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## Enrollment ‘thermometers’ mark enrollment, campus goals

By Nathan Campbell  
Staff Writer

When Dr. Horace Mitchell came to CSUB he brought a dream. That monumental dream happened to include the weighty task of boosting enrollment to 15,000 students by 2015.

An ambitious CSUB enrollment department arose to the challenge and has so far been successful. The progress made toward this goal was commemorated by two new “enrollment thermometers” created by the enrollment department staff.

The two “thermometers” are a pictographic representation of the number of current students enrolled at CSUB. One of the poster sized thermometers marks the current enrollment since Dr. Mitchell’s arrival at CSUB. The second thermometer shows the long term goal of 15,000 students. The project was done under the supervision of Associate Vice President of Enrollment Management Jacqueline Mimms with the help of Victoria Champion and Marissa Marquez.

According to Marquez the thermometers were originally created to inspire the staff.

Word spread throughout the administration about the thermometers and soon attracted the attention of CSUB president, Horace Mitchell. Mitchell soon signed his name to one of the thermometers as a sign of a commitment to the goal. Soon after many members of the faculty followed suit. Marquez explained that the faculty members signed as a symbol of their accountability to one another to see that the goal is accomplished.

The thermometers have become a beacon of inspiration and ambition of CSUB faculty. The thermometers currently boast figures exceeding original expectations, and have become a source of pride for many staff, faculty and students.

Marquez said the thermometers were a “representation of Dr. Mitchell’s vision becoming a reality.” Marquez was very optimistic about the goals set by the CSUB president and was thrilled with the results that the school has already seen. Marquez described the displays as “almost like a rebirth, symbolic of the spirit.”

In addition to the two small thermometers there has been some discussion of creating a larger thermometer to display in a more open place. Some locations discussed were on the road at one of the school entrances or at the library. The idea is still in the conceptual phase and may or may not come into fruition pending approval.

Marquez reported that the department plans to put the thermometers on display soon for students to observe. The plan is for the thermometers to be updated periodically so that students can track the school’s progress.

## Student tattoos the Runner

By Denis Zavala  
Staff Writer

When Toni Verdin’s mother asked her what she wanted as a graduation gift this past June, Verdin said to her mother that she wanted a tattoo.

After explaining to her mother her reasoning and her feeling about this particular tattoo, Verdin went ahead and got a picture of a roadrunner tattooed on her left calf.

“My mother paid for it and saw how they did it, it was my graduation present,” said Verdin.

By doing this, 36-year-old Verdin felt she commemorated her graduation in a very special and unforgettable way and would never forget all the struggles she had to overcome.

Verdin was born in Guanajuato, Mexico. When she was 10 years old she left Mexico and began a new life here in California. She did not know how to speak English and had to learn the language at a very young age and assimilate to her new lifestyle in this country.

When she was in high school, she realized that in order to succeed and be someone in life she had to further her education and attend college. She remembers her high school counselor not being as supportive as she would of hoped for, telling her that the best job she could ever aspire to have would be a retail job.

Those opinions and comments did not stop Verdin from graduating high school and later enrolling at CSUB.

“My goal in life was to graduate and be a



John Paul Horn/ Photo Editor/The Runner  
Toni Verdin shows off her tattoo of the Runner.

teacher,” said Verdin. There were times that she faced all kinds of difficulties: economically, personally and physically, but never gave up. Regardless of the obstacles she faced, her goals were always present in her mind. Even when she stopped coming to school for some time, she knew she would come back and ultimately graduate with her degree and her credential.

When she graduated in June 2006 with her Liberal Studies multi-subject credential, she was thrilled and grateful to the school and the

administrators that helped her through it all.

Verdin says her tattoo is “a big thank you to CSUB.”

“I am proud to be a Runner. It is the school that gave me the opportunity to become an educated person,” said Verdin.

Verdin knew that she wanted to get a tattoo to remind her of her graduation and had been giving it some thought as what exactly she would get.

