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Student leaders host Covered California event

By Stephanie Cox
Staff Writer

Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, all California State University students are eligible for health insurance. On Wednesday, Feb. 19, Associated Students Inc. hosted an event that was sponsored by the CSUB Health Center, Community Health Initiative of Kern County and the CSU Health Insurance Education Project that provided information and assistance with enrollment in the Affordable Care Act.

Chancellor Timothy P. White is featured in a YouTube video to CSU students explaining Covered California and why students should sign up.

"The Affordable Care Act represents a new opportunity for millions of Americans to obtain health care," said White.

Emily Hernandez, the Outreach Coordinator from the Community Health Initiative of Kern County, said that "Under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, there is a huge umbrella of coverage that

requires all health plans to cover the 10 essential health benefits."

The 10 essential health benefits that Covered California covers under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act include: Ambulatory services, emergency services, hospitalization, maternity and newborn care, mental health and substance use disorder services, prescription drugs, rehabilitative and habilitative services, laboratory services, preventative and wellness services and pediatric services including oral

and vision care.

The Affordable Care Act changes the affordability of health insurance based on an individual's income determining what they're eligible for and their monthly premium.

At least 30 students signed up within the first three hours of the event.

"We're hoping to double our numbers. That would mean 60 more people that didn't have health insurance would now be covered," said Hernandez.

Kalina Flores, a 23-year-old liberal studies major who

signed up for health coverage with the Affordable Care Act said, "I think [the Affordable Care Act] is going to help students because it will help anyone when they have a medical emergency."

"I want to make sure you and your families, your friends and neighbors know about this opportunity so that you can take advantage and help us get this out to the people who need it the most," said White.

Hernandez said, "Our young adults are really important and [See EVENT, Page 3]

**ASI seeks
greater
scholarship
awareness**

By Maggie Rodriguez
Staff Writer

Associated Students, Inc. had several topics on their agenda during their Friday, Feb. 21 meeting.

The first topic of discussion was making sure students take full advantage of the scholarships available to them.

Academic Scholarship Coordinator, Tanae McCall, said that although the Office of Financial Aid has seen an increase in scholarship applications over the last three years.

"Last year, we received 1,100 applications, most of them from transfer students," McCall said in a telephone interview.

The issue was brought forth by ASI Social Sciences and Education Director Stephanie Campos, who heard about it after attending the University Council meeting that same morning.

"Not many students are applying for scholarship; however, a lot of students are going in and asking about scholarships but aren't following through with the application," Campos said.

"The problem is students start the application but don't complete the application because they either forget or they don't want to write the required essay," said McCall.

ASI Assistant Director of Campus Programming, Emily Prone, also attended the University Council meeting.

"There's a wide range of scholarships available and very specific scholarships for different programs... the PG&E Bright Mind scholarships is due next Friday, Feb. 26, they have a very low applications for Kern County," Prone said.

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Artist Jim Skuldt debuts 'Water & Power'

By Kristen Garza
Staff Writer

At a time when water is a hot topic in Kern County, California State University, Bakersfield has the pleasure of exhibiting creative genius Jim Skuldt's "Water & Power" collection in the Todd Madigan Gallery.

Skuldt's topic of water coincidentally comes to Bakersfield amid the recent declaration of drought.

The inspiration for Skuldt's "Water & Power" designs derived from his survey of the Mojave Desert region between Las Vegas and Bakersfield.

The group of digital photographs known as "Dry Lakes, Wet Shapes" juxtapose one another and include both schematic and aerial satellite views taken from Google Maps.

The photographs reveal residential and agricultural land in and around Bakersfield that are suspected

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Los Angeles-based artist Jim Skuldt sprays green paint on sod for his exhibit "Water & Power," which he installed in collaboration with CSUB art students.



SRC hosts student health workshop

By Sandy Ornelas, Assistant News Editor
and Ileana Angulo, Staff Writer

Every quarter, fitness trainers from the Student Recreation Center host a workshop full of helpful tips and advice that will keep you on track to achieving your fitness goals.

This quarter, the workshop took place Wednesday, Feb. 19 in the Solario Room.

SRC trainers Geo Miller, Chelsey Kirkley and Josh Thompson gave students strategies to maintain motivation, information about nutrition and advice on weight training.

Miller discussed his "mind motivation" tips. A few of the tips Miller included were being aware of negative talk, replacing bad habits with positive habits and reframing limiting statements to positive ones.

He also emphasized switching up your workouts to add variety and diversity.

Sticking to the same routine for a long period of time may cause lack of interest, thus leading to a decline in motivation.

The SRC offers Group X classes such as cycling, Latin dance, and yoga. For people who dread cardio, taking these classes would be a fun, challenging alternative to simply running on the treadmill.

