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Y2K Are We Ready?

Karen Wesche
Staff Writer

If you missed the planning for the Y2K baby, you still have plenty of time to get the millennium bug worked out of your computer. Now is the time for home PC users and businesses to plan for the dreaded "00."

CSUSB has been on this task for nearly three years. Lorraine Faust reported that most of the major systems will be compliant by June.

Information of the university's Y2K status can be obtained at the Website: info.info.csusb.edu.

Y2K, which stands for Year 2000, refers to the potential of computers to create chaos when their date fields flip over from 99 to 00. Computers will read the new date as 1900. Macintosh owners need not worry as their date fields already have four digits.

For owners of older computers, Y2K fix-it software patches are available at computer retailers. These products, which look over a PC's hard disk for Year 2000 problems, range from $30 to $60.

The much publicized hysteria is linked specifically to companies that use computers for date sensitive calculations. Y2K alarmists present a dismal scenario: Computers everywhere will fail, along with 50 billion embedded chips. The power grid will fail. No lights. No heat. No phone. No ATM. No juice for pumps, so no water and no gas.

It gets worse. Nuclear power Plants will malfunction. Prison gates will spring open. Terrorists will attack with chemical and biological weapons. Our defense system will fail and foreign enemies will swarm across the borders. Is this all possible?

The U.S. Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technological Problem had some startling conclusions in its March '99 report. It urges Americans to stockpile at least small amounts of food and water and claims that this could be

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ASI: The Election Saga Continues

By D'Lorah DeBarge
Chronicle Staff Writer

The mystery isn't over but new elections will be held April 28 and 29 between 9:00 am and 8:30 pm. "Only one polling place is slated to be situated in front of the library," said Yesenia DeCausus, Elections Committee Chair. "Paper ballots will be used and later locked in a box overnight and then hand counted," she said. The results will be announced May 5, 1999.

Each voter will be required to show his or her Coyote Card and provide last four digits of his or her Social Security number, according to a memo distributed by the election committee.

The memo indicated that only three offices will be running: President, Vice President and Controller. It added that campaigning may begin by all candidates except those against which sanctions were placed for election violations.

Grayson Hoffman, Luis Portillo, and Linh Phan were all cited for elections violations; however, only Hoffman's violation carried with it a restriction from re-running for the office of president.

The level IV violation according to election rules was the use of ASI and Student Union equipment and supplies. According to Hoffman, he had his flyer printed by You Name It Printing Co. in Fontana. When the work was done the printer called the ASI Office where Hoffman was working to advise him that it was ready.

Dana Blackwell, the office manager at You Name It Printing, said her staff called the ASI number to let Hoffman know that the flyer was ready and for him to check it. "My staff member asked if Grayson was there and when he was not, they asked for a fax number."

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Tuition reduced by 10%

Senator Bill 22 passed unanimously to reduce UC and CSU college fees by ten percent for the 1999-2000 school year. Senator James L. Brulte, author of the bill, said, "Reducing the high cost of a college education is a top priority of mine. Fortunately, it looks like I have the bi-partisan support of the legislature on this issue as well... S.B. 22 gives all families with children attending California's public colleges a much needed break in paying for quality education.”

--D'Lorah DeBarge

Air Force ROTC Named Regional Headquarters

CSUSB's Air Force ROTC will act as headquarters for 300 Air Force Cadets in 17 squadrons throughout Arizona, California, New Mexico and Hawaii during 1999-2000. Cadet Col. Catherine Cease won the title for CSUSB after coordinating the activities of the Arnold Air Society, a cadet organization. Cease said, "The focus of community service projects this year will be to aid veterans and educate the public about the service of our veterans.”

--D'Lorah DeBarge

CSUSB Professor Clifford Young Appointed As Executive Assistant

President Albert Karnig named professor Clifford Young, of the public administration department, as executive assistant. Young will assist in implementing various strategic planning initiatives, work with a number of key committees on and off campus, aid in ensuring effective communications and serve as needed in liaison and constituent relations roles.

"My wife and I are very pleased with this appointment and look forward to working with Dr. Karnig and advancing the university's strategic plan," Young said. "I've been here 10 years and I'm excited about being an integral part of the next decade."

Young is well qualified for the job. A 1988 doctoral graduate of USC, Young has published in a wide array of mediums, and secured more than $2 million with his proposal that was submitted to the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, and was one of 34 nationally selected American Council on Education fellows at Cal State Fullerton.

Young's most recent teaching interests involve web-based instruction, which he has woven into several of his public administration courses.

Young steps into his new post May 17. His wife, Laura, is also a faculty member at CSUSB, teaching in the College of Education's learning, literacy and culture department.

-- Dan A. Farmer

Essay Contest

Do you crave fame and fortune? The English Department is offering prizes of $100 each for the Helene Koon Memorial Essay Contest. Undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to submit non-fiction essays of any length, which are based on any English related subject: literature, language, and composition.

Entries are due by May 28, 1999 in the English Department office, located in University Hall, room 334.

--Dick Phillips

VP Named

President Karnig has announced that Jo Ann Hankin, the Vice President for Finance and Administration at Whittier College since 1996, has taken a post as CSUSB's new Vice President for university advancement. Hankin brings to CSUSB years of experience in the business world, including executive appointments at Welch's and the nationally recognized Women in Philanthropy program. Before leaving Whittier College she oversaw the relocation of Whittier Law School from Los Angeles to Costa Mesa. Karnig said, "We're extremely pleased to have attracted someone with Jo Ann's insights and experience to this important position..."

