach swimming and playing football or ultimate frisbee, there are some of the easiest activities and the best thing is that they are free.

“When I go to the beach, I typically try and get a group of people together to play soccer on the sand, I also like to swim and barbecue over the fire pits at Huntington,” said Bryan Budd.

But maybe you are looking for some new activities that you have never tried before or have not done in awhile.

The beach has so many more opportunities other than playing volleyball or soccer on the sand. Summer typically makes people more adventurous.

For those that are skeptical about open water, why not give kayaking a try? Newport Beach offers kayaking tours for a reasonable fee of $40-$50. Most tours are about an hour long and include life vests and kayaks.

No experience is needed to kayak. Having done it before myself, I would definitely recommend it. It’s an enjoyable experience and can be quite relaxing.

For those Coyotes that have no fear of the open water, or Nemo and his fishy friends, I’d recommend surfing as a new summer activity.

As someone who has learned to surf in recent years, I can say that it is a difficult thing to learn. It is a lot different than snowboarding or skateboarding because you cannot control the water’s movement.

“I’ve taken my fair share of slams and I have a couple of battle wounds. But I can tell you this, it’s so worth it to get back up and keep trying.”

It’s quite challenging at first and can definitely be frustrating, but it’s hard to duplicate that feeling of freedom when you are riding a wave and it feels like you have no other cares in the world. It’s an indescribable feeling.

Surfing lessons come at a fair price and you can find them at almost any beach that has suitable waves and tourist traffic.

So now that summer is near, and many of you will have some free time, head out to the beach and be adventurous by experiencing a new sport or activity.

**Fitness does not end once bikini season begins**

By BRITTANY SHAW

Summertime is fun for everyone, but the heat can make all the difference.

This summer, dipping in to the CSUSB pool will make the summer a lot cooler.

“A lot of people go swimming during the summer, the pool can get a little crowded,” said Raulabel Gonzalez, the Sports and Facilities Coordinator.

Along with being open to students, it is also open to the public.

Pool hours are slightly different in the summer. It opens at noon every day and closes at 7 p.m. on weekdays, 5 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and is closed on Sundays.

During the year, the pool is open for a few hours in the morning and a few at night. So the hours are much better in the summertime.

Swim lessons are also offered during the summer for anyone who would like to take them. It’s open to CSUSB students and the public.

The Recreational Center is also open for work out sessions all summer long. But the hours are a little more minimal than during the year.

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For all the people who like to work out late at night after they get off work, that will not be an option.

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al championships with the Chicago Bulls,

the ultimate sports fanatic should at

least hit all these stadiums once and why

not try and hit all of California’s teams in a

summer that you would never forget.

Start out in sunny San Diego and stay

at a cheap hotel like the Best Western. We

are college students and we usually don’t

have the most money in our pockets so go

cheap on the room and go crazy at the sta-

dium with tickets, beverages and food and

it will be a night that will be more memo-

rable than the room you stayed in.

According to Expedia.com this trip
could possibly cost a little under $200 with
the hotel $89 a night and game day tickets
as low as $10. Calculate food, beverage
and gas for the car and you’re looking at a
cheap getaway weekend.

The stadium is set in beautiful down-
town San Diego and is surrounded by more
entertainment than any student can handle.

Head through Palm Court Plaza at the

stadium and look for someone you know,

the area is covered with brick purchased

by fans, players and the community with

engraved names and messages.

Heading north from the home of the

Padres you can travel by train all the way

up to the Orange County area, home to the

Angels and glamorous lifestyles of many.

According to Amtrack.com a ticket

from San Diego to Anaheim will cost you

$58. Calculate in the hotels in the area, the

possible trip to Disneyland (how could

anyone resist the happiest place on earth?)

plus the amazing amount of food stands

and restaurants at the ball park, you are

looking at a trip cost of $300.

Angel’s stadium not only has a really

nice setting but a rich history since 1965.

This summer the park and the franchise

also opened the stadium up to allow enter-

tainment from singers and performers of

all backgrounds like country and rap.

Leaving this Orange County area to-

ward the city of angels is another easy step

with the train station nearby.

A ticket price from Anaheim station to

Union station is $8.25.

Hotels in the Los Angeles area range

from all different prices but if you are look-

ing for a cheap route Cecil Hotel in Down-
town is close and is only $49 a night.

If you are a true Dodgers fan there is

no conceivable way that you can visit the

park and not get a Dodger hot dog. Dodger
dogs are only $9 and are one of the most

popular items at the park, almost as popu-

lar as Vin Scully.

Dodgers Stadium set in the Chavez

Ravine is one of the most historic baseball

nights in all of MLB with only the Cubs

Wrigley Park and the Red Sox Fenway Park.

Most all of the ticket prices in baseball

have been going down and you can find

many tickets for “infield dirt” cheap.

Take two weeks out of your summer
to travel this beautiful states while taking

in some of the greatest ball parks in the
country.

What can Brown do for you?

Mike Brown was picked to be the next Lakers coach despite fan outrage

By JOVANI GAMa
Ass’t Opinions Editor

And the new coach of the Los Angeles Lakers is none other than former Cleveland Cavaliers head coach, Mike Brown.

As expected, there were plenty of mixed reactions, as some were enthused by the prospect of having a defensive-minded former Coach of the Year steer the ship, while others were confused and even upset by one of the biggest surprises of the year.

