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CSUSB
U.S./China Standoff Continues

Standoff: U.S. and China relations are on thin ice as both sides argue over Chinese possession of the downed spy plane.

By Stacy Benderman  
Staff Writer

Under clear and sunny skies, the C-9A Skytrain aircraft carrying the 24 crew members of the grounded U.S. spy plane touched down at Whidbey Island last Saturday. The men and women were welcomed home by their families in a ceremony in Hawaii, a seemingly happy ending to a long ordeal.

However, questions remain about the implications of the incident and what impact it will have on future U.S.-China relations.

Upon arrival of the spy plane crew, the Pentagon has proposed the idea of possible trade sanctions against China that could pose a serious impact on the U.S. economy. Currently, over $125 billion is traded between the U.S. and China annually. At this time, business leaders say the odds of the U.S. imposing trade sanctions are extremely low.

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China still holds the plane, an EP-3 Aries II. U.S. officials say there is little hope for progress until China returns the U.S. Navy spy plane back into U.S. custody.

ASI Candidates Introduced

Elections: ASI candidates prepare for the campaign trail, looking toward the future of the school, with high hopes and political promises.

By Claire Benson  
Staff Writer

A.S.I. elections are coming up! The candidates are preparing their campaigns and the race for the winning position is a good one. There were meetings held on the 12th and 13th of this month to go over the dos and don'ts of campaigning. At the Thursday meeting statements were made by the candidates on their plans after the elections. Here are the 2001 candidates and some of their ideas to keep the students best interest in mind.

Fatima Cristerna who is running for Executive Vice President has told us that she, "as a new student hopes to shed new light and bring new information to the ASI. Students deserve the best representation available and that means "diverse". Rosa Arroyo who is running for Board of Directors

Take Back the Night Becomes Up-Close and Personal

Take it Back: Crowd of 100 supporters show they are impervious to fear. Event states Women will not be victimized anymore.

By Goldie Avalos  
Staff Writer

Take Back the Night, an annual event at California State University, San Bernardino, was held in the Student Union courtyard last Thursday as an acknowledgement to those who have survived sexual assault and violence.

The event was supported by the Women's Resource Center in an effort to suppress violence against women, and appealed to a crowd of 100 men and women who came to learn from personal sexual assault experiences.

Some students who attended were curious as they passed through, while others were encouraged by their sociology and psychology professors to attend.

The six hour event began with resource booths that provided literature on sexual assault and violence for the attendees to read while the Taiko drummers entertained.

Many booths offered support services to survivors and friends of survivors who had been sexually assaulted and abused.

Among the various booths, The R.A.D. program, Rape Aggression Defense Systems, provided information to sign up for self defense classes offered on campus. The program teaches women the skills to defend themselves against.

Take it back  
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- Student at large Representative plans "to be an effective board member and represent the students to the best of my ability." She also plans to increase student life and make next year a wonderful experience for students.

Anita D. Gutierrez who is running for B.O.D.- Arts and Letters Representative wants to "help bring forward the issues important to the students as CSUSB. Also, work to create an exciting student and academic environment."

Lauren T. Baker is running for B.O.D.- Undeclared Major Dept. She would like to work toward the future.

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President Bush and the Republican Budget Proposal

Budget: Republicans trim down on the environment, beef up on the National defense.

By Goldie Avalos
Staff Writer

President George W. Bush issued his proposed budget for 2002 to Congress last Monday, April 9. The proposed budget plan has conjured up critical opinions within American politics because it proposes so many drastic changes. The Bush budget plan proposes a $1.96 trillion spending plan, which represents a 5.9 percent increase. The plan focuses mainly around education and defense increases while decreasing the budgets of several transportation, agriculture, and environmental protection programs.

The proposed changes in government spending changes the entire focus of our current economic structure. At a recent Cabinet meeting Bush told reporters “This budget funds our needs without the fat,” “It puts the tax payers first, and that is exactly where they belong.”

