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Lopsided raises could see CFA strike

By ALEJANDRA ARANA

The California Faculty Association will hold a vote next week concerning an authorized strike as the union seeks to settle a contract dispute with the Chancellor’s Office.

Since 2010 there has not been a single successful contract for the faculty and staff of the CSU system that both parties have agreed upon.

“Active members of the CFA will be able to vote for a contract that provides them with the security of a raise and smaller class sizes to improve the learning experience of students along with other important details of their work,” states the CFA Magazine.

In a time of budget cuts, two CSU presidents, Mildred Garcia of CSU Fullerton and Leroy Morishita of CSU East Bay, received new salary increases.

According to the L Times Garcia’s salary is $324,000 plus housing and, $12,000 per year car allowance. Morishita is receiving $303,660, the same $12,000 car allowance and $60,000 housing.

There is still a threat to strike only if this contract is not made in a timely manner and if the suggestions that professors are asking for are ignored, forcing them to accept a contract from the Chancellor’s Office.

“If a strike does happen it will be two day rolling strikes so that students are not impacted as much ... We don’t want to hurt the students even more,” said Marcia Marx, CSUSB professor and president of CFA’s CSUSB chapter.

Hearing about threats of a strike discourages me to pursue my goal of becoming a math professor. If things are bad now I can’t even imagine how hard they will be when I try to teach,” said student Teresa Aguilar.

“I am angry and feel less appreciated for my work when the presidents are getting raises annually without any delays. Professors are the ones producing the end result to our students, not the presidents of these institutions,” said Marx.

“It is very hard to survive. I have one child and I have the ability to work but I have to be frugal with my husband’s and my income. We had a dream of saving up for the future but that is exactly what has become a dream,” said CSUSB professor Aham Muhtasab.

Our professors haven’t seen a general pay increase in four years for some even five, but they continue to work just as hard to provide an education for students.

Whether or not a strike will take place remains unknown until after April 27 when voting is closed and the tallies are in.

Until then, all the faculty and staff along with students will be left unknowing what is going to happen after this quarter.

Gas prices rise further by summer

By ALEXIS FIGUEROA

It seems there is no end in sight to the rise in gas prices. The price of gas jumped again with the biggest increase since February 2008 for the Inland Empire, according to a report by CBS News.

The average price per gallon for regular unleaded gasoline is now $4.35 and that is expected to shoot up further before the beginning of summer.

Prices in 2008 were $4.11 when the national average price of oil was up. Today, gas stations have far surpassed that number.

According to fivecentmillet.com, experts report gas prices will reach a national average of $4.50 a gallon, with the average in California peaking around $5.

For Riverside and San Bernardino counties the average price per gallon of gas has risen 50.8 cents over the course of 2012 and continues to rise according to CBS News.

Analysts have attributed this increase to rising oil prices, which come from fears of a possible shortage because of the tensions in the Middle East over Iran, according to CBS News. An increase in China’s oil dependency has also had an impact on the price of oil.

The U.S. is no longer the primary consumer of oil. There has been a shift towards China as well as developing countries.

The U.S. Energy Information Administration predicts that China’s oil consumption will continue to grow during 2012, projecting a 40 percent of the world’s oil demand according to the Energy Bulletin website.

Students are worried about the impact the continuing surge of gas prices will have on their consumption habits.

“My driving habits will definitely be changing. I will only go out if it is all necessary,” said student Lizbeth Lopez. “What I could be paying for groceries I will now be paying for gas,” she continued.

Lopez also notes that the $20 that once filled up the tank in her Toyota Corolla only fills it halfway now.

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Veteran’s Success Center in progress

By JONATHAN NG

Make way for CSUSB’s newest student center as they clear out the Coyote Bookstore basement for the future headquarters of the Veterans Success Center, opening in late May.

Currently being fully furnished, the Veteran’s Success Center is designed to be a “one-stop shop” that caters to the needs of all veterans on campus.

The school provided a 1,100 square foot area equipped with a computer lab where student veterans and other members of the armed forces can work on assignments.

This area will provide programs and services that are sensitive to the unique needs of service members such as tutoring services, financial aid, admissions, guidance counseling, mental health services, career services and a group room where student veterans can meet between classes, network with one another and hold study groups.

The Veteran’s Success Center is compiling a team of leaders and volunteers that best suit its purpose here at CSUSB.

