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CSUSB
On guard for diabetes

Melissa Balderrama
Staff Writer

CSUSB has received a $275,730 grant to help promote healthy living on campus. The grant was presented by Kaiser Permanente on Jan. 19, 2007, and will be used to help develop programs for disease prevention on campus, specifically a diabetes prevention program.

"We really have a population at risk for pre-diabetes," Director of the CSUSB Student Health and Psychological Counseling Center Patricia Smith said. "This age group, especially 18 to 24, is the perfect window of opportunity for health promotion," Smith said.

Diabetes is a disease that is on the rise in California and in the United States, according to the UCLA Center for Policy Research on Inequalities and Health. Two percent of California adults were diagnosed with diabetes, or an increase from 1.3 million in 2001.

African-Americans, Native Americans and Latinos have the highest prevalence for this disease. More than 35 percent of the CSUSB student population is Hispanic and almost 12 percent is African-American.

Compared to college graduates, diabetes is twice as common among adults who did not attend or did not graduate from high school.

This grant will be especially important in student long term health, because during their college years students adopt behaviors and attitudes that influence their wellness for a lifetime," according to CSUSB President Albert Karnig.

"We're going to do some things in the health center, like random blood sugar tests to students who want it and check height, weight and body mass index to see if they are at risk," Smith said.

"Campus wide we're going to have a health educator, who is going to work with students and inform them about what they can do to lower their risks for diabetes," Smith added.

Kaiser Permanente has a large presence throughout the state of California. It continues to engage in healthy living and activities to different programs statewide, according to Dr. Barry Wollstein, the Senior Vice President and Executive Director of Kaiser Foundation Health Plan and Hospitals at Fontana Medical Center.

"We are concerned about the health and wellness of the community we serve," Wollstein said.

Overall the risk for death among people with diabetes is about twice that of people without diabetes of similar age. Diabetes is likely to be an underreported cause of death, according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC).

In 2002, death certificate records showed that diabetes contributed to over 200,000 deaths in the United States.

Complications of diabetes include heart disease, blindness, amputations and dental disease, according to the CDC.

"Obesity is probably the main factor in diabetes," Smith said.

Some medications may delay the development of diabetes but improving diet and increasing physical activity seem to be the most effective, producing a 58 percent reduction in the risk according to the American Diabetes Association.

"The exciting part is that at any age, maintaining a normal body weight will give you great dividends," Smith said.

If you have a family history of diabetes or think that you may be at high risk for developing the disease, call the Student Health and Psychological Counseling Center and make an appointment at (909) 537-5241.

Melissa Balderrama/Chronicle

Kaiser Permanente presented CSUSB with a $75,750 grant to help promote healthy living on campus. The funds will be used to develop a diabetes education program.

CSUSB female student enrollment doubles males'

Madari Merki
Staff Writers

Females outnumber males in enrollment and is receiving degrees at California colleges and universities according to a recent report.

The report, done by The California Postsecondary Education Commission (CPEC), states that in 1963 females became the majority at California public universities and the gap has since been widening.

"There are some the same opportunities to go to college for males and females but males seem to be showing less interest," CPEC Advisors Administrator and Recruiters Lisa Zanone said. "One way to look at this is 80 percent of male and females are more likely to look for help with applying, financial aid or school work."

In fall of 2006 CSUSB total enrollment was 18,479 students. Of those students 7,729 were male and 10,750 were female.

These enrollment trends are in contrast to the past. According to the 1970 to 1990, male and female enrollment in schools was almost equal. After World War II, the GI Bill boosted male enrollment to its peak in 1947 with around 2.3 males to every female.

"Our enrollment has a lot to do with the many different factors influencing the idea that they want to go to college and we have a lot to do with the mindset of our students," Smith said. "I believe that guys think there are more jobs for them and they tend to go for jobs that need less education," Smith said.

"Guys think that they are going to be able to support a family, they need to get a good degree," Smith said.

