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The projected budget cuts will cause a hardship on enrollment at all 23 CSU campuses.

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"Super Tuesday" is coming, so California's voters need to get informed.

Super Tuesday occurs every five years when 24 states hold their presidential primaries. Californians will vote for presidential candidates from each political party, as well as several ballot measures.

However, some CSUSB students are not aware of the current political scene.

"I am not too familiar with the propositions that will be on the ballot because it seems boring to me," freshman Shamica Brown said.

"I know that I should vote but I don't know what I am voting for. I think the reason why a lot of people don't vote is because they don't have enough information."

Information on the election and the ballot measures is available on the California Voter's Guide.

These guides are mailed to every registered voter in the state. Voters can bring their guides with them as a reference when voting.

According to the guide, Proposition 91, entitled "The Propositions Funds Initiative," is no longer needed, therefore voters are encouraged to vote "no" on the measure.

In Nov. of 2008, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger changed the ballot title for Proposition 91 which accomplished the goals of proposition 91.

The goals of proposition 91 was to stop the State Legislature from taking sales tax dollars from gasoline to fund transportation projects.

The guide explains that because proposition 1A became law, proposition 91 is no longer needed.

Proposition 92, entitled "Community Colleges, Funding Governance and Fees Initiative" would change state laws regarding California Community Colleges (CCC).

According to legislative analyst Elizabeth G. Hill, current state law requires that elementary, secondary and community colleges (K-14), are to be funded with revenues from the General Fund and local property taxes.

Roughly 46 percent of those funds must be used to fund K-14 education.

Proposition 92 would separate K-12 education from community colleges in means of funding.

The proposition would reduce the student fees for community colleges from $20 to $15 per unit and in effect the state's power to increase these fees in the future.

Proposition 93 would reduce those term limits.

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Middle East program needed

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The Middle East is considered by some to be the cradle of civilization, students cannot find a concentration about that region at CSUSB.

The Center for Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies (CIMES) wants to change that.

There are many current classes at CSUSB that devote attention to that region. Classes in history, political science and humanities relates to the Middle East.

Individual classes range from the origins and pre-Islamic of Islam and the languages of the region to the geography and political structures of the Middle East.

However, no minor or major program of study exists at CSUSB.

The need for education on the subject is in demand according to history major Alex Britain.

"It's a vital concentration. You can't study history and not run into the Middle Eastern region. So much comes from there," said Britain.

Many students at CSUSB are immigrants from that region. Tara Ibrahim is a Palestinian immigrant and a Communications major.

"I think it's a great idea but it's long overdue. I would love for people to learn about the struggles and culture of my homeland," said Ibrahim.

Currently, an interdisciplinary study is put together for a specific program that will focus on the Middle East.

The study would take into account the history, human diversity, physical location, and societies that shaped the area.

CIMES is working on both a minor and a major concentration.

It would function much like the Multicultural Studies coordinations, focusing on the broad social, political and religious structures.

The program would include a few core classes teaching the anthropology and history of the region and then offer a wide range of electives.

A student could then focus in Islam, languages or political structures to gain an understanding of how they are connected to each other and the rest of the world.

Dr. Kay Doreni, a language lecturer at CSUSB, is also excited about the new program.

"Our hope is to broaden the students' understanding of the Middle East as well as enrich their lives. Once you have an understanding of the region you will have an understanding of the world," said Doreni.

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Dr. Doreni, a language lecturer at CSUSB, hopes to broaden students' understanding of the Middle East through the new program.

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Estate planning is planning ahead

Hundley named vice president of WSCA

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CSUSB Communications
Associate Professor Dr. Heather Hundley was named vice president of the Western States Communication Association (WSCA) on Jan. 18.

The WSCA is a worldwide organization of communication teachers, scholars and students and has more than 1,000 members. They publish the WSCA News newsletter and two scholarly journals, the "Communication Reports" and the "Western Journal of Communication.""Communication Reports" has been biannually published since 1988. The members of this journal is to showcase exemplary scholarship without concern for length of individual contributions.

Hundley said: "The seminar is scheduled to take place in the Oberholzer Dining Hall located in the Upper Commons from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 1. The seminar is open to the public but advance registration is required.

The seminar will include a question-and-answer segment with a panel of local specialists such as estate planning attorney Kathleen Albrektson, CPA Glenda Bayless, attorney William Nassar, and estate planning attorney Ash Albrektson.

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Originality, the seminar was scheduled for Oct. 26," attorney Kathleen Albrektson, said. "However, due to the fact that the campus was closed and the seminar was rescheduled.

