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Assemblyman Woodruff headlines CSSA conference

By William Lundquist
Staff Writer

Smaller, less influential campuses like CSUSB may be shortchanged in the new master plan for higher education, according to State Assemblyman Paul Woodruff.

Woodruff is a CSUSB alumnus, and a member of the State Sub-Committee for Higher Education. He gave the keynote address at the Board of Directors of the California Student Association meeting held Jan. 6 at CSUSB.

Woodruff described the allotment of funds for building five new CSU campuses as putting the "cart before the horse." He does not approve of beginning new campuses while CSUSB is being forced to hold classes in portables.

On the subject of Senator Dills' proposed student fees cap, Woodruff said that he agrees with the concept of the bill, but will not support it until he sees what level the cap would be placed at.

Gloria Cowan, Ph.D.
Special to the Chronicle

Are slasher films harmless to young viewers?

Or are children learning negative social messages about vulnerability, death and sex? Slasher films, also called "slice and dice," "splatter," and "stalk and slice" films, are movies that contain numerous scenes of graphic violence in which no relationship exists between the killer and his victims.

Series such as "Halloween," "Friday the Thirteenth" and "Nightmare on Elm Street" have enjoyed financial, if not critical, success. These R-rated films have been popular with children.

In a study of 9- to 15-year-old children from San Bernardino and Riverside, my students and I found that one-third of the films mentioned as favorites were R-rated. In addition, more than one-third of ninth graders had seen slasher films, and the percentage increased as the students got older. In fact, over 85% had seen "Nightmare on Elm Street."

Studies of the effects on college students who are exposed to R-rated slasher films have shown changes in their acceptance of inter-personal violence, belief in rape myths such as the false idea that women incite, want and enjoy rape and desensitization to victims of violence (holding them more responsible for their victimization).

Dan Linz of the UCSB, has found that college students exposed to slasher films become less aroused, anxious and depressed with repeated exposure. The violent acts are seen as less violent, less degrading and less offensive with repeated exposure.

In light of the negative effects of R-rated violent movies demonstrated so far on college males and ready availability of these films to people of all ages, it becomes especially important to understand the content of these films and their social message.

Five of my students in a social psychology class decided to analyze the slasher films to answer several questions about these films. In the 56 films analyzed, which included 232 female victims and 242 male victims, surprisingly, women were not more likely to be victims of slashers than men nor were they less likely to survive when victimized.

In fact, females were more likely to survive than males. The message regarding female survival is essentially sexual. The sexy and sexual females were less likely to survive than the asexual females. 33 to 35 percent of the non-surviving female victims were engaging in some sexual activity either prior to the attack or immediately preceding it compared to nine percent of the surviving females. Additionally, the non-surviving females were more revealing and provocative clothing, were nude or shown undressing more often, were portrayed as promiscuous or used sexual language more frequently than the surviving females.

An example of the fusion of sex and death for female characters is seen in the opening scene of the first "Nightmare on Elm Street." In this movie, an adolescent boy and girl are sexually engaged and suddenly, the girl's body levitates above the bed and an invisible slasher kills her. The message is—sex kills. The non-surviving females also were more physically attractive, more "air headed" or inane, and less competent than the surviving females.

In contrast, the male non-survivors, compared to the male survivors, were more likely to be cynical, obnoxious, egotistical and dictatorial. They more often used verbal obscenities and engaged in illegal behavior. In slasher films the victims who do not survive are obvious from the start. They are the sexy, stupid females and the obnoxious males.

The social messages about male vulnerability are not new or unusual—much like the black and white of heroes and villains portrayed in gangster and cowboy movies, and most popular films. The message about women also has existed for a long time—(as far back as the story of Adam and Eve)—that there is something inherently evil and punishable about the expression of females sexuality. The attachment of sexual arousal to images of physical violence.
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Club Fest
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Seize your day today

By William Lundquist
Staff Writer

Carpe diem.

A Latin word that means seize the day.

It was an idea used by English poets in the 17th century to talk their mistresses into surrendering their virginity. College students have been using carpe diem in that sense for 300 years, but the words can mean much more.

In the film "The Dead Poets Society" the teacher played by Robin Williams urged his students to use the idea of carpe diem to make their lives special, even extraordinary. But he also cautioned them to think, to seize what was worth seizing.

If seizing the day has left you with a 1.0 G.P.A., a drunk driving conviction, an unwanted pregnancy, or even AIDS, all you’ve seized is your own downfall.

Every student at CSUSB has the opportunity for a new degree, a new career, maybe a new life, in the nineties. For some, like myself, it is a second, even a final chance.

Nearly 20 years ago, I chose to leave college to accept what was then a high-paying job in a low-skill field. At the time, it didn’t seem to make sense to pursue a degree for a career that would pay less than a job that I could have right away.

Within a year, high-paying manufacturing jobs like mine began to experience layoffs and cutbacks that are continuing to decimate the American work force.

By trying to seize the day, I sent my life into a tailspin from which I am only beginning to recover.

Success in the ’90s will require all the college education you can get. You have already seized the day just by coming to CSUSB. Don’t throw your chance away, you may not get another one.