(Tattoo continued on page 2)

## Don’t drink, play dodgeball

By Phillip Barnett  
Staff Writer

“No head shots,” yelled at all of the participants by one of the referees was followed by the inevitable “Aw!”

The first annual “Dodge that Drink and Have a Ball” Dodgeball Tournament was held Saturday in the Icardo Center.

The Alcohol and Drug Education Committee sponsored this event under the NCAA ROWDY CHOICES grant, a two-year grant providing funds to help create awareness around the difficult choices students face regarding alcohol.

“One thing we want to ensure is having fun without alcohol and in that light we planned this event to be the perfect end to our alcohol awareness week events. It was a recreational event for student, faculty, staff and community to join and interact with each other and have fun,” said Erica Delamar, a member of the Alcohol and Drug Education Committee.

The Alcohol and Drug Education Committee plans on holding a tournament type event like this every quarter, and the Dodgeball tournament will be an annual thing.

The tournament wasn’t too bad itself. It was a double elimination tournament composed of seven teams who came ready to play. There was a \$1,000 prize for the winning team with a \$100 dollar

entry fee.

There were also side prizes for the most spirited teams, the best dressed teams and best dressed individual.

There were some interesting outfits on the Dodgeball court. The Kappa Sigma fraternity was out there with their club shirts. There was a team called the Medical Misfits, where everyone was dressed as someone in the medical field. There was also a team dressed in all black shirts with a target in the middle; they

called them selves Team Ramrod.

The tournament winner was Team Ramrod, beating out Team MacMillin for the \$1,000 prize money. Kappa Sigma Alpha Team won the third place game beating Kappa Sigma Delta to play in the third place game.

As far as the side prizes, Kappa Sigma Delta Squad won as the most spirited team and the Medical Misfits won as the best dressed team.



Phillip Barnett/The Runner  
Students dodge the ball during the “Dodge that Drink and Have a Ball” dodgeball tournament held Saturday.

## Intramural Football

Updated Scores  
Oct. 23, 2006

Legends vs. Delta Zeta      BMOC vs. Tigers  
Tau

42 to 0      Forfeit Tigers

Goldenfingers vs.      Kappa Sigma vs. Kappa  
Hoodnutz      Alpha

14 to 0

Forfeit Hoodnutz



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The Runner

Toni Verdin  
shows off her  
tattoo of the  
Runner.



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She figured that the best symbol that would capture all of her feelings towards this achievement is the school mascot of CSUB, Rowdy.

On January 6 of this year she visited Naked AI's and brought along a clipping of The Runner newspaper that contained the picture of the roadrunner she wanted to tattoo. The drawing of the Roadrunner that Verdin gave to the tattoo artist is one that the newspaper carried on its front page prior to this year.

The roadrunner Verdin tattooed on her calf is a colored tattoo that is about 5 inches tall and 3 1/2 inches wide. The cost of Verdin's tattoo was about \$240. Verdin said that her tattoo is meaningful and priceless to her.

"It is a symbol to remind me that I can do anything I set my mind to," says Verdin.

This is the second tattoo for Verdin who had previously gone to the same tattoo artist who tattooed a dolphin on her right calf. When asked if she was planning on getting anymore tattoos, Verdin said that eventually she will when she goes back to get her Master's degree or her Doctorate.

Verdin is not just a Runner at heart, but is literary a runner herself.

"I love to run," said Verdin.

She competes in 5k races whenever possible. She recently competed in the Apple Run 5k in Springville, California, and is scheduled to compete in the SPCA Run that will be held at Beach Park this Saturday.

Verdin also likes to play golf with friends occasionally and resides in Bakersfield with her partner of 10 years. Verdin says that the constant support she has received from her mother as well as her self-motivation and determination has allowed her to accomplish her dreams. For Verdin this is also a tattoo that is a symbolic representation of a joyous and unique celebration and her triumph in life.

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If you have any questions feel free to call 661-654-2165 or email us at runner@csub.edu

Letters to the Editor

Response to A student's perspective: *Should CSUB's campus be a dry campus?*

Dear Editor,

Thank you for giving us the history of alcohol, but that's nor here or there! We are talking about a college campus that encompasses mainly an adult population. Our school is in a process of change to a Division 1 power house, we do not want to blend in with every other college in California or across the nation. We are tying to make our campus stand out so why should we follow the banning of alcohol like most schools?

