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News Briefs

University Hall Building Occupants

A team from Facilities Services as part of CSUSB's campus-wide quality improvement endeavor, will conduct a walk-through inspection of the University Hall building on Friday April 16, between 8:30am-12:00pm.

This is being done in order to identify areas that may need a change in custodial service, need additional maintenance, or areas where there may be heating or air-conditioning problems.

The team is also asking students, that if they are aware of an issue, have a concern they feel should be brought to the team's attention or if they would like to join the team, to contact Angie Harting, the Associate Director of Facilities Services at 880-3849.

Alumni Association

The Alumni Association is looking for people to volunteer for the Grad Pack stuffing parties - April 13 and 15 from 6-9 pm in the Administration Building room 103.

The Grad Pack is the Alumni Association membership packet and license plate frame, marketed to all 2004 graduates at Grad Days.

For more information please contact Nick Nazarian, Alumni Association at 880-5008 or email him at nazarian@csusb.edu.

Judy Killgore Staff Scholarship

Applications are now being accepted for the Judy Killgore staff Scholarship.

Judy was the long-time secretary for the English department, she died in 1995.

The English Department established a scholarship in her memory. In order to be considered for the \$400 award, one must be a temporary or permanent staff member, employed a minimum of twenty hours per week at CSUSB and must be enrolled in a minimum of four units at CSUSB.

The applicant must be working on a first undergraduate degree and must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0.

The deadline is May 14. For more information please contact Margaret Doane at 880-5830, or email her at mdoane@csusb.edu.

Business Etiquette Luncheon

The Adult Re-entry Center in partnership with the Career Development Center is having a Business Etiquette Luncheon Tuesday April 27.

Students are invited to go and learn how to handle a business luncheon with ease and to also enjoy a five-course meal from 12:30pm-2pm, in the upper commons.

Cost is a non-refundable \$10. Students are asked to sign up at the Adult Re-entry Center or to call 880-5253.

Freak Violent Incident In Dorm Sparks Campus Safety Debate

Katryn Wild
Asst. News Editor

At approximately 3:00 a.m. Tuesday morning the campus police received a call from a male non-student, stating that he had been hit on the head with a semi-automatic handgun inside the dorm Tokyo.

The fight had broken out among three campus visitors a few minutes earlier in the hallway of Tokyo.

A dorm resident who prefers to remain anonymous heard yelling as she was about to go to bed.

She cracked her door open to listen to what was being said when she heard a loud bang. She said it sounded like a body or something large hitting the wall. She then heard a female "crying for her life," saying, "...I thought no one was going to get hurt." This female was also struck with a gun, according to Campus Police Chief Pat McDonald.

Another female dorm resident then stepped out of her room and said, "Shut up, you guys are going to get me in trouble!"

The three involved, two males and one female who are not students on campus, then left the dorm.

At this point in time, the male victim left the alleged male assailant and female victim, in order to notify the police.

The residents who heard all of this proceeded to their resident advisor's room to notify her of what they had just witnessed.

By the time they came out of the resident advisor's room, most hall residents were out in the gathering area of Tokyo, curious as to what was going on.

Officer Ehfren Curet responded to the call. Along with a resident coordinator, he began to speak with the male victim who had phoned the police, when the caller pointed out that the male who had allegedly struck him was in a car passing by.

Officer Curet then jumped into



Illustration by Jesse Henderson

Student Reenactment. This conflict that arose on April 6 between two campus visitors is not a common occurrence; in fact, the crime rate has not gone up for the past three years at CSUSB.

his vehicle to follow the car, while requesting backup from the San Bernardino Police Department.

When the car was stopped, he found three people inside the alleged assailant, the female seen in the fight and another male. The alleged assailant could face two counts of assault, both with a deadly weapon, each one a felony charge.

He could also face a third felony charge for possession of a loaded handgun on campus.

And finally, he is a convicted felon; that coupled with possession of a loaded handgun, will result in a fourth felony charge. The female in the fight who had been hit with the handgun was also in the car. She could be charged with possession of methamphetamine, which is also a felony.

The third individual in the car, a male non-student who at this point in time faces no criminal charges,

has been ordered to remain off the campus for an indefinite period of time.

The two others were taken to county jail and booked.

The dorm resident who came out of her room and yelled at the trio, who were clearly people she already knew, was not arrested. However, she could face felony charges for the possession of a knife.

The resident was allowed to go back to her dorm.

Whether or not she is allowed to remain a resident on campus is unknown.

"We look out for the safety of the students," says the Housing Services Spokesperson.

They also stated that at this point in time there are no policy changes being made; however, if any residents have suggestions to make improvements they should attend the Serrano Village Association

meetings. Times for those are posted in all resident halls.

The Housing Services Spokesperson also said that residents are responsible for their guests regardless of whether the guests live on campus or not.

Despite this, Cal State is still one of the safest places to be in all of San Bernardino and Riverside County, says Chief McDonald.

"This type of incident is extremely out of the ordinary," he said. Indeed, since McDonald came in 2001, the campus crime rate has not increased. He also stated that about 50 percent of arrests made on campus are not of CSUSB students.

The department always has and will continue to work hard to keep Cal State a safe place, assures McDonald.

McDonald also hopes that this incident will be a sort of wake up call for all students.