This trend is not only affecting college enrollment and recruitment but also reflects that of high school completion.

A study by the Manhattan Institute estimates that 65 percent of California seniors are enrolled in college compared to the 72 percent of females.

CPEC warns that this trend has many implications, not only for students who are shopping or Continued on Pg. 2

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Lloyd Peake ambushed

Nicholas Mull
Staff Writer

Business and management professor Lloyd Peake did not know what to think Monday when about 25 faculty members barged into his classroom unannounced to present him with the Outstanding Professor Award for the 2006-2007 school year.

He was given this honor during an "emb tidal" led by CSUSB President Albert Karnig. Karnig was accompanied by administration officials and past recipients of the award who surprised Peake as he was teaching a management class in Jack Brown Hall.

"I'm speechless," said a professor who has taught at CSUSB since 1981. "It's among the highest awards a faculty member can attain, and I never had any expectation of receiving it."

Peake said it has been a privilege to work at CSUSB, where he has worked for the past 18 years.

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CSUSB's Public Relations Office..."
Learn business from the best

Wendy Diaz
Staff Writer

The Executive-in-Residence program of CSUSB’s College of Business and Public Administration has been designed to give students an opportunity to meet and converse with successful senior-level executives.

This program provides a platform in which students and associate-level executives can benefit from each other. According to Junina Ahumada, assistant dean of the college of business and public administration, “The objective of our Executive-in-Residence Program is to enrich the learning environment for both undergraduates and graduate students.”

In the program, senior-level executives are invited to participate in teaching for one to two days. They are even invited to teach in team courses for the quarter. Invited executives give lectures, conduct graduate seminars, participate in Friday Faculty Forums when new research is discussed, present an open forum to the university community and meet with alumni.

Executives can also propose additional activities of interest, such as meeting with students.

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Gender gap at CSUSB

More journalism were killed or jailed last year than in any year since 1994, according to the Associated Press.

A survey conducted by Reporters Without Borders said that 81 journalists were killed and 160 had been arrested in 2006. According to an article from The Newspaper Guild - CWA website, 103 journalists died in 1994. Many were killed as a result of the Rwandan genocide, civil war in Algeria and the conflict in the former Yugoslavia.

There have also been arrests inside the United States.

A blogger named Josh Wolf was put in prison last August for defying a federal judge’s order to hand over his video of a protest at an international economic summit, according to the Associated Press. “There has never been a more dangerous time to be a journalist,” Washington director of Reporters Without Borders Lucie Morille said in an article by the Associated Press. “But even more dangerous was the lack of interest, and sometimes even the refusal, by democratic countries.

Correction

On the Jan. 29, 2007 issue of the Coyote Chronicle, photographs taken by Staff Writer Melissa Balderrama were incorrectly attributed to Staff Writer Matia Merki.

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Percentage of Bachelors Degrees Awarded by Gender 2005-2006

For the 2005-2006 academic year, CSUSB awarded 2,867 bachelor’s degrees. Males earned 31 percent of the total bachelor’s degrees awarded whereas females earned 69 percent.

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The Recreational Sports Department is currently accepting applications for Crew Exercise and Certified Personal Trainers. Applications can be picked up in PE 122 or online at www.recsports.csusb.edu. For more information contact Cindy Otte at (909) 537-3862.

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Campus police give back

Jennifer Veal
Staff Writer

A sergeant at the CSUSB Police department is doing more than his share to give back to the community.

Sgt. Samuel Sarmiento has helped with San Bernardino’s ‘Ho Ho! Parade’ for the past 18 years.

When asked what made him want to get involved with the program, Sarmiento recalled watching law enforcement and fire officials accompany Santa Claus through the city in decorated cars and fire trucks. Sarmiento grew up on the west side of San Bernardino.

Sarmiento gets a call each year to help map out key locations, organize street blockades and create an efficient setup for the cars in the procession.

The three night city-sponsored event is mapped out over three major sections of San Bernardino.

