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## LETTERS!

A CSUSB Professor remembers...

## Affirmative Action Debate!

Willie Brown versus Governor Wilson

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Men's and Women's roundup

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## Prop 187 still tied up in courts as CSUSB's Chicano Coalition takes action

By Brian Lees  
Editor in chief

Proposition 187 is still tied up in the state courts, despite an anticipated decision on February 15, as previously reported by *The Chronicle*.

According to Colleen Bentley-Adler, Manager of Media Relations for the CSU Chancellor's office, Prop 187 is "still blocked pending any trial, and none of the initiative's provisions will be in effect until an expected trial some time in June."

In reaction to the recent developments pertaining to the initiative which passed in last November's election, the CSUSB Chicano Coalition held a panel in the Eucalyptus Room in the Lower Commons on March 1.

The coalition, comprised of the campus chapter of M.E.Ch.A., Delta Sigma Chi, the Latino Business Association, Los Amigos Club, and the Hispanic Women's Council. Approximately 40 people attended and contributed to a lively discussion.

An introduction given by Ismail Avilez of M.E.Ch.A. cited Prop 187 as another "scape-goating" action in a long history of racist attacks by American politicians against the Latino community. Avilez concluded his introduction by stating the need for "people on this campus to organize" in order to fight the latest attacks on their people.

The next speaker, Dr. Elsa Valdez, assistant professor of sociology, presented statistics that suggested that the "undocumented

worker problem" was blown way out of proportion. According to Valdez, undocumented worker children only comprise 7% of the student body of L.A. Unified School District, and most of the 20% of Latinos in the L.A. area are actually here legally and can be accounted for.

Valdez also dispelled myths that undocumented workers just came to America to receive welfare. In fact, according to Valdez, African-Americans are the most likely to receive welfare, followed by U.S.-born Latinos, Asians, Anglos, and undocumented immigrants.

Another issue of concern was the proposed elimination of remedial courses. According to Valdez, this is "just another way of shutting the door in the face of minorities," who comprise most of the student body in remedial courses. One student reacted to this by stating that the elimination of remedial education is a "mass cover-up of the real problem in California: improving our poor K-12 education standards."

Another problem that minorities are facing now is Governor Pete Wilson's veto of the "Voter Motor Bill," which would make it much easier to register to vote and would increase minority involvement in the voting process. Valdez expressed concern over the fact that California is one of the only states not to implement this bill, and that Wilson is using our tax dollars to sue the Federal Government to keep them from forcing him to implement this bill.

Governor Pete Wilson learned of a U.S. District Court ruling on the constitutionality of the National Voter Registration Act on March 2 and had these remarks.

"Despite California's legal efforts challenging the constitutionality of the National Voter Registration Act, today the court has chosen the side of the federal government.

"However, this ruling does not end our efforts to reaffirm the rights of states, which are, after all, independent and sovereign governments, not mere extensions of the Washington's out of touch bureaucracy.

"Those concerned about the federal government's ever increasing size and reach into the matters of all Americans need not give up hope. We will appeal this ruling and we will seek a stay barring its enforcement.

"In addition, I will urge the Congress to pass Senator Coverdell's legislation which would make the states implement the National Voter Registration Act only to the extent that federal funding is available to pay for it.

"Without relief from the courts or the Congress, Californians will see longer lines at the Motor Vehicle offices and more mandated growth in the size and cost of government. I am determined to not let that happen. Our fight has just begun."

Nevertheless, this decision is a victory not only for minorities, but also all students.

Also of concern was the recent UC proposal that Affirmative Action be eliminated and the state proposal that the citizenship

rights of children of undocumented immigrants be curtailed. In closing, Valdez suggested that these and other actions will lead race relations in normally progressive California to continue to deteriorate.

Student speaker Cynthia Olivo addressed the most recent specific issues affecting undocumented immigrants. The main issue of concern was the recent notification that financial aid will be denied to undocumented immigrant students at CSUSB, and that these students will now be charged out-of-state tuition rates.

Word was received at this campus on February 1 that a January 24 court decision affecting these policies was to be enforced. Approximately 50 students were sent notices from Admissions and Records that the new rules would be enforced for the Spring 1995 quarter.

According to Olivo, only about half of the affected students have supplied the Office of Admissions and Records with their papers. Olivo fears that the others may not be aware of what they need to do in order to avoid these imposed financial hardships. Furthermore, there is no "Grandfathering" clause being given to CSUSB undocumented students as has been applied to UC students.

The meeting closed with questions, comments, and suggestions from the audience as to how to fight these perceived injustices. Those interested in participating in the meetings should contact one of the campus organizations that comprise the coalition.

## Fun and Festivities!

photos by: Gail Ann Uchwal



Rolling Stone Magazine sponsored a concert tour featuring the bands Dag and Mother May I, who played in the Student Union Courtyard on March 8. Some of the additional activities included a demonstration of Sony's Mini-Disc digital audio system and bicycle polo.



# CAMPUS CALENDAR

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STUDENT UNION

Events From Wednesday, March 8 to Wednesday, March 22, 1995

## Wednesday, March 8

**AFRICAN-AMERICAN MEN'S SUPPORT GROUP** - Regular meeting. Student Union Multicultural Center 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

**TALK SOUP: "O.J. Simpson: The Media, The Madness."** Soup will be served or bring your lunch, located in the Multicultural Center, 12 Noon-1 p.m. All are welcome.

**WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT GROUP** - Regular meeting. Women's Resource & Adult Re-Entry Center, 11 a.m. - 12 Noon.

**INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE** - Provided by volunteers from CSUSB Accounting Assn. Bring W-2 forms, last year's returns and IRS forms mailed to you. Jack Brown Hall, Room 141, 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. Free.

**GAY, LESBIAN & BISEXUAL UNION** - Regular meeting. Pine Room, Lower Commons, 6 p.m.

**FRENCH TABLE CLUB** - Regular meeting. Pine Room, Lower Commons, 12 Noon.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ASSN.** - Regular meeting. University Hall, Room 249, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

## Thursday, March 9

**ART EXHIBIT- Annie Siems: "Recent Work."** Original works in found materials, ink, paint and graphite. Daily through April 7. University Art Gallery hours: Mon. - Fri, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sat. - Sun. 12 Noon - 4 p.m. Free.

**CONCERT: Multi-Music Series presents: "Skip Tooth."** Located in the Student Union Courtyard, 12 Noon-1 p.m. All are invited!

**WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH VIDEO SERIES: "Howard's End"** Women's Resource & Adult Re-Entry Center, 12 Noon.

**CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST** - Regular meeting. Eucalyptus Room, Lower Commons, 6:15 p.m. Free speech & free coffee.

**CLUB ANIM8: Japanese Animation Society.** Pine Room, Lower Commons, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

**HISPANIC WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT GROUP** - Regular meeting. Women's Resource & Adult Re-Entry Center, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ASSN.** - Regular meeting. University Hall, Room 249, 4 p.m.

**VIETNAMESE LANGUAGE CLASS:** Sponsored by Vietnamese Student Assn. John Pfau Library Classroom 217, 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Free.

## Friday, March 10

**THEATRE: "The Illusion" by Pierre Cornelle.** University Theatre, 8:15 p.m. \$8 General Admission, \$5 CSUSB Alumni and Seniors, \$3 students.

**SOFTBALL: CSUSB TOURNAMENT.** Softball Field, All Day.

## Saturday, March 11

**BASEBALL: CSUSB v. MASTER'S COLLEGE.** Fiscalini Field, 1 p.m.

**SOFTBALL: CSUSB TOURNAMENT.** Softball Field, All Day.

## Sunday, March 12

**THEATRE: "The Illusion" by Pierre Cornelle.** University Theatre, 2 p.m. \$8 General Admission, \$5 CSUSB Alumni and Seniors, \$3 students.

**SOFTBALL: CSUSB TOURNAMENT.** Softball Field, All Day.

**CONCERT: SATURDAY CONSERVATORY RECITAL** - Creative Arts Recital Hall, 3 p.m. Free.

**ALPHA DELTA PI SORORITY** - Regular meeting. Eucalyptus Room, Lower Commons, 7 p.m.

**SIGMA CHI** - Chapter meeting. Temporary Classroom 007, 4 p.m.

**SIGMA GAMMA PHI FRATERNITY** - Weekly meeting. Temporary Classroom 16, 7 p.m.

**SIGMA PHI EPSILON FRATERNITY** - Chapter meeting. Eucalyptus Room, Lower Commons, 5 p.m.

**TAUKAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY** - Business meeting. Temporary Classroom TC-16, 6 p.m.

**ZETA TAU ALPHA FRATERNITY** - Regular meeting. Temporary Classroom TC - 006, 5:30 p.m.

## Monday, March 13

**CULTURAL THEME WEEK: "Images of Ireland."** Foods, Documentary or contemporary Movies, Music, etc., Student Union Multicultural Center. Continues through March 17. Everyone is welcome.

**FILM/DISCUSSION: "American Me."** Post-film discussion with playwright/Latin scholar Dr. Carlos Morton. Jack Brown Hall, room 102. Free.

**WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH VIDEO SERIES: "The Joy Luck Club."** Women's Resource & Adult Re-Entry Center, 12 Noon.

**WOMEN'S COFFEEHOUSE:** Women's Spirituality Drumming Workshop, 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.; "Glitch: an invocation to the Goddess Yemanya, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.; Open-mic performances, 8:30 p.m. - 10 p.m. Women's Resource & Adult Re-Entry Center. Free.

**TALK SOUP: "Are women receiving a fair education in the Educational System?"** Soup will be served or bring your lunch, Student Union Multicultural Center, 12 Noon-1 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

**DELTA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY** - Weekly chapter meeting. Eucalyptus Room, Lower Commons, 8 p.m.

## Tuesday, March 14

**VIDEOS: Job Search Preparation, "Successful Interview", "Negotiating the Job Offer"** Career Development Center, University Hallroom 324, 12 Noon - 1 p.m. Free to students and Alumni Assn. members.

**COMEDY: Lydia Sargent.** Student Union Events Center C, 7 p.m. Free.

**MULTICULTURAL MOVIE NIGHT: "Far And Away."** Student Union Multicultural Center, 5 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

**SOFTBALL: CSUSB v. POINT LOMA.** Softball Field, 2:30 p.m.

**NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS' PROJECT** - Regular meeting. Women's Resource & Adult Re-Entry Center. Two meetings: 2 p.m. - 3 p.m., 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**FUTURE TEACHERS CLUB** - Regular meeting. Sycamore Room, Lower Commons, 6 p.m.

**SOCIOLOGY CLUB** - Regular meeting. Pine Room, Lower Commons, 6 p.m.

**VIETNAMESE LANGUAGE CLASS:** Sponsored by Vietnamese Student Assn. John Pfau Library Classroom 217, 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Free.

**WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT GROUP** - Regular meeting. Women's Resource & Adult Re-Entry Center, 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.

## Wednesday, March 15

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVITIES.** Student Union Courtyard, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

**BROWN BAG LUNCH LECTURE SERIES: "Women In Performance"** with Professor Jennifer Reed. Women's Resource & Adult Re-Entry Center, 12 Noon - 1 p.m.

**PANEL DISCUSSION: "What Are Your Thoughts On Dating Outside Of Your Race?"** Located in Events Center A, 3 p.m.-4:30 p.m. All are welcome!

**CONCERT: CSUSB CONCERT CHOIR.** Creative Arts Recital Hall, 8:15 p.m. \$5 General Admission, \$3 students, staff and seniors.

**PSI CHI LECTURE: "Domestic Violence after Separation: Sometimes, Leaving Doesn't End the Abuse"** by Dr. Geraldine Stahly. Student Union Events Center "C," 5 p.m. Free and open to the public.

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## Thursday, March 16

**WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH VIDEO SERIES: "Enchanted April."** Women's Resource & Adult Re-Entry Center, 12 Noon.

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# Chronicle SOAP Commentary

## What America Needs Most is a Legitimate Third Party

By Brian Lees  
Editor in chief

In the wake of the actions of our most recently elected officials and the overall direction in which this country is heading, it is becoming increasingly apparent to many American citizens that a legitimate third party would be quite attractive in the upcoming 1996 Presidential Election (and no, Ross Perot is not the answer).

The problem is that both of our major political parties have failed us tremendously. Years of Republican corporate greed and corporate welfare have seriously damaged our middle class economy and threaten to damage it even further. Years of Democratic liberalism in the courts have allowed our "criminal" justice system to deteriorate. The result is a rapidly decaying American society.

In California, the problem seems to be greatly exacerbated by the continuing battle over a scarce tax base used to fund California's struggling educational system and overcrowded prison system. Although funding education properly could produce more productive members of society and reduce the number of impoverished, uneducated, oppressed criminals in this state, Governor Pete Wilson has promised to spend more money to build prisons to house Three-Strikes and One-Strike offenders.

While building more prisons is definitely politically expedient at this time, the type of prisons we are building is a major contributor to our problems. Instead of housing violent criminals in dirty, undesirable dungeons (as many civilized countries still do), we place them in "country clubs," complete with color cable television, a built-in "Family Fitness," and buffet-style gourmet food bars. In fact, some of our state officials have been recently investigating the claims that many prisons are in better condition than the dormitories on any college or university campus in the state.

Part of the reason that our prisons are so crowded is because most criminals don't really fear going to prison any more. And part of the reason that criminals don't fear going to prison anymore is because the conditions in prisons are too good for our prisoners. And, finally, part of the reason that our

prisons are so "plush" is because of organizations like the American Civil Liberties Union (among others) that fight for "prisoners' rights" at the expense of the rights of every other citizen of this state to receive an education.

Why do prisoners have special rights that most ordinary citizens don't have? Many people would like to have the state's taxpayers pick up the tab while they live in rent-free housing that resembles an extended "Club Med" vacation. Why do prisoners have to have a certain type of gym to workout in and healthier, low-fat foods, and pay-per-view boxing matches for their enjoyment?

The best thing to do with these criminals is not to pamper them, but rather to make their "extended vacation" much less enjoyable. Building prisons without the modern amenities in the middle of the Mojave Desert is a far better idea. Making criminals pay for their crimes through true suffering in dark, dusty, 130 degree dungeons is the best way to make prison life less desirable.

This is far less barbaric than public executions or Singapore-style flogging. It's time to cut through the rhetoric to get really tough on crime. By building prisons with fewer amenities for prisoners, the savings could be put into education, where it belongs.

Unfortunately, while Democrats are accused of being too soft on crime, the Republicans are accused of being enemies of education and other worthy social programs in order to fund corporate welfare. Perhaps the greatest example of this corporate welfare is the federal subsidies to tobacco companies.

Another thing Republicans like to attack is entitlements. Texas Senator Phil Gramm, the first proclaimed candidate for the 1996 Republican Presidential nomination, is a vocal opponent of entitlements and a prime example of hypocritical "feeding at the trough." Yet what is most interesting is that Gramm has benefitted from these same entitlements for years.

Gramm was born in the base hospital at Fort Benning, Georgia, where his father was living on a veterans' disability pension--an early entitlement program. He went to the University of Georgia, where his tuition and expenses were paid by the War Orphans Act, another entitlement, which had been sponsored in Congress by the Democratic Senator that Gramm was to succeed in 1979.

Gramm went on to graduate school, which was paid by yet another government program--a National Defense Education Act fellowship. With his new Ph.D., Gramm became a full professor at age 30 at Texas A & M University, a state-supported school, until he got on another government payroll as a member of Congress 16 years ago. If Gramm goes all the way to the White House, a Presidential pension would certainly round out his life of warning against government handouts.

Gramm is not the only one who has demonstrated an uncanny ability to either live off of the dole or distribute its spoils to other unneeded, undeserving parties. It is almost guaranteed that the Republicans will put up an extremely corporate-friendly candidate once again.