--D'Lorah DeBarge

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her on the order form. Yet this is the violation for which he was cited and removed from the ballot.

Yesenia DeCausus said, "We held a hearing with witnesses and Mr. Hoffman admitted the violation."

The investigation began ten days ago, shortly after the election process ended at which time telephone transcripts were collected by Dr. Patsy Oppenheim. Teresa Cortez, operations specialist with Telecom and Network specialist said, "I can't release the transcripts because the investigation is not over."

"I haven't seen it myself," DeCausus said of the telephone transcript evidence, "the discrepancies were discovered by Student Services."

CINCO DE MAYO – "WHERE'S THE BEEF?"

What's missing at this year's Cinco de Mayo? It's the beef! There will be no carne asada, no tacos, no beef enchiladas. As a matter of fact, no food will be served according to John Futch, Cross Cultural Director. Health Code regulations are now being enforced which prohibit offering homemade foods.

Previously students prepared food items at home and brought them to campus to sell as fundraisers for their organizations. However, this practice violates the San Bernardino County Department of Environmental Health Services health code regulations. The health code states all food items must be prepared in a designated regulated kitchen area and served in an enclosed building or screened booth.

Due to the expensive costs of renting or purchasing the booths, funds are not available at the present time. But, "next year we will have food booths because I will be working on getting funding for this," said Futch.

However, there will be plenty of live entertainment at the Cross Cultural Student Union Court. Scheduled for the three day event beginning:

May 4, from 12-1pm will be English Professor Juan Delgado who will speak on El Norte Border Images.

May 5, from 11-2pm will feature popular child singer Tatiana Bolanos, Latina singer Nydia Rojas, Mariachi Sol de America de Juan Jose Almaguer and at 4pm, Elena Maria Viramontes, writer. Master of Ceremonies, Senator Joe Baca, will be the guest speaker.

May 6, from 11-1pm will feature performances of traditional Aztec and Folklorico dances. Movies relating to Chicano and Latino culture will be shown throughout the week also.

--Dee Ortega

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Greek Week in Full Swing

By Dan A. Farmer
Executive Editor

Greek week continued to progress as the first week of games came to a close this Sunday with the Quiz Bowl and the Greek Speaker event.

The Quiz Bowl pitted the fraternity, Sigma Phi Epsilon against each other in a test of knowledge using cards from Trivial Pursuit, the categories Arts & Entertainment, People & Places, Sports & Leisure, History, Science & Nature, and the infamous Wild Card category.

Sigma Nu worked through the losers bracket and emerged battle unbeatable after handing the strong Tau Kappa Epsilon team defeat. But it all came down to this last confrontation. Sigma Nu, needing to win two in a row, and Sigma Phi Epsilon needing only one win, since they were the team that put Sigma Nu into the losers bracket.

Marc Spittler led the charge and took the first game rather easily. Sigma Phi Epsilon asked to switch after it was suggested that the one side’s buzzers had an advantage. A coin flip turned away their request and the final round, sudden death match took place.

Sigma Nu took an early lead and never looked back. Dennis Wolberg and Matt Amorino joined Marc in their intellectual battle and overwhelmed Sigma Phi Epsilon. Jay Houghton appeared to be enjoying the ride that his teammates were taking him on, being used by his mates when they had used up their question (only one answer was allowed by each member).

In defense of Sigma Phi Epsilon, a subsequent testing of the equipment showed that a tie in the buzzer went to only one side every time. Would this have kept the Sig Eps in the game? Probably not, but you never know.

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Marc Spittler formulates an answer during the Greek Quiz Bowl. Marc led Sigma Nu to victory over Sigma Phi Epsilon.

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Guilty Until Proven Innocent

What's up with the ASI thing??

By Dan A. Farmer
Executive Editor

The recent ASI elections were considered invalid because of "convincing" evidence that approximately 200 election calls were made from an office that was supposedly closed. This is a serious violation of election rules and whoever is responsible should be dealt with promptly. There is no excuse for this type of fraud.

Two gentlemen were assumed to be in the office in question at the time of the alleged phone calls. Grayson Hoffman and a student that worked in the office where the alleged phone calls took place.

Basically, the phone call violation was never resolved. No factual evidence was discovered as to who actually made the 200 or so calls. For all we know, the calls were never made. The phone records are currently being held by Patsy Oppenheim and have not as of yet been released. Well, here's what has happened since.

Hoffman has been ousted from the election on an apparent violation of one of the election rules. A fax was received by ASI that turned out to be an election flyer, promoting Hoffman for the presidential run-off and Lyhn Phan for the controller run-off. Phan was given a one-day campaigning suspension, prohibiting her from campaigning on last Friday.

Well, according to Dana Blackwell, the manager of You Name It Printing, ASI gave the printers the fax number after the printers called trying to find Hoffman to inspect the flyer. The printers asked if they could fax the information, and they gave the number to them. Now, how is this grounds for dismissal from running in the election? Another candidate in the election had been given a one day campaigning fine after it was found that the person had access to the TRACS system, or the same system that was used for tracking the voting. Hoffman is ousted from the election because ASI gave out their fax number to a printer in Fontana. This makes no sense.