It is 2006 and you want to use something from the 1800's to try and persuade people to not drink alcohol.

Students are having constructive and fulfilling behaviors on campus regardless of if they are consuming alcohol before or after class. How dare you try to throw in religious slogans like you're the holy saint, it is not your duty to judge people and say they are sinners because they have a drink.

How can you disagree with the facts that there are limitations on age and amounts served. The Pub staff checks every single student's ID and can use their discretion as to when to cut a person off. There are rules and regulations on alcohol consumption on this campus as well as in every bar in America.

You are not an expert on anything, yet you write that too much Pepsi absolutely can have no effect on car crashes. To much chocolate does not cause birth defects, oh really have you read such research?

Just because you do not support drinking alcohol that gives you no right at all to judge people who find tranquility and peace in a beer or two.

Matthew Johnson

Discrimination against female Fillipinos

Dear Editor,

I'm a Filipino American. Personally, I'm still growing in my culture and learning to fully embrace my heritage as one should. Throughout my collegiate education, I've learned to be open-minded and accepting of my culture because after all, I don't want to go on forever disapproving something so crucial of my identity that's probably better than I credit it to be. In all the while as I search my heritage, I am faced with setbacks, and often these setbacks are portrayed through fellow Filipinos. Recently, I was reintroduced to one of these setbacks.

I was passing through DDH a while back, and I try to pay attention to the interesting bulletins posted up, just to see what genius minds have created this time to promote their club/organization. Specifically, I try to pay attention to the Kaibigan organization, which is a Filipino American Organization on campus because after all, I am a Filipino.

I was baffled as a result of reading the KAIBIGAN pitch for the beginning of the year, which stated in big-black-bold gleaming letters: "Want to meet hot girls? Then come to the Kaibigan meeting..." I thought to myself, "Wow, is this what we're all about?" I saw this statement, in and of itself a pure violence. Violence, not just against my culture, but against women! "Is this really what we're resorting to," I thought. Now granted, I still may be searching and rediscovering myself in my culture, and I may have had some negative comments about it in the past, but I've at least come to accept and am fully aware that Filipinos are highly talented and dignified enough to be able to use their gift of knowledge and wisdom to better use! And besides resorting to an uncreative pitch, KAIBIGAN decided to put their women out there as their bait! Well in that case, if they were going to stick with that type of motif, then why not say, "Want to meet hot guys?"

I know Filipinos are beautiful creatures, and so might everyone else, but is that all we want them to know us for and associate us with-looks? Why not tell them something else. Perhaps something they may not know already, like Filipinos are hard-working and are highly capable of using their brains for greater good, and not just to garner up a simple line that demeans their thinking. So again, I ask the question, "Are looks the only thing we want to be known for and be associated with? I know full well that I don't. That's the reason why I'm pursuing a college career; to rise above social norms and be better than what others around me might stereo-type me to be.

Filipinos aren't just about looks. The opposing mentality was the epitome of why I didn't accept my culture in the first place. And seeing this type of mentality exhibited today and in a place of higher education worries me!

After a few weeks passed, and in the days I would pass by that bulletin, I would cringe in utter disgust! Just recently, the pictures of officers of the organization were posted, and to my dismay, each four officers were women. Had they been men, I would have been just as upset. But the fact that my fellow females allowed for this "violence," really upsets me and not just because they were women, but because I personally know that they really do work hard and are better than what they've exhibited through that bulletin. It was a violence that killed one bird too many, and I still can't believe I was exposed to it.

I believe the Kaibigan organization has changed their bulletin since I last saw it. For whatever reason that is, I'm glad. I hope to never see anything like that from my fellow Filipinos and women again.

Sincerely,

Roxane Foronda  
Junior, Communications Major

Runner on the Street

By Marcus Mulick  
Staff Writer

This Week, The Runner asked, "If CSUB were given a large sum of money and you were in charge of spending it, what would you spend it on?"