Stay in school. Go to your classes. Clean every last bit of knowledge that you can out of your professors. Get involved in student government, sports, arts, and clubs, even if it means cutting back on the beer, or skipping a couple of parties.

Use your time to get everything available out of your college experience. If you are only seizing the moment to have some fun, you may be missing the future.

Don’t count on getting a second chance, like I did. Make your life extraordinary. The ’90s are yours. Seize the decade.

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Student upset by gay prof

Dear Editor,

It has been brought to my attention that a certain professor of Humanities named Loralee McPike has stated publicly in one of her classrooms that she was a lesbian. On first hearing this, I was shocked not only by the fact that the University is allowing her to teach our students but also that she had the nerve to confess publicly that she is one. In my opinion, the viewpoint that she is putting forth is not only an unacceptable viewpoint, but one that is repulsive.

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Courting the acceptance of homosexuality. The label that the Health Science field has given to people who fear homosexuals is "homophobia." I would like to say that I am not afraid of them but that I am afraid for them. Why, I am interested to find out, is such a viewpoint being encouraged when no counter argument is being presented? Is it because this campus or this community has just decided that homosexuality is a necessary evil or that maybe if we just ignore it, it will go away? Or do these professors have any moral concept of what homosexuality really is?

I refer you to the Bible for God's view on homosexuality. In the nineteenth chapter of Genesis, it talks about how the men of Sodom tried to have homosexual relations with 2 angels that God had sent to that city. The entire city was subsequently destroyed by fire and brimstone. In Romans 1:26-27 it says: "For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error." Also in Leviticus 18:22, God said, "You shall not lie with a male as one lies with a female; it is an abomination." One can easily see from these Scriptures God's view of homosexual-

ty and lesbianism.

I have heard of teachers in this city being fired by the City Schools because they profess to be lesbian or homosexual. I hope this will not have to happen with Professor McPike, but I think that this is a soon-coming possibility if she doesn't stop encouraging homosexuality as well as Dr. Paxton. But don't listen to what God says about it. After all, I'm just a fanatical homophobic.

Deeply concerned, John Kocher CSUSB student

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The Center also holds numerous workshops ranging from choosing a major, preparing a resume, to interview skills. Dates for these activities can be obtained in the Center. Career counselors also provide individual counseling in choosing a major and exploring various careers. In addition to a counselor there is a computerized aid to career planning. It is called the System of Interactive Guidance and Information or SIGI Plus. The computer doesn’t tell you what career you should choose, but it is useful in gathering and organizing information on careers and gaining knowledge on specific employment fields and jobs.

The Center’s services are available to all students from freshmen to seniors and graduate students. For more information: 880-5250.

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He expressed concern that a cap on fees might hurt the quality of education. Woodruff told the assembled representatives from each of the campuses in the CSU system that there is always a need for students to voice their concerns with the state legislature.
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For ethical reasons, it is impossible to study directly the effects of slasher films on young children's thoughts, feelings and behaviors. It might be helpful for parents to more carefully supervise their children's viewing preferences. At the very least, parents should sit down and watch these films with their children to see for themselves what their children are learning. Parents can point out when sex and violence are paired, when the portrayals of women are degrading, and that repeated exposure to violence is desensitizing. As a culture, we are probably only as "good" or as "healthy" as our children.

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Tennis Meeting - Women interested in playing Varsity Tennis for CSUSB will meet at 4 p.m. in the PE Complex Hallway. If unable to attend call (714) 880-5019.

Friday
Gay and Lesbian Union - Topic of discussion for this meeting will be "Bi-sexuality." It will be held in the Oak Room of the lower commons from 11 a.m. - noon.

Saturday
Working together - healing the Earth - A conference about environmental choices and changes. Bring lunch and a beverage cup. Cost is $10 per person from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information call (714) 883-9444.

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The California Chicano News Media Association (CCNMA) - Will host the 11th Annual Journalism Opportunities Conference for Minorities (JOC), Feb. 9-10 at USC's Davidson Conference Center. The purpose of the two-day job fair is an opportunity for minority journalists to interview with news media recruiters. This year, the JOC will target journalists for mid-level jobs.

CCNMA is the major sponsor of the JOC. Co-sponsors include the Black Journalists Association of Southern California (BJASC), the Asian American Journalists Association (AAJA), Capital Communications/ABC Inc., The Modesto Bee, the Gannett Foundation, The Times Mirror Foundation and the Times Mirror Company.

For more information, contact Monica Silbas, conference director, at (213) 743-7158.

The U.S. Department of Interior National Park Service - Announced that applications are being accepted for summer lifeguard positions at several National Park Service sites in the eastern U.S. Depending on experience and work location, the summer lifeguards may earn salaries ranging from $497.63 to $857.38 every two weeks.

For an application and information about the test and other requirements for these lifeguard jobs, applicants should call toll-free 1-800-NP SWIM.

The P.E.M.M. Club - would like to announce the winners of the December Rose Bowl Raffle. First prize of Rose Bowl tickets went to Rachel Castillo. Second prize of a Castaways brunch went to Veronica Rojas, Rick Ramos and Pete Perez each won third prize of Jersey's Pizza.

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