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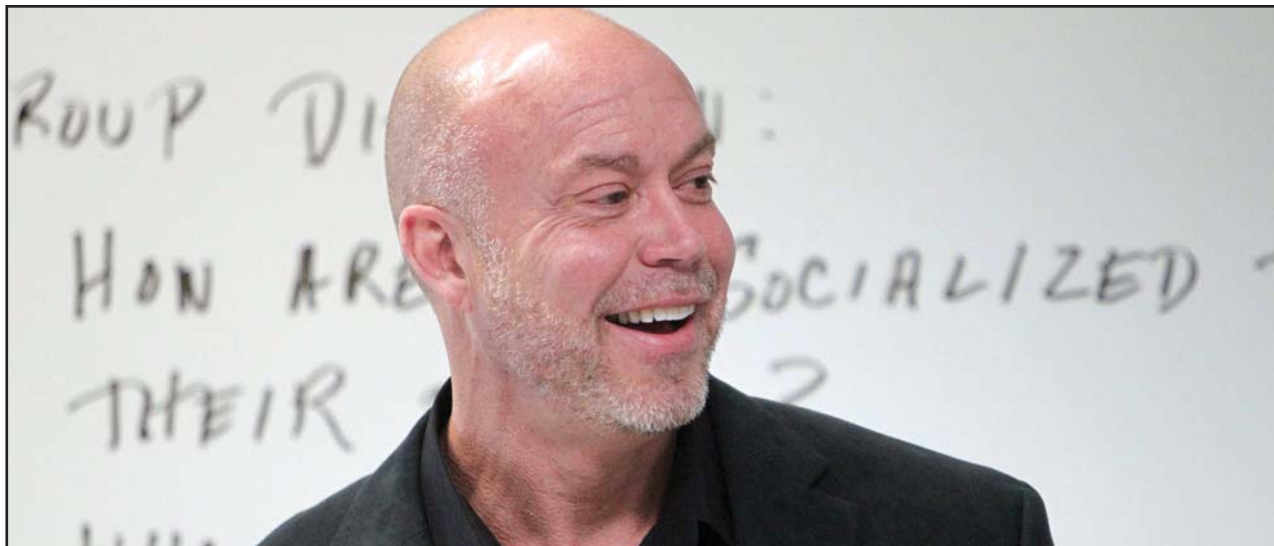
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Courtesy of Robert Whitehead

Todd Jennings, director of gender and sexuality studies was named teacher of the year in a surprise ambush for his outstanding work and dedication to students.

Jennings named CSUSB professor of the year

By JACQUELINE SCHOLTEN
Staff Writer

Interrupted in the midst of his lecture, Todd Jennings, professor of education, was greeted by CSUSB President Dr. Albert K. Karnig and his entourage presented him with CSUSB's Outstanding Professor of the Year.

More than 40 colleagues, administration, faculty members and past winners of the award joined Karnig and the others cramming into the small class room at the top of

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Civil rights prop challenged in CA

By COURTNEY SIMS
Staff Writer

Gov. Jerry Brown has asked the Ninth Circuit of Court Appeals to reconsider a 14-year old law, calling the measure responsible for "resegregation of higher education," according to the *San Francisco Chronicle*.

Prop. 209, also known as the California Civil Rights Initiative, prohibits public entities to consider race, sexual orientation and ethnicity as a justification for acceptance or non-acceptance.

This law was intended to offset Affirmative Action laws, which requires public sectors to consider race and gender as a means for equal opportunity.

Since the law passed in Nov. 1996 the number of minorities who attend public universities has increased.

According to the *LA Times*, undergraduate admissions for Latino students has gone from 15.4 percent in 1996 to 23 percent in 2010, while that same statistic for African American students has increased from 4 percent to 4.2 percent.

Proposition 209 recently gained popularity amongst minority students in the UC system but is losing momentum with California politicians, including Brown.

The author of the bill, Ward Connerly, as well as other supporters have stepped in and filed a motion that is scheduled for next month to convince the State Supreme Court of the proposition's merits.

The CSU system already has several initiatives that require the universities to recruit minorities, African-Americans in particular, by way of outreach programs.

"Each February, CSU leaders including the chancellor, trustees, presidents and other higher education

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Bare and bold

By KRYSTINA PEDERSEN
Staff Writer

The naked natural beauty comes out at CSUSB when the Women's Resource Center (WRC) hosted a no makeup challenge Feb. 22 in the Santos Manuel Student Union.

The event was designed to help empower women by giving them the opportunity to remove their makeup and expose their natural beauty.

Yazmin Wheeler of the WRC said she believed that this challenge would be a great opportunity for women to be comfortable in their own skin and show men and other women that they have nothing to be insecure about with no makeup on.

The event had approximately 50 participants, each were given a wipe to remove their makeup, after removing their makeup the participants had their picture taken off to the side by a professional photographer and were then given a frame that they could decorate however they wanted.

The participants were also given a raffle ticket which entered them in an hourly

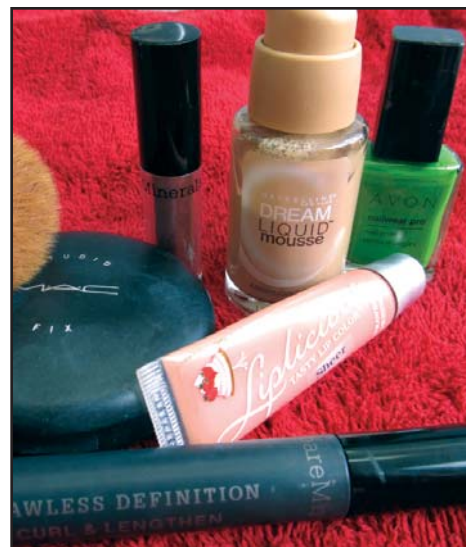


Female students were challenged to wipe off their makeup and show off their beautiful bare faces around the campus.

drawing to win Target gift cards valued from \$10-\$15.

But aside from gift cards and picture frames the Women's Resource Center hopes the real prize women will receive from participating in the challenge is the realization that they are beautiful and don't need makeup to be attractive.

"Women attempt to reach a goal of beauty no one can obtain," said Wheeler, a graduate assistant in the WRC.



Krystina Pedersen | Chronicle Photo

Wheeler believes that the statement being made through the event is directed towards a beauty focused society being more than just physical beauty.

"It's OK for girls to not wear makeup and still be naturally gorgeous," said Karina Oropeza, a student assistant in the WRC. Oropeza participated in the challenge and admitted to wearing a lot of makeup on a daily basis she said she believed that "it re-

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Campus run saves lives from cancer

By MELISSA BENTON
Staff Writer

"Cancer doesn't sleep, so why should we?" said Amanda Bates, the team development chair for CSUSB's chapter Relay for Life.

Relay for Life, or Relay, is an event held by the American Cancer Society all across the country.

It is made up of teams that walk together or individually for 24 hours straight to raise money to fight cancer and raise awareness of the disease.

Relay was first started in May 1985 by Dr. Gordy Klatt.

Klatt walked by himself for 24 hours. He raised \$27,000 and walked 83 miles.

The CSUSB organization of Relay first started over three years ago. The number of participants, committee members and survivors has steadily increased each year.

In 2011, there were 35 teams, five cancer survivors, nine committee members and \$3,742 raised.

The goal for 2012 is to have 35 teams, 85 survivors, 20 committee members and raise \$26,000.

The May 4 event is co-sponsored by the Office of Student Leadership and Development and Recreational Sports.

"We just want to get the word out there. This is a wonderful organization that so many don't know about," said Bates.

According to Bates, 75 percent of the CSUSB student body have never heard of Relay.

"Everybody, in some way, has been or will be affected by cancer. It's way too common now," said Bates.

The event will start at 4 p.m. on May 4 and end at 4 p.m. the following day.

It will include activities, live bands, and themed games.

There also will be ceremonies to celebrate the battles won and remember those

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Think you're too cool for school? You're right

By JAZMIN JETT
Staff Writer

You must feel pretty hot attending one of the “coolest” schools in the nation. CSUSB was named one of “America’s Coolest Schools” for 2011 *Sierra Magazine*. The Sierra Club, an environmental organization, released its publication of *Sierra Magazine* which includes “America’s Coolest Schools.” CSUSB was recognized for the second year in a row, ranking as the 90th “coolest” campuses this year. The university is among 118 others nationwide and was one of only two Cal State campuses receiving top honors, along with San Francisco State. The list is compiled based on nine categories: academics, administration, efficiency, energy supply, food, financial investments, purchasing, transportation and waste management; CSUSB received recognition for all of the classifications. Only 118 schools chose to participate and over 900 schools were considered. Taking the steps toward becoming a more “green” school, CSUSB boasts a water-wise desert garden, a cogeneration fuel cell and a solar farm which supplies almost one-third of the school’s usable energy. “CSUSB is committed to continually finding ways to operate more efficiently – our success results in using tax dollars more wisely and leaving a healthier planet,” said Michelle Dyck-Turner, the uni-

versity’s sustainability coordinator said in a press release. “Public awareness is essential to staying on course, and we appreciate the Sierra Club’s support to help promote sustainable efforts on university campuses,” Dyck-Turner continued. Conservation on campus is also taking place through the use of energy. Hoping to supply heat throughout campus while simultaneously saving over \$100,000, a 1.4 megawatt cell is being installed on campus by Southern California Edison and is expected to be completed and ready for use in April. As of 2008, CSUSB has made strides in waste reduction through recycling to reduce solid waste diversion. Additionally, the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation Demonstration Garden at CSUSB is one of the main contributions to the school’s efforts toward raising awareness of resource conservation. Completed this month, it is the purpose of The San Bernardino Valley Water Demonstration Garden to show the benefits of low-water use and drought resistant plants and gardens to the community. Through the university’s efforts, over a million dollars in utility costs has been saved along with reduced water usage, improved energy efficiency and a reduction in waste overall. For a full list and rankings of *Sierra Magazine*’s “America’s Coolest Schools” of 2011, visit “Complete Rankings: America’s Coolest Schools” at sierraclub.org.



