Congress raises Pell Grants

Malani Merki Staff Writer

Pell Grant funding increased for the first time in four years after the U.S. Congress approved the budget proposal on Jan. 31, 2007. This increase raises the total allowable award amount to $4,310, after remaining at $4,050 since the last increase in 2002.

"Over the last five years, while students have paid more for college, the maximum Pell Grant has remained frozen," U.S. Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) Higher Education Advocate Luke Swartzbank said. "As a result students have had to make up the gap between tuition and aid with more work and larger loans."

Pell Grants are the largest fed­eral grant program for undergradu­ate education providing aid to an estimated 5 million students who are deemed to have financial need as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). "A little over 5,000 students received Pell Grants at CSUSB in the 2005-2006 academic year," Financial Aid Advisor and Pell Grant Program Coordinator Patricia Sotelo said. "We also administered over $17 million in the Pell Grant program on our campus in the last academic year."

The U.S. House of Repre­sentatives approved the pro­posal for the $210 increase in funding for the 2007 fiscal year by a vote of 286 to 140. "Today’s vote is a great step toward restoring the purchasing power of the Pell Grant and deliv­ering on our nation’s promise of accessible and affordable educa­tion," Swartzbank said.

Out of all undergraduates enrolled in institutions all over the country, about half apply for fed­eral financial aid. Of that half, 46 percent usually receive a Pell Grant.

To apply for a Pell Grant stu­dents need to fill out a FAFSA form. The FAFSA form is the only form that is used throughout the nation when applying for Pell Grants. Pell Grant awards will now range from $4,050 to $4,310. Most students receive around $2,500 on average with the award amount varying yearly along with a fami­ly’s changing financial circum­stances.

Since these grants are gratis and not loans, students are never required to pay back the funds they receive from the Pell Federal grant program. "We free money and a free application. You really have noth­ing to lose, you have more to gain," Sotelo said.

The grant amount awarded to a student depends on several things. If the student is a depen­dent the student’s expected family contribution (EFC) is figured in, if the student is independent the

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Pictured is Dr. William Aguilar, CSUSB Vice President of Advancement.

Nicholas Mull

Donations make the world go round, especially when it comes to scholarships and campus pro­grams. The Cal State University System received $25 million in new gifts and commitments from donors for the 2005-2006 fiscal year, matching the $251 million raised in 2004-2005.

CSUSB raised $16.2 million, 10 percent above its goal and includ­ing nearly 100 percent more than even before, according to the all new CSU Annual Report on

Nicholas Mull/Chronicle

Gifts that keep on giving

Melissa Balderrama

Two new buildings on campus have named praise from architects and structural experts. The buildings are noteworthy because of their architectural val­­ue, energy efficiency and the spaces they create, according to the Director and Executive Dean of Capital Planning, Design and Construction, Harold U. Ashland.

The recently renamed Swenson Student Union and the new Chemical Sciences building have been featured in the American School and University Magazine’s 2006 Architectural Portfolio honoring education design excellence.

"These buildings were fas­cinating because they are very func­tion­­ional buildings," Ashland said.

The Suzanne Munsen Student Union was opened in April 2006 and more than doubled in size to 32,000 square feet. The Student Union is home to 200-seat audito­riums, the Women’s Resource Center, the Cross Cultural Center, a pub, game room and a grand lobby for stu­dents to study and relax between classes.

\"The vision (for the grand lobby) came from the President (Dr. Kariot) and we created it in a team," Ashland said.

The Chemical Sciences build­ing opened in the fall of 2005 and provides over 150 high-tech class­rooms and labs for the College of Natural Sciences. The 37,000 square foot build­ing addresses environmental con­cerns and includes the use of day­lighting, solar shading and other sustainable design, which offers protection from the sun and extreme tempera­tures, according to the American School and University Magazine.

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Pictured is CSUSB’s Chemical Sciences building which was featured in the American School and University Magazine’s 2006 Architectural Portfolio.

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The Inland Empire Center for Entrepreneurship, the Technology Triangle Partnership, the Water Resources Institute and the recent establishment of the Leonard Transportation Center on the CSUSB campus are examples of applied academics addressing community challenges, according to IEEP President and CEO Bill Gallin.

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Dr. Kamig is a two-prof­ile organization: supported by Riverside County Businesses. It acts as an information resource for busines­sses, in both counties, for existing receivers.

The IEEP’s goal is to enhance and protect the Inland Empire’s economic future and generate assistance to small businesses in the IE.

The organization also works with other institutions in indu­strializing the Inland Empire. The organization provides them with information about the arts to help build on local resources when in transition and after.

 Members of the IEEP are described by the organization as executives who believe in respon­sible development of the United States' economic and geographic recognition of the value of a coordinated regional trans­fer mission.

