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Tanks or Tortoises?
That is the Question

By Noah Kaloostian
Staff Writer

The Army is planning to expand Fort Irwin along the arid West Mojave, and environmentalists are planning to build a 1.4 million-acre tortoise preserve there, to move the tortoises away from the expansion. However, this poses a problem for the tortoises and the people living in the West Mojave. Both developments could put an end to hiking and off-roading activities. The federal government would buy almost a half million acres of private land for Fort Irwin, forcing the environmentalists to take away recreational lands for the preserve. "Either way, it's bad for the tortoise. Whatever the Army ends up expanding, there will be environmental impacts," says Dr. Jeffrey Hackel, associate professor and coordinator of Environmental Studies/Geography. "This proposal is radical," said Bill Mann in the San Bernardino County Sun. Mann, a retired Bagrow miner and field trip chairman for the Mojave River Valley Museum, continued, "There's not much desert left for public use as it is - camping, rock-hounding and off-road vehicle activities."

The land-use issue flared last week over a scientist's report warning that if Fort Irwin expanded to the south and east - prime tortoise habitat - the reptiles would need protection in a 1.4 million-acre preserve in order to survive. The desert tortoise is listed as threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act. Concentrations of the desert tortoise in the proposed preserve range from 100 to 250 per square mile. The Army wants to take 150,000 acres considered by environmentalists to be vital tortoise territory.

By Stacey Fullwiler
Copy Editor

Looking for a way to see a great concert AND do your good deed for the year? Then be sure to join The Fenians at Silky Sullivan's in Fountain Valley on Wednesday, May 17, at their fundraiser for Joe Hudson, a participant in this year's California AIDS-Ride.

The Fenians are planning to raise $2500. In the last five years, California AIDS-Ride has raised over $65 million for AIDS research. Joe Hudson, a personal trainer and massage therapist in Huntington Beach, began training in February for his 75-mile trek, and is now working to raise the $2500. You can help by attending The Fenians' benefit concert for Joe's admirably insane exploit, and handing over a low, low $10 donation at the door.

Don't miss what is sure to be another fantastic night of Irish music with The Fenians, an Irish folk band. Also on the bill are a DJ, and a silent auction of Irish-themed items.

By Andrea Gonzales
Staff Writer

Let Cal State San Bernardino take you on a free trip around the world. Departure will take place in the Student Union Courtyard at 10:00 a.m. on May 17, and your return is scheduled for 2:30 p.m.

Our journey will begin with the sounds of Asia performed by the Omicaon group, which will put you in the mood for an exhilarating performance by Chinese acrobats, lead by Jason Jiang, who won first prize at the French World Acrobatics contest.
Changing the Face of Policing
A Forum on Police Violence

By Cutler Fetherston
News Editor

It was 30 years ago May 4 that a student uprising at Kent State ended in the bloody deaths of four young scholars and the wounding of nine others at the hands of the National Guard. On this day a panel of four distinguished speakers gathered at Event Center C to speak about police violence on behalf of their outraged communities.

The title of his address here on campus will be "Facing the Challenge." The lecture is scheduled for Friday, May 12, at 9:30 a.m. in the Student Events Center, and there is no charge.

The killing of Tyisha Miller by Riverside police brought the issue of police brutality to many of us. The unfortunate shooting of Irvin Landrum Jr. by Claremont police added more fuel to the fire of an already volatile situation. The needless deaths of these two young African-Americans was the reason behind the panel discussion "Changing the Face of Policing."

Dr. Mary Texeira, of the Department of Sociology at CSUSB, moderated the event and began the discussion by addressing the total institution of policing. "It's not as much the individual police officers, but the institution as a whole," she says. "It's an institution that is racist, sexist and that kill," says Butler. "They're immature individuals with weapons that kill," says Butler. He brought his speech to an end by saying, "Citizens of America have to get involved; power unchecked grows far too powerful."

The Co-chair of the RCPA (Riverside Coalition for Police Accountability) Chani Beeman, posed the question to the panel, "Who are the police accountable to?" She shared her community's outrage and mistrust of the police, but wondered what anyone could do about it. The RCPA was founded in the wake of the Tyisha Miller killing, in the hopes of changing the face of policing.

The final speaker, Dr. Halford Fairchild of the Department of Psychology at Pitzer College, has been a strong critic of the fatal shooting of Irvin Landrum Jr. in Claremont. Dr. Fairchild spoke of race wars and the white man's perceived manifest destiny to exploit everyone else. He believes that we need our police to truly represent our diverse society. Dr. Fairchild beckoned the gathered throng to get involved. He said, "The only thing necessary for the perpetuation of evil, is people doing nothing."
Fast Food Cock Fighting: Battle of the Chicken Sandwiches

By Jorge G. Salazar & Dan Farmer

In this day and age, everyone is so busy that going to the various fast food places for a quick bite to eat has replaced daily, healthy meals. For myself and my group of friends, burgers and pizza were our mainstay, with Mexican and Chinese food being a break from the norm. Last week, a few buddies of mine even dared me to eat a burrito from an Ultramar gas station.

