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By Chris Elwell
Staff Writer

Proposition 28
Proposition 28 is designed to repeal the 50 cent tobacco tax on cigarettes started by Proposition 10 in 1998. Cigarettes Cheaper, a national chain of cigarette stores who started this proposition, say that the government has no right to decide that cigarettes are bad and so taxes on them are good. Those in opposition to this bill say the high tobacco tax started in 1998 caused a decrease in the number of smokers and if Proposition 28 is passed the number of smokers will inevitably increase.

Proposition 17
Currently, in California any kind of raffle that requires payment for a chance to win a prize is illegal. If passed, Proposition 17 will change the law by allowing private non-profit organizations to conduct raffles for charitable purposes.

Proposition 18
Proposition 18 allows the death penalty of life without parole for murder committed in connection with kidnapping or arson, or committed by means of lying in wait. Under current law, offenders involved in such murders are only subject to a prison term of 25 years to life.

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Some of those in opposition also say that Proposition 17 will make it easier for scam artists to create phony charities for their own personal gain.

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Those in favor of this measure say that Proposition 22 will give Californians the ability to protect marriages between a man and a woman without interference from what is defined as legal in other states.

Those in opposition to Proposition 22 say that the government will be singling out homosexuals for discrimination.

Proposition 1A
Developed by California Indian Tribes, Proposition 1A is a state constitutional amendment that will allow Indian gaming in California.

If passed, Proposition 1A will decrease current government regulations on Indian gaming, allowing the gaming industry to expand. Those in opposition to this measure are concerned that the lack of regulation will cause gaming to expand rapidly, making parts of California similar to Las Vegas. Another concern about this amendment is that it will not require state or federal taxes from gaming profits.

Those who support this measure say that the amendment will protect Indian's self-reliance, allowing tribes to be less dependent on government support.

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Letters From the Front Line

Howard Lazar Shares His Thoughts on Teaching

"I have never heard of anything more ridiculous in all my life than remedial courses in college."

--Howard Lazar

By Pasquale M. Scuderi
Special to the Chronicle

Searching for information about the teaching profession for myself and to share with other students aspiring careers in education. Seemed to warrant contacting someone who has been in the academic trenches for quite some time.

There was little question at all about whom I would contact, so I dialed the number of my old junior high, now Robert E. Peary middle school, in Gardena, California. I had resumed contact with an old friend of mine a few years ago and one of the topics that occupied a considerable portion of our conversation was Mr. Lazar, an unorthodox instructor whose name had made me most hesitant to point out to me some years ago. I imagined the conversation at various stages of my life, stages prior to my finally getting things together for myself a few years ago. "So what have you been up to?" he most likely would have asked. To which my response might have been "uh...y'know, tending bar, sharing an apartment with someone in Hollywood, watching T.V."

Alas, with recent years bringing about a personal renaissance for me in the areas of responsible and productive conduct and having gained some direction towards a stable future, I recently got the stones to make the call. I called partially under the aegis of my Chronicle series, but was also undeniably motivated by a genuine urge to reconnect with one of the more colorful and influential persons from my past, someone whom I knew would be packing at least a few axioms and opinions that would be of interest to aspiring educators.

Lazar, who in recent years has moved into a counseling position, has spent 35 years at Peary, the majority of them in the classroom. Born on the day in 1942 when the atom was being split beneath the bleachers at the University of Chicago, Lazar's continuing enthusiasm and commitment to education seem at times propelled by atomic energy. Lazar's take on what type of person it takes to succeed in education is broadly inclusive. "We see a lot of different personalities excel at the job," he said, "which is a good thing because the type of person that succeeds as a math teacher is typically very different than the type of person who can teach history or English." Lazar contended that "teachers are born not made," and noted that while exposure to methods and theory are both necessary and beneficial, the ability to generate interest and manage a classroom is largely innate and/or instinctual.

When asked to comment on the greatest obstacles facing young teachers in the classroom, Lazar did not hesitate to suggest that discipline is perhaps a bigger issue than it ever has been. "Increasingly," he said, "the
The Iditarod Dogs Abused

At least 114 dogs have died in the Iditarod since the race started twenty-six years ago.

By Jorge G. Salazar
Features Editor

Who says you need to work hard to get ahead? Millions of people are part of the work force toiling away in offices across the United States. We work from nine to five, which may seem endless at times, working really hard for the little money that we make. All his so we have money to pay the bills, hoping to have enough left over to spend on luxuries like; nice clothes, bigger TVs, the soft kind of toilet paper, and of course casually take a break to go out to a movie with friends. Would you enjoy doing it? A lot of CSUSB students are.

We are all familiar with the TV game show Jeopardy, and of course on CSUSB's campus. By Kristy Rostawicki
Copy Editor

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The Iditarod is a dogsled race held every March when mushers, the dogsled drivers, force their dogs to run 1,150 miles from Anchorage to Nome, Alaska in nine to fourteen days over grueling terrain. The race is described by the Iditarod Trail Committee and by the Alaskan media as an "exciting contest of man against nature." What the descriptions do not tell us is the untold suffering of the dogs that often give their lives in this race. The Dog Sled Action Coalition said that dog death and injuries are common in the Iditarod, and when they are not racing, the dogs live under inhumane conditions.

At least 114 dogs have died in the Iditarod since the race started twenty-six years ago. Causes of death have included strangulation, internal hemorrhaging after being gouged by a sled, liver injury, heart failure, and pneumonia. "Sudden death" and "external myopathy," a condition in which a dog's muscles and organs deteriorate during extreme or prolonged exercise, have also been to blame.

