The CSU Faculty Association organized a rally at the Capitol on April 4, with a primary goal of increasing financial support for the CSU system. "Faculty, students and everyone who cares about public higher education really needs to be concerned about what's happening to the California State University which we call the people's university," said CFA President Jennifer Eagan. Those behind the rally feel that the state funding for the CSU system is inadequate and they are not being invested in properly. The CSU schools were created to allow all students that could meet the requirements an opportunity to get a higher education. With over 30,000 qualified students being turned away this year alone, that promise is not being met. "That's a real violation of that promise that was made to California's young people to have a place in a university," Eagan said. "It's also bad public policy because the state committed that it needed a college-educated workforce so much that they should subsidize it." The CSU has been increasing student fees in an attempt to fill the hole in the budget. "That is a form of privatization," Eagan said. "It is moving the cost of public higher education, which is a public good, onto individual students and their families." These are funds that originally were supposed to be funded by the state. "We had a tuition increase last year, and now the CSU is considering the possibility of another one," said Eagan. Meanwhile, Gov. Brown is holding onto a surplus of over $7 billion. "The CSU is still in austerity mode while the coffers of the state are overfull," said Eagan. In addition to the current proposed CSU budget, they are asking for $422 million in order to increase enrollment by 5 percent. This target amount may be a long shot, but the goal is to put pressure on the governor and legislature to return their attention to the valuable CSU system. Eagan mentioned that having college-educated citizens is good for the state and that by investing in the CSU, they will be investing into the future of California.

As schools across the nation participated in National Walkout Day to protest mass shootings and promote the enforcement of stricter gun control laws, the CSUSB VOICE peers held their own walkout on the Pfau Library Lawn on March 14. This event came one month after the deadly Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting in Parkland, Florida, which claimed 17 victims. The #Enough and #NeverAgain movements have inspired a call to action against gun violence, and as a means to honor the lives lost during the Valentine’s Day massacre. While high schools nationwide had 17-minute walkouts to represent each life lost during the Florida shooting, the CSUSB walkout was slightly different.

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While there were photo displays to pay tribute to the Parkland victims, the CSUSB VOICE peers decided to organize a 14-minute walkout to commemorate the 14 lives taken in the San Bernardino terrorist attack on Dec. 2, 2015. This attempted bombing of the Inland Empire was, at the time, the deadliest mass shooting since the one at Sandy Hook Elementary in 2012. An estimated 200 people attended the CSUSB walkout, and the names of both the Parkland and San Bernardino shooting victims were read during the 14 minutes.

"Taking part in the walkout was pretty exhilarating," said VOICE peer Natalie Gonzales. "I, myself, was unsure if we would have a good turnout or not since it was week 10 and during class time, and we had only begun spreading the word about it a week before. When all those people showed up, I felt a wave of emotions come over me as I was excited, touched, and nervous all at the same time."

CSUSB VOICE is a student group that is dedicated to reducing the number of students affected by sexual assault, dating/domestic violence, and stalking through the use of education. Two poster boards were made in memory of the Florida victims and an assortment of orange hearts were used to represent the San Bernardino victims, including the two victims from the Northpark Elementary attack on April 10, 2017.

The adviser for VOICE, Marina Rodriguez, created the promotional flyer for the walkout that was posted on social media and on bulletin boards across campus. Handouts for the event were also created that contained statistics, the purpose of the event, and the names of all of the victims.

The atmosphere was positive and welcoming, and the ralliers got their thoughts across to the legislature.

"This fight is not over," said Chen-Maynard. "This cause is extremely relevant to CSUSB. We lost five alumni of the 14 victims in the Dec. 2 attack, and Karen Elaine Smith of the Northpark attack was also a CSUSB alum. We may think that something like this would never happen to any of us or someone we know, but that is not always the case," said Gonzales.

As the issue of gun control continues to be a popular topic of conversation in the United States, regulation of firearms is an especially sensitive matter to the city of San Bernardino, with the university’s student body having been directly affected by gun violence.

I felt that this walkout was necessary for San Bernardino and CSUSB due to the gun violence that our city has experienced in the past,” stated Gonzales. “It is a recurring event in our area, whether it’s a terrorist attack, domestic violence, gang violence, or racial profiling, and it needs to be brought to the attention of the community that it needs to stop.”

The walkout was just the beginning of the change that will hopefully be brought to our city and nation very soon.

While the VOICE peers organized the walkout in hopes of spreading awareness and honoring mass shooting victims, the student group also wishes to remind others to be vigilant in noticing the signs of domestic violence and disturbed individuals.

Being alert and noticing the signs of time can help prevent future attacks and even save lives.
Campaign against tuition increase

By Crystal Harrell
Senior Reporter

California State University System’s proposed tuition increase is scheduled to take place in the 2018-2019 academic year, and with that date drawing near, the CSUSB Associated Students Incorporated (ASI) has launched “Scan Me Before It Costs You” to help students fight the hike.

This digital campaign involves the placement of various signs on campus that say “Scan Me Before It Costs You” with a QR code. Once the code is scanned using an iOS device camera or application, it will direct users to the ASI website stoptheincrease.org where they can learn more about the increase and how to take action against it.

The QR codes can be found on lawn signs, posters, and handouts that ASI has distributed across campus. These materials are mostly located at the entrance of buildings, along walkways, and on poster boards.

Flies with QR codes are posted throughout campus that will direct students to the ASI website. Photo courtesy of Crystal Harrell.

“Scan Me Before It Costs You” is led by Melissa Patton, Director of External Affairs for ASI, who was able to create this campaign with the help of her legislative team.

“The idea was to connect with students in the most accessible way possible,” explained Patton. “With digital platforms including social media now a main source of information, we knew this was the route we needed to take to get the most engagement. It’s simple, sustainable, and straight to the point.”

State investment in the CSU system was formerly 80 percent in the mid-1990s, but the state now invests 55 percent while remaining expenses are funded by tuition and fees.

Governor Brown shared his budget plan for the 2018-19 fiscal year in January, where he allocated $92.1 million to the CSUSB—63 percent of which are low-income students and 80 percent receive some form of financial aid.

The increase amount varies based on degree type. Charts on the ASI website show the lowest increase being an eight-dollar fee change for graduate business professionals and the highest a $1,032 increase for students pursuing a doctorate in physical therapy.

“Our hope for this campaign is to increase awareness about this important and powerful issue. This will affect every student on our campus and within the CSU system,” said Patton. “The goal is to generate support and to provide students with a platform where they are able to voice their concerns to our state legislators, Governor Brown, and the CSU Board of Trustees, who are the decision makers on this issue.”