Now, with the advent of mixed restaurants like Carl’s Jr./Green Burrito or, coming soon, Pizza Hut/KFC, there are more options for fast food fans. Or are there?

It seems as if every restaurant has its own claim to fame specialty burger, such as McDonald’s’ Big Mac, or Burger King’s Whopper. Then there are items that all fast food places have, like shakes and fries - and the infamous chicken sandwiches. Are these items all the same? It seems as if every fast food place nowadays has a chicken sandwich. How many ways are there to prepare a chicken sandwich? That is exactly what my esteemed colleague and I set out to discover. Making a list of several local fast food establishments, as well as CSUSB’s very own Coyote Café, we ventured out to find the best chicken sandwich.

We, self-proclaimed Chicken Sandwich Experts, would then compare and contrast these “Bird Burgers” much like that of a consumer reports study, giving each a score on a scale of one to five eggs - one, sucking eggs, and five, making us lay eggs.

Finding the best-and-worst chicken sandwich was not an easy task. We found it to be a very trying deed to visit each restaurant and sample one chicken sandwich. Burger King released an international series of sandwiches: French, Italian and American. Today, these items are no longer on the menu. Instead there is a new class of burgers, like the Chicken Club, which is a hoagie style sandwich with a thick patty, lettuce, mayo, tomato and strips of bacon. I gave this sandwich a 3 1/2 and it received a 3 from Farmer. What we really enjoyed was its seasoning, which gave it a distinct taste. The other BK’s sandwich we sampled was the promo item, the Chic’n Crisp Caesar. This one won the “Rotten Rooster” award for being the worst chicken sandwich. It received a 3 from the both of us. It tried to use lettuce with caesar salad dressing for flavor, which instead made it into a salad burger, overpowering the chicken flavor. You get what you pay for; in this case, a 99-cent promotional item. Burger King, we miss the International series. Please bring them back. Thanks.

Next was the old favorite: McDonald’s. What does some clown really counting calories? The Grilled Chicken was good, 3 1/2. It's almost healthy, without really being healthy. Overall, McDonald’s has a good chicken sandwich menu. Quite impressive.

However, not as good as the Carl’s Jr. flock of chicken sandwiches. Carl’s offers up five chicken sandwiches on top of their already complete menu. We disagreed about which was the best. Farmer chose the BBQ chicken sandwich as Carl’s best bird, giving it 3 1/2 eggs. I gave the 99-cent Spicy Chicken a high 3 for its consistent performance. It won our “More Cluck for your Buck” award, for being the best chicken sandwich value. Although, we did have to give Carl’s

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New Eyes for San Bernardino

By Amanda Stanley
Staff Writer

Those of us who have less than perfect eyes know how expensive glasses and contacts can be. But those of us who do manage to afford them are lucky; for some, life is a blur.

However, you CAN help. An organization called New Eyes for the Needy, Inc., is asking everyone to go through their desks and dressers, looking for any old glasses, watches, hearing aids and jewelry no longer of use. These items will find a second life through this organization.

Air Touch Cellular Offers Deal

By Giselle Carrillo
Staff Writer

These days, the amount of money we spend on air-time for our cell phones can be outrageous. But Air Touch Cellular is offering a plan that can help put those costly worries behind you.

Air Touch’s “Unlimited Minutes” promotion allows students to make free unlimited calls to others’ Air Touch phones in their local areas, stay mobile, and talk all they like. It’s a great idea for keeping in touch with friends and family, or for conducting business without using costly air time.

This promotion provides a 100 percent air-time usage discount off normal charges for mobile-to-mobile calls to eligible Air Touch customers placing or receiving a call from another Air Touch customer.

“Air Touch understands that students are on a tight budget,” Vice President of Marketing Ted Katagi says on Air Touch’s website. “That is why we want to make it easier for them to keep in touch with family and friends. This offer grants students the freedom to talk more but spend less.”

With students’ hectic lives, bill-free phone service makes one less thing to worry about.

There are some guidelines, however.

First of all, both customers must be in their local calling areas. For instance, an Air Touch customer in the Greater Los Angeles area can only call someone else in that same area. Air Touch’s five areas near CSUSB include: Greater Los Angeles and Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, and Ventura counties. Local-to-local calls are the only ones that don’t add up horrible airtime charges.

The offer is also not unlimited. The mobile-to-mobile service only offers 250 free local calling-area minutes a month. What it does do is encourage callers to call people in their own calling circle more.

Also, you need to sign up, even if you already subscribe to an Air Touch plan, for $24.99 a month or higher to receive the free minutes.

The mobile-to-mobile discount does not apply to voice-mail connections, call forwarding, or Air Touch calls made from outside of your local calling area. Another downfall to this promotion is that airtime minutes used while roaming are not included and the customer is charged 60 cents a minute.