New Officer Joins Campus Police Force

Zahra Mohammed
News Editor

A police officer who worked 14 years for the Riverside Sheriff's Department and four years at the Riverside Jail and joined the campus police force on April 1.



Photo By Zahra Mohammed
Officer Walter Duncan

Not only does he have sheriff department and incarceration experience, he has also worked as an officer on a high school campus.

Officer Walter Duncan will be doing investigations and looking after the safety of CSUSB students and campus property.

Police Chief Pat McDonald is very excited to have Duncan on his force.

President Bush Profilled: Will His Conservatism Win Him Another Election?

Rae Nguyen
Staff Writer



Courtesy of google.com
President Bush

President Bush is running for re-election after a four year term ending November 2nd, but is that where it will really end?

Since January

2001, the economy has lost a net of 2.2 million jobs, with manufacturing suffering the most.

President Bush opposes abortion strongly (except in cases of rape, incest or endangerment of the mother's life) though he admits the U.S. people and Congress are not ready to ban the procedure.

On April 1, 2004, Bush signed into law the Fetus Rights Legislation, expanding legal rights of the unborn, referring to the deaths of Laci and unborn child Connor Peterson.

Yet Bush is a strong supporter of the death penalty. He is also an avid supporter for the National Rifle Association.

Bush supports protecting gay federal employees from discrimination though is strongly against gay marriages, stating that the constitution says the sanction of marriage is meant to be between a man and a woman.

He also opposes racial quotas and preferences, explaining that it discriminates against those who are most qualified.

Residents Just Want To Have Fun

Lisa Lewandowski
Staff Writer

For many of the 938 students choosing to live on campus, dorm life is their first foray into adult life.

No curfew, no parents and no annoying siblings digging through their closets. Freedom! Freedom, until a knock at the door. Who else could it be, but the R.A.

A new college student may ask themselves, why all the rules? We are 18 damn!

There are two main reasons for the dorm rules.

The first reason is safety and the second, consideration for other residents.

"We don't want the same people cleaning up all of the time," says Raaya Harris, from the housing office.

The majority of violations brought to the attention of the R.A. are disputes over cleaning contracts.

Some other rules are designed with consideration in mind. These include quiet hours between 10pm and 8am, Sun. through Thursday, because some people enjoy sleep.

Disruptive noise is also not allowed. So turn down your music and put on some head phones for crying out loud!

Other rules are designed to keep students safe.

"Alcohol and Drug possession

could result in eviction," states Harris.

Because remember little ones, other than the pub, this is a dry campus.

That means absolutely no alcohol is allowed in the resident halls or in the apartments.

Other rules include, no weapons, drug paraphernalia; this includes but is not limited to things like pipes, beer bong, vaporizers, needles, syringes etc.

"For the most part the residents don't seem to have a problem following the rules," states Harris.

"They are young adults and we are trying to get them to solve conflict on their own," Harris explains.

But what happens if your roommate is unapproachable?

No worries, if a conflict is not resolved it is brought to the attention of the R.A., and more serious offenses are brought to the resident coordinators.

The housing rules are intended to make resident life an excellent and safe learning experience. With help from all that reside on the campus communities, it can be.

"Who knows, maybe 'the man' isn't really try to get us down. Maybe 'He' is merely trying to protect us?"

For more information about residential life and rules check out www.csusb.edu and click on the housing link.

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This Day in History

April 12

1947: David Letterman, late night comedian was born in Indianapolis, Indiana.
1844: Texas becomes US territory.

April 13

1902: JC Penney opens his first store in Kemmerer, Wyoming.
1970: Apollo 13 announces "Houston, we've got a problem!" as a Beech-built oxygen tank explodes en route to Moon.

April 14

1853: Harriet Tubman began her Underground Railroad, helping slaves escape slavery.
1865: President Abraham Lincoln is shot in Ford's Theatre by John Wilkes Booth.

April 15

1452: Leonardo da Vinci, painter, sculptor, scientist, and visionary, is born in Italy.
1912: After hitting an iceberg the ship Titanic sinks at 2:27 AM in the North Atlantic as the band played on.

April 16

1724: The first Easter is observed.
1993: A southern California jury reaches a guilty verdict against a cop in the Rodney King beating Federal case.

April 17

1920: The American Professional Football Association (NFL) is formed.
1937: The cartoon characters Daffy Duck, Elmer F. Fudd & Petunia Pig, make their debut.

April 18

1909: Joan of Arc is declared a saint.
1963: Christopher "Conan" O'Brien, late night TV host is born in Brookline MA.

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<http://www.scopecsys.com/sayday>

Caesar's Fight for Workers Rights

Sharon Dixon
Staff Writer

For some, it is a day that represents justice, sacrifice and hard work. As for others, it is simply "a day off from school and work," says sophomore Miguel Morales. In actuality, March 31 is a state holiday established in 2000 order to honor the accomplishments and endeavors of Caesar Estrada Chavez.

The question is, what exactly has Caesar Chavez done for society? Some might assume that "he's a guy who helped create independence for Mexicans," stated Morales, but actually, Chavez has fought to obtain equal rights for all.

Caesar Chavez, who was born March 31, 1927, in Yuma, Arizona, lived a life of injustice. From early childhood, when his father was betrayed by Anglos over a piece of land, to the end of his laborious career as a migrant farm worker,



Photo courtesy of google.com
Cesar Chavez is a hero for migrant farm workers

Chavez endured unequal treatment as a Mexican.

