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Did the US Aid East Timor Slaughter?

Author and UN Observer to Speak at CSUSB

By Bill Marshall III
News Editor

Was the United States complicit in the genocide that shook East Timor after the Timorese voted to end Indonesian rule of their tiny island nation? Matthew Jardine, author of "East Timor: Genocide in Paradise" will address this question and others regarding the crises in East Timor in his upcoming talk at CSUSB.

Jardine is considered a leading expert on the East Timor/Indonesian crisis. He served as an observer for the United Nations Assistance Mission in the troubled region during the crisis and, in addition to his book, has authored various articles for national magazines and scholarly journals on the issue. Jardine also co-authored a book with colleague Constacio Pinto entitled "East Timor's Unfinished Struggle: Inside the Timorese Resistance."

The talk, sponsored by the Sociology Club and the Intellectual Life Committee, will take place on Tuesday, January 18 at 12:00 noon in the Student Union, Event Center B. For further information about this event please contact Dr. Ellen Reese in the Sociology Department at 880-7791 or at the email address (ereese@csusb.edu).

Coyote Basketball Nationally Ranked

By Chris Walenta
Sports Editor

Cal State San Bernardino’s men’s basketball team returned from the holiday break to find themselves 11-2 and ranked 24th nationally according to NABC/Division II rankings. CSUSB is pumped up about starting their conference play at a lofty 7-1.

But now the real stretch of hard games start to come CSUSB’s way. After playing their last six games at home (going 5-1 over that stretch) they must now hit the road for some tough conference games.

Of the conference games that CSUSB has played over the last six games the overall conference record of their opponents has been 9-23. The next two opponents (Chico State and U.C. Davis) have a combined 10-6 conference record and an even more impressive 18-8 overall combined record.

CSUSB should win at Chico State, but the second real challenge of the season will come on January 15 when they travel to U.C. Davis. In their first tough game of the season the Coyotes dropped a heartbreaker to the 13th ranked team in the nation, Seattle Pacific, 70-64 on December 22. Seattle Pacific is in the midst of a ten game win streak, one of the longest in the nation.

U.C. Davis, ranked 7th in the nation, has a stingy defense that could cause the Coyotes some problems. Davis only allows 58.8 points a game, which ranks them third in the nation, and they hold their opponents to a field goal percentage of 35.2% which ranks them second in the nation.

The next rankings come out on January 17, and victories over U.C. Davis and Chico State would propel CSUSB into the top twenty. The last time the Coyotes were ranked inside the top twenty was last season when they finished 7th in the final rankings.

Forward Lohnnie Tape and guard Jimmy Alapag have been the offensive leaders of the Coyotes so far this season. Tape leads the team with 12.3 points per game along with 5.4 rebounds a game. Alapag has the entire package, averaging 9.8 points a game along with 3.4 rebounds and a team high 5.1 assists per game.

For the season, the Coyotes are averaging 780 fans per game. That is nearly double the amount of fans that attend road games. Tickets are still free with student ID for home games.
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A Retraction:
Voices from the Village

By Mindy Stevenson
Chronicle Staff Writer

In my last Voices From the Village, I stated that Dr. Frank Rincon, assistant professor of Student Services, "called" me an "irresponsible journalist." The fact is, he did not "call" me an irresponsible journalist. In an email to Communication Studies Department Chair Dr. Craig M. Monroe, entitled "Responsible Journalism," Dr. Rincon said that he was concerned that my column was painting a negative image of Serrano Village. He only expressed his concern that people were getting a negative picture of Serrano Village. They would not support it and the plans may not go through. In reaction to his title "Responsible Journalism," I inferred that he was calling me an irresponsible journalist, even though he did not.
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Student Union Expansion slated for Completion by Mid February

By Donald Willis
Opinions Editor

The first and second floors of the west wing of the Student Union will be expanded to include an Adult Reentry Center, ASI offices, conference rooms, more storage space, and a reconfigured ASI Lounge, thereby doubling the student union space.

The student union is the heart of the university and offers many services, events, and facilities to the campus community. Its staff and student leaders, assists in the retention and development and encourage their appreciation for diversity. The student union is where faculty, students, administration, alumni and guests develop an enduring connection to the university. It also serves as a training ground for the development of future leaders.

To support renovations, every tenant within the student union was surveyed last year to specify the numbers of community members served and space needs. Tenants reported that existing services were overwhelmed by the community's demand for them and that more space to serve CSUSB's ever increasing population.