Another issue of concern is the so-called "family values" principle. Family values is a great idea and we certainly need to strengthen American families, but what really is "family values?" It is obviously a rather ambiguous term even to those Republicans who propose it, since their definition of "family values" often involves pinching middle class families in order to support corporate welfare policies. Family values are evidently preserved for families of a

higher socio-economic status.

In addition to this, it is also quite unfortunate that those who talk about "family values" the most are also those who are the poorest examples of a good family role model. This is very disappointing, mainly because our families are in such need of help. As the American family goes, so goes the nation.

With all of this in mind, it is a sad commentary on American politics when most of us are using the phrase "voting for the lesser of two evils" these days. It doesn't have to be this way, though. It is quite depressing to think that our "two evils" in November 1996 might be Bill Clinton and Phil Gramm.

If, for once, there were a balanced third party candidate that could recognize both the importance of punishing convicted criminals justly and harshly and turning off the faucet of corporate welfare in favor of education and worthy social programs.

Does such a candidate exist? Perhaps only in fairy tales, or possibly in our wildest dreams. But if one does not exist or does magically appear soon, partisanship will only get worse, and the middle class will continue to suffer immensely, and if we continue in this trend, it could be the end of the great American empire as we know it. After all, Rome didn't last forever.

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## Chronicle Letters



# Mapplethorpe's Art Misinterpreted

To the Editor:

In Neil Derry's commentary, February 22, opposing the University's "Statement of Commitment to Diversity," he made reference to the photographic work of Robert Mapplethorpe. He states, "...have an art display recognizing the benefits of child sodomy (perhaps Robert Mapplethorpe's pho-

tography would be appropriate)."

It is obvious that he is unfamiliar with Mr. Mapplethorpe's work (and is equally uninformed about most of the material covered in his article). Mr. Mapplethorpe never made photographs displaying the act of child sodomy or promoted such an act. I suggest that he visit the exhibition of Robert

Mapplethorpe's photographs at the California Museum of Photography in Riverside which opens March 4.

Sincerely,  
Sant Khalsa

Associate Professor of Art, photography program coordinator

## CSUSB Memories: 'Things That I Remembered On This Campus'

By Jimmy Hwang  
Special to The Chronicle

This is my last quarter here. I am taking a position as full professor and department chair at another private institution in San Diego, where I reside. I came to this campus in the summer of 1991 from San Diego State University. Although I have been emotionally attached to this campus over the last four years, it is really hard for anyone to pass on an opportunity and promotion. I would like to share with you some of my observations about this campus.

I have been a regular reader of *The Chronicle*. When I was at San Diego State, the student newspaper (called *Daily Aztec*) was a daily publication. The newspaper was very open and covered every phase of student lives on campus. There were many live debates on all issues that happened on campus. The student newspaper was indeed very enjoyable reading.

When I first encountered our

*Chronicle*, my first impression was that it was dull and unimpressive. Many articles were merely another version of the university position from the Office of Public Affairs. I did not miss much from the bi-weekly publications. I kept asking myself, "Where was our independent student thinking?"

However, I am glad to see many changes this year. Not only is the quality improved, the *Chronicle* nature of the campus calendar section is outstanding. The open discussion among readers and editors makes our *Chronicle* intellectual again. I am becoming anxious to pick up each new issue now. With the quality that we have, *The Chronicle* will soon be popular enough to become a weekly publication. The editorial staff should be highly praised. I will be saving the *Chronicles* as souvenirs.

Another thing that I have trouble with and could never get it over is the university attitude toward some exercise facilities. In the summer that I was hired to the campus, I

played tennis with my two young boys in our tennis courts for the first time on campus. By the time we finished at 7:00, we were locked inside the court yard with 12 foot fences.

The security personnel who locked the entrance gate did not even check or inform us about closing. There was no phone inside the court. My kids were crying and panic-stricken. Each of us had to climb over the 12 foot fence to get out. Fortunately, nobody got hurt. We have had nightmares since.

As a state university, many of our campus facilities should be open to the general public. When the facilities are open, we are truly serving our community well. Of course, these facilities should be primarily used for university instructional programs. But when the facilities are available, we should do everything we can to make them available to the general public.

The general public in the area is undoubtedly our potential source of enrolling students. We can eas-

ily notice that tennis courts in high schools are always open. I do not see any compelling reason why we can not make them more accessible to the general public. What harm could be done to tennis courts?

Diversity is just another showcase. As a Chinese-American myself, I had experienced many racial tensions on this campus. Here are some simple statistics. There are about 12-15% of students from Taiwan, China, Japan, and other Asian countries. There are about 20 Chinese-American faculty and administrators on campus. But there is not a Chinese-American faculty that is promoted above the position of department chair (inclusive).

Although there have been open search processes for many administrative positions, nearly all of the final selections are appointments of someone who is already acting. The search itself is a joke. It is hard for me to believe that there is not a Chinese-American on this campus or other candidates from off-campus who could be qualified for these

positions.

When other campuses are truly promoting racial balances, should our university at least manifest some effort to improve this? We need actions, not excuses. Give a minority a chance.

The university has done many good things for me. In return, I have also performed my professional duties. I pushed and made many things possible for our campus. The experience is rewarding.

When I mentioned my name to some alumni that I never met, they quickly associate me as the person who initiated the Internet connections and used Coyote-related terms to name the domain server for our campus. The closeness and friendliness with the students are the reasons why I love this campus.

I want to voice my gratitude and concerns for the future and wellness of our campus. I have lots of good memories of San Bernardino. I shall return.

*Jimmy Hwang is a professor of Business Administration at CSUSB*

## Angered Student Speaks Out About Campus Bureaucracy

To The Editor:

The following is a list of events that took place at CSUSB, while I tried to accomplish the petition of the University regulations. First of all, I was notified by mail on Monday, February 6, 1995, that I needed to register on February 11 (Saturday), between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.

I immediately found out what I needed to do in order to take Psych 311 lab from 1:20 p.m. to 4:10 pm, while also taking my last integrative capstone in Humanities. The only problem was that Hum 335 meets on the same day as my Psych 311 lab does. Hum 335 is scheduled on Monday and Wednesday from 4:00 p.m. to 5:50 p.m.

I went and picked up a university petition. I had Dr. McDougall, my current biopsychology instructor, sign the petition. He stated that it was okay if I left the lab 12 to 15 minutes early. With his approval, it allowed me not to have to affect Dr. Whitaker's class at all!

After trying to contact Dr. Whitaker for a week via personal office visits and visits to the Peer Advising for Liberal Studies office. I was told that Dr. Whitaker would sign my form, but at 2:35 p.m., the door was locked and Dr.

Whitaker was nowhere to be found.

I then proceeded to go see my EOP Counselor. I was upset at this point because not only did TRACS not let me register via phone or by Admissions and Records, the petition became very time consuming.

Why are two instructors' signatures needed when one is sufficient due to the fact that the first signature would be by the instructor who will release the student early, whether it be a lab or a lecture class? No one at this University could answer this question, not even Dr. Pritchard.

I finally found an answer from Raymond Navarro, Jr. He informed me that the petition policy had been changed specifically to cater to one faculty member who at the time was the Chair of the Academic Senate and did not personally like the previous policy. He felt that too many students with time conflicts would abuse the university's regulation policy. In reality, he did not like the fact that students were being "truant" to his class.

EXCUSE ME? But this is not high school, and it is not the instructor's responsibility or the obligation of the university to make sure students attend classes. That is

why adults attend colleges. How dare an individual on the Senate take the power to please himself.

The university is a series of inter-related networks that provide educational opportunities for all people. The university is for the students, not for the faculty to benefit from in such a way that harms the university's image or the general student body here at CSUSB.

I am truly disappointed with the Committee of Educational Policy and Resources and the university as a whole. I am outraged that such a bureaucracy flourishes at CSUSB. I refuse, as a student, to allow this to continue.

I believe that the petition policy should be changed back to its previous form. I also demand formal apologies from all parties/departments/individuals who disrupted my learning process.

Continuing with my ordeal, I spoke with Nadine and Larry. After they did everything they could, I was advised to talk to the Dean of Humanities after which she willingly signed my form. Finally, after a week and a half, not to mention the two and a half hours after school that I spent on Monday, I signed the form and returned it to Advising

and Academic Services.

Saturday, via mail, I received my copy of the approval to my petition. On Wednesday, February 22, I called TRACS to see if I was finally enrolled in Hum 335 and Psych 311 lab. Low and behold, I was not enrolled. The university failed me again.

Finally, at 3:30 pm on Feb. 22, Mr. Navarro, Jr. enrolled me via TRACS for my classes. I was also failed by the university by not being able to get an appointment with the Dean of Undergraduate Studies until March 10—a month away.

I was also given a great deal of misinformation, not to mention catching a cold by running around all over the campus in the rain while departments played "pass the buck." This ordeal has stolen valuable time and energy from my studying and from my educational journey.

I demand that action be taken, not only for myself, but for the entire student body here at CSUSB! I insist on fairness, and will take whatever measures or steps necessary to obtain equality and justice.

Another point to ponder is how is it possible for an individual to make his/her registration window via TRACS, when it is a one day,

five hour time period? It is impossible.

Because of this mess, I did not complete my registration until the middle of Priority III, instead of an earlier Priority. Why was the issue of the petition form and the TRACS system not discussed in the October 1994 revision of the petition form? Could it be because it was not a personal concern of a member of the Senate? The TRACS system was in full operation in October of 1994.

This unfairness is wrong and I believe immensely that the university owes the student body at CSUSB a formal apology due to the fact that the university has caused other students, as well as myself, loss of time, emotional strain, stress, and any other inconveniences it has inflicted.

Finally, this measly ten minute time confliction is not addressed anywhere in the CSUSB catalog. Why? I expect answers on all these issues. I have no problem discussing these issues or topics, and I want all of them resolved.

Thank you,  
Damian R. Ochoa,  
Student



To The Editor:

So what sneaky agendas hide behind the parking lot survey handed out on February 21st? Are we supposed to assume some warped justification buried in the issue of student unwillingness to use public transport as reason to raise parking fees?

Have you "higher powers" considered the truly practical aspects of transportation by privately owned vehicles? If not--try these on for size:

1- Our cars help us to be time efficient. Many of CSU's students commute long distances. What can be traveled in minutes by car takes hours by bus! This is no exaggeration! We use our cars like lockers. Considering that many of our classes require more than one textbook, and that many of us plan our schedules to include morning, afternoon, and/or evening classes, we can leave some textbooks in the car (locker) and come back for what we need at the appropriate time. Have you no concern for our physical health? Don't you know what muscle strain and back pain results from the daily exhaustion of carrying mountains of books, papers, etc.?

2- Most of us signing this letter are art majors. We not only lug textbooks around, but we also have tons of required materials of awkward

size and massive weight. Do you have any idea of the difficulties associated with getting canvases, paint, sculpture supplies, clay, and other supplies around all day?

3- Now, shall we get on to those students who are also parents? Sure there are buses that will pick up parent and child, go to day care, wait a couple minutes while junior is deposited at the sitter's doorstep, and then get us to class on time--Ha Ha Ha! What are you thinking?

We students are not trying to aggravate the parking problem but you sure are aggravating us with promoting alternatives to the most practical means we already use. We just come here to get an education. So help us reach this goal instead of holding stress management workshops for all the grief we encounter from an excess of bureaucracy.

Signed,

Linda Wolfe  
Frederick A. Johnson  
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## And the Quest for a Mate Continues...

### Corner

Heckler's

Jeremy Heckler

I always wondered why it seemed that, at least for me, mysteries of the opposite sex abound. The ever-popular phrase, "You're a really nice guy, but..." was recently translated by a sitcom character into, "I'm going to be dating leather-wearing alcoholics and then complain about them-- to you." When will women realize that it's okay to tell a guy you don't want him you be your boyfriend, but that it's emasculating to try to compensate by making him a girlfriend?

Now I thought that this was a little far-fetched, but considering that it was February, and Valentine's Day, I decided to pursue the question of what women want and how I should go about getting out of the "Good Friends Society of America." The Society is a small, unofficial group of poor guys who are the best people to talk to when you have a personal problem, but for all other intents and purposes--off-limits. I thought that the only to cure this problem was to find out why women were so crazy. Hey, it seemed like a good idea at the time.

The first thing I did was to actually ask people what they wanted

from a perspective mate. Some women wanted or had nice guys and some said that they liked dating jerks. The thought of women who actually like dating jerks amazed me. From what they told me, some of them were trying to look beyond the surface and try to find the good person underneath. Others considered them a challenge and wanted to change them. "Whatever!"-- that's what I thought, because it seemed to me that they were heading down that rocky path toward the cliff only to fall off.

Not *entirely* wanting to buy all that, I went and talked to a professional psychologist, Dr. Robert Cramer, one of the professors here on campus. He told me that, from a scientific standpoint, men and women tend to agree on a number of things that they look for in a potential mate. They include: people who are loyal, kind, and interesting. He then said that men have a tendency to be attracted to physical appearances more than women. Then he gave the real answer to my question and said that women tend to look on the surface for those who are ambitious and motivated with an air of confidence. I could see that in many cases, but not all.

He also said that men and

women were interested in having other people to talk to, but those are not necessarily the people that they date. That was an interesting concept especially for me because the obvious escapes me at times and I don't know any better. Dr. Cramer also said that friendship and dating may not always be compatible and that the way you deal with romantic partners and friends is different. One must identify those they would want to be romantic with and communicate that to them.

Basically dating and relationships as far as I'm concerned is not an exact science, but hopefully experience will teach me what it is like to have a relationship that does not end up making a total fool out of myself. If anything, I should be who I am and try to be honest with my feelings with others.

Still, during the whole process of developing this idea for the column, I thought that it was someone else's fault for my circumstance. Hey, maybe it is--but for now, all I do know is that I may not have what someone else is looking for. Maybe because I stopped searching for it. Maybe she'll find me, and we'll find each other, and life will go on. It's not that important but, hey, it's better than nothing. Nobody ever said you have to live happily ever after.

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# Monthly CSSA Report

from News Services

The California State Student Association (CSSA) provides a unified voice for the 320,000 California State University (CSU) students at the CSU Chancellor's Office and the State Legislature. Each month student representatives meet to be briefed by staff on collective bargaining, system, and legislative issues.

The monthly meeting of the CSSA Board of Directors was hosted by Sonoma State University on February 19-20. Although CSUSB is no longer a member of CSSA students can still benefit from CSSA's statewide level of representation of the entire CSU system.

Student participation in the Collective Bargaining (CB) arena continues to be strong, and focused on protecting the quality of services offered to CSU students. Within the next few weeks, all six unions are expected to be in either full contract or reopener negotiations.

One of the main issues that the Board will monitor in the next several months is the potential for a faculty compensation package based partly on a true merit aspect; this concept is subject to bargaining. What CSSA will advocate is strong student input in what constitutes meritorious performance by faculty.

The Interest Based Bargaining format between the CSU and the California Faculty Association (CFA) was officially declared over; and the two sides will resume positional bargaining in a manner traditionally used in labor negotiations.

The Board of Directors approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between CSSA and the new CSU campus at Monterey Bay (CSUMB). In an effort to provide state-wide student support for the incoming students of CSUMB; the MOU spoke to issues such as student autonomy, oversight of funds, management of the Student Union and bookstore, and other key areas of student governance. Negotiations for the MOU's approval and implementation by CSUMB will begin shortly.

Student governance over cam-

pus-based fees was also discussed in detail. An area of particular concern is the ever raising cost of campus Student Health Centers. The University Affairs Committee (UAC) reviewed the recommendations of the CSU Task Force on Student Health Services which will be before the CSU Board of Trustees for action in March. The board reaffirmed the UAC's proposal to make these recommendations more student focused.

The Board of Directors also reviewed the February 16's Draft of the proposed CSU policy on (campus-based) student fees. A final CSU policy should be worked out in the next few months. The CSSA Board also adopted a resolution to support the continuation of remedial education in the CSU system.