This promotion offer is risk free. There is no need to provide Air Touch Cellular with a list of friends and family you might call. The 250 free minutes will be offered above the existing free minutes from your current cellular phone plan. Air Touch vice president Ted Katagi also wrote, “Air Touch has the largest customer base in Southern California, which means this offer benefits more cell phone users in Southern California than any other.”

If you want to start talking 60 minutes an hour, 24 hours a day, all month long, for free, then now’s the time to sign up. Air Touch customers can activate the Mobile-to-Mobile service by calling 1-800-AirTouch or you can visit the Air Touch website at www.airtouch.com. You can also visit one of the three local Air Touch Cellular store locations in Moreno Valley, the Carousel Mall, and Fontana.
Will the Vice Presidency be the spoonful of sugar for McCain?

Senator John McCain doesn't want to be George W. Bush's running mate, but he will work with Bush to defeat Gore in the November elections.

By Katherine Seigworth
Executive Editor

While this was a good move for both McCain and Bush, it is one that I am not happy about. Since Bush has McCain's backing, even if it's not wholeheartedly, he has a better chance than before of wooing McCain supporters to his side. It will also lessen many Republican's desire to have McCain as Bush's running mate. For McCain, it showed the Republicans that he is loyal to his party and not some maverick as Bush portrayed him. While he still has the ambition to be president, in order to keep his party's support, especially for 2004's election race, he had to support Bush publicly.

But it was obvious that McCain was not truly happy about it or all that serious. He was obviously half-serious and half not. He fluctuated his voice when stating "I endorse Governor Bush," to such an extent that he had the reporters at the conference laughing. It was obviously something he was forced to do. It will benefit him later, but right now, well, it's not that easy for many to take. McCain likened his endorsement of Bush to taking a foul tasting medicine. And I believe that it's true. The question that we must ask ourselves now is what will we do if Bush gets elected? One person said that he would defect to Canada if Bush gets elected. Who knows how many may join him there?

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Thank you.

Dr. Jacques Benzaken
Greeks Weak During Greek Week

By John J. Eddy
Staff Writer

In every spring, the transitions here at Cal State have been roughly the same. The grass turns a dark green, the trees’ leaves form out of tiny buds, and the ladies and gentlemen of our Greek systems take to the fields for a week of friendly competition and demonstration of unity. However, despite Greek Week occurring during the spring it is the season of inactivity with the symbol of the season. Springtime is the season of rejuvenation for every plant, when every animal nurtures its young, when every plant rejuvenates through photosynthesis. It is the season of intense growth for it is the beginning of a new life, and new possibilities. Why then in the season of new life has our Greek organizations failed to move above and beyond the limitations of past? Where are the great thinkers and planners who can envision the real spiritual and monetary value, (ching-ching), which an event like this can generate? Perhaps greatness does exert itself better under competition. So I challenge all of you who wear letters, meet in the student union for gossiping sessions, and who call themselves the social society of this University to come up with an idea that could make Greek Week bigger and better not just for yourselves, but for the entire campus. I challenge you to push the limits of your imagination and turn an idea once sketched on a napkin, or shared over couple of cold ones, into reality. I challenge you to write me your suggestions for fundraisers, projects, and events that can put a little growth and exposure into our Week of Greek Week. For me, it all came to me like a bright light from the heavens. I was on the ninth hole at Shandin Hills, sweating softly under a slight breeze from the northwest. I was swaying from side to side as I drank from the aluminum can, crushing it and throwing it in the back of the car with the rest of the twelve pack. Reaching for another cold Bud’Light to fight off the heat, I was struck with a vision larger and more awesome then any single event ever done at Cal State San Bernadino. Could it be possible, could we as Greeks actually put something of that magnitude together and have it succeed? Disttracted from my game, I put the thought out of my mind as I pulled out my seven iron knocked it about 160 yards straight onto the green. “Today is a day for golf...Not for dreams!” I shouted to no one in particular, as I rode up the trail weaving left and right at small animals that broke the plain of my peripheral vision. After finishing my day around the course, I sat trying to recover in the clubhouse pondering the approach and angle of this story. It would be a flaccid and hideous sight to see a young man’s head swell up from blowing unnecessary air up his own ass, walking around like a prophet of the NeoGreco world. I would rather not come at you with a plan and idea from the start that would turn into ultimate failure because advice tends to fail on deaf ears in today’s society. Is it the experience that people want, not someone else thoughts or experiences. So I leave it in your hands for at least a few weeks, a test to see if anyone is listening, but more importantly if anyone is thinking. I will wait and wonder contemplating the changes that mediocrity is the true goal of the Greek Systems, who lack the vision of possibility, still lost in the cloudy haze of green eyes.

What kind of response can I expect from this article? Honestly, I don’t expect much. When only two sororities decided to participate in Greek Week it is easy to see that there is a lack of involvement and interest among the Greeks in general. To look past the importance of building unity, being thrown aside for personal agendas, has made everyone suffer. Very little money was raised this year for the children’s center, $600.00 less because of the two sororities who did not participate. The new members missed out on excitement and fun, yes, fun that each game creates throughout the entire week. The ladies who turned their back on Greek Week missed out on the one important lesson that has been taught to all those who compete. Winning is great, just ask Sigma Nu, but it is not everything. Competing in itself means victory and success for all that take to the fields and courts, to give all they can for the love of their brothers and sisters. That feeling and pride used to be second nature during the Greek Week, and it was present this year, in a fading spirit that encompassed all of those who put their personal gripe aside to play the game.

