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Did you hear about the Run-Off election?

By J.J. Eddy
News Editor

One week to the day after theASI elections, poll booths were out in three strategic places collecting votes for two run-off elections. Why the need for another round of elections? TheASI election code specifically states that in order for a candidate to win she/he must corner over 50% of the student vote. Both the offices of the President and the Vice-President of Finance will be decided on in this last week’s election. Dave Gonzales, who received 43.76% of the student vote, and Luis Portillo, who received 33.21% of the student vote, are both in the Run-Off.

Campus Police Reports...

By Ana I Cespedes
Staff Writer

April 10, Officer Mark Hoover arrested a student that he has known from previous contact, due to his warrant in Riverside County that is still pending. At the time of his arrest he threatened Officer Hoover, which added more charges against him. ‘Besides this incident, the rest of the week has been good, as long as the students do what they need to do that is study, we have no problem’ said Sgt. Sarmiento.

Saturday May 12 - somebody violated a restraining order. A man came on campus and tried to contact his girlfriend or wife. When he was identified she called the police. He was gone when they got there.

Sunday May 13 - A person was battered in a residential hall but it is under investigation and they can not give any more information other than it was between a male and a female.

Monday May 14 - The Earthquake brought in a little old lady seeking medical assistance. She was treated for very minor injuries and did not need the assistance of a doctor.

Faculty Contract Concern Countered

By Stacy Bendenman
Staff Writer

Chancellor of the Cal State University system, Charles B. Reed, responded to some tough questions about negotiations with the California Faculty Association, headed by President Susan Meishesten, last Thursday during a Cal State-wide teleconference. Chancellor Reed argued that the Association’s concerns are based on misconceptions combined with miscalculations. The two forces are butting heads, and their figures are butting heads, and their figures and ideas about upcoming negotiations couldn’t be more opposite.

On the opposite end of the spectrum, the Chancellor is approaching contract negotiations with Cal State to resolve a host of their concerns. Meishesten stated, “It’s about getting the power to get (the Chancellor) to agree with things he doesn’t want to agree with.” The Association cited a report that lists the Cal State system as 11th out of 21 comparable universities surveyed in average faculty salaries while the workload per faculty member as well as their average class size ranks among the highest.

Chancellor Reed explained that they “have maintained an 18 to 1 student ratio” at Cal State campuses. USNews.com reports that the Cal State system is running at a student/faculty ratio of 19.8 to 1 as compared to 18.7 to 1 held by the much larger University of California system. Therefore, CSU ranks similarly to other educational institutions in this state.

The Chancellor explained that in order to meet the increasing student population at Cal State campuses, the system is continually adding faculty members to its payrolls. He stated that they have “added 2,232 new tenure-track faculty members during the last 5 years” and, he
ASI Election News

Luis Portillo

The Chronicle interviews Dave Gonzalez

the Presidential hopefuls...

CC: Do you feel the run-off is in your favor? Are you nervous about it?

I believe I have a slightly better chance than I did during the general election because my name will be on the ballot this time. With that, I'm not taking anything for granted. I am nervous in the sense that I want to make sure I can reach as many students before Election Day.

CC: Does ASI expect to get the same amount of voters as the first election (just under 1300)?

Historically, voter turn out is a lot less for run-off elections because people feel that they have already voted and might not understand why they need to vote again. However, since we will have two days and more time to boost the radio spots I'm hoping that we have a comparable if not better turnout than last week.

CC: What efforts are being done to make the ASI members aware of a run-off?

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CC: Could the board of Directors push back the run-off election so that the student body can be informed?

I think that is something to consider for the future. At this point it would just lead, perhaps, more confusion about the election.

CC: Why hasn't this been done if it's possible?

The run-off election has always been after the regular election. Maybe a week between would be something to consider.

CC: Do you plan to print a “State of the Student” address quarterly in the Chronicle and what other measures will you take to communicate to the student body?

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CC: Are you aware that the Board of Directors has the power to postpone the run-off election?