After completing eighth grade, Chavez decided to quit school and work full time in the vineyards to help support his family. Throughout his life, Chavez moved from one California city to another, stopping to work in places like San Jose and Delano. Everywhere he faced unfair working conditions while constantly attempting to make ends meet.

At the age of 17, Chavez enrolled in the U.S. Navy and served two years in World War II.

Upon returning to California, he met his wife Helen Fabela. Soon afterward, he began to fight low wages and bad working conditions, knowing all the while that violence was never the solution.

Caesar fought for migrant workers' rights through boycotting, picketing, striking, and

even fasting to gain national attention. One of Chavez's most famous endeavors is the 340-mile march he led from Delano to Sacramento in 1966. In 1968 Chavez fasted for 25 days, in 1972, 24 days, and in 1988, 36 days.

Eventually, Chavez gained respect from many people. He was joined in his 1988 water-only fast by Reverend Jesse Jackson, Martin Sheen, Reverend J. Lowery, Edward Olmos, Emilio Estevez, Kerry Kennedy, Legislator Peter Chacon, Julie Carmen, Danny Glover, Carly Simon, and Whoopi Goldberg.

As well-known people began to believe in Caesar's cause, he also received support from many organizations. In 1952, Chavez joined the Community Service Organization (CSO) encouraging Mexican-Americans to register to vote. After becoming CSO's general director, Chavez created his own organization in support of workers' rights called National Farm Workers Association (now known as UFW).

In 1965, Chavez stirred up a strike for California grape-pickers to gain higher wages. He urged Americans to support this cause by boycotting table grapes. Chavez died on April 22, 1993, still fighting for workers' rights.

After all of Caesar's struggles for fair working conditions, Chavez is finally recognized as a hero in our society as several statues throughout the nation, including California, embrace March 31 to honor his hard work and persistence toward the fight for justice.

Tibetan Monk Enlightens Audience

Teresa Raef
Staff Writer

Tibetan Monk Yeshi Dorjee enlightened 60 guests about the symbolic and spiritual meanings of "Thangka," a form of Tibetan art, when the Asian Faculty Staff and Student Association invited him to speak last Thursday in the Pine Room.

Yeshi Dorjee was only 9 years old when he knew he wanted to be a monk. Dorjee, who is now a Buddhist Monk with the Highest Degree, is also an artist of spiritual paintings. He provided listeners with a basic knowledge of Thangka paintings.

These artifacts are usually embroidered or painted banners that hang in monasteries or family altars. Not only are these paintings interesting to look at by the naked eye, they also have many underlying meanings and representations.

During the event Dorjee's paintings were present, capturing the eyes of many spectators. Some people who visited the event had a basic knowledge of Thangka art, while many did not.



Teresa Raef/Chronicle
Yeshi Dorjee reveals the symbolism in Tibetan art

Provided for attendees were delicious Asian rice patties, and pastries. Many members of Asian Faculty and Students (AFS), including the Association president Arturo Concepcion who was available during the event as well as the vice president Ruyelung Chang. Those interested in Asian art and culture who were unable to attend this event can look forward to a large art exhibit coming to campus between July and August 14 at the Fullerton Art Museum. This will be an exclusive chance to view rare Asian work.

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Reality of the Unwatched

Joseph Dearing
Staff Writer

Peter Monroe's "Momma's Boy!" and Joe Moran's "Constructed Realities" opened Thursday at the Robert V. Fullerton Art Museum.

"Momma's Boy!" is a series of photographs, while "Constructed Realities" consists of prints, murals and collages. Both series deal with lifestyles that differ in content.

The artists briefly explained their inspirations, processes and reasons for creating and producing their art. "Momma's Boy!" confronted attendees with photographs of grown men sitting beside their mothers on couches in living rooms.

Not too interesting? The answer is that these men, many of whom seemed to be in their 60s, were still living with their mothers in the same houses where they had grown up.

These men were still living in their childhood homes, Moran explained, because what popular culture would call "dysfunctional situations" like drug problems.

Each photograph had a slight air of antiquity, with living rooms looking as though they been assembled in the '70s, and had not changed since.

This aspect of the photographs, though not contrived, was important to the artist's preference of the old; as he stated that he feels the new does not have life in it.

This idea is even carried into the materials that he uses, as he stated that he uses a regular film



Andrew Trish/Coyote Chronicle
Joe Moran, constructor of realities, murals, collages and mixed media pieces.

camera, not one that is digital. The artist explained that many people have the wrong idea about this series of photographs, which was completed in 1997, thinking that they are funny, which was not his intended purpose.

His only rationale given is in the statement "I like how nice it looks."

Monroe's next project is going to be a series of photographs of green houses in Massachusetts.

The next artist, former department chairman, Joe Moran,

be a prolific artist.

In reference to the quantities of the art pieces and the fact that he works everyday, Moran stated, "I am fairly quiet and I do not do a lot of talking, but I do produce."

Produce indeed. Besides the murals, the walls are lined with a number of collages, a couple of which looked like they could have belonged to a series.

Yet all of Moran's art, be it the collages, murals, or any of the other pieces, carries through it a thread of common meaning. Moran explained that each piece of art in some way represented his life. "All of the imagery is a story."