The Legislative Affairs Committee continues to strategize for the 1995 Legislative Session. An integral part of which is the Annual CSSA Legislative Conference to be held in Sacramento on April 23-25, 1995. This event will climax with the student lobby day and a rally at the front of the state capitol.

February 24th is the legislative deadline to introduce all bills for the 1995 session. At the Board meeting staff presented nine bill analyses, which the CSSA Board of Directors discussed and took positions on. Highlights of the positions taken include:

1) Oppose- Assembly Constitutional Amendment 2 and Assembly Bill 221 (Richter), both of which would seek to limit the use of Affirmative Action.

2) Support- Assembly Bill 81 (Napolitano) which would protect against the negative affects of Proposition 187 by stating that all persons have the right to be free of criminal intimidation on the basis of citizenship or legal residency.

CSSA is sponsoring legislation on extending the 10% Fee Cap Law, adding another Student Trustee to the Board of Trustees, facilitating Student Representation on the California Student Aid Commission and the California Postsecondary Education Commission, and campus based fees.

## New Legislation Brought to Board of Trustees' Meeting

from News Services

On February 22, 1995, Assemblywoman Davis (D, San Diego) introduced California State Student Association (CSSA) sponsored legislation, which aims at increasing student representation on the California State University Board Of Trustees.

AB 730, would add a second student representative to the Board of Trustees. Student Trustees terms would start on alternating years, so that students would always have a representative with experience at the negotiating table. Also, if a Student Trustee graduated with no more than six months remaining on his or her term, they would be able to finish out their term. Overall, the bill creates stability and a smooth transfer of information from one student representative to another.

"I am committed to ensuring

that at least one student's voice will always be heard at the Board of Trustees," stated Davis.

The Board of Trustees functions as the guardian to the overall mission and long-term welfare of the CSU. At bi-monthly meetings, important decisions are made on the quality, accessibility, and affordability of a CSU education.

Under present law, there are 24 voting Trustees. Five are ex officio members: the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the Assembly, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the CSU Chancellor. Eighteen members are appointed by the Governor of which 16 are subject to confirmation by two-thirds of the Senate. The faculty and student representatives do not go through the Senate confirmation process. The Alumni Trustee is appointed solely by the

CSU Statewide Alumni Council. All appointments are for eight years, except for the Student, Faculty, and Alumni Trustees whose terms are for two years.

"The learning curve is steep and students remain at a disadvantage as their term is two years compared to eight and most of the time the Alumni and Faculty Representatives are reappointed," stated Eric Mitchell, a student from CSUH.

"In 1975, when CSSA won legislative approval to have a student on the Board of Trustees the CSU system was much smaller. Now, the CSU is comprised of 22 campuses and 340,000 students," explained Christopher Lowe, Student Trustee. "It has become increasingly difficult for one student to represent such a diverse and large constituency."

## English Has Roots in African Languages

By Corina Borsuk  
Advertising Manager

As Americans, we freely accept that our language has influences of many other cultures and languages including French, Spanish, Roman, Greek and German. According to English professor Sandra Kamusikiri, however, we as a culture tend to overlook the lasting influence of African tongues, especially Bantu, on American English as well as early European languages.

African languages gained their greatest sway over American English during the slavery of the 1800s. The influence of Bantu can be found in the names of many cities in the Southern United States. Some of the city names, when translated, can be seen to refer to the condi-

tions and attitudes of the African American slaves who occupied and named those areas. Examples of Southern Bantu place names include: Ponchatoula (heavy burden), Louisiana, Nakhina (hate), North Carolina, Abida (manacle) Springs, Louisiana and Alapaha (let him come here to a safe place), Georgia.

Banana, banjo, cola, elephant, gorilla, and gumbo are English words that trace their origins to African words. In fact, much of American vocabulary commonly used today are actual Bantu words, such as booboo, which means "mistake" in Bantu, or loan translations, which are single words translated into English. African words and grammar often make their way into American English vocabulary through slang. The word "bad,"

meaning "good" comes from Africa where it is common to take a word with a negative meaning and twist it so that it is positive.

Citing research conducted by D. MacRitchie and published in *Ancient and Modern Britons* in 1884, professor Kamusikiri discussed Euro-American surnames that have ties to Africa and its languages, most as translations of African words. Her list of names included: Moore, Morris, Muir, Maurice and Morrison, all surnames translated as a person from Mauritania and Schwartzkopf, the German surname for "Blackhead." Blank also pointed out that MacRitchie's research suggests that surnames may indicate that our ancient European ancestors may have been of mixed race.

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# California Leaders Are Convinced Higher Education Is Top Agenda

from News Services

Higher education's problems need to be moved higher on the state's agenda, or California may be split into a society of "haves and have-nots," according to prominent business and professional leaders interviewed in a report released today by Public Agenda for The California Higher Education Policy Center.

"California leaders fear that with higher costs, decreasing state support, and a new influx of students, those who are unable today will be flushed out of the system, causing California to become a two-class society of haves and have-nots," principal author Dr. John Immerwahr said in summarizing opinions from the report, entitled *Preserving the Higher Education Legacy: A Conversation with California Leaders*.

The 29 leaders included a former Governor; a Nobel Prize winning economist; news media executives; religious, community and civic leaders; and corporate presidents. They were selected from outside the ranks of higher education professionals in order to obtain a broader understanding of the issues facing higher education today.

"The report echoes our strong contention that higher education must be moved up on California political agenda, and that the public must be invited into the conversation," said Pat Callan, executive director of the Policy Center. "Otherwise, higher education will move beyond the financial grasp of most of its citizens."

The leaders also strongly agreed that the state currently does not have an effective way of dealing with higher education issues. One interviewee said, "What do I think of the process for dealing with the

issues? What process? I don't think we have a process for dealing with them."

These confidential, in-depth interviews were conducted by Public Agenda to expand the conversation about higher education in California. Public Agenda, a non-profit, non-partisan organization based in New York, seeks to clarify and understand the public's point of view on complex policy issues.

The leaders interviewed stressed the importance of the future of California higher education and its tradition of high quality and affordable fees as one of the state's strongest resources, citing the importance in their own lives of access to some of the best schools in the nation at a reasonable price.

"Again and again, as we conversed with leaders, they called for some 'public space'--some public forum or public process that would generate a statewide discussion of the issue," said Deborah Wadsworth, executive director of Public Agenda.

The leaders also did not want to focus on the "moral failings of educational bureaucracies but on a perceived bankruptcy in the process for debating and discussing critical issues such as higher education," Immerwahr wrote.

"It would be interesting to engage the entire state on the questions of the future of higher education. The discussion of the issue would be as important as the solution," one interviewee stated.

The report also state these influential Californians felt an urgent need for more fundamental thinking about the purposes of higher education. Their sense was that much of the current discussion is more "budget-driven" rather than concerned with education and the goals of education.

"What we need to do is to look forward to the future of California, and ask what are our educational needs and how are we going to meet them, and only then try to talk about how to pay for them," one interviewee noted.

Ideas which drew consensus from the interviewees included the need to use existing facilities more efficiently, setting fee levels on the basis of student's ability to pay, exploring new uses of technology, focusing support on a few high quality graduate and professional programs, and reviewing teaching loads.

These views provide "another piece of the picture which we hope will be helpful to those who are dealing with higher education issues today," Immerwahr concluded. This report is the second report in a series of conversations with Californians. The first report, *The Closing Gateway*, describes a similar trend: while Californians, similar to the nation as a whole, increasingly regard a college degree as an indispensable ticket to the middle class, they believe the gateway of opportunity for higher education is closing.

Public Agenda was founded in 1975 by public opinion analyst Daniel Yankelovich and Former Secretary of State Cyrus Vance. Public Agenda is located at 6 East 39th Street, Suite 900, New York, New York 10016. Their phone number is (212) 686-6610.

The California Higher Education Policy Center is an independent, non-profit, non-partisan organization created to stimulate public awareness and discussion of issues affecting the future of higher education.

Copies of the report are available from The California Higher Education Policy Center, 160 West Santa Clara Street, Suite 704, San Jose, CA 95113. Their phone number is (408) 287-6601.



## Are These Chicken Scratches?

By Paul Pai  
Special to The Chronicle

Yes, they are. But if you look closely, they are also basic strokes for writing Chinese characters. There are only seven basic strokes. And if the chicken can do it, you can do it.

Chinese language classes have been offered on this campus for nearly seven years. I often hear students say that the Chinese language is too difficult to learn. This is absolutely stereotypical, misinformed, and erroneous. The truth of the matter is that Chinese is so simple, it's ridiculous.

The Chinese language, like any other language, is made up of words (ideograms or characters) and arranged in a syntactical order known as grammar. Unlike English gram-

mar, there is no tense, no number, and only one gender. You do not have to conjugate the verbs and all verbs are not inflected. You may virtually learn the language within minutes.

Our Cal State Chinese Program is made easy by: 1) using transliteration, and 2) a video program using all the words learned in the classroom to create live conversation between two Chinese students. This process leads students to write, read, listen, and speak.

Chinese 101, 102, and 150 are a fun, low stress area of study. Students learn the language in no time and can actually continue to learn by themselves without a teacher. By learning this language, you open up a new world of understanding of an exotic culture.

Come join me.

## Discrimination in Journalism

By Sean Bilbrew  
Chronicle Staff

Have you ever felt that you're not getting information because of your ethnic background or gender? A name or the way you speak can indicate one or the other.

Whether or not the person has an accent can indicate their ethnicity. For example, a person who is Japanese or German will

have an accent when speaking English. The individual that the person is talking to may not know exactly where they are from, but they will know that they are from a foreign country. Usually the person whom you are talking to will know if you are male or female.

If you are told to get information for a class project or even a research paper and it requires talking to a professional who works at the corporate headquarters, make sure you tell them why you are calling and what the information will be used for. Some professionals may be hesitant when it comes to giving out information.

Most people get information easier than others because of how they carry themselves on the phone or in person. For example, if you were to go see the doctor and wanted a little information on him like his background, he may feel a little bit worried about someone asking him that question. To you it may seem alright, but the doctor may start thinking about the last time he saw you. Doctors don't want anybody pointing the finger at them for any reasons. Someone of the opposite race, gender and language barrier can cause a person to feel out of place or hesitant when it comes to giving out information.

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# CPC Michael Druan to speak at CSUSB

from News Services

Michael Druan is a Certified Personnel Consultant, licensed by the National Association of Personnel Consultants, and the President and Chief Executive Officer of The Career Search Group. His twenty plus years in Human Resources and Personnel Services are supported by an M.B.A.

For almost a decade, The Career Search Group has led the personnel services industry through the design of cutting edge technology, in

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Mike works day-in and day-out with serious job seekers at all levels, from the young professional just starting out, to the veteran executive seeking to stabilize his or her career after downsizing or reorganization. His down-to-earth concepts are widely acknowledged as logical, understandable, and con-

venient to put into action.

Mr. Druan is a recognized lecturer and seminar trainer, having been featured in both television and radio, and is presently in production of both a book and a tape series on the subjects of career management and changing jobs.

Mr. Druan will be leading a career search seminar hosted by Alpha Kappa Psi March 8th at 6 p.m. in the Sycamore Room. Everyone is welcome to attend and there is no charge for the event.

By Melissa Pinion  
Chronicle Staff

The Rolling Stone sponsored tour, featuring Dag and Mother May I spread multiple layers of funkadelic and punkadelic flavors at CSUSB on Wednesday, March 1st. The bands, having influences from all walks of life, may very well be paving the way for a brand new alternative spectrum. With the present alternative bands seeping into the mainstream, this is probable.

Vocalist Damon Hennessey of

## CSUSB Concert Provides A Change

the Washington, D.C. based band, Mother May I, explained, "Radio, MTV, and even Top 40 has changed... Music was due for a change." More with a feeling of displacement he further commented, "Death Metal is taking the place of punk music."

While Mother May I rolled out the classic punk chords mainly utilized by the likes of Green Day and other neo-punk bands now in the

See Concert, page 23

## On Campus Interview Program

from News Services

Each Quarter, the Career Development Center provides an opportunity for seniors, graduate students, and alumni to interview on campus with representatives from various business, industry, and governmental agencies. To be eligible for this program, candidates must attend an informal orientation session hosted by the Career Development Center. Registration is **NOT** required. Orientation sessions are held each week as follows:

Mondays	10:00 a.m.
Tuesdays	2:00 p.m.
Thursdays	10:00 a.m.

You need only to attend one session. Each session typically runs approximately 20 minutes. The list of companies who will be conducting on-campus interviews for the up-coming Spring Quarter will be posted in the Career Development Center's Career Library on Thursday, March 16th. The Career Development Center anticipates that approximately 30 companies/agencies will participate during the Spring Quarter. The Career Development Center is located in University Hall, Room 329. Office hours are:

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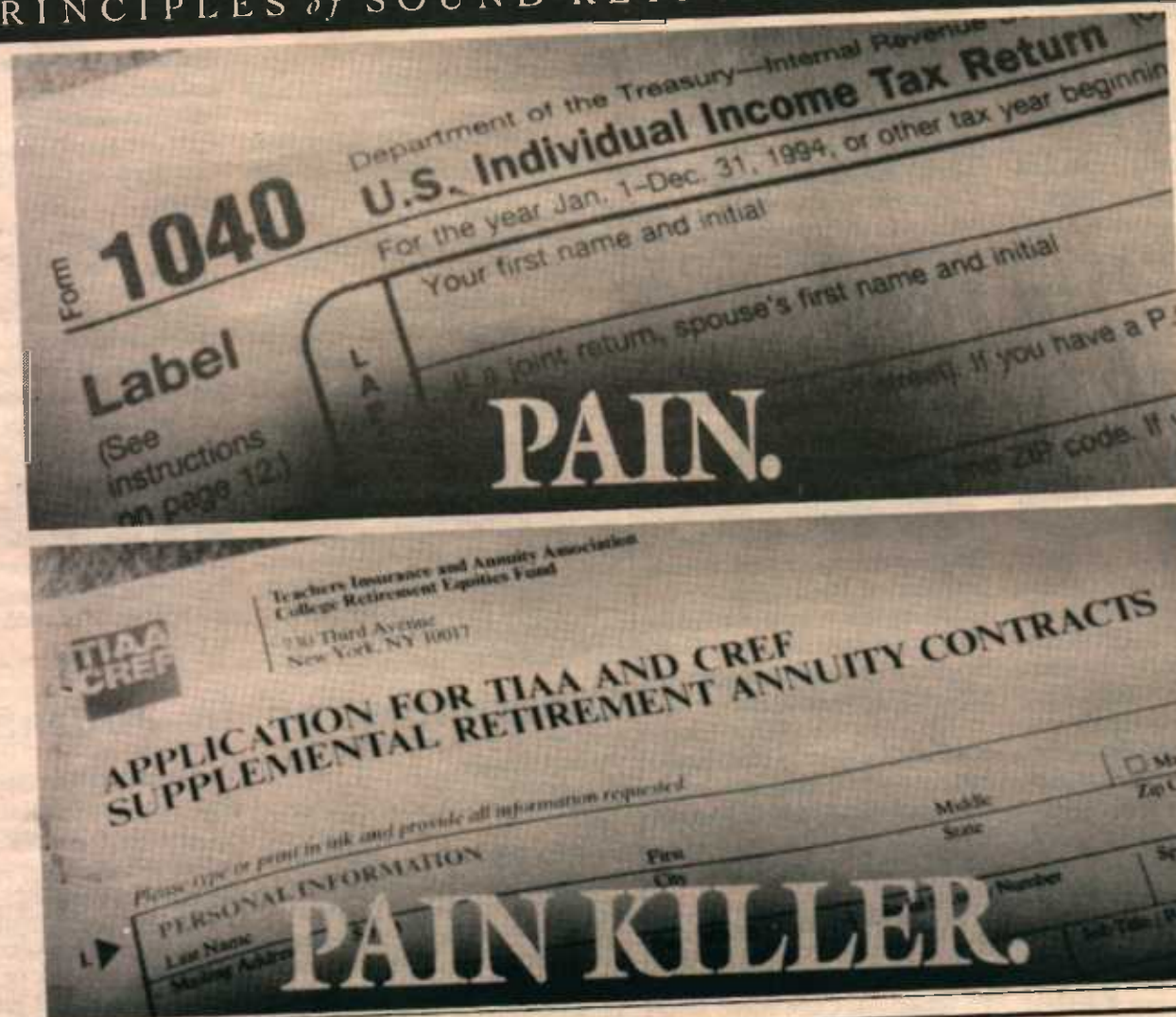
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# Opposing Viewpoints on the Abolishment of Affirmative Action

## Pro: Governor Pete Wilson Calls For Ending Racial Preferences in California

from News Services

Governor Pete Wilson told Republicans gathered near the State Capitol on February 25th that California must end laws which grant preferences based on race or gender. He also told the delegates that the state must cut its taxes and overhaul education in order to compete with other states and nations.