Not everyone in Washington agrees with the constraints of Bush’s plan. Critics believe that it cuts spending too much and that more needed federal programs will suffer as a result. The notion that Bush’s plan may be excessively strict may not be so far-fetched. Shortly after the President’s proposal the Senate had added billions of dollars in new spending. Bush’s plan attempts to put taxpayers back in control of government. Under Bush’s plan, Education will receive the biggest boost with an 11.5% increase. The proposed $44.6 billion dollar plan intends to provide funding for literacy programs and elementary and secondary school advancements. Pell Grants will also go protected under the plan, as they will increase with a supposed short amount of time and then unnecessarily holding on to them, as a result, our budget never stabilizes. Other programs that will be affected by Bush’s plan is the COPS (Community Oriented Police Services) program implemented by Clinton. The programs purpose was to put another 100,000 police officers on the streets. Instead of hiring new officers existing officers would be reeducated and “desk” officers would be put back on the street. Bush also has plans for the budget that would a lot funds for mentoring programs to be formed that aid children whose parents are in prison. He also plans to increase funding for child abuse prevention programs and a program that buys child safety locks for handguns.

Bush’s plan makes an attempt to take an active role in America’s education. Many of the education and social programs are centered on the needs of American children. The plan is trying to move American economy away from protecting and feeding dollars into sources that are not paying back into the system. Taxpayers are the focal point as demonstrated through the intense federal tax cuts and the support of those issues that tax payers are most interested in such as education, healthcare, and disease.

Though the plan was only introduced a week ago, the Bush Administration may have to deal with major congressional defeats. Senator sees a need to increase Bush’s plan to make room for a $200 billion increase in aid in debt reduction and believes that Bush is cutting federal spending too much to drastically. Bush’s plan attempts to restrain “recent explosive growth in discretionary spending” by eliminating “unjustified programs, excessive programs, duplicative programs and...
The CSU Office of the Chancellor and the systemwide Office of Learning created the CSU systemwide Office of Service-Learning three years ago, to support the expansion of service-learning at CSU campuses systemwide and to coordinate more than 10,000 students per annum, who contribute over 10,000 hours of community service experience annually. That would be a minimum wage value of approximately $193.2 million.

Community service-learning promotes student learning through active participation in community service experiences that are directly related to course content. In September 1997, the CSU developed a Community Service-Learning Strategic Plan. Now, all 23 campuses facilitate service-learning, and the CSU systemwide service-learning department, which was created three years ago, supports programs.

The strategic plan provides direction for each campus to maximize the potential of service learning. The two key objectives of the five-year plan (1997-2002) are to engage students at each CSU campus in at least one service-learning and volunteer placement that builds toward graduation, and to offer an ongoing variety of service-learning experiences so that all students will have those opportunities. All CSU campuses now have identified a service-learning coordinator; two-thirds have established a service-learning office and most campuses have built service learning implicitly into their mission statements.

Last year, Governor Davis included $2.2 million in the CSU 2000/01 budget to support the expansion of service learning at CSU campuses. The 2001 CSU Honorees are:

**CSU Bakersfield**
Flor Esthela Rodriguez

CSU Chico
Talia Scherquist

Scherquist volunteers with CAVE (Community Action Volunteers in Education) and is the current student director for 10 youth programs. Her responsibilities include managing more than 650 volunteer coordinators, coordinating training workshops, recruiting new volunteers, and supervising 32 staff members who run ten separate programs for children. In addition, she serves on CAVE's Steering Committee and volunteers at the Sonoma Developmental Center to help developmentally disabled residents.

CSU Dominguez Hills
Lidia Mongerie Brown

Brown is a tutor and mentor for children and adults who are struggling with their education by assisting them in learning how to speak and write English. She was also selected by a local high school to work with parents of newly immigrated families to improve their educational skills.

CSU Fresno
David Aston

Aston has served as an AmeriCorps Promise Fellow for the past four years. He has served the community by leading workshops on developing leadership skills for both mentors and youth, creating a tool to track and evaluate the health of youth in the community, and facilitating a faith-based collaborative that works with at-risk youth.

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Are you Ready for a Change?

By Claire Benson
Staff Writer

What is the deal with all of the out of towners? They want directions, they try to make friends, they even talk funny and you can still be one! National Student Exchange for next year is still open and accepting applications! This is an opportunity for anyone to live in a new climate, meet new people, and experience as much as you can all for the price you are already paying! Sign up and be off to the college of your choice for one year. There are still many schools available for the students who meet the requirements, which is having a 2.5 GPA.