Sean Jarvis  
Junior, Communications

"Dorms and athletic equipment. Improving both these things would bring a lot more people on campus."



Ricky Yanez  
Graduate Student, Chemistry

"Better lab equipment for the science department. Since we are going Division 1, I would give more money to athletics too."



Allison Escobar  
Freshman, Undeclared

"I'd fund more academic programs. I would hire more professors so that we could offer more majors to the students."



Alicia Diaz  
Senior, Liberal Studies

"Athletics. I would like to get a football team. We need more male athletes on campus. A men's cross country team would be cool."



Ulises Bramasco  
Senior, Business Finance

"I'd fund a football team. It would attract students from all around. And it would also bring in a lot of money for the school."

A Student’s perspective:  
*Registering online to avoid a nightmare*

By John Paul Horn  
News Editor

*The Student’s Perspective is a weekly column that encourages campus response.*

Of the many useful services on campus, the most underappreciated service, Banner Self Service, is the most widely used.

In a time where students may not be able to take time out of their hectic schedules to wait in line at the Office of Admissions and Records to register for classes, the Banner Self Service system allows students the opportunity to access a link to campus services from the comfort of their own homes at any hour that may be convenient for the student.

The benefits of being able to access a student’s personal data are immeasurable. Whether at home, at work, writing a news article, or just lounging about in the student union, students are able to access their student records, view financial aid accounts, look up classes for the following quarter, check their bio data and register for classes.

While this type of system is available at most universities and community colleges, many overlook the convenience of the process. Back before our time at CSUB, students had to wait in line to register for classes and volumes of paperwork were pushed through the admissions and records office. Many things could happen with the paper-



work, including the add/drop slips being lost in the shuffle.

In the world of today students are able to register for classes from anywhere an Internet connection is available. I remember being able to register for classes while on vacation in Canada while I was away on Spring Break when one of the classes in which I was registered was cancelled.

Another useful feature is the ability to view transcripts. During the hustle and bustle of college life, students may not have the time to keep track of which requirements they have fulfilled, what grades they received in each course or how close a student is to graduation. Viewing transcripts online is a useful tool for determining the likelihood of a graduation requirement check being informative.

Overall, the Banner Self Service system on campus provides a major convenience to the students. Whether used for registration or to get information specific to the student’s progress at the university, it facilitates in an easier process than waiting in line.

The only downfall with the system is the inability to register for any classes that have a time conflict. While students can sign off on the conflict at the Office of Admissions and Records, steps should be taken to ensure that students have the ability to address that issue without taking time out of their busy day to make it to the office during the business hours.

So, if you have any time out during the day, take some time and investigate the capabilities of this amazing system and be thankful that you still don’t have to wait in line.

*The Runner wants to hear your response. If you have an opinion that you would like to share about this piece or any other articles, please feel free to e-mail a letter to the editor. E-mails should be sent to runner@csub.edu and include both your name and a number that we can contact you by telephone.*

Did you know?

- In the past month, 400,472 consumers have searched for the term “World of Warcraft” in Yahoo’s search engine database. That’s an average of over 13,350 people a day!
- Major search engines contain a large amount of websites indexed that contain relevant content or material for World of Warcraft.
- Google has 30,700,000 websites
- Yahoo has 49,300,00 websites
- MSN has 2,418, 058 websites

*Information provided by Elaine Zuniga, account manager/internet marketing specialist for USDM.net.*

An evening with Wanda Coleman

By Phillip Barnett  
Staff Writer

The urban bond in her poetry is reminiscent of a Lauryn Hill. Her words were beautiful, like they came off the page of something written by a Maya Angelou and the performance was powerful, something like J. Ivy.

Wanda Coleman, a poet raised in South Central Los Angeles, came to Bakersfield Thursday night and read poetry from a couple of her books.

“Greetings Bakersfield,” were the first words Coleman spoke, and that in itself was an attention grabber. Her voice was so soulful and controlling one couldn’t help but listen. Everything she said was fascinating. The audience held on to every word that came out of her mouth, as if it was hard not to.