Wilson told the GOP delegates that California must prepare all its citizens to compete in a fair and honest, and truly color-blind society. He said our efforts to keep alive the belief in hard work and individual merit cannot be sustained if our laws create a system of preferences to be conferred, not by merit, but by reason of membership in a group defined by race or gender.

"We have not yet achieved the ideal of a truly color-blind meritocracy," Wilson said. "To do so, we must vigorously and conscientiously enforce the laws that prevent discrimination... and we must end the system of compensatory reverse discrimination that confers preferences on whole groups."

He added that too many children do not enjoy real equality or the opportunity to succeed and said that he was determined to provide

genuine equality to access opportunity. "We will prepare all our young people to compete and will hold fair and honest individuals who compete and win," he stated.

Wilson said that to the full extent of his authority he would repeal preferences in state government with an executive order. "But to repeal statutory authority and to provide the certainty that future legislatures and governors do not again engage in this practice, I will support and urge you to support the California Civil Rights Initiative to restore fairness and equality," Wilson said.

If passed by the voters, this initiative would amend the state constitution to permanently prevent racial preferences and discrimination in California.

"The President says he will defend affirmative action," Wilson said. "I say the anti-dote to discrimination that divides Americans. I say it is time we end discrimination against all Americans... and increase opportunity for all Americans."

In addition, Wilson said California must cut taxes and challenged critics of his fifteen percent tax cut proposal unveiled earlier this year.

"Go to any other state in the

West, and you will find workers giving less of their paycheck to the government than they do in California, and we have got to compete with those states for jobs," Wilson said. Those who complain the tax cut won't provide enough money for schools fail to recognize that "if we are not competitive for jobs, we won't create the jobs that pay the taxes that fund our schools in the first place. Cutting taxes is an investment in our future."

Wilson said if we really want to improve education in California we should recognize and reward teachers who perform with merit pay. In addition, noted that California's education code is 7,523 pages long and dictates everything from the number of electrical sockets in a classroom to the number of fruit trees allowed on campuses.

"These 7,523 pages stifle innovation and feed bureaucratic bloat," Wilson said. "No other state in the nation has an education code that so micro-manages its schools."

Governor Wilson said he was sponsoring legislation introduced yesterday that will overhaul the education code by rewarding excellence, strengthen local control, set higher standards and promote parental involvement.

## Con: Speaker of The State Assembly Speaks Out

from News Services

In America today, forces are at work which seek to turn back the clock to the days when even the courts offered no remedies for women and minorities who suffered from discrimination.

I believe that it is no accident that repeal of affirmative action is surfacing in California at this particular time.

In just five years, about the turn of the century, those groups which formerly have been minorities-- Asians, Latinos, African Americans, Native Americans, Pacific Islanders, and others-- will constitute a majority in California.

It is a trend which will be reflected, not just in California, but nationally by the middle of the next century.

Those who have historically held power do not --in this era or any other era-- relinquish that power without a struggle.

Affirmative action programs, which evolved from presidential executive orders and court decisions after passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, have made a vital contribution to the lives of those Americans who have benefitted from them.

But make no mistake. No minority group in America effectively controls a single aspect of American society.

This true even for women, who have the status of a minority despite holding a slight numerical majority.

Indeed ethnic minorities have a long and tragic history of prejudice and discrimination that includes:

- Slavery,
- The near-annihilation of the Native American population,
- The anti-Semitism that has marred every era of American history,
- The brutal exploitation that met the early Chinese immigrants to the western United States, and
- The relocation camps to which Japanese Americans were cruelly consigned.

Issues such as affirmative action are matters of both principle and survival for us because they are our best defense and strongest bastion against an ugly history which threatens in every generation to repeat itself.

The University of California system is currently considering eliminating affirmative action programs that apply to itself. A decision should be reached in June.

## Cal State Forensics Team Vocalizes Their Continued Growth

By Corina L. Borsuk  
Advertising Manager

"Our squad has won more awards this year than in any other year of competition." These words were uttered, not by one of the coaches of CSU's many sports teams, but by J Scott Rodriguez, the director of the Coyote Forensics Team. Forensics is a public speaking team that competes in regional competitions in several categories. There are team and individual events which include: novice debate, impromptu, extemporaneous, and prose and poetry oral interpretation.

Rodriguez's small squad of public speakers have entered events in all of the regional competitions that have been held since fall and have walked away with quite a few awards. In the five tournaments

that the team has attended so far, they have won nine awards (6 trophies and 3 certificates).

"I enjoy speaking and thought it would be fun and I would meet new people. I also wanted to try competing to see if I could hold my own," said Heather Bellomy. She and partner Wendy Roland were awarded second place for Novice/Rookie Team Debate at the Point Loma Nazarene College Sunset Cliffs Tournament in 1994.

Wendy Roland has a different reason for joining forensics. "I have never been athletic and [forensics] gives me a chance to win awards for my school." She also joined Forensics because "Scott had a really great presence and he made Forensics sound interesting."

Rodriguez has been coaching Forensics for five years and is

extremely enthusiastic about the teams' current and future prospects. This year's team has several sophomores who will be returning next year and Rodriguez is trying to expand the size of the team by recruiting students transferring from community colleges. "Part of the challenge [of being director of forensics] is to develop interest, to get student involvement."



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Wendy Roland (left) and Heather Bellamy (right) fight over the single trophy the duet received for Novice team debate.

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# Arts & Entertainment

## "The Illusion" Opens March 10th at CSUSB

From News Services

A father's determined attempts to restore his strained relationship with his son prove educational, comical, and surprisingly magical in Cal State, San Bernardino's production of "The Illusion" opening March 10.

The scene is post-revolutionary France and Mr. Pridamant, played by Vint Shurtliff of Riverside, has been befriended by a magician who shows him pieces of his son's life through the magic of an oracle. Amazed by his son's adventures but not always amused by what the young man thinks of

him, Mr. Pridamant "becomes an audience to what's happening in his son's life," says Kathryn Ervin, the Cal State theatre arts associate professor who is directing the play.

"The play is making the comment on theatre and how the drama of emotions is what engages us," Ervin says. "Love is an illusion" in the play in that the characters make important decisions about relationships purely on the strength of a "feeling" and are forever avoiding what's good for them.

The son, Clindor, is played by Rob Foley of San Bernardino, while Kristin Darlington of Riverside plays his love interest, Isabelle.

World-famous magician Harry Blackstone, Jr. served as a consultant for the illusions that occur in the play, tricks, says Ervin, that take a surprising amount of work to make convincing. "The Illusion," staged in the University Theatre, runs March 10-12 and 15-19. Curtain time for the evening shows is 8:15 p.m., the Sunday matinees March 12 and 19 are at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for general admission, \$5 for CSUSB Alumni Association members and senior citizens, and \$3 for students. For reservations, contact x5884 from 9:00-4:30 p.m.



Left to right: Shonda Dawson (Elicia), Heatherly Stephens (Alcandre the magician), and Rob Foley (Clindor), in University Theatre's "The Illusion."

## James' "Wah Wah" is on the cutting-edge of musical experimentation

By Brian Lees  
Editor in chief

Last June, I picked *Laid* by the British sextet James as the top album of the 1993-94 academic year. It was definitely a collection of some of the freshest, most melodic and thought-provoking music in the "alternative" scene.

The recently released *Wah Wah* is not truly a "new" album, but rather a compilation of experimental tracks recorded in a separate studio at the same time that the great songs of *Laid* were being recorded. The results are often staggering, fascinating, and slightly intoxicating.

The musical genius of James is thoroughly mixed with the musical and production genius of well-traveled record producer/eclectic electronic music composer Brian Eno (of U2 and Talking Heads fame).

*Wah Wah* captures the true spirit of raw musicianship and the creative genesis of jam sessions right as it is happening. Although most of the tracks are simple experimentation with synthesizers, industrial sounds and dynamic range challenges (such as the speaker-bursting bass sounds of "Low Clouds"), several tracks show great potential and promise as possible hits on a forthcoming album.

These tracks are surprising, since the major intent of *Wah Wah*

appears to be strictly an experimentation with sounds and recording techniques destined to influence future James recordings. Nevertheless, they showcase just the magnitude of the talent that James has, especially since songs this good failed to make the final cut for *Laid*.

The standouts here are the epic ballad "Pressure's On," the bluesy "Rhythmic Dreams" and "Rain Whistling," the Eno-saturated "Basic Brian," the industrialized "Honest Joe," and the dreamy concluding track "Sayonara."

The instrumentation and the recording quality are consistently excellent throughout *Wah Wah*. It is definitely a compliment to James that an album of B-side material is so good, but it is also somewhat disappointing that this is all that *Wah Wah* amounts to: melodic experimentation and far better-than-average B-sides. This is unfortunate, as *Wah Wah* will appeal mostly to hard core James fans only.

Nevertheless, the potential for greatness is definitely there, and *Wah Wah* provides a sprinkling of hope for greater things to come from James. As experimentation or B-side albums go, this is one of the best, and James appears to be on the cutting edge of some of the freshest music today. Only time will tell if they can take it all the way to the other side of today's fickle music scene.

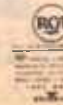
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# Jim is an Average Guy who Bakes Pretty Good Brownies

By Audra D. Alexander  
Copy Editor

Jim is an average guy. In fact, Jim is so average, that if one reads his comics with any sort of intelligently humorous expectations, you might wonder why they paid him to write comics about his average life in the first place. Jim is not hilarious... he's not witty... he's not even pleasantly funny... he's just average. But strangely enough, that's what makes Scott Dikkers' comic strip book entitled, "I Made Some Brownies and they were pretty good" an unequivocal success. Dikkers encapsulates Jim, a copy-store employee with an extremely mundane existence. Let me take you through the day I read the book,

an average day, not unlike any other day here in "Chronicle land."

We got the book in the mail--I opened it up (this is what I usually do when we get mail). I stared at the book cover for a few minutes, and decided this was going to be the similarly drawn, average cousin of Fido Dido, without the suave sophistication and animal magnetism Fido has. As the day progressed, and my brain cell capacity decreased, I began to enjoy the book a little more. I read it during an "average" lecture in my one of my classes, and suddenly things became funny. The guy in front of me--his hair had obviously broken the relationship off long ago--looked exactly like "Steve," Jim's

best friend. I began to wonder if that guy was as much of a dork as "Steve." Then I turned to look at my boyfriend--he looks exactly like Jim's other best friend "Tony." Then I remembered back to one of the first comics in the book. I realized that my boyfriend does that exact same "lick-the-lip-thing" when he's trying to think, too. I've always wondered if some day his lip is going to fall off on the floor from too much exertion. At that point in the day, with all but four or five of my feeble brain cells struggling to maintain composure, I had a revelation.

Jim isn't supposed to be hilarious...he's not supposed to be funny...he's just supposed to be

average. It was like angels were singing sweet praises, and someone, somewhere was applauding. Then I knew why Dikkers' comics are published in 200 college newspapers. *This book requires no intelligence to make you laugh.*

I began to compare all the comic strips to my friends. "Ruth," Jim's totally unattractive female friend, became that lady that always cuts me off on our way up University Parkway every Thursday morning. I was compelled to have compassion and sympathy for this woman. I now know she only does it to get attention. Maybe I'll buy her some flowers or something tomorrow. "Hal," Jim's completely nerdy boss, became every part-time employer

I've ever had. Suddenly the minimalistic humor this book holds came true. It's similar to those late Fridays and Saturdays wespender doing production for the paper. Once the ridiculous giggle fits set in...look out!

Okay, so no one else thought any of the comics were funny in the morning. That's the point! As the day progressed, everyone began to laugh at them. Late at night, when all brain cells have bedded down for a long winter's nap, every comic I read became true to my life. I couldn't keep from going into hysterics. I suppose this rings true for every college student--nocturnal qualities evoke "average" forms of insanity.

## Choral Music Recital to be Held

from News Services

The Cal State Concert Choir and Chamber Singers, under the direction of Tamara Harsh, presents a concert of American choral music on Wednesday, March 15 at 8:15 p.m. in the Recital Hall at Cal State.

The featured work of the evening will be Leonard Bernstein's "Chichester Psalms" performed by the Concert Choir. Other works in the program include



"American Indian Songs" by Kenneth Jennings, settings of e. e. cummings' poetry by Earl George, Lloyd Pfausch and Vincent Persichetti, spirituals, and traditional folk songs. Erin Aase, the choir's student conductor, will conduct two pieces in the program.

General admission will be \$5 and \$3 for students, faculty, staff and senior citizens. For information, call the Cal State, San Bernardino Music Department at (909) 880-5859.

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## Anne Siems' Naturalist Art to be Exhibited at CSUSB

from News Services

The natural and organic work of Seattle-based artist Anne Siems will be on exhibit March 9 - April 7.

Siems, whose love for botanical forms and organisms took root some four years ago, has used such materials as ink, paint, graphite, wax on paper she has found, open grocery bags flattened and sewn together for large pieces, and newspaper, old sheet music and pages from a

turn-of-the-century ledger for smaller pieces to create what she calls "invented natural history."

Organizers of the show said that her "artwork suggests complex forms found in nature that are based in the mystery of imagination."

Born in Berlin, Siems has drawn motivation from her experiences in the Pacific Northwest over the last few years, experiences that have sent her work in new directions. She, in one sense, captures the art of

early naturalist scientists as her work resembles their notebooks and contains the Latin-like script used for labels and codifications.

A reception for Siems will be held March 9 in the University Art Gallery, where her work is displayed. Gallery hours for the exhibit are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. -4 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, noon-4 p.m. For more information, call the university at (909) 880-5802.

## Women Rockers show that they can rock and roll with the best of 'em

By Brian Lees  
Editor in chief

A recent wave of strong releases by women rockers has reaffirmed that women can rock with the best of 'em. Four strong releases by four different, distinct women drives this point home.

The first of these releases, *Whip-Smart*, is the product of Chicago native Liz Phair. The follow up to her critically acclaimed debut album *Exile in Guyville*, *Whip-Smart* is just as the title indicates: smart as a whip.

The lyrics are astonishingly profound and hauntingly memorable. The instrumentation is exceptional on several tracks, but never too dominant in the overall mix. This allows Phair's songwriting to shine through.

Particularly good are the opening track "Chopsticks," the singles "Supernova" and "Whip-Smart," and the quirky "Go West" and "Cinco de Mayo." Phair is frank, open, and surprisingly adept at focusing on the obscure and often overlooked aspects of life. This is what makes *Whip-Smart* so fresh

and one of the best, most original albums of the year.

Another release so highly touted for its originality and songwriting is Sheryl Crow's Grammy-nominated *Tuesday Night Music Club*. Although the Grammy Awards have come under fire in recent years for their moronic choices and arcane homages to "has-beens," the nods for Crow were certainly well-deserved.