No...

CC: Do you think that ASI should have done more to publicize the election run-off?

Definitely, what has ASI done? They have not posted any type of signs. They should be supporting all of the candidates and not expect the student candidates to do all the work.

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CC: Any final thoughts for the CSUSB community?

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CC: Is there any credence to the rumors of “dirty campaign tactics”?

It's just funny how certain fraternity brothers are bugging about it. It disturbs me because they are trying to pull cheap shots on us. We have the whole thing about the web car incident, but it's inconclusive. There were stickers on ballots, “vote for Luis Portillo” How is that a write in candidate, it's a stick on candidate.

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I can reach as many students
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Are you Ready for Graduation?

By Monica Turner
Features Editor

With graduation just around the corner for many Cal State students, many juniors and seniors may be wondering what they need to do to prepare for their graduation day.

If you are planning to graduate in June 2001, you should have already filed a graduation check. Grad checks can be found in the Office of Admissions and Records, located in University Hall. They cost $15 for a single major and $30 for a double major. You can also expect to pay a late fee of $5 if you do not file a grad check before the deadline.

You can also pick up a copy of your PAWS report in the Office of Admissions and Records to see exactly what classes you have left. Each copy cost $2 and you must have some form of identification to pick it up.

Along with your grad check, you will also need to purchase a cap and gown and announcements, which can be purchased in the Coyote Bookstore. Students planning to graduate with a Bachelor’s degree can expect to pay $25 for a cap and gown. Graduate students planning to graduate with a Master’s degree will be charged $50 for their caps and gowns. Announcements can range anywhere from $12 for a standard ten pack to over $100 for personalized ones. Caps, gowns and announcements went on sale April 24th and will continue to be available up until June 15th.

Students planning to graduate in June 2001 should have received commencement letters in the mail. They were mailed out the week of April 14th. If you are not planning to graduate this June and are like many students who take an extra quarter to finish their degrees, Cal State has elected to try something new this winter. For the first time, there will be a winter commencement ceremony for students who finish up in the fall quarter.

Graduation will be held in Coussoulis Arena on June 16th and 17th. If you have any questions you can check with the Office of Admissions and Records or the Coyote Bookstore. You can also call the commencement hotline at 880-7050 or visit their web site at commencement.csusb.edu.

Poetic Justice

By Khalia Lindsay
Staff Writer

In a warm atmosphere, decorated like a small Italian bistro, Cal State Student’s expressed the sentiments of their hearts by participating in “Poetic Justice,” a program sponsored by the Student Union, on Wednesday, May 2. Pierre Palmer, student union program coordinator, said “Poetic Justice is an open mic forum that will bring diversity among people so they can speak their minds through poetry, singing, talent display and free style.” Many students did original poetry. Cathy Aurora, a sophomore, would like to see events like this regularly like Wednesday night karaoke because, “Poems like [hers] can be appreciated by all because everyone has experienced falling in and out of love.” Tanisha Bradley, another student who writes about her personal life experiences, says, “This gives students a chance to relax, relate, and release.” Reginald Scott Ross, who read “Be ware the Mask” by Paul Lawrence Dunbar, says, “The way poetry is, you got to do it like you feel it.” The poetry night was enjoyed by all who attended. With steaming coffee, delicious cookies, and great entertainment “Poetic Justice” was a soothing night to a long hard day.

Garbage in the Gutter Spoils More than the Street.

Maybe you didn’t know, but the trash you toss into the street gets into storm drains, polluting our rivers, lakes and local beaches. The trash attracts rats and the contamination and risk of spreading disease threatens the health of our kids and communities.

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The Price of Living On or Off Campus

By Patrick Kissell
Staff Writer

Life in the dorms vs. life off campus. Which is better? Which is more cost effective? These are questions that people ask themselves every year when deciding between living in the dorms or off campus. I lived in the dorms for 2 years and am currently living off campus. There are advantages and disadvantages to both.