The performance, if not the poetry, made it an amazing experience for everyone in the Albertson room. You could see the emotion in her face, with expressions ranging from angry to overly excited and solemn to frustrated.

All audience members were taken on that emotional rollercoaster with her with stories about inner city violence and death to more light hearted issues and lots of comic relief.

“The emotions expressed from Wanda Coleman’s performance intensified the fire that she obviously had when writing her poems. Over all it was a great experience seeing an experienced performer with great writing skills.” said Joseph Davis, a student who attended Coleman’s reading.

After the reading Coleman took questions from the audience, two books were given away in a raffle and finally she had a book signing. You can find any of Wanda Coleman’s books wherever books are sold and all over the internet.

From Portuguese to English:  
A challenging transition

By Ranjanpreet Nagra  
Features Editor

Defying the impossible. Taking on new challenges. Overcoming obstacles.

One has to experience them, being a college student. Being a college student teaches you the how-to.

And two of CSUB’s international students have learned the how-to during the last few years of their lives. Fabio Joaquim and Guilherme Mitrovitch are international students and play soccer in the CSUB soccer team. They are enrolled as sophomore students under their athletic scholarship. Joaquim plays center midfield position and Mitrovitch plays from left-back position.

Soccer Head Coach Simon Tobin went to Brazil and saw them play for a club. He asked them if they would like to play for CSUB and they accepted. But after working for more than four years after getting out of high school, they had to learn English to be admitted to CSUB.

Since they did not have a good base in English in their schools, they had to struggle to pass the language proficiency tests. After failing his SAT and TOEFL exam the first time, Mitrovitch had to get help from a private English tutor to help him pass the tests. Joaquim received 900 on his SAT and was accepted at CSUB.

In Brazil, they did not learn English to help them pass the language exams. They did not go to college right after high school and had to work. The public colleges, even though they are free, are very competitive and not everyone has sufficient high school education to pass the tests to get into college.

Mitrovitch explained that to get into a college,

Brazilian students have to pass rigorous tests and to pass those tests you have to have an excellent education in high school (colegio). The best high schools are private and expensive which most people can’t afford.

Even though Joaquim and Mitrovitch are always seen together, they did not know each other in Brazil. They are from different cities. Mitrovitch lived in Sao Paulo with his brother and worked different jobs and playing soccer for a club. Joaquim lived in Santos, a beach town, and worked in a bank before coming to CSUB. They first met on their first soccer practice at CSUB.

Dr. Stanley Clark, the Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences was introduced to Mitrovich and Joaquim through a former soccer player and graduate student at CSUB. Clark is often in contact with the international students at CSUB and mentors Joaquim and Mitrovitch on their problems and concerns.

“I advise them on many issues international students often have. When people are far away from home, they need somebody to relate to their home,” Clark said.

Currently, both work on campus while studying on top of playing soccer. They are steadily going through their English learning courses. They started with English 90 at the beginning of school, an English course specialized for international students, and are planning to take English 110 in the winter quarter.

“It was bad because we kept talking in Portuguese with each other, which was not good for learning English,” Mitrovitch said.

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The Runner Crime Beat

Oct. 17

7:53 p.m. Suspicious Circumstances

Officer initiated activity at F A C T. Two vehicles unoccupied Volvo and a Black Acura.

Disposition: No Further Action Required.

9:59 p.m. Disturbance (on campus)

Occurred at Rohan Dorm. Burgundy shirt and tie, nice slacks. Disposition: Report Taken.

Oct. 18

5 a.m. Suspicious Circumstance

Occurred at Dorothy Donahoe Hall. Reporting party states white male, late 20s-early 30s wearing an insulated jumpsuit is loitering inside DDH. Reporting Party observed subject walk from Stockdale Hwy into the bldg. RP asked subject what’s going on & subject replied “Crazy man”

Disposition: No Further Action Required.

7:29 a.m. Suspicious Circumstances

Occurred at Dorothy Donahoe Hall. Black suitcase in hallway. Disposition: Checks Ok.