The panel of specialists hopes to educate those who attend the seminar: "My goal is to provide education. I find that a lot of people have a misunderstanding about getting their affairs in order," Albrektson said.

"Many don't understand the difference between probate and estate planning," said Nassar.

"Probate is the process by which an individual’s assets are distributed to their heirs by order of the court, while estate planning is the process that individuals take to control their assets.

"It will be the most beneficial to individuals between 25 and 50 years old who have a family or are planning to have a family," Albrektson said.

"Students are interested, however. "The seminar is a good opportunity for everyone to learn about estate planning." Sarah Sipes, CSUSB student said. "I always thought I was too young to think about wills and dying but once you never know what is going to happen. I guess it is good to plan ahead.

"The seminar will be great for students also. It can provide life experience and they might be able to find a career that they would like to do in their future," Nassar said.

According to the State Bar of California, estate planning is for everyone. Whether the person has a large or small estate, he or she should designate someone to manage their affairs in order," Albrektson said.

That designated person, or executor, can make health care and personal care decisions if the owner becomes unable to do so.

Individuals who do not plan ahead may have their assets distributed according to the Interstate Succession, which are a set of rules on how assets are distributed when a will is absent, according to the State Bar of California.

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Graphic courtesy of Samantha Ramis

CSUSB will host the seminar "Where There's a Will, There's a Way" on Feb. 1 to provide students with information on estate planning.

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"Middle East program

Hundley faces tough question of a people and their culture. It helps resolve conflicts," said. "CSUSB was featured to bring programs like a trip to and return to the campus.

The professors that will be teaching the courses are a large majority of being non-native students at the University of California. The instructors agreed that the goal of such a program would be to educate questions.

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Ballots

to 12 years. The proposal would allow current politicians to serve 12 years in their current house regardless of how many years they may have already served in the other section of legislation.

In addition to propositions 91, 92 and 93, there are four other propositions that deal with Indian gaming.

Californians will have a say in these issues on Super Tuesday if they take the initiative to vote.

"I think students don't vote because they don't see the importance of voting. They don't see people who look like them or who are speaking to them," said CSUSB Sociology professor Mary Tamaras. "It is hard as an 18-year old to think that you are actually counting, but I have a better understanding of politics now as I am older than when I was younger," senior Kourt Norbythia said.

For more information, see www.vote.ca.gov.
CSUSB Police looking for program volunteers

Nick De Leon

Community citizens and retirees in the CSUSB area have the chance to help enhance the quality of life and educational experience for the campus community.

CSUSB Police Officer Julie Barbo-Garcia visited Dr. Deborah Parsons' Women and Crime class on Jan. 24 to present the Citizen Volunteer Program (CVP) and potentially recruit new program participants.

Officer Barbo-Garcia introduced herself to the class and shared that she's been part of the CSUSB Police for three years.

According to the CVP mission statement on its website, "CVP personnel strive to enhance campus safety and security through programs of crime prevention and education with active involvement in these efforts."

"You get to interact with the campus community in a patrol setting," Officer Barbo-Garcia said. "There is a lot to learn if anyone is interested in becoming a police officer."

In partnership with the CSCI Police Department, volunteers in the program work along side department staff in such areas as campus patrol, escort service, investigations, dispatch, finger printing and several more.

Participating in the CVP would be a very fun and interesting opportunity for anyone interested in pursuing a career in law enforcement, and would look great on applications, said Officer Barbo-Garcia.

Officer Barbo-Garcia told the class that though volunteers in the program are not given weapons, they are given pepper spray, their own uniforms minus the boots which they would need to supply at their own cost and their own vehicle to patrol the campus.

Volunteers are typically asked to devote about 13 hours a month, and spend at least three to five hours at a time on campus.

CSUSB Chief of Police Denise Brown was also in attendance to promote CVP.

"When we talk about the program and talk about implementing the program," Chief Brown said, "we want to reach out into the campus community because we, as a police department, cannot do it all ourselves... we need help."

Chief Brown told the class that the point of the program was "to bring the campus community into what [University Police] do."

The program does carry certain qualifications that must be met in order to participate.

The CVP website states that although volunteers are not sworn peace officers and thus have no authority to act in an enforcement capacity, those interested in the program must have a valid California driver's license and a good driving record along with it.

They must have no felony convictions or serious and prior background check by authorized CSUSB personnel and must be of unquestionable character and be willing to abide by the rules and regulations stated in the CVP mission.