The current expansion will not meet the needs of all tenants, but future plans are in the works to accommodate added needs, but future plans are already in the works.

The Women's and Adult Reentry Center will separate with each center gaining its own space. The Adult Reentry Center will be located in the remodeled west wing of the student union and the Women's Center will remain in its current location. This expanded space will allow the Adult Reentry Center to have its own identity so that it can address the specific needs of CSUSB's 5000 plus adult reentry population. The center will offer computers, services support groups, free coffee, and workshops on college survival and study skills.

The current director Karin Patton will continue to head both centers.

The expansion will also include new ASI offices, expanded storage space, a reconfigured ASI lounge, and a new conference room. ASI will gain new offices for its committee chairs and Board of Directors to plan events and to continue to offer services to students. The lounge, which for the past year served as a storage room for event center tables, will be reconfigured to maintain the current footage space.

A new storage room will also be added to alleviate storage problems. A new conference room will be added to the second floor, providing needed space for campus organizational meetings.

This new expansion will meet the longstanding space needs of the student union's tenants and campus clubs and organizations, and will foster much chances for students to interact with one another.

What Child is This?

By Katherina Seigworth
Executive Editor

Ever since Elian Gonzalez was found floating off the coast of Florida, he has been the pawn in a battle between anti-Castro groups and those who want family values protected.

On January 5, the Immigration and Naturalization Services (INS) decided the 6-year-old boy will be sent back to his biological father in Cuba. Attorney General Janet Reno is backing the INS in its decision. But hundreds of protesters in Miami have been doing their best to try to change the decision made by INS to return the boy to Cuba.

This shouldn't be such a controversy. And it is not the way to prove that America is a great humanitarian country. This is an issue about whether or not a child should be raised by his father or his relatives.

It doesn't follow that in order to have a good life one must be raised in the United States. Don't get me wrong. Why, I am an American who loves my country and the freedom it offers me. But it doesn't mean I am blind to the problems of our society and culture. In my opinion, Elian should be raised by his father, not his great aunt and uncle.

I feel that in our society we have made it normal for children to hate their parents. He is living with relatives who want him to stay and has been quoted saying that he also wants to stay. I feel that Elian is being influenced by his relatives. This is a 6-year-old child. If his father doesn't abuse him, mentally, physically or emotionally, why shouldn't Elian be raised by him? His father obviously loves him if he is fighting so hard to get him back.

While it is true that his father could also come and live in America with his son, it may be that he has as fierce a loyalty to his country as we do to ours. The more we try to force our beliefs on others, the more they are going to react when someone from another country tries to tell us what to do. We react negatively.

Why does America feel it has the right to separate a family? Isn't a family something we should try to protect and nurture? Maybe it's time to go back to some of our earlier morals in order to save our future children. We already have had cases where children divorce their parents: isn't it time that we teach our children tolerance and compromise?

And in every election whether federal, state or local, the politicians always talk about family values and their firm claim on making sure that the family unit is protected. Yet these same politicians are now trying to break up a family. Somehow it just doesn't follow.

But what I find most ironic is that the American government and people are so eager to support a child from another country that they have forgotten all the children in this country who are suffering from poverty and abuse. They should be the ones that we are testing and fighting for. But even though this has been stated time and time again, we have yet to change, so the question remains; will we fix ourselves before we fix the world?
Stressed Out About Change?

By Jorgie Salazar
Features Editor

With the new millennium and a New Year at hand many have resolved to make changes in their lives. Many want to lose weight, advance in their jobs, or kick a bad habit. But how well will they really cope with change?

Change is happening around us faster and faster these days: However, coping styles have not advanced. Change can be destabilizing, whether it’s out of the blue or desired. Getting married or getting a promotion, are both good changes. Studies show that change can create emotional problems that contribute to alcohol and other drug use. This is not to say that all college students look for salvation at the bottom of a bottle, but many do fall victim to using alcohol and drugs as a crutch.

Instead, experts agree on several effective strategies for coping with change.

