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CSUSB’s 50th HOMECOMING PARADE

Coyotes celebrate homecoming with a parade full of smiles

By DAWNIELLE FLOYD
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Hundreds of community members and students gathered on the CSUSB lawn to watch over 20 floats parade down to the Coussoulis Arena in celebration of 50 years of higher education.

Preparation for the Homecoming celebration started back in November, when the entire campus and community were invited by the Alumni Association to come and enjoy the festivities on Feb. 20.

"Asking the campus and organizations to participate was fairly easy, asking the community was a little harder, we had to rely on word of mouth," said Alex Spencer from the alumni department.

CSUSB campus played a huge part in the celebration, our mascot Cody the Coyote, and many other departments such as the Nursing, Student Housing, and the Student Recreation and Wellness Center participated.

Each float was uniquely decorated in a unique way and different from the next.

The Department of Nursing float looked like an ambulance, decorated in white and red with a banner that read “Nurses Rock!”

“The ambulance idea came about because it’s our job to save a life so we looked at it as nurses to the rescue,” said student Kathy Tiras.

Student Housing created a banner that stated, “up down, all around housing is the best in town,” encouraging the crowd to support on-campus living.

Following the banner, was a float with two coyote ears covered in blue sticky notes and blue and white balloons promoting housing complexes available on campus.

“Our theme was based off of the school’s theme of the year. As a whole, we worked from that idea and continued with our crazy CSUSB spirit,” stated Zoe Holeman of the AV council.

We reflected our ideas off of each other and combined them all to create one giant coyote mascot to represent our school spirit,” continued Holeman.

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The competition was originally composed of four teams of two students, each but one team did not show up which was unveiled by CSUSB’s Chef “Tito” Calderon. Along with the strip steak, each team was given two pieces of colossal shrimp which could be used in either the salad or main course.

“As those who know me would say I have good appreciation for a well cooked meal, and I’m somewhat of a foodie,” Fairley said. “I was pleasantly surprised by the creativity and taste of the main dishes, with limited time the students created little masterpieces of deliciousness.”

The winners received larger trophies and small prizes from Starbucks along with a cookbook of all the Presid- ents, President’s Wives and Chef Tito’s recipes.

This year’s Copper Chef Competition was held at a different time slot than the two previous iterations of the event.

“This was our first time having the Copper Chef during the day versus an evening event,” stated Emily Orquiza in an email, Unit Marketing Coordinator for CSUSB Dining Services. “It was a great turn out, the event was prepared with the intention to show our celebration for CSUSB’s 50th anniversary and the Homecoming Week.”

Even through the turnout was favorable for Orquiza, there were some strategies to implement to ensure an even bigger crowd for next year.

“For next year, we’ll probably give out some free samples of food,” said Orquiza.
The war on ISIS has shifted to Libya, as American forces released militant air strikes on the coastal city of Sabratha.

The U.S. airstrike on ISIS in Libya has shifted the war on the Islamic extremist militants from Iraq and Syria, 2,000 miles west to the North African nation.

According to Time, local officials estimated that more than 60 people were killed. It is believed more than 100 African-American churches will be visited by CSU leaders including Chancellor Tomás Morales.

“Not only do a lot of our students come from different educational backgrounds,” Morales spoke and provided information in regards to admission and financial aid requirements for both CSUSB and San Bernardino Valley College.

He explained the significance of taking A-G requirements courses in high school to be included for college acceptance.

“If you listen to people who say you don’t need to take A-G classes beginning in ninth grade, you’re done,” said Morales in The Sun.

“If in ninth grade you’re not in A-G courses, you can’t apply to a UC or CSU,” added Morales.

CSUSB leaders spoke at other churches in Fontana, Riverside, and San Bernardino, according to The Sun.

The CSU African-American Initiative coordinates Super Sunday events each year in efforts to improve college preparation, enrollment, and graduation rates among African-American students in the CSU system.

Morales said, "You can remain paralyzed for weeks. You can get bedsores, complicated pneumonia – you’re subject to all sorts of that for long periods of time." said student Esmeralda Carrillo.

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Cancerous chemical in food

By ELLE CARLOS
Staff Writer

A potential cancer causing chemical known as glyphosate and used in Roundup, a weed killer, has been found in infant formula, breast milk, honey, cereal, wheat flour and soy sauce, according to Time.

The FDA will begin testing foods after receiving ridicule from the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) for not conducting tests sooner, according to Time.

“The agency is now considering assignments for Fiscal Year 2016 to measure glyphosate in soybeans, corn, milk, and eggs, among other potential foods,” stated FDA spokeswoman Lauren Sucher.

Teenagers drink sanitizer in Sweden

Hand sanitizer is now sold behind the counter in some Swedish pharmacies due to the high number of teenagers drinking them to get drunk.

Some hand sanitizers contain as much as 85 percent alcohol, according to BBC News.

The legal age to purchase alcohol in Sweden is 20 but the drinking age in bars and restaurants is 18.

Citizens sell their president on eBay

Egyptian citizens put their president, Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, for sale on eBay.

Sisi has been president since June 2014. Many political groups boycotted his election but Sisi won 97 percent of the vote.

The highest bidder on eBay offered more than $100,000 for the president but the post has been taken down, according to MSN News.