The instrumentation is very consistent and the songwriting is strong. The first three tracks ("Run, Baby, Run," "Leaving Las Vegas," and "Strong Enough") are instantly memorable. Other highlights include the quirky "What I Can Do For You" and the hauntingly beautiful ballad "I Shall Believe," which would have easily been the record of the year at the Grammys four or five years ago. Nevertheless, Crow should reaped a few awards at this year's ceremony.

Another release getting some attention this year is Sam Phillips' *Martinis and Bikinis*. Although being married to a record company executive has its advantages, Phillips shows that she can stand on

her own with a sultry voice and some help from some of today's top musicians.

Amidst the sophisticated guitars of REM's Peter Dinklage and XTC's Colin Moulding, and the keyboards of former Heartbreaker Benmont Tench, Phillips weaves a wispy web of often Beatlesque melodies. "Love and Kisses" and "Strawberry Road" reek of Beatle influence and "Gimme Some Truth" was penned by the late John Lennon himself.

Nevertheless, *Martinis and Bikinis* does establish its own unique sound with tracks such as the single "Baby I Can't Please You," the Grammy-nominated "Circle of Fire," the environmentally flavored "Black Sky," and the vibrant "When I Fall."

Although the instrumentation is solid throughout (and in some places, phenomenal), the songwriting is lacking and sometimes quite weak. The lyrics are rather stale and are often recycled, and Phillips' attempts at progressive political commentary frequently come across as ridiculously lame. Other than the obvious weak-

nesses in songwriting, *Martinis and Bikinis* is still quite pleasing to the ear.

Finally, the most recent release is a rather unique collection of cover songs from folk singer/songwriter Shawn Colvin. Aptly named *Cover Girl*, this album is a compilation of both live and studio versions of some rather obscure cover songs.

Most notable here are covers of Sting's "Every Little Thing [He] Does Is Magic," Tom Waits' "Looking for the Heart of Saturday Night," Talking Heads' "This Must Be the Place (Naive Melody)," and Bob Dylan's "You're Gonna Make Me Lonesome When You Go."

Albums of cover songs have not fared so well recently, but as far as recordings of this nature go, *Cover Girl* is one of the best. The instrumentation is nothing extraordinary, relying on sparse, yet sparkling acoustic guitar picks throughout. But the intimacy of a quiet acoustic guitar and a crisp, clear, angelic voice gives each song a special new flavoring. It is obvious Colvin carefully selected the songs that she would cover and this careful selection has paid off, as each song fits

perfectly within Colvin's talent range.

Although none of these four albums are earth-shaking or phenomenal, each has unique qualities that give it a freshness that should appeal to today's music audience. And it certainly cannot be denied that these four women are shaping the future as we know it.

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# Beware All Ye who Enter Here! This is the Domain of Cult Fanatics Everywhere

**Cult (Kult) n.** An exclusive group of persons sharing an esoteric interest.

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This definition is exactly what this column will be exploring in the new feature "Cult Movies." Each year hundreds of films and television programs are produced. Many of these are considered "main stream," which means they are supposed to be enjoyed by the largest possible audience. Others are targeted for narrow audiences. Most cult films come from this second category, though occasionally a main streamer will become a Cult Movie.

How does one recognize a Cult Movie? One way is to wait ten years and take a poll of who remembers the movie. A Cult Movie will be recognizable by the fact that some people may remember the movie, maybe. Now here is the catch; those that remember it well will quote lines from the movie and most likely

be able to list the actors, writer, director and producer. These fans usually have momentos such as posters and clothing that resembles what their favorite character wears. Yes, the fans can be seen wearing their momentos.

Cult Movies can be films such as the renowned "Rocky Horror Picture Show," or a TV series such as "Star Trek." There are instant Cult Movies such as "Star Wars" or "Star Trek the Next Generation." Within a few days or weeks, occasionally before they even come

out, these movies gain large followings. Some movies are made to be Cult Movies but fizzle out, holding only a few devoted followers.

## Buckaroo Banzai:

For this first column the mystique of the movie *Buckaroo Banzai* will be examined. This 1984 film began with a small cult following. Being a "B" film, it was not in the box office for long. It's target was very narrow consisting of pre-teen through young adult science-fiction fans. I

personally was not introduced to *Buckaroo* until the late eighties by a devoted fan. You can recognize a *Buckaroo* fan by his distinctive Japanese style head band. This head band is half yellow and half red with Japanese characters. They call themselves *Blue Blazer Irregulars* and talk about Bucktroids and Lectroids from Planet Ten by way of the Eighth Dimension. The film's impact is so great that the author of one of my text books for this quarter made herself known as a fan with like references.

The main protagonist of this film is a person called Buckaroo Banzai, played by Peter Weller. Much of the attraction of this film comes from this character. Buckaroo Banzai is portrayed as a modern style Renaissance man.

His history is written in text at the beginning of the movie. He is accounted as having become bored with being a brain surgeon so he became one of the foremost physicists in the world. His avocations include being an alternative rock star and being popular comic book star. His position as a statesman is shown by his being on intimate terms with the President of the United States and that his deceased wife was the Queen of the Netherlands. Buckaroo Banzai represents the ideal idle of a generation of intellectuals and artists.

Another appeal of this film is its clear-cut villains. The primary antagonist is Dr. Emilio Lizardo, alias Lord John Whorfin and is played by John Lithgow. He and his band of Johns—everyone from the

Eighth Dimension is named John—are bumbling and inept, but deadly. John Whorfin is not one of the aliens, but due to an unfortunate accident, has gone insane and joined with the black Lectroids, who are the evil aliens.

Below the simple science fiction action adventure facade is a deeply satirical framework. The wry and sometimes raw humor pokes fun at the political and social structure of the U.S. as well as cheap science fiction movies.

Be it because of the humor, social irony, or hero worship *Buckaroo Banzai* has made a lasting impression on a section of our society. If you have not seen this movie before, or have not seen it lately, now would be a good time to treat yourself to this gem.

## The Bunch is Back!!!!

By Shannon Burns  
Arts and Entertainment Editor

If you were a fan of the original "Brady Bunch", you will totally dig this movie. If you were not a fan but would like to see the movie, I would encourage you to watch a few reruns of the show first. The entire foundation of the film lies within the series itself.

The majority of "punchlines" are satirical, such as the famous "Something suddenly came up" episode where Marsha gets hit in the nose with the football. But there are also some brilliant bits of humor.

Bear in mind your Brady knowledge while watching the film. Remember that Mike always had some moralistic message at the end of the episodes and Carol was sickeningly cheerful. Remember also that each Brady kid had their own little trademark and/or peculiarity, like Cindy's lisp.

The "Brady Bunch" Movie brings the Brady Kids into the 90's. As the family lives in its alternate reality of the 70's, the rest of the world is revolving around them.

Keep an eye out for cameos by some of the original cast and listen carefully to the voices singing the song "Sunshine Day" And "Keep On". Also note that just as in the series, the music lasts just a couple of seconds longer than the routine does.

I would liked to have described so much more of the movie, but to tell anymore than I already have might dampen the experience for the viewers.

Well, O.K. one more:

Remember the Davy Jones episode? The spot on that one is fabulous! These scenes are a perfect blend of the 70's and the 90's. A perfect climax to a great new cult film.



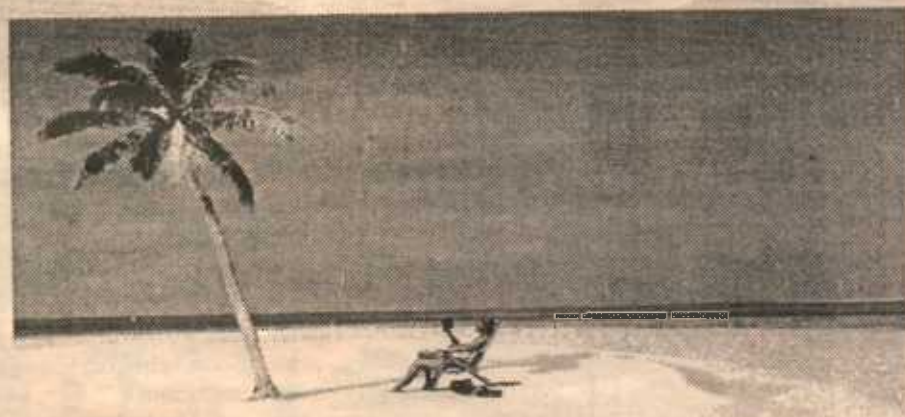
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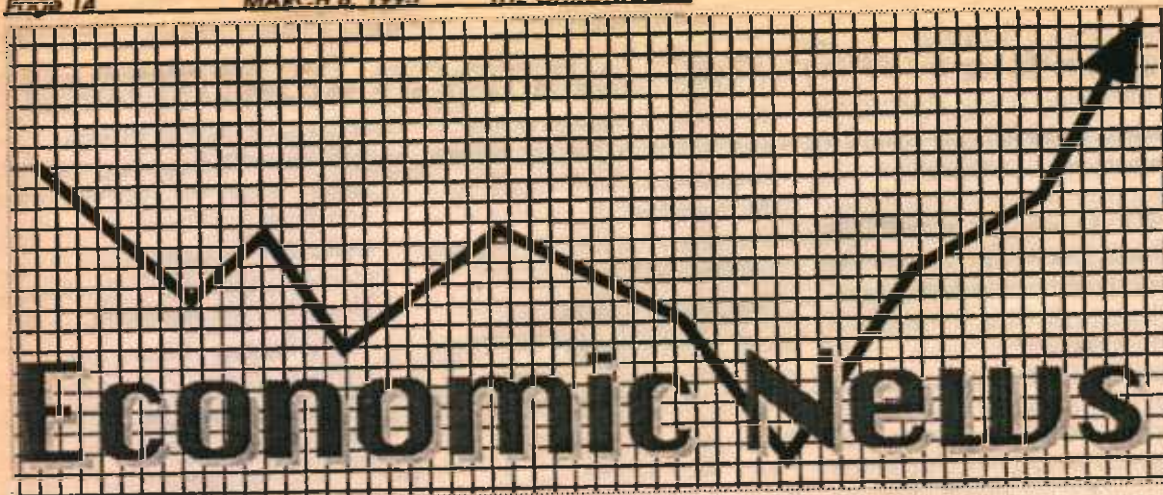
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## Frauds and Scams: You and Your Money

By R. Chadwick Moore  
Special to The Chronicle

Everyone is subject to fraudulent schemes and con-games.

Some suggestions on how to deal with financial frauds and scams are grouped into three categories:

- Fraud on the phone
- Fraud at the door
- Fraud through the mailbox

These frauds comprise a large portion of the nearly \$10 billion swindled annually by con-artists.

### Fraud On The Phone

Although the phone is the instrument of choice for many swindlers much phone solicitation is of course legitimate. There are many worthy businesses and charities that have nothing to hide and will answer your questions freely.

Watch out for fraudulent telemarketers! They may start with a postcard, promising cash and prizes if you call an "800" or "900" number. Do it, and a friendly voice asks for your credit number to "verify" your identity. Then come to the high-pressure tactics to get you to buy merchandise with your credit card. You may be billed several times, or you may never receive the merchandise at all.

Or, if you do receive merchandise, it may not be what you expected or you may feel that the price you paid was highly inflated. By that time it is often difficult and time consuming to return the item and receive credit.

To protect yourself, ask for written information on products or services offered.

Common examples of phone fraud involve solicitations for magazine subscriptions, investments, bank accounts, or travel.

People peddling magazine subscriptions may "offer" an extremely low price which is only available if you pay with a credit card. Repeatedly, terms like "verification," "identification," or "process" will be used to try to get you to reveal your credit card number. Once you give it, the con-artist will use the number to place fake orders.

Never give anyone your credit card number on the phone unless you made the call to place an order or to make a donation. Do not make a donation to an unknown charity. Check with the Better Business

Bureau to see if it complies with their standards.

Investment frauds are usually carried out on a hit-and-run basis in areas with a high concentration of senior citizens. These scams involve the selling of coins, oil, and gas leases, precious metals and gemstones. The caller will flatter you as a "smart investor" who can recognize a good deal then confide that if you sign up quickly you can get in on a great "opportunity." Remember these salespersons are professionals at getting people to believe them.

Also consider that there are fees in most legitimate investment markets for every transaction, when you buy and when you sell. These fees add up, especially if you have given your permission to automatically negotiate if the market seems to be changing.

When someone calls with any investment opportunity get the name, address, and phone number of the company. Request reference and written materials. Always read carefully any forms before signing. Check with the Better Business Bureau, the Bureau of Consumer Protection or perhaps the securities dealer at your bank.

Pseudo-bank examiner fraud begins when someone calls your home, identifies himself as a bank examiner and says he needs your help to apprehend an employee, usually a teller, suspected of theft. You are asked to withdraw a specified amount of cash from your account. The caller says that representative will come to your home, pick up the money, and redeposit it in your account to test the employee's honesty. They explain that the deposit must be in cash so that serial numbers on the bills can be checked. But once you give your money over to the "examiner," you never see it again.

Never turn large sums of cash over to anyone, especially a stranger. If you are approached by a so-called bank examiner or representative, always call your bank immediately to verify and alert them.

Travel scams often combine phone and mail fraud. A phone call from a travel club announces that you are the grand prize winner of a contest. Chances are you never

entered any such contest, but naturally you would be happy to win a prize. Then you are told that this prize only can be obtained if you pay a membership fee to their travel club, as small as \$10 or as much as \$300 or more. And again, you must pay using your credit card. Once the caller has your card number, they can use it to place fake orders.

The best way to defend yourself against questionable calls is to ask the caller and the company. Remember, the use of excessive high pressure sales tactics is often a sign of a con-artist at work.

### Fraud At The Door

This can be the most frightening form of fraud, because the con-artist is face-to-face with you, and self-protection is not as easy as hanging up the phone or throwing away a letter. Here are a few frauds to watch for:

**The Pigeon Drop** is an old but still successful fraud that involves the supposed "finding of money," usually a wallet. The victim is approached by a stranger, who in conversation, mentions having just found a large sum of money. The catch is that to share in the find you must put up "good faith" money that will be held by a friend or employer of the con-artist until it is certain that the money will not be claimed. You are asked to withdraw money from the bank, and hand it over for safekeeping. You can guess what happens when you try to pick up your share of the find and to recover your "good faith" money. Nobody--and no money--is to be found.

Never get involved in a deal where you are asked to turn money over to a stranger. Call the police.

**Funeral Chasers** visit the family of a recently deceased person, claiming that the decedent made a down payment on merchandise which is scheduled for delivery the next day, but there's a balance due. They mention facts about the decedent designed to assure the family that the collector is legitimate. However, such facts are easily found in obituary columns and elsewhere. At times like these, family members may be easy to convince, and this so-called balance due is often paid.

Try not to make quick decisions under emotional or stressful

conditions. Take time to think. Ask to see a receipt or order signed by a decedent.

Home repair is a con game that is spreading rapidly and will continue to do so as dwellings and their owners both grow older.

Someone comes to the door and says there is a problem with your house--roofing, siding, electrical, driveway, pavement, whatever. They offer to fix the problem quickly at what seems like a reasonable cost. Once they have begun the work, however major problems suddenly turn up that will cost much more than the original estimate. Often the "experts" have created the damage themselves.

Before you let anyone work on your house be sure to get several estimates for the repair. Ask for references.

When buying from door-to-door sales people, you have certain protections under the Federal Trade Commission's "cooling off" rule. This rule gives you three business days to change your mind and to cancel any purchase of \$25 or more that you made from your home or anywhere other than the seller's normal place of business.

### Fraud Through The Mailbox

A major concern for the elderly is the theft of checks from mailboxes and mail slots. Since the mail carrier delivers social security checks on the same day of each month, these and other predictable, routine payments are easy for theft.

Stolen checks are easily turned into cash by thieves who know where to go and what to do.