Here is a list of schools that are still looking for students and their application deadlines:

Arkansas State University – Mid May
California State University, Bakersfield – 5/30
California State University, Chico – 5/30
California University of Pennsylvania – 2 weeks prior
East Central University – 6/1
Hunter College, City University of New York – 8/1
Indiana University of Pennsylvania – 6/10
Indiana University of Purdue University – 7/15
Michigan Technical University – 7/4
Minnesota State University, Twin Cities – 5/15
Murray State University – 7/31
Northeastern Illinois University – ASAP
Northern State University – 7/1
Oklahoma State University – 6/15
Oregon State University – 8/1
Pennsylvania State University – 5/31
SUNY College at Buffalo – 7/1
SUNY College at Oswego – ASAP
University of Hawaii at Hilo – 6/1
University of Massachusetts at Amherst – ASAP
University of Memphis – 7/15
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities – 5/15
University of Nevada, Reno – 6/1
University of New Mexico – 5/30
University of New Orleans – 6/1
University of North Carolina – 8/1
University of Northern British Columbia – 8/1
University of Puerto Rico, Humacao – 10/15
University of Rhode Island – 7/1
University of Texas, El Paso – 6/3
University of Utah – 8/1
University of Wyoming – 6/1
New Mexico Tech – 8/1
West Chester University of Pennsylvania – 5/15
West Virginia University – 7/1
Wichita State University – 6/1
William Paterson University of New Jersey – 6/30

The exchange is a great idea for any student looking for something new and interesting, but not completely permanent. This year on the exchange there are over 50 students at Cal State alone and already for next school year they are expecting over 70 at this University. Leaving the school where you know everyone, is difficult but you are never completely alone. With the exchange comes the others that are in the same boat as you. They are the first people you meet so you already have a group of friends. The deadlines are coming up! Find your way to UH-183 to find out more about the school of your choice. For any questions and finalizations e-mail Theron Pace the NSE Coordinator at pace@csusb.edu or just stop in his office. It’s not bad being a traveling student; the weather always changing out here!

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UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, RIVERSIDE
Once Bitten, Twice Shy

By Misty Lynn Reed
Staff Writer

I eventually found myself fighting a never-ending battle of endless bills by bloodsucking credit card companies that preyed on young college students. I was forced to consolidate six credit cards and cancel the remaining five. Before I jumped on the save my neck bandwagon, I researched the debt consolidation companies, procedures and weighed the pros and cons. I found my solution with Consumer Credit Counseling Service.

CCCS is non-profit credit counseling agency that helps solve debt problems with free counseling and a debt repayment plan. They were able to negotiate with my creditors to lower interest rates and late fees, arrange one simple bill payment each month instead of dozens and create a repayment plan that I could afford.

I had been paying an average of 22 percent on purchases and as high as 48 percent on cash advances. Consumer Credit Counseling Service was able to lower my interest rates to 9 percent. I recommend Consumer Credit Counseling Service to anyone who wants to regain control of their finances, repay their debts and get back on track. CCCS also provides a Debt Management Plan with a realistic alternative to bankruptcy that is customized to fit consumers' financial needs. In addition, they offer a monthly newsletter with tips on budgeting, saving and smart money management. They also have online workshops on how to manage, budget and save money.

For more information call 1-800-213-2227 or visit their website at www.cccsoc.org.

Once I was offered credit, I paid the minimum every month on time, and sometimes even paid over the amount, yet my balance never seemed to get any lower. My interest rates were so high that I was barely paying the principle. At this rate I was headed toward bankruptcy, yet another seven years of bad luck.

Seven years and 11 credit cards later, I have managed to repair my almost damaged credit. I was in way over my head and needed help. With interest rates ranging from 19 to 29 percent, averaging anywhere from $10 to $180 per month, I was ready to pull all my teeth out.

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What is your opinion on the possibility of a televised broadcast of the Timothy McVeigh execution?

"I don't think that's appropriate to be broadcast. It's disgusting. I don't know why anyone would want to see anyone executed on TV."

Grace Mendoza
Senior
Communication

"I'm against the death penalty, so I would say that I don't think it's a good idea."

Mike Chavez
Graduate Student
MSW

"Honestly, I don't think it's right. Something like that shouldn't be glamorized on television."

Brandon Barrow
Sophomore
Undeclared

"I don't think he will get a televised execution... no."

Lindsay Scales
Junior
Business

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Jess Cross
Junior
Liberal Studies

"I don't think it should be broadcast, because when we do something in that nature of crime, the vengeance falls in the hands of God."