Hopefully this article will help shed some light for a few students still trying to decide where they want to live next year.

The dorms at times can be a great place to live. At a commuter school like Cal State it is not always easy to meet people and make friends. Living in the dorms makes it very easy to meet people. They offer a wide variety of activities that each resident can take part in and even have a residential area that features a swimming pool, pool table, and video games among others things. The main appeal of the dorms is their convenience. The dorms are very convenient being that they are on campus and just a short walk to every building at Cal State. They are also good on those days of a cancelled class or between classes when many students have breaks. When this happens it is just a short walk back your room to relax. The dorms are also a great place to live if you do not have a car.

Although living off campus makes it harder to meet people, it does offer a lot more freedom than living in the dorms. I do not recommend the dorms for anyone 21 years of age or older. Everyone knows that there is no alcohol allowed in the dorms. This is fine for most students that live in the dorms because they are under 21 anyway. But what about the residents that are legally allowed to drink? Why can't someone who is 21 enjoy a beer in their room? Living off campus is also good because you do not have to deal with the Housing Office. Each year the Housing Office promises improvements and additions to the dorms. Very few of these ever happen.

The cost of living in the dorms and off campus is somewhat equal, providing you find a reasonably priced apartment or house and live within your means. According to my research, living in an affordable, nearby apartment is on average between $75 to $100 cheaper than living in the dorms. And that's including utilities and food. The food is also much better living off campus because you don't have to eat at the Commons. Yes, the Commons is convenient, but let's face it; the food is gross.

So there are a few reasons that might help you decide about where you're going to live next year. Keep in mind that there are new dorms being built and they might bring a totally new atmosphere to living on campus. But wherever you choose to live, just remember to make sure you have a good time and enjoy your college experience.
An Outside Perspective from Inside Coyote Politics

By John J. Eddy
News Editor

Acussations, misunderstandings, foul play and name calling...ahhh...the beauty of politics. For those who were unaware, Incorporated Students Associated held its annual ASI elections, drawing in just over 1300 students, a high for recent times. But is that something to be proud of? Should ASI put their backs for reaching less than 10% of the student population? I myself say yes. I believe programs should be rewarded, but until 25% of our own student body is represented in all school wide matters we have little to be proud of.

Now is the time for change, for renewal. This year's election witnessed claims to embarrassing tactics aimed at polluting the other party's chances of winning. We had accusations from both sides; two that were brought to the Board of Director by Glen Cummins himself. Others were brought to leadership and development with an infraction report and film from the Cal State Web Cam showing students knocking over campaign propaganda and laughing. Should we expect anything but the best dirty tricks this side of D.C.? Campaigning for positions of influence means achieving that position at all costs. Obviously, someone needs to inform the candidates that they are students first and not politicians. Is it so hard to play on the same team and campaign intelligently against your opponent? Why is there a need to sling mud, make accusations, and use dirty tactics, (whether it is inconsiderate or not), in order to run a campaign here at Cal State?

I for one would like to see more positive campaigning and elections. I would like to see ASI promote all candidates, on an equal playing field, and promote the elections itself through posters, fliers and advertisement in the Chronicle. I myself was not notified of the polling stations for the first election until two days before the election. I want ASI to reflect, listen to the concerns, and serve the students of Cal State San Bernardino, not just say they will.

Both slates in this year's election shared similar goals, visions and aspirations for the upcoming school year. Accountability and reliability, letting the students know what ASI really does were key issues each slate campaigned on. Despite this cohesion in ideology, both slates opted to work against one another instead of sharing ideas and working towards the common good, the welfare of the students. I have faith that the Elected officers will be able to work out their differences during their election and represent us. We must work with them and not against them unless the consensus of the student body is dissatisfaction toward our elected officers, then we should act according to the rules established by ASI. Most importantly, we all need to work together to bring more publicity and awareness to all student ASI members, to reach the uniformed 13,000 students who do not vote, and invite them to participate in the ASI services and events that each one of them helped pay for. It can be done; it can be done.