If you have any on-going, regularly scheduled payments, you should seriously consider direct deposit. Federal Reserve Banks and financial institutions process direct deposit transactions electronically through a national automated system. Contact your financial institution about payments that are eligible.

**Fake Contests** are a prevalent form of mail fraud. You get a notice saying you have won a "free" trip, a TV or even a car and to redeem your prize you should send "X" number of dollars or bring the money to a certain place. In reality, prizes frequently do not exist, or if they do, only a very small number of them will be awarded.

Watch out for prizes that you have to pay for. Carefully examine any letters that look official or urgent.

### Another Form Of Scam

Some recent scams have involved people's credit ratings. Here's how one might work. A so-

called credit repair advisor removes information from a good credit report to repair a client's bad credit rating. In many cases this is done when both parties have similar names. You may not know that you have been a victim of such a scam until you apply for a loan, employment or insurance, and are turned down on the basis of your credit report. If you are curious about what's listed, or if you suspect that incorrect information exists in your credit record, the Fair Credit Reporting Act gives individuals the right to know contents of their files.

Contact your local credit bureau and for a small fee they will arrange for you to review your credit file. If you have been turned down for credit, you can get a copy of your file at no charge. Consumers are encouraged to review their credit reports periodically.

**General Precautions Against All Frauds And Scams:**

- \*The greater the potential return, the greater the risk.
- \*Investment seldom exist without some risk involved.
- \*Always get information in writing before you give away any money.
- \*Never let emotions interfere with your business affairs.
- \*Never invest what you cannot afford to lose.
- \*Take time to do careful research.
- \*If an offer sounds too good to be true, it probably is.
- \*Do not send cash by messenger or overnight mail.

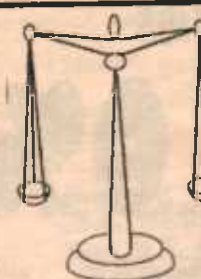
### **What Is The Law?**

The law makes it a federal crime to use any unauthorized card, plate, code, or account number to obtain money, goods, or services.

In the case of duplicate billing or incorrect charges on your credit card statement, the Fair Credit Billing Act, an addition to the Truth-In-Lending law, requires prompt correction of billing mistakes. The Federal Reserve writes these consumer regulations and, along with other agencies, has the responsibility to enforce them.

### **Where To Go For Help**

- \*AARP- American Association for Retired Persons; 1909 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20049
- \*The Federal Trade Commission-Bureau of Consumer Protection; 6th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580.
- \*The Better Business Bureau at both your state and local level.
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# California State University's Regional Economic Impact

from News Services

Cal State, San Bernardino's presence in the Inland Empire boosted regional output by some \$145 million in 1992-93 and raised regional earnings by almost \$66 million, according to a university-commissioned study prepared by economics professor Tom Pierce and 1994 CSUSB graduate Marcus Cuda.

"CSUSB's existence increases local economic activity on a year-

to-year basis in two general ways," explains Pierce. "The university directly increases local output and earnings by delivering educational services and employing some 1,300 faculty, administrators, and staff members in the process. In addition, Cal State indirectly stimulates local economic activity when it purchases goods and services from San Bernardino-Riverside County businesses and when university employees and students spend locally."

In estimating the university's direct and indirect economic effects, the authors focused on the extent to which the university's presence brings "new money" into the local economy, thereby causing a net increase in regional output and earnings.

The study reveals that the university's direct provision of instruction and other educationally-related services associated with the Office of Extended Education, the Child Care Center and grants in-

creased regional output by \$55 million and regional earnings by \$37.5 million during the 1992-93 academic year. In addition, employee spending indirectly raised 1992-93 regional output and earnings by \$45.8 million and \$14.3 million, respectively. Student expenditures increased local output by \$35.9 million and household earnings by \$11.2 million, and university purchases of goods and services from local businesses indirectly increased business output and house-

hold earnings in the two-county area by \$7.9 million and \$2.7 million, respectively.

"Cal State educational activities funded through the state budget infuse dollars into the local economy which would not otherwise come to the area," explains Pierce. "As a result, the expenditure of those funds raises regional output and earnings."

In contrast, Pierce adds, Cal State activities financed, for example, through student fees paid by local residents (who would not leave the area to attend another college if Cal State didn't exist) do not bring new monies to the local economy. There is no net local economic stimulus in that instance because student expenditures for educational services merely replace other local spending which those students likely would have undertaken had they not been required to pay Cal State fees.

The study, therefore, carefully examined the university's funding sources and spending patterns as well as the spending behavior of its employees and students in an attempt to ensure that the university's net contribution to the San Bernardino-Riverside Counties' economy was not exaggerated. Campus data was used to estimate the university's direct economic impact, and a combination of local data and the U.S. Department of Commerce's Regional Input-Output Modeling System was utilized (after adjustment to reflect the structure of the San Bernardino-Riverside Counties' economy) to estimate the "multiplier" or indirect effects associated with university, employee, and student spending in the local economy.

The multiplier effect, Pierce notes, is the chain reaction of economic activity created when, for example, the university purchases products from a local business, which in turn hires additional labor and buys materials, among other items, from still local businesses in order to fill Cal State's order.

While the study demonstrates the university's substantial yearly impact on the regional economy, it's important to keep in mind that the university's greatest impact is on the intellectual and personal growth of its students, Pierce says. he also noted that in addition to its year-to-year local economic impact, Cal State contributes to the long-run economic health of the region by helping improve the quality of the local labor force, which makes the Inland Empire more attractive to prospective employers and raises general wage levels.

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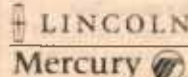
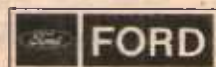
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## Classes Combat Campus Crime

By Victoria Besedin  
Chronicle Staff

One Saturday a month, a small group of students march at 0800 hours to the Eucalyptus Room in the lower commons armed with \$20. They desire not to combat a major battle with heavy weaponry, but with pacifism.

A Certificate of Training and Identification in Tear Gas Training for Citizens is the peace lovers' way to protect themselves against being the victim of an assault. For the last six months, CSUSB Police Sergeant Randy Keller has taught the two-hour sessions to students.

Mace and pepper spray instruction is covered in the classes. After viewing a video on the consequences of the weapons, students may ask questions or address any concerns about the sprays, take a written exam on what they have learned, and demonstrate their ability to "shoot" the target in the face.

The video's emphasis was on mace, but Sergeant Kelly emphasized pepper spray usage on campus because it is not a chemical. Also, it is not lethal, and affects everyone, even those under the influence of a drug or who are insane, unlike mace, which isn't always full-proof. The pepper spray itself comes in a stream or fog mist and is composed of concentrated pepper.

The Department of Justice and Public Health Department have legalized a 2% amount of pepper spray that is just as effective as the 10% solution law enforcement carries.

Minors under 16, felons, people who have misused tear gas, and addicts are not allowed to carry pepper spray. Once the pepper spray certification is acquired, the card is good for life and the card holder can purchase supplies anywhere in the state of California.

Penal code 1234.7 limits the use of pepper spray to the during or the threatening of assault.

If sprayed directly (3 to 10 feet) in the face of the assailant, the throat and eyes swell-up, causing shock, panic, headache, dizziness, and shortness of breath. The victim has 15 minutes to leave before the assailant can open their eyes again. Once the victim is safe, they can call police to file a report, and the police can discipline or administer first aid as needed.

Yomi Wronge, a communications major, says she would attend a class, but has some concerns. "I think that students would benefit less from pepper spray than self-defense. They should be taught as part of a larger, all-encompassing self-defense program. I think the university should provide self-defense classes free to students."

"There are physical self-defense classes going on all the time in the city. Not a lot of people know about them, though," Sergeant Keller said.

Those interested in taking a CN/CS class may call x5165.

## Current Associated Students Incorporated Happenings at CSUSB

By Victoria Besedin  
Chronicle Staff

Chair, Lou Monville attended an Associated Students Presidents' Council Feb. 12 at CSU, Sacramento where remedial education and California State Students Association. One representative from each of the 22 campuses will present their position on remedial education in a March C.S.S.A. meeting.

Monville will represent CSUSB at that meeting.

At-large member Eric Alger mentioned that E-mail usage by all students on a name basis may be possible throughout the CSU system. The students will entire internet access and the package could cost \$15.

Mimi Bombersbach was the guest speaker for the Valentine's Day meeting. She is the coordina-

tor of the Women's resource and Adult Re-Entry Center. She informed the Board about the center's events and function.

ASI elections are coming up and Dr. Norman and Eric Alger asked for the Board to amend the motion to paragraph 5,A,1 with the sentence "All students running for elected office, except freshmen must meet the qualifications set in the Chancellor's policy to hold office."

This means that anyone running for office can be endorsed using someone's title, but not as a representative of that corporation. The motion passed.

Rod Johnson was approved as an ASI Personnel Committee member.

On money matters, permission to transfer \$190 from Unallocated funds was obtained for the following: \$40 to ASI.

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### Classes held in West Los Angeles and Orange (OC)

MONDAY	2:00-5:00pm	Human Anatomy and Physiology Dream Analysis II	T. Oleson, PhD D. Clifford, MD Bentley, DSW/Body, MD	9:00-12:00pm	Development of the Person Schizophrenia & Psychotic States	D. Rozen, PhD L. Hedger, PhD
TUESDAY	5:00-8:00pm	Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy	D. Clifford, MD	1:00-4:00pm	Group Process & Technique	D. Fehr, PhD (OC)
	5:00-8:00pm	Narcissistic Disorders: Shame	G. Oliver, PhD	5:00-8:00pm	Clinical Hypnosis	K. Kanel, PhD (OC)
	5:00-8:00pm	Guided Imagery	T. Oleson, PhD	5:00-8:00pm	Comprehensive Exam Review	Core Faculty
	5:00-8:00pm	Biofeedback Therapy	R. Goltra, PhD	8:30-10:00am	Group Process & Technique	D. Fehr, PhD (OC)
	5:00-8:00pm	MFT Practicum I-III	N. Pike, MSW (OC)	10:00-1:00pm	MFT Practicum I-III	R. Goltra, PhD (OC)
	5:00-8:00pm	Advanced Human Sexuality	J. Packer, PhD	10:00-1:00pm	Human Sexuality	N. Pike, MSW (OC)
	5:30-7:00pm	Group Process & Technique	R. Phillips, PhD (OC)	11:00-12:30pm	Group Process & Technique	J. Packer, PhD (OC)
	6:00-7:30pm	Group Process & Technique	T. Oleson, PhD	1:00-4:00pm	Psychological Assessment II	S. Harris, PhD (OC)
	8:00-11:00pm	Physiological Psychology	R. Phillips, PhD (OC)			
	8:00-11:00pm	Clinical Practicum I-VI	D. Fehr, PhD (OC)			
WEDNESDAY	9:30-11:00am	Group Process & Technique	A. Panofsky, PhD			
	1:00-2:00pm	Advanced Psychological Assessment	R. Hunter, PhD			
	2:00-5:00pm	Proposal Research III	M. Gerson, PhD			
	2:00-5:00pm	Professional Issues, Ethics & Laws	D. Fehr, PhD (OC)			
	3:30-5:00pm	Group Process & Technique	D. Diamond, MD			
	5:00-8:00pm	The Clin. Practice of Psych. in a Medical World	L. Weisbender, PhD			
	5:00-8:00pm	Proposal Research II	R. Hunter, PhD			
	5:00-8:00pm	Learning & Cognition	D. Clifford, MD			
	5:00-8:00pm	Primitive Mental States	R. Goltra, PhD (OC)			
	5:00-8:00pm	Diagnosis & Direct. in Adult Psychopath.	B. Schwartz-Lea, PhD			
THURSDAY	5:00-8:00pm	The Holocaust & Schindler's List	M. Koven, PhD			
	5:15-6:45pm	Group Process & Technique	R. Hunter, PhD			
	8:00-11:00pm	Research Methods & Analysis II	L. Silverton, PhD			
	8:00-11:00pm	Technique of the Initial Consultation	J. Mayhall, PhD (OC)			
	8:00-11:00pm	Geriatric Psychopathology	W. Rickles, MD			
	8:00-11:00pm	Object Relations Theory I	J. Packer, PhD			
	1:30-3:00pm	Group Process & Technique	A. Taylor, PhD			
	2:00-5:00pm	Human Sexuality	T. Moss, PhD			
	2:00-5:00pm	Advanced Clinical Hypnosis	R. Hunter, PhD (OC)			
	2:00-5:00pm	Learning & Cognition	D. Platt, PhD (OC)			
FRIDAY	2:00-5:00pm	Psychology of Women	J. Packer, PhD			
	3:00-4:30pm	Group Process & Technique	R. Hunter, PhD (OC)			
	5:00-8:00pm	Proposal Research I-III	M. Peck, PhD			
	5:00-8:00pm	Suicide & Crisis Intervention	L. Superstein, PhD			
	5:00-8:00pm	Self Psychology II	K. Kepp, PhD			
	5:00-8:00pm	Issues in Fam. Psychopath. & Psychotherapy	S. Harris, PhD (OC)			
	5:00-8:00pm	Psychopathology & Family Dynamics	D. Platt, PhD (OC)			
	5:00-8:00pm	Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy	A. Taylor, PhD			
	5:00-8:00pm	Advanced Human Sexuality	D. Diamond, MD			
	5:00-8:00pm	Psychopharmacology	S. Wilmer, PhD			
SATURDAY	5:00-8:00pm	Industrial/Organizational Psychology	R. Gruener, MD			
	8:00-11:00pm	Clinical Practicum III	K. Kepp, PhD			
	8:00-11:00pm	Tactics of Change in Family Therapy	D. Rowen, JD (OC)			
	8:00-11:00pm	Child Abuse & Domestic Violence	R. Ekstein, PhD			
	8:00-11:00pm	Bridge Between Pedagogy & PA Treatment	R. Phillips, PhD (OC)			
	9:00-10:30am	Group Process & Technique	M. Karlovac, PhD			
	11:00-2:00pm	Conjoint Therapy	L. Singer, PhD			
	2:00-5:00pm	Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy	L. Singer, PhD			
	2:00-5:00pm	Psychological Assessment I	K. Cross, PhD			
	3:00-4:30pm	Group Process & Technique	M. Koven, PhD			
SUNDAY	5:00-6:30pm	Group Process & Technique	M. Koven, PhD			
	5:00-8:00pm	Clinical Practicum I	L. Weisbender, PhD			
	5:00-8:00pm	Clinical Practicum II	L. Singer, PhD			
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	8:00-11:00pm	Proposal Research I	M. Karlovac, PhD			
	8:00-11:00pm	Psychopathology & Family Dynamics	D. Cooper-Byram, PhD			

### Weekend Special Classes & Seminars

#### WEST LOS ANGELES

DATE	TIME	CLASS	INSTRUCTOR
1/6-7	1/20-21 1/27-28	Fri 6:00-11:00pm Sat 9:00-6:00pm	Cognitive Therapy for Mood and Personality Disorders L. Singer, PhD
1/7-8	2/18-19 4/22-23	Sat 1:00-6:00pm Sun 9:00-6:00pm	Issues in Family Psychopathology & Psychotherapy K. Kepp, PhD
1/21-22	3/25-26 4/8-9	Sat 1:00-6:00pm Sun 9:00-6:00pm	Psychotherapy with the Chemically Dependent Patient K. Kepp, PhD
1/28-29	3/18-19 3/25-26	Sat 1:00-6:00pm Sun 9:00-6:00pm	Intro. to Mediation & Basics in Family Law L. Saraso, JD
2/3-4		Fri 6:00-11:00pm	Managed Care Clinical Practicum L. Singer, PhD
2/4-5	2/11-12 2/25-4	Sat 1:00-6:00pm Sun 9:00-6:00pm	MFT Advanced Practicum I-III R. Goltra, PhD
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2/11-12		Sat 9:00-5:00pm Sun 9:00-3:00pm	Countertransference & Professional Boundaries W. Coburn, PhD
3/4-5		Sat 9:00-6:00pm Sun 9:00-2:00pm	Psychotherapy with Schizophrenic Patients O. Dada, PhD
3/4-5		Sat 1:00-6:00pm Sun 9:00-6:00pm	Practicum in the Treatment of Victims & Perpetrators of Violence Faculty
3/18-19	3/25-26 4/8-9	Sat 1:00-6:00pm Sun 9:00-6:00pm	Tactics of Change R. Goltra, PhD
3/18-19		Sat 9:00-5:00pm Sun 9:00-1:00pm	What is Meant by Containing a Patient? A. Panajian, PhD

#### ORANGE

DATE	TIME	CLASS	INSTRUCTOR
1/7-8		Sat 1:00-6:00pm Sun 9:00-6:00pm	Theories of Communication L. Peters, PhD
1/13 & 15	1/20 & 22 2/3 & 5	Fri 6:00-10:00pm Sun 9:00-6:00pm	Biofeedback Therapy R. Wolf, PhD
1/14-15	2/4-5 3/4-5	Sat 1:00-6:00pm Sun 9:00-6:00pm	Society & Chemical Dependency L. Saraso, JD
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## Women of Eritrea are becoming Fighters

By Sheryl Mathis  
Chronicle Staff

In the Pine Room of the Lower Commons on February 15, spokeswoman Sandra Hale spoke about a nation on a comeback: Eritrea. Eritrea lies along the southwestern shore of the Red Sea and north of Ethiopia.