Passenger given $1,500 for sitting in urine

Mike Feinberg, an American Airlines passenger, was awarded $1,500 after sitting in a urine soaked seat in first class.

An attendant stated a passenger on a previous flight had difficulty reaching the restroom.

American Airlines provided Feinberg with a shower and a clean pair of pajamas after he landed in Des Moines, Iowa. He was given compensation of $1,000 plus an additional $500 to replace the suit he was wearing at the time of the incident, according to UPI News.

Find your mate by body odor

New York artists Tega Brain and Sam Lavigne created Smell Dating, a dating service limited to 100 participants that matches potential couples by body odor.

A one time fee of $25 is required, and participants receive a shirt in the mail that they must wear for three days without using deodorant or perfume.

The shirt is then returned and the participant smells the shirts of ten other people, ranking which smell they like most.

If individuals pick each other’s scent, contact information is exchanged, according to MSN News.

Strip club clients blackmailed

Customers of Switzerland’s largest strip club have received threatening letters demanding ransom.

Between 50 and 60 people who attended the “Globe” in Schwerzenbach received letters demanding $2,000 in bitcoin, a virtual currency, in exchange for alleged photos that were taken at the club.

Government officials insist it was a case of mistaken identity and the suspect is a man in his fifties, according to CNN.

A Cairo court sentenced toddler Ahmed Mansour Sharara to life in prison on Feb. 16.

Sharara allegedly killed three people and destroyed private and public property during an anti-government protest in 2014.

Sharara was only 16 months old.

Government officials insist it was a case of mistaken identity and the suspect is a man in his fifties, according to CNN.

The sender stated, “We are moralists and you are...”
Networking on campus to build relationships that will help your career is more important than most students realize.

Students try to get in and out of school as fast as they can but they do not take advantage of university resources and the connections they can make on campus.

The CSUSB Career Center is one of those resources students should take advantage of before they graduate; or else they could be holding a degree realizing they have nowhere to go.

“The mission of the Career Center is to support the career readiness of all students and alumni by providing advising, assessment, workshops, career events, employer networking opportunities, internships and job opportunities that result in the establishment or advancement of personalized career goals,” according to the Career Center website.

But are students aware of these resources? What good is the Career Center if the students do not realize it is there for their benefit?

“I haven’t really thought about networking or any of this stuff,” said student Raquel Cuevas.

“It’s not really something people stress to you before you start college, and I don’t really hear people talking about the Career Center. But it’s probably something I need to look into,” continued Cuevas.

Resources like the Career Center are here to help us while we are attending school, but it can also prepare you for your future.

They can assist students with job searching, refine students’ interview skills, and help students put together their job resume.

These are important things we need to consider while we are attending CSUSB.

The university needs to promote the Career Center and all similar resources more.

What students also do not realize is that networking should be happening with your fellow classmates.

When you are in a particular major, the people in your class could potentially be the colleagues you will work with in your particular field.

The relationships you garner with your classmates, and the networking that is happening with your peers is essential to your future career.

“There are definitely people I’d love to work with after our college careers,” said student Adrian Alcantar.

“On the other side of things there are other people I’ve come across in classes I would never want to be associated with at all, and I would never want to work with them in the future,” concluded Alcantar.

Everyone you interact with could potentially be a collaborator, ally, or rival in your career field.

As a communication studies major, finding colleagues to lean on is essential.

Numerous resources like network building are available for students interested in preparing for their occupational field.

As we develop our skills, finding our community is important in encouraging growth and finding niches in our field.

Finding colleagues who share common values and visions also creates momentum in future individual and collective projects.

“You should be building a tribe you can call on in your future career endeavors creating a network that you can count on when you leave CSUSB to conquer the world.

“Monolingualism is an awful virus”

By RACHEL RUNDENANG

Whether you’re a freshman in college or just recently graduated, many people would agree that fluency in a second language can not only help you stand out, but it can also open many doors to opportunities that those who are monolinguals might miss.

“In today’s global economy, the ability to communicate is key, and as more companies expand internationally, the ability to communicate in another language has become a significant advantage in the workforce,” stated writer Paola Andruzz.

Language is a powerful tool, especially in the society we live in today.

It serves as a medium for developing effective communication.

According to dictionary.com, communication is “the imparting or interchange of thoughts, opinions, or information by speech, writing, or signs.”

It is important we recognize the importance of learning another language because it would help us to be more open to foreign culture and foreign ideas—making communication work more effectively between people.

“Monolingualism holds us back culturally and socially,” said assistant professor Dr. Bibiana Diaz.

Monolingualism is the condition of being able to only speak a single language.

And in this modern day where being able to speak more than just English is highly valued, we, as college students, should act on it—and quickly, too.

“Monolingualism is an awful virus,” continued Diaz.

“Luckily we (CSUSB) have a wonderful language program to end this virus,” concluded Diaz.

In a world that is increasingly globalized, it is imperative that we understand just how valuable being bilingual is.

“Those entering the workforce in 2014 with second language fluency can expect an additional 10 to 15 percent pay increase,” said Ryan McMunn, language expert and CEO of BRIC Language Systems.

Learning another language can enlarge a person’s perspective and reduce the barriers between people.

“The U.S. committee on Economic Development (CED) suggests that American businesses lost more than $2 billion a year due to language and cultural misunderstandings,” stated contributing Forbes writer Cheryl Conner.