Some dogs are even tethered to exercise wheels as part of their pre-race training. Because the dogs run at varying speeds, the slower runners are pulled along by their necks. Dogs who are tired or ill are still forced to run. Other injuries occur such as bone fractures, injuries, sore and cut paws, ruptured tendon sheaths, torn muscles, sore joints, dehydration, stress and diarrhea.

The 1975 Iditarod winner, Jerry Riley, was banned for life in 1990 after being accused of striking his dog with a snow hook—a large, sharp and heavy metal claw. In 1985, a musher kicked his dog to death. Then in 1996, Rick Swenson's dog dies while he was hash his team through waist-deep water and ice. Mushers press their dogs to run at high speeds, while the dogs get little rest or sleep. Doug Swingley stated that killing unwanted sled-dog puppies is a part of doing business. Mushers cull their dogs injured in the race or any other unwanted god by shooting them in the head. An animal not properly restrained when the musher shoots may suffer an agonizing death.

The Iditarod is a sport that many people enjoy. Do you think this enjoyment is worth the pain, differing, and death of the animals involved? If you would like more information, please contact SledDogAC@aol.com.
Opinions
One More Reason to Vote

By Bill Marshall III
A&E Editor

It has happened again. Another child has died with the pull of a trigger. But this time, the shooter was only six years old, a first grader. His victim was also six. The two had a schoolyard scuffle one day, and a tiny life was blown away the next.

Can a six year-old even understand what it means to kill? I can only guess he knew he wanted to hurt the girl-like they do on TV. But does the shooter, or any of the kids who witnessed the shooting, really understand what has happened? I doubt it.

I can’t be inside that kid’s head, of course. And I’m glad for that. So I can’t imagine the skewed values and anti-role models that could inspire a child to want to use a gun on another child. Whether or not he knew that the gun would destroy that girl forever, I’ll leave that up to psychologists and philosophers.

For now, he can’t understand the agony his action has caused and will forever cause in the little girl’s family. And he certainly can’t grasp how his fatal play-ground drama will re-ignite the gun-control debate, as the Kentucky, Arkansas, Oregon and Columbine killings did.

But we can understand. So what does this latest tragedy really say about America and her beloved guns? It says, “In America, it’s more important to bar homosexuals from legally marrying than to bar the sale of weapons whose only use is to kill humans.” It says to the world, “Look at this great nation. We’re more worried about keeping marijuana out of our people’s hands than guns.” And it says, “In America, if a special interest group has enough money to buy the political process—like petrochemical, pharmaceutical, timber, and weapons corporations have—then it’s ok to do what you will, no matter the cost to the Earth and her inhabitants.”

Liberal bullshit you say? Maybe. But to many who don’t worship the almighty dollar, this is the picture of America that we see. In this election year, a common topic has been the lack of voting participation by young Americans. To me, the reason for this apathy is pretty clear. Politicians appear to be money-hungry and promiscuous whose only aim is to get elected, and once in office, do everything they can to please the deep pockets who grease the wheels of politics with their wads of dirty cash. When the people DO speak out by voting in laws that they believe are right, such as the medical marijuana law in California, the legislation is left dead-in-the-water by the stalling tactics of entrenched politicians.

I have heard several politicians and media figures argue, quite rightly I must say, that if young people are so concerned about perceived corruption and interest-mongering in politics, then the only solution is for us to get out there and vote. Well, that’s pretty obvious isn’t it? How can we expect any politician to care about our views if we don’t vote? We can’t.

So, my fellow young Americans, you don’t (and many won’t) have to agree with my admittedly lefty views, but if you care about this nation we live in and the future nation we will leave to our children, use your right-no, your obligation—to vote. Maybe between us all, we can create a world where children aren’t murdering children, and where Americans can be free to enjoy what our Founding Fathers intended for us—the Pursuit of Happiness.

Campaign Reality

By Donald Willis
Opinions Editor

Let’s face it, fat cats-corporate interests, business tycoons, and wealthy donors control the political system. Politicians need money to fund their campaigns and the wealthy donors do not mind contributing money for special favors.

The election scandals of 1996, which included the White House becoming an Internation bed and breakfast, all stemmed from the search for soft money contributions from international donors. In the last presidential election, ninety-five percent of campaign contributors were white, eighty percent had annual incomes exceeding $100,000 and half of them were over age sixty.

The expected contributions for the 2000 presidential and congressional election year is expected to be $500 million dollars, which doubles the ‘96 election amount of $262 million. The have’s control the parties and the candidates, while the have-not’s are left to choose from sold-out professional candidates, entertainers, and rich businessmen who want to “reform” the system.

The overwhelming majority of contributions come from corporations and wealthy individuals. Huge sums flowing to political parties from wealthy interests corrupt the legislative process and undermine public confidence in the political process. Corporate executives and other organizations in search of special favors provide the funds and use their influence to manipulate government actions. Large contributors have obtained federal tax breaks, subsidies, and other favors from the government. For example, a $50 billion tax break for the tobacco industry was secretly inserted into a ‘97 budget bill. But after outcry from campaign finance watchdog groups, this legislation was removed by senate leadership.

Many believe that the political system is fair. Labor unions support Democratic candidates and business interests support the Republican candidates. Business interests rely on PAC contributions to support Republican candidates. While the Democrats have the support of teacher unions, labor unions, and the media. The Democrats have the support of teacher unions, labor unions, and the media.

Republicans argue that soft money is the backbone of the party and that limits cannot be put on contributors without curbing the use of labor unions dues for political purposes. Republicans claim that their candidates will be swamped by partisan communications, voter registration campaigns, and get out the vote events directed toward 16 million union members and their families.