Looking down on Eritrea from the sky, one can see that the country has mountains covering a majority of its 45,405 square miles. Because of its location near the Red Sea, Eritrea's weather can be compared to southern Florida in some areas and the Midwest in others.

At present, the population is 5 million people, who speak 9 different languages. A majority of the people either farm or herd animals as a means of survival.

Eritrea was an Italian colony for 52 years. Unlike Libya and Somalia, Eritrea did not gain their independence after World War II. Instead, the United Nations created a loose "federation" between Eritrea and its southern neighbor, Ethiopia. In 1962, Ethiopia violated the U.N.-authored federal constitution and annexed Eritrea by force.

For thirty years Eritreans fought a war for their independence. Eritrea will now have to make a choice between independence or affiliation with Ethiopia, as this war ended in May 1991. It is expected that the vote will go for independence; if so, they will write their own constitution and hold democratic elections to select a new government.

This war with Ethiopia took place entirely on Eritrea's own soil, destroying much of their society and economy. The numbers that are about to be given are simply shocking. A quarter of a million Eritreans are refugees now, and 8,000 remain displaced internally.

There are other hardships

that contributed more pain to the Eritreans. Not only has their economy decreased year after year, but the continued drought problem has not helped either, as famine is also widespread. In order to understand why Hale spoke about the rebirth of Eritrea, this background information needed to be provided.

Hale has her doctorate in anthropology and teaches women's studies at UCLA, a discipline in which she is still quite active. This lecture was an analysis of the EPLF (Eritrean People's Liberation Front) and the women fighters of Eritrea. Hale wanted to convey in her lecture a key word that the audience should understand: CHANGE, meaning the emancipatory possibilities for women.

Hale discussed the background of how a woman fighter develops in Eritrea from an early age. The term fighter applies to everyone that was in the field protecting their land. Eritreans have established what Hale calls a microcosm society, which starts with altering race, class, and gender at birth. This in fact creates Eritrea's ideology for this generation and the next. Therefore, becoming a woman fighter at age 10 or 11 is considered normal or the natural order of things in Eritrean society.

The life span of a woman fighter lasts 16 to 18 years of their life. The men stay at home and watch the home front along with caring for

their children. These women fighters not only fight, but they hold down other jobs as well. For example, many are dentists, doctors, and teachers, while comprising a third of the combat force.

When the women fighters are not fighting or working other occupations, they are out recruiting more girls to become women fighters.

There is a need for education and domination to be taught at an early age for every Eritrean, because this keeps their society strong and creates the elite attitude. At a young age, Eritrean children are educated about the term "they," meaning people who display such features as unwashed, uncivilized, and backward, and these particular traits would not be allowed in the microcosmic world of Eritrean society.

Finally, another factor is that Eritrean women are liberated in every sense of the word. There are marriage laws for the Eritrean women/men, the rights and duties of the husband and wife, relations between parents and children, laws on divorce, the upbringing and education of children after divorce, property and upbringing after divorce, and finally the points that must be satisfied in the special conditions of marriage between two armed fighters. Where can the women of America find equal laws on marriage and other related issues.



## Lenore Walker Speaks at CSUSB

By Sheryl Mathis  
Chronicle Staff

On behalf of the Women's Resource Center and the Department of Psychology, Dr. Lenore Walker gave a lecture on "Current Perspectives on Spousal Abuse." Walker is a licensed psychologist, has written ten books and works at the Domestic Violence Institute.

Walker travels throughout the country to conduct lectures on battered women, along with issues pertaining to other types of abuse toward women, children, and men. The list of her outstanding accomplishments continues with Walker participating in civil, criminal, and regulatory cases to help abused women.

Walker is currently consulting for the defense on the "O.J. Simpson Case." This stirred up a lot of anger in the women's community towards Walker. Walker spoke briefly on why she took on the O.J. Case. "Sometimes you have to go out on a limb to protect what you've been working on for 20 years."

Walker began her lecture on the "Task Force," her current research project pertaining to battered abuse in the family. There are specific areas being researched by Walker, CSUSB's own associate professor of psychology Dr. Geraldine Stahley, and other colleagues.

Walker covered issues of abuse in her lecture with some questions pertaining to her research. How do we know what we know in psychology? How do we obtain our statis-

tics in the field of psychology?

According to Walker, "Much information has been collected by the average shelter worker, CPS workers, and workers in the field." However, all this data has not been respected by psychologists. She continues on by saying, "We decided to make points and express how we knew it."

The second point expressed by Dr. Walker was "violence is related to other violence. If we are going to develop a package to clean up violence between nations, we better clean it up at home first."

Walker also said that violence appears to be gendered. "It does not make sense when you raise two children at home, and they view an abusive father. The boy will have a 700 to 1,000 times greater chance of engaging in violence. On the other hand, the girl is at an extreme risk of being the victim of a violent relationship."

Also discussed was that "violence is about power and control." There are different kinds of violence that become different forms of violence.

For instance, batterers come in different forms; men who use physical violence and sexual control to gain power are the most common. Men who batter women, men who have mental illness problems and various disorders contribute to this power, referred to as "a dual kind of abuse/power." Women contribute to some abuse as well, mostly to their children, because they had a past of abuse or are still living through it.

Finally, serious injuries committed against children or women are still done by men. Walker went on to say that 15 to 20 percent of all abusers are criminal people. "There are no intervention or effective treatment programs except to lock them up."

Currently there are programs out for stalkers, dysfunctional, emotionally disturbed, and empowerment programs for women. Walker's closing statement was what the "Task Force" recommended to do.

"We believe the best approach towards family violence is the public health approach. You have to deal with an epidemic in programs for prevention, intervention, and treatment. The chance to misuse them are less likely if all are possessed by a community."



CSUSB Associate Professor of Psychology, and friend of Lenore Walker, Geraldine Stahley also spoke on the O.J. Simpson case and her involvement with the defense in an engagement on February 22nd.



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# Americans Continue to Support Environment

from News Services

Support for the environment and the laws that protect it remains strong, according to a new Peter D. Hart Research Associates poll, commissioned by the National Wildlife Federation (NWF).

"Anyone who thought this election was a mandate to undo 30 years of environmental protection had better think again," said NWF President Jay D. Hair. "protecting our health, our natural resources and our children's future is not a partisan matter."

The poll found only a small percentage of voters considered environmental positions when choosing candidates, with issues like crime and the economy playing a far greater role in influencing decisions.

"Candidates weren't talking about the environment and the voters had other things on their minds," explained pollster Peter J. Hart. "But when we asked them about the environment, they had very strong opinions."

Respondants expressed overwhelming support for the environment and regulations designed to protect it. About 41% of all voters and 34% of those who cast Republican Congressional Ballots said existing laws don't go far enough in protecting the environment. About 21% of both groups said existing laws strike the right balance, while only 18% and 25%, respectively, felt existing environmental laws go too far.

Support was equally strong among voters expressing particular concern for the economy--often cited as a reason for limiting environmental protection. Again, 41% said current laws don't go far enough. And there was little sympathy for claims that environmental laws place an undue burden on businesses. About 21% of voters

said those laws properly balance the needs of business and the public, 46% said the businesses should be required to do more.

"Voters clearly believe existing environmental laws provide insufficient protection," said Hart. "And they don't want those protections rolled back, even on the most controversial issues."

Among all voters:

- 76% favor strengthening safe drinking water laws.

- 56% oppose requiring compensation of property owners prevented by environmental regulations from doing what they want with their land.

- 57% favor maintaining the strong provisions of the Endangered Species Act.

- 63% say mining, ranching, and logging operations should be charged a "fair market fee" for use of public land.

- 64% favor redirecting crop subsidies to encourage to keep pesticides out of food and water.

"Conserving this earth isn't Liberal or Conservative, Republican or Democrat," Hair said. "It's the only way to ensure that our grandchildren enjoy a quality of life much better than ours."

The poll found public support for several protection measures that do not mesh well with the stated positions of incoming Republican Congressional leaders. But Hair points out that the current Democratic Administration got a less-than-favorable rating from poll respondents as well. Only 26% rated the Clinton Administration's work on environmental issues as

good or excellent.

"Nature and the environment should be our common ground. We won't make protecting them into a partisan game," said Hair. "The NWF will work with all parties to make sure voters get the protections they want. We'll take on anyone in any party who won't provide it!"

Hair cited upcoming legislative action on the Farm Bill and Safe Drinking

Water Acts as opportunities for bipartisan progress that benefits all Americans. Meanwhile, he pledged to continue NWF efforts to educate

individuals and grass-roots groups "outside the Beltway."

"The election may have been about change, but this isn't a change for us," said Hair. "We've always believed that if we help the people lead, the leaders will follow."

But the head of the National Wildlife Federation did have criticism for one well-known opinion leader. He noted that broadcaster Rush Limbaugh used election results to attack environmental laws.

"Now we have proof," said Hair. "When it comes to the environment, Rush is wrong!"

The National Wildlife Federation is the nation's largest conservation education organization. Founded in 1936, the Federation works to educate and assist individuals and organizations to conserve natural resources, and to protect the Earth's environment.

**"Conserving this earth isn't Liberal or Conservative, Republican or Democrat. It's the only way to ensure that our grandchildren enjoy a quality of life much better than ours."**

--Jay D. Hair

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# Sports

## Lady Coyotes' Season Ends with Conference Tournament Loss

By Ben Wirick  
Chronicle Staff

The Women's Basketball team was glad to be practicing during the last week of February and the first week of March. They were in the playoffs, one win away from a shot at the NCAA Tournament. As the number 3 seed, the women had the opportunity to finally beat UCR (who was the number 2 seed). UCR

had beaten the Coyotes both times they played this year.

The Coyotes never solved the riddle of the UCR full court press. It took the Coyotes over eight minutes in the first half to put some points on the board.

However, the Coyotes were still in the game, down by only eight points at half time, as the Coyotes defense gave the Highlanders the

same fits. CSUSB held the Highlanders to only 38% shooting.

UCR was unable to put CSUSB away in the second half, and with five minutes left in the game, it looked as if that was going to be the end for UCR. The Coyotes came within six points, and had UCR reeling. However, the Coyotes scored only two points in the final five minutes of the game, as UCR went on a 12-2 run to end the Coyotes season.

The season was one of getting the experience that the six freshmen on the team needed. The Coyotes will have a very similar squad next year, due to the fact that they but one senior on the team. Most players should return to the team next year and look to improve on their 12-15 record, which gave them a third place conference finish. Perhaps they can return to their 1993-94 record of 29-4 that took them to the finals of the NCAA Division II game.

## Coyote Baseball

By Corina L. Borsuk  
Advertising Manager

Amid the sounds of gunfire, I sat with the few but faithful fans of the Cal State Coyote's baseball team, while they battled Master's College at Fiscalini Field on Saturday, February 25.

In the first inning, pitcher Jim Allen gave up just about every pitch to the Master's College Mustangs. If it hadn't been for the skillful fielding of the rest of the Coyote Team the top half of the first may have seen Master's with more than the three point lead they had. The Coyotes came back during the bottom half of the first with two runs. The first Coyote RBI was from Ed Hernandez who sent Chad Beretta home for the first run. Jason Liorens hit the second RBI so Steve Ogden

## Kicks it Into Gear Against Master's

could tap home for the second run.

The second through fifth innings was when the gunfire part comes in. For those of you who don't know, there is a firing range behind Fiscalini Field. On weekends, dedicated gun toters practice at the range, which is exactly what was happening on Saturday. It was a good thing too because the long, slow minutes, between the end of the first and beginning of the sixth innings almost put me to sleep. If it hadn't been for the sounds of bullets flying I might have slipped into a coma.

Things began picking up by inning six. Scott Conklin hit RBI number three to make the score 3-4 Coyotes. By inning seven the action was fast and furious. The Coyotes completed a double play involving Jake Meyers at second and

## Levi Funderburk at first to make

the last two out at the top of the seventh.

Coyotes scored three runs during the seventh and might have gotten a few more if the Mustangs hadn't ended the inning with a killer triple play.

After taking the lead in the seventh, the Coyotes stayed on top and shut out Masters' for the rest of the game. The day ended after the top of the ninth with a 6-4 win for the CSUSB Coyotes.

Something worth mentioning to all the serious baseball fans out there is that Coach Don Parnell sent in a new pitcher every inning, regardless of how well or not so well his players were pitching. Parnell had this to say about his unique choice of pitching line-up. "We're getting ready for conference next week and some guys hadn't had innings yet. I wanted everyone to have a feel for pitching before the conference."



The CSUSB Coyotes defeated Master's College 6-4 February 25.

## Abrupt End to a Progressive Season

By Ben Wirick  
Chronicle Staff

The CSUSB Men's Basketball season came to an abrupt, and unintended end on Saturday when the Basketball team lost to UC Riverside. The loss eliminated the Coyotes from the playoffs. The Coyotes, on the final game of the regular season, had a chance to get into the CCAA playoffs with a win, but failed to do so.

Going into the game, the Coyotes had a full head of steam. They had won consecutive games against Grand Canyon (Homecoming) and a road game against Cal Poly Pomona (whom the Coyotes had lost to earlier in the season) to put them in a position to make the playoffs.

The Men's Basketball season is over, as is Coach Aye's inaugural season. The Coyotes will be looking ahead to next year when Seniors Lou Williams and Randy Brown will be leaving the team. Williams finished the season averaging 16.8 points per game. Brown finished leading CCAA in rebounding, with 9.3 rebounds per game.

These numbers will be hard to replace, along with the other senior leadership of Chris Cooke and Carlos Dew, but with the improvement of an already impressive Clarence Turnage (11.7 points p/g, 5.4 rebounds p/g and almost 3 assists p/g) David Johnson (11 points p/g) and Tony Sanders (14.1 points p/g), the Coyotes will look to enhance on their vastly improved season (17-9) that still left something (namely the playoffs) to be desired. Well, as they used to say in Brooklyn, there is always next year.

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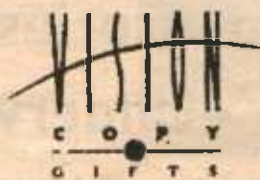
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# Direct Loans Work For Students Schools and Taxpayers

from News Services

"Getting a student loan was easier than I imagined," says Jennifer Phillips, a graduate student at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

"I didn't have to shop around to find a lender and wait for all the paperwork to be processed. Instead I went to the financial aid office to coordinate all my student financial aid. There's so much to be done when you're going to school, and this was one less important thing to worry about. It was a tremendous relief."