I would love to take this time to blame names and point fingers and everyone who added to the decline of Greek Week, but my article would only consist of a list of names like the FBI's.
The genesis of David Nelson's music lies in the 1960s, but his latest endeavor, the David Nelson Band (DNB), is bringing his brand of psychedelic country-rock out of the smoky past and into the vanguard of the modern jamband scene.

Nelson's career has led through a series of bands ranging from the pre-Grateful Dead Wildwood Boys with the legendary Jerry Garcia, to seminal country-rockers New Riders of the Purple Sage. Nelson also later teamed up with Garcia for the group Old and in the Way, performing on the album "Almost Acoustic."

The sound Nelson helped to forge, a mix of rock, country, bluegrass and electric psychedelia, has influenced bands from the Eagles to the Dead themselves. Nelson appears on three of the Dead's most respected studio albums: "Aoxomoxoa," "Workingman's Dead," and "American Beauty."

Unknown to much of the music-listening public, Nelson could easily have landed on the dust heap of disregarded flower-power rockers, but the strength of his songs and the earnest, meaningful but-fun-loving nature of the music he helped create have proved durable beyond the era that spawned them. And let's face it, the legions of maniacally devoted "Deadheads" who have embraced Nelson as one of their icons haven't hurt either.

A ubiquitous mounting popularity - is the incessant touring that these bands undertake. Fans don't have to wait three years for DNB or their jam colleagues to drag some overblown, media-circus Rolling Stones-esque tour into the nearest megavenue. Nelson and friends make the club and festival rounds regularly, setting out from their home-base in Portland, Oregon.

Last Friday, DNB appeared at Santa Monica's jamband haven, 14 Below. An appealing aspect of the jam scene, one wonderfully exemplified by Nelson and the boys, is the friendly atmosphere and lack of superstar pretensions. In the tiny 14 Below, the band is nearly on top of the audience, and there are no surly, yellow-jacketed security Nazis to put themselves between you and the musicians.

In this cozy atmosphere, with an amiable crowd spanning several generations, including representatives of the Grateful Dead's extended family of associates, the band clearly felt comfortable, a feeling which set the tone for the evening.

The first song, "Lonesome LA Cowboy," was a

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Gladiator:
If You Want Blood, You’ve Got it!

By Fadhia Marcellin
Staff Writer

Tight, ripped muscles. Dirt, sweat and blood dripping from gore-smeared bodies. Form fitting suits, body slams and headlocks executed by angry, powerful men. War cries, shouts of anger and victory, filling your ears as you watch intensely, waiting for the next move.

No, I am not talking about pro-wrestling, but of a match that takes place in a much bigger ring - the Roman Coliseum!

Russell Crowe, who recently won acclaim for his role in “The Insider,” stars as a Roman warrior in the Dream Works Pictures film “Gladiator,” directed by Ridley Scott, the same guy who brought us “Alien,” and “Blade Runner.”

If you want gore and blood, this is the movie to see. “Gladiator,” set in Rome, opens with Russell Crowe as Maximus, a general, winning one of the biggest battles of Rome. As a reward, he asks to return home to his beloved wife and son. The old Emperor (Cesar), asks Maximus for just one favor: to be the new Emperor when it is time, and he has until sunset to make his decision. But fate takes its own course and the emperor bids his final adieux before sunset, making his son, Comodus (Joaquin Phoenix), the new emperor.

Comodus is so pleased his father wanted Maximus to be emperor instead of him, that he has Maximus exiled. The fate of Maximus’ family is also in Comodus’s hands.

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In the Company of Men:
A Guide to Brawny Leisure in the City of Angels

By Pasquale Scuderi
Special to the Chronicle

Over the past couple of weeks, I spent a few leisure-filled weekends in Los Angeles with old friends, revisiting the grand benefits of male bonding. The spots we hit were, for the most part, old-school - a manly mix of eateries, taverns, and sporting venues with hard-boiled aesthetics.

Dining, drinking, cheering and wagering amongst the ghosts of urban aces and hard luck legends, I felt compelled to hip some of you who may not be in-the-know to some of the places where the spirit of the Los Angeles of yesteryear still glows like a shorted neon sign. Even today, the historic terrain of guys like Raymond Chandler and Charles Bukowski can be accessed, with directions and a little imagination, faster than you can say "scotch on the rocks."

If you are traveling in from the east and need to get something in your gut quick, your first stop should be Philippe the Original, home of the French-dip sandwich. Located at 1001 N. Alameda, Philippe's sandwich shop has been an LA staple since 1908. The floor of the restaurant is covered in sawdust, and the classic phone booths that line the south wall may want you to be Robert Mitchum for a moment so you can put on a fedora, close the door behind you, and negotiate a potential double-cross.