In contrast, if there was to be no tuition increase and the state would not fund the CSU, fewer course selections would be available, and the average unit load would go down, and less academic and student support services would be available.

Chart outlining distribution of increased funds. Courtesy of ASI.

That is why the ASI Lobby Corps is preparing to take nine students to Sacramento to urge state representatives to vote on a budget that fully supports the CSU system. Their reach also remains on campus as they encourage students to write letters to urge the Board of Trustees to vote against the tuition increase in May.

“It is amazing being a part of this campaign. It is our responsibility to continue serving our students at this magnitude. I really enjoy having face-to-face conversations with my fellow peers and informing them of why this is being proposed and how we are trying to stop it,” said Patton.

Students can participate in the cause by clicking the “Take Action” button and completing the digital letter on the QR code website. Once the letter is completed, ASI will forward a copy to state representatives and Governor Brown encouraging them to vote on a state budget that fully supports the CSU System. ASI will also send a letter to the CSU Board of Trustees to urge them to vote against a tuition increase.

Thousands of Free Books

By Yesica Gonzalez
Community Reporter

On Apr. 7 the Child Care Resource Center hosted the 5th Annual Family Play Day and celebrated a donation of 2,000 books.

The Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County (CAPSBC) donated the books to the “What a Difference A Book Makes” literacy campaign.

Bill Swindle, the donation manager of The Child Care Resource Center, was ecstatic to hear about the donation that was made by the CAPSBC.

“Wonderful. I was very pleasantly surprised about it. It’s important to support the growth of literacy in the community,” said Swindle.

In 2009, The Child Care Resource Center took a pledge to collect and distribute children’s books to low-income families. “It’s important to shed light on literacy and it helps us make a connection to economy of literacy rate. Children are more successful in life if they are able to read. Literacy betters people,” said Swindle.

Not only did the CCRC celebrate the donation of books, they also held the annual play day that offers fun and educational information.

Molina Healthcare was part of the event and were there to provide information about family healthcare plans.

Parents were also informed about early learning childhood activities that can be easily recreated at their homes with their little ones.

For children, there were many activities for them to enjoy throughout the event. There was face painting, hands-on reptile exhibits, story time, and science and environmental educational activities. Families were going from one activity to the next with their kids enjoying the outdoor play day.

The books that were donated were also distributed to promote the rise of literacy among children. During the event, staff and volunteers had dedicated an area where families could stop by to grab as many books as they wanted.

The staff encouraged children to take a book back home for them to read. “Getting a free book, free food, all kinds of fun. It’s just a fun and enjoyable time for families,” said Swindle.

The CAPSBC has been partnering with the CCRC for about five years, providing various donations and a wider spread of resources. “The partnership offers other resources to people that we couldn’t offer before. By having it, we can give out food, books and anything else that others see it as normal but others find it as a luxury,” said Swindle. This levels the plane field for others.”

Families at the play day were lined up to receive boxed foods and a bag of fresh fruits and vegetables provided by the CCRC.

These resources allow low-income families to have food for their children and themselves back at home.

The organization is committed to providing literature to children so they can gain knowledge and the skills they need for school and as they grow.

“The general community accepts donations like can goods and books that cannot be used to distribute to families in need. We are here for the community. We want families to have a good life,” said Swindle.
By Devon Renich
Managing Editor
Protection of National Monuments in California from industries extracting the land’s natural resources was discussed on a campus panel before the spring break.

The Panel was a part of the High Desert National Monument campaign, ran by Environment California, the Mojave Desert Land Trust, and the Wilderness Society. The campaign is focused on keeping the monument’s natural ecosystems safe by educating the public and encouraging them to get involved. National monuments are protected areas where there’s no further development allowed as under the antiquity act of 1906.

The panel included three speakers: Bret Weinberger, campaign organizer for Environment California, Jacqueline Guevara who was Director of Education and Public Engagement of the Mojave Desert Land Trust, and Jihadda M. Govan, Monument Manager for the United States Department of Agriculture. Each member discussed the importance of protecting the monument, shared their personal experiences and educated the audience on how they could help the cause.

“These are protected areas, these are wilderness areas, where we see animal species and plant species, and we can educate our generation and the next generation about what wonders there are out there in nature.” said panelist Bret Weinberger.

Until recently, there has never been an attempt to change the protection of these monuments. According to Bret Weinberger, the Trump administration is attempting to remove the title of National Monument from these places, allowing industries to extract resources which could harm their natural ecosystems. This will lead to changes of the lands environment and could potentially diminish public visitation.

The High Desert National Monuments are made of three major regions: Sand to Snow, Mojave Trails, and Castle Mountains. All three monuments are diverse in their sights and species, and are a short drive from our local communities.

Sand to Snow is over 154,000 acres of land ranging from the Sonoran Desert to the peak of San Gorgonio Mountain. Its multiple ecosystems make it the most bio diverse of any national monument in the county. The Mojave Trails and Castle Mountain monuments feature sand dunes, springs from underground water, desert grasslands and mountain ranges.

People are welcome to visit each monument for various activities such as hiking, fishing, hunting, camping and other types of recreation. The Mojave Desert Land Trust plays a big role in preserving these areas for the public to enjoy these activities.

“The land trust is an organization that primarily acquires lands based on a number of different criteria...” said panelist Jacqueline Guevara regarding the Mojave Desert Land Trust “...usually we convey lands back to whatever public lands agency we’re closest to but sometimes we hold in perpetuity for educational purposes and we usually turn the land around in 5-10 years which is faster than the government can do it, and we restore the land back to its natural state before we turn it back.”

The panel discussed protecting the monuments and the importance of public participation in the campaign.

The desert is the last place anyone would think to start an environmental development, but Cadiz Inc. is navigating through ways to do it successfully.

Mead, the nation’s largest surface reservoir. Groundwater comes from precipitation that falls in the surrounding mountains, which rise over 7,000 feet in elevation. Each year, approximately 32,000 acre-feet (10.4 billion gallons) recharges the system and ultimately reaches the base of the watershed, at an area called Dry Lakes that are below sea level and ten times saltier than the Pacific Ocean. Groundwater that reaches the Dry Lakes wicks up through their crusty surface and evaporates every day. While farming, we observed this ongoing loss and proposed better managing the basin to control it, provide new water for beneficial uses and a location for storage of surplus water. This became the objective of the Cadiz Water Project.