Courtesy of Robert Whitehead

Karnig and his entourage praise Jennings in class and award him with \$3,000 to be used for professional development.

Jennings top professor

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The College of Education building to offer Jennings congratulations. “Make sure you have the right person,” said Jennings in disbelief. Karnig ensured the students that he had the right teacher, and told them that Jennings’s success is partially because of student evaluations. This is why he said that this honor is awarded to the teacher in front of the students, because without their positive comments, it would not have been possible. He went on to quote one evaluation where the student said that he had three different courses with Jennings and he was the best teacher he had ever had. The student said that even after the class had ended, he would drive home with the radio off so that he could think about what was said in class. “I have had one of the few pleasures not awarded to everyone-I get to do something I love,” said an appreciative Jennings. “[I have] the rare luxury to go to bed at night and not wonder if what I do matters.” Jennings will be given a \$1,000 check, \$3,000 for professional development and he will also be recognized at the faculty lunch, commencement and at the annual Golden Apple award banquet hosted by the

mayor of San Bernardino on March 29. Jennings is the director of gender and sexuality studies at CSUSB. He has taught courses in developmental psychology, educational psychology and diversity issues within educational contexts. He also teaches in the educational leadership doctorate program. “It is so awesome that he won, he is very deserving. He is bold, honest and enthusiastic. His classes are always exciting. He challenges you, and pushes you to think in a different way than you are used to. I wish more teachers were like him,” said student Renee Etcheberria. Jennings has published more than 25 scholarly pieces, edited a book, several chapters and encyclopedia entries. He has traveled all over the country to different professional meetings and conferences to present 37 different papers. “He is a good colleague - putting an oar in the water and pulling in the next of the people is what marks Jennings,” said Karnig. Jennings’s community involvement includes volunteering for the past three years as a consultant in Human Rights Education for Human Rights Watch. In the past he has served as a member of the Regional Planning Group and the Human Rights Education Steering Committee for Amnesty International.

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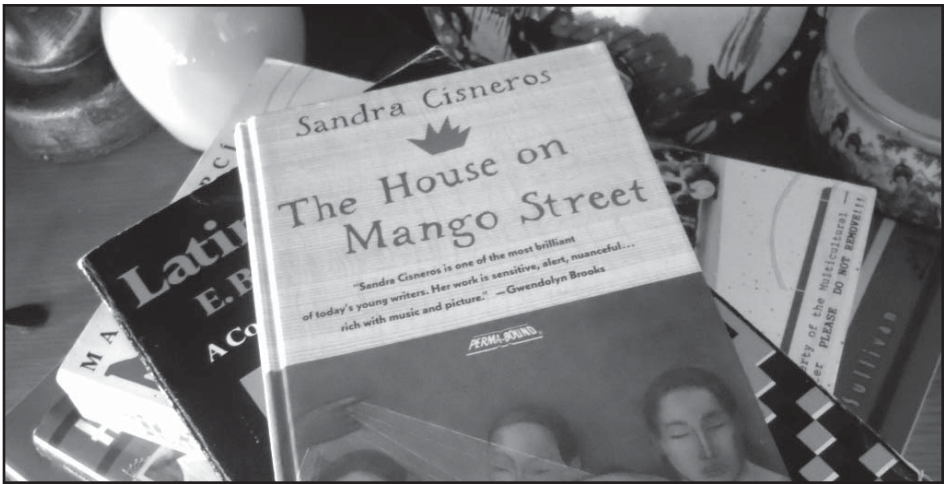
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Arizona bans ethnic studies programs in schools



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HB 2281 proposes to ban teachings that promote the overthrow of the U.S. government or promote resentment toward a race or class of people. Books like “The House on Mango Street” and Shakespeare’s “The Tempest” were some taken out.

By **KATHERINE VALADEZ**
Staff Writer

Ethnic minorities are a hot political topic in Arizona once again.

Under a new law, schools across the state are prohibited from offering ethnic studies classes or face having state funds withheld from them each month if they continue to offer classes.

Already having been under scrutiny for its controversial Senate Bill 1070, which many felt discriminated against Latinos, the state is now being criticized again for its passage of Arizona House Bill 2281 which took effect in January.

The bill stated, “HB 2281 prohibits a school district or charter school from including courses or classes that either promote the overthrow of the United States government or promote resentment toward a race or class of people.”

School districts that are found to be in violation of the new law face losing as much as 10 percent of their state funding each month, which adds up to approximately \$15

million a year.

The Tuscon Unified School District’s Mexican-American studies program was found to be in violation of the new law by Judge Lewis D. Kowal.

This caused the school district to terminate its ethnic studies program and ban several books that were a part of the curriculum.

Some of the banned books include Paolo Freire’s “Pedagogy of the Oppressed,” Sandra Cisneros’ “House on Mango Street” and Shakespeare’s “The Tempest.”

The ban of ethnic studies in Arizona has caused a backlash across the state and throughout the U.S.

Students at Yale University staged a protest of the bill, several Facebook pages have popped up in opposition to the bill, and some are planning on trafficking banned books into the state in what is known as “Librotráfico,” according to The Huffington Post.

Proponents of the law felt that the ethnic studies curriculum was divisive and promoted hatred, while critics of the bill say that they “push Latino students to excel and teach a long-neglected slice of America’s cultural heritage:

Chicano perspectives on literature, history and social justice,” according to the *LA Times*.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction John Huppenthal, said Tuscon’s program divided students by race and would be almost impossible to fix, according to *USA Today*.

Some students at CSUSB are critical of Arizona’s decision to remove its ethnic studies program, calling the move “racist” and “ignorant.”

“When I heard what happened in Arizona, my Chicana pride came out. I thought it was dumb that they decided to do this because these classes give students an opportunity to learn,” said student Maritza Alarcon.

Other students believe that Arizona’s law should not be copied in other states.

“It’s not right. It’s good for students to learn about other ethnicities even if they’re not that minority. They should learn about both other cultures and their own,” said student Bianca Saucedo. “If this happened in California, I’d move out. I think it would cause chaos because this state is so diverse.”

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This challenge was to promote overall self-esteem. Participants had before and after photos taken and decorated them.

Students make up their mind not faces

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ally is a challenge.”

Participants Bridget Estrada and Jessica Bowens both know many girls who rely on makeup and will wake up early just to ensure that they have enough time to apply it. Both girls agreed that this challenge makes a positive statement to society saying that girls are beautiful naturally.

“A lot of times women try to achieve this certain look they see in either magazines or on commercials but realistically, no one looks like that they are all photo-shopped,” said Brianna Jointer, a participant in the beauty challenge.

Jointer explained that by removing her makeup she felt as if she was in middle school again and that her face felt lighter in a comforting way.

Angelica Davlos, who saw the poster advertising the event, decided to come to school with no makeup on at all. For Davlos not partaking in her usual routine helped her realize just how much time she dedicates to applying her makeup.

“It takes me about 15 minutes to apply my makeup every day,” said Davlos.

Fellow participant Gabriela Franquez had similar feelings as Davlos. They both agree that by wearing no makeup they now felt free and a sense of pressure to look good and please guys was now removed.

Without makeup all the participants said they all felt free, a weight had been lifted off their shoulders and they no longer felt the need to impress others.



Krystina Pedersen / Chronicle Photo
Women make a statement with no airbrushing necessary.

209 intended to offset Affirmative Action

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ambassadors speak from the pulpit during the Sunday Service at churches across the state to encourage youths to go to college,” as reported on the CSU website.

The concerns surrounding the pending repeal on Prop. 209 has CSUSB faculty trying to help those that are considered to be disenfranchised.

“We [CSU] accept the top third of California high school graduates,” said Christine Degano, director of student recruitment and visitor services at CSUSB. “Admission decisions are based on meeting admission requirements, they are not based on race or gender.”

“Prop. 209 promotes equality, not discrimination, by making sure that all UC applicants are evaluated on the basis of race-neutral factors, not arbitrary considerations, such as racial distinctions,” said Sharon Brown, Connerly’s attorney, in the *New York Times*

While other students advocate for this bill and hope the Supreme Court’s rule on

the law will still stand.

“I do agree, minorities are underprivileged but by getting rid of Prop. 209 this will make minorities feel like they can’t succeed on their own,” said student Priscilla Leon. “Academics should be any university’s number one goal, they may want to cater to minorities but you don’t want to create an injustice for the majority.”

In addition to the Ninth Circuit appellate court, the state Supreme Court has also denied two other previous challenges against Prop. 209, citing the law unconstitutional.

Critics of proposition 209 are hoping the repeal of a 14- year old ruling by the Supreme Court for the state of Texas, that allows universities to consider races as admittance factors in an attempt to promote diversity, will come out in their favor.

“I think it is important to really look at the issues here. Everyone deserves a fair chance, and the reality of it is not everyone is afforded the same opportunities,” said Charles Lipton, a African American student.

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CSUSB gears up for Relay for Life

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lost to the disease.

The relay will take place on the track next to the Rec Center.

In the evening the track will be lit with luminaria bags, which are decorated and usually lit with a candle inside.

There will be a Relay Rally on Feb. 27 outside of Pfau Library.

It will feature games, activities and plenty of information on those interested in Relay.

Bates describes Relay as an emotional rollercoaster.

It begins with the Opening Ceremony where cancer survivors take the first lap around the track.

It continues with the Remembrance Ceremony and then the Fight Back Cer-

emony, where the participants battle against the disease.

“We are all so self-aware. We need to look at the bigger picture. There is something we can do. What is 24 hours out of your life? Everybody gets affected by cancer,” said Bates.