Membership funding supports IEEP’s campaign to sit international interest in the region’s 2,500,000 college educated workers and attractive locations.

Kamig is being given significant contributions to the IEEP, serving both on the executive committee and as its chair of the Education Committee.

Kamig was one of four recip­i­ents of the IEEP’s 2006 Multi-Cultural Community Awards.

The awards were given by the organization’s executive committee to leaders who have been emin­ently supportive of the IEEP’s economic development efforts over the years.

Other recipients of the Community Awards include Rededvelopment Director for the city of San Bernardino, Louis

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Half of the $16 million raised in 2005-2006 came from private donations. More than $8 million came in the form of gifts from students in the Coachella Valley who are first generation. The other $4 million came from CSUSB's alumni, faculty, staff, retirees and friends.

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Members of Sigma Phi Epsilon pose as they anticipate the results of the auction.

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Bob Marley at CSUSB

Tiffal Brewa

You may have heard the name, but do you really know who Bob Marley is?

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He was also lead singer of a very popular music group known as "The Wailers." In Jamaica, then, when the group broke up in 1966, Marley went on to pursue a solo career, recording as Bob Marley & the Wailers, but with different members.

He received international success in 1976 with the song, "No Woman, No Cry," from his Natty Dread album. His next album, "Rastaman Vibration," was a breakthrough in the United States, and spent four weeks at No. 1 on Billboard Hot 100 chart.

"He was such an influential guitarist," said Justin Gonzalez, a fan and aspiring guitarist. "He was such an influential singer."

Since his death Marley has remained very popular worldwide, and music has continued to grow in popularity.

Those who attended the event were greeted with music from the Bob Marley & The Wailers and The Legend Live concert DVD that played on a television in the room. Songs from this concert included "One Love," "Redemption," "Exodus," "Redemption Song," "Could You Be Loved," "Stir It Up," "Concert For Peace," and "Get Up, Stand Up." Refreshments and two cakes with Marley's picture on top were served. Attendees were also treated to aaffle for his CDs and T-Shirts.

Those who attended the event ranged from hardcore Bob Marley fans to people who were just curious about the singer and his music.

This event was hosted by the Crusade Cultural Center in part of a celebration for Black History Month.

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Suicide rates rise dramatically

April Alonso
Jeff Wright

Child and teen suicide rates are on a steady increase. Many psychological experts say the new stronger warning labels led to a drop in antidepressant drug prescriptions and they may be to blame.

These warnings may scare doctors, parents and patients away from the necessary treatments. The suicide rate rose 18 percent from 2003 to 2004, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's Annual Summary of Vital Statistics.

Of those statistics, people under the age of 20 had the most significant increase. Suicides among this age group climbed from 1,772 to 1,985 deaths in just one year.

The rise occurred at the same time the Food and Drug Administration mandated heightened wording on the labels of selected medications in a particular class of antidepressants. Some familiar drugs are Prozac, Paxil, and Zoloft.

The warnings, called "black box warnings," were added in March of 2004 because of concerns that the medications led to an increase in suicidal thinking in patients.

While not all experts said there was a definite link between the warning labels and the increase in suicide rates, many believe the association is too dramatic to dismiss.

"I have no doubt that there is such a relationship," Dr. Charles Nemeroff, chairman of the department of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at the Emory University School of Medicine, said.

"The concerns about antidepressant use in children and adolescents has paradoxically resulted in a reduction in their use, and this has contributed to increased suicide rates," Nemeroff commented in an article on ABCnews.com entitled, "Some Experts Blame FDA Labeling for Children's Suicide Increase."

A nonprofit group called Mental Health America has also looked further into the FDA's decision to strengthen warnings on antidepressants. In an article in the March of Michigan, we.

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Antero and baritone duo

By Chris Byrnes
Staff Writer

Students and opera connoisseurs were treated to the sounds of musicals like “Fiddler on the Roof” and “The Sound Garden” performed by a tenor and baritone duo Wednesday night.

CSUSB’s department of music presented its monthly “First Wednesdays” concert featuring Dr. Andrew Crane and Mr. Drew Pulver.

Dr. Crane’s powerful voice complemented by Pulver’s energetic showmanship made Wednesday night’s concert anything but ordinary.

Dr. Crane opened the show performing “Quoia O Quoia” from the musical “Rigoletto” and “Silent Night,” a piece about two lovers appreciating their surroundings.

Pulver treated the audience to “Largo a Sacristan” from “Il Barbiere Di Sivigli.”

The name of this selection may not be well known to many CSUSB students but after hearing the first few notes the remaining “Figaro,” the song was instantly recognizable.

