Animal lovers cash in

Andrew Burdick
Staff Writer

An annual scholarship offering assistance to students of any major who show an interest in working with pets. The Campbell Family Scholarship will, for the second consecutive year, honor and support outstanding undergraduate students this fall.

The $2,000 annual scholarship is named for the late Dr. Howard and Patricia Campbell, who were members of the CSUSB community and were dedicated animal lovers and animal activists. The scholarship is open to any CSUSB undergraduate student who has a love for animals and a passion for working with animals.

The scholarship was created in response to the needs of the local animal community and is intended to support students who are pursuing studies in areas related to animal welfare, animal science, or animal behavior.

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The FAFSA is a critical part of the financial aid application process for college students. It can be overwhelming to fill out, but with FAFSA4caster, the process becomes much easier.

The software tool helps students complete the FAFSA application quickly and accurately. It automatically fills in many of the fields, reducing the time and effort required to complete the application. Students can also receive immediate feedback on their application status as they go.

For example, if a student needs to provide additional information or documentation, the software will prompt them to do so. This not only reduces the time spent on the application but also helps prevent common mistakes and delays.

The tool is designed to be user-friendly and accessible to students of all ages and backgrounds. It is available online and can be used from any computer with an internet connection.

One student who used FAFSA4caster to apply for financial aid said, "I really wish I had known about FAFSA4caster before! It saved me so much time and stress. I was able to fill out the FAFSA in just a few hours, instead of spending days on it. I'm so glad I found this tool!"
Students get a break on books

Jasmine Hunter
Staff Writer

A new bill is in the works requiring textbook publishers to tell faculty the price of all products they are selling. The bill has previously been passed in Washington and Connecticut, and is now being considered by California state legislators.

In the past, textbook publishers were not required to tell faculty the list of pricing during the sales conversation. Dave Rosenberg, National Program Director of the Make Textbooks Affordable Campaign states, "The root of this problem lies in the way the textbook market is set up, in which the person who orders textbooks (faculty) is not the same person who purchases textbooks (students)."

The Connecticut bill states that each publisher of college textbooks will make available to each prospective purchaser the price of the product as well as the price which it will be made available to the store.

The extravagant cost of textbooks is yet another financial concern students face. The extravagant cost of textbooks continues to rise, and the College Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) speaks to the issue of students spending more money for books than they need. In 2007, a PIRG survey of 2,877 college professors participated in a survey conducted by the PIRG. In the survey, the professors identified three main areas of interest.

First, publishers are not adequately disclosing price information to the faculty.

Second, professors need to provide unbundled alternatives to packaged textbooks and disclose the availability of these alternatives.

Third, most professors often find new editions unnecessary. Since new editions are on average 12-20 percent more expensive than previous editions, many professors spend unnecessary money for very little educational gain.

"My books average about $50 a quarter," Edith Olson, a CSUSB senior, said.

Financial aid is quick on its way. Senate Bill 832 was filed on February 23, 2007 by Continued on Pg. 3

CPEC study.

"For part time students it’s expensive because students are pre-occupied with trying to find time to work, and the money to even come to school," Janice Acosta, Vidan, said. "I work and go to school, taking five classes and it’s really hard to keep up with everything, but hard to work to pay for school.

"Financial aid is not enough for me. I have to work, because I have a car note and I have to buy food. On top of that, I’m also an RA, so there’s no way I can take more than 16 units with two jobs and get out of here in four years. People who can maintain more than a full load usually don’t want me too much due going on in their life. But, I’m involved with a lot of things so it’s a little harder," Higgins said.

The Commission also reassessed the success of transfer students from community colleges. Students enrolled in community colleges have to complete two years of coursework before transferring to a four-year university. Data on the success of transfer students who transferred to the CSU system showed that 21.8 percent of these students graduate by their second year.

"Our statistics show that 25 percent of these students graduate by their third year," stated the Commission.

I went to school at Buffalo State College in New York on a semester system, and I took five classes and had two part time jobs, but I still managed to get a 4.0, so I think it’s completely possible to succeed. It was overwhelming at times, but it made me organized and it made me learn how to manage my time," sophomore Stephanie Kryst said.

