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Gas prices soar through the roof

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Gas prices have gone up nearly 60 cents in the last month in Southern California, making it one of the biggest spikes in recent time.

The increase in gas prices has made the national average price increase to $3.778 for regular and $4.074 for premium, according to AAA’s Daily Fuel Gauge report.

According to AAA’s Club of Southern California’s Weekend Gas Watch, “Southern California gas prices have now spiked by 57 cents or more in the past month – one of the biggest one-month jumps ever. The state average is $4.203 a gallon for regular today – 11.6 cents higher than last week.”

California is notorious for being one of the most priciest states for gas with the average being $4.203 and the premium coming in at $4.399 a gallon.

“In the Inland Empire, the average per-gallon price is $4.276, up 10.6 cents from last week, 58 cents higher than last month, and 23 cents more than last year,” according to Southern California’s AAA press release.

“Prices have now gone up even more than they did during the spike in October and the one last February, and more quick-

ly than they did during any one-month stretch in 2008, when we had another big spike,” said Auto Club spokesperson Jefrey Spring.

Gas prices have gone up for 35 consecutive days at about 50 cents nationwide in the last month.

Based on reports, prices have been skyrocketing because of the switch to the more expensive summer blend, high de-

mand and refinery maintenance.

According to the Los Angeles Daily News, statewide production of gas topped 5.9 million barrels, but that was down 0.4 percent from the previous week and down the same amount from a year earlier.

“We’re not at 100 percent capacity as far as production. I know that Valero is having some issues at their Wilmington re-

finery, but none of these things seem cata-

strophic in terms of what we’d normally see this time of year,” said Marie Montgomery, a spokeswoman for the Automo-

bile Club of Southern California.

The Los Angeles Times reports that, “Big-money investment speculation, from hedge fund and commodity pools, has also soared in recent months, based on bets that the price of oil and gasoline would rise.”

Some areas in Los Angeles are now paying close to what people in Maui, one of the nation’s highest gas price areas, are paying.

CSUSB students who commute to school have been noticing the change and are feeling the pinch in their pockets.

“They’re too high,” said student Letty Orellana. “I have to go to school every-

day and put gas two to three times a week. It’s really hurting my pocket.”

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Pennies might get pinched from circulation

By ANGELA RODRIGUEZ
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During a recent online chat sponsored by Google, President Obama announced his support in retiring the penny and sug-

gested the one cent coin is a “good meta-

phor” for some of the larger problems fac-

ing lawmakers as they seek to reduce the deficit.

“I will tell you right now, this will not be a huge savings for government, but anytime we’re spending more money on something that people don’t actually use that’s an example of something we should change,” said Obama in the Google-

Hangout chat.

The penny has long been criticized for being costlier to mint than it’s worth.

According to the U.S. Mint 2011 an-

nual report, the copper one cent coin costs 2.4 cents to produce.

Before 1982, the penny was composed of 95 percent copper and 5 percent zinc, but were later changed to 97.5 percent zinc and 2.5 percent copper to reduce minting costs.

In 2001, it cost .79 cents to produce the one cent coin and then jumped up to 2.41 cents in 2012.

This year however, production cost dropped to 1.99 cents, a small decline in price.

Because of this, Obama asked Con-

gress for permission to change an expen-
sive 30-year-old recipe for pennies and nickels.

Since 2010, the Treasury has been re-

searching metals and has yet to develop a more economic mixture for future penny production.

“If the metal for the penny were free, we would still exceed one cent,” said Rich-

ard A. Peterson, acting director of the U.S Mint.

Materials used to mint each penny like zinc and copper have become more expen-
sive due to manufacturing shifts in China raising their prices.

Last year, the total cost of minting pen-

nies was $58 million, less than one-tenth of a percent of 2012’s total federal spending.

Other countries have begun or have already stopped penny production which Continued on Pg. 3

Students advocate for higher education

By TIFFINY GASTON
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With college tuition on the rise and the fund-

ing for higher education on the decline, the Campaign for the Future of Higher Education (CFHE) has stepped in to find ways to fund education.

The main focus of the CFHE is to help faculty, staff and students voice their opinions on funding for higher education.

If education is not funded, California will reach zero funding for public higher education in 2052.

According to CFHE, state support for higher education will zero out in 24 other states, leaving roughly 10 states with continued support by 2100.

The CFHE was launched in order to secure affordable and accessible higher education for all groups of people in society and to allow faculty, staff, students and communities to take part in the pro-

cess of making a change.

With the United States’ current economic status, the funding for higher education is in question.

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Students showcase their talents in UDC annual recital...
President hopeful to raise minimum wage

By MARYSOL GUZMAN
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During this year’s State of the Union address, President Barack Obama urged Congress to raise the minimum wage to $9 in hopes of leading Americans away from poverty and help stimulate the economy.

Obama believes people who are working full time with minimum wage pay shouldn’t have to live under the poverty threshold.

He believes that raising the minimum wage would help make a difference.

“[This] could mean the difference between groceries and the food bank, rent or eviction, scraping by or finally getting ahead,” said Obama.

His goal will be to reach $9 an hour by the end of 2015 and indexing the minimum wage, as the cost of living rises as well.

This issue has brought concerned opinions from people all over the country along with CSUSB students.

Student Michelle Vizcarra has a different outlook than Obama on the issue and is worried for small business owners.

“I think small business owners would suffer because they’re already tight with money and probably won’t be able to afford the salaries for their employees,” said Vizcarra.

She also said that raising minimum wage

Campaign seeks to raise money for higher education

The campaign for the Future of Higher Education (CFHE) is seeking alternative ways to help fund higher education due to the recent 10 percent drop in funding that began at the beginning of the recession. CFHE also announced three new ideas.

The first concept suggests free higher education and examines the actual cost to provide such an ideal would be.

The idea would work by reallocating current governmental expenditures for higher education and eliminating the regressive tax breaks.

The second concept examines the magnitude of returning to recent, more adequate levels of state funding for higher education.

The third idea involves exploring a currently unused tax revenue source that could be tapped if there were the political will to provide adequate public funding for higher education.

The CFHE ideas for higher education funding could impact the amount of financial aid students receive.

For many years, the United States has used a quality public higher education approach to the funding for colleges and university.

“The way the quality public higher education worked was that taxpayers funded public colleges and universities, so that students in need of financial assistance could complete school with a minimum amount of debt as possible.