* Accept and name the change. Simply acknowledging the reality of a change and it is really stressful provides some relief.
* Assess your resources for managing the change. This enables us to take advantage of our strengths and build up weak areas. If we lack support, we might join a group or reach out to friends. Healthy eating, exercise, prayer, and meditation are other useful tools for healthier coping.
* Take charge of the change. Even if it feels uncomfortable, choose to see change as an opportunity for personal and spiritual growth. The moment when we have a crisis gives us the perspective needed to keep learning and growing during change.
* Keep these few things in mind when dealing with change, or feeling the pressure of a difference in lifestyle. “It’s our response to the unexpected that shapes our maturity,” Mason says. “Change are opportunities for spiritual growth. When we have a crisis, it pushes us to edges we have not faced before. At that time, we can either go into denial or we can say, ‘I’m going to face this, feel it, get support, and do what I can to cope.’”

Understanding Diabetes: The Silent Killer

By Amita Dasmahapatra, MD, Director, Medically Policy and Programs at Merck-Medco, the nation’s leading provider of prescription drug care for more than people with diabetes have Type II, which usually occurs after age 45. Type II diabetes results when the body produces insulin, but its cells are unable to efficiently use it. Type II diabetes may remain undiagnosed for years because the disease develops slowly. People with diabetes have increased blood glucose or blood sugar, which leads to the symptoms of diabetes such as thirst and increased need to urinate. They may also feel tired. Some people may also have an increased appetite, coupled with weight loss. Type II diabetes can often be controlled through improved diet, nutrition and exercise routine. But sometimes these may not be enough. In some cases, people with Type II diabetes may need oral medications and/or insulin.

“Unfortunately, many people only become aware they have diabetes when they develop one of its life-threatening complications,” says Amita Dasmahapatra, MD, Director, Medically Policy and Programs at Merck-Medco, the nation’s leading provider of prescription drug care for more than
Many Cal State students were treated to a concert at the Coussoulis Arena put on by local radio station X103.9 in cooperation with the Arena and ASI. They planned for months the last great concert of the millennium. X-Mas Fest celebrated the holidays, but also served as a midway with give-aways and vendor’s booths.

X-Mas Fest booked six acts: Marcy’s Playground, Kotton Mouth Kings, Ben Harper, Lit, Save Ferris, and Suicidal Tendencies.

Fans anticipating the show lined up around the arena to muscle in for a good spot. Finally, the doors opened to the crowd, allowing thousands to fill the sold-out arena.

A deejay spun records as the concertgoers packed the house. After a brief introduction by X103.9 DJ’s John Disantis and Lisa X, the show began.

Marcy’s Playground, with a fiery red-haired lead singer, John Wozinak, performed five songs from their self-titled album. What happened to Sex and Candy? The band opted to leave out their breakthrough-hit song out of their set.

After a few give-aways from Powder and Sun Spots and Snow Summit, the stage crew got ready for the high energy “Marijuana Fueled” performance by the Kotton Mouth Kings. The three rappers jumped up and down for a short four-song set, getting the crowd in the mood to see a good show.

Immediately afterward, Ben Harper and his band, the Innocent Criminals, set the stage for a slightly mellower performance. The audience was reluctant at first; then, when Harper whipped out a 12-string Fender Stratocaster, everyone knew he was for real. Harper played songs like “Faded,” “Jah Work” and a Santana-like solo called “Mama’s Trippin’,” which all appear on his latest album, “Will to Live.”

Then came more give-aways like T-shirts, stickers, snowboards and lift tickets. Finally, the stage was set for the band Lit to perform with their usual zebra pattern carpet, flames, dice, lucky charms, and a bottle of Jagermeister. Lit did a couple of their more popular songs like ‘My Own Worst Enemy’ and ‘Zip-lock,’ and their new single “Miserable.” Once again, Lit put on a good performance, just as they did on MTV’s Campus Invasion Tour ’99.

Another headlining act Save Ferris, featuring Monique Powell and the rest of the boys, walked on stage to be immediately greeted by screams from their San Bernardino fans. Save Ferris played songs from both their first album “It means Everything,” and their new release “Modified.” In between songs, Monique Powell paused to talk with the audience, and again before ending their set with their latest single, “Modified.”

Most of the crowd decided to leave early, so they missed a great performance by Suicidal Tendencies. ST played to the true hardcore Suicidal fans. Halfway into the concert’s last song, ST lead singer asked people to come up on stage. Twenty or 30 lucky fans jumped around on stage with Suicidal Tendencies as the show ended.

“It was a good show,” and “That Rocked!” was the sentiment of everyone while exiting the arena. However, some had other opinions, and were really upset about the sound quality. Speakers occasionally shorted out causing parts of songs to be unheard.