Dear Students,

The primary mission of the California State University is your education, and the relationship most essential to your education is the relationship between you and the faculty. The California Faculty Association (AAUP/SEIU) —the union representing all 22,000 faculty in the CSU—is convinced that faculty working conditions are student learning conditions.

The CFA has grown increasingly alarmed at the threatened deterioration of working and learning conditions in the CSU. From 1994 to 2000, the CSU has added 35,000 students—an increase of 14%. During the same time period, there has been a 24% increase in administrative personnel and the addition of 1,462 temporary faculty. During these years as the student population grew by 14% and administrators increased by 24%, the system added one new tenure-track instructional faculty position!

This is why your class sizes are increasing and you find it harder and harder to find the courses you need to complete your major.
Emotion Heightens at Play Festival
Student Plays Evoke Laughter and Tears in playwrites and observers

By Goldie Avalos
Staff Writer

Emotions Heightens at Student Play Festival—Goldie Avalos
Student plays presented by the Student Play Festival at Cal State closed last weekend. The performances moved the audience to laughter and tears.

The Department of Theater Arts presented the productions for the first two weekends in May. It was a festival for students who wrote their own scripts and had them brought to life before a live audience. Most scripts were written during a playwriting class, while some were written during spare time.

Students and professors were able to direct the playwrights' pieces and added their own creativity and insight to the plays in collaboration with the student actors who had auditioned for the shows.

The five one-acts presented had similar themes of "Atonement for sins," and "Purgatory," said Eric Rodriguez, a stage manager for one of the shows.

One of the most difficult problems faced as a director was the limited space. "That was a major pain in the ass," said Carolyn Creel, the director for the Cave.

The black box theater seats approximately fifty people and is used for shows that are not presented as a main stage production but more as experimental productions. "The Cave," written by Rossi Smith, required imagination as the characters had to pretend they were climbing a cave in a mountain, then falling down into the cave and drowning. This was all done without an elaborate set but with merely a few boxes that took the place of the cave.

The best part of directing was, "getting them to see the cave," said Creel. It was not the set that had to tell the story but the characters.

The Beauty Conspiracy consisted of only one character telling the story of how she had been made fun of while growing up because of her weight. The play was written and performed by Margaret Gholston who moved some of the audience members to tears.

"It struck home because when I was little everyone made fun of me because I was heavy set and it led me to not eat at all," said Albery Lockhart, a theater arts major. "I completely understood where she was coming from and I think that this sort of thing needs to be said more often."

The audience members were not the only ones who were emotional throughout the performances.

One actor talked of his experience with his character in the Hourglass. Jay Henson played the character of a homosexual who hated himself for being gay and did not know how to deal with it. He beat someone to death who he thought was gay because it was as if he was beating himself up for being gay.

"It was extremely emotionally draining," said Jay Henson.
Save Ferris Romps Cal State

By Doug Scarborough
Staff Writer

The Cousoulis Arena set the stage for Saturday’s Save Ferris concert here at Cal State San Bernardino. With opening acts from Phantom Planet and the SoCal punk-rock group Home Grown, the night was loaded with anticipation. As the evening progressed, organizers were a little discouraged by the dismal attendance, but fans weren’t hindered from enjoying the show.

Program board and marketing consociate for the Student Union, Glen Cummings, began the preliminary work to organize the show at the beginning of the year. “We previously had I Papa Roach and Weezer; signed on to play, but due to complications they had to pull out. Then Save Ferris and Home Grown signed on about a month ago which helped us out considerably,” Cummings said.

A couple thousand spectators were expected to show for the concert but somber ticket sales caused the Student Union to begin distributing tickets free of charge to many Cal State students. “We gave away about 1,000 free tickets to students on Saturday morning. Having these concerts improves life on campus and giving out free tickets to the students reinforces the mission statement of the Student Union Program Board,” Cummings said.