Having fun while being physically active will increase the likelihood of success. One thing to always keep in mind is setting goals. Goals help individuals stay on track with their fitness regime because they are constantly being reminded of what they want to accomplish.

Long term goals and short term goals are recommended.

Short term goals will help track progress leading to the long term goal.

"Definitely make smaller goals. Fitness is like a path, at the end you're making a whole journey," said Melissa Melgar, a CSUB Group X instructor of cycling.

An inspirational You Tube [See HEALTH, Page 3]

Country music legend Clint Black performs at Fox Theater

By Rachel Hill
Staff Writer

Country singer and songwriter Clint Black returned to the Fox Theater Saturday night. The crowd welcomed him, singing and swaying to his songs for the two-hour show.

Black began the night alone on stage, just his voice, guitar and harmonica. After several songs, his band joined him, performing original favorites, such as "Like the Rain," along with new songs featured on his upcoming album.

Between songs, Black recounted personal stories about his career. One story told his first encounter with country legend Willie Nelson.

"The first time I met him, the door of his trailer was open so I just walked in. I couldn't see Willie through all the smoke. Someone must have been... burning toast," Black joked. "He emerged out of the smoke looking like a firefighter. When he offered me some, I said 'No, I got to get on stage, I got a show to do,' and when I finally got on stage I was... toast."

An hour into the show, the crowd was riled and couples began dancing in the aisles. Shari Nelson, 39, and her two friends were out for a girl's night and lined up right along the stage.

"He sang straight to us and touched my hand," she said. "I can't wait for him to come back next year; I can't wait to buy the new CD."

Black has written, sang and released more than 100 songs that have won him several awards including: the Academy of Country Music Best New Male Vocalist, Album of the Year and The Country Music Association and American Music Awards have honored him with Male Vocalist of the Year and New Male Country Artist, all awarded in 1989 and 1990.

Black started his professional career with five number-one hits with his first album, "Killin' Time" in 1989. For the next ten years



Rachel Hill/The Runner

his songs consistently reached the top of the Billboard Charts, a total of thirteen times. After that, he took a break, spending time with his wife, actress and singer, Lisa Hartman whom he married in 1991. They used that time to have a daughter, Lily, and Black started his own record label "Equity Music Group."

Black is on a 100-city tour promoting his tenth album, his first one in seven years. Black has cemented his status as an artist, coming a long way from the venues he played in the 80s.

"Back then, you could find me playing in the back corner of bars to tens of people, just a few at a time" he said.

Black has 12 shows in California and will finish up his tour on May 31 in Meridian, Miss.

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Gay athletes should just be athletes

By Josh Bennett
Assistant Sports Editor

On Feb. 9, former University of Missouri defensive end Michael Sam announced that he was gay in an interview on ESPN's "Outside the Lines." Since Sam is a prospect in the upcoming NFL Draft, he could be the first openly gay player in the NFL.

However, even though Sam is coming off the best season of his career, was named an All-American and was named the Southeastern Conference Co-Defensive Player of the Year, most people are focusing on his announcement of being gay.

"I didn't realize how many people actually knew, and I was afraid that someone would tell or leak something out about me," Sam said in his interview with ESPN. "I want to own my truth. No one else should tell my story but me."

There is another reason he made his announcement at this time, rather than during the draft or season. Sam wants to avoid a distraction. He just wants to focus on the NFL draft.

"I was just ready to get it over with," Sam said to The Columbia Tribune on Feb. 10. "I don't know why I have to get on ESPN or The New York Times and tell people I happen to be gay. Straight people don't have to do it. I don't know why gay people have to do it."

Sam has had notable support on his decision, and his timing, including from President Barack Obama.

"I really like the fact that Michael did it before the draft. Because his attitude was, 'You know what? I know who I am. I know I can play great football and judge me on the merits,'" Obama said in an interview during the NBA All-Star Game on Feb. 16.

Sam was one of the best defensive players in the SEC, the toughest conference in college football, this season. He was

projected as a third or fourth round draft pick before any of this happened.

However, some analysts are now criticizing him all over the place, such as former NFL head coach and current ESPN analyst Herm Edwards, who said Sam would "bring baggage into the locker room."

Sports Illustrated published quotes from anonymous NFL executives and one assistant coach that say his draft stock dropped because of his announcement and that his sexual orientation will only be a distraction. The coach then compared Sam's situation to that of NBA player Jason Collins, who came out in May 2013, and was signed by the Brooklyn Nets on Sunday, and will be the first openly gay player to play in an NBA game.

Collins, the 18th overall pick in the 2001 NBA Draft, has had a subpar career, averaging 3.6 points per game and 3.8 rebounds per game. His low stats are the main reason it took this long for him to be signed, rather than his sexual orientation.

Despite this, many NFL players have taken to social media to congratulate and support Sam. This proves that he will not be an immediate distraction in the locker room, and that the players can be supportive of Sam, and only look at him as a teammate, just like they should.