Many of the images were repeated in other works, which were then further repeated in yet other works, creating coherence and flow that did seem to tell the viewer a comprehensive message or story.

Another way that Moran's art stands apart from others' is the film that he uses the art to help create his own. One piece included a poem written by a student of his. Moran incorporated this poem into a collage, creating a message not just sent out by the artist himself, but by another as well.

With each individual piece making reference to another art work by Moran, one has to wonder what the purpose of all this is. Moran's answer? "I want to find out what this life is all about."

Well said.

Monroe's "Momma's Boy!" and Moran's "Constructed Realities" can be seen at the Fullerton Art Museum now through May 22.

Staring at the Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind

Anthony Cruz
Assistant A&E Editor

What if memories could be erased? What if you could erase all the bad things you have experienced with somebody? What if you could even erase people from your lives? What if confusion was the answer to this sanity? And what if a film used these questions to make 110 minutes the best enjoyment in your life?

Music video director Michel Gondry and screenwriter Charlie Kaufman guide you to "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind," most magnificent film ever to be made on screen.

"Eternal Sunshine" is the art of memory and how difficult love and loss truly is. It brings the innovation of your actual nightly dreams into the hands of a modern genius.

Jim Carrey (Joel) and Kate Winslet (Clementine) star in a film that explains why opposites attract.

Joel is the very quiet type who would never go up to a girl and talk to her unless the girl approached him first. He is very timid with the way he lives his life.

Clementine, however, has no

problem going up to anyone and saying whatever she wants. She must do everything she can before she knows it is too late. But one chicken leg changed their lives and made love possible with anyone.

"Eternal Sunshine" also stars Kirsten Dunst as Mary, a receptionist for Lacuna Inc., who wants to know more about her job.

Elijah Wood (whom I had the pleasure of meeting at Coachella last year), plays Patrick, who tries to take Clementine from Joel.

If you have ever had a friend do that to you, then you find yourself with a reason to dislike him.

But I warn you, this film is about the lonely hearted. If you cannot challenge yourself to imagine outside your own thoughts, then this film will do nothing for you.

But if you take pleasure in creative art, thoughtful meanings and the sacrifice love can make, then broaden your mind, imagination and wallet and go see "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind."

Just remember, you may be able to erase memories, but you can never erase feelings.



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SPRING BREAK CONCERT SERIES



Clockwise from top: Karen O of the Yeah Yeah Yeahs shares an intimate moment with the front row. Amadeo Pace of Blonde Redhead croons an emotional ballad from his band's latest release. Bassist Jordie White and vocalist Maynard James Keenan of A Perfect Circle perform among a stage of wire-light trees.



Ivan Fernandez

Sunday March 14, Yeah Yeah Yeahs @ Henry Fonda Theatre

The title of "Most Characteristic Female Rock Star" goes to Karen O, front woman for garage-punk band the Yeah Yeah Yeahs, a title she effortlessly flaunted at their show.

The audience didn't care for her opening acts. They calmly waited through both opening acts' short sets until the curtain rolled up to reveal their beloved New York trio.

The band stood silent, waiting for the crowd to quiet down before playing their first song. The band played songs off their debut LP "Fever To Tell" and also played the singles from their EP, including "Art Star," "Miles Away" and "Machine."

Saturday March 20, Blonde Redhead @ Henry Fonda Theatre
Blonde Redhead, the darlings of the Los Angeles indie-rock scene, treated their fans to a set of songs off their latest release, "Miserable Butterfly." The trio (vocals/guitarist Simon Pace, bassist Amadeo Pace, and drummer Amadeo Pace) performed a mellow, moody set.

Because of a printing error, the entire first shipment of "Miserable Butterfly" had to be recalled and replaced. The band, which was set for release at the beginning of March, had to be pushed ahead. Kane explained that and apologized to the crowd for playing a set crammed with music that their fans were unfamiliar with.

The crowd didn't mind and gave Blonde Redhead cheers of approval. **Wednesday April 7, A Perfect Circle @ Long Beach Convention Center**
As much as I like A Perfect Circle, I have to admit that I was more excited for their opening act, The Mars Volta. However, the band blew past audience expectations and delivered an incredible night of rock.

The night started with The Mars Volta, created by former At the Drive-In members Omar Rodriguez Lopez and Cedric Belfrage. The band stretched their 12-minute music piece "Cicatriz ESP" into a full hour.

A Perfect Circle took the stage afterwards and played a set which consisted of songs from both their albums, "Mer De Noms" and "The Thirteenth Step." Vocalist Maynard James Keenan appeared from behind a veil of light while his bandmates (guitarist Billy Howerd, drummer Josh Freese, bassist Jordie White and guitarist James Kerley) formed around him.

What's Your Talent?



Shattera Smith wowing the judges with her rendition of Alicia Keys at Wednesday night's auditions.

Justin R. Martinez
Staff Writer

Students brought their talents to audition for the second annual "Knight with the Stars" talent show on Wednesday and Thursday, from 5-8 p.m. in the Santos Manuel Student Union Events Center.

The talent show will be held Wednesday, April 21 from 7-9 p.m. in the California State University, San Bernardino Events Center.

The show is being put on by the Student Union Program Board, along with Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. Thirty-five aspiring acts auditioned for the talent show from which 20 final acts were to be selected.