Nayeli Maravillas and Jacqueline Garza are the event’s chair and co-chair.

There will be a team captain meeting March 1 for those interested in the Relay.

It is \$10 to sign up and participate as a non-survivor.

The event is free for all cancer survivors.

For more information on the CSUSB Relay for Life e-mail Maravillas or Bates at csusbrelay4life@gmail.com or visit <http://www.facebook.com/csusbrelayforlife>.

It’s not just a quiet place to study

By **LIZBETH LOPEZ**
Staff Writer

The John M. Pfau Library is an academic resource with the sole purpose to support the teaching and research of CSUSB. It provides more than just a quiet place to study.

We often believe that the Internet is a perfectly good substitute for the library, but we can find ourselves drowning in information that may not be reliable due to the numerous amount of paid advertisements and commercials that are found on it.

Internet access is just one feature in the library but should not be treated as its replacement.

Many people also think that our very own Pfau Library is just a place to hop onto the Internet and print their papers, but it is much more than that.

Sometimes there is no process to check information accuracy through the Internet and we all know or should know that our academic library provides scholarly and professional information rather than the top best sellers that you would normally find at your local public library or retail store.

“Unfortunately, not a lot of students know how to use the resources in the library to the best of their ability and there is too much dependence on the Internet,” said Danielle Holloman a junior English literature major.

Being a book lover, Holloman is satisfied to see that at least students respect the fact that the library is meant to be used as a

quiet study facility.

The Pfau Library is not just a good place to study, it is also a place that you can find many scholarly articles through databases that have gone through an extensive and sophisticated review. The article are then arranged in a standard way so the information is easy for us to find.

For those articles or books that are not available online or on the database due to copyright issues, you can certainly find

not owned by or not available at our library but that can be found available at another library.

Even though we live in the 21st century and our generation is technology-driven not everyone has access to a computer or Internet at home and these services are provided to all students.

We do however have to come to the realization that the Internet is a limited source with a commercial interest and that

All scholarly articles that we find in the library’s database are free for all registered students versus having to pay for it through a company.

I know that the great majority of us have at some point felt like we hit a brick wall and cannot find it in ourselves to get a paper started because our minds go blank or we just simply do not know where to start.

Most of us do not realize that one of the most important library services is the reference desk. The technicians are always eager to help and point us in the right direction. I have personally sat at their desk several times because I wasn’t able to find a scholarly article that supported my thesis and they were able to help find many ideas for my papers.

If you are looking for a quiet environment with a variety of desks, tables, cubicles and lounge chairs for peaceful study, along with research and reading environments on all floors, then the library is for you. This alone is a great reason to visit the Pfau Library.

Also you can reserve a group study room on the third, fourth and fifth floors directly from the Pfau Library website if you need to do group projects or study in groups.

For many students, the library is the only place that they can get that two to six hours of study time during the week because I know that I cannot get anything done if I attempt studying at home.

Take advantage of this resource you pay for with your tuition, when you graduate you will struggle finding it elsewhere.



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Students need to remember that the library is still a place with books and people that are waiting to help with research.

them in the library.

Some people could say that a physical library has a finite number of books. In an effort to resolve that issue, the Pfau Library has a free service called the Interlibrary Loan (ILL), providing access to materials

we are here to develop critical thinking skills and enhance our research skills.

Our library works with the Internet to bring patrons information and provide computer and Internet access to students that can’t afford it.

Life would be boring if we were all the same

By **DOMINIQUE STERLING**
Staff Writer

Some students and professors may argue that it may be easier for a Chinese teacher to teach Chinese students, or for an African American teacher to African American students etc., but I don’t believe that is the case. I believe that a professor who is open to differences has the ability to teach any student.

I don’t believe that you have to be the same race, age, gender or sexuality etc. to share the same experiences or gain new perspectives.

CSUSB is one of the most diverse campuses that I have ever experienced. From the teaching staff to the enrolled students, there is a lot of diversity within this campus.

What is diversity? Throughout my studies I have learned the term diversity does not just cover the basis of race but includes age, gender, sexuality, etc.

As CSUSB pushes to increase the diversity in its staff, students are now left to enjoy the benefits. Growing up I attended a predominately Caucasian elementary and junior

high school where the only other African American kids attending my school were my brother and sister.

I was never picked on or segregated against which made it easy for me to look beyond skin color. Although race has never been an issue for me it is still nice to see someone like you in your surrounding environment.

Some may argue that my school had no diversity. No, it wasn’t very racially diverse, but I experienced age, gender and sexuality diversity within my predominately Caucasian Catholic school.

Throughout most of my schooling I have always had Caucasian teachers, not until my second year attending Indiana State University did I encounter an African American teacher. After transferring to CSUSB my second encounter with an African American teacher didn’t come until my second year here.

I found it as a nice surprise, but didn’t think my learning experience would be changed due to the fact that my teacher was African American.

To continue receiving the full benefits of diversity students should try to be open-minded. Be careful not to mistake this with unnecessarily agreeing with everything,

but have a willingness to acquaint yourselves with the unfamiliar. This is something CSUSB students and faculty have embraced and are benefiting from.

“I think that the faculty well represents the students on this campus,” said professor Donna Gotch.

Diversity is among us every day, whether you choose to embrace it or not is your own decision.

“The reason I enjoy teaching on this campus opposed to other campuses is because of its diversity,” said Gotch.

Gotch said that campuses where she taught that had a lack of diversity simply bored her. Diversity does not lie within one race, gender, age or sexuality etc., but within the person themselves. Having an open mind allows you to embrace differences and acquaint yourself with them.

Throughout my entire college experience the teacher that I have learned most from is a youthful Caucasian woman that has more experiences then meets the eye. She has taught me many different things and taught me different life lessons.

Differences among us are what make each of us interesting; if we were all the same life would be boring so EMBRACE IT!

Campus housing hassle

By **ALEJANDRA ARANA**
Staff Writer

If you are thinking of moving to the on-campus housing that is available at CSUSB, don’t do it!

Housing charges way too much money to live in their little rooms with random people that cause too many problems.

They rarely allow residents to change rooms unless they jump through all the hoops put in place for us to deal with.

Having to deal with loud, obnoxious and rude roommates and neighbors is ridiculous and uncalled for. It needs to be easier to move to a different room, but campus housing just makes your life hard if you try to.

I do not pay over \$700 a month to be kept up until 2 a.m. every night just because the people above me like to play the music extremely loud and stomp on the floor as they walk the 15 steps from room

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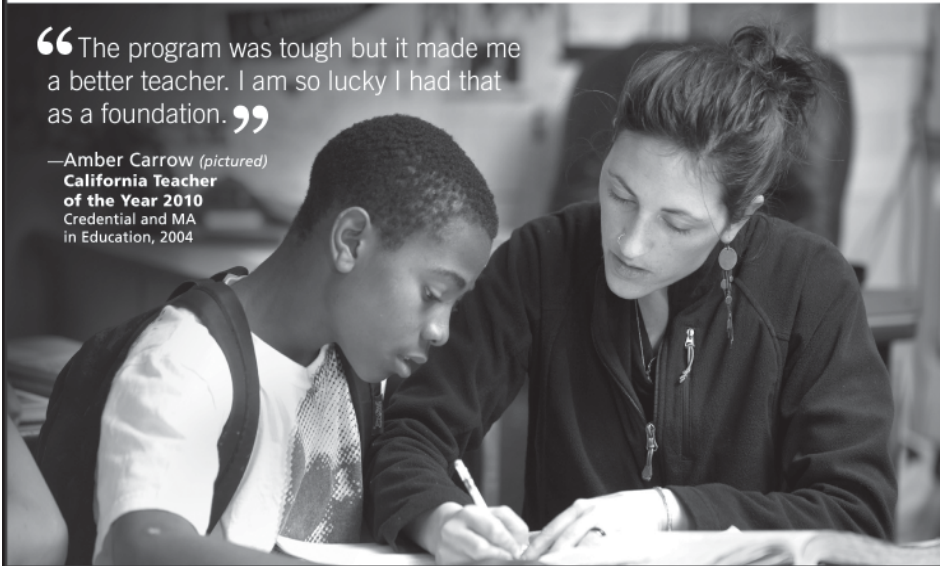
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The red tape that goes along with campus housing makes off-campus complexes more attractive for students-residents.

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The two-party system in America mostly involves one party finding fault with the other one rather than solving problems.

Two-party system hurting America

By **KIMBERLY “CHARLIE” TRELOAR**
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Did you know that as of today the nation is currently over \$15 trillion in debt? Every day that amount increases \$3.99 billion according to www.brillig.com/debt clock.

And the debt is not going anywhere. Today we have a two-party system that makes the decisions for the United States. They are of course the Republicans and the Democrats.

When you turn 18 you are asked to register to vote and asked to pick a party to be affiliated with.

Contrary to the popular mindset, you don't have to register to be either Republican or Democrat; in fact you can pick from 41 other parties that are listed or you can simply decline to state.

Some of the more well-known parties are the Green Party, the Libertarian Party, and the Socialist Labor Party of America.

It is my opinion that one of the biggest real issues with our government today is having the two-party system that controls everything.

Perhaps it is time for a reformation. There are some who would argue that having a two-party system has worked for so long so why fix something that isn't broken?

This is in fact the same mentality that has gotten the country in the position it is in today.

It has also helped to destroy our nation and cause it to begin to crumble financially and morally.

I would disagree with those who say that our two party system is still leading us to greatness, and instead I would say that there is clearly little evidence that this system is doing us any good.

All it is doing is giving the two parties an excessive amount of power over the people here in the U.S.

Neither the Republicans nor the Democrats seem to have much of an interest anymore in doing what is best for the nation, they just seem to care about saying whatever will get them elected.