"I think when he steps into that locker room everyone's going to know that he's there to help us win games," said San Francisco 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick in an interview with ESPN. "That's why you're in the NFL... to help us win games. No one cares if you're black, white, straight, gay, Christian, Jewish, whatever it may be."

Sam was even celebrated by his fellow alumni at Missouri when he returned to campus in February.

There is no reason why the NFL should

be so hesitant in welcoming gay athletes into the league. The majority of the players in the league are already supportive and welcoming of Sam's announcement.

I don't think that Sam will be a distraction in any locker room in the NFL once he is drafted. Sam stated himself that he made the announcement now so that he could only focus on football.

There is no reason why the NFL should be so hesitant in welcoming gay athletes into the league. The majority of the players in the league are already supportive and welcoming of Sam's announcement.

"I just wish you guys would see me as Michael Sam the football player instead of Michael Sam the gay football player," said Sam at his press conference at the NFL Draft combine in Indianapolis on Saturday.

Sam will likely end up dropping in the draft, unfortunately, due to some executives being turned off by him being openly gay, and finding every excuse in the book to find fault in him and his football skill. However, the one team that does take the chance and drafts him will end up with a steal. He has proven that he is a great defensive player, and he will be able to contribute to his team immediately.

This feeling toward gay athletes in general sucks. Sam will probably be judged throughout his entire career about him being gay, rather than what he will accomplish on the field, whether he is one of the best defensive players in the NFL, or if he has a subpar career like

Collins. He will always be labeled a gay athlete, which is unfair to Sam, who is no different from anyone else in the NFL.

Sam is a football player, and he is gay. Hopefully soon, Sam's announcement and success on the field can help others feel more comfortable in playing while openly gay and can convince people, such as those anonymous NFL executives, that gay athletes are not a risk and should be judged by their on-field talent only.

The stereotype that gay athletes are inferior to straight athletes should be busted by now. Sam has already proven he can play football very well at a high level. Sam just wanted to help Missouri win last season, and he did that. All Sam wants to do in the NFL is help his team win, and he will do that.

The idea of gay athletes with the stereotype of being weaker and less intimidating in a world where sports is seen as very masculine, intense, and aggressive needs to go away. Sam proved this stereotype wrong in college, and will prove it wrong in the NFL if given the opportunity. As Sam said, although he is gay, he is still an athlete.

Texas sportscaster Dale Hansen and Daily Show host Jon Stewart were correct when they said that there are players in the NFL that have bigger issues and problems, such as committing serious crimes. Yet Sam, who is gay, is being labeled a distraction.

Hansen said it best during his dialogue about this topic on Dallas-Fort Worth station WFAA:

"I want to believe that there will be a day when we do celebrate them. I don't know if that day's here yet. I guess we're about to find out. I don't understand his world, but I do understand that he is part of mine."

Dick's Picks: Five films to watch before you die

By Richard Garibay
Staff Writer

1. Pulp Fiction (1994)

This film is easily my favorite of all time. If you haven't watched "Pulp Fiction" yet, I envy you. You have the opportunity to experience Tarantino's tour de force for the first time, which is always the best.

The film is composed of four intertwining stories whose characters include two hit men, an aging boxer, a cocaine addict wife, and two robbers.

Everything about this "Pulp Fiction" is absolutely perfect.

Quentin Tarantino outdoes himself in writing and directing with perfect dialogue and overall storytelling. The film is written in a series of flashbacks that have no real order. This nonlinear structure causes each viewing to seem fresh because it's hard to remember what happens next. Tarantino also assembled the greatest team of actors.

Each actor creates such memorable characters that the viewer wishes they were real. The dialogue shines with extremely funny bits, although some of the humor is on the dark side.

I really can't express the

unmatched quality of this film through mere words. So, if you haven't seen "Pulp Fiction" yet, put down this newspaper and watch Tarantino's masterpiece. You will not regret it.

2. There Will Be Blood (2007)

If one could overdose on acting talent, Daniel Day-Lewis would have died during the filming of "There Will Be Blood." In portraying Daniel Plainview, Day-Lewis created the most despicable and believable character of all time. His performance is one of the biggest reasons this movie is in my top five.

The film centers on the rise of a bloodthirsty oil tycoon and his clashes with a rural minister. Paul Thomas Anderson's directing is masterful because he gives the audience a perfect tale of the American dream: start from the bottom and do anything it takes to get to the top. He also directs the cinematography so well that it makes the film absolutely beautiful to watch.

I do feel compelled to warn you of the two-hour thirty-eight minute runtime. However, this film is so good that you won't realize how long it is. "There Will Be Blood" is currently on Netflix and I highly recommend it.

3. The Godfather (1972)

You have inevitably heard someone tell you how great "The Godfather" is and that you should watch it. This is because everything about it is subtle, the characters, the story, the dialogue.