Then there were those who complained about how expensive tickets were, $20, especially when so many received tickets for free through give-aways or radio contests.

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Andy Kaufman: “Man on the Moon”

By Stacey Fullwiler
Copy Editor

Humor. What is it? Is it, “Take my wife...please”? Is it, “Two guys walk into a bar...”? Or is it an innocent-eyed man in a sportcoat and turtleneck slamming up with sheer stage fright on the live television debut of “Saturday Night Live,” making the audience feel painfully embarrassed for him, until he puts on a record and proceeds to lip-sync the “Mighty Mouse” theme song? The lucky viewers who tuned in that night were treated to more than comic history. That night they met a genius: Andy Kaufman.

For being so notorious, so controversial, so hilarious and so famous a performer, it’s difficult to understand how forgettable he has seemed to be. Now that the terrific film of Andy’s life, “Man on the Moon,” has opened, theそうな: "Man on the Moon" gives us a brief glimpse into Andy’s genius, and how frustrated he was with the social idea of what’s funny and what isn’t. People were confused by Andy’s performances: were they supposed to laugh or riot, or both? Andy, aided by his friend Bob Zmuda, often had ideas that were more like practical jokes on the audience than entertainment. And this often got him into trouble.

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Andy knew illusions, both the ones we create and the ones we fall victim to as individuals and as a society, and he saw the humor. His artistic genius was in trying to free us from those illusions, to let everyone see themselves from the outside and be in on the joke at the same time. Unfortunately, the world wasn’t ready. Now it’s too late. Andy Kaufman died on May 16, 1984 of a rare form of lung cancer. He was only 35. Andy was the victim of only terrible joke, for he never smoked.

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By Jennifer Lynn Thierry
Arts & Entertainment Editor

“Galaxy Quest” features a star-studded cast including Tim Allen and veteran alien movie star Sigourney Weaver. An amazingly funny film, “Galaxy Quest” shows the world that being a “Sci Fi” geek can be good.

“Galaxy Quest” A well-loved 70’s Sci Fi show, has a huge fan following. The stars of the show, including Jason Nesmith, played by Tim Allen, are back. Their careers now consist of public appearances, hoping to get a little more money under the spotlight. At one convention, Jason who stared as Commander Peter Quincy Taggart, is asked by a group of aliens to help them against an oppressive evil villain. On the assumption they are Sci Fi freaks making a movie, he agrees and is taken to the real spaceship.

Wolfe: A Talent in Full

By Bill Marshall III
News Editor

Tom Wolfe may be the bravest white man writing. This could be said of him just for the nerve he shows in dropping the titanic “A Man in Full” into the laps of attention span challenged American readers. But it’s not the novel’s 787 pages that confirm Wolfe’s status as an author con huevos. Instead, Wolfe’s courage shows in his willingness to step into the language and behavior of social or ethnic groups whose B.S. detectors are set on high. In 1968, Wolfe told the story of the psychedelic revolution through the eyes and words of author and counter-culture guru Ken Kesey and his Merry Pranksters. With Mark Twain’s flair for capturing dialects and a unique, spontaneous, and free-flowing style, Wolfe painted a believable and magnetic portrait of that dynamic time and place.

In “A Man in Full,” Wolfe again steps into shoes not his own; and again, his interpretations of manners and dialogue bring a flavor of the real thing that. While occationally sounding forced, they still put the readers inside the scenes that Wolfe has carefully crafted for them. Set mostly in racially divided contemporary Atlanta, and centering around a scandal in which a black star-athlete is accused of raping the daughter of a wealthy, powerful white family, “A Man in Full” focuses on the convergent lives of men who are all undergoing crises of identity.

One of these men-in-flux, African-American lawyer Roger White (nicknamed “Too-White”), is struggling with reconciling his status as a highly-educated, successful “Morehouse Man” with his ethnico-cultural heritage and its meaning for his future. Here is Wolfe’s triumph, and his courage.

In the person of Roger White and other prominent African-American characters Wolfe manages to explore issues that many white authors wouldn’t touch with a pole of any length. He does it with wry humor, and yet he maintains a full sense of the gravity of the realities of American society and of human relationships in general.