In its evaluation of student success, the Commission noticed a number of CSU campuses demonstrating innovative leadership in improving student outcomes. The Commission found that CSU Fullerton was among the top 25 percent of colleges in national comparison of freshmen performance of a second year of college.

The commission also found an exemplary effort at CSU Fullerton. The CSU Fullerton (CSUF) Student Diversity Program (SDP) provides academic and social support to "at-risk" students.

SDP students graduated at twice the rate of comparable CSUF students who lack the benefits of participating in such a program.

"What also caused me to have to enter a fifth year was the fact that I didn't have proper advising from my major's department to keep me on track. Yes, they give me my schedule, but they don't follow up with the classes that are going to keep you going," Higgins said.

CSU Fullerton and Stanislaus do not require general education capstones.

"Capstone courses that we have to take here are the problem. I have to wait about two more quarters before I can graduate. At my old school, we didn’t have capes," sophomore Elizabeth Bosh said.

"Capstones and the remedial Continued on Pg. 3

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Fire consumes the southland

Little Mountain burns that this year's fire season could be very destructive.

Flames were clearly seen from the second floor patio of University Hall last Tuesday. A brush fire that consumed almost 300 acres of San Bernardino's Little Mountain burned for more than 2007 years. The fire was contained around midnight. According to sbsun.com. The fire was contained around 10 p.m. and mostly extinguished by midnight.

Philip May 14, 2007

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California residents. Los Angeles Griffith Park fell victim to flames and got attention from Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa. The fire started Tuesday afternoon in the Hollywood Hills. Griffith Park's Dante's View garden and the Capitol's Rose area were destroyed by the blaze whose damage is estimated at $50 million according to The LA Times. The Los Angeles Zoo also took precautionary measures and moved all of their animals indoors to safety. The cause of the fire is still under investigation but it is rumored to have started when a homeless man fell asleep while smoking a cigarette according to cbs2.com. A blaze that consumed around 400 acres of Griffith Park's wooded and open areas.

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California Department of Forest and Fire Protection spokesperson Bill Peters said according to chronicle.com.

On Monday night a 125 acre brush fire on a remote section of Camp Pendleton's target practice area caused dangerous driving conditions on Interstate 3. No structures were damaged and no injuries were reported. The San Bernardino Fire Department will hire 24 additional seasonal firefighters in response to the recent fire. California residents. Los Angeles Griffith Park fell victim to flames and got attention from Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa. The fire started Tuesday afternoon in the Hollywood Hills. Griffith Park's Dante's View garden and the Capitol's Rose area were destroyed by the blaze whose damage is estimated at $50 million according to The LA Times. The Los Angeles Zoo also took precautionary measures and moved all of their animals indoors to safety. The cause of the fire is still under investigation but it is rumored to have started when a homeless man fell asleep while smoking a cigarette according to cbs2.com. A blaze that consumed around 400 acres of Griffith Park's wooded and open areas.

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California legislators. The bill omits prohibition on institutions, but requires publishers to provide a list of all products, prices, revisions and intended time on market. The original bill adds a section which encourages practices to reduce the cost of course materials and public institutions.

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Jennifer Minter/Staff Writer

A woman is beaten in the U.S. every 13 seconds, according to the Bureau of Justice Statistics.

"One in every three families experience domestic violence," Delores Montoya said.

T-shirts were displayed at the Senior Student Union to honor survivors and victims of domestic violence.

The Clothingline Project, put on by the Women's Resource Center, is a visual project made of T-shirts that represent personal experiences of domestic violence.

"The shirts were made by people who experienced, had a friend or family member experience domestic violence," Delores Montoya, graduate assistant for the Women's Resource Center, said.

"There was even a shirt made for Lacy Peterson by someone who was emotionally struck by the news.

The shirts ranged in messages of hope, rage, and disgust.

One shirt read "You can't teach me anymore." I'm not afraid of speaking out, you took my innocence, but now my voice! You are not my brother anymore!"

"The T-shirts become an outlet for them dealing with these issues, by displaying the shirts we can make an impact and make others aware of the issues," Montoya said.

Other shirts had a list of women killed as a result of violence from a man they knew. Four million women are physically abused by their husbands or live in partners each year according to the Bureau of Justice Statistics.