Essentially this story is about the inner life of the Corleone family mafia. What makes the film interesting, though, is that it was the first to show crimi-



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nals in a different light, the first to make an audience love the villains. The entire series of events is seen through the eyes of characters that are in the family; it invites the viewer in. So, of course, the viewer will sympathize with these essentially evil people.

The other reason you should watch this movie is Marlon Brando as Don Vito Corleone. He made this role and inspired generations of gangster films after. He created one of the most memorable film characters of all time.

"The Godfather" parts two and three were filmed out of necessity and I advise you to steer clear of them and stick to the classic part one.

4. American Beauty (1999)

"American Beauty" is an odd film to say the least. It tells the story of depressed Lester Burnham, played wonderfully by Kevin Spacey, and his miserable life.

The first reason this film is on this list is because it speaks to the viewer so well. At one point or another everyone has felt like Lester has: unloved, worthless, "a total loser" and rebellious. Because of this the film

becomes very personal and the audience can truly sympathize with its main character. The next reason is the strange combination of comedy and tragedy. At times the film is hilarious but the audience feels bad for laughing. The viewer is forced to laugh at situations that are normally depressing in reality. And because we can identify with the main character so well, we feel as though we're laughing at ourselves.

5. Citizen Kane (1941)
I feel obligated to add it to the list not only for its standing as one of the greatest pieces of cinematic history but also because Orson Welles was only 26 years old when he co-wrote, directed, produced, and starred in the film.

Welles' achievement is even more astounding because everything about "Citizen Kane" is revolutionary; it was the beginning of films as we know them today.

Everything we take for granted in modern films such as lighting, camera angles, music and acting were pioneered by Welles in "Citizen Kane." This movie singlehandedly created Hollywood's reputation.

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National chapter grooms local leaders

By Connie Hayes
Staff Writer

I was invited this quarter to join the National Society for Leadership and Success. The main incentive that convinced me to join was it's not just a club to be a part of as a current student, but it benefits me long after graduating.

Founded in 2001 by a small group of students, The National Society of Leadership and Success resolution collaborates with the Greek letters sigma alpha pi: success, action and purpose. Orientations for new members were held in February in the CSUB Business Development Center.

Upon receiving the invitation via e-mail to join, I was extremely hesitant. So I did as any college

student would do, and researched it online. What I found was a club not only worthy of my time, but one that will benefit me long after graduating.

On the organization's website it states: "The Society is an organization that helps people discover and achieve their goals. The Society offers life-changing lectures from the nation's leading presenters and a community where like-minded, success-oriented individuals come together and help one another succeed. The Society also serves as a powerful force of good in the greater community by encouraging and organizing action to better the world."

Reading these statements made me feel that not only does the club benefit me, it benefits the community at large.

The group invites students who wish to pursue

leadership counseling to assist them in their endeavors. With a one-time fee of \$85, students have access to an "exclusive job bank, thousands of dollars in scholarships, personal success coaching, a personal letter of recommendation, the right to wear honor chords at graduation, and many other opportunities."

Chapter President Christian Elston, who led the orientation, was enthusiastic about the goals of the society and eager to help new members learn and benefit from what is offered. "The goals of this chapter at this time is to recruit a full executive board, which has been accomplished," said Elston.

The CSUB chapter is in contact with California State University, Pomona for a possible mixed social event. In a few weeks, Ricardo "Ricky"

Perez will assume the chapter presidency.

Senior Bethany Barnhart, a liberal studies major who will be graduating in the spring, is a new member. She says her reason for joining the society is because she is "excited to learn leadership skills, because I'm not a natural leader."

The four steps to induction, once the one-time membership fee is paid, is "attending orientation, participating in a three-hour training day, joining a success networking team; peers, and attending three speaker broadcast events."

Once these steps are taken, a new member has full access to everything the society offers and can benefit from.

The website for the National Society for Leadership and Success can be found at: www.societyleadership.org/about/history.php

Workshop promotes healthy living

[HEALTH, Page 1] video titled "Never Ever Give Up, Arthur's Inspirational Transformation" was shown. Arthur, a disabled veteran, was told by doctors that his legs could no longer function. He gained a large amount of weight and one day he realized he needed a change. The video showed Arthur falling down many times, but he never gave up.

"Just because I can't do it today it doesn't mean I won't be able to do it someday," Arthur said.

He slowly began to exercise and managed to lose 110 pounds in 10 months. "Never underestimate what you can accomplish. Believe in yourself. Never give up," said Arthur.

Miller ended his presentation with one piece of advice: "Do your best and forget the rest."

Chelsey Kirkeley gave her input on proper nutrition and what not to eat. People should be aware of what they are putting into their bodies and not just solely focus the gym.

"Abs are made in the kitchen!"