The duo later appeared on stage together performing a collection of songs from numerous musicals such as, “Les Miserables,” “Don Carlo” and “The Pearl Fishers.”

Overall, the evening was fantastic.

The two singers had very impressive musical careers.

Dr. Crane attained a Doctorate of Musical Arts from Michigan State University in 2005.

He has appeared as a soloist with the Lansing Symphony, Grand Rapids Bach Festival, and the Arbor Consort just to name a few. Currently Dr. Crane serves as Director of Choral and Vocal Studies at CSUSB.

A graduate of California State University Northridge, Drew Pulver has performed at various state opera homes at home and abroad.

He sang with the Warsaw Opera, and most notably, Pulver worked with Andrew Lloyd Webber portraying Max Von Mayerling in “Sunset Boulevard.” Pulver also had musical roles in “The Three Muscatets” and “The King and I” where he played the King.

Next month’s “First Wednesdays” will feature Mr. Nicholas Landahl performing a classical guitar recital. Additional information on all the Music Department’s events can be found at www eventos.csusb.edu.

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Latinos shun debt

Ashley Thomson
Staff writer

Latinos borrow the least of all undergraduates by race or ethnicity according to a study from the National Center for Education Statistics. The reasons to this study are doubled.

CSUSB student Aaron Santos says, "I don't necessarily agree with the idea that Latinos are less likely to get student loans through the university they are attending. I have worked hard to support myself while in college but I couldn't imagine what it would be like to have any student loans."

Financial aid experts worry that students who rely heavily on loans to get through college, but are trying to convince Latinos that school loans, if used wisely, can lead to high-paying jobs later.

College graduates will earn an average of $7.35 million over their lifetimes, while individuals who don't go to college will make only $700,000 according to the Tomás Rivera Policy Institute.

Students at CSUSB, researchers and loan providers cited the common reasons for the aversion to loans: lack of knowledge about financial aid, fear of debt and distrust of lenders.

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Educators and financial aid experts worry that cultural aversion to loans is common among Latinos, especially among their children and they stress on an older generation.

"I am reluctant to get student loans because my parents have always taught me to pay everything in cash. But I think it is based on family norms more than that culturally," said CSUSB student Wendy Dane.

Hispanic enrollment at CSUSB makes up nearly 35 percent of the more than 16,000 enrolled students.

CSUSB was again ranked a "Publisher's Pick" for 2006 by Hispanic Outlook in Education magazine and recognized as one of the top 10 universities in the nation for graduating Hispanics.

"Many Latinos would rather make their college choices based on their current economic situation and what they can afford while managing family and personal responsibilities," said Deborah Santiago, Vice President for policy and research for Excellence in Education, a nonprofit organization based in Washington, D.C. that aspires to help Latinos get through college.

"It's not an 'either-or' scenario," said Santiago. "But the reluctance to take out loans, specifically federal ones, is definitely an issue for Latinos.

Latinos are less likely to take on loans than whites, blacks and undergraduates in general, according to federal data shared by Santiago.

CSUSB student Loris Gomez disagrees. "Most Latinos, including myself, receive a portion of financial aid, mostly in grants."

A 2004 study by USC's Tomás Rivera Policy Institute found that 60 percent of Latino parents and 76 percent of college-age Latinos did not cite loans as possible sources of financial aid.

Research conducted by this institute has revealed that an overwhelming majority of Latino parents and families value a college education, yet they perceive the cost of higher education to be prohibitive.

"For many Latinos in California, a lack of awareness about how to pay for college and how to navigate the college financial aid process keeps the doors to higher education closed," said Dr. Harry Packard, President of the Tomás Rivera Policy Institute.

Many families are not aware that numerous scholarships and grants are available specifically to Latino students, and every thousand dollars of loans go unconsidered.

DeAnna Yvon

A local campus organization is determined to educate hate crime.

The Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism is a research and policy center that examines the ways that intolerance, advocacy of extreme ends and the use of terrorism by virtually all human right groups, from those based in hate, race, ethnicity, religions, gender, sexual orientation, disability or other relevant status characteristic.

The director of the Center is Brian Levin, a professor of Criminal Justice at California State University San Bernadino, who serves on the Board of the California Association of Human Relations Organizations and Georgia's Institute for the Action Against Hate.

Within the past year the center has appeared in CBS 60 Minutes, the Associated Press, The New York Times, Washington Post, The Los Angeles Times, Christian Science Monitor, Komen Sanita Radio and will be interviewed this week to appear on EKST.

Lavin lined many issues covered by the center at hate crime research, terrorism, religious intoler­ ance (anti-Jewish and anti-Muslim), anti-immigrant sentiment and trends regarding domestic hate groups as well as overseas.