The people that are currently in charge of the Veteran’s Success Center are: Marci Daniels, the Veteran’s Success Center Coordinator, Helga Kray, the Associate Vice President of student development, and Joe Mosely, the founder of the Student Veteran Organization.

The four objectives of the Veteran’s Success Center are encouraging veterans to come to college by providing resources tailored to their specific needs, ensuring that veterans succeed in college and graduate on time, paving the path of success for veterans to follow after college and supporting disabled veterans by showing they are strong capable citizens in our society.

In light of the recent downsizing of the U.S. Armed Forces, the campus has seen a steady increase in the number of returning veterans and active duty service members who are pursuing their college education,” said Mosely.

Plans for the Veteran’s Success Center involve a grand opening on May 25.

This will be composed of a series of ceremonies that symbolically represent this upcoming Veterans Day and a tribute to the fallen veterans who have fought for our country.

“These members of the Armed Forces have risked their lives to save our country and deserve a center that is dedicated to ensuring their academic success,” said Mosely.

The Yellow Ribbon Ceremony will kick off the event.

Ribbons will be tied around trees all across campus to show the number of all the deployed veterans in California.

Next will be the Red Ribbon Ceremony, which will mark the Center’s official opening.

The other programs are still in progress, but volunteers would be greatly appreciated to help turn this center into a legacy.

If you are interested in helping with this center, please contact Marci Daniels by e-mail at daniels@csusb.edu.

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Money tight on gas spending

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Students who have already been affected by the price of gas have discovered alternative forms of transportation.

“I try to carpool with friends ... or take the train rather than drive,” said Renee Etcheberria.

For students like Etcheberria, CSUSB offers many solutions to this issue. Because commuters are a large population at CSUSB, the Commuter Services program on campus works to reduce traffic congestion and increase mobility throughout campus.

The program also offers free exclusive CSUSB carpool matching, vanpool coordination and additional transportation information.

The CSUSB Commuter Services aids students in finding the best and most economical form of transportation per the individual’s need. In addition to the CSUSB Commuter Services program, Omnitrans offers free rides throughout the year to CSUSB students carrying valid identification.

For more information on ways to get to campus, the Office of Commuter Services at CSUSB is located in UH-130.

Students gain valuable career experience right here on campus through Coyote Advertising Program

By NIN GARCIA

Providing students with hands-on experience outside of a traditional classroom setting is one of the many benefits the Coyote Advertising Program offers to aspiring CSUSB students.

Coyote Advertising is a full-service, on-campus advertising agency that gives students the opportunity to work on professional advertising and marketing campaigns while participating in the program. According to Marketing Coordinator Jacob Poore, not only does it provide students a gateway to success but it also offers hands-on training and guidance to improve the students’ skills, talents, and strengths.

Some of the many specialties they offer include campus advertising, advertising creation, advertising production, marketing planning and strategy, and local media buying and implementation.

Coyote Advertising has three main objectives. The first is teaching and learning, which involves giving students hands-on experience outside of the traditional classroom setting.

To accomplish this, Coyote Advertising is exposing students to various media industry disciplines and helping students network with professionals in the media industry. This helps the students involved in the program to be connected and more marketable to employers when seeking jobs after graduation.

The other two objectives of Coyote Advertising are serving the campus and serving the community.

To serve the campus, it promotes organizations such as Coyote Radio. It helped the station reach over 12,000 listeners a month. In a testament to its success, MTV recognized CSUSB’s Coyote radio as 2010’s most popular college internet-only radio station.

Coyote Advertising has also served the Coyote Chronicle by distributing papers to both the main campus and the Palm Desert campus, helping the Coyote Chronicle reach a weekly print circulation of 5,000.

“We really care about serving our campus and community. We’ve been fortunate enough to help dozens of on and off-campus clients achieve their advertising and marketing objectives,” said Poore.

Prince Thompson, a public relations major who has been in the program for seven months said, “The communication skills, marketing skills and advertising skills that this program provides for students are extraordinary.”

“Before I started the program, I lacked confidence in sales. But being here made me more persistent and helped me gain more confidence,” said Thompson.

The Coyote Advertising program has won eight prestigious awards over the past two years for excellence in advertising creativity and execution.

Coyote Advertising is always seeking student assistants and interns who have a passion for media marketing and advertising. To find out more about Coyote Advertising internships and advertising opportunities please call (909) 537-3486.

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With the Republican presidential candidate all but decided, the race is heating up—but Mitt Romney is up against a huge demographic of female voters turned off by his party’s hostility towards females in what is being branded as a “War on Women.”