“I honestly had no idea that Mike Brown was in contention for the position,” said student Phillip Mitchell. “I am excited though. I mean he has won 60 games or more with Cleveland several times, and even won Coach of the Year in 2009.”

Student Michael Roberts was less excited about hiring.

“When I heard that Mike Brown was going to be introduced as the head coach, I was actually upset. I would have much rather preferred (Stan) Van Gundy or (Rick) Adelman,” said Roberts.

Lakers star Kobe Bryant clearly expressed his desires to have Lakers’ assis-
tant coach Brian Shaw take over the helm.

Now Brown will be charged with tak-

ing over after the legen, Phil Jackson, has

decided to retire.

Jackson, who had coached the team for the past 12 seasons, minus a one season hiatus, retired earlier this year.

He guided the Lakers team to five NBA championships and won six addition-

al championships with the Chicago Bulls, bringing his grand total to 11.

“I have great respect for Phil Jack-

son and all of his accomplishments,” said Brown, during the news conference in which he was introduced as the head coach.

“I’m not sure what size shoes he wears, but I’m not here to fill his shoes. Fans are concerned whether or not Brown and Bryant will be able to coexist.

“Kobe and I talked about a lot of things,” said Brown. “We talked about family, we talked about last year, the team. He wanted to know what I had in store and going forward on both sides of the ball and what my beliefs are. And I thought the meeting in person as well as the conversa-
tion on the phone went very well.”

“He’s one of the greatest ever. His role will not change,” said Brown.

Lakers brass did not consult Bryant during their coaching search, but sources say Bryant has great respect for Brown and is on board with the hiring.

Team executives have received criti-
cism from the media and fans for the hire.

Lakers General Manager Mitch Kup-

chuk said only three people were inter-

viewed for the job.

Brown was so impressive that man-

agement decided to look no further.

Even though Brown is going to take the Lakers away from the vaunted triangle offense that they have run under Jackson for years, he was able to convince manage-

ment that he is the right man for the job.
Lee lands Chronicle Athlete of the Year

By ISMAEL MORALES
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Cassidy Lee spent the entire season dominating the competition so it should come as no surprise that she ended it dominating the 2011 Coyote Chronicle Athlete of the Year voting.

The Coyote Chronicle Athlete of the Year is yet another award that Lee has earned over the course of this past softball season.

Lee was voted Coyote Chronicle Athlete of the Week for the week of April 18 for pitching a complete game shut out with four strike outs and zero walks against Cal State East Bay leading her team to a 7-0 win.

Lee was also named to the 2011 Louisville Slugger All-West Region softball team.

Even with all of Lee’s accomplishments she is still a humble girl from Vancouver, but her mom pushed her to play, and basically didn’t let her quit. She explained if it wasn’t for her, she definitely would have quit early on.

The tall lefty is a long way from Vancouver, but says she has found a family; her softball team.

With the softball team only having 13 players, the girls were really close to one another and worked well as a small knit team.

Both Coach Tacy Duncan and Lee have explained that it was great having a smaller number for playing time but also for bonding and team chemistry.

At the beginning of the season Coach Duncan had the girls do team building exercises along with goals that could prepare the squad for the upcoming team.

Some of the things that Lee focused on for her personal goals were: getting ahead of the batter or throwing strike one and also minimizing her walks through out the season.

As for the team goals, they just wanted to prove the other teams wrong. Lee explained that at times, they felt embarrassed after some losses and especially if they got swept, so the mission was to turn around and beat those teams.

The most impressive thing about Lee this past season was how she led the Coyotes softball team to their first ever West Regional II Championship.

She pitched three consecutive complete games to win the West Regional II Championship and send the ‘Yotes to the Super Regionals.

The first game came against defending champion and host Hawaii where she only gave up two runs with four strike outs leading the team to a 3-2 win.

The last two games were two shutouts with five strike outs and one walk combined verse rival Sonoma State.

The girls had a lot of fun in Hawaii for the tournament but they were there to handle business. They knew if they could get passed the West Regional and Super Regional they would have a sure shot at winning a National Championship.

She also pitched very well in the Super Regionals against the Tritons, but lacked the run support to earn a victory.

Lee finished the season with a 17-10 record posting a team best 2.75 ERA while striking out 124 and only walking 49 in 180 innings. Her 17 wins, 2.75 ERA and 124 strikeouts were a team best.

UC San Diego ended up winning the National Championship for Division II softball and the girls were crushed because they felt that should have been them.

Lee came to CSUSB because of the great competition. Since she came to San Bernardino, the National Champion has come from the west three out of the past four years.

“I had a choice of going to the East or West coast, but I wanted to face the best of the best,” said Lee.

Lee was part of the best of the best in this year and was an outstanding pitcher through out the entire season. She will graduate in the Fall of 2011 with her degree in Sports and Entertainment Marketing.

Lee will head back home to Vancouver in hopes to get a job in sports, preferably with her favorite hockey team, the Vancouver Canucks, which hopefully will have a Stanley Cup trophy waiting.

Lee won the student vote by a landslide as she took over 70 percent of the votes, conducted online at coyotechronicles.net. It’s not surprising that Lee won, but it is shocking that she won by such a wide margin.

Senior pitcher Josh Pond came in second with 11 percent of the votes. Pond had a stellar season for the Coyotes setting the school’s record in saves and tying the CCAA record with 16 saves.

His success combined with Lee’s dominance in the voting just show how well Lee led the softball team to a historic new high.