Students auditioned for one of

the four categories of talent: singing, dancing, creativity and acting.

The auditions were a filtering process in which each act was given five minutes to perform their talent before the members of the Program Board and Zeta Phi Beta.

Along with judging talents, Program Board members and Zeta Phi Beta were also safeguarding against inappropriate performance conduct.

A final dress rehearsal will take place on Wednesday April 14.

"We want to make sure no one brings a snake or something unsafe for the audience," said Senior-year student assistant Laura Cedillo.

The final show will be judged by four CSUSB faculty members.

Two of the judges will be chosen by the Program Board and two will be chosen by Zeta Phi Beta. There will also be professional lighting and sound at the final event.

Performers will be competing for cash prizes in each talent category.

Two hundred dollars will be awarded to first place in each category and \$50 for second place. There will also be a cash prize of \$500 for best in overall show. However, first place winners in each category will be ineligible to win best overall.

Last year's \$500 winner was Alex Solano, who performed an original song that he wrote himself.

"It was a Spanish-Reggae song that got the whole audience on

their feet dancing and clapping," said Ericka Nunez-Paddock, SUPB coordinator. "It was clear to all of us that Alex had a long music career ahead of him."

Solano now has a CD of Caribbean and Spanish reggae recorded which is self written and produced.

"I think last year's event went very well," said Lynnzora Rogers, a Junior and president of the CSUSB chapter of Zeta Phi Beta.

"I was on program board last year and I was happy to see the two merge on this event. I am a theatre major and so I saw this as an opportunity to showcase the arts at CSUSB. I don't think the arts get enough credit."

According to Nunez-Paddock and Rogers, the union between the Program Board and Zeta Phi Beta was a perfect match because the sorority is very interested in community and the Program Board promotes entertainment and student life.

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A list of final acts selected to perform at the talent show will be posted Monday April 12 outside the Student Union Program Board office, room SU-119.

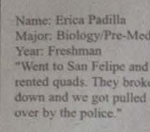
Roving Reporter

"What is the craziest thing you did over Spring Break?"

Suze Knobler
Staff Writer



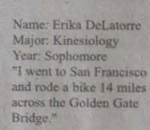
Name: Willie Glass
Major: Psychology
Year: Freshman
"I raise a chicken farm and had to kill one of my chicks."



Name: Erica Padilla
Major: Biology/Pre-Med
Year: Freshman
"Went to San Felipe and rented quads. They broke down and we got pulled over by the police."



Name: Adrian Bermudez
Major: Biology
Year: Senior
"I slept."



Name: Erika DeLatorre
Major: Kinesiology
Year: Sophomore
"I went to San Francisco and rode a bike 14 miles across the Golden Gate Bridge."



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Coyote Corner

Tidbits
Robin Heim
Op/Ed Editor

Last week I stopped into the local Union 76 and I was struck by the coincidence of the \$2.11 per gallon price and the Penal Code for robbery, 211. If current gasoline prices are not highway robbery, I'd like to know what is!

It really doesn't matter if you believe in God or in Allah. What matters is that what you believe in actually makes you a better person. Perhaps the real benefit of having prayer in schools was to keep the definition between right and wrong clear.

Over the last 40 years, we've gone from a world acknowledging "the Devil made me do it" to performing horrendous acts "in the name of God." We've shifted from taking individual blame for our wrongful acts to proclaiming criminal activity justifiable, because it was a group activity executed for an ambiguous cause.

Have you noticed more people being carried around in handbaskets, lately, all headed in the same direction?

As if suing tobacco companies for your lung cancer and fast-food

chains for your weight gain wasn't idiotic enough, now we have people suing casinos for their gambling habit.

A woman in Detroit is suing one of the new casinos built there for not keeping her away from the establishment. After all, she sent them a letter stating she had a gambling problem! So they should have stopped her before she wandered away her home and savings.

Let's see, could a student sue their algebra professor for giving them a failing grade, citing that the professor KNEW that they were an English major? Or, perhaps a student could sue the university for not handing them a diploma after four years - after all, the classes were paid for, it's not the student's fault that they were too tired to attend classes and too busy to study.

The Daily Bulletin reported last week that the Cal Poly Pomona student newspaper, The Poly Post, is on the brink of shutting down due to debt.

The staff members were informed that they owed \$17,000 to the Cal Poly Pomona Foundation, which funded their financial services, because the foundation credited their account with the amount of money that was "due" from advertisers, instead of the actual amount "received."

It took five years before the foundation realized their error and informed the Poly Post staff to stop spending

money they really didn't have. I wonder if the Cal Poly Pomona Foundation offers individual accounts?

I've always been fascinated by Engagements / Weddings, Anniversaries, and Obituary notices. With engagements and weddings I'm interested in knowing alma maters and careers, because they give you an idea of whether the couple is in it for "love" or "money."

Anniversary notices let you know up front that they were in it for both the "good times and the bad", especially those couples that are celebrating over 60 years together. Over the years, obituaries have evolved from data on the deceased (name, date of death, and funeral arrangements) to a mini-history of their life.

A 90-year-old woman, Frances Shelton, died in Claremont earlier this month. Her obit was wonderfully peppered with all her academic and societal accomplishments over the years.