Perhaps at one point in time they did put our best interests first, but that was quite some time ago and it is evident that this is no longer the case.

Their interests have moved away from taking care of the U.S. to trying to keep the

power on their side of the aisle in Congress. It really is too similar to the childhood game of “keep away.” The leaders of the these two parties often act like just that, children.

“When I turned 18, I didn't register to vote. In fact it took me six years before I finally registered. The whole two party system disgusts me so much that I didn't want to be affiliated with either. So when I finally did register to vote I chose Independent. Because I wanted to think of myself as being independent of both parties and their drama,” said student Jacklynn Hudson.

Have you noticed that neither party will work with the other, yet they blame each other for the nation's many issues?

This has prevented people from receiving disaster relief, forced an increase in gas prices, a decrease in jobs, and even those students who may be on unemployment right now but won't get extensions because Congress has yet to make a decision on the budget.

One solution I feel might help us is that we begin by reforming elections laws.

First, only allow public funding for campaigns, this limits the amount of money in the fund that can be used.

Then every party that wants to have a primary and send that person to be elected for president of the U.S. would receive the same funding from the Presidential Election Campaign Fund to use for their campaign.

Second, taking any private funds would not be allowed and would be considered illegal.

Third, any party would be able to register for elections.

And fourth, all parties would receive the exact same amount of money for their campaign.

We need to outlaw gerrymandering, which is a way each of the parties guarantee themselves seats in Congress every year by drawing district lines so their supporters are all in one district.

This results in ridiculous zig-zag shapes instead of more reasonable shapes that will call for fairer elections. With competitive elections being held, real issues will be discussed.

The White House and Congress should and would no longer be for sale if we were to reform the election laws.

Holding public office is an honor, not a job!

Red tape makes student-residents' lives hard

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to kitchen.

When students apply to live on campus, they are made to sign forms of agreement that specifically say the rules of a roommate change so students know what they are getting themselves into.

Housing allows room changes only if they are justifiable by their rules and if they have the space to move people around.

According to the housing website, information is provided to students about room changes and ways to solve problems among roommates. But, they make everything so time-consuming and stressful by having to have every form approved, all sorts of appointments set up and showing proof of your reason.

My friend Maria Medel moved out fall quarter from Serrano Village after a very long process that left her stressed beyond compare.

“It was such a long process to even ask to move out, I had to go to housing ask for a form, get that form approved then fill out another form that asked me to prove my reasons for wanting to move out, and then wait until that was approved,” said Medel.

Some residents have to be approved by their Resident Assistant (RA). If ap-

proved by them the resident has to go to their Area Coordinator of Residential Education by appointment only and then they may be eligible to be approved to move out.

“I totally agree that housing takes too long to change rooms for students,” said Cristin Hoel, who was my roommate last year and with whom we shared a very rough year with one particular roommate.

It took three separate meetings, along with some individual interviews and hours from our schedule to get that one roommate out of our apartment for being rude and disrespectful.

If housing made the process easier students would be happier residents and more people would recommend others to live on campus.

If the process of changing rooms doesn't become easier then more students will want to live off-campus and there will be vacant rooms that are not providing revenue to CSUSB.

So CSUSB students, think about your room situation right now.

If you are a student looking for roommates to live on campus with: save your money and go someplace else.

You'll save buckets of money a month, live with your friends without worrying about everyone around you and still be able to get a good education.

If housing made the process easier students would be happier residents and more people would recommend others to live on campus.



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Fruits, vegetables and nuts are full of essential vitamins, minerals and fibers that promote a healthier body. Foods such as these can be found in almost every grocery store but choices for healthier options start with you; be proactive in your diet.

Healthful choices improve well-being

By YEZI CHO
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Many people know vegetables are better for your health than junk food. However, many Americans still like to eat greasy, salty fast food.

Food is important to contribute to your well-being and help prevent disease. Therefore, we need to know what foods benefit our body and in what way.

There are various healthy foods people should eat, depend-

ing on the results they want to achieve such as deeper sleep and a stronger immune system.

According to WebMD.com, foods such as eggs, potatoes, fish, avocado and whole grains help promote better sleep. These foods are rich in tryptophan, an amino acid that crosses your blood and brain barrier and are used to make a hormone called serotonin.

Lighter foods such as fruits, vegetables and drinks like tea, are better snacks to have before bed since they are low in sodium and

are easier for your body to break-down and digest.

As for eating heavy foods and drinks such as chocolates, coffees, alcohol and Jack in the Box before bed may affect your sleep.

Individuals should be careful not to indulge too much, especially foods from fast food chains that have very high amounts of sodium compared to other options.

There is also food that helps the immune system during the

changing seasons.

Nuts, seeds and whole grains are full of natural vitamin E which helps rejuvenate skin cells and adds healthy proteins to hair and nails.

This is very beneficial during dry summer and winter seasons, keeping your appearance healthy and skin moisturized.

Immune systems get weak especially during the cold winter months, so at least five servings a day of the recommended fruit and vegetable group is especially

important. If you find this hard to achieve, head to your local supermarket and grab a multi-vitamin or even a Naked Juice.

Students can find more information and help with making easy, nutritious choices right here on campus at the Student Health and Psychological Counseling Center and at the Nutrition Department.

Food high in fiber may help prevent cancer, hypertension and diabetes by decreasing blood

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Catholic Newman Club provides spiritual outlet

By MARINA RANGEL
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The Catholic Newman Club (CNC) is working to bring communities together on campus by providing a stable outlet of religious education and discussion.

Joined by schools like University of Redlands, CNC is a major part of the San Bernardino Diocese's campus ministry.

Campus ministry works to bring worship, liturgy, charity and education to college students.

"To give a Catholic presence to a public campus is the biggest thing," said student Hernan Calderon.

The CNC was able to hold an Ash Wednesday Mass Feb. 22. in the SMSU Event Center, which brought together almost 200 people.

Many students that attended Ash

Wednesday Mass were new faces and told current members they had no idea there was a Catholic club on campus.

Upon meeting some of CNC's members, I was welcomed with open arms. The experience was unbelievably pleasant.

Most meetings, which are held on Thursdays from 4-6 p.m., include guest speakers and deep, open discussion on a hot topic. For example, presentations include stem cell research, marriage or sexuality.

Of course the big topic in the news today is President Obama's health plan requiring faith based organizations to provide contraceptives despite their use being against Catholic religious beliefs.

Students I talked to did not have much to say on the matter. This was not the case for the CNC advisor.

"We are the recipients of life and anything that kills life we are not going to like," said Sister Maria Asopesio Iosefo.



Courtesy of the Catholic Newman Club

The Catholic Newman Club brings students together to discuss their beliefs and stresses they all face in everyday life.

Discussions on current events and how religion plays a role in students' lives is what the CNC focuses on.

"Students are able to explore themselves and their personal talents," said stu-

dent Daniel Lopez.

The CNC has participated in many community service events, the Walk for Life held in San Francisco for exam-

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Pinterest becomes online sensation

By TOM STILLWAGON
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Imagine having a pinboard on the Internet. Every time you find something of interest online and you plan to revisit it later on, you can simply pin up your findings to share with others. This virtual pin board saves everything you tag, neatly cataloged, until you are ready to look over it further.

Pinterest.com, the latest trend in popular social network websites, does just that.

All social network sites have some niche with which they hold an upper hand on their competition. Facebook has your personal friends, Twitter has the news and Pinterest focuses on image sharing. The user creates collections of images, which are basically themed folders. People can dedicate their collections to just about anything.

For example, one page I reviewed on the site had a collection of books the user was a fan of, a collection of hairstyle recommendations for brides-to-be, a recipe collection and one she called “funny signs from the internet.”

These organized boards can be shared between users, similar to other social media sites.

When you pin a new image or item, followers of your page are able to see them, similar to when you post an item on your Facebook page. Viewers of your pins can also re-pin items to their page, or comment on the items pinned on your page.

After a few minutes perusing the site, it becomes obvious why this is becoming a trend so quickly. The variety of choices presented in users’ collections is astound-

ing. From high end art to quick snack recipes, Pinterest certainly passes the time.

Jason Falls, writer for Entrepreneur.com, recently researched the site, noting that the sites popularity skyrocketed at the end of 2010. Falls found that the site received 1.6 million unique hits in September and then 7 million in December.

Falls noted that if you seek followers, your best bet is to focus on quality photos.

“The best images, be they funny, beautiful or thought provoking, attract the most attention and followers,” stated Falls.

Pinterest is gaining popularity quickly, and at least one other company has jumped on the bandwagon. iTunes offers an app version of the service, compatible with iPhone, iPod touch and iPad. iTunes describes Pinterest as “a Virtual Pinboard. It lets you organize and share all the beautiful things you find in your life.”

According to Wikipedia, Facebook had over 155 million users in the U.S. as of May 20, 2011. Pinterest still has a long way to go to meet those numbers, although it appears to be on the right track.

According to internet statistics and marketing company RJ Metrics, in six months, Pinterest has grown from “effectively non-existent to one of the top 100 sites on the web.”

The study conducted by RJ Metrics also found that 80 percent of pins posted to Pinterest were re-pins. When compared to the 1.4 percent of tweets that are retweets on Twitter, the social networking power of Pinterest becomes increasingly obvious.

Palo Alto based Cold Brew Labs owns and manages the Pinterest site. The site launched in March 2010.



Courtesy of the Catholic Newman Club

Catholic Newman Club protest against President Obama's health plan that requires the distribution of contraceptives.

CNC brings communities closer

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ple, and they have weekly Mass every Wednesday.

CNC's president, Krystal Nunez informed me that once a month Theology on Tap is held in a local pizza parlor or pub where many universities come out for discussion.

In reference to the Lenten season, CNC plans to take members on a retreat between now and Easter to remind Catho-

lics what Lent is about.