"It is important for people who have had an experience with domestic violence to speak out and share their experiences so bring awareness and act as a coping mechanism for others," Montoya said.

"We also allow for bringing attention to the legal issues surrounding domestic violence."

Women who have experienced abuse as a result of Domestic Violence Syndrome often face higher penalties, said the sorority women.

"It was a fun and really rewarding because Greek Week helped create bonds between me and my sisters," Delta Sigma Chi sister and social chair Lisa Zavala said.

"The competition was intense, but overall it helped people from different organizations," Zavala said.
Coconuts for cars

Matt Faucher
Staff Writer

Next time you are stranded and out of gas and all you have in your car is a pina colada shake from Juiciet Up, you may have more to work with than you think.

The same coconut oil used in your shake to sweeten your taste buds is being used in certain small island nations to fuel diesel engines.

A recent article from the BBC suggests that islanders of New Guinea are using this non-alternative to save the cost of fuel, which is hurting the island's economy. The study also indicates that in Papua New Guinea are using "backyard refineries" to produce the coconut and produce the oil.

Matthew Horn, an engineer and operator of one these refineries, speaks his mind concerning the coconut fuel in BBC's article.

"You run your car and it smells nice and it's environmentally friendly and that's the main thing.

The article claims that refineries like Horn's also produce oils for cooking, cosmetics and even soap.

Cocnut oil is made by extracting it in high-pressure from the coconuts, the dead fruit of the coconut.

A main downside to using coconut oil as fuel is that it begins to harden at temperatures less than 22 degrees Celsius, which is around 72 degrees Fahrenheit. A known remedy to this has been to combine the coconut oil with diesel fuel.

This diesel-cocnut combination would keep the coconut oil in ideal liquid state, but it would then again pollute the air. However, it still might "small size."

Another coconut oil user was featured in a 2001 article found at www.nida.nih.gov. He said.

"Coconut oil is a bit more costly, because it burns slower," said Mr. Deamer, a 55-year-old Australian-born motor mechanic.

"Normally, I'd have to fill down into first gear, but with coconut oil, I can keep it in second gear."

The article stated that this coconut fuel greatly benefits island nations who struggle to keep up with gas prices (such as Vanuatu or Papua New Guinea).

As far as this becoming a global reality, Loren Faucher of Riverside held his opinion be known. "They're going to have to grow a lot of coconuts," Fauchier said. "I can see how it might work for small island communities but on a global scale, to grade enough contrast to feel large nations would be huge stretch."

A CSUSB student gives some insight as to how a typical trip to the local gas station would be like if coconut oil were to be used.

"It's a funny idea because it seems to me that people might show up at the gas station with cups to drink the coconut oil rather than fuel their car."

Other countries such as Iran and some in Europe are interested in this diesel replacement.

One in ten have habit

DeAnna Yoho
Staff Writer

Drug use among Americans is on the rise, however, the number of people who seek treatment remains low.

More than 10 percent of U.S. adults have or have become addicted to drugs at some point in their life, according to results published by ABC News.

The number of men who abuse drugs is almost twice that of women. Drug abuse was more common with men at 13.8 percent compared to women who only had 7.5 percent.

Just 8 percent of drug abusers, only 37.9 percent became addicted and sought treatment, according to a study released by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA).

"We're concerned because treatment rates are too low despite the availability of effective interventions," NIDA director Nora Volkow said.

It was found that the most common drug abusers were younger people around the age of 20.

Rates of drug abuse are generally higher among certain populations including men, 18 to 44 years old, and people who have never married. This is according to the May 2007 issue of Journal of General Psychology.

"The Substance Abuse Mental Health Service Administration (SAMHSA) survey points to a huge drug gap," said Dr. Terry Cline of the SAMHSA.

"Among individuals with up or alcohol dependent or who have not received treatment, more than 94 percent don't need they need treatment."

The study also found that drug abuse was most likely reported in the white community rather than minorities.

This study was not on face-to-face interviews with more than 45,000 U.S. adults and years and older by the National Epidemiologic Survey on Alcohol and Related Conditions (NESARC).