It began early last year, with Anthony Weiner’s infamous twitter scandal. Although this bill was known as the anti-abortion bill, it managed to offend pro-life women with its redefinition of rape as “forcible.”

The new definition erased the trauma experienced by millions of victims of same-sex, statutory, date rape and other types of rape under the new definition. From there, the GOP continued to anger women by defunding Planned Parenthood in states across the country, depriving millions of American women of access to basic healthcare.

More recently, Virginia’s new law requiring transvaginal ultrasounds for women seeking abortions sent a ripple of rage throughout women voters on both sides of the aisle. Even pro-life Conservative Meghan McCain was shocked by the law, which legislated rape by forcing doctors to penetrate women with the probes against their will.

“I’m horrified by the bill as a woman. As a Republican woman, I’m horrified,” McCain said on “The Rachel Maddow Show.”

Fortunately, public reaction led legislators to rewrite that law to allow the patient to request an alternate form of ultrasound, but women have not forgotten the hostility. Republican leaders have shown them. Then there’s the birth control debate. Fox News and others insist that the debate over whether Catholic institutions must allow for birth control coverage in their health insurance plans is an issue of religious freedom. But it’s clear that women are still getting the message: Republicans don’t care about women’s health. In fact, some are going beyond apathy and into downright animosity.

On Feb. 29, obnoxious loudmouth Rush Limbaugh made headlines by slamming Sandra Fluke, a Georgetown University student testifying on behalf of a friend who needed birth control for health reasons.

In his remarks he called her “a slut ... a prostitute.” But he didn’t stop there. He went on to reveal that he thinks the pill is used like Viagra.

“She’s having so much sex she can’t afford contraception. She wants you and me and the tax-payers to pay her to have sex,” said Limbaugh.

Naturally, women and men alike were shocked and incensed by his toxic language. Women waited for the Republican candidates to denounce Limbaugh, but they were disappointed.

Maybe Romney and the rest of the GOP missed the lesson on women suffering in history class.

That’s the only way to explain their apparent indifference toward the fact that in 2004, 33.5 percent of voters were women, according to the Center for American Women and Politics at Rutgers University.

Clearly, the right can’t afford to keep treating us as second-class citizens. Hell hath no fury like a scorned female constituent.

In her book, “The Daily Show,” Tyneshia Thompson, a writer for the show, expressed her anger.

“I have to buy to stay modern,” said student Tyneshia Thompson.

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Housing should ease up on parking regulations

By SHANIEKA PERRIER
Staff Writer

Did you know that a parking ticket at CSUSB is $45 and if you do not pay within the first 21 days the cost will be increased with an additional late fee of $40? While I was waiting for my paycheck to come in so I could buy a parking permit, I got slapped with a $45 parking violation. The cost of a parking permit is $102 and the ticket is $45, which comes out to a total of $147.

If I am going to pay that much money, I might as well buy the annual pass. The daily parking permits should all be increased with an additional late fee of $40?

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Parking permits may be expensive, but getting a parking violation is worse. Each violation is $45, which can really add up.

Print textbooks are still the way to go

By AUNJOY LAMBERT
Staff Writer

Call me old fashioned, but textbooks have been a part of my learning for years, and I refuse to switch from textbooks to eBooks.

The first time a professor ever asked me to purchase an eBook I dropped the class. For me not having a physical book to read scared me.

It’s no secret that digital textbooks have started to take over college campuses. Now over 66 percent of U.S. public libraries are offering eBooks, causing more people to indulge in digital reading.

“I would rather use eBooks because they’re easier to read and I save almost fifty dollars on each book a quarter,” said student Courntee Allen.

Both eBooks and textbooks have pros and cons to them, but one of the major cons with eBooks is the battery power that is necessary for the device to function. I don’t know about you, but I don’t want to have to carry around an extra laptop.

For students who don’t have a lot of extra money in their wallets, eBooks are not always the best option. Digital textbooks can still cost nearly as much as a regular textbook, and the price of the electronic device needed to read them can put a serious dent in your bank account.

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Parking is a hassle for students who live in University Village

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at a lesser price.

For students that can only afford the daily parking permits, they are not allowed to park beyond the gates even if they are residents.

This is a safety issue for students walking to their apartments at night as well as an inconvenience to students with disabilities.

Both male and female students can be subject to robbery, violence and sexual assault when walking from the open lot to their building.