Robert Cuencas
Senior
Business

Is there an issue facing the campus, community or world that you would like to see polled? If so, please e-mail suggestions to sbchron@csusb.edu.
Orange Blossom Festival Returns To Riverside

By Ana Ivonne Cespedes
Staff Writer

The Stater Brothers Orange Blossom Festival is taking place in downtown Riverside this weekend. It is an affordable family event and there is no charge to attend. There will be lots of food, activities, entertainment, crafts, buzz and much more.

Stater Brothers, as the main sponsor, will have a vending area along with 20 of its vendors, who will participate in handing out free packaged samples to give away to families. This is the second year that Stater Brothers is sponsoring this festival; yet the Orange Blossom Festival is celebrating its seventh anniversary.

The festival will start on Saturday April 21 with a parade at 10 in the morning. Following the parade there will be different types of entertainment.

At noon there is going to be a stage schedule starting with singer Dean Mills and continues with a Shadow-box Puppets show at 12:55, which is sure to be a good show for kids. There is also entertainment for single people and students that just want to have fun and enjoy a day away from the books, without necessarily spending money.

On Sunday the festival continues with more concerts, shows and food. More importantly it will be a perfect day to relax and enjoy the day with loved ones. Last year there were from two to three hundred thousand people who attended the event.

This festival is more of an advertisement of what Riverside has to offer to the community. According to Susan Atkinson, Stater Brothers vice-president of public relations, the Orange Blossom Festival is to promote and advertise their goods. They do the promotional efforts to bring more people to the festival. The five stages of live entertainment enables different bands and groups to expose their music to the public. The same could be said for the large amount of arts and crafts that will be on display throughout the weekend.
Two Shows Open At Fullerton Museum

Two exhibits are currently underway at Cal State, San Bernardino’s Robert V. Fullerton Art Museum. One features works by 13 artists, called “Out of Context.” The second is a solo show in the Entrance Gallery by Jody Zellen, titled “City Views.”

Museum Director Eva Kirsch says both exhibits present art that deals with language in a form of written or spoken text. “Out of Context” attempts to explore the conjunction of language, text and literature with visual art. The works include painting, drawing, sculpture, video, sound and electronic media. Artists in the exhibit are Joe Amrhein, A.S. Bessa, Kent Butler, Steve DeGroot, Alison Foshee, Eduardo Kac, Antoinette LaFarge, Yucef Merhi, Robin Michals, Brian Moss, Mark Pauline, Bruce Pearson and Lloyd Rodgers.

These artists cross over disciplines and draw upon ideas from different media, genres and disciplines to create a new visual language, says Kirsch.

Jody Zellen, creator of “City Views,” is a Santa Monica artist. She explores new technology media art, including interactive potentials of the internet.

Both shows run through May 19.

The Fullerton Art Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call (909) 880-7373.

Punk Legend Dies

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Joey Ramone at a concert in New York City

By Matt Schoenmann
A&E Editor

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Joey Ramone at a concert in New York City
### Events Calendar

**Friday, 20**  
COGNITIVE BEHAVIORAL COUNSELING  
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Student Union Events Center  
x 7312

**Saturday, 21**  
FAMILY READING RALLY  
8 a.m. - 12 noon  
Student Union Events Center

15TH ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL EXPO  
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Counselor Arena  
x 5081

**Sunday, 22**  
SUNDAY NIGHT CATHOLIC  
On-campus  
7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
Student Union Firelace Lounge  
Call Glen at (909) 475-5088

**Monday, 23**  
ALPHA PHI GREEK COMPOSITE  
12 noon - 6 p.m.  
Student Union Events Center C

FAMILIES LIKE MINE  
5 p.m. - 8 p.m.  
Student Union Events Center A  
x 7201

**Tuesday, 24**  
COUNSELOR CONFERENCE  
7 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Student Union Events Center  
x 5186

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**Wednesday, 25**  
4TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY UNIVERISTY PARTNERSHIP - SORORITY  
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Student Union Events Center

ASI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
Associated Student Body Incorporated  
2 p.m.  
Student Union Board Room

SISTERS OF THE YAM  
BLACK WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT MEETING  
2 p.m.  
Student Union Board Room

ADULT RE-ENTRY SUPPORT GROUP  
4 p.m. - 5 p.m.  
Student Union Adult Re-Entry Center  
x 5293

POETRY SLAM COFFEEHOUSE  
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
Student Union Firelace Lounge  
x 5843