Though being bilingual is not required to get a job, “it provides a competitive advantage,” said career counselor Damion Donaldson.

Being bilingual has become an essential factor in this day and age; it has become a new standard in the workforce, whether we like it or not.

“As America becomes diverse, the needs of the country change too,” concluded Donaldson.

While we are still students here at CSUSB, I urge everyone to consider taking a language class as it will not only benefit you in college, but also for what many more things you can gain in the future.

Being able to speak another language can be advantageous in all aspects of life.

It allows one to become more in touch with the world and the people in it.

As Nelson Mandela eloquently said, “If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to a man in his language, that goes to his heart.”

Learning more than one language allows us to become effective communicators.
Social media builds student camaraderie

By NICHOLAS WHIT
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Social media is a powerful resource and CSUSB students should continue to use that power beneficially, by creating more unique ways to communicate.

Typically, social media platforms are not used for educational purposes by most students. CSUSB Snaps, created on Snapchat, by what I presume to have been made by students on campus, was vulgar and absolutely had no value for helping students— or acting like fools.

It was filled with pictures of people having sex or showing off their bodies to receive some type of approval.

It was basically students starving for attention like starving kids asking for water. It might have caused a couple of laughs, but it was at the expense of people’s dignity being diminished by looking like starving kids asking for water, but it was at the expense of people’s dignity being diminished by looking like starving kids asking for water.

There is also stipulation that some students featured were unaware they were being recorded, causing many issues to arise.

In fact, numerous accounts were deleted completely, but they always reappeared until everyone stopped caring for it, just like all other trends.

Regardless, we do use social media for many other beneficial reasons. CSUSB Confessions, a widely known page for students on Facebook, is a prime example of this.

It allows students the ability to stress themselves after long hours of rigorous work or studying. “CSUSB Confessions is an amazing tool to have at our disposal, but nevertheless, it was not the only social media platform used by students, in fact, there are others that had no positive affect at all towards students,” said student Attallah Walker.

People sometimes use social media to deal with everyday struggles or get something off their mind.

“Social media is constantly looked negatively upon due to people not looking at the whole picture, but in reality, it’s a way to either escape or deal with the daily demons placed on us,” said student Lauren Gonzalez.

However, some people spew nonsense on this page, without caring who reads it; which could be influenced by posts being published anonymously.

The reason is, it gives people the ability to freely say whatever is on their mind without having to worry. Especially in a world where almost everything is either recorded and publicly judged.

“I hate my mother and don’t ever want to talk to her again. She married an [sic] man who abused me... The pain is deep and I can’t stop the tears running down my face,” stated CSUSB Confessions post no. 886.

It allows students to share their insecurities or problems publicly amongst each other so they can maybe one day overcome them, without being tagged as that person their whole life.

It also allows students to find friends or others that have similarly interests as them.

“I need a friend who like honesty, going out to eat, loves Batman as much as I do and whose willing to take a few punches down the road...” stated on CSUSB Confessions post no. 975.

The Confessions page is an amazing resource for students to use, but there are others as well.

Other beneficial social media pages affiliated with our campus are CSUSB Craigslist on Facebook, which allows students the option to trade resources.

Many may not know this but CSUSB Craigslist offers an array of things like people looking for roommates, class ad- vice, and items like cars, books, clothes, or video games, etc.

Yet, the Confessions page will always be a personal favorite of mine.

Let’s hope that we as students don’t abuse the power of social media, refraining from creating something as ridiculous as CSUSB Snaps.

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Travel lends experience

By SERENA GOMEZ
Staff Writer

If you want to visit an exotic place, experience different cultures, and receive college credit for it, go study abroad.

At CSUSB there is an opportunity for students to study abroad in over 20 different countries.

Take advantage of this opportunity to travel abroad by letting the world be your classroom.

According to the Center for International Studies and Programs (CISP) website, “CSUSB hosts almost 1,000 international students from over 53 different countries.”

Why aren’t more CSUSB students visiting other countries? Most people would say that it is because of financial situations.

However, if you stopped going to Starbucks every morning for a year or two and saved, you could use that money to pay for the trip.

“If you go for a summer, you want to go for a year [...] I was hooked,” said student Rafael Orozco.

The price of the trip, tuition, food, airfare, and personal expenses all vary based on what country you decide to study in.

For example, if you visit Valladolid, Spain it is estimated to be a total of $5,900, according to the summer 2016 Study Abroad Summer Program project budget for Spain.

According to Orozco, the cost to study in Spain for a summer has become less expensive than when he went four years ago.

It may be a little more on the expensive side when you are taking a trip over seas but once you are over the Atlantic Ocean, traveling expenses are not as bad.

If you plan ahead, save the money you get back during tax season, and save some of the money that you receive in financial aid, going to another country for a summer is in arms length.

“I went to Sweden for a year, and from there went to visit 10 different countries,” said student Aldair Ocampo.

When traveling to another country you get the opportunity to see and experience other cultural lifestyles; you become a more diverse person.

Expanding your knowledge of the world is beneficial.

Do not wait until you are old and wrinkly to travel when you can go during the prime years of your life.

Travel while you have no ties to a spouse, children, medicine, walkers, or careers.

There are requirements in order to study abroad, such as maintaining a certain GPA and turning in your payment on time to the Study Abroad office.