The lights in the parking lot are dim and the cameras do not always work, students can be subject potentially dangerous situations.

For students with disabilities, it’s not only a safety issue but it’s also a big inconvenience. To travel that extra mile from the parking lot can take quite a bit of extra time.

For example, students with crutches or with vision impairment, it can be a big hassle to walk that far.

But if they could park inside the gates, which is closer to their building, these students can get home quickly and safely.

The parking regulations should accommodate for these types of situations. It is much safer for students who have residential housing to park inside the gates than in an open lot. What if the open lot is full?

At CSU Fullerton, parking isn’t as pressed as it is here. Students can park anywhere in the designated areas and do not have to worry about getting an expensive parking ticket.

If this system were to be implemented here, students could go to class with peace of mind.

CSUSB Parking Services states on their website that their “vision is to provide effective and efficient parking and transportation services that maximize value.”

“We are committed to the efficient management of parking and transportation resources while providing prompt and professional services to our customers,” reads their mission statement.

What are the services performed by the this department? Why are we paying so much?

How are they meeting customer expectations when students here can barely afford the daily five dollar passes let alone the quarterly ones?

Allowing housing students to park inside the gate would result in one less worry about parking and would allow students to focus on their studies.
CSUSB honors Palestine Awareness Week

By MANAL MUSEITEF
Staff Writer

CSUSB students gathered their efforts to raise awareness about the issues between Israel and Palestine.

The school’s first Palestine Awareness Week featured the display of the mock Apartheid wall, humanitarian speakers and the film screening of the award-winning film, “Occupation 101,” with the help from the Muslim Student Association and Cross Cultural Center.

“I wanted to raise awareness. I didn’t expect anything back in return,” said PAW Coordinator Omar Abdelkhaleq. “The eye-opening reactions from students who had no knowledge on the issue fulfilled my expectations.”

For two days, students presented a mock version of the Apartheid wall, which according to Vermonters for a Just Peace in Palestine and Israel, the separation barrier “consists of a series of 25 foot high concrete walls, trenches, barbed wire and electrified fencing with numerous watch towers, electronic sensors, thermal imaging and video cameras, unmanned aerial vehicles, sniper towers, and roads for patrol vehicles.”

According to the MSA, the wall was strategically designed to separate the Palestinian people from their agricultural lands on which they rely for most of their means.

Each section of the mock wall tells a story about a wrongly taken life, a Palestinian’s demolished home or a walk-through of the daily disturbance of checkpoints.

A section on the mock wall revealed the common event of mothers giving birth at checkpoints where they awaited approval or denied entry into East Jerusalem where most quality hospitals are located.

According to the World Health Organization and Palestinemonitor.org, at least 69 percent of pregnant women gave birth at checkpoints between 2000-2006 and 35 of those children and five of those mothers have died.

The wall exposing the U.S. aid to Israel left nursing student Kourtni Anderson in shock.

“I definitely thought it was interesting that America is giving so much aid to a country that is mistreating and killing millions of Palestinians,” said Anderson.

On April 11, the featured speakers and humanitarians presented their eye-opening views on the topic.

At noon, internationalist Barbara Lubin covered, “The Bay Area’s Battle to Show Children’s Art from Gaza.” Lubin shared her experiences while visiting Palestine and the impact it played in her life. Lubin was inspired to publish, “A Child’s View from Gaza,” containing intense, censored graphics drawn by children from Gaza in 2011. Amanda Boada, who listened in on the lecture, expressed her thoughts on the matter.

“It was refreshing to hear more about the issues from someone else’s perspective, who has actually seen it through their own eyes,” said Boada.

That evening, students attended the panel discussion on the humanitarian crisis, which included speakers Dr. Asmah Taha, Ahlam Muhtaseb, Rabbi Hillel Chon and Dr. Qustandi Shomali. Presentations covered topics regarding how the construction of the wall effects higher education, access to proper health care and the division of Palestinians.

A film screening of “Occupation 101” took place in the Santos Manuel Student Union Theater to conclude the event. The documentary emphasized the issue between the Israelis and Palestinians and the struggle Palestinians face living under Israeli Military security. The Los Angeles Journal brands it as “one of the best documentaries.”