The NESARC constitutes the largest study conducted on the co-occurrence of disorders among U.S. adults, said Dr. David F. Grady of the National Institute on Alcohol and Alcoholism (NIAAA). "Because of the disorders so commonly occur with alcohol use disorders, the NESARC provides rich information on the similarities and differences between these conditions," Grant said.

"There's a myth that drugs are mostly a problem of minorities and that would just be not true," Dr. William Campion of the National Institute of Health (NIH) said.

Of all abused drugs, the study showed that marijuana was the most commonly used. Cocaine and hallucinogens were abused less, than 0.5 percent but marijuana was abused slightly 8.5 percent.

The study also indicates that there is a correlation between drug abuse and co-occurring mental illness, including mood, anxiety disorders and personality disorders.

Of those who abuse drugs, the highest number of those who sought help had co-occurring psychiatric disorders, according to the NIH.

NIDA advises that people with a substance use disorder should also be evaluated for mental illness, and a person with a mental disorder should be evaluated for possible substance abuse.

We must encourage the public to view addiction as a brain disease that needs to be treated like any other chronic illness," Volkow said.

The study said the onset of drug abuse and dependence typically occurs during late adolescence or early adulthood.

NIDA asserts that drug abuse is a major health issue, not to be feared but met head-on.

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Alumnus' new film heading to Cannes

Samantha Clark
Staff Writer

One of CSUSB's own graduates may be heading to the Oscar's. Craig Velardo, or Kico as he likes to be called, co-produced PVC-1, an independent documentary film with Frank Ramirez and Marc Dutra, along with director Spiro Stathoulopoulos. The film is not only up for a Golden Camera Award at the 2007 Cannes Film Festival but is also getting Oscar buzz.

Even some big name movie companies want a piece of the independent film including Sony Pictures Classics, Warner Bros. and Miramax. All three are in negotiation with the small film company about this movie. "We're in the final stages of negotiations," said Velardo when asked about the time spent at CSUSB.

The movie is based on an actual event about a Columbian woman whose family is unable to pay a ransom. She is forced to wear a bomb fastened around her neck and made to go from her farm city in a sort of terrorism story. She and her family struggle to break free in this engineering true story.

About six years ago, Velardo was in one of his classes and read about the release of a story that he read about in the same story that he read about in Newsweek. It was about a Columbian woman whose family is unable to pay a ransom. She was forced to wear a bomb in a sort of terrorism story. He jumped on the chance to work on the film and asked about the time spent at CSUSB.

"I read it, I thought, wow, that's really sad," Velardo said.

As luck would have it he was presented with this film project which happened to be about the same story that he read about in Newsweek. He jumped on the chance to work on the film.

A unique twist to the making of this film is that it was made in one continuous shot without any cuts throughout the entire 85 minutes of film.

"For the time of the opening to the last shot, the film is never cut," said Velardo.

The film took four days to shoot in Columbia and each day they shot the entire movie straight through with only one take.

Out of a cast of 50 only three were professional theater actors. Marida Urquia, Daniel Paz and Alberto Sonnita played the leading roles while the rest were individuals from Columbia.

A Cal-State Northridge student, Stathoulopoulos is considered with high regard by Velardo. "I read it, I got really excited," Velardo said.

"This is a 29-year-old guy is 29 years old and shot an Oscar potential film and he's still in film school," Velardo said.

Velardo and Stathoulopoulos both came from the schools in the Cal State system.

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Improv and a wedding

Amanda Kemp
Staff Writer

A surprise proposal was made at CSUSB's Theatre Arts Department's improvisational "Playback Theatre" that took place on campus May 6th in the Performing Arts building.

There are many stories in a person's life and the "Playback Theatre" encouraged people to share these personal stories.

One story that will remain memorable to this performance is a marriage proposal from cast member Peter Fitzpatrick to row- soner Paula Curi.

As the show came to an end, Fitzpatrick was telling a story of two people coming together and falling in love. With the cast members behind him unaware of the memorable experience that was about to happen, he got down on one knee and asked Curi to marry him.

After the sold-out audience cheered with excitement and congratulations, they began to reflect on the short stories that were acted out. Three audience members became the story-tellers and shared personal stories on stage for the primary actors.