Law enforcement officials work double duty, donning Santa Claus costumes and giving the children in the way they pass out candy canes.

The cars and fire trucks decorated with lights and garlands run from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The event “gives the police and fire officials a different image,” Sarmiento said. “Lights and smiles can be a good thing, sometimes.”

Last year, Sarmiento used his own money to buy stuffed bears to pass out to children on the route.

For that year’s parade, he hopes to pull together a truck load of bears to pass out to the kids.

“No one will ever look at him and say he’s not helping out with the parade, he’s known as the office historian. He has a growing collection, he calls the “Board of Fans.”

The board has bidders from police stations throughout the country. He is very passionate about his collections, a hobby passed down from his father. His collection will be a part of a legacy he can pass down to his children.

Sarmiento will continue to help with the parade each year to do his part to give back to the community.

Incident Reports

Date: 12-11-2006
Incident: Expired Registration (over six months)
Description: On 12-11-06 at approximately 12:30 p.m., officers observed a vehicle parked in Lot “F” displaying plates from another vehicle. Upon further investigation, the vehicle was found to be expired over 6 months. The vehicle was parked on the connector road between Parking Lots A and B.

Date: 12-11-2006
Incident: Outstanding Warrant/Probation
Officer’s finding is a juvenile for assault, which resulted in a warrant.

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Date: 01-22-07
Incident: Traffic violations
Description: At approximately 8:30 a.m., an armored car driver accidentally drove his vehicle into a cement pillar next to the Student Union.

Jennifer Veal/Chronicle

Sgt. Samuel Sarmiento has helped with San Bernardino’s ‘Ho Ho! Parade’ for the past 18 years. Sarmiento has worked for the CSUSB Police Department for over 20 years.

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The Womens Resource Center provides an Open Mic Night for women to expose the naked truth.

Yuvarisah Rasheed Staff Writer

Although the Women's Resource Center (WRC) is often recognized for its diverse programming ideas, the WRC's programming ideas come from students as well.

"The WRC is available to anybody that supports women, that includes students, staff and faculty members," program director of the WRC, Cheryl Stebbings, said.

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In honor of National Condom Week, the WRC is providing a random workshop on Wednesday Feb. 7, 2007 at the event center from 12-1 p.m. Demonstrations on how to use a condom were shown.

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Puberty and a sex change

Michelle Graham
Staff Writer

Sex changes are starting as early as age 12.

A German boy expressed anxiety five years ago when entering puberty to his family and doctors about becoming even more masculine. He considered his doctor that he wished to live his rest of his life as a female.

The boy, formally known as Tim and currently known as Kim, has been taking hormones for two years to stop the male development and start the female development. This includes Kim growing breasts, not growing facial hair and as much female body hair.

"The breast development, after a certain point, will not be completely reversible even though there is an operation but if we stop now, within a few months Kim will be a young man," Dr. Adam Wirthof, Kim’s Pediatrician, said.

Kim was diagnosed as transgender two years ago. Doctors and psychologists concluded that her claim to be “in the wrong body” justified her right to the treatment.

CSUSB student, Kristen Tahour, who considers herself a member of the gay community, agrees to the treatment of hormones for a sex change and being able to live as a member of the opposite sex at that age.

However, Tahour disagrees with the surgical operation at that age. She believes that a child needs more time to explore what it entails to be a member of the sex that you are actually born.

Kim said she started feeling like a little girl in a little boy’s body by age 3. She suffered from anxiety panic attacks when she started reaching puberty.

Doctors and experts have mixed feelings about Kim’s situation.

"The child’s case was very closely related from a young age, suggesting that Kim had been a little girl trapped in a little boy’s body for as long as she could remember," Wirthof said.

However, age is a factor in determining what should happen in this case. One of the problems professionals are discovering is whether this could influence children to want to have this surgical and hormonal treatment.

Another problem is that, for example, Kim will be 14 and is officially registered as a female but looks like a typical girl of her age. She dresses in fashionable clothes, has long blonde hair and blue eyes and dreams of moving to Paris to become a fashion designer.