CSUSB student Kimberley Treloar understands why the government has budget cuts, but does not agree with them.

“I believe if they keep cutting government funding for education it will eventually get to the point that higher education will be too expensive for people to afford.”

Kimberly Treloar
Student

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Raised wages concern small businesses

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wage wouldn’t create new jobs but in- stead would make it harder since small businesses wouldn’t be able to afford added employees. CSUSB student Jerry Nguyen said that raising minimum wage wouldn’t stimulate the economy and having more money does not promote the spending of it.

“If that was the case, rais- ing the minimum wage to $100 would eliminate poverty,” said Nguyen. “Obvi- ously $100 would be a disaster to the economy.”

He said that if minimum wage raises then it would cause small busi- nesses that employ the middle class to go out of business. “Companies cannot pay a worker more than the value the worker brings to the company,” said Nguyen. “Raising the minimum [wage] denies more low-skilled workers the op- portunity to get a job and receive ‘on the job’ training.”

This can potentially lead to the in- crease rate of unemployment.

This was an issue that Obama was addressed during his State of the Union address. Nguyen added that minimum wage will not help civilians who are unem- ployed.

The poor [will] continue to remain poor, not because of minimum wage, but because of no wages at all,” added Nguyen.

A total of 19 states already have their minimum wage exceeding the cur- rent $7.15 pay.

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San Francisco alone has its mini- mum wage pay at $10 per hour due to their high cost of living.

Student Rober- to Martinez,brought up a different issue and said that com- panies might not ad- just wages for their employees who have had raises over the years.

He gave an ex- ample that someone who has worked for a company for two years might have their pay up to $9.05 as opposed to their starting rate.

“When minimum wage goes up to $9, the company does not adjust the wage for the employee so now they are only making five cents more than a new hire,” said Martinez.

Congress has yet to reach a consen- sus on the issue.

Gas price spike hits students pockets

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In the areas around campus, the lowest price you can get is $4.19 at the Arco on University Parkway.

“I don’t like it. They should have spe- cials for students,” said student Dana Ri- vas.

Some of the commuter students who are confined to gas guzzling vehicles are having to pay a substantial amount to get to school.

“My car is a gas guzzler! I spend over $50.00 a week to get to school,” said Aun- joly Lambart. “I’m a college student on a budget, its disappointing.”

Elimination of pennies make big savings

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resulted in substantial savings.

In February, Canada began a six year phase out of its pennies.

In 1964 Australia stopped minting their pennies, and in 1990, New Zealand demonetized the penny.

Currently, Great Britain still uses pen- nies as well as the European Union, how- ever Finland does not.

The one cent coin has been looked down upon for a while since Americans are using the penny less and less.

Obama stated that it would be up to Congress to pass a bill to get rid of the penny.

Historically, there has never been a coin in circulation worth as little as the penny until now.

According to CNN Money, President Obama said that discontinuation of the penny would not lead to a tremendous sav- ings, but it would be a savings on some- thing that people don’t really use.

“It’s one of those things where I think people get attached emotionally to the way things have been,” said Obama. “We re- member our piggy banks and counting out all the pennies and then taking them and getting a dollar bill or a couple of dollars.”

The U.S Mint produced about 4.3 bil- lion pennies last year which gradually fall out of circulation ending up in places like jars, ashtrays and on the asphalt of parking lots.

The bill regarding the production of pennies is being considered by Congress.

Correction from last week’s issue:

Two stories, one in News and another in Opinions, er- roneously referred to Christopher Dorner as a “cop killer.”

While there is overwhelming evidence supporting this claim, Dorner has not of- ficially been convicted by any court of law. The Chronicle regrets this error and strives to bring you the finest and most accurate news reporting for the CSUSB community.
Memorial services held for slain San Bernardino officer

By LUZ HERNANDEZ
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Memorial services in memory of slain San Bernardino County Detective Jeremiah MacKay were held last week in the cities of Yucaipa and San Bernardino.

MacKay, 35, was allegedly the last person killed by Christopher Dorner during his standoff with police in the San Bernardino Mountains.

A candlelight vigil took place on Tues. Feb. 18 in the city of Yucaipa at the Sheriff’s station where MacKay worked for 15 years.

According to the San Bernardino Sun, around 300 people were in attendance to pay their respects to the fallen officer.

The candlelight vigil was proceeded by a public funeral that took place Thurs. Feb. 20 at 11 a.m. where thousands of people were in attendance.

The procession that took MacKay’s remains to the San Manuel Amphitheater left from Mountain View Mortuary on Highland Ave in San Bernardino.

At the beginning of the service, 103 bagpipe players performed on stage in front of thousands of law enforcement officers.

MacKay was also a bagpipe player who participated in funeral services for fallen law enforcement officials.

Among the speakers were San Bernardino County Sheriff John McMahon, MacKay’s best friend Deputy Roger Loftis and MacKay’s father, Alan MacKay.

Prior to the memorial services, California Highway Patrol sent out an advisory letting commuters know of the procession and to expect traffic delays between the hours of 8 a.m.-10 a.m.

San Bernardino County Sheriff John McMahon gave the eulogy, honoring the life of MacKay.

“We will never forget Jeremiah MacKay and the heroism he showed on Feb. 12, 2013,” said Loftis.

The tribute for MacKay displayed at the funeral included a video showing pictures of him with friends and family.

Sheep dogs that were in attendance at the funeral were demonstrative of his Scottish heritage.

Loftis explained the sheep dogs and his best friend by saying, “To be a sheep dog one must have a capacity for violence, but a strong love for your fellow man. Jeremiah was a man like that.”

Some of the traditions included: the draping of the American flag off of the casket, a 21-dove-salute, a last radio call where the dispatcher calls out his number and after no response utters the words “gone but not forgotten” and a 21-gun-salute.

The memorial also included a flyover where 10 helicopters flew over the San Bernardino mountains where MacKay was shot to death.

Yucaipa Sheriff Station officers escorted the slain officer’s body back to the mortuary where close friends and family held a private ceremony.

Student Marisol Jacobo expressed her regrets and grief regarding the officer’s death.

“I wish I would’ve been able to attend the funeral,” she said, “I owe him my respect.”

MacKay was one of the two men allegedly shot by Christopher Dorner during the mountainside standoff Feb. 12.