Yet, the most impressive part, the segment of her life that really gave insight to the person she was, was that when her brother's wife died she opened her home to his three children and raised them with her own four. Diplomats should be awarded to those who give others a chance at life, simply by being there for them.

It's only been a few years since the city of China traded its cows for malls and now we're all feeling the pinch as milk

prices soar alongside gasoline. With fewer milk cows in the area and higher transportation costs to supply Southern California consumers with their vitamins C & D and Calcium, I suppose tuition soon may be increased to cover the cost of dairy products offered on campus. Rickets and scurvy anyone?

As much as I want all nations to be free, I'm finding it increasingly difficult to accept the continued presence of our troops in Iraq in the wake of recent events. The total disregard for Americans, civil and military, and the desecration of our dead, tells me it's time to pull our people out. I suggest we take the criminals who are complaining of overcrowding in the prisons, along with the gang members coming

havoc on our streets, and send them into the hot zone. Pit those who are for causing destruction and death against each other and let the games begin. No harm. No foul. For those students who are struggling financially - stop avoiding creditors and companies who call to harass you for being late paying your bills.

Just use the same reasons the White House does for the deficit problems and let them know that your bills are late due to the "unavoidable result of the war on terrorism, tax cuts and a stubborn recession."

And have a nice day!

The Squared Corner

It's only 30 Bucks

Erick Uribe
Staff Writer

Most of us carry at least one of them in our wallet. Your bank almost always issues you one. As college students, we get turned down for many of them often.

They hold us out of trouble when we need them. We will think about making a quick U-turn if we forget our cash at home - we might need it to buy those chocolates, last minute. We can't seem to live without them.

Those wretched little plastic, shiny, magnetized cards usually cause us more trouble than items many times their size.

Visa, MasterCard, Discover and others - chances are that we use them at least once a day. They rule our lives.

Unfortunately, like many students, I do not qualify for any type of financial aid. My education rests solely on my own ability to pay

quarter by quarter. My first time using TRACS, I used my credit / debit card to pay my tuition. Along with everything else, I've recently added the burden of increased tuition fees. I had to cut out a few trips here and there, and buy fewer CDs, but I was fine and coped with it. I am more than willing to make some minor personal sacrifices, because of the sweet rewards that he just showed - that horizon I seem to keep procrastinating upon.

Yet the future forces more sacrifice - as of April 28, CSUSB will no longer accept Visa as a form of payment. Out of approximately 1.2 billion credit cards in U.S. circulation, more than half are Visa.

Many bank debit cards today are issued in conjunction with the Visa logo. What if it's the only card you have? Some, if not most, students on campus don't have credit scores that qualify them to wield cards from multiple sources.

It's not easy to switch over to another credit card lender for a card you don't already possess. And, to make matters worse, a third party is

now handling CSUSB's credit transactions. Not only will this prove inconvenient when students have questions or problems, but we also must endure a 3.15% transaction fee to use our cards.

There are students who are already, that's almost another 30 bucks! I rely on my card to pay for things like gas, movie tickets, and the gas station, two movie dates, and two CDs. My paycheck has become a candle burning from both sides and my earnings are dropping into someone else's pocket.

There are students who are mothers, fathers, caregivers, and employees - all are going to have to implement similar cuts in their lifestyles. And things aren't going to get any cheaper either.

After you take out internships, budget to cut out? Necessary! Books and parking permit - \$250. Spring quarter tuition - \$600. When will it stop? Only the governor knows.

Letters to the Editor



A joke or not a joke

Responding to the article that Kathryn Wild wrote about what is and is not a sport? I do not know how a person can publish an article like this that does not have any reason to be.

The article shows that this person does not know anything about the subject, about sport. I do not know if her purpose is to make people angry [sic] about what she is saying or the just do not had [sic] anything else to write about that she just wrote a bunch of incoherence [sic] words.

For instance, how she can say that "cheerleaders take birth control to regulate their hormones." How she is giving advising [sic] to win an argument even if your [sic] when they read the article. If it was her goal, she reaches [sic], because it makes it makes feel frustrated in front of a point of view that comes from a person who demonstrated do not have potential or knowledge of what is and is not a sport.

Elizabeth Ibarra

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of what this author's opinions are, as individuals, have the ability to express our own informed, educated, dissenting regarding this topic. We can't take the author seriously and we must assume that this article is solely for the purpose of entertaining the reader.

When we view the article in this way it makes more sense and actually is quite amusing. It was written to fill up the missing page on the page of the paper. So the question still remains, what is and is a sport? Only you can answer the question.

Maria D. Gonzalez

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Coyote Athletics Updated

Staff Writers

Men's Basketball

With the 25-2 record, a 32 home game winning streak, a fifth consecutive CCAA title and an All-CCAA coach backed by a tremendous staff in their back pocket, it was a privilege and a right for the Cal State San Bernardino Coyotes to host the 2004 West Regional Tournament.

The Coyotes won their first game against Chico State, but the second game was a hard fought seesaw battle between the Coyotes and the Alaska Fairbanks Nanooks. The Nanooks shot 38% from the field, 39% from long range and 76% from the free throw line. However the Coyotes shot 41% from the field, 34% beyond the arc and 62% from the free throw line. They were nine out of 26 shooting from beyond the arc, and turning the ball over 23 times for the Coyotes with the Nanooks.