Doing a thousand sit ups a day will not make a six pack magically appear," said Kirkeley.

Kirkeley said that abs consist of 30 percent gym and 70 percent diet. It is recommended to have five small meals throughout the day, or three meals and two snacks. "Healthy eating habits is key," said Miller.

The trainers suggested not to be afraid of carbohydrates and fats. The human body feeds off carbohydrates for more energy. There are good and bad carbohydrates.

For example, avoid white breads, junk food and sugary drinks. There are healthier alternatives such as wheat bread, almonds and water. Eight to 10 glasses of water are recommended a day.

Gabriella Parada, a pre-nursing major, thought the wellness workshop was informative. "I was well-informed about nutrition," Parada said.

Lastly, trainer Josh Thompson spoke about the importance of weight lifting.

Safety and form during exercise is the number one factor to be aware of. Weight lifting can

cause injuries when not done properly. The injury may not be visible right away but with time the heavy weight will take a toll on the joints.

The Wellness Workshop definitely offered informative tips. "I recommend students starting off and who do not know much about fitness to attend," said senior psychology major Judith Gonzalez.

She currently trains with a trainer at CSUB. Gonzalez attended the workshop to gain knowledge on nutrition. Her advice to people starting a workout regime is to stay motivated.

The workshop ended with giveaways and a raffle. Everyone who attended was placed in the raffle and lucky winners won sweat towels, CSUB T-shirts and gift cards to Togo's and Chipotle.

The next Wellness Workshop will be during Spring quarter.

"Motivation comes within you. No matter how much or how many people push you, if it's not from within there's no point," said Gonzalez.

[EVENT, Page 1] contribute to active health care force. Young adults between the ages of 19-35 are the highest group of uninsured in California."

This age group is the key reason why CSU students are being targeted to sign up with the Affordable Care Act.

The Covered California website has a shop and

compare tool to help Californians to compare prices of different insurance options with information if they qualify for assistance or Medi-cal.

To apply for Covered California under the Affordable Care Act or Medi-cal students and families can apply at www.CoveredCA.com or calling (800) 300-1506.

ASI hosts health care event

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One of those students is sociology major Anna Sandoval, 19, who didn't know about any scholarships. "I've been here for almost a year and I'm yet to hear about any scholarships," Sandoval said.

According to ASI Executive Vice President Derek Stotler, only two CSUB students were awarded the Bright Minds Scholarship last year, him being one of them.

For information about scholarships visit the financial aid website.

The deadline to apply for FAFSA is March 2.

Student government discusses finishing touches for Homecoming dance

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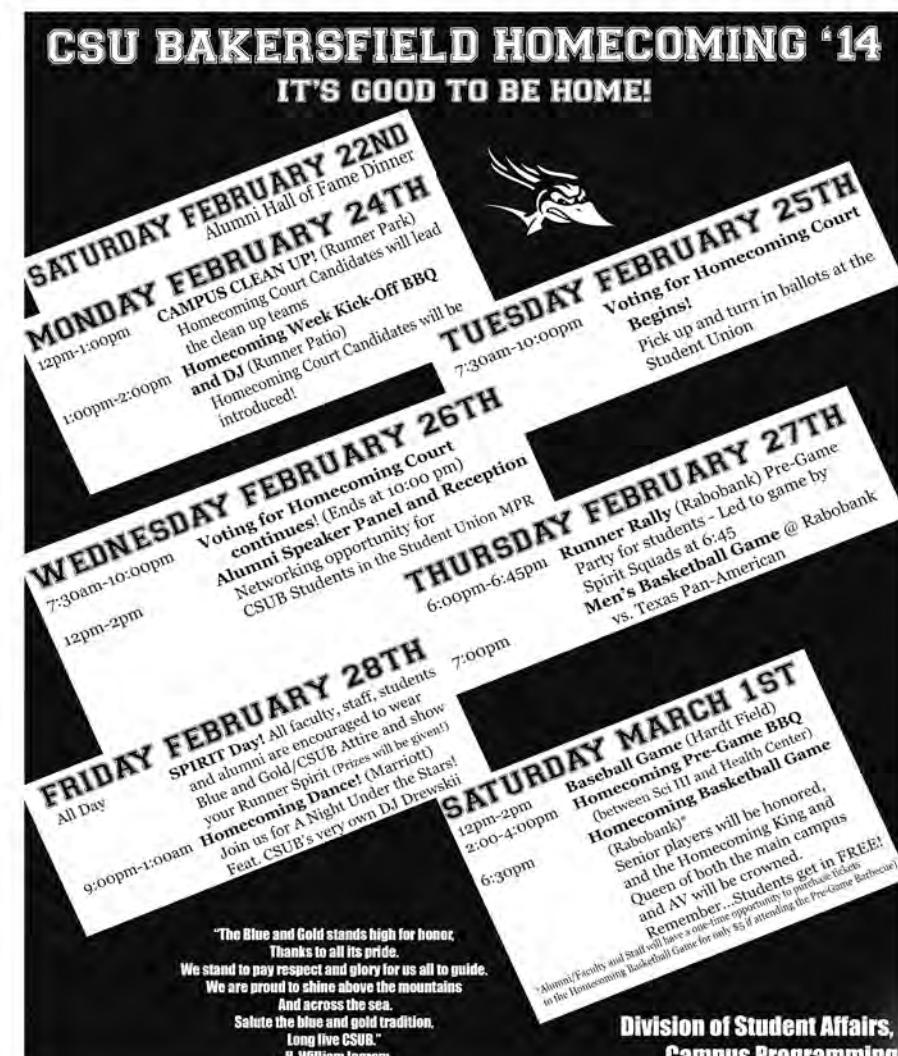
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The Homecoming dance will be held at the Marriott Hotel on Truxton Avenue, Friday, Feb. 28 at 9 p.m. Music will be provided by DJ Drewskii.