Fitzpatrick, Nolan Johnson, Jordan Robidoux and Yveta Reeve improvised stories that included a dearer uncle, a devil-witch sister and a mean friend.

"I felt comfortable and was getting flashbacks as my story was being told," Kelly Kun said, who told the story of the mean friend.

After watching the stories being acted out spontaneously with emotion, lights, props and music provided by Sergio Rodreguez in front of the story-teller, it did feel like sitting through a meeting with a ther-apiest and revisiting a particular moment in time.

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Ten down, three to go

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Staff Writer

Dionne was the tenth girl to be eliminated during the eighth cycle of America's Next Top Model (ANTM). The 20-year-old college student is originally from Montgomery, Alabama.

In the latest episode of ANTM, the girls faced the woods and met with Uncle Max, an aboriginal elder, and Callia Murray, Uncle Max's niece, who presented them with their challenge.

"Today your challenge is to create your own story that best defines you," Callia said. "You will use body art, movement and oral speech to tell your story." Dionne was sent home because she lacked the ability to soften her facial expressions.

"You gotta take the training wheels off cause they are still on." Banks said. "We gave you all the goods. Now, it is up to you to leave the competition and take everything that we taught you so that you can be on a photo shoot and not be nervous on everybody to tell you exactly what to do." She revealed that the winner of this challenge is Jay Manuel, photo shoot mentor.

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Dionne's striking pose was not enough for the judges of ANTM. According to the judges, Dionne is a beautiful spirit but was not pretty enough. For more information about Dionne's performance, "Working with Dionne is one of the most frustrating experiences," Manuel said. "Dionne is a beautiful spirit but as soon as Dionne steps in front of the camera she starts to look controlling and mean."

During the judging panel, the girls were given the task of evaluating each other.

"Do you think you have the most Top Model potential in this competition?" Tyra Banks asked Dionne.

"I think I'm gonna say Joe Chilon," Dionne said.

During an interview Dionne admitted that she regrets not answering Tyra Banks's question differently.

Dionne believes that if she had told Tyra she had the most potential she would still be in the competition.

Dionne and Natasha were the bottom two last week. Doctor was sent home because she lacked the ability to soften her facial expressions.

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The simple act of holding hands may not be as straightforward as one might think. The Pride Center sponsored "Same-Sex Hand Holding Day" on May 9, calling on same-sex individuals to join hands openly on campus for the entire day. The Pride Center sent out emails to those on their listserv before and after the event asking everyone on campus, lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) or not, "to support the LGBT community, by holding the hand of someone who is the same sex as you. Challenge the heterosexual norm and support diversity."

The idea for the event came from Pride Center Student Assistant Kristen Tahour, who first heard about a similar event that the University of Florida has as part of their annual week long "People Awareness Week" every January. Tahour felt that the Pride Center should hold its own Same-Sex Hand Holding Day on the CSUSB campus and thus the idea was born. "This day is about challenging the heterosexual norm and supporting the LGBT community," Tahour said. "Holding hands hopes to show people the struggles that many LGBT individuals face everyday. Even holding hands with their same-sex partner can generate hostility towards them and this is to change that by allowing everyone, LGBT or straight, the chance to experience the struggles they themselves." Tahour added in regards to the importance of the day's event that "...the goal should be not in order to ensure all people have the right to not be discriminated against."

Tahour explained the lack of visibility by speculating that "I feel that holding hands and facing first hand (quit literally) the many struggles faced by LGBT individuals can help generate support for equality of all people," Tahour said. Tahour observed the level of unity felt in regards to the LGBT population and the straight population at CSUSB. "I think that many people on campus do not realize just how large a LGBT population there is at this school," Tahour said.

For more information regarding the Pride Center and their upcoming events, please visit its website at http://studentunion.csusb.edu/programs_and_cen ters/pc-des.htm.
Exploring and exposing diversity

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Getting the perfect gift for Mother’s Day is a process. Most people are willing to drop a good chunk of change to make mom happy, so much money, in fact, that Mother’s Day is the third largest revenue generating holiday in the United States, behind the winter holidays and Valentine’s Day.