Campus clubs are a great way to get more involved with school and spend time doing things you enjoy with others that share the same interests. The CNC is a great example of that.

Students are joined together by faith and able to make friends who experience similar stresses and temptations while maintaining a personal relationship with God.



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Fruits and vegetables are a good source of vitamins that also provide antioxidants which help your immune system.

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cholesterol concentrations. According to The Cancer Project, there are two types of fiber: soluble and insoluble. Soluble is a fiber found in fruits and vegetables that dissolve in water and flushes out toxins. Insoluble fibers are found in grains but do not dissolve in water and improve waste removal.

Blueberries in particular act as an antioxidant to help your immune system grow stronger by neutralizing oxygen free radicals. However, according to the Nutrition Department, varying your fruit choices is important because different fruits differ in nutrient content.

Some people don't like to eat garlic due to its strong scent. However, according to kaboose.com, garlic contains compounds, such as allicin—an oily substance which gives it the characteristic odor and provide its antioxidant properties. Garlic strong scent functions as an antibacterial

substance which can protect your body against cold viruses.

Another immune-boosting food is broccoli. It is jam-packed full of vitamin C, more than an orange, and also contains vitamins E, K, iron, riboflavin and can help prevent cancer.

Instead of going out to eat, student Pamela Cormire usually makes her own meals, which often contain many fruits and vegetables.

“I don't like American fast food because it is unhealthy. I don't even drink soda; I think eating habits are based on the way people are raised. My mother always cooks because she considers our family's health and has the time for it,” said Cormire.

We are lucky to live in California because of the diverse fresh fruits and vegetables that are available to us. Coupled with balancing your nutrition and staying active, Coyotes can manage a long and healthful life.

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Coyote Music Society funds talent scholarships

By **EMERALD COLLINS**
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So you may think you can dance, but how about becoming an expert in swing dance? The Coyote Music Society is here to help you jitterbug to perfection.

The group is kicking off their first Swing Night in conjunction with the CSUSB Music Department Tuesday Feb. 28 in the SMSU Event Center from 6:30 p.m to 10 p.m.

The night will include Swing dance lessons and live music and dancing, featuring DJ Johnny Boi spinning Swing and Top 40 tunes.

All proceeds of the event will go toward funding student music scholarships.

The Coyote Music Society (CMS) has dedicated their events to funding three scholarships, including the Joseph K. Thomas Scholarship, Arthur A. Moore-field Memorial Scholarship, Music Performance Awards.

The CSUSB Jazz Ensemble, which placed in the top ten at the Reno Jazz Festival in 2007 and 2008, will be performing a variety of big band Swing to make you get out of your seat and on the dance floor to show off your new dance moves.

“Expect a good night of jazz for those who have a love for the music,” said Scott Earl, public relations coordinator.

Robin Hernandez will be showing attendees how to swing to the Big Band music and enjoy themselves in the process.



Courtesy of CSUSB Music Department

The Coyote Music Society along with the music department and Robin Hernandez bring together a night filled with free swing dance lessons, DJ and live music from the Jazz Ensemble.

Hernandez was also the dance instructor for last month’s event, The Latin Jazz Ensemble.

The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. with swing dance lessons by Hernandez, leading to the Jazz Ensemble taking the stage at 7:30 p.m. and concluding with DJ Johnny Boi at 8:30 p.m.

“There is not any local events that host and play this kind of music,” said Earl.

Why not spend the night learning to swing dance the night away, enjoy good

company and show off your new dance moves to everyone you know?

The CMS and music department are periodically hosting events for the community to enjoy, thanks to a dedicated organization, staff and faculty.

Tickets are available in the box office and online for \$11 general admission, \$9 senior, faculty and staff and \$6 for students.

More details are available at the Theater Arts Building’s box office and the Music Department website.

There will also be upcoming events, one featuring singing band Manhattan Transfer and CSUSB Jazz Ensemble on June 30 and many more to come.

Dance the night away and help fund music scholarships and education for fellow Coyotes.

The Jazz Ensemble is always open to recruit new members in their band, regardless of majors. The band will be also performing at this year’s annual Reno Jazz Festival.

Diaries of a Jet Setter

A guy’s guide to getting lost in Chicago

By **R. ANTHONY DIAZ**
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Mobsters, trains, machine guns and godly skyscrapers. Most people associate dark things to Chicago but it is anything but.

In fact, looking in you really notice its true beauty when you’re sailing on Lake Michigan and see the skyline.

All of a sudden the city sound becomes faint while the sun sets in the East and the city lights up like a pile of diamonds glistening on the horizon.

Although it is a beautiful city it still has its flaws. I did not realize I had stepped into risky territory until it was too late.

I found myself working for Tony Demasi, founder of Tsunami Capital and the Tsunami Foundation.

Along with many driven men who have made millions every day trading in the pits of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, Demasi lived his life like Entourage and the Sopranos.

I quickly found myself popping bottles next to Nate Berkus and Michael Jordan’s wife and almost every Chicago Bulls and Cubs player.

A phone call got me VIP at every posh place in the city, no lines, free drinks and at after-parties with The Killers and Jermaine Dupri.

Life in the fast lane never lasts for some, but for others there are many empires to be built in a city like Chicago.

Partying until the sun began to peek through skyscrapers was an experience of its own.

Though the city is very glamorous and life still exists at night, I was over it.

The city has extremities in every direction; no matter what road you choose to go down it is a definite sight to see and a world beyond others.

What is so spectacular about this part of the Midwest are the seasons. Whether it is spring time and there are a million tulips lining Michigan Avenue or it is snowing, you can feel the spirit of the city flow through your soul like a rush of excitement.

Listen to Petula Clarks’ “Downtown,” next time your driving downtown, it is the perfect song!

Like any other city, it has its tourist spots like the Pier, Millennium Park and the many museums and galleries the city has to offer.

Keep in mind every Chicago neighborhood has a different personality and something different to offer everyone.

When I lived in the city I lived with three friends, all blondes and all wild. Every day was a story in itself, but we nestled in Lincoln Park near De Paul University.

This is like the college town part of the city, it has something fun for everyone.

Then there is Boystown, a tragedy waiting to happen. There are no rules, anything goes and every time you’re in the neighborhood you are asking for trouble. This is definitely a favorite spot, and like other places in the city, many bars and



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Every summer I sail Lake Michigan with my closest friends. The firework shows are among the best to see in Navy Pier.

clubs are open until 4 a.m.

The Wicker Park neighborhood has a lot of shopping as does Old Town and any other part of the city, but if you want unique boutiques and enjoy walking—have at it!

Bucktown and Logan Square are for the more younger families and crazy artsy kids. In Logan Square I found myself drinking wine at underground art shows and dancing the night away in shoulder to shoulder crowded lofts with kids who just loved life!

You must go to a Cubs game, the roof top seats are great too if the ball park is sold out. Before or after the game, Wrigleyville is key.

It’s a college bar neighborhood, where every bar is like a neighborhood ESPN.

There are plenty other neighborhoods that have their fun and perks but these are the few I wanted to highlight.

My favorite breakfast place is still Sarkis Cafe in Evanston and Egg Harbor in Arlington Heights, both Chicago suburbs. After starting your day off at one of these places your breakfast experience will never be the same no matter what city you are in.

Along with these, the best dinner place in the city is the Signature Room on the 57th floor of the Hancock Tower. The views are unlike any other and their Sunday champagne brunch is stellar!

If you really want to do Chicago like a rock star, a few of my favorite places for popping bottles are Stone Lotus, The Underground, Studio Paris, Lumen and Bull and Bear. The pre-game try Japonais or The Drake.

Remember if you want breakfast and or dinner at 4 a.m., Tempo serves a full menu and is probably the only thing open downtown. Chicago— my kind of town!



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Local favorites Violet Sun perform in the SMSU bay during the Underground Music Society's Rock-A-Holics Happy Hour on Feb. 23. The spirited music showcase represented a diverse collection of rock & roll groups from around the Inland Empire.

By **JUSTIN MATHEW DENNIS**
Staff Writer

Music from the Rock-A-Holics Happy Hour filled the student union on Feb. 23. The Underground Music Society held an event to support and promote local bands from the Inland Empire. The Underground Music Society is all about promoting music culture and conscience on CSUSB campus. The Local Band Spotlight introduced three local bands: Psychedelic Milk, Feather Static and Violet Sun. These bands offered a good variety of rock music, from a

classic rock sound to an acoustic feel. The first band, Psychedelic Milk, has an interesting music style that does a good job of grabbing the listener's attention. "It's rock and roll with a hint of psychedelia," said bass player Russ Rosenwirth. There is one major message that the band would like to send through their music. "Rock and roll may be dying, but it's not dead yet!" said vocalist Chasen Landery. The band is set to release their new EP at the end of March. Feather Static is a hometown band made of old friends and fam-

ily. Manueles Duran, a CSUSB student and drummer for Feather Static says that their message in the music is simply, "Good times and rock and roll!" Their band name, Feather Static, reflects their music style they master the balance between hard and soft rock like yin and yang. Feather Static is looking forward to eventful summer with tours and gigs that would get the band more recognition. "Our goal is not necessarily to be rich, but we definitely do want to make a living out of this," said German Iniguez, one of Feather Static's vocalists.

Violet Sun brought an acoustic style to the performance. Describing their music style as experimental pop, vocalist and guitar player Jay Valdez says their sound was influenced by other bands like The Beatles and Portugal, the Man. The members formed during a series of random events where each member joined from previous bands of their own. The name 'Violet Sun' references to beautiful beginnings and they encourage people to take care of our planet and try to go green. "If you have a big pile of trash, would you throw it in the

middle of your living room? Of course not, because that's your home," Valdez said. "If you wouldn't do that in your house, why would you throw a bag of trash in the street?" Underground Music Society coordinator Emmanuel Rodriguez described the Rock-A-Holics Happy Hour as a success. Based on this show's popularity, Rodriguez wants to have a Local Band Spotlight show at least once a month. "People came and had a good time," said Rodriguez. "The bands came together and worked together. I definitely see it as a success."