In the ‘96 elections, pro-Republican organizations donated $282 million in individual and PAC contributions to Republican candidates. Labor interests contributed only $45 million to Democratic candidates. The AFL-CIO’s “Let’s Get Back To Work” program was the major grass roots mobilization effort. It distributed 11.5 million voter guides to members, contacted 5.5 million via phone contacts, organized public events and massive voter registration campaigns and get the vote programs directed at union members.

The truth is that Pro-Republican business interests maintain a huge advantage over pro-Democratic labor interests in individual, political action committee (PAC) contributions, and hard money donations. Federal law allows pro-Republican groups the exact same rights to use their funds to communicate their issues to executives, shareholders, members, and the general public as labor has with regard to its officials, members and the public. Labor’s pro-Democratic political organizing is matched and exceeded by that of business and other conservative groups on behalf of the Republicans.

Pro-Republican organizations and activities also compete with the pro-Democratic labor effort to mobilize grass roots election support.

In the ‘96 election, the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) which represents 600,000 small business owners mailed out 240,000 voter guides and 200,000 letters, urging its member to vote Republican.

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Why Young People Should Vote

By Kent Kinney

Many young Americans need to be aware of the issues facing them in this election and just what an impact their votes may have on the future of America. Many young people do not involve themselves in the electoral process, or even bother to read what is on the ballot. It is the right of all citizens to vote—and their responsibility. However, fewer and fewer 18 to 24-year-olds exercise their right to vote.

This may not be something that is new, Kevin Kragenbrink, Ph.D., Associate Director for Administration, Inland Empire Center for Entrepreneurship & Adjunct Professor of History says, “What we are experiencing is a decline in the perceived value of voting. It is a symptom of increasing emphasis of individuals and the decreased value of community.” However, Political Science Professor Michael LeMay says it is less a matter of value and more one of relevance. "Young people between 18 to 35 years tend to vote less because they do not see the relevance of politics in their day to day life. Until they get older and more established in society and in their careers, they do not often see the connection between policy and politics. Once they become married, have children, establish themselves as property owners, tax payers, and become better entrenched in society does the relevance of voting become clear."

The next president of the United States will decide who will fill as many as three vacancies on the U.S. Supreme Court. In all likelihood, the Court will affect the makeup of politics for years to come. Some of the decisions that the Court will make will affect whether legalized abortion should exist and whether public money should fund schools associated with churches. The time young people spend reading the ballot, researching the issues, and actually voting is one of responsibility. Voting will change something in their lives, even though they may only see these changes come about very gradually.

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A New Look for The Chronicle

By Editorial Staff

Maybe some of you are curious as to why The Chronicle has a new look. Well, some of the staff went to the National College Newspaper Convention in Seattle last weekend, which was held by the Associated Collegiate Press. This convention was for college newspapers across the United States as well as some colleges from Canada.

It was a great learning experience for all those who went and we brought back a plethora of information and ideas to share with the rest of the staff as well as the student body as a whole.

The Editors that went were Katherine Seigworth, Executive Editor; Jeremiah Newhouse, Managing & Online Editor; Bill Marshall, News Editor; Jennifer Thiry, Arts & Entertainment and Design Editor; Donald Willis, Opinions Editor; and Kristy Rostawicki, Copy Editor.

The Convention was filled with informative sessions that expanded our editors’ minds and dreams. The staff had become quite tired of the old format as well as the staleness that it brought every week. So we were quite ready for new information as well as support from colleagues to take a risk to try something new.

That spark needed to light the fire under our feet was ignited in Seattle. The Keynote speakers as well as the speakers at the workshops were filled with incredible information and enthusiasm that spread over into everyone present. The keynote speakers were Dan Savage, a very popular, nationally syndicated sex columnist; Paul Brainerd, the creator of PageMaker and founder of Aldus Corp.; Sandra Rowe, editor of The Oregonian; and Patrick MacDonald, a music critic for the Seattle Times.

The workshop speakers that also influenced the staff were Charles "Bud" Little from Santa Ana College and Jacyn Gerhard from the University of Connecticut and Jon Horowitz from Rutgers University.

But we must be honest. The speakers that influenced us the most, or rather one of us, was Bud Little. He led the design workshops that lit the fire under Jennifer Thiery.

Because of this, Jennifer has stepped down from Arts & Entertainment Editor to focus on design. And Bill has moved over from News to A & E, which is his future career choice. This leaves the position of News Editor open. We also have the position of Production Assistant open. We are also looking for someone or several someones to help with the online edition of the paper. And we need people to create comics, not just funny ones, but also political cartoons.

If you or someone you know is interested in these positions, please have them contact the staff at our office number (909) 880-5289, our email address schm@malcolmb.edu or at our office, UH-37. We are always looking for new ideas to better serve our campus community, but please realize that we are a small staff and overworked. We love new ideas but would also love additional help to bring those new ideas into a reality.

Student Union Corner

The Student Union would like to congratulate the winner and its participants of the ACUI 15 Region Billiards Tournament

1st place
Yen H. Huynh

Huynh has won a trip to the Collegiate National Championships!

Regional Tournament Participants-CSUSB
Robert Leung
Ariston Collander
J. Carlito Pichache
Disneyland Swings!

By Mindy Stevenson
Staff Writer

Already twice this year I have made my way to Anaheim, to the "happiest place on earth." I was lucky enough to spend New Year's Eve and another Saturday night Swing dancing at Disneyland, and I had an absolute blast.

New Year's Eve was fabulous. The Swing dancing was at the Fantasyland Theatre Stage. There was a big stage, a fairy-sized cement dance floor and a huge theater-like seating area for spectators to enjoy the music. There was a live band that was absolutely fabulous! They played great standards and a few original songs. The majority of the time they played fast moving Glenn Miller and Duke Ellington. The band played four sets that night and between sets was recorded swing music.