3. The Cadiz Water Project Received Rigorous California Environmental Review & San Bernardino County Holds the Keys. The Project was reviewed and approved by two California local public agencies—including the often-overlooked County of San Bernardino—in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an environmental law considered more stringent than any federal equivalent law. The review concluded that operations would have no significant impacts on the environment. The County also approved a strict groundwater management plan that limits operations to a precise hard floor below the water table so that the basin is safely operated. The provisions of the management plan are “above and beyond” the strict requirements of CEQA, but were imposed by the County under its local groundwater management laws. Nearly all of the Inland Empire relies on groundwater to supply its communities, schools, hospitals and businesses, and the County is a leader in local groundwater management.

Full version Online @ Coyotecronicle.net

This letter submitted by Degener is a response to an article published on March 7 about potential environmental risks the water project may cause. To read that article, visit Coyotecronicle.net or scan the QR code below.
Khalid Came to the grounds of CSUSB

By Yesica Gonzalez
Community Reporter

The pouring rain didn’t stop singer Khalid from performing outdoors at CSUSB on Saturday, March 10.

Khalid is an American singer and songwriter from Fort Stewart, Georgia who is a rising star in the music industry. Originally, the show was to take place in early January but to ensure safety, it was rescheduled to March.

Students, staff, and friends waited for hours in the rain to be first in line to see the famous idol. Diana Santos was one of the people that waited for a long time with her friend, both of whom are students at CSUSB. “I was in line for hours since they let us in after six. But it was all worth it because it’s Khalid,” Santos said. But despite this, Santos and her friend kept themselves in an enthusiastic mood. They updated themselves through Khalid’s social media to see if he had arrived or posted anything about the event.

On Twitter, a person questioned the singer if he was going to cancel the show because of the rainy, gloomy weather. In which the star responded, “Nah, I’m still here.” Khalid later on once again reassured that they were going to make it work under the weather conditions. The rain, traffic and waiting in line couldn’t stop the crowd from enjoying the performance. “It was one of the best nights of my life. It was definitely worth the wait,” Santos shared. Khalid appearing for the first time had the crowd on their feet and cheering for the young singer.

The event had a positive atmosphere where people were dancing, singing along and making memories together.

The singer performed songs such as “Young Dumb & Broke,” “Another Sad Love Song,” “STÉEN” and “Location.” A majority of the songs were from his only studio album American Teen that was released on March 3, 2017.

He sang an acoustic version of “The Ways” that was debuted in the new Marvel film, Black Panther and “Love Lies” from his recent collaboration with Fifth Harmony’s Normani.

There was a moment when Khalid was doing the air guitar and slightly fell but played it off coolly.

A few captured it on video and posted it on social media. He later commented on his Twitter about the situation by playfully blaming it on the slippery stage and stating, “I was moonwalking.”

During the show, Khalid was busting out moves that kept the enjoyable vibe going until the end.

Of all the joy Santos felt after the concert, she described it as a blessing.

“I’m sure I’m going to be sick after this, but it was all worth it! It’s a great way to end the quarter,” Santos said.

The show left people, such as Santos, with new memories for the later future.

The night shower of rain also left people with muddy shoes.

But despite this, it was a pleasure to have Khalid on the grounds of CSUSB.

Under the rain Khalid and CSUSB college students were trying to make the best of the night.

International Student Attitude at CSUSB

By Zhiying Xu
Staff Writer

CSUSB has almost 1,000 international students that come from more 50 countries. More and more international students are attending colleges outside their home countries and facing challenges as they set forth on their new academic journeys.

“It’s always been a challenge for international students who study here and live here,” said Dr. Rong Chen, who has taught at CSUSB for more than 25 years.

Studying abroad is a big challenge that students have to adjust to.

“All issues that international students are facing might be because of culture barrier,” said Dr. Rong Chen.

Language can be a huge barrier sometimes. I always try to explain what I’m talking about and sometimes we even use apps to communicate certain words. It definitely fascinates me how well international students are able to adapt,” said student Aylen Jauregui.

Language could be one of the issues they face, as English is often not their first language. Most international students speak a different language and have had to adapt to the English language along the way.

“I had a hard time when I was a freshman,” said Chinese student Jingyi Wu, “At that time, I was afraid people don’t understand what I’m talking about. I was also afraid I don’t understand what they say.”

Trying to talk in another language can be a problem, but students find a way to communicate with other people.

“I definitely think it’s a cool experience for those who are coming from different countries and even for people who already live here. Language can be a huge barrier sometimes. I always try to explain what I’m talking about and sometimes we even use apps to communicate certain words. It definitely fascinates me how well international students are able to adapt,” said student Aylen Jauregui.

Language is a representation of a culture, and having a background in a different culture could help international students understand the meaning of words in different ways compared to American students.

“My roommate was American. She always asked me to hang out together during the weekend. At first, I didn’t know that ‘hang out’ meant to go out together. For me, the term ‘hang out’ meant to hang out my clothes,” said Wu.

Most international students have struggled to understand Americans’ speech and behavior. “All issues that international students are facing might be because of culture barrier,” Chen said. “Sometimes different culture could make international student hard to blend into this community. Culture barrier is difficult to eliminate because it is too complicated.”

The cultural barrier might be the greatest issue for international students studying at CSUSB and living in this environment.

Sometimes, American students also face culture shock from international students because they have a different culture from them.

However, some students are still interested in immersing themselves in different cultures to enjoy learning something new, even though they know it is difficult for them to understand it.

“I’m always up for the challenge to learn more about other international students and their culture,” said Jauregui.

In order to help the international students explore different cultures more easily, CSUSB has many associations such as Chinese Student Association, Korean Student Association, Japanese Student Association, Vietnamese Student Association and others.

“We are working on how to make the international student feel more comfortable, and we believe this diverse campus, and all of us, can be their reliable support,” said Junjie Wang, president of the Chinese Student Association.
Weed Wonderland sprouts in Nipton

By Jakeva Wortham & Abigail Escobar
Staff Writer

A pot mecca is putting a small town back on the map with American Green Company and its plans to transform it into a marijuana farm and a “high” getaway.

The quiet small town of Nipton, California, on the Northeastern border of the Mojave National Preserve will soon transform into a weed party town—a town where you can smoke all you want and party all night long.

In 2018, the town will soon be a place where visitors can have a tour of the marijuana farm, shop the dispensaries, take a dip in the natural spring baths and enjoy a toke outside a pot-friendly bed-and-breakfast.

“Nipton is chill, it is layback, no laws, we all live together, we are all chill,” says Teena Thomas, one of 32 residents of the town.

Teena Thomas was one of the few residents that did not know Nipton existed before she moved there nine months ago in search of quietness and to isolate herself from the big city.

American Green Company is changing the town by expanding the town and building more hotels and cabins.

“Change was a blessing for the town. American Green brought money to the town that we need,” said Teena Thomas.