He was air lifted to Loma Linda University Hospital where he was later pronounced dead.

MacKay is carried on in the thoughts of his wife of 2 years Lynette MacKay, his 6-year-old daughter Kaitlyn and his 4-month-old son Cayden.
Of the many national policies backed by President Barack Obama, Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) are no exception. These drones, as they are often called, are used by the military for a variety of purposes, including surveillance, targeted killing, and other operations. The March 2010 proposal by the New America Foundation in regards to the importance of Innocent until proven guilty. makes a bad decision, to having a friend or a relative who is still formative. I believe they are so young they still don’t really know what they want,” said student Ana Macias. “And there are alternatives to some surgeries.” A prime example is that of a Texas family who allowed their 12-year-old daughter to undergo liposuction to remove 35 pounds. Although the young girl was overweight for her age group, her parents could have tried other alternatives: exercise, diet and motivation. She is still growing and can easily gain back the weight because no personal efforts were made to lose them. Also not every teen is suited for surgery, although many will swear that they are mature and have considered all the risks involved. It is difficult to gauge whether teens are truly ready to endure the physical pain and change in appearance, and the results which may not be what they had anticipated. Injuries, infections, scarring, nerve damage, reactions to anesthesia, death of tissue due to lack of oxygen (necrosis) and countless others. “At 16, 17 you really don’t know what you want even if you think you do,” said student Brittany Johnson. Unfortunately many parents also lack the maturity to tell their kids to wait it out, to see if they really want to change a feature that’s so unique that only they were born with. I was a teen once and swore I hated the way I looked, I wanted to change my appearance so bad, but I don’t have those feelings about myself anymore.” I got there without the need of plastic surgery. Drones are not only for warfare. The also help scientists gather data on volcanoes in Costa Rica, archaeological sites in Russia and Peru and flooding in North Dakota. Advocates against UAV’s claim that a substantial number of civilians are killed in the attacks, but U.S. government officials insist that the civilian casualty rate is now zero. One analysis of the drone campaign by the New America Foundation found that the civilian casualty rate has been dropping sharply since 2008. Many argue that we are putting innocent lives at risk, but what other alternative is there? I am pressed to remember the philosopher John Stuart Mill who stated that the very value of life itself.

**Plastic surgery on teenagers is shameful**

Teens are getting a distorted message that’s telling them that if they don’t match the mainstream media image, they can just cut and snip their way to perfection. I can remember begging my parents to get my ears pierced as a teen but I never begged for plastic surgery. I wanted to change my appearance so bad, but I don’t have those feelings about myself anymore.” I got there without the need of plastic surgery.

**Drones are a necessary part of national security**

As a third year student here at CSUSB, an SBSU Board of Directors member and President of ESSO I felt the need to respond to opinions and media events of the past several months in regards to the importance of human rights, the sanctity of life and social justice.

When fellow citizens are committing shootings, mass murder, high profile assaults and the like while the media is tracking and reporting every move, it is easy to become involved on an almost personal level. The media shamelessly panders to viewers who are glued to television sets watching real life police pursuits, shoot outs, man hunts and mayhem.

It is easy to forget that these are human lives we are talking about and that we are only observing one side of the situation from the comfort of our homes.

Our judicial system has a presumption of innocence that is a critical component of the way in which we handle criminal behavior. This due process is the right of everyone even if the cameras are rolling during the criminal act.

When we say or do things that negate that very precious presumption of innocence we harm not only our fellow citizens and our society, we also harm ourselves.

There is an old saying, “There but for the Grace of God go I.” We may believe that we could never commit a crime or even be in a situation where a crime was being committed by someone else.

We may look down our noses at those who have been accused thinking we are above such behaviors.

However, with the United States now having the dubious distinction of holding the cell keys of 25% of the total number of incarcerated people on the planet, odds are that you know someone who has been incarcerated. Maybe its even you.

Let me remind us all that no one is immune to being in the wrong place at the wrong time, to having a friend or a relative who makes a bad decision, to having a witness make an identity mistake that could change a life forever.

No life is worth more than another: not yours, not mine, not a police officer’s, not the home-less guy on the street.

We are all human beings whose lives matter equally. We do well to remember that when we are tempted to jump in the cheer section for the demise of another human being, regardless of the circumstances, we have demeaned not only ourselves but the very value of life itself.

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May 28, 2010

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**By SUU ELEN MANZANO**

May 28, 2010

They are hardworking people who are used to getting work done as young as 12 and it is not the answer to their problems. We should all be so lucky. Allowing teens to get cosmetic surgeries at such a young age doesn’t allow them the time to develop true self-esteem.

Self-esteem, is love for who they are and what they are capable of achieving, not for who they like, or how “hot” they are.

Teenagers are getting a distorted message that’s telling them that if they don’t match the mainstream media image, they can just cut and snip their way to perfection. I can remember begging my parents to get my ears pierced as a teen but I never begged for plastic surgery. I wanted to change my appearance so bad, but I don’t have those feelings about myself anymore.” I got there without the need of plastic surgery.
New website to ease stress surrounding STD diagnoses fails

By ANGELICE ROMERO
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Qpid.me, an STD test and vaccination result database, has good intentions but with all its limitations, I see it to be a pointless website.

This website holds your test results and vaccination records until you want them to be sent to you through text. Breaches their privacy contract and every once in a while a secure website gets hacked.

Their goal is to take the awkwardness out of talking about STD’s when dating someone new. The traffic is bad and the lines always look like people are thinking “who did it and where can I find them?”

As for the employees, were any of you aware that Walmart employees make $11/hr and can get up to thirty-nine hours a week? Before you say lucky them, consider the fact that they’re not paid for overtime.

Due to the simple fact that Walmart is aware that exceeding thirty-nine hours a week would justify them as full-time employees, in turn making them eligible for benefits that Walmart refuse to give them. Such pay also places Walmart’s employees below the “low-income” line which leaves us taxpayers to make up their inadequate living expenses through government services such as EBT.

Anonymous Walmart employee says, “I hate my job. I feel like a peasant in a castle. The fact that I’ve little to no say in the logistics of my job bothers me the most.”

But I’m not even sure I’d know where else to work if I wasn’t here. Jobs are practically non-existent in this economy. It sucks.

And yet I admit I wouldn’t dare to satisfy my miscellaneous item needs anywhere else; even if I find it quite unsettling that I’ve yet to find an alternative shopping outlet.