The deadline to travel abroad this summer is approaching; final payments are due April 15.

If you are interested in studying abroad, go to an informational session or visit the CISP Study Abroad office in College of Education, Room 348.

“Travel makes one modest, you see what a tiny place you can occupy in the world,” stated French novelist Gustave Flaubert.

Get more than just a degree in college, view other parts of the world as well. I know that living in another country for a quarter or more without knowing anybody is a little frightening, but do not overthink it! Be adventurous and explore.

To learn more about studying abroad visit the CISP office.

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Opinions
Decoding Apple: Cook Refuses

By CAROLYN SOLAR
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n response to the San Bernardino mass shooting on Dec. 2, 2015, the FBI asked Apple to design a software that would allow them to gain access to the iPhones used by shooters Syed Farook and his wife Tashfeen Malik.

Apple is refusing to cooperate with the demands the court has ordered.

With access to the phone, the FBI is hoping to find out whether others were involved in the attack.

Specifically, the FBI wants the company to disable the feature that wipes an iPhone clean after 10 password entry attempts.

In a situation as severe as this one, why is Apple refusing to assist the government?

Unlocking the device would allow FBI access to pictures, messages and other personal data, according to Apple.

Apple executives worry that this access would give potential to unlock any iPhone.

Apple has already granted access to the data from the phone that was backed up on the attacker’s iCloud before the incident.

Apple CEO Tim Cook refuses to allow the undermining of its devices for these purposes.

“The same engineers who built strong encryption into the iPhone to protect our users would, ironically, be ordered to weaken those protections and make our users less safe,” stated Cook in a press release on the company’s site.

Apple fears that allowing access this one time would open the door for the FBI to breech Apple security in other situations.

The Department of Justice argues that Apple has helped law enforcement unlock phones in the past and that the company has the capability to do so again.

Although Apple agrees that this system could be created, they do not think it is ethical.

“Ultimately, we fear that this demand would undermine the very freedoms and liberty our government is meant to protect,” stated Cook.

FBI Director James Comey said that this case is about justice for San Bernardino and accessing this information could release answers needed in this case.

“Justteen people were slaughtered and many more had their lives and bodies ruined. We owe them a thorough and professional investigation under law,” according to an open letter written by Comey published in Lawfare Blog.

They are also accusing Apple of prioritizing “public brand marketing strategy” over a complex investigation.

Some of the biggest names in the tech world, like Google, Facebook, Twitter and even Bill Gates have chosen to side with the concern of consumer privacy.

The motion hearing for this case is said to take place on March 22, 2016.

Although the Constitution protects Apple from being forced by the government to hack into the data, refusing to comply could lead to a "tech industry nightmare."

CSUSB Palm Desert

Speech tournament toutes terrific turnout

By ALEXANDRA WINNER
Palm Desert Contributor

CSUSB Palm Desert campus hosted its first speech tournament Feb. 19, directed by Professor Rihan with the help of the Communication Club.

The event was open to any current student interested in demonstrating their public speaking skills.

The tournament consisted of four speech rounds with 65 contestants and 12 judges from the Palm Desert campus and members of the community.

“I wanted the opportunity for students to see the value of public speaking and by involving the community was a way of validating the importance of having your voice heard,” said Basemah Rihan, professor of communication studies and director of the speech tournament.

Guest speakers included Palm Desert Deputy Mayor Jan Harnik and CSUSB Alumni Ashley Santana.

Harnik spoke about the importance of public speaking and having a voice.

She connected with the students by sharing some of her own experiences in public speaking.

“Young people, staff, faculty, and members of the community expressed their gratitude in having been part of such a rewarding event,” said Rihan.

Donna Gerrell placed first in the speech tournament, followed by Christina Gabbard and Estefania Nunez Astorga.

Along with respect and glory, the finalist received a trophy and a gift certificate from generous contributors.

“The speech tournament was a great experience,” said second place winner Christina Gabbard, “I’m glad I got the courage to get in front of a crowd and I am thankful for the opportunity.”

Rihan noted that directing a tournament of this magnitude would not have been possible without being surrounded by talented, dedicated people and the Communication Club’s willingness to help.

The Communication Club showed their pride by wearing their T-shirts and expressing their unity.

“I am so proud to be their club advisor,” said Rihan.

The speech tournament was well organized, with breakfast and lunch provided.

Students were excited about the tournament and are already talking about the next tournament.
The first Latin-American born Pope made his first trip to the northernmost country of Latin America, Mexico. He stated that "This was a wonderful trip to Mexico for me. It was a visit of friendship, of peace, of hope."

"It was an honor to meet with the Mexican president, Joaquin Álvarez, and to have the opportunity to discuss important issues such as drug trafficking and corruption. I was also able to visit some of the most vulnerable communities, including those affected by the drug war."

"I was moved by the resilience and hope of the Mexican people. They are strong and committed to building a better future."

"I am confident that with the support of the international community, we can overcome these challenges and create a more peaceful and prosperous Mexico."
The cost of keeping up

"We buy things we don't need, with money we don't have, to impress people we don't like," is a famous quote from the movie Fight Club.