Kim’s father, known as Lou P., said, “We saw Kim as a girl, but not as a problem. Our life was surprisingly normal.”

“Kim reacted badly to the first signs of puberty, at that stage we realized that she was terrified of growing facial hair and her voice breaking,” Lou P. said.

Kim’s parents consulted psychiatrists across Germany and supported their child’s desire to undergo a sex change.

April Alesman
Staff Writer

In July 2005, police in London used cell phone images to identity attackers in the London bombings.

A report by the Associated Press in March of 2006 said a 15-year-old girl in New York City used her cell phone camera to stop a picture of a man who was exposing himself to her on the subway.

In June 2006 CBS.com reported that a man who tried to lure two teenage girls into his car was arrested after the same girl sped him a month later and took a camera phone shot of his license plate.

When "Seinfeld" co-star Michael Richards went on a racist tirade while performing at the Laugh Factory in Los Angeles last year, someone in the audience captured the whole thing on a cell phone camera which lead to the clip being posted and viewed on the internet and in the mainstream press.

New York City plans to recruiting average citizens armed with cell phones to take a bite out of crime.

New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg said in his State of the City Address that the city plans to install new technology so that 911 call centers can receive images and videos sent from cell phones and computers.

"This year, we’ll begin a revolutionary innovation in crime-fighting, Equipping 911 call centers to receive digital images and videos from New Yorkers from cell phones and computers, something no other city in the world is doing," said Bloomberg.

"In truth, several 911 call centers around the country are adopting technology that allows them to accept digital pictures and video," Margarette Rustead said on CNN News in her article titled, "New York to use cell phone photographers to fight crime."

"Any tool including the emergence of new technology that’s going to aid in preventing a crime from occurring is a good thing," Hone also said.

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The band has come a long way since its humble beginnings in 2001. The group played some local gigs and put out an EP. When high school ended the boys disbanded and went away to college.

The success of "Lost" testifies the human mind. "Lost" has been on a painfully long hiatus of nearly three months, but this week the wait is over. Many people were unhappy with the hiatus but the trade-off of a non-stop, no-repeats journey to the finale. "Lost" is in its third season and only four episodes had aired before Nov. 12, 2006. It was a non-stop, no repeats journey to the finale. "Lost" is in its third season and only four episodes had aired before Nov. 12, 2006. It was a non-stop, no repeats journey to the finale.
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- Health education and wellness programs
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Augmentation of Intercollegiate Athletics Programs

The intercollegiate athletics program is a source of pride for the campus and community, as well as enhancing student life. Student fees that fund a portion of operational and staffing needs have not increased since 1994. The programs need the additional operational and staffing funding, creating quite a struggle for success in many sports. The growth needs of the program, citing costs, inflationary forces, and gender equity matters are the reason for a new referendum. The purpose is to fund the increased operational and staffing needs.

A successful NCAA intercollegiate athletics program is an integral component of the university. It gives a student a source of pride in their university, as well as enhancing the university's regional and national reputation as an outstanding campus of higher learning. Athletics provides students with entertainment value and networking opportunities. Participation in athletics would help the athletics department build for the future.

Enhancement of General Instructionally Related Programs

The enhancement of General Instructionally Related Programs (IRP) fees for $9.60 per student per quarter during the academic year. This will allow the university to realign programs more fully and to fund new programs and services to enhance students' educational experiences.

Increased Associated Students' Programs and Services

With the limited resources of ASI, we have struggled to improve programs to meet student needs. To be more profitable, ASI is proposing this referendum.

The fee is needed to provide excellent programing and operations for the students - but it is limited, and with a small fee increase, we can do much for the students. ASI has had the lowest student fee in the system, which limits the amount of ASI. A budget has been planned which will help these programs meet campus needs while remaining affordable to students. With a small fee increase, ASI will be able to program a major concert, three major events, bring nationally recognized system in campus, encourage students to come to athletic and ASI events, increase the funds for the current research project, and increase the ASI scholarship endowment. ASI believes that a small fee increase can boost campus pride and ensure continuation for students to get involved and participate.