Student Affairs Report

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Homecoming Court Nominees

Freshman Prince



Dominic Olivo

Freshman Princess



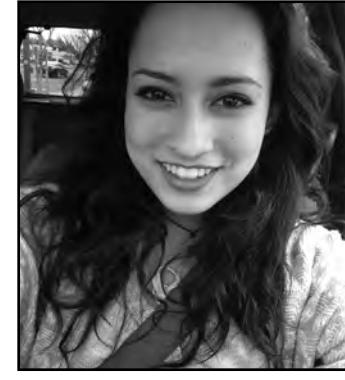
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Freshman Princess



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Sophomore Princess



Keren Martin

Sophomore Princess



Emily Worly

Sophomore Princess



Stephanie Perez

Q: What is your signature first date move?

A: My signature move for a first date is, saying my lips are chapped!

Q: It's the zombie apocalypse and your only weapon is whatever is on your nightstand. What is it?

A: A pair of chopsticks. Why I have chopsticks on my nightstand? I don't know.

Q: What would you want others to know about CSUB?

A: I want people to know that CSUB is a great school, there are many ways to get involved and opportunities to prepare the students for their future and become successful.

Q: What's your theme song?

A: "Can't Remember to Forget You" by Shakira and Rihanna.

Q: What accomplishment are you most proud of?

A: Being a member of the Sensational Sophomores. It has opened so many doors for me and it has helped me develop my leadership and communication skills.

Q: What's your guilty pleasure?

A: Singing and dancing. I'm too embarrassed to do it in front of others but I love to sing and dance! Even when I know I have lots of work to do sometimes I take breaks by singing in front of my mirror.

Sophomore Princess



Marcella Kristin Barreras

Junior Princess



Stephanie Campos

Junior Prince



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Junior Prince



Ricardo Perez

Junior Princess



Vanessa Cofield

Not Shown



Freshman Princess:

Denise Romero

Sophomore Princess:

Cassie Weedon

Junior Prince:

Anthony Perez

The Office of Grants, Research, and Sponsored Programs

Student Research Poster Competition



Date: April 10, 2014
5:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

Doré Theatre

♦ The purpose of the CSUB Student Research Poster Competition is to showcase research and creative activities in all disciplines by undergraduate, graduate students, and 2013 alumni students.

♦ To apply, complete an application form and submit to Grants, Research, and Sponsored Programs in DDH D108.

♦ Winners will receive up to \$200.00



APPLICATION DEADLINE:
On or before Thursday, March 13, 2014

Applications are available on our website:
www.csub.edu/grasp>Student Research Support

CSUB Todd Madigan Art Gallery exhibits 'Water & Power'

Diana Olivares/The Runner
(Left to right) Studio art majors Robyn Dyer, 29, Sara Bergh, 23, Josiah Ihem, 22, Donald Myers, 31, and fine arts professor Joey Kotting, discuss 'Water & Power'.

[ARTIST, Page 1] of suffering from a water shortage, but the photographs prove otherwise.

Skuldt's rendition of the mismanagement of water in the Central Valley by the government is represented uniquely with digital imagery as his media. These images invoke intrigue and a thirst for answers from the government by the viewer.

Skuldt displays one particular photo with a large body of water surrounded by a gated community drawing suspicions that water may be collected for the wealthy.

The exhibit also includes a giant wall of grass known as "American Sod" and a boat made of recycled barrels known as "Modular Water Craft."

"He combines an engineer's or city planner's approach with the imagination of an adolescent to solve problem conditions in his own personal space or, alternately, on the scale of the world," Anne Martens, author of "Jim Skuldt: Mapping, Graphing, and Diagramming" said.