By HENRY BARKES
Half-Order

"We live in a generation in which we spend more money than we earn. We live in a society where everyone is trying to trump one another. We go on social media and we parade this lavish lifestyle that is not existent," said student Jeffrey Garcia. "We want to personify that we are bigger than life. When in reality, we can barely afford to pay our bills."

The problem is, most of the time, money buys identity and power. The more money, investments and property we own, more power to us; however, we cannot compare our budgets and expenses to a millionaire.

"Comparing yourself to people whose incomes are well beyond yours is dangerous. We have to accept who we are and what we can and cannot afford," stated senior journalist Jamie Gold in the article, "Why is the Middle Class Overspending?"

"It seems that a lot of Americans tie their spending to their identity. By driving a certain car, having a certain house, and wearing certain labels, they create an image of themselves that they have to support, and that's hard to do when that is not really who you are," added Gold.

West, along with many other celebrities, is often viewed as an idol by many people. Their ideologies reflect upon the actions of people.

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"Just because West and Kardashian are installing a lake-sized pool in their backyard, regardless of their exceeding debt, doesn't mean we have to do the same—although it may seem tempting."

Snack attack

Fifty-one percent of people eat snacks because they're bored, 50 percent use snacks to help them concentrate while studying, 46 percent replace a meal with a snack, and 44 percent eat snacks to help build their identity.

Perhaps they are also financially peer-pressured like the rest of us to own the best of the best—do better than everybody else.

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Fashionable ‘Yote on the loose

By CASSIE COUGHLIN
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College is not only the time you pick your future career, but it’s also the time you develop your personal fashion style. Fashion holds a different meaning to every person, but for many it’s all about expressing one’s own personality instead of focusing on the latest trends.

“My fashion style is definitely a risk-taker,” said student McKenzie Gutierrez. “I can go from wearing all black with my checkered sun dress and my cowgirl boots, it just kind of depends on how I am feeling that day,” added Gutierrez.

As Gutierrez described, her style is risky in the sense that she does not worry about trends but picks her outfits based on her desired mood; this could lead to wearing a floral romper one day, then a leather jacket the next.

Her versatility could be due to the different style icons she pulls inspiration from. “I really love Lauren Conrad because she’s just timeless, and everything’s very clean and cut. Vanessa Hudgens because she’s very bohemian. Also Kendall Jenner because she’s edgy but also really classy with how she takes on trends,” said Gutierrez.

Regardless of your style preference, sometimes all you need to complete a look is the perfect accessory, or a staple piece that can pull any outfit together.

For Gutierrez, that favorite go-to accessory is her cheetah booties. “They are so easy to throw on, I can literally put a pair of shorts and my white v-neck and these shoes”, said Gutierrez, “I can take on the world with a good pair of shoes.”

When she’s looking for new additions to her wardrobe, Gutierrez shops at Nordstrom, Free People, Urban Outfitters, Forever 21; and Lux Clothing, which is a local boutique she works at in Riverside. Since we’re college students, it can be hard to fit clothes shopping into our already tight budget, but this fashionable ‘Yote’ finds a way.

“You are looking for something on a budget, definitely stick with Forever 21, if you devote time and effort you can always find something cute there,” said Gutierrez.

If you do find a fashion item you’re willing to splurge on, make sure that item can be worn multiple ways so it is worth the purchase. “I find something that I can wear many different ways, something very versatile, you can dress it up or dress it down, that’s when I know it’s a good investment or purchase,” explained Gutierrez.

Besides grabbing that go-to accessory, or finding items that will work in various ways, the biggest fashion advice is to be yourself. “Forget the rules, if you like it wear it, self-confidence is the best outfit so just rock it,” said Gutierrez.

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stars like Taylor Swift, Lady Gaga, Lorde, and Lena Dunham have publicly shown their support for Kesha during her widely publicized court battle with record producer Lukasz Sebastian Gottwald, also known as Dr. Luke, and Sony Music.

On Feb. 19 a New York judge denied a court injunction that would have released the “Tik Tok” singer from working with her alleged abuser and his record label, Kemosabe Entertainment.

“I couldn’t believe that the judge denied the injunction. It was shocking to me especially at a time when women are fighting for equal rights,” said student Samantha Cortez.

The singer-songwriter filed a lawsuit back in October 2014 against the producer for allegedly drugging and raping her a decade ago.

Gottwald (Dr. Luke) has denied claims made against him and finally broke his silence through a series of tweets on Twitter.

“It’s sad that she would turn a contract negotiation and turn it into something so horrendous and untrue,” stated Gottwald.

The court’s decision frustrated the public.

Many people are showing support through social media by using #freeKesha and a GoFundMe page apparently made to “buy” Kesha out of Sony.

“No way,” said student Christian Chavez. “I couldn’t believe the judge denied the injunction. It was shocking to me especially at a time when women are fighting for equal rights,” said student Samantha Cortez.

The all hope is not lost however, the judge also added that she will wait for any more evidence that can help Kesha’s claim before she completely dismisses the case.

A n Oxford University elevator was occupied by Shia LaBeouf for 24 hours to talk to strangers in his most recent “artistic performance,” called “Elevate.” On Feb. 19 the “Transformers” actor announced through his Twitter that he and his fellow artistic partners, Luke Turner and Sade Ronkko, would be occupying an elevator at the Oxford Union and the public was welcome to join them.

LaBeouf’s known for his highly profiled acting career and most recently for his creative performances alongside artist Turner and Ronkko, members of his artistic collective.