Those interested in becoming part of the program are encouraged to visit the University Police office located in the northeast corner of campus near Fairview Street or on the campus police website at http://admissions.csusb.edu/police/cvp.htm for an application.

"Anyone with questions regarding the program can contact Officer Barbo-Garcia at (909) 537-5165 or send her email at jgarcia@csusb.edu.

Correction

The article "WSCA faculties for Monologues'" in last week's issue of the Coyote Chronicle contained incorrect information.

Judy Cruz is coordinator for the Adult Reentry Center and the Pride Center. Janet Holt-Alex is director of the Women's Resource Center.

Dolores Montoya and Hillary Borelli are student producers of the play. The WRC will show the play The Vagina Monologues on Feb. 1 and Feb. 2 at 8 p.m., and on Feb. 10, 6 p.m., and it is directed by Kathy Ervin.

Jack Cruz read the quoted lines from a pre-made script. They were not her own words.

Parking woes alleviated: 750 new spaces for students, faculty, and staff

Donna Parrish

Finding parking should now be much easier for CSUSB community members, according to Vice President of Administration and Finance, David DeMauro.

"The new parking garage should greatly help alleviate the parking congestion we typically have at the beginning of each quarter," DeMauro said.

DeMauro added that the structure located on the northeast side of the campus provides access to the Health and Physical Education Building; Crossroads Arena and Jack Brown Hall and is set to service the new Education Building upon its completion in the spring 2008 quarter.

The second garage, which can be found on the northwest side of the campus, provides access to the Visual Arts Building, Robert V. Fullerton, Chemical Sciences Building and the Biology and Physical Sciences complexes.

Each parking structure has three levels with a capacity of 750 cars; and are open seven days a week from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Many students and staff were asked whether a multiple level parking facility would actually help.

A majority of the responses from DeMauro's poll were positive, provided that issues of safety were unaddressed to be of primary importance.

DeMauro assures that the parking structure located on the northeast side of campus.

"The extension of Campus Circle provides road access around the entire campus as well as additional entry points to the university," DeMauro said.

"This should not alleviate traffic on the inner roadways and parking lots inside the campus, but it will give drivers alternate routes to enter the campus and relieve some of the congestion on University Parkway."

The cost of this project was $31.2 million, which was funded by student fees. The fees served to cover the construction, maintenance and operation.

‘Yotes speak out about candidates

Shantal Anderson

If I were to vote for Hillary Clinton. She wants to lower the interest rate on student loans, she's our universal health-care and I like what she's already done in the past. She has a lot of experience. She's what I would call the biggest example of change.

-Amanda Raross

"I wasn't too sure about Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton. I was looking for a president who can actually deliver, and this year it was fair easy for one women. She's great from a different perspective, are becoming more independent these days and they don't have to rely on men all the time. It's time for change."

-Matt Takahashi
Editor's Note: This article is a continuation of the health series which began last week. This week we are discussing the effects of caffeine on women.

Caffeine intake by pregnant women may increase their chance of miscarriage, according to a study done by the Kaiser Division of Research. The study found that women consuming 200 mg of caffeine per day had a 50% higher risk of miscarriage. The study also showed that women consuming more than 600 mg of caffeine per day had a 90% higher risk of miscarriage.

Caffeine is a common source of caffeine in many foods such as coffee, tea, chocolate, and soft drinks. Many past studies have shown a correlation between caffeine and miscarriages, but it wasn’t clear exactly what caused the increased risk.

According to the American Pregnancy Association (APA), caffeine is a stimulant that can increase your blood pressure and heart rate, both of which must be stable during pregnancy.

While no one is absolutely sure exactly what constitutes an unhealthy dose of caffeine, there is clear evidence that even moderate amounts of caffeine can be harmful.

Studies linking caffeine to miscarriages have been long questioned due to the inconsistency and inability to create a true control group. It is hard to get accurate read on a study like this. Larger samples, over longer periods of time are the only way, we will know what things like this do. Dr. Pat, a physician at CSUSB said.

Smoking and drinking are still much greater threats to your baby. It’s a good substitute, but are you looking for something to satisfy your sweet craving then Pinkberry would be a better choice than Chen’s Maynard said.

Pinkberry consumption was associated with a lower risk of miscarriage, according to the study. This could be due to the fact that Pinkberry is made with milk, natural sweeteners, and soy lecithin, all of which are considered safe during pregnancy.