The madness doesn't stop here. The other student, who was believed to have been involved with the phone conspiracy, underwent their own crazy scenario. The Friday after the election, the office in question underwent a software search. A software search? Regardless of whether this was legal, it might very well be, no evidence was found to pin the election violation.

Newflash. In a related story, the student in question was fired because, after a background check, it was found that the student did not meet the requirements for the job, and hasn't since the student was hired back in August. Apparently, in the SA program, you need a 0 or better. I'm not sure how they figure this out, but he was at -1 and just about to meet the standard.

When the office was asked about the firing, they said you need to talk to Patsy Oppenheim.

Whether or not these students committed the violations may never be answered. Neither student denies being in the office in question when the alleged violations took place. But the way the two students have been treated by the ASI election committee and Patsy Oppenheim is irreprehensible.

If they're guilty of the phone calls, fine. Take the appropriate action and get it over with. Don't drag the two students through the mud if you're not sure that they were responsible. They have lives too.

I cannot find one good thing to say about the events that have transpired since the alleged phone violations took place. CSUSB has made headlines in both the Sun and the Press Enterprise. I certainly hope that this can be resolved and smoothed over in an expedient manner. Every precaution should be made to ensure that this scenario never is played out again. We deserve better. Let's hope the new election runs smoothly.
Littleton: Where Are the Parents?

By David G. Smothers
Special to the Chronicle

What event happened to morality and justice? What event happened in Littleton is a great example of what happens when we take moral training out of school curriculum.

Relativism is out of control, not only in primary education but in secondary education as well. Don't be fooled. The liberals, who have decided and preached moral relativism, are immoral themselves. We have lost our sense of conviction on many issues, especially justice. We have seen politicians and activists on all sides of political ideology strategically fit their agenda to this tragedy. What those kids did at Columbine High School was detestable. What the education system did to foster the behavior that led to this tragedy was substantially worse.

What have we seen are knee-jerk reactions to a larger sociological problem. We have heard talk of creating a child "Brady Bill" that would make it impossible for an adult, who was convicted of a felony as a minor, to legally purchase a gun. It seems to me that if a juvenile could have the ability to be involved in a felony as a minor then that individual probably has the knowledge to gain access to a firearm as an adult by illegal means. I took the opportunity to search the Internet on things like explosives, subversive literature, computer crimes, drug manufacturing, and other criminal activities.

The truth is that this knowledge is accessible to minors, but where are the parents? Where were the parents of the Littleton criminals? Where are America's parents when these kinds of individuals are plotting such crimes?

I know that such crimes could be committed on any campus: even ours. Knee-jerk legislation and quick solutions are not the answer we need. Lazy legislation will not cure the cancer of our society. The breakdown of the nuclear family is causing many of the problems that we are having today. The "why can't we all just get along" syndrome in America is steering us swiftly in the wrong direction. We should all mourn the deaths of all victims of violence, but we must also swiftly punish those who commit the crimes. We should also take responsibility for not being our brothers' keeper. I don't care what race, religion, gender, or anything else you are.

We are all collectively affected by this tragedy. When we go about our lives in our place in this world, I hope that we can take responsibility and get involved. Sometimes pursuing justice attracts persecution, but Mark Twain once said, "Loyalty to perpetified opinion never broke a chain or freed a human soul". We are the next generation of America. We are the future activists. Unless we take a stand and correct our world, no one else will.

What do you think is the cause for the recent outbreak in school violence?

Shari Darling
Junior - Sociology:
Apathy. Nobody cares about anyone anymore.

Jeff Beaudoin
Senior -- Mass Communications:
Bad upbringing. Kids aren't getting proper parenting these days.

Sheniqa McDonald
Freshmen Nursing:
The media is responsible. They show people on TV doing it all the time, so it's easier to see.

Sean Melendez
Sophomore -- Liberal Studies:
People that aren't accepted by social groups in school get fed up. They rebel.

Kim Terrill
Sophomore Liberal Studies:
Kids probably feel neglected and don't know how to deal with it without resorting to violence.

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In August of 1989, after a summer of knowing something was wrong with him, but cancer was the last thing on his mind. Two weeks after his diagnosis, he had surgery, and the tumor went into remission for three years. During this time he had a MRI every six months. He thought that his experience with cancer over, but it was not. In Fall of 1992, the tumor reappeared.

In spring of 1993, he started radiation treatment, four times weekly, for seven weeks. At this time he couldn’t drive, and it was a very humbling and heart-wrenching experience for him that people would pick him up and drive him to the hospital.

Presently, Dr. Weiss is a member of a group called Vital Options. Vital Options is a radio show that by the psychology department chair Dr. Halpern. Solma Shimmel is a breast cancer survivor who started Vital Options. She was looking for more people to help her with the radio show, and Dr. Halpern recommended Dr. Weiss.

Since then, Dr. Weiss has participated in shows about the effects of cancer on children and families. Vital Options has been a great help for people dealing with cancer.

Over all, dealing with cancer for Dr. Weiss had been eye opening. "Having experienced a potentially terminal disorder has you really looking twice at your life..."

French perhaps, but just Mexican. Not until about 10 years ago, was I to discover yet another mysterious piece to puzzle of my Mestizo heritage.

My mother hadn’t known her biological father since she was a very young. My grandparents had divorced in the 1950’s and my grandmother remarried, left Texas and came to California. My grandfather stayed in Texas and that was pretty much the end of it. Around 1990, my grandfather had contacted us and wanted to meet over some very fortunate legal discoveries. He and that side of my family, had a lawsuit against the State of Texas over a dispute of land grants made out to my family some 450 years ago, by the royals in Spain.