PAW was organized by students from different backgrounds, cultures, religions and beliefs. The awareness each day cleared up questions, broke down misconceptions and initiated discussions among students from all walks of life.
The cast of “American Pie” has come a long way from their first film in 1999 to “American Reunion” in 2012. While the first film was all about typical high school drama, such as losing your virginity at prom, wanting to fit in and knowing who your friends are, “American Reunion” is about adult situations such as work and married life but with the same sexually explicit scenes as the first film.

The film was consistently funny from scene to scene. You can’t help but laugh throughout the film and at the awkward moments. The characters of the original film return to their hometown for an unforgettable high school reunion and come to realize who has changed and who hasn’t.

Steve Stifler (Seann William Scott) is once again the life of the party with his rude remarks and his just-wanting-to-have-a-good-time style of humor, though it results him being left out of the group. Stifler’s friends and the audience alike realize that life without him probably wouldn’t be as much fun. Just like in the previous films, Jim Levenstein (Jason Biggs) seems to get caught up in the most strange and laugh-out-loud funny situations.

Jim and his wife Michelle (Alyson Hannigan) are dealing with a problem that most couples go through after having a child: no sex. It is their mission to try to light the fire and make their love life interesting again.

Oz (Chris Klein) tries to rekindle his love with his high school sweetheart Heather (Mena Suvari) while Finch (Eddie Kaye Thomas) is still the same awkward person trying to convince the guys he is something he is not.

Kevin (Thomas Ian Nicholas), now happily married, runs into high school girlfriend Vicky (Tara Reid) and can’t help but think about the past, springing up old feelings. Finally, Jim’s dad (Eugene Levy), who is still grieving the loss of his wife, ends up hitting it off with Stifler’s promiscuous mother (Jennifer Coolidge) at a Stifler gathering.

What made this movie the best “slice of pie” yet was the return of all the original characters and Stifler’s witty comebacks with Finch. Several cameos from previous franchise favorites makes the film feel more like a reunion after a decade long absence.

The soundtrack for this movie definitely gets two thumbs up. Taking it back old school, hits such Montell Jordan’s “This is How We Do It,” Spice Girls’ “Wannabe” and Cobra Starship’s “You Make Me Feel” all take the audience back to the gang’s high school days where it all started.

“American Reunion” proves that after 13 years, the cast still has their comedic flair.

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Residents of Highland have been waiting patiently for In-N-Out to open. March 29 marked the grand opening of the infamous fast food eatery and individuals waited no time in eating there.

Cody Deasey has been there three times. When asked why he chose In-N-Out, he stated, “the food is great.”

“The food is amazing and it is so close to home,” chimed in Kyle Kieser, who was enjoying his french fries nearby.

Lines formed outside the building where people waited patiently to order their food. Those who had ordered already had the choice to sit inside or outside the facility, which had minimal seating after the luncheon rush started.

Outside, cars with hungry patrons lined up around the long single-lane drive-way. One In-N-Out employee stood outside and took orders to help the drive thru line move more quickly for the lunchtime rush.

Travis Kaelen, who lives within five miles of the new location, was enjoying his protein-style burger, which is one of the “secret menu” items not listed on the regular In-N-Out menu.

It has lettuce on the outside instead of buns and is filled with cheese, meat, toma-to, lettuce, onion and secret sauce.

“I love knowing all the veggies are fresh,” Kaelen stated. “I also love how In-N-Out is Christian based.”

In-N-Out is not only famous for their tasty double-doubles, animal style fries, and milkshakes, but they are also known for their help in spreading awareness on child abuse prevention.

The opening of their newest location coincides with National Child Abuse Preven-tion Month which takes place in April. In-N-Out has been a proud sponsor in helping abused and neglected children since 1984.

In-N-Out has their own charity called the In-N-Out Burger Foundation, which was established in March 1995 and started by one of its founders, Esther Snyder, and her son Rich.

“Esther Snyder was very passionate about preventing child abuse and about children in general,” stated In-N-Out manager Aliess Kingsley.

In-N-Out takes 100 percent of the money that has been donated to this foun-dation and matches it 3-1.

“They also take care of all the over-head, so literally all the money donated goes back to the community,” said Kingsley.

Rebekah Egia and daughter Audrey Egia stopped by to grab something to eat on their way home from shopping.

“It is never too early to teach kids about helping other kids,” said Rebekah as her daughter Audrey was putting money into the donation tin can that was placed on the counter.

Audrey had a big smile on her face because the cashier gave her some stickers and an In-N-Out hat.