The dancers there were incredible. There were some young girls dancing with each other (as so many of us have to do, right girls?) who were wearing Catalina Swing Camp T-shirts. There were several older couples who really took the stage; they were by far the best.

There were also a wide variety of swingers age 18-30, which is where myself and my partner for the night fit in. I was the instructor that night and attempted to teach my partner the triple step. He had a hard time and for a few songs I was dancing alone.

The highlight of the night for me was when I was asked to dance by two elderly men. It was so great dancing with them because they knew the steps backwards. They knew how to lead, and luckily, I knew how to follow. They could spin me like there was no tomorrow and my partner, who was watching us, said we looked really good. It felt really good to feel like a girl and not have to lead for once. I had a fabulous time and there was no better way to ring in the new millennium than dancing most fun dance of the previous one.

The second time I went to Disneyland was Saturday January 29. This time was even more fun! We went to what Disneyland calls their "Jump, Jive, Boogie Swing Party" with the live band "Jumpin' Joz" This took place on Main Street at the Plaza Gardens Stage which was even better because we had an actual wooden dance floor to dance on instead of cement. They played more smooth jazz tunes, but they were fast and great to swing to. I danced with a long time friend who had taken many more dance classes then I had, but he was having a hard time remembering the steps. We started off triple stepping through the whole songs in the beginning but by the end of the night we were including the straddle and dips and we really had a lot of fun. We did a little bit of East Coast and West Coast that night and the aura of the place was incredibly friendly and, of course, happy.

The other swingers there were really good as well. This time it was more young people than old. But there were a few older couples tearing up the floor. It seemed the swingers at Disneyland came out of the woodwork that night. A lot of the girls were wearing scarves in their hair, saddle shoes, wing tips and pedal pushers while the guys were wearing cuffed jeans, white t-shirts, slacks back hair and the finer ones in slacks and suspenders. The crowd was hopping, loving the music, dancing up a storm and fully enjoying the happy-go-lucky feeling that night. There was not as much room for spectators to sit at this venue, so many people chose to stand so they too could be a part of the fun.

If you ever have the chance to make it out to Anaheim and visit Disneyland, go on Friday or Saturday and participate in the Swing dancing. You will have the time of your life, and it will take place at the "happiest place on earth." What more could you ask for of a fun night out? Disneyland is a great place to go dancing at any age. It is a fun and safe environment. You don't have to worry about drunk people hitting on or just plain hitting you and the people there all have the same purpose: to dance, have fun, and be happy. Isn't that the point of swing anyway?

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Weekly Horoscopes

By Carol Nishida
Staff Writer

Aries: (3/21-4/20) While you have lots of physical energy, you might need to resist the urge to waste it on the wrong activities. It is crucial that you appear responsible, even if deep down you're feeling more like a helpless child. Problems may arise with a boss or coworker, and you may need to be extremely tactful if you wish to emerge from the situation unscathed.

Taurus: (4/21-5/20) Resist the temptation to squirm if you should become the unwilling object of an investigation. If you take a moment, you know you have nothing to fear. Right now, your emotional energy revolves around others, so don't let yourself become too drawn into another person's drama.

Gemini: (5/21-6/20) While you might have a shadow cloud a sunny future. Problems may arise with a boss or coworker, but the results are well worth it. Once you have resolved the situation at hand, you will be free to focus on love and laughter. You may receive a most unexpected, but very welcome visitor sometime in the near future. Follow the lure of fun wherever it beckons you.

Cancer: (6/21-7/20) Try and put your troubles behind you. You need the help of a friend to confront difficult issues, but the results are promising. A place of retreat will become an important part of your life, and you will be free to focus on love and laughter. You may receive a most unexpected, but very welcome visitor sometime in the near future. Follow the lure of fun wherever it beckons you.

Leo: (7/21-8/20) Attempt to focus on natural healing, rather than forcing it. Be sure to let a minor shadow cloud a sunny future. Problems may arise with a boss or coworker, but the results are well worth it. Once you have resolved the situation at hand, you will be free to focus on love and laughter. You may receive a most unexpected, but very welcome visitor sometime in the near future. Follow the lure of fun wherever it beckons you.

Virgo: (8/23-9/22) While you might have a shadow cloud a sunny future. Problems may arise with a boss or coworker, but the results are well worth it. Once you have resolved the situation at hand, you will be free to focus on love and laughter. You may receive a most unexpected, but very welcome visitor sometime in the near future. Follow the lure of fun wherever it beckons you.

Libra: (9/23-10/22) While you might have a shadow cloud a sunny future. Problems may arise with a boss or coworker, but the results are well worth it. Once you have resolved the situation at hand, you will be free to focus on love and laughter. You may receive a most unexpected, but very welcome visitor sometime in the near future. Follow the lure of fun wherever it beckons you.

Scorpio: (10/23-11/21) While you might have a shadow cloud a sunny future. Problems may arise with a boss or coworker, but the results are well worth it. Once you have resolved the situation at hand, you will be free to focus on love and laughter. You may receive a most unexpected, but very welcome visitor sometime in the near future. Follow the lure of fun wherever it beckons you.

Sagittarius: (11/22-12/21) While you might have a shadow cloud a sunny future. Problems may arise with a boss or coworker, but the results are well worth it. Once you have resolved the situation at hand, you will be free to focus on love and laughter. You may receive a most unexpected, but very welcome visitor sometime in the near future. Follow the lure of fun wherever it beckons you.