Within seconds of entering their sliding doors you’re a puppet on a string, being indirectly encouraged to spend money on things you give two craps about. Our school’s local Walmart on University Parkway, use advertisements and appropriated items for the upcoming consumer-driven holiday which leaves us taxpayers to make up the “low-income” line which leaves us taxpayers to make up their inadequate living expenses through government services such as EBT.

A person who is infected with hepatitis does not have the “strength of mind and body” to continue his post as Pope. He is the first Pope to resign in six centuries.

Walmart is bad news

By JAZMIN JETT
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Am I the only person who feels there is an abusive relationship with Walmart? The traffic is bad and the lines always look like people are thinking “who did it and where can I find them?”

If someone ends up wanting to having a one-night stand, it might be a hassle to text Qpid.me, get the information you are sharing with this website.

In theory, this all sounds great but we should look at this realistically. We know that every once in a while, Facebook breaches their privacy contract and every once in a while a “secure” website gets hacked.

It is great to have your records easily accessible, but if people are not disclosing this information, then what’s the point?

In theory, this all sounds great but we should look at this realistically. We know that every once in a while, Facebook breaches their privacy contract and every once in a while a “secure” website gets hacked.

Although they are stating that no one will get this information, this is still personal, serious, life changing in formation you are sharing with this website.

Aside from privacy, there is still always the issue of honesty. A person who is infected with hepatitis does not have to disclose their information with anyone if they don’t want to.

The purpose of the website is to spread love and nothing else, but if people do not want to tell their history, then the website is pointless.

It clearly states on the website that sharing their medical records is encouraged but not required.

Qpid.me is trying to keep people safe but it is still not enough. CSUSB has over 16,000 students, so STD testing is something we should all take seriously.

Safe sex and testing is promoted throughout this school which shows that this website could become a hit on college campuses, but it is a scary subject to deal with.

If someone ends up wanting to having a one-night stand, it might be a hassle to text Qpid.me, get the information, share it with your partner and then proceed with the night.

In reality, this website is just holding the results hostage.

If the only person who can see and share your information is you, what’s the point?
Accounting students help prepare for tax season

By SARA GUTIERREZ
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The mere mention of taxes can make even the bravest of individuals cringe in fear, and for good reason too.

Not even Wesely Snipes, Blade himself, could escape the grasp of the IRS, so be sure you’re reporting honestly and correctly.

For many of you, this may be the first year you’ve ever done taxes. You may be confused about the forms and deductions for which you are eligible.

The majority of students I interviewed file as dependents under their parents.

“I do my taxes with my parents. I have two siblings in the Cal State University [system as well]. It’s the best [possible] return for us,” said Betzabe Ibarra.

Even seasoned tax veterans may have overlooked possible deductions in the past or have new dependents to account for.

Perhaps, you are just wanting to ask some tax questions and get clear answers.

Whichever category you fall into, the simple fact remains, taxes are confusing and many of the tax laws change annually, so get

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Arab stereotypes debunked by professor

By MEGAN SPENCER
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The Santos Manuel Student Union’s (SMSU) Women’s Resource Center presented the “Muslim and Arab Women” event demonstrated by professor of Communication, Ahlam Muhtaseb on Tues. Feb. 19 in the SMSU Theater.

She discussed the common misconceptions about all Arab and Muslim women being the same.

She explained that Muslim is a religion and Arab is a race.

Muhtaseb began her presentation by explaining how to differentiate between Arab and Muslim women.

“They share mutual or similar culture but they are not the same,” said Muhtaseb.

“A big misconception about Arabs is that their religious affiliation is Muslim; that it not always true ... roughly 85 percent are Muslim, 15 percent are Christian and less than 1 percent are Jewish.”

There are an estimated 1.5 billion Muslims in the world and the organization of Islam countries has 55 member states.

“Muslim and Arab women are a very diverse group culturally, religiously and politically,” said Muhtaseb.

To be honest, this was definitely a learning experience for me. Going into this presentation I had very little knowledge about these cultures and I felt that Professor Muhtaseb did an amazing job at explaining the differences.

What she wanted students to see is even in our day and age, people still generalize cultures often without ever visiting or meeting people from that culture.

She gave an example of when she went to dinner with her husband for Valentine’s day.

They went to a restaurant called Samovar Tea Lounge in San Francisco and on the front menu it reads, “dismount your camel, unroll your rug, start the fire and chill out beneath the starry desert night; your candle-clasping harem will soon follow…”

“Even San Francisco is still set in the stereotypical way, and by having that on the menu it lets others believe that it is okay to do so as well,” said Muhtaseb.

One large reason she feels the need to educate students on this topic is so we can break down these fallacies and look to a more open minded future.

Communication professor Ahlam Muhtaseb collaborated with the Women’s Resource Center to discuss the misconceptions people may have about both Muslim and Arab women. This event helped students discover and express new viewpoints.
Pfau library a gold mine for Coyotes

By JOUHGHUN KIM Staff Writer

CSUSB’s John Pfau Library has many resources available for students.

In the library students have access to group study rooms for at least two or more people to get their work done or to make group work more convenient.

Individuals cannot hold a room for a group, and any individual occupying a group study room must vacate it if a group arrives.

When walking into the library you can obtain help at the reference desk located in the first floor.

At the reference desk, our librarians assist users with research, reference questions, electronic databases, print resources, general Internet searching and the Pfau Library Catalog.

Reference librarians provide individual instruction in using these resources and help to construct effective search strategies for finding information.

No appointment is necessary to receive help.

Students and staffs can use the library’s resources to check-out books, journals and even movies.

There are 750,000 books available to check out for 28 days, featured books for two weeks, art prints for 28 days, audio cassettes for two weeks and the DVDs available for two weeks.

You can also use laptops and graphing calculators for free, which can be checked out on a four hour loan by current students with a valid Coyote ID card.

Prior to borrowing a laptop for the first time, the borrower must sign a form accepting the responsibility for the laptop and the fees associated with not returning it, late returns or damages.

Student Reacheal Sis-Medina goes to the library every day to study before classes and after classes where she takes advantage of the laptops available.

“I check them out because I do not have to carry my laptop from home since it’s heavy, so it is convenient to check out the laptops,” said Sis-Medina.

She said the best part of the library is avoiding feeling stressed about classes and being able to just stay in the library focusing on her studies.