With courage, a discerning eye, and his peers ear for the music of human speech, Wolfe spelunks into the heart of America and again emerges with a tale - many tales, in fact. He looks into relations between the races in America. He explores the lure and the personal and social cost of materialism. He lays bare the insecurities of the American male, the crushing pressures of potency and virility, the anguish of the aging athlete. He examines the dynamics of the American South without glossing over the bigotry and ignorance, but also without losing the beauty and charm of one of America’s least understood regions. Also, Wolfe opens the glass cage of Atlanta high-society and the exposes the unreality of the cloistered lives within.

And all the while, the truths within people - truths that they likely do not see and the motives and tenets they do not even consciously know they hold - are the target for which Wolfe aims. Of course, this truth comes to the reader through the purposeful lens of Wolfe’s own inner vision. His narrative voice is poetic and profound. Frustratingly, Wolfe’s voice is often more interesting than those which one usually encounters on a daily basis.

Yes, Wolfe’s truth is a little sharper than the truth we usually find in the real world. But that is what artists do, right? They help us see the truth by raising it out of its context and showing it to us from different angles. Sometimes, by making the truth more interesting than it appears in our lives, an artist can move us to examine our own through the aegis of their special vision. Tom Wolfe, in “A Man in Full,” proves again that he is such an artist, and that his vision remains as sharp as ever.

AFS Student Video Competition

By Jennifer Lynn Thierry
Arts & Entertainment Editor

The year 2000 student video competition by Auburn Film Society is open to university students. The competition deadline is March 9, with an entry fee of $20. The prizes in each category are $125 for first prize, $75 for second, and $50 for third place. Entry forms and information on the competition can be obtained at the AFS website: http://www.auburn.edu/student_info/film/contest.htm
have been under constant surveillance from the Indonesian military intelligence because he was an American. The Timorese are not allowed to talk to foreigners with punishment of being tortured. But the ones who did, express the catastrophes they had suffered and their wish for foreign help.

"It was hard to find a family that hadn't been touched by violence," he said.

Jardine said that the United States has supported Indonesia with money, with weapons and with Indonesian troop training. "The U.S. needed to control economic interests in Asia," he said. "The (Jimmy) Carter administration sold fighter jets to Indonesia that were ideal for mountainous terrain.

Under President Clinton, the United States supplied 90 percent of (Indonesian) arms and $1.3 million in weaponry. Though Clinton knew UN vote would cause violence, he delayed cutting off military aid to Indonesia, eventually only succumbing to intense public pressure, Jardine said.

Jardine was smuggled into the East Timor mountains where he talked to leaders of the Timorese resistance movement in hiding. There he met a former college student and a man who had hidden in the mountains since he was three years old. But an Indonesian military officer told Jardine his side.

"He was drunk and he began to cry and said 'I have been here for two years and everyone hates us; they know what we are doing to them,'" Jardine said.

He said Americans need to quit letting economic interests control world relations, whether he is in East Timor, Chechnyan or Sudan.

"We need to build a different kind of world we live in," he said.

Andy

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comic actor are well known; his dramatic abilities are equally developed. The rest of the cast is superb. I felt just as perplexed, concerned and enthralled as the must have been by Kaufman. The movie flows through Andy's life smoothly, although it's obvious pieces have been left out or glossed over, probably as a necessity, for the movie runs 2 hours 15 minutes as it is.

I urge everyone to see "Man on the Moon." Andy Kaufman, like Mozart in his day, was a genius, terribly misunderstood and under-appreciated. Let us all stop taking ourselves so seriously and pay our respects to Andy. As Foreign Man would say, "Thank you very much."
Wally’s World: More Great Sports Moments of the 20th Century

By Chris Walenta
Sports Editor

Well, it is now a new century. No more of that 1900’s stuff, we are now moving on to bigger and better things. However, let’s look back and reflect on some of the great sports moments of the last eleven years of the twentieth century.

When Wally’s World last left off, we were discussing the Los Angeles Dodgers improbable victory over the heavily favored Oakland Athletics in the 1988 World Series. In 1989 in the “Battle By The Bay” the A’s faced the San Francisco Giants. In a series dampened by a huge earthquake that happened minutes before the start of game three.

Earlier in the year, the world watched as the San Francisco 49ers took on the Cincinnati Bengals in Super Bowl XXIII in Miami, Florida. It was then, and still is, considered by many to be the greatest Super Bowl of all time. With Joe Montana’s team trailing 16-13 and 3:10 seconds left in the fourth quarter as he started on his own 8 yard line, he led the 49ers down the field and, with 38 seconds left on the clock, hit John Taylor with a 12 yard touchdown pass to win the game 20-16.