The trio is known for various art performances they had throughout the last year like “I Am Not Famous Anymore” and “All My Movies,” which have gotten major worldwide attention. “Elevate” was live streamed through YouTube where viewers had a chance to experience the performance while it was happening. The camera was mainly focused on the silver elevator doors that opened every 15 minutes, which forced you to focus on the conversation the artist had with the public. The description of the artistic project was described on the Oxford Union YouTube channel but it seemed to be just another attempt to make art out of nothing. The topics between the public and the actor ranged from movies he liked, to his parents’ opinion on his art, and a fan’s request to get slapped by LaBeouf.

“I didn’t get a chance to see the live stream but I like Shia LaBeouf because he likes to explore a more artistic side apart from acting,” said student Raquel Sanchez.

“Elevate” is available on the Oxford Union YouTube Channel, where you can watch more of what is heard of each artist.

S easoned fashionista and aspiring journalist Anna H. has grown up with a passion for fashion and a desire to bring her love for the industry to life. Having thoroughly enjoyed her experience covering the recent New York Fashion Week (NYFW), Anna is excited to share her thoughts on the event.

NYFW is a major fashion event that takes place in New York City, bringing together designers, models, and fashion enthusiasts from around the world. This year, the event featured a variety of Runway shows, giving Anna the opportunity to witness some of the top names in the fashion industry.

Anna describes the event as a dynamic and vibrant scene, where models showcase the latest trends that will influence fashion for the upcoming season.

As a journalist, Anna aims to bring her insights to life in Art & Entertainment for a wider audience, sharing her thoughts on the event and the behind-the-scenes stories that contribute to the fashion industry. Anna believes that NYFW is more than just a fashion event; it’s a celebration of creativity and innovation, where designers push the boundaries of their imagination while staying true to their unique vision.

Anna’s passion for fashion and commitment to bringing forward the latest in the fashion world makes her a valuable contributor to Art & Entertainment. Her articles will provide readers with an inside look at NYFW and the fashion industry, offering insights that inspire and inform.

Anna is excited to share her experiences and insights with the readers of Art & Entertainment, and she looks forward to providing unique perspectives on the fashion industry through her contributions.
Strange yet beautiful

Animal Collective gets trippy as usual in new album

“Painting With”

By ARTHUR MEDRANO
Staff Writer

A 4-year-long journey awaited the music industry for Animal Collective’s new studio album, “Painting With” which was released Feb. 19. It is their 10th studio album, following the success of their last album “Centipede Hz.”

They hold a creative aspect in their art, drawing multiple influences from both electronic and pop music. Following the success from their song “My Girl,” the band of old high school friends have mastered synthesizers and using harmonic vocals to create modern folk songs.

“You can never have enough funky, unique music come from acoustic and synthetic sounds. They should add much more to intensify the expressions,” expresses student Jonathan Andaluz.

“The music really brightens up my day when going on long drives or having a bonfire with friends,” continued Andaluz.

One aspect to their early creativity also derives from the use of the psychedelic drug Lysergic Acid Diethylamide, known as LSD. It may not be the most conventional use of inspiration, but it surely continues Andaluz.

With a total of 12 tracks found on this record, there is no lack of impact from the lyrics; the exclusive ideas from “Painting With” will carry through with experimental vocals and late night dance anthems. This album wasn’t a change visually from their previous albums. It uses three different personalized covers, including all the members with unique artwork.

They are often considered the new age “Beach Boys,” based off strength in vocal harmonies and combining abstract sounds to a fun mood as the previous band used to hold onto their audience.

So far, the album has this energy that helps empower fans and is teaming with all sorts of weirdness that pop music tends to have.

After listening to their song “Golden Gal,” student Miguel Rivera said, “This song feels like an acid trip crossed with intergalactic space travel, and I wouldn’t expect anything less!”

“The band is so innovative, each sound intensifies colors and emotions within me I never knew I could get from music which I truly admire about their work,” continued Rivera.

Music tracks like “Vertigo” and “Lying in the Grass” have kooky states as if I were to be looking into the world through a kaleidoscope. Add in a soft touch of jazz and you experience music most artists don’t try to create nowadays.

Having a knack for weird, psychedelic songs is helping the bands growth to be more than just an indie band, but a band with spunk to their sound and groove in their stride into the mainstream world.

Following the release of the album, the band announced a tour starting Feb. 24, in New York City.

The tour will continue with over 40 shows throughout the year to help grow a larger fan base alongside the album release.

Most students who like experimental pop are pleased to hear about the tour. They hope to continue this trippy experience live rather than relying on just one of their senses.

The artistic expression found in the album tells me that these men have created and will continue to create something special enough to share for many generations to come.
NBC’s much anticipated “Must See TV: An All-Star Tribute to James Burrows” gave fans a memorable night filled with nostalgia and laughs as numerous TV casts reunited Feb. 21.

The 3-hour event honored iconic TV director James Burrows, who recently directed his 1,000th episode with the upcoming show, “Crowded.”

“I didn’t know [Burrows] directed all these shows, my wife and I grew up watching these shows 20 years ago and still now with “The Big Bang Theory,” said student Richard Anderson.

Andy Cohen hosted the event, which had 5.5 million viewers, and the list of celebrities was endless.