Glasper and friends create music magic

By **RYAN HESTER**
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The Robert Glasper Experiment's highly anticipated new album, *Black Radio*, is a mesmerizing blend of jazz and hip-hop. Just one listen to this album and you will be hooked. Glasper is known mainly for his hip-hop and jazz combinations that give life to his music. He draws out unrestrained and spontaneous vibes with many of the artists he works with and conceives a new and exciting kind of jazz. The band includes Glasper on the piano, Vincente Archer on bass, Chris Dave on drums and Casey Benjamin playing the alto saxophone and vocoder. Glasper, originally from Houston, puts his artistically versatile abilities up front, which emphasizes the musical experience. "I started my own thing in 2002, and that comes with composition," Glasper said in an interview with *The Revivalist*. "You become yourself when you write compositions. Jazz is a mixture of everything, that's why it's changed so much. It's a living and breathing thing." His vision for this album was to cater to a different set of fans, opening the ears of others and critics to different genres. He wanted to connect with the jazz sound, rather than take it over. "I wanted to do a record that showcased the fact that we play with artists in other genres," said Glasper on his website. "The album has more of an urban, hip-hop,

soul kind of vibe, but the spine of it all is still a jazz spine." "Ah Yeah," one track from the album, is a tranquil and thought-provoking song that evokes blissful feelings. "Afro Blue," featuring Erykah Badu, is an absolutely joyful, soulful song that is filled with beautiful harmonies. "I want to be like Stevie Wonder or Michael Jackson in everybody's iPod," said Glasper, "I don't want to just hand it to the jazz cats. I want to cater to the hip-hop cats, and to the rock cats." Listeners will be inspired by the creativity and talent the Experiment has to offer. *Black Radio* draws from jazz, hip-hop, R&B and rock but refuses to be pinned down by any one tag. The extraordinary thing about *Black Radio* is how Glasper was able to pile so many different voices into one great album. There is an impressive list of collaborators on the album: Lalah Hathaway, Shafiq Husayn, Erykah Badu, Musiq Soulchild, Chrisette Michele, KING, Lupe Fiasco, Bilal, Ledisi, Meshell Ndegeocello, Stokley Williams and Yasiin Bey (formerly known as Mos Def) all lend their vocals to Glasper's songs. "Everyone just said yes, period, we'll do it," said Glasper, "It was smoother than I ever thought it would be to get all these great, amazing artists to come together and do this project." Make no mistake: *Black Radio* is a musical force to be reckoned with. The album will drop on Feb. 28.



Photo courtesy of Blue Note Records

Robert Glasper has collaborated with a number of great artists on his newest album, including Erykah Badu and Ledisi.

Getting ready for the end of the world

“Mass Effect 3” is set to arrive in March and is fueling speculation that it may be the most exciting game of 2012

By **BRIAN CHIDUEME**
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In “Mass Effect 3,” Earth is in trouble yet again, and how you plan to save the galaxy is greatly influenced by the choices and decisions that you’ve made in the past. Gamers and critics such as GamesRadar have been hailing the franchise as the apex of “video games as a storytelling medium.”

Since the franchise’s birth on the Xbox 360 in 2007, “Mass Effect” effectively chronicled the story of Commander Shepard and his role in leading an intergalactic struggle against a race of extraterrestrial machines known as the Reapers.

At the same time, developers BioWare rewarded gamers with the ability to customize Commander Shepherd at will.

“Mass Effect” also serves as an introduction to what’s possible for the future of storytelling in video games, such as richly detailed and lifelike characters and an expansive storyline that alludes to “Star Trek” by boldly going where no other games have gone before.

In this final chapter, the decisions your character made in the past games “Mass Effect” and “Mass Effect 2” will come full circle, along with your teammates’ fates.

The demo that was released on Valentine’s Day gave players a glimpse of both the amount of improvements and overhauls made to each of the game’s highest points, from the series effective use of the Unreal Engine 3 to a greater emphasis on combat



Photo courtesy of BioWare

“Mass Effect 3,” the third installment of one of gaming’s greatest titles, will raise the bar for story-driven sci-fi gaming.

to make the game more appealing and accessible to a wider audience of gamers.

The single-player portion will allow gamers to choose between three different campaign modes: action, story and role-playing.

While the action and story modes let the player choose between experiencing Earth’s final stand from a direct focus on

combat or a direct focus on storytelling. It is highly recommended for the player to experience the game on role-playing mode to partake in the full “Mass Effect” experience.

The game will also include a co-op similar to the Horde mode in “Gears of War” called “Galaxy At War,” which allows four players to fight alongside one

another in missions that will play a role in influencing the single-player campaign.

While no characters from the campaign will be featured in the multiplayer, “Mass Effect 3” is not as much concerned about Commander Shepard more than the game is concerned about the bigger picture and how both the player and his teammates will react while taking arms against the Reapers.

The game’s focus on making combat more refined and accessible to players may not be as obvious to long-time franchise fans, but will show within the diversity of each battle.

What shows this diversity is that enemies will act more like a team by supporting each other in units, stressing the importance of the game’s revamped cover system. If the game is played on Hardcore mode, note that taking cover during battle is recommended.

The decision for Bioware to set “Mass Effect 3” after the ‘Arrival’ downloadable content pack in “Mass Effect 2” provides an obvious hint that there will be a huge amount of extra content that will be released as downloads. These downloads will enhance both the campaign and multiplayer experiences players will undertake in their quest to save the galaxy.

If “Halo 3” claimed to show players “the way the world ends,” “Mass Effect 3” will allow players to dictate the way the galaxy ends.

“Mass Effect 3” will be released on March 6.

Visions a Grimey mess

Montreal’s Grimes has managed to create one ugly album

By **KIMBERLY ROSALES**
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God-awful, weird and terrible are nicer terms to describe an electronica queen’s newest album.

Canadian songstress/producer Claire Boucher, who goes by the stage name Grimes, released her third album Feb. 21.

The record, *Visions*, honestly sounds like the official soundtrack to ADHD.

Though artists have the right to use their music as a form of expression and artistic freedom, Grimes’ record is more of an artistic piece of trash.

Grimes’ vocals throughout the entire album are high-pitched and baby-like which only proves to be freakishly annoying.

In an interview with Boucher by Fader TV, her voice has a much deeper tone than in her music. The contrast is so great between her speaking voice and her singing voice that it leads one to believe that she is a fake.

The opening track, “Infinite Love Without Fulfillment,” is awfully repetitive and infectious—and a not in a good way.

It’s so ‘catchy’ that it makes you want to smash your head through a wall just to

get it out of your head.

“Genesis,” one of her most popular tracks, sounds like you are experiencing a bad acid trip and has a weird space theme.

“Eight” is one of the weirdest tracks on the album that will have listeners asking themselves, “What the hell is this?”

“Vowels=Space and Time,” which is a stupid title to begin with, is reminiscent of Bjork, but in a horrible way.

At one point in the song, it sounds as if Grimes is trying to sing at a pitch that only dogs can hear. That kind of pitch should just be left to Mariah Carey.

The whole album drones on for far too long with the same god-awful sound

To a person who is not a die-hard fan of Grimes (though it’s impossible to imagine any exist), *Visions* might be the greatest thing since Beethoven’s “Ninth Symphony.” But to anyone who is not tone deaf, this album is an utter failure.

It’s a miracle Grimes’ career has lasted up to a third album. But then again, she has three albums out already and still no one knows who the hell she is.

That speaks louder for Grimes than her so-called “talent.” *Visions* is an absolute musical disaster.

“It sounds as if Grimes is trying to sing at a pitch that only dogs can hear”



Photo courtesy of 4AD Records

Claire Boucher, also known as “Grimes,” has created a headache-inducing joke of an album that is awful on every level.

Spring films set to excite

Five films that are guaranteed to enthrall film fans

By **MONIQUE CLARKE**
Staff Writer

This spring, forget the winter and head out to see some of the upcoming films you are dying to see.

“Project X,” “21 Jump Street,” “The Hunger Games,” “The Lucky One,” and “The Avengers,” are just some of the titles movie lovers are talking about.

If you’re planning to throw a party for spring break, take some party tips from the movie “Project X,” which lands in theaters March 5.

The comedy follows three high school seniors who decide the best way to make a name for themselves is to throw a wild party.

It completely spirals out of control, becoming the biggest party ever that nobody will forget. The film is said to be the next “Superbad,” but better and crazier.

If you don’t think “Project X” can’t top “Superbad,” just watch “Superbad” star Jonah Hill in the upcoming movie “21 Jump Street.”

Jonah Hill and Channing Tatum are cops who are assigned to go undercover as high school students in order to find a drug dealer that has taken grip of the streets.

The film is based on the ‘80s TV show that launched actor Johnny Depp’s career. Depp will make a cameo appearance in the movie, which is set for a March 16 release.

The week after, “The Hunger Games”

will be making it to the big screen on March 23. The film is based on a popular young-adult book series, which is rumored to be following the footsteps of “Harry Potter” and “Twilight” as the next billion-dollar movie franchise.

The highly anticipated movie stars Jennifer Lawrence (“Winter’s Bone”) as Katniss Everdeen, Josh Hutcherson (“The Kids are All Right”) as Peeta Mellark, and Liam Hemsworth (“The Last Song”) as Gale Hawthorne are all featured in this full-length film.

The story is set in a distant and dystopian future where one boy and girl from 12 districts are selected to compete in an annually televised competition, where the selected teenagers fight to the death on live television for entertainment.

Katniss volunteers to compete in the competition as a replacement for her younger sister. The film follows her journey and fight to live.