Junior Trell Eddings led the way for the Coyotes with 38, but it was not enough to overcome. Despite losing to the Nanooks 81-78, this season is an indication of the consistent growth of the Coyote basketball team.

"We have a great returning class," said head coach Jeff Oliver. The Coyotes ended the season with a 26-3 record.

Senior Jonathan Levy earned the CCAA MVP award, senior T.K. Reed was named to the All-CCAA first team and head coach Jeff Oliver was named CCAA Coach of the Year for the second straight year.

The men's golf team has placed in the top ten in each of their last two tournaments, and finished in the top 15 in the Cal State San Marcos tournament.

Water Polo

From Feb. 15 through March 21 the ladies won ten consecutive games, and eleven out of twelve. They lost all three games at the

At the San Marcos Tournament, which was played at the Carlton Oaks Golf Club, the Coyotes struggled and placed third in a field of 16. Junior Levi Venn was the low scorer for the Coyotes with a 54-hole total of 227 points. Senior Ryan Plummer, the Coyotes No. 1 golfer, did not play because of an injury.

The Coyotes picked it up in the UC San Diego Tritons Invitational at the Santaluz Country Club and placed a season best eighth. The low scorer for the Coyotes was senior David Backus who finished in a tie for 18th place at 227. Senior J.R. Reyes finished two strokes back with a total of 229.

The CSUSB Coyote Classic at the Hesperia Country Club was also a good event for the Coyotes. The men finished ninth with senior Ryan Plummer leading the way for the Coyotes with a total of 222 points. Senior J.R. Reyes finished two strokes behind Plummer with a total score of 224.

The next tournament for the Coyotes takes place April 12-13 at the George Buzzini/Cal State Stanislaus Invitational.

Women's Basketball

The ladies finished their season on a positive note by beating NCA West Regional participant, Grand Canyon University on senior night. They finished the season with an overall mark of 11-16 and a CCAA record of 8-14.

Senior forward Hannah Low, the team's leading scorer and rebounder, was named to the All-CCAA second team.

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Loyola Marymount Tournament including a tough 5-6 loss to Claremont Mudd. Scripts, and a heartbreaking 8-9 double overtime loss to Cal State Bakersfield.

The ladies rebounded and beat Pomona-Pitzer 10-6 and followed that up with a 8-5 win over Chapman University and a loss to Cal State Bakersfield at the Bakersfield Tournament.

The University of Redlands Tournament on April 17 is the last remaining tournament for the ladies before they participate in the WWP Regional Championship from April 23-25.

Tennis

The ladies started their season on a high note with two strong wins over Div. III University of La Verne and NAIA Hope International University.

Unfortunately for CSUSB they did not fair as well versus CCAA teams. They have dropped all six of their conference matches this season, and their only chance to equal last season's CCAA win total of one, is to topple top seeded UC San Diego on Saturday April 10.

On a lighter note, the lady "Yotes" did even their overall record at 7-7 last week, as they dismantled the Master's College Mustangs seven games to two on Wednesday. Also the lady "Yotes" are stacked with young talent as they only have one senior on their squad.

The CSUSB women's tennis team wraps up their season this week against Chapman University.

Baseball

The men own an overall mark of 24-13 and a CCAA mark of 17-8.

Softball

The ladies have struggled this season and currently own marks of 6-17 in the CCAA and 9-25 overall.



Can the New Jersey Devils repeat as Stanley Cup Champions, or will someone else host Lord Stanley's Cup?

Quest For Lord Stanley's Cup

Mike Tursi
Asst. Sports Editor

Forget Christmas. Spring is the most wonderful time of the year. Major League Baseball is under way, NFL mini camps are getting ready to begin, those drug-using crybabies are almost finished with that circus called the NBA and the hottest game on ice has begun, the Stanley Cup Playoffs.

The Eastern Conference continues its enigmatic traditions with a mish-mash of interesting matchups that finds Tampa Bay in the top seeded position. You can expect them to have no trouble handling the Islanders in the first round.

Earlier in the season, this author picked New Jersey to go all the way again, but with an uncharacteristic late season slide, they are the sixth seed and will fall to Philadelphia, the team I thought would lose to them in a later round. Father time has

finally caught up to the Devils and they will make an early exit this year.

The fourth and fifth seed matchup will be a doozy with Toronto squeaking by Ottawa, and the best series of the first round will be a seven game nail-biter with Boston defeating Montreal.

Tampa Bay has the scariest offense and their power play is deadly, but will eventually lose and the Flyers will represent the East in the Stanley Cup finals.

The Western Conference has better matchups and we'll see multiple sleepers progress through the rounds. Detroit should not feel comfortable in the first seed because Nashville is scrappy and will push the envelope.

Second seeded San Jose will fall to St. Louis in five games, and I don't think Calgary has the tools to handle Vancouver.

The most interesting match in the West is No. 4 Colorado and No. 5 Dallas. Both teams are long in the tooth but the Avalanche still has enough gas in the tank to surpass Dallas. Colorado will eliminate one of the underdogs in the second round, but will lose to the eventual Western Conference representatives for the Stanley Cup, Vancouver.

The teams to watch in the West are Nashville and St. Louis because the will surprise a lot of people.

The best potential sleeper in the East is Montreal, but Boston is just too much for them to handle right now.