Capricorn: (12/22-1/19) While you might have a shadow cloud a sunny future. Problems may arise with a boss or coworker, but the results are well worth it. Once you have resolved the situation at hand, you will be free to focus on love and laughter. You may receive a most unexpected, but very welcome visitor sometime in the near future. Follow the lure of fun wherever it beckons you.

Aquarius: (1/20-2/18) While you might have a shadow cloud a sunny future. Problems may arise with a boss or coworker, but the results are well worth it. Once you have resolved the situation at hand, you will be free to focus on love and laughter. You may receive a most unexpected, but very welcome visitor sometime in the near future. Follow the lure of fun wherever it beckons you.

Pisces: (2/19-3/20) While you might have a shadow cloud a sunny future. Problems may arise with a boss or coworker, but the results are well worth it. Once you have resolved the situation at hand, you will be free to focus on love and laughter. You may receive a most unexpected, but very welcome visitor sometime in the near future. Follow the lure of fun wherever it beckons you.
Apollo 440
Shoots the Moon

By Mike Crawford
Special to the Chronicle

I bought APOLLO 440's third album, "Getting' High on Your Own Supply" last week with intentions of disliking it.

Aside from this infeveriously addicting "Stop the Rock," which I have to admit is stuck in my head on a daily basis, I knew nothing about this band. I figured that the one hit these guys have on the radio was probably going to be it, just another...ahem, VANILLA ICE. And you know what? That CD hasn't left my player since I paid for it.

The seven-man crew opens the scene on a spacey vibe, packed full of synthesized cries from the heavens. And then "Stop the Rock," jumps in, sounding incredibly surfy. Then they begin to layer the song with delicious flavors of electronica that make me bounce around in my seat. Distorted voices that reverberate in your head complete the picture for a sure hit.

Originally, I passed up quite a few songs in search of another "Stop," but now I look forward to songs like "Crazee Horse" and "Cold Rock The Mic." They have a way with blending looping dance beats and some funky guitar riffs for a fairly unique sound in the world of electronic music.

Songs like "Lost In Space" and "Heart Go Boom" made me realize that this CD belongs to a class known as "driving music." It keeps you going without making you think too much. Repeated words that stick in your head like a little slice of insanity are a key element to their sound. "For Forty Days" quickly became one of my favorites. The name describes it perfectly. The electronic rain hits the windshield as you drive through the blackness, the centerline breaking with the beats. "The Machine in the Ghost" is a psychedelic blend of mellow echoing piano/organ and slow groovy beats that tastes oh-so close to a little known band. Pink Floyd, I think they were called?

I'd say APOLLO 440 could hold a candle to Floyd, even if it's only an itty-bitty birthday candle. I've grown to look forward to "Yo! Future," with its crazy alarm sounds and mix of hard rock guitar and loopy looniness. I find myself at work bobbing my head to the beat and it's not even playing. Sheesh.

"High On Your Own Supply" is the second to the last song, but should really have been the album closer. It creeps along at a devilish pace and then rises with vocals that attack like old school HOUSE OF PAIN. Gee, who was that?

And the final song, "The Perfect Game" just proves my point that APOLLO 440 is best heard under driving conditions, preferably when it's late at night and you're feeling pretty good. It took me a few days to get addicted, so don't be too quick to pull them out of the player after you've listened to "Stop the Rock" eighty-seven times.
They Are Called the Fenians...
Whaddya think 'o' that?!

By Stacey Fullwiler
Copy Editor

In the past couple years, all things Celtic have suddenly become trendy. Your average dance schools now offer Irish Step dancing classes, Celtic knotwork is sold on everything from jewelry and clothing to tattoos, and bands from Ireland are hitting the big time on the American charts. But even with this influx of claim to Irish fame, how can you be sure the CD you're purchasing is good, honest Irish tunes through and through, or just a sorry bunch of sods sporting synthesized tin whistles, trying to cash in on the wearin' 'o' the green? Well my friends, I'm here to tell you one thing: You'll never go wrong with The Fenians!

The Fenians are an Orange County based Irish band led by Irish-Americans Terry Casey, lead vocalist and mandolin magic maker, and Brendan Harkins, vocalist, bass and guitarist. The other integral and incredibly talented members are bass/guitar player and vocalist Rob Williams, Chris Pierce on drums and vocals, and Tardu Yegin on reeds and woodwinds. This "Band of Rogues" plays an exciting mix of flute and acoustic guitar in "Flower of Philadelphia," then kicks into the dance-inducing, seafaring tale of "Tardy's Reel/ Waltham's/The Mermaid." Even those of us who don't know a reel from a rod (Ha ha) are inspired to lock arms with loved ones and kick up our heels to Chris' drums. The CD continues with "The San Patricios," a song, as Terry explains, about a little-known group of Irish soldiers in the Mexican-American war in 1846, which features Tardu making his sax singing in strong, soulful Spanish strains. If only all history lessons could be taught by The Fenians!

Next comes the cheerful, "I'll Tell Me Ma," and a lesson in love with "Take Her in Your Arms." "The Green Fields of France," is guaranteed to make you misty-eyed with its regretful memory of WWI and the innocent lives lost, then along comes "Drowsy Turk," the perfect transition piece. One of my favorite songs on the CD is next: "Ordinary Man," dedicated to "...anyone who's been screwed over by corporate America." The following track is a fantastically combined song, "Star of the County Down/The Fighting 69th," the first song about hopeful young love, and the last about a group of Irish soldiers marching off to fight another American war. An original song, "Doogan's Stones" follows, relating a mythical story about the lives of coal miners, which is yet another tune sure to make you dance. "Back Home in Derry" is another song about the misery of war, recounting the fate of many Irish freedom fighters: deportment as slaves, to Australia, by ship. Another coal mining song, "Coal Tattoo," follows, then "Danny Boy," voiced beautifully by drummer, Chris Pierce.