Each year CSUB art students are given the opportunity to learn from and assist an artist from conception to completion on an exhibit. The following students from Professor Joey Kotting's class collaborated with Skuldt: Sara Bergh, Robyn Dyer, Josiah Ihem, Donald Myers, Jennifer Ritchaona and Annie Thunberg.

Thunberg, 20, an art history major, summarizes that their assignment as Skuldt's assistants was to: "research, put the show together, and arrange and hang the artwork."

The students are also present in the gallery to answer visitor questions about the work.

Robyn Dyer, a 29-year-old studio art major, adds what she enjoyed about the experience: "I liked working with my peers and the finished product. Also, that he [Skuldt] wanted to be spontaneous and the outcome to be a surprise."

In addition, Thunberg was pleased that Skuldt taught them some techniques during the process.

Skuldt received a Master of Fine Arts degree from the California Institute of the Arts. When he's not exhibiting, he works as an art instructor at University of California Los Angeles.

Skuldt has a myriad of accomplishments, performances and exhibitions. His work has been showcased at a number of venues including the Elizabeth Foundation in New York and Friche la Balle de Mai in Marseille, France.

The "Water & Power" exhibition runs until March 15. Admission is free and the gallery is open for viewing Tuesday through Thursday from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Todd Madigan Gallery.

Homecoming Court Nominees

Senior Kings



Vincent Ortiz
Nickname: Ladybug



Cebron Kyle Bradford III
Nickname: Lightweight



Jordan Green
Nickname: Cthundr



Dhiraj Kumar
Nickname: D-RAGE

Q: What is your pet peeve?
A: People interrupting while someone else is talking.
Q: It's the zombie apocalypse and your only weapon is whatever is on your nightstand. What is it?
A: A skateboard without wheels.

Q: What's your guilty pleasure?
A: "Resident Evil" movies. They are kind of eh, now but I still like them.
Q: What is your pet peeve?
A: I hate when people are down on themselves. The only person obligated to build you up is yourself, so don't become your own worst enemy.

Q: What is your signature first date move?
A: The tender grasping of my date's hand as we look up at fireworks.
Q: What's your guilty pleasure?
A: Chocolate cake from Tahoe Joes.

Q: It's the zombie apocalypse and your only weapon is whatever is on your nightstand. What is it?
A: My accounting textbook
Q: What's your guilty pleasure?
A: Treating myself to ice cream after a long and stressful day.

Senior Queens



Cassandra Staats
Nickname: Cassie



Shannon Smith-Conrad
Nickname: Mama Chocolate



Selina Corona
Nickname: Curlz



Kimberly Stewart
Nickname: Kimmy

Q: What's your theme song?
A: "Roar" by Katy Perry.
Q: What's your guilty pleasure?
A: Swarovski Crystal

Q: What accomplishment are you most proud of?
A: Working for Disney because it has always been a dream of mine to work for that company.
Q: What's your theme song?
A: "Walking on Sunshine"

Q: What is your pet peeve?
A: When cars stalk you in the parking lot and refuse to make eye contact.
Q: What is your signature first date move?
A: Bend and snap.

Q: What's your theme song?
A: "Just A Girl" by No Doubt.
Q: What's your guilty pleasure?
A: Consuming/buying everything that is pumpkin flavored or centered. I just love the pumpkin taste and aroma.

As truth be told,
homecoming never gets old

Wednesday, February 26

7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Voting for Homecoming Court continues (ends at 10:00 p.m.)

12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Alumni Speaker Panel and Reception in Student Union Multipurpose Room

Thursday, February 27

6 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Runner Rally (Rabobank) Pre-Game party for students

7 p.m. Men's Basketball Game at Rabobank vs. Texas Pan-American

Friday, February 28

All Day Spirit Day! Wear your blue and gold/CSUB attire and show off your Runner spirit

9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Homecoming Dance, A Night Under the Stars, held at the Marriott Hotel

Saturday, March 1

12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Baseball game at Hardt Field

2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Homecoming Pre-Game BBQ between Science III and Health Center

6:30 p.m. Homecoming Basketball Game at Rabobank, and the crowning of the Homecoming King and Queen.

CHEER ON THE ROADRUNNERS



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...at the WAC Basketball Tournament, March 12-15, at the Orleans Arena in Las Vegas. Student tickets are available starting March 12 for just \$20 per day!

Visit WACSports.com for more information

SEE YOU IN VEGAS!



Diana Olivares/The Runner

Top: Redshirt junior guard Dajy Vines ascends in the paint for a layup against Chicago State on Saturday, Feb. 22. Vines finished the game with 17 points and six total rebounds.

Left: Redshirt junior guard Marilyn Naderhoff dribbles up the court against Chicago State.

Women's hoops keeps on winning

The women's basketball team is in sole possession of second place in the Western Athletic Conference standings and have won eight of its last nine games.