Diamonds, flowers, gift cards and chocolates are some of the best selling gifts on Mother’s Day. In this busy tech-savvy society, gift cards and chocolates are popular gifts.

The celebration of Mother’s Day started nearly a century ago. A school teacher named Anna Jarvis wanted to honor her mother whose passing had caused her such sorrow that she could not blow a kiss. She began a movement to honor all mothers around the country. Her dedication paid off because Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the second Sunday in May to be Mother’s Day.

Shortly after Mother’s Day became a national holiday, the school teacher named Anna Jarvis was honored to have her mother whom she missed so much, raised from the grave, although, Jarvis believed that the true spirit of the day was being sacrificed by giving mom gifts, which would only make her feel like she didn’t care enough before they could resolve a feud.

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New class fights a stereotype
Edith Omor
Staff Writer

Modern-day femininities in the Middle East are to be understood and analysed in the light of Orientalism: women in dark robes covered from head to toe by draping veiled veils waving on every man’s face in Lebanon,” Muhtaseb said.

Those kinds of Hollywood images have been chiseled into the American psyche, making it hard to address real issues concerning women in the Islamic world.

This quarter at CSUSB professors from the Anthropology and Communication studies departments have joined forces to create the course Islamic Women in Society and Media.

Dr. Amin Mahboub and Dr. Anna Bennett use a combination of novice, scholarly articles and guest speakers to elaborate the focus of their class.

We put this panel together because we thought that one of the best ways to educate students on Muslim women is to provide them with some of the realities of Muslim women, while deconstructing the stereotypical images of those women in Western, especially American, media, said Mahboub.

In the fifth week of the course the professors brought the class to sit in and participate in Dr. Eze Aligwe’s lecture, “The Meaning of Veiling,” in which the discussed Turkish and Islamic art history, politics and religious implications for veil-wearing.

One student described the similarity of veiling in the 1940s in Turkey to “Sea Baring” in the 1960s in the U.S.

Last Thursday the class heard the distinguished Dr. Ghada Omer. She is known for her publication “Identity and Community in a New Generation: Muslims in America: A Minority in the Early Seventeenth Century and Today in Faith, Fear and Involvement” (Fordham University Press).

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Billboard speaks to few, angers many

Dafne Solano
Staff Writer

It is no surprise that in modern society more than half of marriages end in divorce. In the second half of the 20th century alone, we have seen divorce rates increase at a steady pace but have done little to reverse the trend. Last week in the downtown streets of Chicago, residents and neighbors were incensed over a billboard put up by FGA Law Firm which proclaimed “Life’s short, Get a Divorce.”

At first glance of the billboard, one would catch racy half-streets of Chicago, residents and onlookers would construe the bold slogan previously stated. However, moving away from the fact that it drew in a significant amount of innuendos and consultations for FGA, this advertisement is purely the result of the problem.

Due to our society’s light-handliness about something as serious as marriage, we have found ourselves in a recurring cycle, treating marriage as an easily broken bond. Maybe it’s faulty ethics passed down by our parents. Whatever the case, it is never too late to make changes on our own.

We should not follow the examples of Britney Spears’ two divorces, Elizabeth Taylor’s eight divorces and Larry King’s seven divorces. White divorce wasn’t invented in the United States; it’s shameful to know that we have the third highest divorce rate in the world.

As members of society we should each do our part to restore faith in the institution of marriage. People need to realize that marriage is a union between two people for the purpose of joining three separate lives into one for the sake of love and family; it is not an agreement that should be entered into in hopes of achieving status, fame, or riches.

Not to say that there is no novelty in the billboard put up by the Chicago law firm. But one can only hope that the laughter is due to its silliness and not an accurate assessment of today’s attitude toward marriage.

A week later, the billboard was taken down due to an improper permit filed with the Chicago Board of Inspections and Building. The advertisement will someday regain respect that is so long overdue.

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Presidential hype, a lot of baloney

Jarred Veritos
Staff Writer

The presidential election is more than a year away, and be warned: the hype has already begun. Many names are in the spotlight, as every year’s election marks the first time since 1928 that there has been no incumbent president seeking re-election, nor a vice-president seeking re-election.