The 1990’s got off to an iron start even if Mike Tyson didn’t. In what many consider the biggest upset in the history of boxing, “Iron” Mike Tyson was knocked out in the tenth round by James “Buster” Douglas in front of a stunned crowd in Japan. That was just the start of all the problems that Tyson would face in a rather tumultuous decade. A year later Tyson would be convicted of rape and sent to prison only to be released and see that he was no better off than when he had been sent in. As he was then, Tyson is still probably the most feared man in boxing. You can’t take that away from him!

Ho-hum: That same year the 49ers won their second straight Super Bowl title over the Denver Broncos, the Detroit Pistons and all of their “Bad Boy” followers won their second straight NBA championship. And of course, the Oakland Athletics lost their second World Series title in three years against a big-time underdog team, the Cincinnati Reds.

1991, however, was the start of some incredible streaks in professional sports. A guy by the name of Michael “Air” Jordan had been tearing up the NBA for years but had never had a group of players around him good enough to win a title. That year his quest was over. Facing an aging Los Angeles Lakers team in the NBA Finals, the Chicago Bulls quickly pushed aside the Lakers to become the new kings of the league. This was a title that they would not easily lose throughout the decade.

“Wide Right”: People in Buffalo cringe everytime they hear that expression. That was the refs call in Super Bowl XXV after kicker Scott Norwood missed a 48 yard field goal with time running out that would have given the Buffalo Bills a 22-20 victory over the New York Giants. Instead he missed the kick, to the right, and New York was World Champions by the score of 20-19.

Then the “Home Dominers” were let loose during the World Series which matched up the Minnesota Twins against the Atlanta Braves. The Twins had won the World Series in 1987 and the Braves had not been competitive for a long time. This had to be one of the greatest World Series ever played with the climax coming in the seventh game. Nine innings of scoreless baseball and the tenth inning would decide the series. The Twins won in seven games and in the seventh game the final score was 1-0.

The beginning of the 1991-1992 basketball season was marred by the news that Ervin “Magic” Johnson had contracted the HIV disease, causing his immediate retirement. The league, and the world for that matter, was stunned. The Chicago Bulls looked stronger than ever going through the NBA season without really hitting a speed bump and went on to win the NBA title for the second year in a row. It would also be the last year that Larry Bird would put on a Boston Celtics uniform. In the summer of 1992, the world was taken by storm when the United States sent a team full of professionals to compete in the Summer Olympics in Barcelona, Spain. The team hardly broke a sweat in winning the gold medal.

Jimmy Johnson, in only his fourth season as Dallas Cowboy head coach, led his team to a victory in Super Bowl XXVII over the Buffalo Bills. The Bills would go on to lose the next Super Bowl against the Cowboys, completing their fourth straight loss in Super Bowl competition. History may look on the Bills as losers, but they were winners in the eyes of most sports fans. At least the fans who knew what they were talking about! The Cowboys went on to win three Super Bowl titles in four years even though Jimmy Johnson was not with them for the last title.

1993 saw Wayne Gretzky become the greatest of them all on a crisp autumn night in Los Angeles against the Vancouver Canucks when he received a pass from Marty McSorley and put a wrister in the net. Gretzky moved ahead of his boyhood idol Gordie Howe. Gretzky led his Kings against the Montreal Canadians in the 1993 Stanley Cup Finals and even though his team did not win he single-handedly brought hockey to the southern half of the United States.

Mitch Williams, meet Joe Carter. Joe Carter, meet Mitch Williams. A little advice for Mr. Williams, don’t throw Mr. Carter a low inside slider when he represents the World Series winning run in game six. For the second year in a row, the Toronto Blue Jays won the World Series this time they defeated the Philadelphia Phillies in six games. Oh yeah, the Chicago White Sox had a new player in the minor league systems. His name: Michael Jordan.

1994 was a year of turmoil for a lot of people. The New York Yankees were finally going to go to the playoffs after a 13-year vacation from post-season play, and the Montreal Expos held the lead in the Eastern division when major league baseball decided to stop its play for over a year. It was the first time in more than 75 years that baseball did not hold a World Series. Some six years later fans are just now coming back.

Steve Young finally got that “monkey” off his back by leading the San Francisco 49ers to a victory in Super Bowl XXIX over the San Diego Chargers 49-21. For years, Young had been hearing that he was not as good as his predecessor Joe Montana. Maybe he was, maybe he wasn’t but now, he had the Super Bowl title to show for it.