A Silver Lining

Our life should be about helping others which in turn helps ourselves.

Though cancer is definitely bad news, in Dr. Weiss’s experience there was a silver lining. He said when dealing with a life threatening disease like cancer, you learn about yourself. We all need to enjoy life and help others. He said to anyone struggling right now with cancer that they are not alone.

For the rest of us, it is vital that we help: “Our life should be about helping others which in turn helps ourselves.”

Dr. Weiss wants to start a cancer survivor group on campus. For those of you interested, you can contact him through e-mail at mweiss@csusb.edu or call him at his office on campus at (909) 880-5594.
LAKE IN MY BACK YARD (third in a series)

Derrick Edward Sergeant
Chronicle Staff Writer

As I write this, I am sitting directly over a dam under construction. I live in Riverside County's city of San Jacinto, just five minutes away from Mt. San Jacinto Junior College. From my house, it is about a fifteen minute drive in the opposite direction of the college to reach the Diamond and Domenigoni valleys, so named because the area was first settled and farmed by the Domenigoni family over a century ago. They were Swiss immigrants who established major dry farming and dairy industries here. More European immigrants followed, building homes and setting up ranches. Before that, it was home to a number of Indian tribes who managed the resources of it very well. They made stone and adobe structures, bone and stone tools, and created pictographs (rock paintings) and petroglyphs (rock carvings) in the nearby hills. Now, these valleys, which are almost completely surrounded by small hills, are being transformed into something completely different.

Any homes that used to be here are long since gone. The farmland has been plowed up, the roads have been removed, and the ranches are no more. Instead, there are now 4,500 barren acres stretched out before me. Temporary construction offices and parking lots are scattered at various locations, but most of the land is empty except for tire tracks crisscrossing the face of the ground. Here and there, I see a patch of grass and a small bush, the only testament to what used to be. This entire region is being converted into the largest freshwater reservoir in Southern California; the Eastside Reservoir Project.

When completed, it will be larger than nearby Lark Matthews or Lake Elsinore. It can be held 800,000 acre-feet, or 260 billion gallons of water. In case of a severe drought or major earthquake, it will secure six months of emergency water storage. It will nearly double Southern California's surface storage capacity. It will be 160-260 feet deep, at an elevation of 1,756 feet above sea level. It is scheduled to be completed in December of this year. Once that date is reached, water will begin to be shipped in from a variety of sources. Some water from the Colorado River Aqueduct will be diverted into the San Diego Canal, which passes by this site. Other sources will include San Bernardino County's Silverwood Lake, and some locations in Northern California will also be tapped. It will take nearly five years to fill. Says the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) of Southern California, which is heading the project, the whole reason for making this reservoir is "to meet projected needs well into the 21st century."

But that does not mean that the past is being completely buried by a man-made deluge, as has happened in so many other places. For the past six years, archaeologists and paleontologists from San Bernardino County Museum and Applied Earthworks have been working non-stop to excavate and preserve the numerous artifacts and skeletons that are being dug up. And everyone is shocked by the wealth of discoveries they have found here.

Up to 305 prehistoric Indian sites have been unearthed. Hundreds of arrows, knives, stone bowls, and pottery bear evidence of a thriving native American culture that could date back as far as 7,000 years. From the time of European settlement, nearly complete structures have been uncovered. For example, the remains of a rock post office has been found that dates to the 1880's. But most startling of all was the huge amount of ancient animal skeletons that have been unearthed here, so numerous that MWD estimates that the "scientific importance of this collection rivals that of the famed La Brea Tar Pits in many ways." There are bones of camels, horses, bison, birds, amphibians, reptiles, and even extinct creatures like mammoths, giant slugs, and others never before known to be part of the fossil record of Riverside County! Some of these skeletons are nearly complete and perfectly preserved. The finds are incredible, and all are being carefully removed and studied. No history will be lost.

This is the first time I have ever seen a dam in person, and it is an awesome sight. There are three dams under construction here, filling in the three gaps that exist in the otherwise complete ring of hills that surround the Diamond and Domenigoni valleys. This one is called the West Dam. It is enormous at 1.8 miles long and 280 feet tall. It is 2,000 feet wide at its base. It is classified as an earth/rock fill construction dam, which means that no metals or man-made cements of any kind goes into the material of the dam. Just earth, rock, and dirt. At the moment, there are numerous tractors working atop the dam. I assume they are smoothing out the soil and keeping everything level.

The outside of the dam is a gray color, covered with boulders. This is the riprap. The major purpose of the dam is just underneath. Called the shell, this part of the dam surrounds the interior of the structure and is made up of hundreds of feet of solid rock. The shell keeps everything stable and is capable of rolling with any amount of ground movement. At the very heart of the dam is the core, made of very fine-ground, compacted solids that can make a flexible, moldable material when subjected to the intense pressure of the outside water. Finally, between the core and shell are layers of filters and drags that are composed of fine to course sand and gravel. These filters serve to keep the materials of the shell and core separate. Hundreds of instruments are placed throughout the dam to measure the integrity.

"Quite a project, isn't it," states one of the other onlookers here.