In-N-Out is also known for their hidden Bible verses. They can be found under the soda fountain cups, the milkshake cups, the folded seams of the double-double liners, and the cheeseburger/burger wrappers.

This family-owned restaurant is a famil-ily friendly organization that gives back to the local communities.

Whenever they open their doors, they satisfy their customers by their excellent service, great food and devotion to helping victims of child abuse.

The new In-N-Out is located at 28009 Greenspot Road, Highland, CA.
Diaries of a Jet Setter
A guy’s guide to getting lost in Arizona

By R. ANTHONY DIAZ
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Despite the controversial debate that the governor and legislature in Arizona, the state holds many beautiful wonders that are worth experiencing.

Whether standing next to a cliff that enters the Earth’s core in the Grand Canyon or counting the hundreds of color variations in a single sunset, this is a place where you can revamp your soul. As spring breakers, it attracts just as many students and tourists. Whether you’re dirt biking, hiking, flying down the Salt River, or simply standing by the edge of the Grand Canyon and admiring its natural beauty is not only magical but breathtaking as well.

Lake Havasu is the ultimate spot for lake parties and enjoying the sunshine. Old Town Scottsdale is known for its great dining and shopping. Mill Avenue in Tempe. It offers the feel of a small town downtown with a big bang! You can easily bar hop and not worry about having to drive.

Even if you are not staying in a speciﬁc location for the evening, make sure to have a designated driver for the 15 minute commute from one bar neighborhood to another. If you are not staying in a speciﬁc location for the evening, make sure to have a designated driver for the 15 minute commute from one bar neighborhood to another. Old Town Scottsdale is known for their high end clubs and bottle service. With Bars like Pussy Cat Lounge, Dirty Pretty and American Junkie, you’ll deﬁnitely want to get on a list. SmashBoxx is the world’s ﬁrst nightclub video booth streaming a live video box of random partygoers confessing, revealing and acting like they are 16 years old.

Phoenix is full of many amazing restaurants and dishes. To highlight a few, Kai is a must and it is the only Five Diamond Native American restaurant in the world. El Hefe is a fun taco bar with disc jockeys and beer taps built into the tables. Lon’s at the Hermosa Inn is perfect for outdoor dining with views of Camelback Mountain and the Phoenix Mountain Preserve.

My absolute favorite thing to do every summer aside from visiting my close friends from Arizona State University is going Salt River tubing. Imagine ﬂoating down the Salt River with clear skies, wild horses drinking water six feet away, all your friends and an ice chest hooked to your tube. This is sheer heaven and a guaranteed great time.

Whatever you decide to do, I advise you not to travel with more than two Mexicans. You may get pulled over for no reason at all which will cause you to miss a ﬂight, arrive late to a dinner or spoil your overall trip.

Students ﬁnd relaxation at The Body Shoppe

By DESIRAE CONTRERAS
Staff Writer

The Body Shoppe is here for you. It’s a one-stop shop for relaxation and rejuvenation. The shoppe is open Wednesday and Thursday from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and offers 5-30 minute chair massages in a spa-like room to CSUSB employees and students. The massages are given by certiﬁed therapists and only cost a dollar per minute.

According to Valerie Merrow, Admin Support assistant, the chair massages are given by the certiﬁed “Hands on Medical Massage School’ therapists in Redlands who are linked with the Wellness 2 U program at the Loma Linda Hospital and now service us here at CSUSB. All of the massage therapists are under a contract with CSUSB and Wellness 2 U, assuring they must have either completed a two-year schooling program. Each massage therapist has logged 400 clinical massage hours, 1200 school hours and have a massage business license or State Certiﬁcation.

The Body Shoppe opened Feb. 29 in the Student Health and Psychological Counseling Center. Scheduling appointments ahead of time are recommended but walk-ins are always welcomed.

“As a student it was affordable and definitely worth it. I will be coming back and taking advantage of it,” said Dyanna Jordan.

Prior to a massage, students must sign a waiver clarifying they are at least 18-years-old, not in the ﬁrst trimester of pregnancy and do not have any health issues that may be hindered by the massage. All of The Body Shoppe earnings go towards the program and massage therapists.

Coyotes walk CSUSB barefoot for TOMS event

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family, friends and staff and successfully donated 10,000 pairs of shoes to children in need.

In this year’s challenge, many companies joined the movement, such as American Greetings card company, World Vision, Discovery and EA Mobile.

All were featured on the TOMS One Day Without Shoes website. Over 7,000 participants were expected to sign up for the movement worldwide.