Philippe's serves French-dipped sandwiches of beef, pork, ham, lamb, or turkey for - with the exception of the lamb - under four bucks. Sides like potato salad, macaroni salad, and a host of others are also available, and a glass of lemonade can be had for fifty cents. If you are fed up with five-dollar cappuccinos and all the other pricey weaponry of the apocalyptic Starbucks' take-out, Philippe's can help you rebel with a hot cuppa regular joe for a mere 9 cents!

A night at the fights can be a great centerpiece for male bonding in the city of Angels. My grandfather often spoke of infamous nights at the rough-and-tumble Olympic during its heyday, where full-scale pandemonium was commonplace after a hotly disputed decision. The late, great Jim Healy, who for years was a fixture of Southland sports casting, once did the wrap-up of a boxing broadcast from underneath the ring at the Olympic, while sloshed and incensed fight-fans pelted the ring with objects ranging from glass whisky bottles, to cups filled with urine.

The Hollywood Park Casino, connected to the Hollywood Park Race Track at Prairie and Manchester, has now added Thursday Night Fights to their empire of thoroughbred horse racing and poker. I am happy to report that there were no flying cups of bodily fluids at the recent Thursday card I took in; and the most notable thing being thrown was the right hand of up-and-coming middleweight Warren "War Dog" Cronberger, who K.O.'d his opponent in the first round of the main event.

Boxing is an ideal male bonding sport, particularly live.

"Make time for an occasional adventure with the guys."

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Maximus fights his way back, keeping the memory of his family close. He is captured and taken as a slave to fight many deadly battles in the arenas of Rome. He becomes undefeatable and gains the title of "The Spaniard." He eventually "ears" the chance to fight in the biggest of all arenas, the Coliseum.

There he gains recognition for his fighting skills. He also meets up with his old chum Comodus. Maximus reveals himself as 'Gladiator' to Comodus who is so 'pleased' to have Maximus back that he sets up many matches for him to fight in.

Forget Steve Austin, or "the Rock." Maximus is the name every one should be calling outside the ring. He can take on anything, from heavy sets of guys, to chariots - even tigers. He is unstoppable.

"Gladiator" has something for everyone - battle, muscle against muscle, man against man (and woman), action, love, drama, and even comedy. It is definitely one to see on the big screen.

So how does this gory, exciting movie end? That's for me to know, and you to FIND OUT. Go on and see who the true man of the ring really is.

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nood to the locale and Nelson's days with the New Riders. Punny and wry, the tune started things off in the right direction, despite some early difficulties with the house sound. The band then moved into more adventurous territory, stretching the music into loose, atmospheric improvisation. By taining their center, still sounding like a tight unit. Here, the experience of the musicians is evident. Their control, their note choice and the capacity to shift focus and mood, without dropping the ball, are the result of good communication, and the unselfish understanding of artists who have learned to LISTEN.

The strength and appeal of DNB comes not only from the talent and personalities of its members - nor does it depend on past successes - but from the new, original songs that have been created in DNB's six-year existence. Songs like "Kerouac" and "Sarasota Steamboat Farewell Lead-pipe Cinch" are worthy on their own merit. DNB's collaborations with Grateful Dead lyricist Robert Hunter lend a familiar-but-current flavor to the music. If their original music is the new blood of DNB, the classic songs of years past are its heart. A highlight of the night was a magnificent rendition of Bob Dylan's "Absolutely Sweet Marie." The song sparkled and jumped with delicious swing while Nelson, in his deep storyteller voice, told the tale.

While some may be tempted to assign Nelson and his music to the "Used" bin as dated and irrelevant, dismissing this vital, evolving music would be akin to canning Sir Laurence Olivier from the Royal Shakespeare Company because he's getting on in years. I know, Olivier's dead, but you get my point. Gray hairs and laughlines may seem out-of-place onstage to some, but artists, like fine wines, can improve with age.

Lucky for us, David Nelson still graces the stage, and with his music still finds new and relevant avenues to pursue. With the talented and experienced band he has assembled, Nelson seems well prepared to take his music and the spirit he helped create into the next century. Onward to High Adventure!

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and its seedy collective character provides an optimal people-watching environment. Where else but in the glamorous worlds of boxing and pimping do you still get to see guys in shiny silver suits with wide brimmed, bright blue hats?

If you require further action, step next door to the racetrack and drop everything from a $2 win bet to a huge "exotic wager" on whatever looks good. Do not take advice or tips from allegedly savvy track veterans - they know as little as you do and have lost more money than you will ever know. Opening night at the track this year proved that the racing commission's efforts to attract a younger crowd - insuring that each generation has its percentage of degenerate gamblers, thus solidifying the industry's future - were somewhat successful.

We, myself and the other fruitless gamesters I call friends - had never seen so many young people at the track; specifically, so many attractive young women. It appears the post-Swingers, neo-Rat Pack movement has yielded sweet dividends for the horse playing industry.