Fans of best-selling author, Nicholas Sparks, will be happy to see “The Lucky One” make it to the screen.

The film stars Zac Efron as an Iraq War veteran who returns home to find the mysterious woman who he believed was his ‘lucky charm’ during his tour in Iraq.

Marvel fans will be happy to know the long awaited movie “The Avengers” will land into theaters on May 4.

Actors Chris Evans, Robert Downey Jr. and Chris Hemsworth will be returning



Photo courtesy of Lionsgate

Katniss Everdeen (Jennifer Lawrence) readies her bow during “The Hunger Games,” a highly anticipated film for spring.

to their role as Captain America, Iron Man and Thor. Jeremy Renner as Hawkeye and Mark Ruffalo as the Hulk will be new and exciting additions to the superhero elite.

Everyone’s favorite superheroes are back to team up and fight super villain

Loki, and his out-of-this-world army from taking over the Earth.

Choosing from drama, comedy or action, this upcoming movie season should hold up any movie lover’s attention before summer blockbusters come along.

fun. puts the ‘fun’ in fun

By **KIMBERLY ROSALES**
Staff Writer

fun. brings a new sound to indie alternative with the release of their second album, *Some Nights*.

fun.’s popularity grew when “We Are Young” was featured in a Super Bowl commercial for the new Chevy Sonic and on the hit TV show, “Glee.”

fun. was then launched into the mainstream, leaving the band plenty excited about the possibilities.

“That’s just one of the coolest things that could possibly have happened,” said guitarist Andrew Dost in an interview with *Seattle Post Intelligencer*.

The New York-based band is comprised of founder and lead singer Nate Ruess, multi-instrumentalist Andrew Dost and Jack Antonoff on guitar.

All three of the band’s current members were former members of different bands: The Format, Anathello and Steel Train.

fun.’s lighthearted pop-rock sound nails an airy and delightful vibe without being too dramatic or using melodies that are overdone.

Since 2010, fun. has been the opening act for various popular alternative rock groups such as Jack’s Mannequin, Paramore and Panic! At The Disco.

The Washington Post compares fun.’s music to the innovative sounds of Panic! At The Disco and applauded them on their whimsical theatricality.

However, the band’s latest record, *Some Nights*, dropped Jan. 21 to mixed

reviews from fans.

While their first album, *Aim and Ignite*, was a huge hit with die hard fans but *Some Nights* is underwhelming in comparison.

The opening track “Some Nights (Intro)” features a slow, melodic lead that paints a picture of a fun house carnival in the listener’s mind.

The next track, “Some Nights,” which the album is titled after, is reminiscent of Queen’s “Bohemian Rhapsody.”

Nate Ruess’ vocals have the same high-pitched tone as Freddie Mercury’s, but with a modernized twist that works well.

The album is more inspirational as opposed to the usual heartache many artists whine about nowadays.

“Tonight/ we are young/ so let’s set the world on fire/ we can burn brighter/ than the sun,” sings Ruess, proving “We Are Young” as a feel good track.

The majority of the album’s tracks are more geared at empowerment towards life, which is evident in songs such as “Carry On” and “It Gets Better.”


Some Nights is far more synthesized and auto-tuned than *Aim and Ignite*, but not too heavily.

Producer Jeff Bhasker, who is famed for his work in the hip-hop genre, worked a unique dynamic into the band leaving the record true to form.

fun. shows great promise at such an early yet crucial stage in their career, and with vibrant collaborations and masterful lyrics, they are sure to be successful in the music world.

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- **Women's Basketball** vs. TBA (CCAA Tournament)
- **Golf** at CSUSB, All Day

Fri. Mar. 2

- **Softball** vs. UC San Diego, 12:00 p.m.
- **Baseball** at Cal State Stanislaus, 2:00 p.m.
- **Water Polo** vs. Cal State Monterey Bay, 2:00 p.m.
- **Water Polo** vs. Claremont-Mudd-Scripps Colleges, 6:30 p.m.
- **Men's Basketball** vs. TBA (CCAA Tournament at La Jolla)
- **Women's Basketball** vs. TBA (CCAA Tournament at La Jolla)

Sat. Mar. 3

- **Baseball** at Cal State Stanislaus, 11:00 a.m.
- **Softball** vs. UC San Diego, 12:00 p.m.
- **Water Polo** vs Whittier College (at Orange), 5:20 p.m.
- **Men's Basketball** vs. TBA (CCAA Tournament at La Jolla)
- **Women's Basketball** vs. TBA (CCAA Tournament at La Jolla)

Sun. Mar. 4

- **Baseball** at Cal State Stanislaus, 11:00 a.m.

Coyotes would pack a punch by packing Coussoulis Arena

By **ZION GUILLORY**
Staff Writer

Crowd participation is arguably an essential part to any performance, regardless of the event.

But the real question is, just how effective is the crowd participation for the performers? Could there be a level of intimacy that is felt between the performer and the crowd?

It is usually very easy to realize wheth-

er or not the crowd is feeling what is being presented to them. It's like when you can hear the crowd cheering you on, it motivates you to get that home stretch to the finish line. I can say that I wouldn't have gotten through a couple of them without the support of the crowd," said former track runner Amber McNulty.

The importance of crowd participation goes further than sports.

Student Terrell Matthews, who is a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, ex-

“I think the crowd helps our team tremendously with our home games. Some games we start off flat in which the crowd’s energy affects our play and gives us a better vibe and energy to play better.”

Aaron Hill
Former Coyote basketball player

er or not the crowd is feeling what is being presented to them.

When a team is playing an away game, there is no surprise that the home crowd will definitely try to distract those unfamiliar players through means of chants or boos.

Many present and past CSUSB student athletes believe that strong crowd participation makes a difference.

“It greatly helps because when the crowd is into the game cheering you on, it gives you confidence to play better,” said CSUSB basketball star Kwame Alexander.

Former basketball player Aaron Hill shared a similar point of view.

“I think the crowd helps our team tremendously with our home games. Some games we start off flat in which the crowd’s energy affects our play and gives us a better vibe and energy to play better,” said Hill.

Basketball isn't the only sport that feeds off the participation of the crowd.

“Yes! It really does help when the

pressed his feelings on crowd participation when they compete in stroll competitions.

A stroll competition is a contest between several fraternities or sororities in which they display their best signature dance steps in various line formations. The winner is decided based on the crowds applause for each team.

“We are putting on a show for them [the crowd], so we feed off of the energy that is given. When the crowd is really high energy and calling out at us, singing along with the music, it gets me hyped,” said Matthews.

“Sometimes I feel like I don't want to let the crowd down, especially when they are showing us love.”

There is a definite connection between the performers and the crowd that is sparked the very second the show begins.

It is safe to assume that the interaction between the two can ultimately steer the direction of the event, determining its success or failure.

This week in Sports History:

February 27, 1987

NCAA cancels Southern Methodist University's entire 1987 football schedule for gross violations of NCAA rules regarding athletic corruption

February 28, 1967

Wilt Chamberlain sinks NBA record 35th consecutive field goal

March 1, 1988

Wayne Gretzky passes Gordie Howe with his record 1,050th NHL assist

Coyote Jock Talk

Check out the
Coyote Jock Talk Blog
This week: Lakers vs. Clippers battle for Los Angeles' top spot.



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SPORTS TRIVIA

Each week the **Coyote Chronicle** will try to stump the students with sports trivia.

How many CCAA titles has CSUSB's women's basketball program won?

Answer to last week's question:

Boston Bruins, 1929-30 and Philadelphia Flyers, 1976

Water polo sees hope after first win

By **ALEXANDRA CANNADY**
Staff Writer

“One, two, three, Go Yotes!” chanted the CSUSB women’s water polo team after capturing their first win over the Vanguard Lions at the Feb. 17 Cal Baptist tournament.

The Coyotes defeated Vanguard 18-10, with contributions from everyone on the squad.

“We should have won by a lot more, but we will take it,” said captain Misty Vu, who scored six goals herself.

Jasmine Duran added three goals of her own, helping hold a 5-3 lead at the start of the match.

Duran and Vu were not the only studs throughout the game. Shelby McCliman, Shelle Kocher and Meghan McCarthy each scored two goals.

Vu said she was very impressed with the younger players on the squad.

“The bench players really stepped up. They proved they are ready to play and showed the starters they can always step up their game,” said Vu.

Bench players Kayla Barrow, Georgiana Bray and Sophie Smith scored the remaining three points, which helped lead to the eight-point victory over the Lions.

Head coach Sarah Reneker was impressed with her team, commenting on the stand-out performance by goalie Kelsey Purkiss.

“Purkiss has only had two weeks in the goal and has done a great job for our team,” said Reneker.

She dominated in the cage, saving eight opposition score attempts.

Earlier in the tournament the Coyotes had a rematch against Azusa Pacific, where they tried to avenge an earlier loss to the Cougars.

The squad led in the first quarter 3-2, but they could not hold the lead as Azusa outscored them 4-2 in the second.

“We are evenly matched with Azusa, but we just could not get the win. But it was a very good game,” said Reneker.

The ladies had a tough weekend de-

spite their win, as they suffered two more losses against Cal Baptist and Concordia-Irvine on Feb. 18.

Vu continued to rack up the points, scoring five out of the six goals made for the Coyotes against Cal Baptist in the early quarters.

Kocher made the last goal before the Coyotes were outscored 14-4 in the remaining quarters.

Purkiss also continued to impress with five saves in the cage during the second day of competition.

Madison Morris followed close with three blocks in the goal.

Although they suffered a loss, Reneker considers the match against Cal Baptist to be the best game they have played all season.

Concordia showed up strong, defeating the Coyotes 19-4 in the final match of the tournament.

Duran was the leading scorer for the Coyotes with two goals, while Vu and McCliman followed with one goal each.