By being barefoot, demonstrators are trying to draw curiosity and support for the ONE FOR ONE movement.

Fellow Coyote Kayla Gutierrez, member of Delta Sigma Chi Co-Ed Fraternity Inc., won a free pair of TOMS shoes. Gutierrez stated she enjoyed her ﬁrst experience being involved with this movement.

“I loved participating in the One Day Without Shoes. The cause and what it represents is such a cool idea, I hope to do this again next year,” said Gutierrez.
Lubos PASO has great expectations for spring cultural events

By GABBIE CORRAL
Staff Writer

The promoters of Filipino American Jam hope their upcoming event will be the most successful cultural event in CSUSB history for Lubos PASO. The Filipino American Student Organization, also known as Lubos PASO here on campus, held its organization, also known as Lubos PASO here on campus, held its first official meeting of the Spring 2012 quarter on Wednesday, April 11. Its main purpose was to preview and discuss preparations for the highly anticipated Fil Am Jam, to be held on April 26.

According to Lubos PASO club president William Macale, this year’s Fil Am Jam will highlight singers, dancers, actors and musicians which reflect a mixture of the historical Filipino culture and modern Filipino practices.

The purpose of the event is not only to share entertainment, but to raise money and awareness for the need of medical attention in the Philippines.

This year, Lubos PASO is working with the Catholic Diocese of San Bernardino which will send medical missions to the Philippines to give medical attention to those in need.

“This year will be our fifth year hosting the benefit show and we expect to sell out,” said Vice President of Finance, Justin Balancio.

Because a huge turnout for the event is anticipated, San Bernardino has decided to wear traditional outfits, such as a Bahag. The Fil Am Jam, however, is not the only event Lubos PASO is looking forward to this quarter. Club members are constantly planning events and have many more in store for CSUSB.

According to Macale, upcoming events include their very popular Stussy clothing sale on May 10, participation in this year’s Relay For Life on May 4 and 5 and their Celebration of Filipino Culture show (CPC) on May 26.

“I think what makes our club stand out is that we are a very diverse group of individuals,” said Balancio. “We’re trying to spread the Filipino culture through campus in many different ways.”

As the largest club on campus with 110 members, it is greatly emphasized that you do not have to be of Filipino descent to join. “We’re all about spreading the love,” said Balancio.

Members of Lubos PASO are pumped for their fifth annual Fil Am Jam on April 26 at 6 p.m. in the Santos Manuel Student Union Event Center. They have high expectations for this year’s turn out.

If you are interested in joining Lubos PASO or wish to attend the Fil Am Jam, you can contact William Macale or attend a club meeting held every other Wednesday in the SMSU Theater. Tickets are $10 presale and $15 at the door.
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Coyotes struggle in tough weekend series

By CHELSEA UNDERWOOD
Staff Writer

The Coyotes’ softball team suffered an unfortunate 3–1 road series loss against the Cal State East Bay Pioneers on April 6 and 7.

CSUSB split the first doubleheader of the series on Friday with a 5–3 loss in the first game and a 2–0 victory in the second. Being out for two weeks with an injury and coming in to pitch in a doubleheader was intense and scary, according to senior Courtney Wilhelms.

However, she rose above her fear and threw a complete game shutout in the second game.

Throughout the season the team has been working hard in practice, trying to improve on their performance and execution in preparation for the games.

It paid off. They pounded out six hits and were flawless in the field as they had no errors in the 2–0 victory.

With the win behind them and a 1–1 record in the series, it seemed that the Lady Coyotes had a chance to win the series.

The second double header began in disappointing fashion, as the Lady ‘Yotes gave up five runs in the first inning.

Senior first baseman Felicia Cervantes had six put outs, but it was not enough to keep the Pioneers off the scoreboard as they went on to score two more times.

The 7–1 loss was a hard one for the ladies to swallow, but what was even more difficult to swallow was the 9–5 loss in the series finale, as the team suffered the 3–1 series loss.

“Our mental game is not strong,” said utility player Brittany Ybarra. “We let little things get in our way.”

Ybarra feels that the team has been brought down by their struggle to win games on a consistent basis. As a result, they have not been able to get into the game and focus like they should be.

According to Ybarra, facing the Pioneers for the first time this season was a good experience, because even though it was a tough, disappointing weekend, the coaches were being more positive towards the team.