Should dinner be on your agenda, you and your mates should eventually hit Musso and Frank, Hollywood Boulevard's oldest steak and chops joint. Opened by Joseph Musso and Frank Toulet in 1919 - the year the Chicago White Sox threw the World Series - this place still consistently serves what has been deemed Los Angeles' undisputed heavyweight champion of Martins. There is plenty of beef-and-bourbon attitude inside, and it is an altogether agreeable place to swill a few cocktails and feast on a variety of hearty, yet somewhat sophisticated, entrees. The ambiance is perfect for big dining.

If, after dinner and a sporting event, you and the boys seek a nightcap, there is an ideal spot, easily within walking distance of Musso and Frank. For a straight, no chasing kind of vibe, Boardners, at Hollywood and Cherokee, serves up hard drinks for guys who want to get there fast. The crowd can be standoffish, as LA crowds typically are, but on other evenings it is a down-to-earth oasis amidst the relentless self-importance of tinseltown. Then again, who the hell needs a crowd? You and your partners can slide into a booth, or grab some barstools and make maudlin toasts to your enduring bond at one of Hollywood's oldest and most durable watering holes.

So, gentlemen, tell your girl that you love her, and mean it, but let her know that on occasion the boys must commune. I implore you, men, do...
National League East Preview

By Robert Proffer
Staff Writer

Unlike the other divisions in baseball, the National League East is perhaps the most topsided division of all. After the Atlanta Braves and New York Mets, the competition gets scarcely thin. Thus, it is no surprise the Braves keep winning division crowns, leaving the others to grovel for second place. Even in this era of parity, the Braves are still the apparent team to beat in the East.

1. Atlanta Braves - Over the last decade, the fearome threesome of Glavine, Maddux, and Smoltz have anchored the best pitching staff in baseball. When Smoltz recently went on the shelf with elbow problems, there was no concern or worry on the face of manager Bobby Cox. Why? They simply replaced Smoltz with third-year starter Kevin Millwood, who only won 18 games last year. This is why the Braves are great (during the regular season anyway). They have a knack for replacing their fallen stars. Oh, and did I mention that "Big Cat" Andres Galarraga has completely returned from his bout with cancer last season with a vengeance. While the Braves made a few wholesale changes by trading Ryan Klesko and Bret Boone to San Diego for Reggie Sanders and Quilvio Veras, the Braves will again win the division and make a bid for the World Series. If there was any doubt about the Braves' dominance, their recent 15-game winning streak should quell any worries. Look out below! Looks like a long season for the rest of the pretenders in the East.

2. New York Mets - The battle for second stops in New York. Like the Braves, the Mets did a good job replacing their key losses. When John Olerud signed with the Mariners, the Mets promptly signed Todd Zeile. In addition, they also traded Roger Cedeno and Ottavio Dotel to the Astros for Derrek Bell and Mike Hampton. While they lost some outfield speed with Cedeno, they did gain some power with Bell. While Hampton has struggled so far, he should bolster an already solid pitching staff. However, the Mets struggled with team chemistry last season. Manager Bobby Valentine is not known as a "player's manager," and the game of cards between Bobby Bonilla and Rickey Henderson during the playoffs last year did not help matters. While Bonilla has moved on to Atlanta, and Ricky Henderson was recently released, the Mets must gel as a team in order to have any success. Even if that happens, I don't think they can catch the Braves. Mets fans can look for a post-season appearance via the wild card.

3. Philadelphia Phillies - Now the competition gets thin. Even with one of the game's best pitchers in Curt Schilling and Ashby, the Phillies are still a year away. Another year of experience and some key moves will propel the Phillies into contention with the Mets and Braves.

4. Montreal Expos - I don't know how manager Felipe Alou continues to manage in Montreal. His teams traditionally have the lowest payroll in baseball. Nevertheless, they have never surrendered. They have never given up...they have never surrendered. Much like their male counterparts, this season has been a learning and growing experience that if used wisely, will only help the 'Yotes succeed in the next season.

The ladies dropped both games of the doubleheader on April 29 as they were out hit and out scored 3 to 1 and 8 to 1. Though losing is always disappointing, it is never the end of the world. There is much that a losing season can teach us. The foremost being the sour taste it leaves in our mouths. Victory brings forth a feast of royal proportions, and only those who have experienced the hunger can truly appreciate the gifts of victory.

Predictions for this weekend have to favor the defending champions in San Bernardino area. It won't be easy...for they will have to pull all of their resources together to defeat their opponents...but they do have one advantage over their opponents. Like any animal backed against a wall, instinct will take over, morphing them into an attack and kill mode.

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Basketball Playoffs

By Chris Walenta
Sports Editor

Alright, in the April 21st issue of the Chronicle, I went 5-3 in overall picks. Not too bad, but I thought that even I could have won a couple of the series that I ended up losing. I host only one series in the Eastern Conference (Philadelphia vs. Charlotte). The Western Conference was a different story. I dropped two and won two series, and I suppose that for the series that were played, that isn't too shabby. I took the Jazz and the Spurs' series. Go figure. Well, even though all of the second round series have started, we will take a glance at the series and see who has the inside edge to move on to the Conference Finals in each conference. So, here we go.