Others express similar admiration. Some are amazed at how fast it is all being built. They gaze around, open-mouthed, taking pictures of this place. Some are not happy that the reservoir is being built. People have been displaced from their homes because of this. Some of the local agriculture is being destroyed. Some of the history of the area, they say, is being lost forever. But most of the people just stare at what is being done, making a few comments now and then.

Nobody notices the others, who are also watching what is going on. On this lookout, high above the site, small creatures scurry back and forth between the rocks and grasses. There are squirrels, lizards, small, long-billed birds, and, of course, lots of bugs. These animals race between patches of ground, sometimes trying to avoid people's feet. Sometimes looking down at the place that used to be their home. They don't go back down there any more.

But these animals are not forgotten. As the MWD creates this reservoir, it is also making environmental reserves for the animals to live on. Nearly 20,000 acres at two major sites will be used strictly for the survival of these displaced creatures. They will not be left homeless.

It is eight thirty in the A.M., and there is less work being done here than I had expected. An enormous blue crane if lifting a piece of equipment high into the air. It makes monstrous arcs in the sky before being lowered to the top of a tower that will serve as the inlet/outlet tower when completed. In the air, there is a constant sound of engines, wheels, and the beeping of large vehicles backing up. There are people working on the thirty-four acre forebay outside of West Dam. This is where the water will be shipped to before it is pumped into the reservoir. It looks like an overgrown, concrete swimming pool made up of white and gray slabs. A huge pump house is situated to one side of the forebay. It will contain twelve pumps that will move 1,400 gallons per second through a sixteen foot diameter tunnel into the reservoir. And, in case the level of water gets too high, or water needs to be shipped from the reservoir to some other location, they can operate in reverse, allowing water to leave the site at a controlled rate. There should be no danger of flooding here.

All the major problems associated with dams and the storage of water behind them seems to have been met and solved here. Minimal loss of historical data and animal life. No danger of flooding. No blockage of current river flow (for there is no river). Indeed, the worst to happen from this project is the displacement of human families that used to live here. I have no idea what happened to them. Everything taken into account though, and assuming that these families were able to relocate with no major difficulty, it appears there here, at least, man has found a way to gather the water that he needs without causing great damage to any other part of the environment. You see, it can be done.

The work being done here creates a constant haze of dirt that is just above me. As the sun begins to rise above the nearby hills, it shines it's light upon this haze, creating a golden ring around the site. It is as if heaven is placing it's blessing upon the project.
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ans, met there. As the enemy marched up hill to their position, Zaragoza kept his men hidden behind a high wall so they would not be intimidated by the sight of professional soldiers coming closer and closer with sabers and guns and swords. Then, at the last possible moment, he ordered his men to rise and fight. And this inferior outnumbered group of men actually won the day. The French infantrymen had to charge through mud from a recent thunderstorm, advancing the Mexican Calvary and a herd of hundreds of stampeding cattle stirred up by some men armed only with machetes.

Instantly, the “Batalla de Puebla” became a national rallying cry. With this victory, Mexico had demonstrated to the world that they would defend themselves against any imperialist nation that had a notion for world domination. Even while the French was occupying the land of Mexico, the citizens of the land celebrated their victory at Puebla every fifth of May, even in the presence of their French oppressors. Since then, Mexicans have continued to remember this day with great fanfare, military parades, honoring of the patriotic dead, and, especially today, with MUSIC!

Mariachi is part of a category of music in Mexico. This style of music has been around since the 17th century. It is characterized by an unusual triple rhythm containing patterns of six beats. It can be both melodic and rapid. The lyrics, which originally were written by a woman dressed as a soldadera (a women who would stand with her husband, a soldier in the Mexican Revolution) often talked of the beauty of women and love. The dancing that accompanied this music is usually the zapateado, which is a rapid movement of the feet against the ground. Mariachi ensembles have two violins, two trumpets, and three different Mexican instruments resembling a guitar. The music is fantastic.

Ironically, Cinco de Mayo is celebrated with more enthusiasm in America than in Mexico. The day represents a fine example of national pride and human courage, something everyone can relate to no matter what nationality they are. So, enjoy the holiday, play some music, and those who fought to preserve their country, and have a little fun!

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Mestizaje cont. from pg. 6

We (my mother, myself, and her older brother) accepted his invitation to meet in Texas. The rest on the land grants will come in the future, but I would like to focus on a secret my grandfather had for me. My grandfather sat down and told me I was a Jew! Now, my initial response was, as you can imagine surprise to say the least. I had always thought that side of my family was Catholic. He told me they were, but that I had Hebrew blood running through my veins. I had nothing against Jewish people, but I had grown up proud of my Mestizo/Native American heritage, not realizing the depth it truly carried.

To say the least he was telling me the truth. He gave me a family tree, copies of birth certificates and a treasure of information that I had truly been ignorant of. When I came back to California, I went to the University of Judaism in west Los Angeles, and a few other places, to do research on the history of the whole thing. I found that quite a few people in the Southwest and all through Mexico and possibly the rest of Latin America, may have this Sephardic or Hebrew heritage and don’t even know it! Names like Garcia, Spinnoza (Espinoza), Perez, Sanchez, Torrez, Gallardo, Leyva (some may recognize Levi from the Bible - one of the twelve tribes of Israel) and many more names that turn out to not be of Hispanic origin (in the sense that we have come to understand the term of Spanish/European origin). But rather, they are Sephardic names in a language called Ladino. The term Sephardic, or Sephardi, comes from the Ladino word Sepharad. An ancient Hebrew word for what we today call Spain and Portugal, or the Iberian Peninsula. Ladino is a language derived from a mixture of ancient Castilian Spanish and Hebrew. Much like Yiddish, which is a mixture of the Germanic tongue and Hebrew. Sephardic Jews speak Ladino, while Ashkenazi (a medieval Hebrew name for Germany) Jews speak Yiddish.