Apart from the six main casts set to appear, celebrities from past and future shows, directors, writers, and singers like Bruce Springsteen came to celebrate Burrows, who actor Sean Hayes (Will & Grace) describes as “The Godfather of Television Comedy.”

The show began with a prerecorded sketch where Jim Parson and Hayes seem to have forgotten their promise to NBC to create the ultimate tribute for Burrows, which lead Hayes to make over 150 phone calls to reel in celebrities.

Cohen stepped out from the purple lit stage to introduce the show “Will & Grace,” which was then followed by several hilarious clips throughout the shows eight seasons.

“The show was entertaining and was also welcoming seeing them be normal and how they were being portrayed as loving easy going people,” said student Otto Perez. With the exception of Debra Messing who played lead Grace Adler.

By JARITZA MENDOZA
Staff Writer

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The seven member CSUSB Men’s Golf team started the week off with the Coyote Classic annual home tourney. The two day event from Feb. 22-23 was hosted in north San Bernardino at Arrowhead Country Club.

The Coyotes took on 54 holes, battling against 11 other schools, which included CSU East Bay, Sonoma State, Dixie State University, Northeastern State, UC San Diego, Stanislaus State, Northwood U, MI, Redlands, Regis, CSU Dominguez Hills, and La Verne.

On the first day of the tournament, Taylor Hood led the Coyotes with a team-best; 4-under 67 in the second round of play. Greg Robarge dealt out rounds of 68 and 75 on the par-71 course and sat in fifth place, while Hood came back from an opening-round 79 with a 67 and tied for ninth.

“We didn’t win, we got third which is an okay showing, but we have more potential than that,” said Robarge. “I’m just looking forward to playing good golf in the future, and representing the team as we deserve to be represented,” concluded Robarge.

Jake Meloche tied for 14th place with five others at 6 over 148 with rounds of 75 and 73.

Coyotes ended the first day of the tournament tied for third against Dixie State at 586 shots. The second day, Coyotes came back even stronger as they secured the spot for the second-best overall team in the final round of the Coyote Classic.

Coyotes ranked third overall in the team leader board for the two day 54-hole event.

The Coyotes snagged an 871 (293-293-285), finishing seven shots behind Sonoma State’s 864, who took the first place overall, and just a point behind East Bay, who came in second place with a total of 870. Dixie State, who battled the Coyotes neck and neck, took fourth place with a total of 877.

Leading the way for the Coyotes was yet again Hood and Robarge. Robarge placed fourth at 1-over-par 214 (68-75-71), while Hood was seventh at 3-over 216 (79-67-70).

“Going into the second round, I was going to do everything I could to help us climb back up the leader board. In the final round, we all knew we were right in the thick of it, and if we could go out there and play our game, we could catch the lead,” said Hood.

“We fought hard and feel good going into the next event,” added Hood.

Meloche clinched a top-15 finish at T15 (75-73-72_220) and Steffins earned T22 (74-78-72).

Also competing for the Coyotes as individuals were Coats (T49) and Toribio (T42).

By KAILA MORALES
Staff Writer

Alex Coats competed as an individual for the Coyotes at the annual Coyote Classic held at the Arrowhead Country Club.

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Coyote women's basketball continued their streak with yet another win, beating Cal State University San Marcos Cougars 70-53. The Coyotes took on the Cougars Feb. 20 and brought their A-game to the court.

The first quarter started with a three-pointer by Brianna Harden, then a layup moments later. Harden played a great game with 14 points in total. Chelsea Barnes followed up behind with two jump shots, bringing the score to 9-1. Cougar Jasmine Matar fouled Coyote Adriana Brodie, allowing Brodie two free throw attempts. Brodie completed both, adding two more points to the scoreboard.

Coyotes kept the lead the entire quarter and finished it up by eight points. The Coyotes continued to stay on fire in the next two quarters. They made four layups and four three-pointers, all in the 10 minute quarter. The last three-pointer was shot by Sophie Bhasin, with Chelsea Austin's assistance.

They wrapped up the second quarter ahead by 19 points. The third quarter began with the Coyotes up 42-23 and they kept the lead until the end of the quarter. Coyotes started the final quarter 56-36, but quickly added two more points to the scoreboard with a layup by Barnes.

Harden was back at the hoop minutes later with another layup, putting the Cougars behind by 18 points. The Coyotes battled hard, going neck and neck against the Cougars of Cal State San Marcos. The Coyotes would not keep the lead once again. The two teams soon tied again when Coyote Darryl Adigwu dunked the ball, making the score 45-45.

Martinez then gave the team the three-pointer they needed, which brought the score to 56-50. Martinez then shot a free throw, putting the Cougars behind by 15 points. The Coyotes fell by six points to San Marcos. The Coyotes would not keep the lead for long; the beginning of the second-half started off with a layup by Cougar Declan Daly.

Coyote Juan Martinez shot a good layup, bringing the score to 42-36. Martinez then gave the team the three-pointer they needed, which brought the score to 33-33. Martinez then shot a free throw, putting the Coyotes into the lead with two free throws.

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Chelsea Austin (21) works to block CSUSM from scoring.
Baseball & Softball

Trip to Lancaster gives Coyotes big wins

By WILLIS TORRES
Staff Writer

Coyote baseball played their last four games in Lancaster, Calif. where they took out four of four wins against both the University of British Columbia (UBC) and California State University, Los Angeles (CSULA).