However, the study also showed that women who consumed more than 150 mg of caffeine per day had a higher risk of miscarriage. This suggests that even moderate amounts of caffeine can be harmful.

In conclusion, while moderate amounts of caffeine may not pose a significant risk to your pregnancy, it is recommended that pregnant women limit their caffeine intake as much as possible.

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**Pinkberry, the newest ice cream alternative**

Cortney Martin Staff Writer

A new frozen yogurt chain has risen to fame: Pinkberry yogurt. The store features an interesting variety of flavors, from classic vanilla to more unique options like green tea. It has become a popular destination for yogurt lovers and those looking for a healthy alternative to other desserts. The yogurt is made with milk and natural sweeteners, making it a good option for those looking to reduce their sugar intake. Despite the popularity, there is still some debate about the nutritional benefits of Pinkberry yogurt. While it is a healthier option compared to traditional ice cream, it is not without its drawbacks. It is still high in sugar and contains milk, which may not be suitable for those with lactose intolerance. Overall, Pinkberry yogurt is a healthy alternative to other desserts when consumed in moderation, but it is important to be aware of the ingredients and the nutritional content of the products you choose.
Heath Ledger dead at 28

Valorie Lowery
Staff Writer

Hollywood lost young actor Heath Ledger, 28, on January 22, 2008. He died of a drug overdose at 2:26 p.m. to change a light bulb and was pronounced dead at 3 p.m. at the house he shared with a sheet, and snoring.

The highly anticipated film , "The Dark Knight," will be released in the United States on July 18. It is expected to gross over $200 million in its opening weekend.

The Wall Street Journal reported that the film's release has been delayed due to the tragic death of Heath Ledger, who was nominated for an Academy Award for his role in "Theslots." The film was previously scheduled for release on July 18.

The discovery of New York City's WTC on September 11, 2001, has led to a heightened awareness of the fragility of our society and the importance of remembering those who lost their lives on that day.

The destruction of New York City: caught on film

Christine Garcia
Staff Writer

Witnessing the Statue of Liberty's head roll down the streets of New York was one of the many terrifying moments featured in the new film, "Cloverfield.

Directed by Matt Reeves, "Cloverfield" is a gripping tale of survival, showing what will happen if you are caught in the middle of a giant monster attack.

The story revolves around a group of friends who have just witnessed the destruction of New York City. As they try to escape the monster, they are forced to confront their own fears and make difficult decisions.

The film features a stellar cast, including John Goodman, David Clennon, and Mike Vogel. The performances are commendable, and the film's special effects are impressive.

"Cloverfield" is a thrilling and thought-provoking film that will capture the attention of viewers. It is a must-watch for those who enjoy action-packed and intense stories.
Chinese nursing executives visit U.S.

Nursing executives from China visited a local hospital and others around the country to learn management skills.

Elsa Escarcega, Chronicle

Elsa Escarcega/Chronicle

Tommi Rose introduces one of the three performers on Jan. 24.

Drab Ball: "A Night of Drag and Debauchery"

The evening began with the Master of Ceremonies, Tommi Rose, being the first to perform before introducing the acts and putting down the ground rules of what the show would be like.

Roses assured the audience that clapping along and laughter would be encouraged, while at the same time, doing comic gestures and jokes directed toward a real CSUSB student sitting in the front of the stage.

The night was full of music and comedy. Rose stopped to remind the audience that she also wanted to speak in hopes to educate people about the lesions gay pride-bisexual transgender community and promote equality for all.

"We need to be as people...in a group...not just gay and lesbian...but all of us. We need to accept everybody for who they are...whatever they are," Rose said.

After the announcement, Rose introduced "Venus D'Lite," in the first act of the evening. Venus came out on stage dressed as Paris Hilton, as she lip-synced Hilton doing a weather report before beginning to lip-sync to music.

One performance that was well received was a spoofied Britney Spears, as she lip-synced the voice of Spears, as Venus appeared on stage suddenly she pulled off her blonde piece and lip-synced the voice of Hilton, as she lip-synced Hilton doing a weather report before beginning to lip-sync to music.

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"What is drag," Rose then asked the audience before inviting the audience to help her create the answer.

The crowd shouted, "A Night of Drag and Debauchery!"

"That is exactly right," Rose said.

One of the major aspects of drag is the acceptance of everybody for who they are, regardless of their sexual orientation.