It is near impossible to describe the energy, the utter passion and life force The Fenians create. The skill each member has over his instrument in incredible. Terry on his mandolin, Brendan's bass playing, Tardu's power over the whistles and woodwinds, Rob's guitar mastery and Chris's adaptability on drums, it truly inspirational for musicians and non-musicians alike. And as far as their voices go, you couldn't ask for better. Frankly, the sound of studio-polished, remixed, Pop voices doesn't impress me. If you want good, solid, honest voices, the voices of REAL men, singing songs of love and war, truth and myth, life and death, then you come to The Fenians; they'll show you what music is meant to be.

The Fenians have several Southern California performances coming up in March: Saturday 3/11 at the Irish Center of So. Cal. in Los Ange-
Disappointing Weekend

By Lance Cook
Staff Writer

When a team unites for the first practice of a season, they have one very important goal amongst many. Teams do not only want to make the playoffs, they want to be at the tops of their teams. For the Coyotes, it was to win the conference. That goal is the only one the Coyotes have had all season. With a loss on Friday night to UC Davis, who finished second in the CCAA behind the Coyotes, shot an astonishing 60% in the second half, and answered every time the Coyotes would try to make a run with a run of their own. "They beat us every way possible," Cal State coach Larry Reynolds said. Any time somebody sweeps you, there's not much you can say." Jason Cox of UC Davis had the best performance of his college career. The 6 foot 7 inch forward put up 31 points and was deadly from three point range. Lonnie tape led the way for the Coyotes with 17 points. Senior Scott Duffy led the way with 14 points and 11 rebounds. Just before Saturday night's game, the four seniors playing in their last game at Coussoulis were honored for their effort over the course of the season and for seasons prior. That was about the extent of the cheering for the Coyote fans. Cal State got out to a 10 point lead and it stayed there for the greater portion of the contest. Chico State, not having the greatest of seasons this year, bullied the Coyotes into a stagnant game. "It's human nature to let your guard down after you've accomplished one of your goals," Reynolds said. "But we've let our guard down to much, I have to go home and figure out over the next 48 hours how to get us back on track." Winning the division title so early may have hurt the Coyotes for their last two home games. Senior Scott Duffy led the way with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Next up for Cal State, (22-5 overall, 18-4 in conference) is the NCAA West Regional Tournament happening this weekend of March 9th. Lets hope the Coyotes get the kinks worked out and get on track.

UC Davis, who finished second in the CCAA behind the Coyotes, shot an astonishing 60% in the second half. With a big crowd on hand, (3,259 fans) and both school's bands playing as loud as they could, it was a festive environment.

Tough Season Finally Over

By Lance Cook
Staff Writer

The final two games for the Lady Coyotes characterized their entire season. With a loss on Friday night to U.C. Davis, 73-55, and a 16 point loss to Chico State on Saturday, the Coyotes and their coach Kevin Becker are looking for answers to improve next year's squad.

The Lady Coyotes had the worst shooting percentage in the conference, both from the free throw line and from three-point range. On the season, the Coyotes were 59 percent from the free throw line as a team, and 20 percent from downtown. They also shot a dismal 37.3 percent from the field. "We just didn't have any consistent outside shooters," said Becker. "Teams knew they could play zone against us, because we struggled all season against it."

Along with outside shooters, help in the inside could also be beneficial. "Our defense was decent, but we need a couple of players who can be a physical presence inside to help Dafina Dailey," Becker said. "We need players who are competitive and aggressive." Dafina Dailey was a consistent post-player all year for the Coyotes, but her presence alone wasn't enough. Dailey led the team in scoring for the season, and will be a valuable commodity for next season's team. The Lady Coyotes finished the season, 7-20 overall, and 4-16 in conference play.

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Sports Updates

Coyotes Look Good in February

By Bill Gray
Special To The Chronicle

During this time of year commonly known as March Madness, it is easy to forget that it is also the busiest time for collegiate sports. Winter sports are winding down to the post season tournaments and spring sports are winding up for conference and regular season play. Cal State is no different than any other college across the country. Last week (February 21-26) we had seven sports competing out of a total of eleven sports offer at the school. It was a very busy weekend for the Coyotes.

One would have to be buried under a rock (or in the chemistry lab) not to know that our Coyote men's basketball team was in the thick of things last week. The team notched 22 points and 7 boards in the victory. Scottie Pippen put up 19 points, 9 rebounds, 4 assists and 4 steals but missed a crucial 3-pointer down the stretch as Portland made only two baskets in the last 3:30 of the game. Look for these two teams to meet again deep in the playoffs, and don't be surprised if the winner quickly dispatches their Eastern Conference opponent.

Sports

Clash of the Titans

By Cutler Fetherston
Staff Writer

Last Tuesday the Los Angeles Lakers and the Portland Trailblazers met in one of the most highly anticipated basketball games of the season.

Both clubs came into the game with identical 45-11 records and both were riding 11-game win streaks. It marked the first time in NBA history that two teams have met with such winning streaks. These two franchises are the cream of the NBA crop this year and as of Tuesday they were tied atop the Pacific division.

The match-ups on the court were really something to watch. Former Chicago Bulls Scottie Pippen and Ron Harper went head to head under the watchful eyes of former Bulls coach Phil Jackson who is currently coaching the Lakers. Mike Dunleavy, who used to coach the Lakers, now paces the sidelines for the Trailblazers. Inside the paint the key match-ups were Shaq's muscle vs. the outside touch of Arvitis Sabonis and veteran A.C. Green against the youth and quickness of Rasheed Wallace. Each squad even has a guy that bypassed college three years ago to come to the NBA: Kobe Bryant and Jermaine O'Neal.