The team has been rigorously working on improving their hitting and pitching in practice. Playing against the Pioneers has made it clear that there is work that still needs to be done.

What stood out during the series, according to Ybarra, was that the team needs to stay mentally focused when it comes to clutch hits, because they had missed opportunities like these before.

“With the talent we have, we shouldn’t be playing like that,” said Ybarra.

The highlight of the season so far, according to Ybarra, was their stellar performance against Sonoma State, as they exploded with a 13–9 outburst to win 13–9.

They scored 11 of their 13 runs in the fourth inning alone.

With only two doubleheader series left, the girls are looking to finish out strong and show their opponents what they will be up against next season.

Water polo falls short despite valiant effort

By RAY BEASLEY
Staff Writer

Despite an incredible comeback attempt during the final three quarters of the game, water polo lost their weekend match up on April 7 against Fresno Pacific, 13–15.

The Coyotes were trailing Fresno Pacific 1–6 after the first quarter but out-scored their opponents 12–9 over the final half of the game.

Despite the amazing effort the Coyotes made during the last half of the game, Fresno Pacific handed the Coyotes their 26th loss of the season. Fortunately, there were a few standout players hidden amongst the heartbreaking loss.

Misty Vu had an amazing game, leading the Coyotes in scoring with five goals. Her teammate Jasmine Duran, not far behind, contributed with three goals of her own. Meghan McCarthy, Shelby McCliman, Shelle Kocher and Kayla Barrow each added one goal apiece, to round out the top Coyote scorers for the game.

With nearly half the members of the team each scoring, this was a solid team effort.

Being able to outscore the visiting team 12–9 throughout the course of the majority of the game shows the focus and ability this team possesses.

Every member of the team gave it their best effort. Unfortunately, even with their best efforts, the season has not been kind to the struggling water polo team and continues to be relentlessly unforgiving.

Despite all the negativity surrounding a failing season, the team continues to work hard each practice and game they are faced with.

This can be seen in the sheer number of close games the team has been in throughout the course of the season. Although the team has suffered 26 losses, they have been within five points or less in ten of those losing efforts which demonstrates their tenacity.

Student Marques Stone said, “They seem to have heart, but they just need a way to close the games.” He also added jokingly, “Shoot, they just need to pass the ball to my girl Misty Vu more and pick up the D.”

It is clear that some of the college campus students still have hope for their underdog water polo team, regardless of what the scoreboard says.

With their school supporting them and the clear ability to score as shown in this game, the Coyotes are bound to find success.

The Coyotes still have roughly 10 or more games to play this season, which gives them the opportunity to continue improving their game and find redemption.
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Coyotes dominate weekend series against Wildcats

By JESSICA BRACAMONTES  Staff Writer

Timely hitting and quality pitching played a major role in the Coyotes’ victories.

The series began with the Coyotes losing to the Wildcats by a score of 9–1. Senior Darren Dworak scored the Coyotes’ only run on a monstrous solo shot in the second inning.

The players kept their confidence and did not allow the poor offensive output to spoil the rest of the weekend. The Coyotes were able to turn things around by playing smart, focused and team oriented ball as they swept both games.

“Everyone plays a part in the wins and losses,” said first baseman Brandon Day.

The Coyotes cruised to victory in the first game of the doubleheader, as they pounded out nine runs in a well deserved win and made it back-to-back victories in a nailbiter by a score of 7–6.

The Coyotes took a 2–0 lead in the second inning as game one of the doubleheader began.

They then proceeded to blow the game open in the sixth inning by scoring four runs and putting the game out of reach.

Junior Mike Madron threw seven stellar innings, allowing just three hits and giving up only one run.

The second game was much more dramatic than the first. The Coyotes and Wildcats battled on winning run in walk off fashion, giving the Coyotes a 4–3 victory.

For Parnell’s players, success is definitely something they have been able to achieve while playing under the coach. More than 30 of his players over the years have either been drafted by Major League Baseball teams or played professionally in independent leagues across the United States.

Not only does Parnell want to see his players succeed in life, but he also hopes that as a coach he can pass down to them true love and respect for the game of baseball.

“It’s all about the love of the game and the all around respect for it,” said Parnell.

With his durability, his passion for the game, and the love and respect he has for his players, it comes of no surprise that Parnell has been able to accomplish what others can only dream of.

With the success his team has had so far this season, and with a few good years still under his belt, there is no telling how many victories Parnell will end up with when his impressive career finally comes to an end.