Nipton is the perfect town for people like Teena Thomas who want a quiet vacation away from society, in a free town with “no rules.”

She works in a little convenience store, Nipton’s Trading Post, a few minutes from where she rents a room.

American Green plans on hiring the same workers the previous owner had and keeping them in the town.

Thomas believes the town is blessed with American Green, but hopes that the development will not make it lose its historical charm.

“Nipton is a historical town from 1905 and it is protected as magical Nipton,” said Carl Cavaness, a Cornish miner from England, searching for gold at the time.

“American Green plans to expand the town by building more hotels, cabins, and hemp creek,” said Carl Cavaness a resident from Nipton.

Cavaness loves living in Nipton because it is very quiet and he can smoke anytime.

American Green, Corp., became one of the first publicly traded technology companies in the cannabis industry in 2009. Now, with over 50,000 individual shareholders, more than any other company in the cannabis sector, American Green’s mission is to lead the cannabis industry.

American Green plans to invest as much as $2.5 million over the next 18 months to completely renovate and begin a pot farm.

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In 1986, Gerald Freeman bought the 120 acres of land and he can smoke anytime.

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Nipton Town was later bought by Gerald Freeman in 1984. In 1986, Gerald Freeman transformed the Nipton Hotel into a bed and breakfast.

The trading post also became the first convenience store.

In 1995, plans were made to make Nipton into a tourism and art center.

By 2005, the National Park Service and the facility opened to the public as the official Visitor Center for Mojave National Preserve.

In 2015, Gerald Freeman felt keeping the town was onerous, so he decided to put it up for sale.

In 2016, Freeman stated he wanted Nipton’s buyer to be “someone who’s committed to sustainability of the human race.”

In 2017, the legal marijuana “green rush” arrived in Nipton when it was bought by American Green Company.

The residents believe their “magical Nipton” will keep its history despite the influx of workers and future pot parties.

Introduction to the ATI Department

By Emmanuel Tanopo
Staff Writer

Ever wondered about the future of immersive learning? Integrating technology with learning? Enhancements in the art of pedagogy? All those experimental developments are taking place over at the ATI department.

ATI stands for Academic Technologies Innovation. Innovation is the key word. This department covers a large umbrella of technological integration with the key goal related to better teaching and learning.

What they do can be separated into two major categories: Operational IT and Academic IT.

Operational IT provides support to systems and technologies that are integrated with the classrooms such as projectors and computers.

The ATI department is the headquarters of IT support. They localize support information in each building so that IT can come over to any classroom that needs technical support.

Academic IT is where the fun takes place. A lot of what you may have seen in your courses has been a part of the ATI’s list of projects.

If you have taken a class where a professor has given you video lectures to watch where they are in front of a green screen, that is shot and edited in the ATI video studio.

They are testing the use and effectiveness of “smart classrooms” which integrate useful tech tools such as BYOD or “bring your own device.”

This allows students to connect their devices directly into the projector, instead of being limited to using the computer in the class. This is used to prevent long and complicated set up times for presentations.

“Smart furniture” is also part of these smart classrooms.

This is the type of furniture that makes it easier for group projects to be carried out. For example, there are desks that are shaped in a way that makes it easier to put them in a circle or set up for large meetings.

Another innovation that is making its way to classrooms is the use of virtual reality. Imagine a course you can take where you can strap on a VR headset for an immersive experience in, let’s say, the prohibition era. This is one example of the developments that are being worked on over at the ATI department.

Lecture halls are currently in the talks of having a tablet on the podium so that professors are not bound to the front of the classroom, but instead engaging in student interaction. More projector screens could also be included for students in the back that might not see the projector from far away.

One of the many major goals of the ATI department is to convert basic classrooms into smart classrooms. The numbers per year they are hoping for would be about 40-50 classrooms.

Exposure for the ATI is something that needs to happen.

Michael Chen Senior Academic Technology Officer/Director of ATI comments, “If the ATI were to obtain more exposure, hopefully tech companies can come forth and introduce other forms of learning based technologies to make for a more immersive experience with learning.”

Would you like to see more technologies integrated with your learning experience on campus? For those whom are interested in the developments and projects, you will be able to catch demonstrations in the near future.

From there, the department will be able to chat with students about what technologies interest them and what they would like to see integrated with their learning experiences whilst attending CSUSB.
This month, the CSUSB Title IX and Gender Equity is presenting a series of events to promote Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM). Whether it is wearing the official SAAM color teal, or sporting the symbolic ribbons, coyotes can show support through the activities planned for April.

During the same time, an Instagram campaign called #TEALMEYOURSTORY was launched so supporters could upload pictures of themselves wearing teal on the social media site, and share why they are participating in SAAM.

There will be several discussions held about topics centering on harassment and consent. Preventing Violence Against Transwomen, a conversation about the physical and sexual violence transgender people experience in their daily lives, will be held Apr. 17 at SMSU-112. Rape Culture 101 will help others understand the term “rape culture” and how to end the perpetuation of the culture in society on Apr. 18 at SMSU-221. The Take Back the Night event will take place on Apr. 19 at the SMSU Events Center. The event provides a chance for survivors of sexual assault to have their voices heard in a supportive environment. It will also feature spoken word poetry, artwork, and a table resource fair for attendees to enjoy.

The Teal Color Fest, held on Apr. 20, will provide the CSUSB community with the opportunity to support San Bernardino Sexual Assault Services (SBSAS). Donations will be collected by VOICE peers at the Serrano Village Quad.

Sexual Assault Awareness Month will end with lectures by sexologist author Michelle Hope and sexual assault advocate Danny Cygan on Apr. 26 at the SMSU Theater. Hope’s discussion will focus on how sexuality can affect peoples’ day-to-day interactions, while Cygan will share a male perspective about being a sexual assault survivor.

In the age of movements such as “Me Too” and “Time’s Up”, the topic of sexual assault and harassment has become more openly discussed, and remains a relevant subject to CSUSB students.

How does Sunnie Bell’s story from 1986 compare to Crystal Harrell’s story from this week? This glimpse from the past shows that sexual assault is something that has been an issue for a while now.

Above is a news clipping from the Coyote Chronicle’s archived newspapers. April is sexual assault awareness month. How does Sunnie Bell’s story from 1986 compare to Crystal Harrell’s story from this week? This glimpse from the past shows that sexual assault is something that has been an issue for a while now.
Long Distance Relationships

By Katie Connelly
Staff Writer

After graduating high school, young adults move forward with their lives. Whether it be moving across the country to go to an out-of-state college or wanting to get away from their hometown after years of being in the same place, it seems there are a lot of couples going for a long-distance relationship.