The information that I have been able to find regarding the origin of the word Mestizo from mainstream dictionaries, says that it comes from either the Latin mixtus or mixtus of the Greek synnymix, or both meaning a mixture of peoples. But from my new found family, they say it is a term of Ladino origin. Honestly, I would have to believe the latter, after seeing their meticulously kept historical record, vast historical knowledge. Also, dishes like the Torta, a type of sandwich made of a thick bread (sometimes bolillos), meat (mainly carne asada or skirt steak), greens, vegetables, and guacamole, is not so much Mexican or Latin American, etc., but rather a Sephardic delicacy. The same for bunuelos (a fried pastry), most often using flour tortilla sprinkled with cinnamon and sugar.

There was so much that I had not realized. Lesson for this week: keep an open mind to your heritage, because the science being passed on is not something to ignore. Next week, more on terms: chichano and cholol. Welcome to the Revolution! Dios a vendiga! God bless you!

-- Ruben Aceves can be e-mailed at: Chicanos@pe.net
The Wilson brothers, Ronnie, Charlie, and Robert, grew up in a musical family. Their band, GAP, is composed of a talented, musically inclined family.

In their early years they called themselves Greenhouse in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where music was an everyday part of their lives. In their early years they called themselves Greenwood and Archer and Pine, which was later shortened to G.A.P. for practical reasons.

The group has several albums that are comparable to other funk bands such as Earth, Wind, and Fire, Kool and the Gang, and Cameo. Their next album, "Soul" went platinum and featured such songs as "Burn Rubber" and "Yearning for Your Love." Their next album, "Ill," included "You Dropped a Bomb on Me," "Party Train," and "Burn Rubber (Why You Want to Hurt Me)."

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For those of you not looking for music concert, you can try some of the many theatrical plays being offered around town. The University of Redlands is presenting "Ray Charles on Friday May 14 at 8:00 p.m. The cost of tickets ranges from $30 to $55, and can be purchased by calling 800-841-6666.

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Baseball

Coyotes Remain In Playoff Hunt

By Richard Contreras
Sports Editor

The Coyotes are on a mission. By taking three games from San Francisco State over the weekend, they now have won seven of eight and are in a position to claim the final playoff spot in the CCAA.

CSUSB (18-18, 25-22, overall) split a Sunday doubleheader with the visiting Gators (11-22, 21-30, overall), winning the second game 6-5 in seven innings.

Freshman centerfielder Adam Rabusin, who scored the game-winning run, was glad to escape with a win.

"The game was tough, but we have to look to the Sonoma State series, they're the most critical games of the season now."

Cal State also defeated SFSU in both games; winning nail-biters Friday and Saturday 8-7 and 11-10, respectively.

The Coyotes now sit within a half-game of the post-season tourney to be held at Chico May 6-8.

A battle will take place this weekend between CSUSB, Sonoma State, UC Davis and Cal Poly Pomona, who are all fighting for the final two spots.

Cal State will travel up to Sonoma State for a final series this weekend to close out the season.

Softball

CSUSB DROPS IN STANDINGS

The Coyotes lost five of six last week, falling in the CCAA standings, and as a result damaging their fading playoff hopes.

CSUSB halved a doubleheader with UC San Diego at home winning the first game 5-4 and dropping the other 4-2.

The Coyotes (10-13, in the CCAA) then lost four straight on the road to Cal State Bakersfield and Cal State Dominguez Hills and tumbled to seventh place in the conference.

CSUSB will try to improve their slim playoff hopes this week, with two home games (both doubleheaders) against San Francisco State and Sonoma State.

CSUSB DROPS IN STANDINGS
Greek Softball Time!!
The Girls Get Busy

Katy Mauger tosses her patented loft ball to her teammate to nail. The girls pitched to their own team to prevent any complaints about the pitching the Zetas played gracefully in defeat in their game against Kappa Delta.

Stephanie Shinn gets herself ready to field the ball. Her readiness to sacrifice her body for the good of the team helped the Kappa Deltas overtake the Zetas and advance to the next round.

Lelani Rios heads for home to score a run for Alphi Phi. It wasn't enough though, as they fell to Alpha Delta Pi by the score of 12-11. A valiant effort for a losing cause (this time!).

Kristy Evans knocks the skin off the ball during their skirmish against Alpha Phi. She scored the game winning run after a base hit from Colleen Vranich. A close game, congrats Alpha Delta Pi!

RESULTS
FOR WEEK OF APRIL 19-25

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4-21 @Biola L,10-3
4-23 SF ST. W,8-7
4-24 SF ST. W,11-10
4-25 SF ST. L,19-8
4-25 SF ST. W,6-5

GOLF:
4-19-4-20 NCAA District 7 Qualifier
@Bellingham, Wash.
CCAA Finishes
1. CS Stanislaus - 897
2. UC Davis - 904
3. Chico State - 908
4. CS Bakers. - 912
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CCAA STANDINGS
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Copyright Laws

By Paulie Kimball
Chronicle Staff Writer

When is it all right to copy text from the Internet? Can I download and use graphics I like from the Internet? There are many pitfalls and few safe havens to be found without a great deal of head scratching.