PARALEGAL MEETING  
9 a.m. - 10 a.m.  
Student Union University Room

INTRA-FRATERNITY COUNCIL MEETING  
8 a.m. - 10 a.m.  
Student Union Board Room

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**Thursday, 26**  
TECHNOLOGY STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP  
8:30 a.m. - 5:45 p.m.  
Student Union Events Center C  
x 5253

STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER C  
DIRECT LOANS ENTRANCE & EXIT WORKSHOP  
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Student Union Events Center C

SPRING CONCERT SERIES  
8 p.m. - 10 p.m.  
Student Union Pub  
x 5843

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**April 20 - 27**

R.A.D CAMPUS  
6 p.m. - 9:45 p.m.  
Lower Commons  
x 5253

CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST  
WEEDLY MEETING  
7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.  
Lower Commons (Pre Room)

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**Calendar**

The Coyote Chronicle
various types of assault. "It's more than physical skills themselves. It's the knowledge that you have a choice to fight back or not," said Kathy Hayes, the representative of R.A.D.

The event continued with Becky Heiple, the Women's Resource Program Assistant, as she explained the purpose and history of Take Back the Night. She explained that the first Take Back the Night began in England in 1877, because the women were afraid to walk the streets due to sexual assault and violence. This event spread to the U.S in 1978, where women protested violence in San Francisco. This year's event was not designed for protesting but as an acknowledgement to the survivors and friends of survivors who had been sexually assaulted or assaulted. It also provided speeches filled of personal sexual assault experiences.

"This event is definitely centered around the personal," said Heiple.

As the night grew colder, heat lamps were provided, and students huddled around as they listened intently to Mariah Burton Nelson, the keynote speaker of the evening. She spoke of her own personal experience of being sexually abused as well as the steps needed to heal from such abuses.

"She is a powerful woman," said Pastor Joseph Mack, a CSUSB student and a friend to sexually abused survivors. "I feel I have learned a lot of things because my friends were raped. She is saying things we weren't able to talk about."

"I can also see this applied to a person who has not been a survivor, but a person who needs to forgive somebody for other circumstances," said Kathy York, a friend of a CSUSB student. After Nelson's speech a question and answer discussion was held, followed by an empowering march around campus.

"We must remember as added instigators," says Kamusikiri, "that teachers do change lives, that every student is someone who deserves help, and that all students do not start the first day of class in the same place."

Kamusikiri has worked on Cal States Outcomes Assessment Committee for several years. She also contributed a chapter that examined African-American English and writing assessment to the Modern Language Association, and co-edited an article for the association as well. Included in her oversight of graduate studies is the coordination of the Interdisciplinary Studies MA program and the management of Cal State's Graduate Equity Fellowship and its Predoctoral Program. Kamusikiri served as chair for the English department for two years, and was chair and an instructor at Nyadiri Training College in Zimbabwe. She also taught at the University of California, Riverside, where she earned her undergraduate and doctoral degrees. She did her master's work at the University of Iowa. Her abilities reach beyond her administrative roles.

For years Kamusikiri has portrayed 19th century entrepreneur and philanthropist Biddy Mason in dramatic presentations, which she has done throughout the United States. Kamusikiri is also a published you say a graduate degree costs too much?

Here's a great investment tip: Cal Baptist.

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Why Barry is Going to the Hall

By Chris Walenta
Executive Editor

Barry Bonds is the greatest player of our generation—hands down! He may not be your favorite baseball player to watch. You might actually root against him all the time. But by looking at the raw numbers alone, there has not been a better baseball player to lace them up since Hank Aaron or Willie Mays.

On April 17 Barry Bonds joined one of the most currently elite clubs, a hitter can be a part of in baseball. He hit a 2-0 slider off of the Dodgers’ Terry Adams into McCovey cove and by doing so punched his unanimous first time ballot into Cooperstown. It was Bonds’ 500th home run making him the 17th player in Major League History to do so.

For years Bonds has been a closed person, to both the media and fans. He may be considered by many to be arrogant. Perhaps it is the way he catches fly balls out in left field. Maybe it is because of how he watches his homeruns for a moment before he begins his quest around the bases. Or it could just be the wristbands with his self-image on them. Does it matter that Bonds does not talk to the media as much as other players do? It may matter come voting time when he is up for enshrinement to the Baseball Hall of Fame. Why should he talk to the media when they either give the credit for the San Francisco Giants success to other players, or when the Giants struggle, it must obviously be because Bonds is struggling.