**Eastern Conference:**

Indiana Pacers vs. Philadelphia 76ers

Alright, by looking at this series initially, you could probably say that it should be an up and down fight to the end. But, unfortunately, since the 76ers lost one of their most important players for the rest of the playoffs, Eric Snow, and because Allen Iverson hasn't been playing as well as he should, the Pacers should ease on through to the Conference Finals. I take the Pacers in five games.

New York Knicks vs. Miami Heat

It seems that these two teams end up fighting in the playoffs for the right to move on and represent the Eastern Conference. This year is not any different, and both of these teams are ready to scrap again for respect. This series is definitely not a high scoring affair; evidence for that is the first two games in Miami. The Heat lost their fight against the Knicks in the past two playoffs. The main reason for those losses was due to the fact that they were only able to split the first two games on their home-court. Guess what? Knicks stole game two from the Heat in Miami. Knicks win in six games, in what proves to be the best series of the entire playoffs.

**Western Conference:**

Portland Trailblazers vs. Utah Jazz

I really thought that the Jazz had a legitimate shot at beating the Los Angeles Lakers in the Western Conference Finals. I am sure that I am the only person in Southern California that actually believes that, but in order for that to happen, the Jazz have to come down from the two game hole they got themselves into. When I say hole, I am not using the word loosely; they got killed in games one and two in Portland, but I believe the Jazz are smarter and more cunning than people think. In the stunner of the playoffs, the Jazz comeback and win in seven games.

Los Angeles Lakers vs. Phoenix Suns

I really feel bad for the Suns, and angry with all you Laker fans out there. I feel sorry for the Suns because they really don't have a legitimate center that can stop Shaquille O'Neal. I feel sorry for the Suns, because after beating the defending World Champions, the San Antonio Spurs, they have the Lakers in their face as a reward for their accomplishments. Now to all of you Laker fans: when you all win the World Championship this year, you are all going to brag about how you are a great team. Great team! Great team, my ass! You beat a young and inexperienced Kings team - barely - then you beat a Suns team who is really not that good. Then in the next two rounds you will beat, maybe, a bunch of teams that are not even nearly as talented as any of the previous World Champions. The Lakers are the best team this year, not the greatest team ever. Laker fans, it just upsets me how your team got so much better than mine (the Boston Celtics) so quickly. I am sure you won't admit it, but it has to do with the fact that the National Basketball Association has really gone down the gutter in its quality of play. Come on Laker fans, admit to it and deal with it.
the “Chicken Little” award for having the smallest bird burgers. For being small in size though, the Carl’s sandwich was up for it in flavor. Which is almost what Baker’s Drive-Thru tried to do with their two chicken sandwiches, the Teriyaki Chicken and the Grilled Chicken. Much like that of McDonald’s, they are almost the same sandwich except for the patty that comes in it. The grilled chicken sandwich wasn’t very good; it scored low 2s from the both of these “Poultry Professors.” The multigrain bun was a futile attempt at being healthy, and a dry patty can’t be good for anyone. We even went so far as to give it the “Cock-a-Doodle Don’t Get This Sandwich” award. If you are at Baker’s and want a chicken sandwich, go for the Teriyaki—it was a lot better because, among other things, its patty is marinated in Teriyaki sauce before it is grilled and put into a regular burger bun with lettuce, tomato, and mayo.

Are burgers really fair to compare with chicken sandwiches? Maybe not, but here is a comparison we made. Of all the burger places we went to, there was one right under our nose, or beak, if you will. The Coyote Cafe has a Cajun Chicken sandwich; a really simple, breaded, spicy chicken patty on a bun, with lettuce and tomato. I know it’s the Student Union and you’d rather go off campus for a chicken sandwich so, you go to Jack in the Box. At Jack’s they have a Spicy Jack Chicken sandwich. The same principle as the Cajun Chicken: a spicy, breaded, chicken patty on a bun with lettuce and tomato. The only difference is the Cajun is made just for you, right away, whereas the Spicy Jack is there waiting for you in regular fast food fashion. Freshness makes the difference, scoring 3 eggs for the Cafe’s Cajun Chicken, compared to the meager 2 eggs given to the same Jack in the Box, Spicy Jack.

Which brings us to our winner: Kentucky Fried Chicken. The obvious answer. A restaurant that specializes in chicken should have the best chicken sandwich, but it actually was a close race. There are some pretty good sandwichwiches at the other fast food places, but KFC proudly boasts the best new chicken sandwich line. It serves up five new sandwiches: the Tender Roast Sandwich, Honey BBQ Flavor Sandwich, the Triple Crunch Sandwich and the two we selected as being the best – the Original Recipe Sandwich and the unbeatable, Spicy Triple Crunch Zinger. The Original Recipe sandwich was like taking a piece of the Colonel’s secret recipe fried chicken and putting it into a hot bun with fresh lettuce and tomato. Original Recipe equated to high scores; Farmer rated the sandwich with a high 4, and I gave it 4 1/2 eggs because it was a great all around chicken sandwich.