Student Youbin Lee also uses the library for everyday studies because it is easier than carrying her own laptop.

Along with borrowing books that she needs for the classes.

“It is hard to study in my room, I can not concentrate,” said Lee. “The library is the most suitable place to study.”

The first and second floor is a good place to do group projects in an atmosphere of freedom and when looking for a silent atmosphere the third floor is the best for Lee.

Lee and Sis-Medina’s only wish would be to extend the library hours to at least open one hour earlier and closes one hour later.

The hours are currently 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Mon. to Thurs., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fri., 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sat. and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sun.

The library is a good place for students to study and use the many resources that they provide.
Don’t be unprepared for the next natural disasters

By KEVIN SCHAEFER
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On Fri., Feb. 15 a meteor flashed across the Russian sky producing a massive sonic boom injuring more than 1,000 people and blowing windows across the region. Like in countless numbers of other natural disasters, many witnesses who were affected were unprepared.

Most students and faculty reside on a natural disasters waiting to happen, since we are right along the San Andreas fault line. Many believe the “Big One,” meaning a substantial earthquake, will hit in the not too distant future.

Students and faculty alike may not be as prepared for such disasters as we would hope for.

Many natural disasters, like the meteor that hit Russia, happen unexpectedly even with today’s most advanced technology.

“We don’t know exactly when, but we do know that it is coming. So, let’s assume it will happen sooner than later and get prepared for it,” said Geology professor Dr. Joan E. Fryxell.

Fryxell teaches the NSCI 315 natural disaster capstone class among other geology courses, which, in addition to looking at earthquakes, probabilities and preparedness issues, looks at an array of disasters.

“The water is going to be off. The electricity is going to be off. You need to be able to function when things are a mess and the utilities are off and there is damage,” said Fryxell.

According to SanAndreasFault.org, to prepare for a natural disaster start with the essentials: it’s dark half the time, so always have a flashlight, shoes and eye glasses within easy reach, especially near your bed.

If you can’t see or make your way to safety, you are in trouble.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s website states that in most situations, you will reduce your chance of injury from falling objects (and even collapsing buildings) if you immediately drop, cover and hold on.

Far in advance, you can gather emergency supplies, identify and reduce possible hazards in your home and practice what to do during and after an earthquake.

Learning what actions to take can help you and your family remain safe and healthy in the event of an earthquake.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has an online guide called “Are You Ready? An In-depth Guide to Citizen Preparedness,” which is the agency’s comprehensive source on individual, family and community preparedness.

The guide is revised and updated constantly to provide the public with the most current and up-to-date disaster preparedness information available.

“I actually have a backpack full of canned food and water bottles, that’s pretty much it,” said student Frank Manzo.

On campus, students like Michelle Martinez say they are not very well prepared because they feel the drills we have are not well organized. As for home, Martinez said she has a case of water, but lacks other emergency items such as first-aid essentials.

“We lie on the San Andreas fault, where I live in Highland [...] For an earthquake I would say the majority of people are not prepared because a lot of people would probably panic,” said student Stephanie Char.

We may not know exactly when the “Big One” on the San Andreas Fault will hit, but being prepared with knowledge and supplies may be the next best thing.
hip hop has contributed to the world as one of the most unique music cultures since the 1970’s. CSUSB’s Black Student Union recently hosted the annual My Love For Hip-Hop show, a part of their Black History Month set of events.

The host of the event, Eddie Hewitt, recapped, “My Love For Hip-Hop is an event that celebrates hip hop history and its impact on culture. This year we did it through games, local artist performances and video clips.”

The Events Center was in for a night full of those very performances, from artists around the Inland Empire, including fun games for the audience to participate in.

Upon entering, you saw the stage engulfed tops off Black History Month with some hip-hop lovin’

By MIKE SESSIONS
Staff Writer

UDC’s University Dance Company put on their annual dance recital, “InstaDance” at the Performing Arts Building, Feb. 21-23 and left dance enthusiasts amazed and hungry for more.

“It’s a little earlier this time around, it’s usually held in the Spring quarter, but it’s been great,” said UDC president, Patrice Horton.

Performer Joshua Shuford welcomed the crowd to the show and presented the pre-show which opened with a handful of dancers performing to the tune “Cupid Shuffle” by Cupid.

It was a good energetic appetizer for the dances to come, and Shuford even invited members of the audience up on to the stage to dance the steps of the “Cupid Shuffle.”

Director Janys Antonio took the stage afterward and welcomed the crowd.

The show officially began with a routine performed by all members of the UDC.

It was a good upbeat dance that gave the audience an opportunity to see the new members and the veterans of the dance group.

“We had 3 open calls to recruit new dancers and then we began to prepare for [InstaDance],” said Horton.

The dancers were all clothed in white, symbolizing a new canvas before an artist filled it with colorful life, and there would certainly be an explosion of color as the show went on.

The next acts showed off the talent that the UDC has to offer, and showed the lip-syncing skills of the ladies in America, based on West Side Story.

Intermission gave the dancers a chance to catch their breath and the audience a chance to take in all the action they just witnessed and prepare for the rest of the show in the second half.

The first act after intermission was

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CSUSB’s Black Student Union instaDances their way to the top

UDC InstaDances their way to the top

By MANAL MUSEITEF
A&E Editor

Artist: Wu-Tang Clan
Album: Enter The Wu-Tang (36 Chambers)

Artist: Dr. Dre
Album: The Chronic

Artist: The Notorious B.I.G.
Album: Life After Death

4. “Check the Rhyme” (1991)
Artist: A Tribe Called Quest
Album: The Low End Theory

Artist: Skee-Lo
Album: I Wish
Jazz ‘n swing dancin all night

By MARTIN SOLANO
Staff Writer

On Thursday, Feb. 21, inside the Santos Manuel Student Union Events Center, I was able to witness the fun, dance and entertainment of the third annual Swing Dance Night.

Over 200 students showed up to the event center to catch the wonderful acts and activities of this great night. As I was making my way inside, I was able to speak to Leslie Gonzalez, vice president of the Coyote Music Society (CMS). CMS was in charge of coordinating and sponsoring the event along with the CSUSB Music Department.

I discovered that these dance events are held to help raise funds that create musical scholarships which are awarded to students majoring in music on campus. I also had the chance to speak to Dr. Robert Knop, CSUSB’s Jazz Ensemble/Studies Director since 2004, who took the time to shed some light on the festivities.