Our modern technology has made it very easy for us to copy things, but it has not made it legal. Copyright laws have actually been tightened with the advent of Internet commerce.

The copyright laws protect the rights of the holder to copy his own work and includes the right to distribute, rent, lease or lend, make modifications to, create derivative works of, publicly perform the work, or display his materials as he sees fit. Using copyrighted material without permission can result in hefty liability for you or your business.

If an article or graphic doesn't have a copyright symbol, that does not mean it is not protected. According to communication professor Dr. Fred Jandt, it does not matter if the copyright symbol is there or not. Unless you receive the permission of the author, you MUST assume that ALL materials found in print or on the Web are copyrighted and CANNOT be used.

Not everything is copyrightable. First Amendment protection is built into the Copyright Act so that the facts and ideas in themselves are not protectable by copyright. To be copyrightable, ideas must be discoveries such as: bare data, algorithms, alphabetical telephone directories, historical facts, blank forms, titles, slogans and utilitarian designs. Beware, some of these may be protected by other laws such as Registered Trademark.

When in doubt ask. Do not assume that no one will know that you are using someone else's original material, because inevitably some one will, and problems can arise that may be very expensive.

A Blue Ribbon Difference

Contributed by Cheri Dixon

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Afterwards the teacher decided to do a class project to see what kind of impact recognition would have on a community. She gave each of the students three more ribbons and instructed them to go out and spread this acknowledgment ceremony. Then they were to follow up on the results, see who honored whom and report back to the class in about a week.

One of the boys in the class went to a junior executive in a nearby company and honored him for helping him with his career planning.

He gave him a blue ribbon and put it on his shirt. Then he gave him two extra ribbons, and said, "We're doing a class project on recognition, and we'd like you to go out, find somebody to honor, give them a blue ribbon, then give them the extra blue ribbons so they can acknowledge a third person to keep this acknowledgment ceremony going. Then please report back to me and tell me what happened."

Later that day the junior executive went in to see his boss, who had been noted, by the way, as being kind of a grumpy fellow. He sat his boss down and he told him that he deeply admired him for being a creative genius.

"The boss seemed very surprised. The junior executive asked him if he would accept the gift of the blue ribbon and would he give him permission to put it on him. His surprised boss said, "Well, sure."

The junior executive took the blue ribbon and placed it right on his boss's jacket above his heart. As he gave him the last extra ribbon, he said, "Would you do me a favor? Would you take this extra ribbon and pass it on by honoring somebody else?

The young boy who first gave me the ribbons is doing a project in school and we want to keep this recognition ceremony going and find out how it affects people."

That night the boss came home to his 14-year-old son and sat him down. He said, "The most incredible thing happened to me today. I was in my office and one of the junior executives came in and told me he admired me and gave me a blue ribbon for being a creative genius.

"Imagine. He thinks I'm a creative genius. Then he put this blue ribbon that says 'Who I Am Makes A Difference' on my jacket above my heart. He gave me an extra ribbon and asked me to find somebody else to honor. As I was driving home tonight, I started thinking about whom I would honor with this ribbon and I thought about you. I want to honor you."

"My days are really hectic and when I come home I don't pay a lot of attention to you. Sometimes I scream at you for not getting good enough grades in school and for your bedroom being a mess, but somehow tonight, I just wanted to sit here and, well, just let you know that you do make a difference to me. Besides your mother, you are the most important person in my life. You're a great kid and I love you!"

The startled boy started to sob and sob, and he couldn't stop crying. His whole body shook. He looked up at his father and said through his tears, "I was planning on committing suicide tomorrow, Dad, because I didn't think you loved me. Now I don't need to."

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Technology

FUN ON the INTERNET

By Paulie Kimball
Chronicle Staff Writer

An emoticon—also called a smiley—is one of those little faces and pictures that punctuate much of today's personal email and chat-room dialog. With just a few keystrokes, you can show that you are happy or annoyed, surprised or bored; or you can hug someone: [MOM]. Lots of Web sites are devoted to the growing lexicon of emotions and smilies. Just use your favorite search engine, such as Yahoo or Excite, to find them.

Here are some of the commonly used emoticons. You must drop your head to your shoulder to read most of them (shown below). You can read the Japanese-influenced ones (shown in italics) the right way up. Before you know it, you'll be making up your own.

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=:0 If you're really happy, laugh!
;,-( If you're not so pleased
;,-) This rose is useful for online romances
O:-) When someone is nice to you, or you've done something saintly.
:-{ Life is getting you down, it's OK to cry a little
;)) This is how you wink at someone
;,-P If the wink bothers you, just stick your tongue out
;,-O Oh no! This could mean an even bigger mistake
;,-* If the winker is being friendly, this dimpled grin might be an apt response
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Aries: (3/21-4/19)
This week may be hectic, but don't get so lost in your response that you forget the question. Listening old mistakes before it's too late! Recognize repeating cycles as opportunities in correctness! Don't get bored of the same old thing. A new investment reaches a ripe maturity. Whatever may have held you back is long gone, including emotional baggage from the past. Reassure them that in order to get ahead in life, they will need to adopt a better self-image. You have the power to make common ideas extraordinary.