Many couples feel as though they have found their soulmate already and refuse to let distance arise when facing these obstacles. Many people struggle with this factor of a relationship, whether it be long-distance or not. 

First things first. Communication is key. Communication is the most important factor in a long-distance relationship. Even if you have opposite schedules, it is still important to make time to call, text or FaceTime your partner. Communication allows less stress about worrying what the other person is doing and it also keeps the bond between the two people strong. Making an effort to communicate with someone means more than you think because it makes your partner feel wanted and special.

Next, it is important to be open, honest and trustworthy with each other. Many people struggle with this factor of a relationship, whether it be long-distance or not. No one is able to possess the items you need as a student. 

Lastly, make it a point to visit your partner. Spending quality time with each other creates reassurance and will remind you why a long-distance relationship is worth it in the long run. It is important to remember that when involved in a long-distance relationship, couples must be prepared to work twice as hard as they did when distance was not an issue.

Long-distance relationships should not be something to fear in life. Many people experience them and have been successful.
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The joys of playing indoor soccer

By Breeze Rivers
Sports Editor

Playing indoor soccer is one of the most enjoyable ways for soccer players to stay in shape and maintain ball control.

Indoor soccer differs from outdoor because the game is played in a much more compact area, where ball control, skill and passing accuracy are vital.

Different players have their personal preferences when deciding if they enjoy playing indoor or outdoor better.

“I like playing outdoor better than indoor because as a goalkeeper, I enjoy viewing the game from a wider perspective,” said Alex Benevidez, a student who has three years of collegiate soccer experience. “That way, I can communicate to my backline more effectively.”

Each indoor arena differs in specific game regulations and rules, but a typical indoor team consists of four to six players, including a goalkeeper.

Games are either timed or played until one team wins by scoring two goals.

There are no off-sides in indoor and slide tackling is typically not allowed.

A handful of CSUSB students and other locals enjoy playing at the Upland Arena.

The arena offers “Pay N Play” where players can pay for the field, make teams and play small-sided pickup games.

“We like playing at Upland because the competition is always good, and the Pay N Play makes it cheap,” said Destiny Collins, transfer goalkeeper from Chaffey College. “We only pay anywhere from $6-$8 to play.”

Another popular local arena that students play in is called Goals, located in Pomona and Rancho Cucamonga.

At Goals, teams can book a field for about $90.

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Playing indoors can be dangerous, and indoor soccer is a convenient alternative.

Ma‘ila Aluli, a women’s soccer player at Fort Lewis in Colorado, says, “It snows a lot and so we can’t be out on the field sometimes, but the snow always opens up the opportunity to play indoor.”

Aluli says indoor is a great way for her team to work on ball control and off-ball movements.

Indoor is an exciting and affordable way to have fun with your soccer friends. There are a handful of local indoor arenas in the Inland Empire and options for playing on campus.

Indoor is a great way to escape weather restrictions and work on ball control.

LA Clippers fight for playoffs spot

By Breeze Rivers
Sports Editor

The LA Clippers managed to keep their playoff hopes alive after defeating the fourth placed team in the Western Conference, the San Antonio Spurs on Tuesday, April 3.

The Clippers (42-36) were able to come out on top, against their favor, the Clippers expected to win at all,” said Rivers.

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The Clippers scored 41 points in the first half of the game, and ended the night with 20 points.

As a team, the Clippers scored 41 points in the fourth, a season-high for the final quarter.

However, following the Spurs game, the Clippers moved on to play the Nuggets on April 7, where they lose 113-115.

As of today, the Clippers sit in at the tenth spot in the Western Conference. Only the top eight teams will move to playoffs.

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“their win against the Spurs instilled hope in their hearts for playoffs,” said Vina. “But it was followed by a loss to the Nuggets, which slimmed down their chances.”

Scoring more wins is mandatory if the Clippers want to see playoffs this year.

“They just have to keep winning games and hope they move up in place,” said Vina.

The Clippers will take on the Lakers on Wednesday, April 11 at 7:30 p.m at the Staples Center.
By Kieron Colemon  
Contributing Writer

The Champions League is back, with the top elite soccer players from across the world; battle it out to become the champions of Europe.

Over the past few weeks, sixteen teams have competed to progress into the next round of the cup, playing two games against the same opposition accumulating the two scores. Bayern Munich, champions of Germany, faced up against Besiktas the current dominant team in Turkey’s Süper Lig. Bayern comfortable proceeded to the quarter-final after, overcoming the opposition 8-1 over two legs. The champions of Germany won the game 3-1 in the second game.

Regular top-class performers provided Munich with a thrilling 3-1 win, dominating using experience in the midfield.

The next two teams to play in the competition were regulars Barcelona (Spanish) and Chelsea (English).

This difference between these two sides came to a magician from Barcelona, who scored within the first three minutes of play.

Lionel Messi, scored his 99th and 100th champions league goal against Chelsea, after being shut out 10 times prior to this year’s competition.

Chelsea had chances through left-back Marcus Alonso, but will now concentrate on returning to the Premier League, to focus on clutching a championship league position next year.

“The game was thrilling from the off, both teams were brilliant to watch, but ultimately Messi was the deciding player” Chelsea fan, Richard Caine said.

The final team to represent Manchester United (English) and Sevilla (Spanish) were the next two teams to show what they could provide in this year’s Champions League.

After a devastating first leg, both of the teams had something to prove, Ben Yedder (Sevilla) was the player to step up, after coming on and scoring after 82 seconds on the field.

“It was an utterly dreadful performance, and the result was nothing but deserved, our players did not fight as if they wanted to be out there representing Manchester United” Manchester fan, Trevan Estrellado. On the other side of the City in Manchester, Manchester City current leaders of the English Premier League faced up against F.C Basel from Switzerland.

In the game, City broke the record for the number of passes completed in one game of the Champions League totalling up 978. Although City was able to dominate possession, they were not able to create much domination through the defensive line of Basel.

Basel was able to beat City 2-1 on the night but failed on aggregate to outshine the opposition losing 5-2 overall.

Current champions of Basel will go back and try to rescue what can only be described as a disappointing season.

Tottenham (Spurs) were the next team to play from England, who came up against regular Champions League challengers Juventus (Italian).

With a close game in the first leg, ending in 2-2 the match was all to play for. Spurs, were the “fighting team out of the blocks, with son breaking the deadlock with a clinical final against a soccer icon Gianluigi Buffon. Although, a clinical forward line from Juventus put two goals past an inexperienced Champions League side, placing them into the next round of the competition.

The final team to represent the English Premier League in Liverpool. They faced up against champions of Portugal, Porto.