Vancouver will defeat Philadelphia in six games to win the Stanley Cup. Their youth will be the difference as Philly's veterans will run out of gas. Team stamina will be the edge for the Canucks.

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Levy Named All-American

Dwayne M. Davy
Staff Writer

If there is one thing that Jonathan Levy proved this year, it is that he is more than just an exceptional talent.

The twenty-one year old senior is ranked third by the California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) in blocked shots, fifth in three pointers, tenth in steals and had an average of 19 points per game.

In addition to all that, he became the third player in the 20 year history of men's basketball at Cal State San Bernardino to be named to an All-American team.

So what's next for Levy? Well he definitely doesn't plan on stopping now especially after all he has accomplished.

"The most important thing to me right now is finishing school, so if basketball doesn't work I have

something to fall on," said Levy. However, don't count him out yet. He does plan on playing some European ball, but there is a big question mark on whether or not



Courtesy of Veronica Tralio
Levy was named CCAA MVP and an All-American

he is going to get the chance to play for the NBA. A man with his achievements should undoubtedly be considered a candidate for the NBA.

"A lot of politics are involved in going to the NBA, especially when coming from a Division II school, but hopefully I can try out and show my skills," said Levy in a wishful tone.

The fact remains that if he does what he does best, which is put points on the scoreboard and play solid defense, he will be in an NBA jersey in no time.

Despite Levy's successful career at Cal State San Bernardino, the senior is very humble, yet hungry, and is waiting for his opportunity to display his skills whether it be as a coach or a player. To the critics of Division II basketball, Levy is just another player but CSUSB students who watched him play see him as an underrated player who deserves more praise.

Academic All-American Runners

Todd Cashow
Staff Writer

For an astounding third consecutive year, the running lady "Yotes earned NCAA Division II scholastic All-American honors.

CSUSB ranked No. 33 out of the 67 teams meeting the minimum GPA requirement of 3.0, posting a cumulative team GPA of 3.40.

In addition to the team success, two coyotes were honored for their

individual accomplishments.

Sophomore Tanya Zefterjan earned her second scholastic All-American award in as many years with a 3.78 GPA. This award accompanies her second straight All-Western Region selection, as she was fourth at the Div. II Western Regional meet in November.

Hannah Knight, a senior from Opononi New Zealand, was selected as an academic All-American for her third straight year. Knight posted a

staggering student athlete GPA of 3.83, which is leaps and bounds over the minimum requirement of a 3.25. As a senior and the No. 2 runner on her team Knight leads by example, starting with academics.

The ladies were also awarded a special CSUSB award. The "Cody Coyote Award" was awarded to the cross-country team signifying the highest GPA of all Cal State San Bernardino sports for the fall quarter.



Courtesy of CSUSB Hockey Club

The men have earned a birth into the National Championships, which start on April 14.

Coyotes In National Championships

Wesley Collins
Sports Editor

The Cal State San Bernardino Hockey Club has a chance to achieve something that has eluded Coyote sports for 20 years, a team National Championship.

The Coyotes have advanced to the National Championships in Anaheim, which will be held April 14-18 at the Anaheim Hockey Club. They earned the birth into the nationals with a strong showing at a tough regional tournament.

During the tournament the mented UC Davis and Chapman University and then held on to beat Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. The 1-0-2 record gave the Coyotes a spot in the championship round, and pitted them against Cal State Chico.

The game against Chico was hard fought, but the Coyotes knocked

them off and made their way into the final game against the same Cal Poly SLO team that they defeated earlier on in the tournament. However, the result would not be the same and the Coyotes fell by a score of 3-1. The final goal for Cal Poly SLO came on an empty net, when goalie Jason Keith was pulled in the final minute.

The loss gave the Coyotes a solid eighth place finish. The strong showing at the regional tournament earned the Coyotes a birth into the national tournament. They will play in Group D with Pennsylvania State University, the University of Missouri - Rolla and Western Michigan University.

The regional site was also host to the 2004 West Coast Roller Hockey League (WCRHL) All-Star game. The Coyotes had four players that participated in the event: Bryon O'Reilly, Mark Nazzari, Justin Laing

and WCRHL player of the month, January, Jason Keith.

The Coyotes are currently ranked No. 4 in the country behind Wake Forest University of Central Florida, Wake Forest University and No. 3 Lindenwood University. "We are very excited that the rest of the country has taken notice to our season long domination," said Keith via email.

The hockey club is not a school sponsored team, and thus the players have to use their own money to pay the costs of tournaments. The club created a Microsoft Excel document to see how much the season has cost them, and they figured that the cost of the season is \$14,577 dollars, which means that each person on the team has paid \$1,325 dollars out of their own pocket. They hope that money can be used to bring a National title home to San Bernardino.

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See who Mike Turzi stands for will win the 2004 Stanley Cup

The Best Athlete of the First Half of the Spring Season Is:

Senior pitcher Joe Starnelli has had an outstanding start this season. Starnelli pitched a one-hit, 7-inning 3-0 shutout for the visiting Coyotes at Cal State Stanislaus. This win increased Coyotes CCAA record to 15-4.

On March 6 Starnelli pitched a no-hitter for the Coyotes against Grand Canyon University. He also received CCAA Pitcher of the Week honors on March 23.

Be sure to read Don Rosman's article on Starnelli in next week's issue.