O.J. Simpson, former football great, was indicted in June 1994 on charges that he had murdered his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ron Goldman. A trial that lasted over a year ended in September of 1995 with a verdict of not guilty. For that year-long trial, not many other things were talked about on TV, and sports shows regularly updated their viewers on the trial’s progress.

1995 showed that the Chicago Bulls could not win in the NBA without Michael Jordan as the Houston Rockets won the world championship for the second year in a row. The Atlanta Braves finally won a World Series title in a strike-shortened season over the Cleveland Indians.

1996 sounded the cry, “Start Spreading The News”, when the Yankees ended they’re 18-year world championship drought by defeating the Atlanta Braves in six games. The Yankees were beaten badly in the first two home games and many people believed the Braves would cruise to an easy victory. Joe Torre was quoted as saying after a game one loss, “We will probably lose tomorrow night, then, we will win three straight in Atlanta and come back here and win it in six games.” Boy was he right.

1997 featured Tiger Woods taking the PGA by storm when he won the Masters with a record-breaking 18-below-par performance.

Michael Jordan came back to lead the Chicago Bulls to another three-peat and all told six titles in eight years. Not to bad!

1998 and 1999 saw the Yankees win the World Series title and most people would declare them the team of the 1990’s. But how can you say they were a better team than the Atlanta Braves, when the Braves went to the playoffs every year since 1991. That is a staggering statistic to overlook.

The Dallas Stars brought the Stanley Cup to Dallas for the first time since the Stars had moved there from Minnesota.

I may have left some of your favorite sports moments out of here. For that I am sorry. If you would like to leave me an email at Sediti@aol.com, I would love to post some of your moments. Keep watching and keep rooting.

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Clarification of Previous Wally’s World

By Chris Walenta
Sports Editor

In the Nov. 24, 1999 issue of the San Bernardino Chronicle in the weekly column Wally’s World, the topic covered was student athletes and how they were taking part in the "system." My main intent for that article was to expose the system and show how student athletes had become more involved with the system and were actually buying into it.

I received an email a week after the article went to press from a student who I assume goes to CSUSB. The email expressed his displeasure with the article. Unfortunately the system has become so tainted that student athletes participate in it as much as any other group out there.

The email stated that if I were to offer a $100,000 salary from the LA Times that I would take it and drop out of school immediately. He is probably correct. I probably would drop out and take that great opportunity. Just like many student athletes do when other employers offer them substantial amounts of money to play for or represent their images. I didn’t say that we were correct in doing that.

I was trying to write an article that would show the coaches side of the issue. When these coaches go out to recruit young players, they do so hoping that they will, in fact, stay with them the entire four years. Recruiting trips are long, hard and expensive. When students leave after a short amount of time, they are just wasting the schools time and money.

If that makes student athletes out to be bad people then I am sorry for that. If that shows me to be a bad person as well then I am sorry for that too. My whole purpose was to show that the system was wrong, and that in sports, or in any other aspect of life, anyone that takes advantage of the system or allows the system to take advantage of them is wrong as well.

Events Calendar

Thursday, 13

STUDENT LOAN COUNSELING WORKSHOP
2 P.M. - 3 P.M.
Student Union Events Center B&C

BROWN BAG LUNCH
"NURTURING YOURSELF"
12 Noon - 1 P.M.
Women’s Resource Center & Adult Re-Entry Center

Monday, 17

WOMEN’S EMPOWERMENT GROUP
4 P.M. - 5 P.M.
Event Center A
x 7203

Tuesday, 18

ASI FINANCE & CONTRACTS COMMITTEE
10 A.M. - 12 Noon
UH-232
x 5932

SOCIETY CLUB MEETING
"THE STRUGGLE FOR DEMOCRACY"
Speaker / Lecture
12 Noon - 2 P.M.
Student Union Events Center B
Comics

University Parkway

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Johnicus

By Denisa Zamora

Johnicus bravely goes to the mountain where the dragon lives.

Johnicus, you are the last hope for our kingdom.

I promise, I'll slow that dragon.

The dragon will not bother you again.

Looks like Johnicus is going to be another victim!

Our kingdom will be destroyed.

I knight you Sir Johnicus, you saved my kingdom.

Next time, it's my turn to win! I have a reputation to keep!
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