"This is a new experience," Rose said.
New "Rambo" movie just another sequel

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Staff Writer

Three days after Tinseltown's 2008 Academy Award nominations were announced, the fourth, "Rambo," movie opened in theaters. In this film, much like the two that preceded it, Sylvester Stallone's character travels through a foreign country and kills lots of people. While quirky original films like, "No Country for Old Men," and "Juno," are celebrated, Hollywood continues to churn out releases like the newest, "Rambo."

In the trailer for, "Rambo," the "hero" kills anonymous victims with flamethrowers, machine guns and a big knife. In contrast, the first Rambo film, 1982's "First Blood," confronted a legitimate issue in America, the poor treatment of Vietnam veterans in post-Vietnam America. Sure, it was ultra-violent, but the film had a message. Stallone is capable of better things than this new, ultra-violent, but the film had a message. Stallone's portrayal of a disabled man in "Rocky," was celebrated, Do not go see the new, "Rambo" movie. See a silly Stallone with his portrayal of a disabled man in "Cop Land."

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All eyes on the bullpen

Feisha McLaughlin
Staff Writer

CSUB baseball is leaving it all on their pitcher's hurl.

"Our season should go according to how the pitch. If pitching is said, we will be sold," CSUB baseball Head Coach Don Parril said.

With seven returning pitchers, Parril believes CSUB will be key competitors in the conference that is if pitching can click on a notch.

Among those returning are three starters who will take the mound, Matt Long, a right-handed star will return.

He was the team’s number one starting pitcher last season. He was pressed to a press release by Mike Murphy (Sports, Assistant Director).

Matt Long received honorable mention for the CCAA all-stars last season. Also returning are Chase Halt and Kevin Wilson, both right-handed seniors. With six position starters lost last season the Coyotes will have to look for a new source of leaders.

"Our offense should be led by transfer student Jason Klap, who was conference player of the year in 2006," Parril said. Klap transferred from Cal State Dominguez Hills.

Another offensive source is going to be derived from Kyle Hills. Walton, who had limited playing time last year.

"Our defense should be led by former player Caleb Carnahan, who was an aggressive team," said Parril.

Parril said that Walton should be ready to be an offensive force for the team.

A story of the most important is going to be the Coyote’s starting center fielder, and left handed relief pitcher.

The most intriguing story line may concern John Hanz.

He left college to go on a religious mission and could not play baseball during that time.

He will start for us this year, after not having played competitive baseball for three years - and he’s a good player," Parril said.

Drew Valenzuela returns to third base.

He is a three-year starter, and will be on Feb. 1 at 2 p.m. The game will be held at the Coyotes home from L.A. Pierce Community College.

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Players have a good chemistry

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Staff Writer

Hard work, determination, and great team chemistry continue to be the key to how the Coyotes will get to their goals this season.

"Our team had a great season last year," said Duncan.

They have five returning seniors that will lead them there.

Tacy Duncan, head coach, is in her third year coaching the team.

"She is accompanied by her assistant coaches Tom Kapilali and Lesia Gambia.

"We're an aggressive team," said Duncan. "We are going to throw it in at home. But we’re going to get thrown out going hard. You can’t win, if you can’t want.

"The offense has speed and a lot of power.

Newcomer Ruth Anderson, a junior from Washington, has been impressed by her baseball field.

With power lifting lefty Ashley, Anderson and speedy shortstop Taylor Wilson, the team is looking to improve.

Freshman Priscilla Cabel graduated from Arrowhead High School in San Bernadino.

She batted 439 with 32 RBIs and 30 runs scored for her senior year.

Jacquelyn Holtzclaw, a freshman outfielder was a 2007 graduate of Summit High School in West Covina where she was an All-CIF SS first team for two years, batting .489 as a senior with five HR, 18 RBIs, 314 slg pts., .434 on-base percentage and .717 slugging.

"She will be CCAA Freshman Player of the Year, she is that good," said Duncan.

Definitely, the coaches said they have two outstanding catchers.

Senior Nicole Camarena and junior Sara Bird. Both of them are good and they will not go to who want to be a good player."

Junior Debbie Wilson, who is their utility player, can play any position, and has a big heart as well. Junior and left fielder, Tori Benedict, has "an amazing glove, and does for everything," said Duncan.

Senior second baseman, Jamie Lowe will remain the core of the team’s middle infield, according to Duncan.

Leading the pitching staff is senior, Tawni Baker.

"She has what it takes, to take us all the way," said Duncan.

Canadian freshman Candy Lee will provide pitching support.

"We want to treat our girls with respect. Give them positive feedback. We want them feel good, and they will perform well," said Duncan.

"They just want to win," said Duncan.

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