Taurus: (4/20-5/20)
Make a few welcome changes in your usual rhythm before you get bored of the same old thing. A room feels bigger once you open some doors and windows. This week, friends will come to you with personal insecurities. Reassure them that in order to get ahead in life, they will need to adopt a better self-image.

Gemini: (5/21-6/20)
Ever wondered why you get so restless easily? That's because neutrality makes you itchy. One way or another, the balance has to shift to keep you motivated. So, don't wait around for things to change around you. Get up and do it yourself! You should be much happier with the results. As for romance, there might not be any "love," but spring just tempts you from every corner.

Cancer: (6/21-7/20)
Keep your eyes open! You should rediscover something forgotten this week. As for money matters, an old investment reaches a ripe maturity. Whatever may have held you back is long gone, including emotional baggage from the past. Be optimistic, but cautious. You have everything you need for falling in love, as long as it's with someone with the right heart and mindset.

Leo: (7/21-8/20)
Now that you've figured out what you want, it's time to go for it! Forgetting about past mistakes may lead to forgiving. In fact, some faults are not worth remembering. You usually like to be strong and in control, but make others proud of you by expressing your soft side. You don't have to be extremely sensitive, but enough to show you're human. This attitude may also be a plus in your love life.

Virgo: (8/21-9/19)
You'll finally be rewarded for all your hard work, and be recognized for your potential. Don't be modest, accept with confidence for a change. You deserve it! With your friends, good words are like helium balloons. Bounce your ideas off other people's heads to see what shape they'll take next. The more jokes you tell, the funnier they become.

Libra: (9/20-10/20)
This week may prove to be slightly rocky, so hang on. You're strong will should pull you through any obstacles. However, repeat these words: 'Perhaps, it just wasn't meant to be.' No matter what you do or how hard you try, the thing you want most may always be hanging just beyond your reach. If it's not worth the struggle, set your sites on something more possible.

Scorpio (10/21-11/19)
You loathe being embarrassed, but accept your due, with all the appropriate humility. Be charitable toward the less enlightened. Your larger than life gestures should beckon rather than intimidate. In a competitive atmosphere, you need to keep everyone on your side. Your jealousy won't let you have it any other way.

Sagittarius: (11/20-12/20)
Like all other idealists, you have an idea of how the perfect world should be. What a great attitude! But remember, change won't happen just because you think it should. Form and process are much more important than usual this week, and no one is going to thank you for your effort if you introduce an element of chaos. Maintain a clear goal and your mind should follow.

Capricorn: (12/21-1/19)
You have the power to make common ideas extraordinary. Spring is here, blossoming your natural honesty and warmth into full flower. Rewards should be instant and obvious, so accept them with grace. A new romance is in the air, but your shyness may pass up the chance. Try being bold or spontaneous.

Aquarius: (1/20-2/20)
If you're feeling quirky lately, it's because your body hasn't adjusted to the new schedule. Thomas Aquinas categorized the human condition as "half ape, half angel." You may want the impossible, but your basic needs summon you down from the ivory tower of abstraction. Accept your animal nature instead of being alarmed by it. You'll be surprised with what you can accomplish.

Pisces; 2/21-3/20)
Enter the world with a smile! Your window of opportunity lets in a dazzling light. Open it now and let the rays bathe you in glory. If you pass on this week's fleeting chance, you may spend months regretting what you missed. Take charge and claim what is yours. Also, be aware of subtle hints when spending time with others. There is a special someone who wants to be more than just friends.

Horoscopes* for entertainment purposes only.
### Events Calendar

**Friday, 30**

**SPEAKING ON DIVERSITY**  
**SPONSORED BY THE UNIVERSITY DIVERSITY COMMITTEE**  
9 A.M. - 5 P.M.  
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER

**SURVIVORS GROUP**  
9:30 - 10:30 A.M.  
ADULT RE-ENTRY X8263

**OPRAH AFTERNOONS**  
3 - 4 P.M.  
WOMEN’S RESOURCE CENTER X7204

**Saturday, 1**

**OLVERA STREET FIELD TRIP**  
CULTURAL SHOPPING AND MUSEUM DEPARTURE AT 9:30  
CALL X7204 FOR MORE INFO

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**Sunday, 2**

**BLACK FAMILY DAY**  
THE FAMILY REUNION  
**SPONSORED BY THE AFRICAN STUDENT ALLIANCE**  
11 A.M. - 6 P.M.  
LOWER COMMONS X7204

**Tuesday, 4**

**LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SERIES**  
**EFFECTIVE GOAL SETTING: ACHIEVING MEASURED OBJECTIVES**  
10 A.M. - 12 NOON  
LOWER COMMONS, PINE ROOM

**ASI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
OPEN MEETING  
12 NOON - 2 P.M.  
STUDENT UNION BOARD ROOM

**Wednesday, 5**

**CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION**  
11 A.M. - 2 P.M.  
STUDENT UNION COURTYARD

**SUPPORT STAFF LUNCHEON**  
BANQUET  
**SPONSORED BY STUDENT UNION, ALPHA PHI, AND ASI**  
11:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.  
EVENTS CENTER  
R.S.V.P $9 LUNCH X7201

**Thursday, 6**

**CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION**  
11 A.M. - 2 P.M.  
STUDENT UNION COURTYARD

**FRIENDS OF BILL W. & DR. BOB**  
12 NOON - 1 P.M.  
STUDENT UNION BOARD ROOM X5253

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