Students like Phillips -- and financial aid administrators across the country -- are praising the new William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program, which allows students to borrow directly from the federal government through their schools instead of through banks and other third-party lenders.

Schools cite a number of benefits to direct lending: it's simple, with less paperwork, less money spent on staff overtime and phone calls to lenders, and much quicker turn-around time for loan processing; improved cash flow; and flexibility to structure the loan program to fit their particular needs and capabilities.

"The program is so much simpler than the FFEL (Federal Family Education Loan) program that we've completed awarding aid to 800 more students this year than we did at the same time last year," said a financial aid administrator at SUNY-Brockport just a few weeks into the program.

And at the University of Idaho, the financial aid director said, "The biggest joy of direct lending is having the money ready for the students when they expect to receive it. Our students have definitely been the beneficiaries of better service."

These are just some of the comments from the 104 colleges, universities and trade schools participating in the first year of the direct loan program. Beginning July 1, the total number of schools in the program will climb to about 1,400, or 40 percent of total loan volume, as set by law. More than 2 million students are expected to receive direct loans next year.

Benefits for students were summed up by University of Michigan President James J. Duderstadt, "With one-stop shopping, students, have been able to obtain their loans in record time. By the end of the first month of school this year, there was a 43 percent increase over 1993 in loans originated and funds disbursed to students."

In addition to having loan money earlier in the school term to pay for books and other up-front expenses, students also report that they borrow less because it is now so easy and simple to obtain funds if needed compared to the hassle under the FFEL program.

Borrowers with direct loans also benefit when it's time to pay back their loans. They can open an Individual Education Account (IEA), giving them the option to repay their loan in one of four ways, to switch repayment plans as their financial situations change, and to assume more control over their finances

and career choice.

The four repayment options are:

\* **Pay-as-you-can or income contingent plan** -- monthly payments are based on a percentage of annual income, family size and load amount, with payments rising and falling as income fluctuates.

\* **Extended plan** -- monthly payments are a fixed amount over a period of 12 to 30 years, depending on loan amount.

\* **Graduated plan** -- payments are lower initially and then increase every two years over a period of 12 to 30 years.

\* **Standard plan** -- monthly payments are a fixed amount for up to 10 years.

Taxpayers also gain from direct lending. From the Student Loan Reform Act that created direct loans, the government expects to save an estimated \$6.8 billion from FY 1995 to FY 2000 by eliminating unnecessary payments to lenders and taking advantage of the federal government's ability to borrow at a lower interest rate. The administration's FY 1996 budget proposes speeding-up the phase-in of direct loans to 100 percent of loan volume by academic year 1998, for an additional \$5.2 billion savings (\$12 billion total).

"We are determined to take the expense

and confusion out of how students finance and pay for higher education," said U.S. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley. "We're determined to make the loan process simple, easy and efficient, and it's working. Both schools and students recognized that direct lending accomplished these goals -- and saves billions of dollars at the same time."

Last month, the Education Department held a meeting in New Orleans to provide schools who will begin direct lending in the 1995-96 school year with training and technical assistance to get the program up and running smoothly. Campus officials from the 104 schools that began direct lending this year also attended, sharing their start-up experiences and describing its advantages.

One benefit cited by many financial aid directors was the importance of being in control of their own programs and funds - an impossibility in the guaranteed student loan program, which involves over 7,000 lenders, 42 guaranty agencies and more than 50 secondary markets. Assuming control of the loans, they said, means corrections and adjustments are easy to do and the whole process flows more smoothly.

## Slashing Student Fees Becomes a Hot Topic in California Legislature

from News Services

On February 27, 1995, Senator Petris stood with students leaders and parents on the steps of UC Berkeley's Sproul Hall to announce his legislation to cut fees at public colleges and universities.

Symbolically, Senator Petris smashes boxes representing the fee hikes that students have endured over the past several years and declared that, "Since 1991, fees have gone up 134% at UC, 103% at CSU and 290% at community colleges. My bill will reverse this ever expanding tax on the middle class by reducing student fees by 15%." To back fill the loss of revenue, campuses will receive increased state funding from the Governor's proposal to continue the top 10% and 121% personal income tax brackets. These funds would also go towards supporting the anticipated student enrollment growth into the 21st century.

"The California State Student Association (CSSA) strongly supports Senator Petris' fee reduction proposal, stated Christina Harper, director of Legislative Affairs. As we believe that it begins to amend the broken promises made by the legislature and the system over the past five years."

Historically, the state has been committed to an accessible and affordable public education system. To help ensure that fee increases were moderate and predictable the legislature passed into law a policy which made it illegal to raise fees over 10% each year.

California commitment was challenged in the early 90s with the onset of the budget crisis. Fees started escalating in 1991 when

the budget called for a 10% fee increase and a 10% one-time surcharge that would not become part of the fee base. In 1992, a 40% fee increase was approved by the Legislature, in addition the 50% fee increase in one year! The budget agreement further specified that there shall be no fee increases for the 1993-1994 and 1994-1995 academic years and the base year for a fee increase in 1995-1996 shall be rolled back to the 1991-1992 fee level. For the 1993 and 1994 budgets, fees were increased 10% each year and the provisions of the 1992 budget were not followed. Legislators were able to override the 10% fee cap law in 1991 and 1992 through legislation.

In January, Governor Wilson announced his budget for the 1995-1996 year, which proposed a 10% fee increase for the undergraduates and a 15% increase for graduate students each year for the next four years. The Governor also put forth his plan to reduce taxes for high income earners and businesses.

"Student's taxes have been raised more than any other segment of the population," argued Eric Mitchell, student from CSU Humboldt. "Therefore we should receive the tax cut."

California has recovered economically and there is movement in the Legislature to reaffirm California's commitment to higher education. In January, Senate Democrats and Independents led by Senate President Pro Tempore Lockyer made a pledge to Californians not to raise fees this year. Now Senator Petris, Chair of the Senate Budget Committee on School Finance is asking for no fee increases and fee reductions.

## CALENDAR

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### Friday, March 17

**THEATRE:** "The Illusion" by Pierre Cornelle. See March 16 listing for prices and time.

**WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY VIDEO AND DISCUSSION:** "The Goddess Remembered." Led by Marla Vander Meer. Women's Resource & Adult Re-Entry Center, 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.

**WORKSHOP:** CSUSB Clothesline Project. T-Shirt Making Workshop with Marla Vandermeer. Women's Resource & Adult Re-Entry Center, 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

**BASEBALL:** CSUSB v. UC RIVERSIDE. Fiscalini Field (Highland & Harrison, next to Perris Hill Park), 7 p.m.

**SOFTBALL:** CSUSB v. UNIV. OF LA VERNE. Softball Field, 2:30 p.m.

### Saturday, March 18

**THEATRE:** "The Illusion" by Pierre Cornelle. See March 16 listing for prices and time.

**BASEBALL:** CSUSB v. UC RIVERSIDE. Fiscalini Field (Highland & Harrison, next to Perris Hill Park), 1 p.m.

**SOFTBALL:** CSUSB v. PACIFIC CHRISTIAN COLLEGE. Softball Field, 2:30 p.m.

### Sunday, March 19

**THEATRE:** "The Illusion" by Pierre Cornelle. University Theatre, 2 p.m. \$8 General Admission, \$5 CSUSB Alumni and Seniors, \$3 students.

**ALPHA DELTA PI SORORITY** - Regular meeting. See March 12 listing.

**SIGMA CHI** - Chapter meeting. See March 12 listing.

**SIGMA GAMMA PHI FRATERNITY** - Weekly meeting. See March 12 listing.

**SIGMA PHI EPSILON FRATERNITY** - Chapter meeting. See March 12 listing.

**TAU KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY** - Business meeting. See March 12 listing.

**ZETA TAU ALPHA FRATERNITY** - Regular meeting. See March 12 listing.

### Monday, March 20

**DELTA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY** - Weekly chapter meeting. See March 13 listing.

### Tuesday, March 21

**NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS' PROJECT** - Regular meeting. See March 14 listing.

**VIETNAMESE LANGUAGE CLASS:** See March 14 listing.

### Wednesday, March 22

**AFRICAN-AMERICAN MEN'S SUPPORT GROUP** - See March 8 listing.

**WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT GROUP** - Regular meeting. See March 8 listing.

**INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE** - See March 8 listing.

**GAY, LESBIAN & BISEXUAL UNION** - Regular meeting. See March 8 listing.

**FRENCH TABLE CLUB** - Regular meeting. See March 8 listing.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ASSN.** - Regular meeting. See March 8 listing.



# CSUSB anthropology professor examines the history of Uganda

By Gail Ann Uchwat  
Chronicle Staff

Teaching within the Anthropology department of our university, is an investigative archeologist, Peter Robertshaw Ph.D., Associate Professor of Anthropology. Dr. Robertshaw has been with CSUSB since 1989. He received his B.A. in 1973, M.A. in 1977, and Ph.D. in 1980, at Cambridge University. During the Summer he conducts research into the precursors of the pre-colonial kingdoms of Uganda, in Central Africa.

"I'm trying to reconstruct what has happened over the last 1,000 years. I have two interests in doing so. One is in the development of states or kingdoms and how they came into being. The other is to simply reconstruct the history of this particular part of the world," Robertshaw said.

He explained that when European explorers, looking for the source of the Nile river, first reached the Uganda region, in the mid 19th

century, they were surprised to find kingdoms (or states) there. A society with rulers, courts, armies and peasantry, but without a writing system.

The history of the Uganda area was kept by oral tradition. The oral traditions go back to an origin myth and then contain all important events since then. After European influence, people began to collect and record the historical and oral traditions. As the Central African people became literate they added to the collection. So there is a mass of historical traditions about this area that describe the rise of the current kingdoms that have come from European contact and their precursors.

Of particular interest to Robertshaw are timeworn oral traditions indicating that around the 14th and 15th century, there may have been a large empire in Central Africa that stretched from the present Uganda into neighboring countries. "I'm trying to see what is on or in the ground that matches or

dismatches these traditions," he said.

Dr. Robertshaw has been working in Africa for about 8 years. There has been little previous research although there was a little at the end of the colonial period, during the last 1950's.

photo by: Gail Ann Uchwat



Dr. Peter Robertshaw, associate professor of anthropology at CSUSB

He works closely with colleagues in Uganda. In particular a historian who provides him with background history. And a colleague at the Smithsonian Institution

that has been recording information from iron workers, because until the 1920's people still smeltered iron from ore. Ironworking may be very important in the rise of social power, because throughout that part of central Africa there is a close connection between metal working and kingship. The king is almost always symbolically a blacksmith.

Robertshaw's research for 1994, through 96 is being funded by the National Science Foundation. Some of his previous field work was funded by National Geographic.

One of the sites that Dr. Robertshaw has been looking at was indicated by oral tradition to be a place where one of the kings lived. His excavations indicated that it was in fact a small village occupied in the 14th century but there was nothing to indicate that it was the capital of a large state. It did however contain evidence of being a ritual center.

This summer he plans on investigating some of the large earth work fortification sites that his group previously found. Robertshaw explained that they are much like our forts, having a system of semi-circular trenches protecting a central hill, sometimes with a river on the

other side.

"So I'm involved in trying to look at the history of the development of settlements, and thereby the political system of the last thousand years. The idea, of course is to eventually be able to write a history of the last thousand years in Western Uganda," said Robertshaw.

"I'm trying to take some students this year. I'm hoping to take 3 or 4 students from Cal State. Logistically I'll be able to do it because I'm not going to be moving around as much. It's not an easy region to move around in, you know." Because some of last summer's investigations involved a sort of exploratory work, gathering archeological evidence that was scattered over a broad region, in and around Uganda, he was unable to give CSUSB students field experience.

Robertshaw explained that providing archeological field experience in Uganda, Africa to CSUSB students presents a financing problem. "Because I don't have money in my grant for undergraduate work." He is hoping to receive a little money from ASI to help with student funding, but basically students will have to pay their own way.

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# Traffic Light Lets Drivers "Go With The Flow"

By Victoris Besedin  
Chronicle Staff

After years of patiently fighting daily gridlock of University Parkway and the Interstate 215 on and off ramps, some students will welcome the sight of a red light.

A traffic signal has been installed at the site, replacing the stop signs which have caused accidents and lengthy delays for years. The San Bernardino Mayor, Tom Minor, celebrated the new traffic signal in a "turn-on" ceremony Feb. 22 by flipping the switch to operate the signals. Officials from the California Department of Transportation, the city of San Bernardino, and Cal State were also present.

The construction of homes and new shopping centers in the vicinity, and expansion of the campus itself, have populated San Bernardino's north end area rapidly. Bad roads, due to rain and heavy automobile usage, have caused impatient and hurried driv-

ers much dismay. The Department of Transportation has promised to improve the drainage system.

In addition to the signal, the south-bound ramp to the I-215 has been widened from one to two lanes. Meanwhile, delays still occur.

"I wish they would hurry with it. I'm sure we should be grateful that the road is getting the attention it needs, but it's ridiculous when they're out there at school rush hour asking us to merge into one lane," said junior Jeremy Jones.

Students who commute to campus could be especially agitated with the recent roadside construction. Freshman Norma Arvizu said, "Before the traffic light, yeah, the wait to get on the freeway was a while, but geez! last Friday afternoon, I waited 15 minutes and moved only one block."

Arvizu's commute to and from her home in Palm Desert totaled 2 hours a day, three days a week.

Funds for the traffic signal, \$341,341 were provided by the

Department of Transportation.

Arvizu continued, "They should have used the money to build a direct on-ramp, instead of making even more potholes (caused by construction.)"

Mayor Minor stated, "This traffic signal will reduce the significant delays and traffic congestion experienced by motorists who travel through this intersection everyday."

Will this be true for all drivers from CSUSB's 12,000 population, too?

Alumnus Tracy Gravlin, an intake clerk for San Bernardino's Juvenile Traffic Court, suggested the traffic light may not have been the best solution and could cause more problems.

"People are more apt to run a red light than a stop sign because they race through yellow lights. Stop signs actually force people to stop. In think we might see more fender-benders. For actual traffic flow, I think the stop lights will be more effective," Gravlin said.

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mainstream, the band is adamant that they are not influential. Their CD, "Splitsville", was released before Green Day's "Dookie", and secondly, their influences were explained by Hennessey, bassist Lars Gustafson, and drummer Rob LeBourdais as "the great American bands" along with Soul Asylum, Husker Du, and the Buzzcocks.

Throughout the evening, the audience did not emit the aura of high energy music. Before erupting with their single, "Meet you there" Hennessey stated, "I feel like I'm at a Yoga convention... Everyone's in the lotus position."

Perhaps this was due to the anticipation for the more moody and rhythmic band, "Dag." In an interview with Dag's drummer, Kenny Soule, he refused to be categorized as an alternative band, but said, "We'd like to get the alternative crowd excited by it."

The auditorium was permeated with the scent of incense as the smoke drifted over the crowd. And while the tone of the audience wasn't that of excitement, there was

a bit of foot tapping and perhaps, what can be construed as dancing. The sounds of the North Carolina based Dag were filled with tribal rhythms and synthesizer sounds.

They claim their sound is in the "tradition of Sly and the Family Stone, the Isley Brothers, and James Brown." As they introduced the audience to the title track of their release, "Righteous," the influences definitely came to the surface. The soulful and high-ranged vocals of Bobby Patterson can be compared to Lenny Kravitz. Other songs displayed a narrow range of guitar technique on the part of Brian Dennis, who was preoccupied with the scratching technique mainly used by Jimi Hendrix. With a rhythm band, you definitely need lots of percussion. While Kenny Soule held the drums with surprising dexterity, the other member (not mentioned in the CD line-up) is percussionist Lisi Mba Moyenda, who utilized congas, bongos and tambourines.

In the tradition of *Rolling Stone*, all genres of music are constantly changing and according to Soule, "It's fine with me... I'm not attached."



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