The 2004 Elections saw 64 percent of U.S. citizens aged 18 and over voting, slightly more than the 60 percent in 2000, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. For the 2008 elections, the race is on to rally support and funds for each of the Presidential hopefuls.

New York Daily News reported that if the costs for both sides of the campaign in the past two elections are added together, they seem to have rivaled that doubled in only eight years ($449.9 million in 1996, $649.5 million in 2000, and $1.01 billion in 2004).

According to Michael Toner, chairman of the Federal Election Commission, any year’s election is poised to be “the most expensive election in American history.”

It is still too early to tell who will end up being our next president, but expect to be saturated with hype galore. According to BBC News, the Democratic party seems to have rolled the dice to date. Hillary Clinton leads the pack with a reported $28 million already for the first quarter of 2007. Barack Obama, follows close behind with $23 million.

This does not mean the Republican party is skipping, with Mitt Romney raising $21 million, and former New York mayor Rudolph Giuliani bringing in $15 million.

What should we really be paying attention to? Keep in mind that all this money will be spent to reach you, the voter, and sway your opinion. The advertisers in charge of each campaign get paid to know what it takes to intrigue the public, and what to tell them to get them to believe in someone enough to cast a vote.

Sometimes when I see television news coverage on the election, I close my eyes and picture the person talking doing one of those late-night infomercials. Then I ask myself if I feel like I’m being manipulated into “making four easy payments of $19.95.”

Many resources are available to us to get un-biased information.
Nancy Simpson, Coyote Athletic Director: on the move to Anderson University

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Sports

Simpson ‘can-do’

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Specifically, she has run a clear program without question about the integrity of our teams or coaches. She’s run this our student-athletes are students first, and they have excelled both in the classroom. The collective grade point average of our athletes typically exceeds that of our overall student body and non-athletes are great role models off the courts and in the classroom.

Along with all of that, our linedates have been an absolutely wonderful and professional group. The university and the community are very proud of the student-athletes that have been recruited and have retained in this outstanding athletic department.

As athletic director, Simpson has been a constant source of support for the university and the community. She has been an instrumental part of my life and has been an absolute source of strength and support since I entered this institution in 1990. Simpson did not become a five-year college until 1991 and attained university status just last year.

“I look forward to taking over the leadership of that program,” Simpson said.

“I am also fortunate that this gives me an opportunity to be closer to my family in Georgia,” Simpson said.

Simpson graduated from Berry College in Georgia, where she was a four-year letter winner in volleyball and basketball and MVP of her national champion basketball team in 1976. She earned her master’s degree from University of Southern Mississippi, where she has served as an assistant basketball coach and tennis coach before coming to California to work at UC Riverside.

“I will truly miss my Coyote family. I thank the campus and the community for all of their support through the years,” Simpson said.

Simpson and her husband, Wayne Simpson, who recently retired as a general contractor and custom home builder, have lived in the Victorville area for many years.
Kristen Angon Staff Writer

The 2007, CSUSB men’s golf team has set a record by winning in first NCAA Division II West Regional championships. This is the Webster first title that has ever been out since the CSUSB men’s golf program was first created.

“It feels really good to be a part of the first personal best school record,” Coach Tom Mainez Jr. said.

On May 6-9, the Coyotes were looking to do well enough to push them along into Nationals, but went above and beyond their expectations.

lsing into the NCAA West/Northwest Super Regionals, was to finish in the top 4,” Mainez said.

“Tf we’re out of the field ability to capitalize on the other teams’ mistakes.”

There were high rough around the fairways, making it more difficul- for the golfers to drive the ball.

“This has been a hard year of the other things we needed to improve on,” head coach Dan Parrell said.

The Coyotes are the first to break 546-600 in the ninth inning this season.

The second game was not so well for the Coyotes either. They were behind 36-37, giving them their sixth straight loss. It was not until the top of the fifth that the Coyotes made their presence known with Brand Codis hitting a triple. The team followed with a string of hits, but it was not enough to come back.

Despite the loss Croixton has had a great batting cycle for the hitting, single, double, triple and hitless in all the same game.

It is statistically better than pitching a no-hitter according to Parrell.

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