The game was already practically over I the first leg, allowing Liverpool to rest some players ahead of a big derby back in the Premier League.

“This game for us was more about just getting through, although we didn’t score, we dominated in possession and were able to rest key players for bigger matches” Nic Turkington, Liverpool fan said.

The final game in this year last sixteen was set up to be a potential final before the competition.

Two powerhousees from over Europe faced up in what came do to be as thrilling two-legged performance.

Cristiano Ronaldo stepped up again for Real Madrid (Spanish) scoring two goals in the game to successfully put Madrid into the quarterfinals for the 8 successful season.

Paris St. German (PSG), were without Neymar in the second leg, meaning they were already without a critical threat going into the game.

This seemed to be a serious loss for PSG. They couldn’t quite break down the Madrid defense.

The draw for the next round will take place on the March 16. To see who will face up against each other, starting the April 3.

By Kieron Colemon  
Contributing Writer

A transition period is always a time that makes people over think with their emotions, perhaps make wrong decisions or potentially make a mistake.

Athlete to Careers is a company in place, which helps mentor student-athletes across the United States, around their junior and senior year of university depending on your goals.

On March 14, Randy Blood, Executive Vice President, came and spoke to three groups of around twenty athletes.

“We look to communicate to this amount of people because it allows us to engage with the athletes, for some reason or if there were to be any more people, questions tend to not get asked as frequent” Randy Blood, Executive Vice President.

Blood has been fortunate enough to make it professional with the Colorado Rockies, after playing for UC Riverside in baseball. His passion is to help guide athletes to success through the interview process.

“It’s hard with just a resume. They love to see experienced athletes like you who are to busy for this. So it’s worth perhaps taking a schedule in and explain what you do throughout the week,” Blood Said.

Athletes completed a sheet in the function, where they were to say true or false to ten questions regarding personality choices within the business.

“It was interesting to understand how some of the next steps work, and nice to be able to relate to someone about how much work we do that people don’t see” Hieu Ngo.

Athletes to careers is not just about helping someone get a job, it’s more about the experience of making you believe in yourself and a help of guidance. They look into numerous of areas including, Time Management, The hiring process and placement and creating your own brand for example.

The transition from the "playing field" to the "real world" can be a tough and difficult transition.

“It wasn’t actually what I expected, I wasn’t 100% ready for the amount of work I needed to do, if it wasn’t for my experience then it could have been a horrible transition” Richard Caine Alumni.

As we see, many students leave the college environment after putting so much dedication into sports to find out there’s nothing remaining but to play for fun and get a job.

This is where Athletes to Careers really shine, they help you figure yourself an identity, and they help you market yourself.

Athletes to careers are there to provide one to one communication and help you with any resources necessary.

“I thought it was refreshing to hear that there were options for those student-athletes who are not prepared to move on to the professional world.” Alex Mota, men’s soccer.

It was clear in the three different meetings, that the students really enjoyed the personal relationship of athletes to careers.

It seems to be more of a mentoring company than a lecture which the student-athletes seemed to bond with.

To get in contact with Athletes to careers, you can either call on +1 (714) 290 3968.

Sports

European football is back

From student-athletes to careers
Softball eyes postseason spot

By Lauren Jennings
Contributing Writer

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The 2018 MLB season may have started on March 29, the earliest Opening Day in MLB history, but nearly two weeks later, some of the teams were still hosting their own home openers. Of the 30 teams, 13 started at home on March 29, while two other home teams were delayed a day due to inclement weather.

The other teams who started the season away from their home fields had home openers spread throughout the first two weeks of April, with the last home opener going to the Cubs on April 9.

Each team had new ways to celebrate the 2018 season, with the most popular being changes or additions to their in-stadium food selection. Other teams also upgraded their scoreboards, expanding the overall and 13-13 in CCAA play.

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The Coyote softball team has just three weekends left in their season to earn a spot in the CCAA playoffs. The team started the season with a five-game winning streak in the Desert Stinger Tournament. They were swept in their first weekend of conference games as the Chico State Wildcats, who currently sit in first place, took advantage of the Coyotes cold bats. Chico even recorded a no-hitter.

The Coyotes bounced back the next weekend, taking three of four games from San Francisco. They split their next series against Dominguez Hills before splitting a two-game series with Sonoma State.

Their next six games were canceled due to inclement weather, which could also affect the way the playoff teams are chosen this season.

The team took three of four games against Stanislaus State and then played in the Tournament of Champions in Turlock, California. They were scheduled to play six non-conference games. One was canceled, but they earned wins in four of the five they were able to play.

The Coyotes then traveled to Seaside to play the Monterey Bay Otters. They split the series, taking one game each day of the two-day series.

Their most recent set of games were played against the second place, nationally ranked UC San Diego Tritons. They split the series, which shows that they have the power and determination necessary to earn a playoff spot. In the first game of the series, the Coyotes scored six runs in the second inning and two more in the third to take an 8-0 lead.

They kept the Tritons off the board in the first five innings, which enforced the run rule, giving the Coyotes the win. They lost game two 13-6 and game three 6-4, putting up a tough fight even when they lost.

They won the fourth and final game 7-4.

Going into a two-game non-conference set against Concordia Irvine on April 14, the Coyotes have a record of 22-14 overall and 13-13 in CCAA play.

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Major league baseball opening week

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Finding Your National Park

By Asiria Arana
Staff Writer

American national parks are unique preserved lands available for everyone to enjoy. As the snow melts and flowers bloom this spring, be sure to head outdoors and discover what these parks have to offer; their sweeping landscapes are awaiting to be explored.

Some of the closest parks to the greater Los Angeles area are: Joshua Tree National Park, Death Valley National Park, Channel Islands National Park, and Sequoia National Park. Further surrounding parks worth taking a drive to are Yosemite National Park and Zion National Park.

Each one of them offers different scenery and unpredictable views. Aside from scenery and history, National parks offer a range of activities such as hiking, biking, camping, and climbing. Spring is a wonderful time to visit your national park lands. Snowmelt brings the vegetation to full bloom and fills waterfalls and springs; phenomena which can only be experienced this time of year.

Don’t let the lack of water turn you away from our desert parks. Despite harsh weather conditions, the desert has lots to offer, ranging from snow capped mountains to harbor ecosystems, and red rock formations. December to March is prime time to visit the desert, take advantage of the cool temperatures and participate in ranger-led programs.

All of our national parks offer guided tours giving you expert information about the history of the parks, vegetation and wildlife. CSUSB Recreation and Wellness offers Adventure Programs to provide the community and students with outdoor recreational opportunities. CSUSB Adventure offers something for everyone.