9:03 p.m. Hazardous Situation

Officer initiated activity at Hillman Aquatic Center. Disposition: Report Taken.

10:25 p.m. Suspicious Vehicle

Officer initiated activity at Parking Lot L.White Ford pick-up truck driving with passenger door open . Disposition: Advised and Complied.

Oct. 19

4:56 p.m. Trespassing

Occurred at Dorms. People fishing inside the fence at the pond in front of dining commons

Disposition: Gone On Arrival.

7:49 p.m. Suspicious Circumstances

Officer initiated activity at Parking Lot I. Subject under vehicle Disposition: Assignment

Oct. 23

9:23 a.m. Harassment Report

Occurred at Dorothy Donahoe Hall. On campus club members bothering her. Disposition: Assignment Completed.

9:38 a.m. Petty Theft Report

Occurred at Icardo Center. Disposition: Report Taken.

10:59 a.m. Check the Welfare

Occurred at G E T Bus Stop. Reporting party received a check the welfare call on a white , 60, LSW black sweater, black pajamas pants and on crutches. Disposition: Checks Ok.

12:57 Generic Fire Call/Not Specified

Occurred at Admissions And Records on 9600. . Cigarette butt container smoking. Disposition: Checks Ok.

3:55 p.m. Petty Theft Report

Occurred at Education Building. Vons card and currency missing from purse. Disposition: Report Taken.

9:08 p.m. Disabled Vehicle

Officer initiated activity at Stockdale Hwy/Don Hart Drive West. Possible disabled vehicle. Disposition: No Further Action Required.

World of Warcraft: Obsession or just a game?

By Lisa Kerr  
Staff Writer

In the ‘80s it was Frogger on Atari, in the ‘90s it was Mario Brothers on Nintendo and in the year 2000 it was Halo on XBOX.

There is a vast assortment of video and computer games on the market, none can compete with the popularity that Blizzard Entertainment’s computer game World of Warcraft has brought to the gaming world.

World of Warcraft or WOW, as known to players universally, is a complex game involving quests but is easy to start. Initially, you create an account for just \$15 a month. After the player walks through the registration process, you choose PvP, Player vs. Player, PvE, Player vs. Environment, or RP, Role Playing. WOW is played on over 50 servers, with thousands of players on each server, totaling somewhere over six million players worldwide. A server is then suggested for the player, who chooses a faction, or team: either Alliance or Horde, followed by a character choice. There are eight characters to choose from, depending on faction. Horde character choices include: orc, troll, tauren and undead. The choices for Alliance are dwarves,



Photo courtesy of www.worldofwarcraft.com  
World of Warcraft gaming phenomenon from Blizzard.

gnomes, humans and night elves. You then select from nine classes: druid, hunter, mage, paladin, priest, rogue, shaman, warlock and warrior.

With other role playing or player vs.

gain more accessories for each character, the possibilities of play never stop.

The intricacy of this game often

player games on the market, what draws players to WOW over all those other games?

“It’s a competition thing. There are so many people playing and you can continue to better your character,” said Daniel Kerr, sophomore at Taft College.

Different from games in the past, such as Mario Brothers, this game is virtually unbeatable. Players can hit a “level cap,” but since players can always

allows for WOW to become more than just a casual game. Players assume a character and spend hours at a time exploring a new world, making it possible for WOW to consume most of the day and hours at night.

In addition, the game also allows up to 40 players to “raid,” which is much more than a game such as Everquest, which only allows 20 person raids.

“WOW is an exciting networking tool because it allows friends from around the nation and the world to communicate with each other. I like WOW because my sister who lives in Texas and I are able to hang out online utilizing WOW,” said John Paul Horn, sociology major and junior at CSUB.

With over six million people playing WOW at a price of \$15 per person, Blizzard Entertainment is doing more than making bank. They are creating a following with more adherence than some major religions in the United States, including Muslims, Buddhists, and Jewish ,according to Association of Religion Data Archives.

For details on characters, system requirements, or to answer specific questions visit www.worldofwarcraft.com.