“This event is called “Swing Dance Night,” and for the last three years, every fall, we’ve done a “Latin Night,” with Latin dance and every winter we do a swing night. We are expecting about 200 to 250 people, which is about how many tickets we’ve sold for tonight,” said Knop.

Basic swing dance lessons were held for the attendees from 6-7:30 p.m. It was great to see the crowd embrace the lessons and participate in the activities, many of them showed no fear and took on a song or two. The CSUSB Jazz band came on around 7:45 p.m. and performed nothing but great, high-energy swing dance music for about 40 minutes. I even noticed a couple of experts on the dance floor showing off their best moves for the crowd.

Coyote Radio’s DJ Amanda Fernandez was also present at the event and took over after the band finished their performance by playing different dance tunes. First year student, Destiny Barrett, shared a few words about her experience at the event.

“It’s my first time [at this event]. I have to do it for music class,” she said.

The majority of the attendees were students from the university’s Music-180 courses, getting credit for concert attendance, as well as the chance to expose themselves to different varieties of music. Although Barrett avoided the dance lessons, she admitted to having a good time.

In addition to the great turn out and music, the night even gave us a few surprises.

One of these was the appearance of a special guest performer, Dr. Jack Poster. Poster has been a local professional trumpet player since the 1940s and decided to take part in the event by playing alongside the band for the night.

It was a jump and jive kind of night, and the crowd was digging it.

If they weren’t out on the dance floor breaking a sweat, they were in there seats snapping fingers and tapping their feet to the beat.

I never thought jazz music and swing dancing would be this much fun.

I left the event with a single question in mind: when’s the next one? I’m ready to bring out my dancing shoes and swing the night away.

CSUSB’s Jazz band performed classics at the Hop ‘N Hop Swing Dance Night where approximately 200 people attended. Martin Solano | Chronicle Photo

COYOTE WATCH: What do you have to say?

The Harlem Shake video sensation is taking over the internet and this week we asked students:

By YEANA KIM
Staff Writer

What do you think of the YouTube craze? Is it relevant? And what is the most unique video you’ve seen?

Kristen Rakilings
Sophomore

“I watched a cheerleading one and it was super weird. I do not remember the song but the dance was really shocking. Someone [went] across into the Gangnam Style and they were on their heads. It was very shocking so I do not know what to say except [that] it was super weird.

At first, I thought people were doing something else but then later, it seemed like everyone had practiced a lot to record it. It was really funny though.”

Jin Hong Rui
Junior

“I watched several Harlem Shake videos on YouTube and the most memorable video clips were UCLA and CSUSB Harlem Shake. First, in UCLA Harlem Shake, their behavior was unique. For example, one of them acted like [a] worm. I wonder how the students or people around the performance thought about it. Second, in CSUSB Harlem Shake, like UCLA, there was a special character such as a bear. I especially liked it because I am a student [here].”

Evelyn Morentin
Sophomore

“The most memorable one I saw was one is NBA Harlem Shake. It was weird and unexpected and the main reason it is unique is [because] it was weird to see that many people dancing or moving their bodies in such weird ways and everyone was doing their own thing. It was really really weird and awkward.

Moreover, there was a guy in the middle of it that he looked like he was having a seizure.”

Miguel Leiva
Freshman

“I heard about Harlem Shake before but then I only watched the original army Harlem Shake video. The most interesting part of this video clip was when a guy (who is in the army) in the middle of the line started to dance alone and people started to follow him. It was interesting to see so many people doing such things.”

The YouTube sensation, “The Harlem Shake” has taken over the internet in the past few weeks with its popularity.
the dance routine from the music video for “Men In Black” by Will Smith. The dancers were wearing the trade-mark suits of the agents from the “Men In Black” movie and the flashing red light from the “Neuralyzer,” concluded the performance.

The next acts had a mix of both acting and dance and the costumes were very well designed and brought out the life of the dance routines. The act “Party and Bullethini” gave a real sense of party complete with chips, beer pong and hip-hop music. The piece “The Last Drink” showed the repercussions of driving while intoxicated when one of the performers simulated drunk driving which eventually led to her crash and demise.

Dancer Sheila Whitehead had three short, 30 second solo acts spread through the second half, each version titled “I’m Over Here.” The routines involved Whitehead dancing in the spotlight in various locations in the recital hall, and in the final part she was dancing by the light control board on the left side of the room, offering an element of surprise and excitement for the audience.

With each performer, elements of excitement, elegance, passion and expertise graced the stage. The audience felt the emotion in every performance as well as the dedication of each dancer.

The final act was based on the musical “Hairspray” and involved all the dance members taking the stage again, in what Horton admits was perhaps the most difficult act.

“I felt like God was giving me a chance to assist in a miracle,” said Beyoncé.

We often think that celebrities have it easy, but superstar Beyoncé Knowles begs to differ.

On Feb. 16, Beyoncé’s documentary, “Life is but a Dream,” premiered on HBO, which opened our eyes to the complex life of this celebrity. In the film we get to see inside of her personal life. She shares more than her accomplishments and many blessings, but she also shares her personal conflicts with her father and former manager, Mathew Knowles, as well as her tragic miscarriage.

Interestingly enough this documentary was produced, edited, and directed by Beyoncé herself. The film reveals clips from home videos with family and friends that show us just how family oriented she really is.

“At some point you need your support system. You need your family,” said Beyoncé.

Family is very important to Beyoncé as she is seen referring them periodically throughout the film. Also, we get to see Beyoncé in her very raw form. Beyoncé bares it all on the camera, with no make-up, no stylist, nothing but the real her.

“Thank God for my computer. Sometimes when there is no one to talk to, I talk aloud so that I can get all my thoughts out and try to figure out the issues that I’m having and try, I’m trying to find the answers,” Beyoncé said in the documentary. Many scenes in the film address the conflict with her father.

“It was hard. I had to sacrifice my relationship with my dad. It was a stressful, sad, difficult time. But I had to let go,” said Beyoncé.

The distant relationship with her father was difficult and left her torn.

Beyoncé produced a track slightly after their separation entitled, “Listen,” where she pours her heart out about the experience. The film then goes into how she begins to feel more positive and how she has taken her life into her own hands.

“I’m an artist and I’m sensitive about my art,” said Beyoncé.