Some opportunities include day hikes into the local mountains, and overnight camping trips to local beaches, state parks, and national parks. They also offer backpacking in remote wilderness locations, surfing in California’s popular beaches, snowboarding at local mountain resorts, kayaking through all different bodies of water, group outings, team building and education programs.

Taking advantage of these opportunities offered by CSUSB will help you learn to safely explore the great outdoors, develop an appreciation and understanding of our natural surroundings, experience personal growth and leadership development, learn teamwork and healthy communication skills, and form new relationships.

“During my spring break at Zion, I was challenged both physically and mentally. With each footstep I took, I was always closer to my goal than the day before. I took a deep breath of air and felt the power around me. I was guided and surrounded by nature and I let it take me,” CSUSB student Brenda Mariscal said, “My experience during this trip was amazing because never before have I ever experienced such beauty and wonder than I did at Zion.”

When visiting our National Park lands, it is important to take precautionary measures such as bringing enough water, appropriate gear, and stay on trail are basic safety guidelines to keep everyone safe. Now get out there and explore!

J.K. Stein’s The Director

By Yesica Gonzalez
Cenrn Ft. Reporter

In J.K Stein’s first memoir, “The Director,” the author introduces the beginning of manipulation, fear, and self-hatred in a victim of sexual abuse.

Writing can be a source for anyone’s relief during a rough chapter in life. Thus, for Stein, she shares that period of her life in her memoir that was published on Feb. 9.

Stein’s memoir takes the reader on a roller-coaster of emotions and reactions of what it’s like to become a victim.

Just a recent graduate, I was approached by The Director in New York where she is promised a role in a film.

But sometimes the first steps of becoming a film star isn’t what most people imagine it to be. The encounter reaps a five-year abusive relationship between the film director and J. From her personal journals, she exposes what she felt during the late-night calls, meetings, and actions associated with The Director.

The memoir offers an in-depth standpoint of where saying no is a sign of failure and sometimes it isn’t enough. The encounters that happened are written explicitly, creating a greater illustration of what it’s like in the shoes of a victim.

Stein also introduces the painful reality of self-hatred in a way where many can relate. At some point in their lives, some women have thought about their insecurities of their body. The maneuver from The Director to have J expose her body was written in the most detailed image from her feeling uncomfortable to the mix sensations in the atmosphere of the room. What feels like endless manipulation is drawn from a reluctant point that later evolves to a natural thing for the victim.

Stein effectively demonstrates the constant presence of pressure from someone with authority. This helps the reader picture what the victim is viewing in their current situation.

This also details how the the simplicity of just saying no is sometimes no longer an option. That one word is stuck, frozen in the victim’s inner mind that doesn’t seem to have the ability to escape due to the control of someone else.

Instead of granting an opportunity in a film, the pressure can instead grant long-term emotional scars.

She slightly shares with the reader of how she finally ended the abuse, moved on and fell in love with a man that treats her right.

Readers that have personally come face to face with issues of body image, anxiety, relationship abuse or any situations to that extent, can relate to Stein’s memoir.

This can reassure that someone else has also gone through that undesirable time in their life and can come out having a good life.

Even so, the memoir can give people an insight of what a past victim has gone through. This can give a person knowledge of how to help whoever they come across that could have been or is a present victim.

Stein shares her personal life experience with sexual assault brilliantly in her recent memoir that captivates the reader’s attention and awareness.

J.K. Stein found her voice; there should be no desire to tune it out.
Restaurant Review: Dickey’s Barbecue Pit

By Dustin Alexander
Multimedia Editor

A new Dickey’s Barbecue Pit opened on February 15 at 1725 Northpark Blvd, conveniently right across the street from the campus. I am no stranger to barbecue, or to Dickey’s for that matter, so when I heard that a new one was opening right by the campus I knew I would have to check it out.

The restaurant is situated along with a few others in front of The Glen at University Park, perfect for students living near the campus. Upon entering the restaurant, I was greeted by the staff, who all seemed friendly, and was instructed on how to order and where their sauces and other condiments were located.

The interior of the restaurant is simple but pleasant; it is largely wood and brick themed, with wooden floors and tables and logs arranged in areas to invoke the idea of a more rustic environment. The interior was also very clean, we saw a lot of staff. The menu is not overly complicated, but they do have a good amount of meats, from beef brisket to pork ribs, and even more sides, from baked beans to mac and cheese.

I wanted to try as much as I possibly could for the review, so I ordered a three-meat plate with beef brisket, chicken breast, turkey, breaded potato casserole, and waffle fries (and a roll, which most plates come with). What struck me immediately about the food at Dickey’s was how tender the meat was. I have been to much more expensive barbecue restaurants and gotten dry brisket, but the beef here was so moist and tender.

The chicken breast and turkey were also deliciously tender and juicy. Besides the pleasing texture the flavors of the meats were delicious. The seasonings are not overwhelming, which some barbecue connoisseurs might not enjoy, but it allows the full flavor of the meat to come through. For people who want a stronger or spicier flavor, Dickey’s has their own barbecue sauces: original, sweet, and spicy.

There is a lot of good, but I personally recommend the original, it hits a nice balance between smoky and spicy. The sides were also good; the baked potato casserole tasted great, and the waffle fries had a good flavor too.

But personally, I found their texture to be a little too soft. Meals cost roughly between $10-15, which is comparable to the price of a meal on campus, but that is not saying much. Dickey’s is a little expensive, but the quality is definitely worth it.

The price is also pretty affordable compared to other barbecue restaurants in the area. Even with the price, the meals are so large they can easily be shared or split into multiple meals for a group of friends.

My three-meat plate lasted me two days. For barbecue lovers or people who just want to try something new for lunch, I highly recommend Dickey’s.

Sushi One Spot: A Japanese Restaurant

By Zhiying Xu
Staff Writer

Sushi One Spot is a Japanese themed restaurant attracting Inland Empire residents’ attention with its high-quality sushi, service and reasonable prices. They provide two choices for seating: sushi bar or table. Customers can watch the process of making sushi and talk to the chefs if they choose the sushi bar.

Usually, sitting at the sushi bar results in faster service because customers can talk to the chef directly unlike other places. Many customers prefer sitting at the sushi bar because they want to get close with the sushi chefs or to have fun. However, the sushi bar only seats 12 guests. When people enter Sushi One Spot, all sushi chefs express their greetings and eagerness to serve.

They have more than six servers working at the restaurant to make sure every customer receives good service.

“We always try our best to serve all customers and let them have a good experience here,” said employee, Mijin Kim.