The teams were evenly matched, but in the end it was tough defense, solid bench play and timely shooting that gave the Lakers a 90-87 win in Portland and the Pacific division lead. Shaq started off slow but finished strong with 23 points, 10 rebounds and 4 blocks while Kobe notched 22 points and 7 boards in the victory. Scottie Pippen put up 19 points, 9 rebounds, 4 assists and 4 steals but missed a crucial 3-pointer down the stretch as Portland made only two baskets in the last 3:30 of the game. Look for these two teams to meet again deep in the playoffs, and don't be surprised if the winner quickly dispatches their Eastern Conference opponent.

Three's Company

By Cutler Fetherston
Staff Writer

New York Yankee's slugger Darryl Strawberry received his third drug related suspension in five years this week. Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig suspended Strawberry, who turns 38 this month, for the entire upcoming season with no chance of early return for good behavior. Darryl tested positive for cocaine two weeks ago on Wednesday leaving the Yankee's scratching their collective heads and without their top designated hitter. "I could not ignore Darryl's past infractions and concluded that each of us must be accountable for his or her own actions," said Selig after handing down Straw's punishment last Tuesday. "I am hopeful that he will use this time away from the game productively and will care for himself and his family."

Strawberry joins the dubious company of Dallas Cowboy Leon Lett and Tennessee Titan Josh Evans, who were suspended for the third time last Wednesday, as the only pros ever to be suspended three times for drugs in a major sport. At Darryl's age it is uncertain if he will ever return to the majors, rumors are already spreading that Strawberry might sign with an independent league but as of now he is still under contract to the Yankees.

"You don't have to condone what he's done to have a feeling for him. He's not a bad person," Yankee's manager Joe Torre told the press after the suspension. Owner George Steinbrenner said, "We will abide by the decision. I feel badly for Darryl. My hopes and prayers are that he can do the things he needs to do to get his life in order."
Preying On The Weak

By Chris Walenta
Sports Editor

Most people who attend college do so without the benefit of a silver spoon in their mouth. Most people work full-time, or at least part-time, jobs in order to help pay their tuition or other living expenses. School is hard enough, but when you pile on other obligations you make it even tougher. Let’s say that not only are you trying to support yourself, but you have the weight of supporting your entire family as well. They are the most important people to you and you will do whatever you can to see that no harm comes to them.

When you are a student athlete, a great deal of money is flashed before your eyes. You realize that you are not supposed to take it, but what is more important to you, winning basketball games or having your family survive?

Let’s say that you are good at a sport and you are on a nationally recognized team. You are known by millions of people by your picture alone. Then one day you find out that your mother is going to be evicted from her home if she does not pay the mortgage. You would start to think of all the ways that you could gather up the money in order for your mother to continue living in her home.

There always seems to be individuals out there that find out about your circumstances and decide to prey on you. These people are usually known as sports agents. In the eyes of most people, they are merely helping someone in need with some up-side to offer the agent in the future. Basically, if they help this college player out with $2,000 here or there then, in the future when the player becomes a millionaire, they will remember that agent and seek representation from them.

Recently this unfortunate situation has been brought to the forefront. At Auburn University on Monday, Auburn basketball player Chris Porter admitted to receiving a cash sum (estimated to be around $2,500) from a sports agent. Porter has been suspended by the Auburn Tigers basketball team indefinitely.

The Tigers, currently ranked in the Top 25 in all major polls, plan on reporting to the NCAA that there was wrong doing on the part of the individual and not the team. When they do report to the NCAA that there was wrong doing, the NCAA can then start its own investigation and rule on how long Porter’s almost assured suspension will be.

Auburn Coach Chris Ellis wants Chris Porter back in time for the SEC tournament at the beginning of March. If not then, the Tigers hope Porter can be back in time for the NCAA Tournament in late March. Porter was not allowed to practice with the Tigers on Monday, but Ellis said that Porter did attend classes.

ESPN reports that Porter will probably be a late lottery pick now. Ellis notes that Auburn’s problem with sports agents tampering with his star player is part of a national trend that coaches and administrators are trying to deal with on a daily basis. "We have got an on-going situation with agents and gambling and all sorts of things that are going on...We are all trying to address the issue. We (NCAA and other schools) know that it is a problem, and we are trying to get to it the best we can," says Ellis.

AU coaches say they have tried to be vigilant in keeping agents, and suspected agents, away from their players, but admit that it is an impossible job to monitor players 24 hours a day, seven days a week. "It is not getting better, it is getting tougher," says Ellis. "Again, I am disappointed in Chris, but I am really sick at these type of things that are constantly ram-pant in college athletics."

As for what I think:

I believe that it is really horrible that there is so much money floating around college basketball and none of these players are allowed to touch it. These are the players on the floor 30-plus times a year and they are the ones who people are paying to come out and watch. Why should they not be allowed to make at least a little bit of cash?

I have always thought that the NCAA should come up with a system that rewards its players for laying it all on the line for the "good of the school" instead of punishing them for accepting their due amount. The teams out there who are nationally rec-ognized (Duke, Michigan, UCLA, etc...) are nationally recognized because of the great players that play for them. T-shirts, hats and other apparel are sold daily due to these players, yet no player ever sees a dime from the profits, and believe me, there ARE profits.

When I see a situation like the one concerning Chris Porter, it makes me sick to my stomach. Here is a guy who is just trying to help out his family and now he is being punished for it. He could have left last year and made millions in the NBA, but he came back for his education and to help out his alma mater for one more year. What kind of message are we sending out to all the future players who will be presented with the choice of leaving school early or returning for their degree.