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Disney on Ice - The Incredibles runs October 25 - 29

Wed./Thurs./Fri. A@ 7:30 p.m.  
Sat. @ 11:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.  
Sun. @ 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.  
Kahobank Convention Center  
1001 Truxtun Avenue  
(661) 852-7777  
Tickets \$14 - \$40

**Thursday, October 26**

The Art of Carving Really "Cool" Pumpkins Workshop  
5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Bring your own pumpkin or several pumpkins (already cored, please!) Prizes will be awarded to scariest and funniest pumpkin.

Bakersfield Museum of Art  
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## CSUB Jazz Coffeehouse easy on the ears

By Ariana Estrada  
Sports Editor

Trumpets and basses, trombones and guitars and all that jazz intrigued an audience filled room as the award-winning CSUB jazz program presented its first Jazz Coffeehouse concert of the new academic year this past Saturday.

The concert was held in the CSUB Student Union Multi-Purpose room where tickets were \$10 general admission, \$6 for students with ID and seniors 60 and older.

The Jazz Coffeehouse Concert Series is a five-concert series where CSUB students and community members perform live jazz in all of its many forms. The CSUB Jazz Coffeehouse Concert Series is produced and directed by Jim Scully, guitarist, composer and member of the CSUB music faculty. Scully is the director of the small jazz ensembles as well as a lecturer in music theory, theory skills, jazz appreciation, music technology and chamber music.

This is Scully's fourth year at CSUB, and when he was hired, he immediately took over the Jazz Coffeehouse concerts. Many people contribute to the success of the concerts series - the 60+ club serve as volunteers for the day and Jan from food services sells beverages. Also, students from Scully's Music Technology class record the event and make a CD of the concert for students to listen to.

The Zeke Victor Trio was the headlining act. Victor is a student from Highland High School who is a talented pianist and was invited by Scully to perform along with local giant James Dethlefsen on double bass and Christian Stramaglia on drums.

Doug Davis, the Chair of the Music Department at CSUB is Victor's piano teacher and had recommend Victor to Scully.

"After listening to some audio samples he had posted on his web site, I invited him to play at the Coffeehouse. He is a talented young pianist and he is currently playing in the CSUB Jazz

Ensemble and accompanying the CSUB Jazz Singers, so he is heavily involved in our program already - even as a high school senior," said Scully.

The Zeke Victor Trio played a set of jazz standards ranging from Miles Davis to Richard Dreyfus.

Prior to the performance of the trio, the CSUB Jazz Co-op performed and played their original compositions.

"Well, the music that the CSUB Jazz Co-op played what I would call straight-ahead, post-bop jazz. That style is reminiscent of the 1960s in mainstream jazz," said Scully.

The other acts to follow were Scully's music classes. Cleverly, the names of the groups were The Monday at 10 a.m. group and The Wednesday at 2 p.m. group. The Mondays played a set of standards ranging from a tune written by Duke Ellington (1930's) to a tune written by trumpeter Freddie Hubbard (1970's). The Wednesdays played two instrumental tunes in a bebop style and two vocal tunes, featuring vocalist Sari Luccarelli.

Some of the performers will be featured in the up-coming CSUB Jazz album scheduled to release in early 2007. The three members from the Jazz Co-op Daniel Musquez, trumpet; Eddie Ziegler, drums; and Greg Kalar, guitar are currently recording original compositions for the album. Others include Jeff Arday, guitar; Canaan McDuffie, Luis Lenzi, Daniel Hardy and Gary Rink - the band Split Figure; and Shawn Patterson.

There have been three CD releases prior to this one coming in '07 - Charted Journeys (1996), Twirl (1998) and Tight (2000).

The next concert series will be in November and will feature CSUB Jazz Singers, directed by Scully's colleague Peggy Sears, and four student groups under Scully's direction, including the CSUB Jazz Co-op with new original music.

For more information on the Jazz Coffeehouse contact Jim Scully 661-654-2511.