These are just a few of the many possibilities involved with increasing the funds for the program.

- Athletics scholarships
- Athletic programs
- Student Recreation Services
- ASI Student Research and Travel
- Emergency Student Loans
- Student Recreation Services

Sport Club Insurance

In January of 2006, the California State University Chancellor's Office is issuing Executive Order No 1. This order requires necessary medical insurance coverage to students who wish to compete in sport clubs, travel and games. Without this insurance coverage, sport clubs are not allowed to receive travel budgets (since the only available insurance for travel outside the US is the company's own, new CSUSB students are on financial aid for other

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**WHAT YOU VOTE MEANS**

A "YES" vote ensures that the Health Center fee will be increased to support the facility and provide more services; the Instructionally Related Programs fees will be increased to augment intercollegiate athletics and IRP programs (see attached schedule on page 3), as well as provide insurance for sport clubs; and the Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) fees will be increased to provide more programs and services.

A "NO" vote keeps the current level of funding for the proposed services and programs and will require us to reallocate to PDS for programs and services in a proportion corresponding to their costs. Funds will be used for intercollegiate athletics and IRP programs and services not affected by Associated Students, Inc. In the event of a "NO" vote, funds will be reallocated to support student fee increases for the campus-wide, ASI fee and the fee referendum vote on 2006-07: $37 per quarter in 2007-08. An additional $5 per quarter in 2008-09.

Please mark either "YES" or "NO" on your official ballot.

**ARGUMENTS FOR THE REFERENDUM**

The purpose of this fee referendum is to give students the choice to expand the existing Health Center facility and services, to augment Intercollegiate Athletics and general academic Instructionally Related Programs, to provide funds for needed Academic Programs and Services, and to enhance student life.

**ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE REFERENDUM**

- The proposed fee referendum is not needed to improve the Health Center facilities and services.
- Intercollegiate Athletics and general academic Instructionally Related Programs already receive funding for their facilities and services.
- There are other ways to improve student life and services at Cal State San Bernardino.

**Voter Pamphlet**

Student leadership has declined this referendum as a top priority for the 2006-2007 academic year. A budget has been planned that will help these operations meet current needs while remaining affordable to students.

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- Shall the Student Fee Committee be authorized to spend $37 per quarter in 2007-08? An additional $5 per quarter in 2008-09.

Please mark either YES or NO on your official ballot.
DeAnna Yelas
Staff Writer

The rising cost of corn tortillas resulted in a protest last Wednesday in Mexico City.

Around 75,000 unionists, farmers and leftists marched in Mexico's capital to protest the new president's free market-oriented economic policies, according to an ABC News International story.

Corn tortillas are the main source of calories for most poor Mexicans and the prices have recently risen by over 400 percent, according to the BBC.

"When there isn't enough money to buy meat, you do without," Berenicia Ystros told the Associated Press, "You can't do without tortillas."

Mexican President Felipe Calderon signed a pact with a number of groups that they would help keep prices down.

"It's not like the prices were raised on ice-cream or orange juice," he said according to the BBC. "It's a staple to the diet of the majority of Mexicans. It's like their bread."

CSUSB student Luz Ortiz, a leftist unionist, said "It's not like the prices were raised on ice-cream or orange juice."

Tortilla prices have risen from 6 pesos (U.S. $0.67) per kilogram in July 2006 to 30 pesos (U.S. $2.72) per kilogram in November 2006, according to an ABC News International story.

Every day 104 million Mexican families consume over 300 million tortillas since they have little else to eat, according to The German Press Agency.

"It's not legally binding, according to the BBC, but the rising tortilla prices are a result of implementation of the pact."

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CSUSB students Luz Ortiz and Erika Quirlonez agree recent high prices for corn tortillas hurt those in Mexico who can least afford it.