She speaks about music and how she wants people to listen and experience the music rather than to just listen to it. “This album is so personal and such a labor of love that it almost sounds like no one should be able to judge it because it just comes from the heart,” said Beyoncé.

The film continues with revealing one of her most, deepest secrets. For the first time she explains her tragic miscarriage.

“I heard the heartbeat, which was the most beautiful music I ever heard in my life,” she said.

“I picked out names and I envisioned what my child would look like. I was feeling very maternal. I flew back to New York to get a check up and no heartbeat.”

Hearing her speak about her loss can bring a tear to anyone’s eye.

Beyoncé’s documentary continues with glimpses of her happy husband Jay-Z and the first glimpse of their baby Blue Ivy.

“It felt like God was giving me a chance to assist in a miracle,” she said.

“There is something so relieving about life taking over you like that. You’re playing a part in a much bigger show. And that’s what life is. It’s the greatest show on earth.”

Beyoncé’s documentary is an up close and personal look into her life and anyone looking to get a little inspired or even a little bit of insight from the diva, should check out this film.
Arts & Entertainment

A touching twist on a classic love story: Sparks fly in “Safe Haven”

By MARIA PERRY
Staff Writer

Author Nicholas Sparks united with Director Lasse Hallström to create a new and improved romance movie for this generation with “Safe Haven.”

Released Feb. 14, the film has ranked number three in the box office.

Based on the novel by Sparks, also the author of The Notebook, the film shows how we should be willing to set aside our experiences with past relationships in order to progress in our future ones.

Hallström directs Julianne Hough as Katie who is trying to make a new start in Southport North Carolina. Alex, her love interest, is played by Josh Duhamel. The villain, David Lyons, is Katie’s abusive ex-husband who works for the police.

The romance is directed towards a more mature audience due to sexual content and violence.

Although the film demonstrated the time it takes to cope with loss, the plot felt a little slow.

There were moments when I sat and thought, “Why is it taking so long? Can’t they just date already?”

The screenplay, however, was still wonderfully written with a beautiful story line. The actors were excellent at showing emotion. Hough was really good at switching emotions, going from scared to content within minutes.

Duhamel did well at keeping the emotions contained, adding to the strength in portraying the character. Like “The Notebook,” “Safe Haven,” has a love motif, which is coping with the obstacles we face in love and relationships.

What may be most absorbing to the viewer in “Safe Haven” is its relatability.

We have all had our heart broken by someone.

Both characters in the film have faced loss and heart break in their lives.

Hough finally finds a guy that makes her happy but she is so enveloped in her past, causing her to fear falling in love too fast and getting hurt again.

She finds comfort in a friend named Jo, played by Cobie Smulders, who attempts to push her to face her fears and realize there is no reason to be afraid.

Duhamel’s character copes with the loss of his wife to cancer.

Already having kids from the past marriage, he faces hardship with raising kids and seeing another woman besides his wife.

Alex’s daughter, Lexie, is okay with it and adjusts pretty fast, but the other son Josh, has a hard time taking it in and fears that his dad is trying to replace his mother.

This further emphasizes how people need to face their fears because if they don’t they would be stuck where they are and never move on from the past.

While Katie faces the fear of getting in a new relationship, Alex fears moving on from the loss of his wife.

They both had to push themselves to move on and face what is happening now.

Throughout the film Alex, is consistently willing to help her face the changes in her life and challenge the changes they will face as a couple.

This further emphasizes that no matter how far people run, the past will haunt them. Avoiding them won’t get rid of the problem.

Love interests Katie and Alex share an intimate scene while canoeing in “Safe Haven,” a new film based on the romance novel by Nicholas Sparks.

A touching twist on a classic love story: Sparks fly in “Safe Haven”
**Men's basketball falls short against Chico and Stanislaus**

By BRANDON LANDRUM  
Staff Writer

Despite giving it their all, the CSUSB men’s basketball team went down in both games on Feb. 15 and Feb. 16. The Coyotes played the Wildcats of CSU Chico and the Warriors of CSU Stanislaus.

The team traveled to CSU Chico to play the Wildcats in the first of two road games.

In the first half, the Coyotes started off strong, keeping the game close but toward the end of the half, the Wildcats began to pull away.

The team shot 33 percent from the three-point line and had a 30 percent field goal percentage in the first.

Leading the way was junior point guard Juan Martinez with 10 points and junior combo guard Lacy Haddock with seven points to follow. The Coyotes went into halftime trailing the Wildcats 40-32.

They started off the second half a little sluggish but later on in the half picked up their game.

The team ended up shooting better in the second half making 40 percent of their shots compared to the 30 percent that the team shot in the first half.

Senior forward Kwame Alexander led scorers in the second half with 14 points and junior guard Brian Goins scored seven points. The game was close, but the Coyotes couldn’t quite pull out the win, losing the game 64-61.

Saturday, the Coyotes traveled to Stanislaus to take on the Warriors and look to bounce back from the loss the night before. In the first half, the Coyotes started slow and the Warriors jumped out to an early lead. The Coyotes shot 42 percent from the field but the problem of the first half was having five turnovers.

Haddock helped the Coyotes in the second half, scoring 11 points and Alexander was behind him with six. Alexander later had to come out of the game due to foul trouble. The Coyotes trailed the Warrior 44-33 going into halftime.

In the second half, the Coyotes came out and had a mission in trying to overcome this deficit of 11 points.

They got help from junior guard Joshua Gouch who scored eight points and Haddock continued his good play scoring another seven points.

The team ended up shooting a season low of 27 percent in the second half and 50 percent from the free throw line. The Coyotes suffered a loss to the Warriors by the score of 82-61.

The next two games will be their last of the regular season at home on Feb. 28 and Mar. 1.

Friday’s game will be against the Gauchos of UCSB, and Saturday the Coyotes will take on the Seawolves of Sonoma State University.

These are two important games they would need to win to gain momentum going into the Division II tournament in March.

The CSUSB men’s basketball team currently has a record of 15-6.

**Women’s basketball: teamwork leads to victory**

By ERIN LEACH  
Staff Writer

Despite the loss against Chico, some players continuously shine and prove essential for Coyote success. Taylair Gibson had a game high 17 points and nine rebounds. While freshman Adriana Brodie had 15 points and five rebounds.