Upon entering the restaurant, I would say it is good and the price is really attracting me,” said Keneda. “Sushi is a unique way for us to attract customers. I come here every two weeks. I think it is the best sushi place around here. I always recommend it to my classmates. All of my friends know about this restaurant and we always come here together. The food is good and the price is really attracting me,” said Keneda.

There are more than 50 different kinds of sushi, rolls and appetizers for customers to choose from on the all-you-can-eat menu. The appetizers are all Japanese food such as tempura, takoyaki, fried calamari, etc. “I really like the appetizers here because they are very traditional,” said Natsumi Kaneda, a Japanese student. “All of their fish is fresh and sushi rice is perfect.” In other sushi restaurants, the fish is usually the same size as the rice. However, fish here is much wider than the rice and totally covers the sushi rice.

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Oysters are another great dish at the Japanese restaurant.

Birthdays, wedding receptions, anniversaries, retirement parties, etc. “Many people celebrate their birthday with their family or friends in our restaurant. First, the birthday song will play around the restaurant. And then, our chefs will do some special fire shows for them and we will provide a cake,” said Kim. People usually do the all you can eat as recommended. The price for an all-you-can-eat lunch is $19.95 and dinner is $23.95 Monday to Friday.

Saturday and Sunday all day prices are $23.95. Price of children under seven is $14.95. Customers can order anything they want from the menu if they don’t want the all-you-can-eat option, but the price is not as cost-effective.

Sushi One Spot also does happy hours both at lunch and dinner.

Located at 10990 E Foothill Blvd #110, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730, the restaurant hours are from 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Sunday.
Monster Hunter World: Review

By Dustin Alexander
Multimedia Editor

Monster Hunter: World has been one of the most highly anticipated games of the generation and finally released on PS4 and Xbox One earlier this year for players to enjoy.

Monster Hunter: World is the newest installment in the long running Monster Hunter series and is the first completely new game to grace HD consoles (and the first console game in NA since 2013).

I have played earlier installments of the games on portable systems and was not crazy about them, so I was interested to see if Monster Hunter World would win me over.

Monster Hunter: World is a 3D action/adventure game of sorts, where you wield swords, axes or bow guns to defeat giant monsters, but the focus of the game is more on the hunt.

When you accept a mission in the game, you are dropped into a large open area and have to find tracks and other signs of your target to hunt them down before you can battle them. But even then, the hunt is not over:

- as you fight the monsters will try to escape, so you will continue to have to hunt them, dealing with difficult terrain and other monsters trying to hunt them or you.
- Missions will generally take between 10 to 50 minutes depending on how difficult the monster is, and if you want you can hunt monsters together with up to three other players through online multiplayer.
- In the game you can use 18 different types of weapons to fight over 30 types of monsters across around five different areas, with Capcom planning to add new monsters and other content periodically (they recently released a brand new monster type as free DLC).

Between the many ways to play against the monsters World would seem like it has a lot of content, and it does, but that also depends on how the player feels about farming.

It might sound like the game has a lot of monsters, but you will spend a lot of your time playing the game fighting the same creatures over and over to get materials from them, so you can better fight other monsters over and over to get their materials. This is the core rhythm of the game, and how fun it is depends on the player.

Monster Hunter is a very polarizing series.

- The intended development of the series, or even tried an older entry and were not sure, I would highly recommend it.

“Ready Player One” movie review

By Yesica Gonzalez
Community Ft. Reporter

“Ready Player One,” a science fiction film, was recently released on Mar. 30 and has opened the gates to the virtual world as a film adaption from the 2011 novel by author Ernest Cline.

With Cline participating in the screenplay and Steven Spielberg as the director, the duo brilliantly bring to life the world of OASIS, created by James Halliday.

After his death, Halliday leaves behind a series of keys that lead to the Easter Egg, where the winner becomes the new owner of OASIS.

Wade and his friends, Samantha, Toshiro, Akihide and his virtual best friend Aech, set off on the quest to find the egg before an evil company named IOI can.

The film does a great job with the action-packed adventure that takes place in reality and in the game.

The scenes sometimes shift from reality to virtual but keeps the plot going without having the audience confused.

Throughout the film, various video games, pop culture and music references are shown from the 70s and 80s.

A few popular references that are featured from the film and trailer are the Iron Giant, the time traveling DeLorean from “Back to the Future” and “Juno” by Van Halen, a well-known song from the early 80s.

The references evoke a wave of nostalgia just from seeing those characters on the big screen once again.

It’s a great way to influence the younger generation about what their parents used to watch or were in love with back in their days.

It can also be seen as creating a bit of distraction when the movie is trying to comprehend what is currently going on in the story line.

But the movie does seem to give some time to adjust to seeing the references and then focus back on the protagonists.

The intended development of a romance is the only thing that the movie lacks.

The chemistry between the two characters seems to fall short of being more than past games.

With the movie’s impressive visual presentation viewers will want to see it on the big screen.

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What makes the game a lot more fun at the beginning, since you can jump into the action a lot sooner than past games.

Of course, the most improved aspect of World is the controls; gone are the days of hand cramps from playing on a tiny system, the controls now feel as smooth and functional like any other third person action game or shooter. I personally feel like this has always been one of the series’ bigger hurdles to get over, and I am very happy that it has been improved.

My recommendation for the game depends on how much you enjoy crafting new equipment and seeing much stronger it makes you in hunts with higher ranked monsters. If that is not reward enough, then there is not much else.

If you can deal with the grind, I think it is a very good game and if you enjoy action adventure games, have never tried the series, or even tried an older entry and were not sure, I would highly recommend it.

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The Little Things

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A few years ago my boyfriend took me up to his grandfather’s cabin in Big Bear. It was my first time visiting the quiet, in the off-season, town. I was awestruck. It was hard to believe that a town so beautiful and different could be right in my backyard. To my boyfriend and me, Big Bear has become a special place, a mini-vacation for us, one that we can afford and have the time for. We don’t do much except visit family, walk around the village, even attempting some hikes. We have many memories there.

Our most recent trip up there was with a few friends. We walked along the lake, even when we’re not supposed to, enjoying every aspect. The partially frozen lake that we tried to skip rocks on. The light snow on the ground that we enjoyed throwing at each other from time to time. I personally tried to get pictures of the wildlife. The ducks absolutely did not want me around. As we go, there is something special about getting away. Something special about how close Big Bear allows me to escape from the stress of reality.

It seems hard to get away from everything when your job has you working nonstop. But you have to, because you need to pay bills or school. Maybe you’re a full-time student that volunteers and does as many activities as possible to get their dream job. Time does not allow some people even luxury to take one day off.

Let yourself enjoy the little things. When we’re so consumed by everything around us we cannot see what’s right in our backyards.

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