The one beef that I might have with Bonds is that he is not as friendly with the fans as he should be. But is that entirely true? There are plenty of times after games, Bonds will stay to sign autographs for the many fans that adore him. It’s true he does not show up in the off season to the many autograph sessions at card shows that he could. But I feel that the off season is meant for two things—prepare for the next season and spend some time with your family.

Many of the fans outside of the Bay Area will talk about how they love to hate the Gold Glove left fielder. In a recent survey taken by ESPN.com a question was asked as to explain why Bonds did not receive the same attention as some of baseball’s other great players (Griffey Jr., Gwynn, McGwire, etc.). Some of the reasons presented were—he has never hit 50 homeruns in a season, he has not performed well in the postseason or because of his personality, etc. By a landslide, 39%, people said that because of his personality he does not get the acclaim that he deserves—that of the greatest player of all time.

Barry Bonds is the only member of the 400-400 club (400 stolen bases, 400 homeruns). He will soon be the only member of the 500-500 club. To compare Bonds to someone like Mark McGwire would be an insult to either, but let’s just say that Bonds is 10 months younger than Big Mac. He has hit 55 less lifetime homeruns, but he has driven in 65 more runs than McGwire, and the fact that stands out the most is that Bonds has scored 472 more runs than Mac. Besides Jimmy Foxx, Bonds is the only person to ever hit 33 homeruns or more in nine straight seasons.

Whether you like him or not, you must respect greatness. Bonds emanates greatness and by the time he is done, he will be the best left-fielder of all time, better than his godfather (Mays), and perhaps he will finally get the recognition that he deserves—that of the greatest player of all time.
Luck, and Leon, Carry Coyotes

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In the Coyotes’ series against the Cal State L.A. Golden Eagles, Rene Leon helped propel the team with back-to-back comebacks by hitting a home run late in each game. The Coyotes swept the Eagles with a little luck in the first game and good run support in the second.

On Thursday April 12, the Coyotes started their comeback in the bottom of the seventh on Leon’s solo shot over the left field wall. His home run pulled the Coyotes within a run after they had trailed 3-1. Despite the solid pitching of Brett Rudrude, who had 10 strikeouts and played a complete game, the Coyotes still trailed after seven innings. With the bases loaded the Coyotes were lucky enough to tie the game up off of a wild pitch by Eric Biddlecome, which scored Nick Garcia. After switching pitchers, Golden Eagles relief pitcher Andrew Wirmani walked home Robert Galvan, which put the Coyotes up for good.

In the second game on Friday the 13th, Leon scored the Coyotes first runs in the lucky seventh inning. For the second day in a row Leon hit a home run in the same general area, just beyond the foul pole in left field. The only difference was that this time there were two men on, giving the Coyotes a 3-2 lead off of one at-bat. The Golden Eagles tied it up in the top of the eighth off of a single by Rashawn Owens. The Coyotes would have none of that coming back strong with a solo home run by Adam Rabusin and scoring Garcia and Galvan off of errors. They hung on to top the Eagles by a score of 5-3.

After they wrapped up this series against the Eagles on Saturday the Coyotes began to prepare for San Francisco State whom they meet on Friday at Fiscalini Field.

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This Week in Coyote Athletics

The baseball team is home for four games against San Francisco State on Friday through Sunday while the women’s water polo team hosts University of San Diego and Chapman University Saturday in a 3-way mini-tournament. Softball, tennis and golf are on the road.

BASEBALL

The Coyotes (17-9 in the CCAA and 22-12-1 overall), host San Francisco State (7-17 in CCAA, 12-27 overall) at 2:30 p.m. Friday at Fiscalini Field. The same teams play a doubleheader on Saturday at noon and the final game will be played at noon Sunday.

SOFTWARE

The Coyotes (6-19 in CCAA and 13-29 overall), travel to Bakersfield for the Roadrunner Classic Tournament on Friday through Sunday. They will also try to finish a CCAA tie game with UC Davis that was suspended due to darkness on Feb. 16 sometime during the tournament.

TENNIS

The tennis team (1-7 in CCAA and 3-8 overall), travels to Cal Poly Pomona for the CCAA conference tournament, starting Friday and continuing through Sunday.

WATER POLO

The Coyotes, 12-8 on the season, host a mini-tournament on Saturday against the University of San Diego and Chapman University. Game times are 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m. The event will serve as a tune-up for the Women’s Water Polo Association regional tournament at UC San Diego the following week.