The winner, however, of the Chicken Sandwich Cock Fight, is the Spicy Triple Crunch Zinger sandwich, which is as good as its name is long. This sandwich had three chicken strips side-by-side making up the patty, lying on a bed of lettuce and mayo, with a tomato pillow. I dream about this sandwich at night. If you are worried about fat, calories, and cholesterol, hop online and visit each of these restaurants’ websites; these KFC sandwichwiches rank right up there with their burger joint counterparts.

In the world of chicken sandwiches, it takes all kinds. What you, the consumer, like in a chicken sandwich could differ from the next guy. So, get out there and decide for yourself which ones should go back to the coop, and which ones will emerge as prize-winning pit fighters.

- Cock

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Chicken Little

- Aids

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and this incredibly inexpensive way to help a fellow human accomplish something truly wonderful! Silky Sullivan’s is located at 10201 Slater Ave, Fountain Valley, Ca (at Brookhurst and the 405 fwy). For more information, please call Joe at (714) 403-2078, and check out the Fenians’ website, www.thefenians.com. See you there!

- National

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ball, yet he keeps his youngsters competitive. With a reputation of developing their players and trading them to avoid paying lucrative contracts, Alou has shown his talent for developing major league stars. John Wetteland, Mark Guthil, Pedro Martinez and countless others have gone on to great success after leaving Montreal. This year’s hot candidate, Vladimir Guerrero, is the next budding superstar. His breakout performance of 42 HR and 131 RBI makes him an MVP candidate. All this, even with little or no supporting cast. It would be useless for me to offer the names and faces of this season’s Montreal Expos, they will wind up being traded anyway. Simply look for aggressive baseball from this fourth place team.

5. Florida Marlins—World Series winners in 1997, cellar dwellers ever since. Owner Wayne Huizenga simply bought the World Championship 3 years ago, and they have been rebuilding ever since. While they should improve this season, what can you expect from a team with Preston Wilson as its homerun leader last season? Come on, you remember Preston Wilson.

Remember that time when...or that game he did...That’s exactly what I’m talking about. Wilson and the rest of the Marlins team don’t exactly strike fear in their opponents. Unless you’re a die-hard baseball fan, you probably don’t recognize any names on the Marlins’ roster. All you need to know anyway is that they will anchor the N.L. East in 2000.

- Greek

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most wanted. We who are the leters are all responsible for this years faults. We are all responsible for not opening up our events to attract the thousands of students on campus who think all we do is pay for our friends and drink beer. We all accept mediocrity because none of us have taken the reigns of leadership and planned the events of tomorrow that will shape and change the outcome of this university forever. Every single one of us, including yours truly, has failed to make our one-week of unity bigger then life.

We are in a time of transition my friends, where we will either fade into obscurity, or unite to rage against the machine. Asking a challenge to anyone brave enough to step in the ring and be my partner in a smack down match against mediocrity. Any suggestions, concerns or comments can be emailed to me at http://www.greekvines.com

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STUDENT UNION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
10 A.M.
STUDENT UNION BOARD ROOM
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SERIES
SPEAKER: CRYSTAL HENDERSON
"MONEY SECRETS OF THE RICH"
2 P.M. - 4 P.M.
LOWER COMMONS, EUCALYPTUS ROOM
5234
AFRIKAN STUDENT ALLIANCE
CLUB MEETING
4 P.M - 5 P.M.
STUDENT UNION BOARD ROOM
PANHELLENIC CLUB MEETING
8 P.M. - 10 P.M.
STUDENT UNION BOARD ROOM
FRIDAY, 12
DISABLEMENT AWARENESS CONFERENCE
9:30 A.M. - 12 NOON
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER
x 7204
BIBLE STUDY CLUB MEETING
SPONSORED BY ALPHA OMIGA
11 A.M. - 12 NOON
STUDENT UNION BOARD ROOM
SATURDAY, 13
MOTHERS DAY BANQUET-KAPPA DELTA
10:30 A.M. - 3 P.M.
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER A

Monday, 15
PALS MEETING
2:30 P.M. - 4 P.M.
STUDENT UNION EVENTS CENTER
STUDENT UNION STUDY ROOM

Tuesday, 16
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10 A.M. - 12 NOON
STUDENT UNION BOARD ROOM
ASI BOARD OF
DIRECTORS MEETING
12 NOON - 2 P.M.
STUDENT UNION BOARD ROOM
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SERIES
SPEAKER: MIEKE MULLIKEN
"ADVANTAGE OF CURRENT ECONOMIC TRENDS"
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LOAN WORKSHOP
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GAY & LESBIAN BISEXUAL
STUDENT UNION CLUB MEETING
6 P.M. - 8 P.M.
EUCALYPTUS ROOM, LOWER COMMONS
CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST
CLUB MEETING
"WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY"
8 P.M. - 10 P.M.
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