With only three conference losses and two games behind first place University of Idaho, the 'Runners have three games left to get the top seed for the WAC Tournament in Las Vegas on March 12 to 15.

The 'Runners will play their final home game of the season against rival Utah Valley University on Saturday, March 8.



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• Students may compete in both poster and oral competition. Oral presentations will be for 10 minutes before a panel of Faculty Jurors and an audience on March 14, 2014.

• Notify the Grants Office of any class conflict with the competition with your application submission

• Abstract for Poster Competition application is due March 13, 2014.

• Winners will represent CSUB in the Statewide Student Research Competition on **May 2nd & 3rd, 2014** at California State University, East Bay.

Application Deadline: Friday, February 28, 2014
www.csun.edu/grasp>Student Research Support
 Questions? Please contact Vincent Orogwam, 654-2231

'Runner Roundup

By Josh Bennett
 Assistant Sports Editor

Men's Soccer - Former Colorado Rapids defender and CSUB alum Kory Kindle retired from the MLS last week. Kindle was the 25th overall pick in the 2013 MLS SuperDraft. Last season, he played in seven reserve games before suffering a season-ending injury in September, but was fully practicing in preparation for the upcoming season. Kindle will now pursue a career in physical therapy.

Men's Basketball - The team split their weekend games, winning at Kansas City on Thursday 74-69, but losing to Chicago State on Saturday 73-68. Redshirt senior guard Issiah Grayson led the team with a combined 44 points and 9 rebounds over the weekend. The team will host two games this weekend at Rabobank Arena, against Texas Pan-American on Thursday and New Mexico State on Saturday.

Softball - The team lost all four games it had at the UC Riverside Amy S. Harrison Tournament this weekend. On Friday, they lost to Loyola Marymount 12-4. Saturday, the team lost to UC Riverside 15-10. The 'Runners met both Loyola Marymount and UC Riverside again, losing 1-0 both times. Senior outfielder Karissa Viega drove in 5 RBIs over the weekend, while sophomore catcher/first baseman Jessica Castaneda drove in 4 RBIs.

Water Polo - The team lost all four games at the UC Irvine Invitational over the weekend. On Saturday, they lost to No. 1 USC 20-1 and No. 8 Loyola Marymount 13-5. On Sunday, the 'Runners lost to No. 14 UC Davis 13-12, and lost to Pacific 13-3. Sophomore utility Niki De Leon and freshman driver Kristen Jensen each had four goals.

Swimming and Diving - The team will be competing at the WAC Championships from Wednesday, Feb. 26, through March 1 in San Antonio, Texas.

Track and Field - The team will also be competing in the WAC Indoor Championships Feb. 26 to 28 at the University of Idaho.

For more information on 'Runner athletics, go to gorunners.com



Diana Olivares/The Runner

Junior pitcher Hayden Carter fires a strike during Friday's game. Carter recorded five strikeouts in his seven innings of work.

'Runners Baseball team takes two out of three from the Towson Tigers

By Nate Sanchez
 Sports Editor

The 'Runners tried to finish the sweep of their weekend series against Towson University, but lost the final game 3-2.

Despite redshirt sophomore pitcher Austen Davis' solid 4-hit, 7-inning performance, the 'Runners lost their two-run lead in the fifth inning on runs scored during a rally.

"I came out slow, but I just didn't compete as well as I should have," Davis said about his two-strikeout performance. "I was just trying to get outs to start."

"We got what we deserved," said Head Coach Bill Kernen after Sunday's loss. "We didn't play well, we didn't hit. We pitched well, and except for that play at the end our defense was outstanding."

The 'Runner defense was, despite their two errors, excellent. Mylz Jones has matured since last year into a steady-gloved third baseman. The

sophomore made four plays at the hot corner without an error. Senior shortstop Oscar Sanay prevented a Towson run from scoring by throwing the runner out from the edge of the infield.

Despite Sunday's result, the 'Runners had no problem scoring runs in their previous two games against the Tigers. The 'Runners scored 15 runs during the series, 13 of which were scored in the first two games.

"Hitting is a contagious thing and that's why if your top guys aren't hitting, there's nothing to catch fire with," Kernen said.

The 'Runners' top four hitters in Sunday's lineup only managed to get one hit in their 16 total at-bats.

"We know Oscar can hit," Kernen said. "[Chance] Gusbeth started off hot and now he's not and I think we'll see [Solomon] Williams do better as he goes along but right now they're struggling. I know they can hit and I know they'll do it eventually."

Athlete of the Week

Redshirt junior guard Tyonna Outland was honored by the Western Athletic Conference as the Women's Basketball Player of the Week for the fourth time this season.

Outland averaged 27.5 points per game on a 54 percent shooting percentage last week. She tied CSUB's Division I school record by scoring 36 points against Kansas City.

Photo courtesy of CSUB Sports Information