The seasoned players Trinidee Trice and Dy continues to be a force this season with 10 points for Trice and a game high of five assists for Dy both against Chico and Stanislaus.

“Our team definitely needs to improve our shooting percentages. We have games when it’s only about 25 percent and that’s not going to cut it,” said player Jenna Kleine.

“We should also work on keeping the lead when we have it,” she continued.

While the team had a slow start against the Stanislaus Warriors, the latter half of the game proved positive for the team.

“On Saturday, we came out and played together, we knocked down shots and simultaneously had solid shots on our end,” said Dy.

“In preparation for the last couple games of the season, I am just hoping to continue to lead the team both offensively and defensively,” she said.

Dy lead the team in total points with 20 and Jaslyn Conley followed behind with 15. Brodie has swiftly become a force to be reckoned as she broke both personal and university records.

The freshman superstar had her first double-double against Stanislaus with 11 total points and 13 rebounds. She also had nine offensive rebounds, which hahn’s

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The softball team stretches before heading into their practice routine improving on where they have been struggling for the past few games. This season has been a slow start for the team but dedication of the players and the coaches has shown.

**Butlers’ two triples helps gain wins**

By ANTHONY MORALES

The Coyote softball team took their 2-4 record to Tucson, Arizona in the National Fast pitch Coaches Association Division II Leadoff tournament in which they played four games and two games. Out of the six games the girls acquired two wins and were dealt four losses.

The Yotes split the first-round play against the Mavericks from Colorado Mesa.

The Mavericks managed the first win of the day in the opener with a score of 9-2.

They scored five runs in the second inning and three runs in the sixth. Returning senior infielder Brinney Butler conquered her injury, proving she’s back and ready to play as she went 3-for-4 with a triple in the first game.

Teammate infielder Monica Ferguson achieved a 2-for-3 with a double.

The second game of the day resulted with a win for the Coyotes as they pulled off a 9-6 victory against Chowan University (N.C.).

Butler delivered an additional 3-for-4 triple and infielder Alyssa Flores scored three hits and outfielder Charlotte Galzote added two hits.

“It feels great to be back, it sucked being off the field. It felt pretty good coming back from the injury and being able to hit two triples,” said Butler.

As the first day of the tournament came to a close the Coyotes rested for the upcoming games.

Despite their efforts in game three against Red Storms of Dixie State, they lost 9-11. Galzote and Butler both earned two hits in the game but was not enough to seal a win. In game four the Coyotes were put up against West Texas A&M and unfortunately lost 12-4.

Flores brought two players home while Ferguson and outfielder Jamie Leflingle each brought one player home.

“The difficult part of the game was coming together. We have a few kinks to work out and we’re working on what we needed to work on in our practices,” said Butler.

As the semifinals approached for the girls they successfully split the final day of play. They first played against Nova SE and gained a win with a score of 6-0.

Flores managed to bring four players to base. In the first inning out fielder Darian Manuz scored on a passed ball while Flores brought in Galzote to home. Flores homered in the third inning and was able to get Butler and herself home.

The girls also managed to get a run in the fifth and sixth innings.

As the final semifinal game came the Coyotes wasn’t able to gather the final win against Abilene Christians losing 8-3. The Wildcats offense got off to a great start scoring five times in the first two innings.

The Coyotes then even the scored with three two-out runs in the fourth inning.

Head coach Tacy Duncan points out the girls are only producing little mistakes. “Every game we’re fixing little mistakes, even though their scores aren’t showing little things are doing a lot better,” said Duncan.

The Coyotes are now 4-8 overall. With Butler back in the game bringing a little spark to the team hopefully the Coyotes can manage an explosive turnout in their upcoming games.

**Coyotes fight tough weekend**

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been accomplished by an individual in five years.

“I’ve been going to the gym more, working out harder and practicing my free throws,” said Brodie.

“If we are going to win these next couple of games we are going to need to come out harder then usual and more importantly, come out to win,” she said.

If she continues to play well, the freshman, who plans on staying at CSUSB, will be an enormous asset to the team in coming seasons.

The Coyotes have four games left in regular season and face tough competition in coming weeks.

“I’m really looking forward to the CCAA tournament in coming weeks, but the only way to get there is improvement in areas like our help side and defensive communication,” said Brodie.

The Coyotes last two games of the season Thurs. Feb. 28, against SF State and Fri. Mar. 1 against Sonoma State.
The Coyote baseball team split their double header against the Cal Poly Pomona Broncos on Sat. Feb. 16. The Broncos and the Coyotes were both undefeated before stepping onto the field to compete against one another.

The Coyotes were unable to defeat the Broncos during game one with a final score of 6-11. Coyote infielder Jake Pilkerton scored the first run of the day when infielder Billy Hamilton advanced to third on a steal. The Broncos answered, scoring three runs in the second inning after their outfielder David Walter was caught stealing, advancing Trevor Magno to home plate. After the Broncos scored the three runs, the Coyotes were playing catch up for the rest of the game.

During the third inning the Coyotes were able to score one run after first baseman Richard Mount singled to the left side causing outfielder Remington Miller to score. Later, during the fourth, the Broncos increased their lead on a single by Magno bringing in two more runners, making the score 5-2.

The Coyotes kept it a close game scoring two more runs in the fifth off of two singles by catcher Stratton Kim and shortstop Christian Gomez. The Broncos will not let down their guard and responded scoring another run when Walter singled to left center bringing home outfielder Joseph Espinola. After the fifth inning the score stood at 6-6 favoring the Broncos. Determined to win the Coyotes scored another two runs in the sixth that tied the game.

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The second inning held the most action with a total of seven runs, four for the Coyotes and three for the Broncos. Coyote infielders Curtis Cassise and Pilkerton both hit doubles in the second bringing home runners Beckly and Trevor McMaster.

At the bottom of the second the Broncos were able to score three runs making the score 8-6 in the Coyotes favor. Neither teams were able to reach home plate until the bottom of the fourth when the Broncos scored twice.

Furthermore, the Coyotes did not reach home until the seventh, when they added three more runs, making the overall score 11-6.

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Roberson volunteers his time and works with the Coyotes to improve their form and precision on the field. According to Roberson double headers cause players to become fatigued which then causes the coaching staff to use less experienced players.

After all was said and done these powerhouse teams put on quite a show. After their series against the Broncos the Coyotes suffered their first losses of the season and walked away with their current season standing of 7-2.