The concert began at around 8pm and went until midnight. Save Ferris started their set just after 10 with many of their hit songs including ‘Mistaken’ and ‘Come On Eileen’. Lewis Cortez, 15, of Lake Arrowhead enjoyed the lead singer’s performance as she frolicked around in plaid pants and a furry frock.
Events Calendar

Saturday, 19
CALIFORNIA READING & LITERATURE PROJECT
Shawer & Lecture
8:30 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER
PACIFIC ASIA MUSEUM TRIP
Sponsored by Student Union Asian Cultural Center
9 A.M. - 4 P.M.
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Sunday, 20
CATHOLICS ON-CAMPUS
7:30 P.M. - 9 P.M.
STUDENT UNION FIREPLACE LOUNGE
For event details call GLORIA (909) 475-5388

Tuesday, 22
ASI FINANCE BOARD MEETING
Announced Students Incorporated
10 A.M. - 12 NOON
STUDENT UNION BOARD ROOM
ASI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Announced Students Incorporated
12 NOON - 2 P.M.
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER
SISTERS OF THE YAM
BLACK WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT MEETING
5 P.M.
STUDENT UNION BOARD ROOM
X 7253
ADULT RE-ENTRY SUPPORT GROUP
4 P.M. - 5 P.M.
STUDENT UNION ADULT RE-ENTRY CENTER
X 5253

Wednesday, 23
AROUND THE WORLD FEST
Sponsored by Student Union Cross Cultural Center
10:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
STUDENT UNION CULTURAL CENTER
LATINA WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT GROUP
12 NOON - 1 P.M.
STUDENT UNION CULTURAL CENTER
X 705
INTERMEDIATE GUITAR LESSONS
2:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.
WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER
DIRECT LOAN ENTRANCE & EXIT WORKSHOP
Sponsored by Student Accounts
3 P.M. - 4 P.M.
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER C
PANCHO VILLA AND OTHER STORIES
Sponsored by Sociology Club
4 P.M. - 6 P.M.
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER A

Thursday, 24
ANNUAL DINNER PROGRAM
Sponsored by Human Resources Department
9 A.M. - 12 NOON
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER
STUDY SKILLS SERIES:
IMPROVING CONCENTRATION
Sponsored by Student Union Adult Re-Entry Center
12 NOON - 1 P.M.
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER C
X 5253
MAPS MEETING
8 P.M. - 12 A.M.
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER
COMEDY SHOW
Sponsored by Phi Beta Sigma
7:30 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.
STUDENT UNION FIREPLACE LOUNGE
RAPP SEARCH
Sponsored by Student Union Cross Cultural Center
8 P.M. - 12 MIDNIGHT
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER
X 7254

Friday, 25
25TH ANNIVERSARY
PADDLE BANQUET
8 P.M. - 9 P.M.
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER

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explained, "our payroll shows that." The Faculty Association adamantly disputes this claim citing a net total increase over this period of 1 tenure-track faculty member. The Chancellor cites his net increase figure as 250.

How can there be such differing claims? Chancellor Reed says these claims exist on the shoulders of retiring faculty. The Association explains that while new faculty has been hired by Cal State University, they have not been true additions to the system, they are merely replacements and do not accommodate the growing student population.

As for any existing faculty deficits, the Chancellor explained that they are unaware of the totality of the enrolling student population when assigning the numbers of funds allocated to hiring new faculty members. He explained that these funds are not allocated for those faculty members that are to be instructing the forthcoming semester. The Cal State system, in fact, recruits faculty on a 1-year lag, thereby leaving room for the possibility of budgeting error and a lack of faculty as compared to the numbers of students for a given semester or year.

Chancellor Reed also explained that the numbers of faculty members retired last year do not accommodate the growing student population. The Chancellor explained that this, coupled with deficits, the Chancellor explained retirement while continuing to work part-time without being counted for the office of the President.