DeAnna Yelas/Chronicle

Professional salsa dancer Serena Cueva delighted Lou Louistro and the CSUSB Lobos Salsa Club at Club Sevilla in Riverside. The new Latin dance club celebrated its inception with about 200 people packing up their heels at the first annual free workshop.

The idea to start the club happened on a Monday, Prak met with his friend Lou Louistro and began planning their first day.

On Tuesday, they got the approval by CSUSB to become a recognized club after having filled all of the required documents.

Prak and Louistro took upon themselves the dance instruction positions and Jose Ramirez was elected president. That same day they had to elect a treasurer and five other officials.

Over the next few days all the Lobos salsa club officials posted flyers for their first workshop happening the next day.

On Friday, the first workshop took place and about thirty people showed up.

The second workshop was two weeks after the first and the number of Latin dance lovers doubled.

On Jan. 30, the club celebrated their first annual party and almost two hundred people showed up.

They celebrated with salsa and other Latin dances at Club Sevilla in Riverside. Attendees were surprised with a special performance by the professional dancer Serena Cueva.

Lobos' next workshop is Friday Feb. 16 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in room P.E. 104 and everyone is invited.

Workshops are free and there is no dress code, though Prak advises dressing comfortably.

During the first hour of each workshop, basic footwork is taught so anyone wanting to learn salsa, bachata and merengue among other Latin dances would benefit from this instruction.

For more information on upcoming workshops visit their website at lobosalsa159.com.

Jesus Sandeval/Chronicle

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Celebrating Black History Month at CSUSB

Tuesday 2/6
**ATL** Movie Night (ASA)
Santos Manuel Student Union Events Center
7 pm

Thursday 2/8
Tribute to Bob Marley (CCS)
SMSU Events Center
12 – 1:30 pm

Tuesday 2/13
Black Love (ASA)
SMSU Events Center
8 – 11 pm

Thursday 2/15
Mr. and Mrs. CSUSB Pageant
SMSU Events Center
7 pm

Friday 2/16
Essence of Neo Soul (ASA)
SMSU Events Center
8 pm

Thursday 2/22
**"Sankofa Soldiers"** (SAAB)
SMSU Events Center
6 pm

Friday 2/23
Unity Day (CCC)
8 am – 2:30 pm
Lunchtime Performances
12 – 1:30 pm
SMSU Events Center

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**ALAS welcomes all**

Clariosa Zamora
Staff Writer

There is a new organization on the CSUSB campus that opens its doors not only to Latinos but to everyone.

The program is called **Association for Latin American Studies (ALAS)**.

"Anybody can join or participate in our club and we encourage involvement," ALAS Vice President Aleida Rivera said.

ALAS has had an organization for two years and was founded by Rosemary Zemeta who was a graduate of CSUSB last year. The President of ALAS in Evaristo Vasquez.

ALAS meets in the student union since they do not yet have an official place for the organization. They market their organization through flyers, email, and word of mouth.

"We are here to promote knowledge of all things such as literature, music, poetry and history relating to Latin America, and to encourage students to enroll in the minor at CSUSB," Rivera said.

The Latin American Studies Minor Program has a requirement of around 28 units to complete, including 4-6 international experience units from an international language, internship or research. ALAS, as a non-credit organization, ALAS offers a variety of activities and services for everyone.

They will be having several speakers, some of whom are CSUSB professors. The speaking engagements will be held in February, March, and April.

ALAS also has an exchange program with the University Aut琼 in Santiago, Chile. Students are able to go to Chile for the University of Santiago, and have the option to take classes on campus during the week.

ALAS welcomed an exchange student from the University Aut琼 Prat on Jan 26. Her name is Elana Aroy and she will be observing CSUSB classes in English as well as her classes.

Aroy is a senior majoring in English. She will be here for four weeks.

An event called Dia Latino will have participants celebrate Latino history and pay homage to their ancestors on March 5th.