The first game against UBC’s Thunderbirds, Coyotes dominated with senior Andrew Lopez hitting a home run to left field in the sixth inning. This brought in three runs against the Thunderbirds. The final score was 4-13 Coyotes.

Two days later, the Coyotes played UBC again but came up short for the win with the final score 2-8 UBC. Infielder Dylan Lohman, who earned four RBI’s and a triple against the Thunderbirds, was asked if he had approached the game differently in order to drive in the four runs he brought.

“I slowed things down and let the game come to me. I felt like I was rushing things a lot and felt good to help the team out to a couple of W’s this weekend,” said Lohman.

Coyotes then battled it out with CSULA where they took both wins against the Golden Eagles.

Starting things off during the first inning was outfielder/pitcher Austin Lundeen who hit a home run to right field earning two RBI’s. That was followed by outfielder Damion Edmonds in the fifth with a single to right field earning one RBI, then finally, catcher/first baseman Brian Lockey singled to shortstop earning the Coyotes their final run.

Pitcher Tyler Wells took control on the mound, earning his first win.

“Getting my first win really isn’t a big deal, the team wins is more important,” said Wells.

“I go out there and I compete every time that I get the chance! I didn’t have my best stuff against Cal State LA and I had my team back me up so it was good to get a team win,” added Wells.

The final score for the first game against the Golden Eagles was 2-4 Coyotes.

The second game against the Golden Eagles was another win for the Coyotes with a final score of 2-3.

During the fourth inning, senior Andrew Lopez singled to right field earning one RBI, only to be tagged out at second base, but it left Lohman open to steal home and score another run.

Pitcher Don Sullivan got the win on the mound, Sullivan’s current record is 3-1 with 15 strikeouts since the beginning of the season.

On Feb. 23, the Coyotes took on the Sowon KT Wiz, a Korean national team, as part of an exhibition game.

The Coyotes lost with the final score of 12-4 after leading 3-1 in the first half of the game.

After the game, Coach Martinez was asked what different strategies KT Wiz brought to the field that other teams have not.

“Professional baseball. They’re from the KBL [Korean Baseball League], little bit different style not a lot of emphasis on the small game like college baseball has, especially on the west coast,” said Martinez.

KT Wiz was not the average team to play against since in Korea they are considered a professional baseball team.

We asked shortstop/pitcher William Ouellette how the KT Wiz compared to other teams.

“It’s definitely different but it’s a unique experience because you get to face professional hitters, professional pitching, it’s something I enjoy,” said Ouellette.

Coyotes return home on March 4 to play San Marcos.

Williams improves to 9-3 against Stanislaus

By JACKIE MONARREZ
Staff Writer

The Coyote softball team was at it again this past weekend playing two doubleheaders on Feb. 20 and Feb. 21, both against San Francisco State Gators at their home field.

The Coyotes won three out of four games played against the Gators.

In game one on Feb. 20, pitcher Casandra Williams was throwing heat up on the mound; she pitched all seven innings like it was just another day at the office. The Gators thought they had the Coyotes by their tail when they scored in the first inning, but little did they know, that would be the only run they would get past Williams.

At the top of the fourth, catcher Jessica Brown contributed big to the Coyotes 3-1 victory by hitting a two-run home run, driving in Caitlyn Ofan. In game two against the Gators, the Coyotes were defeated and took a 8-2 loss. Brown brought in Morgan Ratliff in the first inning.

Ratliff were the only Coyotes to earn base hits. In the top of the sixth, Melissa Roberts scored the Coyotes second run on a wild pitch. Coyote Gabby Walker recording a strikeout against the Gators in the bottom of the sixth.

Coyotes did not let their loss defeat them mentally because they went out with a bang the following day when they faced the Gators once again in a double header.

The Coyotes dominated the Gators in a 7-0 victory in game one on Feb. 21. The Coyotes were unstoppable in the fourth inning when they scored four runs.

Monica Maddox earned herself an RBI when she hit a single to center field bringing in Taylor Ancona. Along side Maddox, receiving an RBI, was outfielder Jessica Angulo when she hit a fielder’s choice, bringing in her teammate Amanda Herrera.

Outfielder Smith earned herself an RBI as well in the third inning hitting a single bringing in Maddox; Ratliff also contributed and scored as well, putting the Coyotes up 4-0.

In the top of the fifth, Brown homered to left center field bringing in Ashley Jeffingwell.

Ancona brought in the last run at the top of the sixth, giving the Coyotes this victory.

The Gators were no match for Williams as she struck out 10 Gators total and walked three. The only hits the Gators got off Williams were singles.

In game two, CSUSB kept the winning streak going when they defeated the Gators once again in a 1-0 victory.

Williams struck out four Gators and walked three.

Smith’s double hit down the right field line earned her an RBI that brought in Angulo and it was the only run the Coyotes needed to snatch this win.

On Feb. 20, Williams got herself a one-hitter with seven strikeouts.

The player highlight goes to Williams. She threw two, three-hit shutouts on Sunday’s games against the Gators.

Williams is now 9-3 overall.

At the end of the weekend, the Coyotes’ overall record had improved to 10-7, and now 5-3 in CCAA competition.