Ezekiel Bonillas, who received 38.6% of the vote, and Glen Cummins, who received 34.24% of the vote, are both in contention for the finances of the student body. ASI elections chairman Fermin Ramirez stated that he did all he could to organize the election within the eight week time frame that it's regulated to. When asked if the election could be postponed, Fermin replied that it was not in his power to make any changes to the rules regulating the election, reminding the Chronicle that the week of May 14-18 was the eighth and final week to complete the elections.

Without any presence of fliers, posters, or announcements other than mass emails to the school server, the students of Cal State San Bernardino were unaware that the run-off election was happening. "They (Students) don't even know that there is a tie, they don't know how the (ASI) majority rule works," said Dave Gonzalez. Whether or not the students knew of the election will be revealed when the votes are tallied up this Friday.

When asked about the efforts being made to make ASI members aware of the run-off, current ASI President Luis Portillo replied, "Since it is so soon after the last election, I think the only days it will be advertised is on the days of the election. I do wish we had more time though." Yet when asked about the possibility of the Board of Directors pushing back the date of the run-off election to allow more students to be informed, Portillo replied, "I think it is something to consider for the future. At this point it would just lead to, perhaps, more confusion about the election."

Students from both the Main Cal State San Bernardino campus and the Coachella Valley Campus voted on the original election and this last week's run-off. Efforts to publicize the elections by ASI will be reflected in the voter turnout. Votes for the first election totaled 1300 plus students.

California Faculty Association’s President Susan Metzelder asked tough questions Thursday during a Cal State wide teleconference with Chancellor Reed.

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Monique was awesome. I thought her left boob was going to fall out of her shirt a couple of times which was cool," Cortez said.

Even with the less than anticipated crowd and lack of beer due to the dry campus statute, the concert was seen as a success. The fans were enthused over the performances and the night went off without incident. Even the band members were positive about the concert when interviewed at the Meet 'n Greet. The Student Union plans to hold more of these events in the future.
Coyote Named to Division II West Region Softball Squad

CSUSB standout named to first team

Nicole Fiola, the career leader in all but one offensive category for Cal State, San Bernardino, has been named to the National Fastpitch Coaches Association NCAA Division II All-West Region first team. It is the third straight year that Fiola has mad the all-region team. She was named to the second team the past two years.

The senior from Glendora was a standout player on a team that finished last in the California Collegiate Athletic Association (6-29) and posted a 13-43 season mark that included wins over Pacific West Conference and NCAA West Regional champion Humboldt State and CCAA runner-up and West Regional third place finisher Cal State Stanislaus.

Fiola hit .377 in 56 games for the Coyotes, collecting 63 hits, scoring 27 runs and producing eight doubles, eight homers and 28 RBI—all team highs for 2001. At first base, she handled 449 putouts and had 44 assists with only six errors in 499 chances (.988 fielding percentage), the best of any Coyotes infielder.

She graduates as the career record holder in at bats (717), runs scored (127), walks (63), hits (271), doubles (51), home runs (40) and RBI (160). The only category where she is not the leader is in batting average. Her career mark of .377 is well below that of the .477 career mark of Anne Cordaro in 1987-90 when the school was in Division III.

Coyote Volleyball Coach Honored by Soroptimists

CSUSB head volley ball coach Kim Cherniss has been honored by Soroptimist International and Venture Club of San Bernardino for “making a difference for women.” Cherniss, entering her 11th year as the Coyotes head coach, was recognized in the category “Women Helping Women” for using her resources, talents and influence to help other women achieve their potential.

The citation said Cherniss’ efforts “helped eliminate economic, legal, social or political discrimination against women and contributed to the improvement of women’s status in society.” Cherniss’ teams have won 164 games and lost 144 in her 10 previous seasons at CSUSB. Over the past four seasons the team has gone 94-30. This past season the team was 26-8, was runner-up in the NCAA Division II Pacific Regional and ranked 11th in the nation.

She received her award at the Soroptimists’ annual awards dinner at the Radisson Hotel in San Bernardino on April 25.
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Sonoma Stymies Coyotes

Regular-season champion Sonoma State, a loser in the opening game of the CCAA Championship Tournament, completed its rebound with a pair of wins against CSU San Bernardino Saturday to claim its second CCAA title in three years.