Dia Latinos will be held at the Lower Commons patio from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For further information, contact Dr. Antonietta Gallegos-Ruiz at (909) 537-5558.

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Drastic Social Change on the Way

Chris de Rose
Staff Writer

Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez has called President Bush "the devil himself" in a speech made at the United Nations. Now, president of this, is this bad diplomacy. Chavez has revealed a socialistic movement in Venezuela that worriers the capitalist ideals of the United States.

After being elected to a six-year term in December, Chavez of the United Entent to benefit current presidents who have

The problem that you are facing is that some sense of unity back home. By the thinking of some of these protesters, that needs to happen before we can take action. This thinking is sordid at best.

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The Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC) and its rise in popularity

"I'm taking a self-defense class right now and it's full of fun watching the guys train. Weed Street is a great place to look for interesting things out of this world," CSUSB student Javier Garcia said. "That's kind of where I would like to be someday I'll just have to keep pushing myself up." Byman is known as one of the best strikers in the UFC.

The team concept that has been instilled by Phil Jackson is shown middleweight, light heavyweight and heavyweight. Each class has criteria for how much a person must weigh to make it for all par- ties, like those who weigh from 145 to 165 pounds.

"I got caught up in the fighting. I mean for a kid as small as I actually enjoy the hardships, it's an admirable effort. I never thought student Laura Thompson said.

"There are a lot of students here that enjoy this but there are a lot of people who really do not have a chart. That's the beauty of this. You are either in or out," Thompson said.

As with all organized sports there rules to follow. There are a total of 31 listed fouls that the fighters cannot commit. Some of the fouls include biting, hair pulling and even throwing in the towel during the competition name a few.

There are three rounds in a competition when it is not a champions- ship match. When it is a cham- pionship match, it can last up to 5 rounds. Each round last five minutes long and the fighters are given one minute to rest between rounds.

"It's pretty brutal, not for the weak heart. I like because it is a little bit more than just boxing," Chuck Lidell, also known as "The licensed" lidellis currently the UFC light heavy- weight champion.

"He is probably one of the best fighters there is out there. I'm always rooting for him," Powell said.

Terrell Powell
Staff Writer

The purple and gold have not been up to their usual standards of play lately.
The Los Angeles Lakers have been as somewhat of a slump the past few games. Losing five of their last eight games, they have been slowed down by bad plays towards the end of close games.

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H2O polo ready for the splash

Priscilla Cooper/Chriscross

The Coyotes made a huge accomplishment last season, according to Coach Tom Finwall. They went 5-4-2 in Division I level play for the season.

"It doesn't have to be big of a draw as basketball," Finwall said. "They were in the higher levels." The team made major accomplishments last season and hope to improve their round. Finwall hopes that winning is a good accomplishment but playing fifth overall this year would be a good thing as well.

Water polo does not draw big crowds but an impressive record last season the team hopes to improve and carry over to the new season. Women's basketball played basketball.

These women athletes are working hard this season to better their game. According to the Coaches, they are looking forward to basketball.

Thank goodness is right.

Denise Snyder almost never

"Teamwork is everything," Snyder said the best thing about baseball. It makes it a good game. Snyder's goals are to give her the ability to make it fun are questions that she did make a good coach. When talking about what makes her the perfect Snyder, said, "They should have heart, the want to be better. Another thing, they have a winning attitude, the attitude that we can make it happen."

The game Snyder is most looking forward to know each other. Snyder felt in love with the game and has been playing basketball ever since. It was not too far when she was 11.

"I was first playing basketball at Norco High School," Snyder said. "Her mom, dad and brother support her to stay close to home by being her biggest fans and never missing a game."

"Teammates mean working as a unit and being one, picking each other up when their down and no matter what things are going down," Snyder said.

She said the best thing about this program for the student-athletes and teammates.

"I want to go to regional real bad and this team deserves it," Snyder said.

Sherry Leuthold will be able to start the Western Water Polo ready for the splash Sportswriter

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