This center not only aids students with research, it also aids community activists, government officials, law enforcement and the media to help them examine and implement hate law and policy.

"Law enforcement officers are not trained through the Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism and also earn credits toward college at the same time," Levin said. "So they need to be aware of the program benefits law enforcement as in other ways.

The Center has been involved with projects with the FBI, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, the NYPD and the London Metropolitan Police.

Born Johnston from the Center of Homeland and Security and others work to keep the website updated.

"Navigating the Terrain" of the Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism, located in 50209, is http://hate­awareness.com.

They are currently looking for students to assist with web design to keep the website updated.

Brian Levin, director of the Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism and Professor of Criminal Justice at CSUSB

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Black Love (ASA)
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SMSG Events Center
7 pm

Wednesday 2/16
East Coast Neo Soul (ASA)
SMSG Events Center
6 pm

Thursday 2/22
Sankofa Soldiers (SAAB)
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Thursday 2/22
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2 – 3 pm

Tuesday 2/27
Snap Back (SAAB)
7 pm

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Journalistic integrity requires personal responsibility

Matt Farokh 'Spread Flavor'

"Everybody loves chocolate, right?"

First of all, I personally do not like chocolate, the candy, but do everybody really love Chocolate the Verizon Wireless phone? The "Butters are back!" slogan they have out now is cute. Why?" exclaimed a would-be Chocolate owner, Dan Urteaga. "Even on the lowest sensitivity." Why not? Because there is something interesting in the usage of the touch wheel on the bottom of the phone. It actually responds to touch rather than the push of a button. There is no system to have no way to control this touch wheel so when the phone is unlocked it is very easy to make accidental taps.

For instance, I was listening to a friend of mine if one could look at her Facebook page without her touching the "View Source" button, she had wanted to use the said "Chocolate. So far, only one of my friends had actually touched the Chocolate touch wheel and it was by one of her friends on her contact list. The Chocolate's touch wheel would be perfect if it was exactly what my friend wanted and it would only work for them for patting reasons; it's not. The Pad's wheel is slightly different from the Chocolate's in that the Pad's wheel is touch-sensitive. "On your phone you can select something. With the Chocolate, it completely tougher sensitive, meaning you cannot click down, it is very easy to accidentally select an unwanted task."

However there are people that claim it is possible to get used to it. When asked about the importance of this feature, Charles Urban said, "Newer it's pretty obvious to me, if you can deal with the sensitivity, I do think that the Chocolate is actually one of the better phones out there."

I went out looking for a new phone with the friend. Of course, Verizon Wireless contract was an absolute must. We were able to find phones or companies that sold wireless for a price of $75 at the $200 price range. But, if you were paying for the phone you would probably not be able to pay either by the phone or by the month. The phone is sleek and compact. This proved to really be helpful when I was waiting for my friend and she was putting in my fridge. She put it on my phone wheel so when I took her the pad was already turned on. I found it convenient as well as the price of the Chocolate. The Chocolate has some nice features like a 1.3 megapixel camera, a edge voice recognition, Bluetooth capability, downloadable ringtones, memory, memory, which means by inserting a SIM card you could put 1,000 songs on the phone and probably the most impressive feature; a USIM and VZ Navigator. By paying $15 dollars extra for your Verizon's Verizon Wireless monthly bill $20 lets you walk streaming entertainment, games, news or weather video clip right on your phone. As a matter of fact, you were looking through your phone from Verizon's VZ music store. VZ is perfect for Napster subscribers and people that use lots of cellular data as it offers a mid-size memory since you have all your possible compatibility issues. The hard part that is very appealing to me, for the simple reason is that the phone is an all-in-one phone. The VZ Navigator was the VZ's Navigation System that turned your Verizon Wireless phone into a hand-held GPS system. For someone that you have a cell phone for only $20 a month extra, this is great. With everything this phone has to offer, I'd say the Chocolate's a sweet buy. The Chocolate is priced between $100-120, depending on the乡phone you choose. The Chocolate has a screen that is both 3G and 3.5G capable and can be turn off as 3G or 3.5G. The Chocolate is designed to have a sleek and compact look.
California State University San Bernardino Women's Softball Team hit the 2007 season with a win on Feb. 2 against Vanguard University in Costa Mesa.

The game ended 11-1, with a fair amount of room for improvement. The team scored nine runs in the second inning, en route to the season opener win.

The Coyotes are coming off of the 2006 season where they were 17-27 overall and 6-10 in conference play. The team finished in fourth place in the CCAA, which is up from seventh in 2005.

The Coyotes are led by Coach Doug Langley, a former All-American and current assistant coach for the UCLA softball team. Langley has a total of 15 years of softball experience, the last five of which were spent coaching the Coyotes.

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