The Cossacks beat San Bernardino 10-3 in the day's first game, forcing a seventh and decisive game, and then won the second game 10-3 to earn the title. Tournament MVP Fehlandt Lentini scored three times and knocked in a run in the nightcap as Sonoma State improved to 47-15 on the season and likely locked down a bid in next weekend's Western Regional, the winner of which will earn a trip to the NCAA Division II World Series. The regional field and location will be announced Sunday afternoon.

The Coyotes fell to 33-19-1 on the season. Sonoma State, which finished the tournament with 61 runs in five games, trailed 3-2 early on in the second game. But the Cossacks took the lead for good in the fourth inning when Andy Weber and Ryan Johnston hit back-to-back run-scoring singles with two outs. The Cossacks built on that lead with Allen Marshall's RBI-single in the fifth and his two-run homer in the seventh. Josh Bell (4-0) picked up the win in relief, scattering five hits in four innings of work. Tony Graf pitched the final three innings to earn his 13th save of the season.

Anthony Evans took the loss for CSUSB, allowing six hits and five runs, all of them earned, in four-plus innings of work. Brandon Thomas paced the Coyotes with three hits and Matt Swaydan banged out two. CSUSB had been undefeated in the tournament going into its first game against Sonoma on Saturday.

Five Coyotes Named To All-CCAA Squad

Five members of the Cal State, San Bernardino baseball team were selected to the All-California Collegiate Athletic Association first and second team, with three players making the first team. The Coyotes finished in third place in the CCAA with a 25-13 record and lost in the CCAA championship tournament final, 10-3, to Sonoma State University. Sonoma State, ranked No. 1 in the NCAA Division II West Region, heads for San Antonio Texas.

Earning first-team All-CCAA honors for the Coyotes were:

Shortstop Nick Garcia. The senior from Victorville led the Coyotes offense with a .383 average in 53 games (he hit .405 in 38 CCAA games), 14 home runs and 51 RBI. He led the team in other categories as well: runs scored (50), hits (72), total bases (125), walks (38) and assists (156).

Pitcher Brett Rudrude. The senior from San Diego was the ace of the starting pitching staff with a 9-4 record (7-3 in CCAA) with four complete games in 15 starts and 96 strikeouts in 107 innings and a 4.29 earned run average.

Relief pitcher Brian Hammer. The senior from Alta Loma came into his own this year as the team's closer. He appeared in 27 games for a total of 24.2 innings and notched 29 strikeouts. His record was 2-0 with a school record 11 saves.

Making the second team All-CCAA were:

Pitcher Joel Porres. The senior from Pomona was a steady performer all season for the coyotes posting a 7-2 record (5-2 in the CCAA) with 11 starts and two complete games and a 3.36 earned run average. He walked only 15 batters in 75 innings while striking out 43.

Right fielder Bobby Galvan. The senior from San Diego was the team's second leading hitter among the regulars at .339 in 40 games played. He had nine home runs and 31 RBI and threw out four runners from his right field position during the season. In the team's only win over Sonoma State this season he had two homers and five RBI.

Honorable mention honors went to center fielder Adam Rabusin (.315, 5 HR, 16 RBI). The junior from Manteca set a single-season record for stolen bases with 29 in 32 attempts. Rabusin also moved into the No. 1 spot on the career stolen base list with 42.

Pitcher Joel Pordes. The senior from Pomona was a steady performer all season for the coyotes posting a 7-2 record (5-2 in the CCAA) with 11 starts and two complete games and a 3.36 earned run average. He walked only 15 batters in 75 innings while striking out 43.

Garcia, Galvan and senior third baseman Brandon Thomas were named to the all-tournament team at the CCAA Championships in Chico. Thomas has seven hits in 18 at bats and scored three runs and recorded nine assists and two putouts at third. The Coyotes record was 33-19-1.