The message is, leave, because the NCAA does not care about you, it cares only about the dollars you can generate for them.

Player of the Week

By Cutter Fetherston
Staff Writer

After a bye week last week the CSUSB player of the week is back. This week we honor Jimmy Alapag a 5’9” senior guard majoring in Liberal Studies from Upland, CA. Jimmy was recently named “Clutch Player of the Month” in the CCAA as well as being named to the NABC West district second team.

Two weeks ago, Alapag poured in a career high 26-points vs. Sonoma State in a victory for the Coyotes, and looks to finish strong at U.C. Riverside on March 4. Players and fans of the team are looking forward to the West Regional playoffs that begin on March 9.
family does not exist as a unit to foster and support the child. This situation, he contended, has significantly depleted one of a teacher's primary disciplinary tools: parental support. "20 years ago if you had a discipline problem with a student that got particularly out of hand, you called home and usually that was that. Today, with a growing number of kids being raised by grandparents, aunts and uncles, foster families, and single parents, the structure is not there to give these kids the attention and discipline that they need."

He also noted that "even a suspension is no longer anything significant to a lot of these kids because they really have no one to answer to." Lazar suggested that having no one to be accountable to at home, and a continuing decrease in parental involvement can make the objectives of educators seem futile. "Education begins and stops." Education begins and ends in the home," he said, "we are just a stop."

Another obstacle that many ambitious and talented young teachers may face is the increasing standardization of not only what is to be taught in the classroom, but how it is to be taught as well. Lazar believes that with teachers and schools being held more accountable, and being required to demonstrate tangible evidence of a student's progress or aptitude, the methods of instruction may continue to move towards rigidly structured format that dictates methodology and also privileges test scores as the most prominent means of assessment. With the current pace of technological change, the amount of creative freedom that young teachers have may become somewhat limited. This issue is in fact one that requires careful consideration and a balanced approach. While Lazar emphatically supports allowing teachers creative freedom, he also agreed that there are basics that must be covered before students complete their elementary and secondary education.

"Before they leave us, every kid needs basic grammar, and more importantly every kid needs to be able to read and understand efficiently," said Lazar. "I believe that is more than anything more ridiculous in all my life than remedial courses in college." While he acknowledged that enfocing students with these basics often requires regimentation, his challenge to new teachers is to find their own way of inserting their own creativity into the process.

Finally, despite the obvious difficulties that new teachers may encounter, the veteran insisted that rookies do in fact "need a certain amount of idealism." However, the feeling is that this idealism should be tempered with the skills and preparation necessary to deal with the less than ideal situations they will often be immersed in. "If you want to teach," he said, "do it because you want to do it and because you want to have a positive effect." Lazar conceded that while teaching will certainly not vault college graduates into the upper regions of the economic strata, there are immeasurable benefits. "When you're in the classroom," he offered, "and you somehow manage to get their attention, and you see that light go off in their eyes, that's one of the super parts of the job, that, and having students come back years later and thank you or remember something you did that interested them or affected them."

Remember? Remember a teacher who placed your head into a propellor as a way of explicating the chaos of the French revolution? Remember a teacher who challenged you to construct a vessel within which an egg could be dropped from a two-story building without breaking as a means of stimulating logical and applicable thought? Who the hell could forget that?

**Letters**

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The Coyote women's basketball team ended the season with an overall mark of 7-20 and high hopes of bringing in 30 to 50 new players next year. Unfortunately, their win streak ended at one, as they lost both CCAA conference matches played on the weekend against Sonoma State and CCAA powerhouse, U.C. Davis. With Winter and Spring sports crossing over each February, maybe February should be known as the love February. Because during the last week of February last year certainly was a Cal State intercollegiate sporting event going on to please every sport fan.

**Coyote Baseball**

Coyote Baseball currently has an overall record of 6-4.

Coyotewomen's tennis was the seventh sport to be in action last week at Cal State. Unfortunately, they were the first match of the season against Vanguard University. The Coyotes took seven out of nine matches, including two doubles and five singles matches. Unfortunately their win streak ended at one, as they lost both CCAA conference matches played on the weekend against Sonoma State and CCAA powerhouse, U.C. Davis.

**-Basketball**

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Cousouls Arena, located on the campus of Cal State University, San Bernardino and will begin at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are on sale now, $21.00 for reserved seating limited), and $15.00 for general admission (service fees will apply.) Tickets are going fast so hurry down to the Cousouls Arena or your nearest Ticket Master outlet to buy yours! Any CSUSB student, staff or faculty member, or alumni member can receive a $2.00 discount on general admission tickets with proper identification at the arena box-office.
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BROWN BAG LUNCH
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10 A.M. - 12 Noon
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 MEETING
12 Noon - 2 P.M.
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WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT
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4 P.M. - 5 P.M.
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x 7203

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Behind the Badge

By John Carranza
Staff Writer

Monday- 02/21
3:00 p.m.
Petty Theft
On the first floor of University Hall, a student's textbooks were stolen from a locker room of the old gym.

Tuesday- 02/22
10:30 a.m.
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By Bill Marshall III
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According to colleagues, Riefer's work on memory, in conjunction with UC Irvine professor Dr. Bill Batchelder, is making an impact in his field. "David's contributions to cognitive psychology, generally, and to memory processes, specifically, are especially noteworthy," said Dr. Robert Cramer, a psychology professor and former recipient of the Outstanding Professor award who served on this year's selection committee. "[Riefer] is the co-developer of an extraordinarily powerful mathematical model of memory storage and retrieval."

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Behind the Badge

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