Reneker may not be happy with three more losses on their record, but she still had good things to say about the tournament.

“Everything was positive. We worked well as a unit and came together this weekend, something we have had trouble with all season,” said Reneker. “We can only go up from here.”

While winning is still number one, Vu was happy to see their defense step up.

“Our offense will come along,” said Vu.

The team still has a long way to go, as they face rival Cal State Monterey Bay on March 2.

While their season has started off bumpy, this bunch of girls are relentless and will continue to play hard.

Coach Reneker and Captain Misty Vu will not allow their team to go out without a fight.

The victory, though followed by two losses, is a step in the right direction as the burden to win a game has finally been lifted off their shoulders.



Alexandra Cannady | Chronicle Photo
Water polo coach Sarah Reneker continues to drill her girls hard during practice, believing that they can save their season.

Women’s basketeball upsets Monterey Bay Otters

By **SHYNEESE WALTER**
Staff Writer

Women’s basketball split their games over a two-day stretch from Feb.17-18, losing a tough game and pulling out victorious in an improbable upset.

The last time the Coyotes met the Cal State East Bay Pioneers, they managed to pull away with a hard fought victory.

Feb. 17 was a different story as the Coyotes fell short of a victory by six points.

While on a tear as of late, the Coyotes leading scorers Angela Streets and Eliza Dy only combined to score 17 points in the contest.

It’s safe to say that the Pioneers shut them down.

The three-point game was lethal for East Bay in the first half as they shot a remarkable 60 percent from beyond the arc.

Head coach Kevin Becker acknowledged the three-point onslaught as a major turning point in the game.

“Defending the three-point line has been one of our strengths all season, but not in the first half vs. East Bay. Other than that area, we competed, came back and had a couple of opportunities to take the lead back late in the game,” said Becker.

Following the loss, the Coyotes pulled a major upset against the Cal State Monterey Bay Otters.

Winning by two points, the Coyotes managed to add another win to their record. It is not a secret that Monterey Bay has been one of the best teams in the conference, with an outstanding record of 17-7.

Becker was more than impressed by his team’s performance.

“It was the best the team had focused and executed the game plan all year. We were going to control the game with good team defense and rebounding, and utilize the shot clock to make sure we were getting quality shots, and moving the ball around,” said Becker.

“They played with poise and composure, and made some great defensive stops late in the game, after being down five with 3:08 left in the game. It was great for the kids to see the value of continuing to work hard and overcome adversity, especially on the road in front of a packed gym,” concluded Becker.

Saturday, Feb. 18 was a low scoring game for the Coyotes compared to others. CSUSB had 44 points while Monterey Bay managed a meek 42.

A solid defensive effort from both teams contributed to the low scoring affair. Becker felt that Monterey Bay was congesting the paint, making it hard for the Coyotes to drive to the basket.

The Lady Yotes were being patient on offense, not settling for the quick drive or the three-point shot. They only attempted four three-pointers that night.

Streets and Dy have been great this season but faltered under the Otters’ defensive pressure in this game. Streets only managed nine points while Dy could only contribute eight of her own.

Becker feels there was no reason in particular for their numbers being low in this game.

“They both played well and under control, considering they were getting all the defensive attention from Monterey Bay. Both Angela and Eliza moved the ball and found the open person,” said Becker.

The contributions from Dy and Streets this season has been amazing for the Coyotes. With the assistance of their two stars, the team has been able to turn their season around.

Becker emphasized that his two stars have provided the leadership that the team has needed in order to overcome certain obstacles.

They have been dynamic on the offensive end, impressively scoring more than half of the Coyotes’ points this season.

With their two stars playing at their best and their defense on point, the Coyotes have proven that they can truly hang with anyone in the league.

Although beating Monterey Bay was not their ultimate goal this season, it definitely serves as a confidence booster moving forward not only in this season, but in the future as well.



Coyote Chronicle: Athlete of the Week

Name: Cory Caruso

Sport: Baseball

Class: Senior

Moment:
Feb. 23 vs. Sonoma State
CSUSB pulled off an impressive
4-2 victory over the Sonoma
State Seawolves on Saturday,
Feb. 23. More impressive,
however, was the performance
of left-handed pitcher, Cory
Caruso. Caruso struck out nine,
allowing only four hits in six
innings of work. Caruso is 2-0
this season with a
remarkable 2.66 ERA in 20.1
innings pitched.

More about:
Caruso was drafted in Round 50
by the Florida (now Miami)
Marlins in the 2011 Major
League Baseball draft, but
elected to return to CSUSB for
his senior season. He is
currently a business
administration major.



Ben Delgado | Chronicle Photo
Caruso has been huge on the mound so far this season.

Squeezing their way into victory

By **SPENCER HIRSCH**
Asst. Sports Editor

Jeff Terzo and Kerry Kelley helped keep the Coyotes within striking distance on Feb. 19 against conference opponent Sonoma State University, as they delivered a combined six scoreless innings.

Catcher Eric Dow and shortstop Mike Newell rewarded Terzo's and Kelley's stellar performances on the mound, coming through with the game-tying and go-ahead hits in the bottom of the eighth to help lead the Coyotes to a 6-4 come-from-behind victory and 2-2 series split.

Kelley returned to the mound in the top of the ninth to finish off the hard fought comeback, as he struck out two of the final three hitters in lieu of recording his first win of the season.

"I was out there to put up zeros. I felt like all my pitches were on today. I feel like I had total command," said Kelley.

Terzo faced a minor bump in the road in the top of the fifth, as the Seawolves advanced two runners into scoring position with two outs.

The next Seawolf was retired however, grounding out to



Spencer Hirsch | Chronicle Photo

Mike Newell lays down the squeeze bunt on a 3-2 count to bring home Eric Dow from third in the bottom of the eight for the go-ahead run.

second to end the threat.

"That guy is not going to score no matter what it takes. It's like a game between you and the batter. You are going to do whatever you have to do to get him out," said Terzo.

Coyotes' head coach Don Parnell believes the comeback was made possible by Terzo and Kelley.

The Coyote offense was sparked by Alex Gutierrez's pinch-hit single in the bottom of the eighth to put runners on first and third with no outs.

Newell believes it was Gutierrez's hit that fired the team up.

"We really feed off of each other," said Newell.

Gutierrez advanced to second on Josh Herrera's sac bunt.

With both runners in scoring position and less than two outs, the stage was set for Dow to tie the game.

With one swing of the bat, all the momentum shifted to the Coyotes, as he ripped a single up the middle to tie the game.

"I got a fastball up and just

tried to stay short and compact with my swing. It felt really good to contribute and help the team out today," said Dow.

Dow advanced to third on a balk and wild pitch, which gave Newell an opportunity to give the 'Yotes the lead.

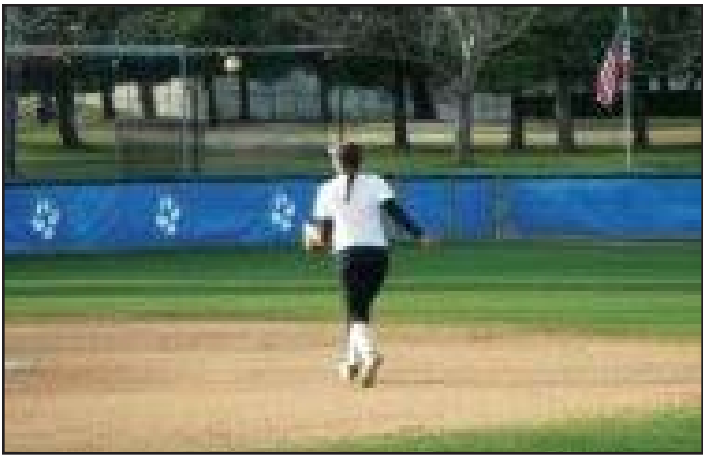
Newell cashed in on the opportunity on a 3-2 count, executing the squeeze bunt to perfection to bring Dow home with the go-ahead run.

"I knew I had it in me to put that squeeze down," said Newell.



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Softball is looking to utilize their speed on the base pads in order to score more runs.



Britney Carter | Chronicle Photo

With a few defensive adjustments, softball can become lights out on the defensive end.

Softball comes alive in weekend series

By **BRITNEY CARTER**
Staff Writer

The CSUSB softball team had a successful stint last weekend against San Francisco State with wins of 11-1 and 7-6.

It is no secret that the Lady Coyotes had a rocky start in the beginning of the season with a few rough games as they gave up quite a few runs, which resulted in losses.

"We lose focus," said head coach Tacy Duncan. "We think about getting the second out before we get the first. We're one step ahead of ourselves."

Although this has poorly affected them, the Lady 'Yotes are confident they have nowhere to go but up.

"Every game we are going to get better and build," said Duncan. "We just have

a lot of little things to work on."

By "little things" she means perfecting techniques such as communication among players, batting techniques and making sure overall that each player knows where they are supposed to be.

The most critical improvement needs to be offensive technique that rapidly needed improvement in order to win more.

"The key to winning games is hitting the ball on the ground," said Duncan. "Our runners are quick, so half of the battle is already won."

Players understand the necessity to improve in the batter's box.

"I needed help with my batting," said outfielder Jamie Leffingwell.

"I was struggling the whole weekend."

Despite her struggles, Leffingwell was

able to hit a home run, lifting the Coyotes' spirits to finish the game.

Leffingwell says she could not have done it without the support of her teammates, who helped her perfect her technique as well as cheered her on throughout the game.

While hitting the ball on the ground is a point of emphasis offensively, fielding ground balls is a minor hiccup that Duncan hopes to see improved upon.

After a rigorous week of practicing, along with leftover adrenaline from their outstanding performance last week, the 'Yotes are more than confident that they will be able to bypass this setback.

Duncan is positive that if the team can continue to polish their routines and work on fielding ground balls, the Coyotes should achieve a successful season.