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Soccer

Runners finish season with two final wins and second place in CCAA South Division

FRIDAY’S MATCH

The Cal State Bakersfield men’s soccer team rode the performance of its top two offensive weapons to a 6–1 victory over Cal State San Bernardino Friday night on the Main Soccer Field in Bakersfield.

Senior forward Lyle Martin enjoyed a six–point night in the penultimate match of his college career, scoring two goals and adding two assists to lead Bakersfield. The two goals give Martin 15 for the season, moving him past Ayman Hamid for the

fourth–best season total in Roadrunner history. He needs two more goals to catch Jeremy Gunn for No. 2 and four more goals to match Joey Mejias for



Juan Torres/Runner  
A defender falls to the ground trying to defend forward Lyle Martin.

the best single–season mark at Cal State Bakersfield. His 27 career goals leave him two behind Kyle Gookins for the No. 5 spot in the Bakersfield record book. Sophomore forward Ryan Gay added the first brace of his collegiate career, including the match–winner in the 44th minute. Freshman forward Rigoberto Pinera chipped in a goal and an assist. Though Martin and Gay combined for four goals, Pinera may have been the man of the match for the Roadrunners. He consistently made good decisions and even better touches while his

30–yard, free kick equalizer in the first half was highlight reel material. Guzman finished a nice series of passes from Pinera and Martin to give the Roadrunners a 3–1 lead in the 57th minute. Gay and Martin then played tick–tack–toe in the box, with Gay walking around a helpless Pepi in the 64th minute. Martin capped the scoring with his brace, twice blazing past the Coyote backline on counter attacks to create breakaways. His second goal was the most spectacular. He made a 70 yard run onto a perfectly–timed through ball from Javier Barba. Pepi showed patience staying on his line until late, but had little chance against the CCAA’s leading scorer.

SUNDAY’S MATCH

Lyle Martin finished his collegiate career with a flurry, scoring two goals and assisting a third to lead Bakersfield to a 3-1 win over Cal Poly Pomona on Sunday afternoon at the Main Soccer Field. With the win, Bakersfield finished second in the CCAA South Division after Cal State L.A. also won on Sunday to earn the division title. Martin’s five-point performance on Sunday followed a six-point masterpiece on Friday night to give him four goals and three assists in his final two matches as a Roadrunner. Martin won the CCAA goal-scoring title with 17 goals on the season, which also ties for the second-most single-season goals in Bakersfield history. Martin is now tied with Jeremy Gunn, who also scored 17 goals in 1992, and will sit behind school-record holder Joey Mejias, who scored 19 goals in 2002. Martin also becomes just the fourth Roadrunner to score 40 points in a season after he finished 2006 with 17 goals and six assists. He ranks in a tie for No. 3 with Ayman Hamid (1994) and Mejias (2002). He is also just the fourth Roadrunner to reach 70 points in his career. The Martin outburst came late in a match that could be described

as listless at best. Neither team seemed to have much energy on the warm Bakersfield afternoon and their performance on the field showed it, especially in the first half. The teams combined for just 11 first-half shots with few even showing a bit of a chance at scoring. Senior Marcus Mulick had the best chance on a header that beat Pomona goalkeeper Ben Sussman but was cleared off the line by a defender to keep the match scoreless. But Martin finally broke out midway through the second half. Sammy Hernandez was taken down in the box and a penalty was given in the 69th minute. Martin took a quality penalty but Sussman guessed correctly and made the save. The ball rebounded right back to Martin, though, who put the ball in the back of the net for his 16th of the season. Less than a minute after the goal, Pomona’s Matthew Barker was shown a yellow card for dissent, and just 18 seconds after that was given another yellow and the ejection after a comment made to the referee. Playing 11 vs. 10, Bakersfield turned up the heat and was clearly the better team in the second half, outshooting the Broncos 16-6 in the final 45 minutes. Martin earned his second goal in the 82nd minute when Rigoberto Pinera sent a cross from the left side to the penalty spot where Martin slammed the ball home. Bakersfield finished the match off one minute after that when Chris Rangel scored his first career goal on assists from Martin and Towa Manda.



Senior Forward Lyle Martin

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Tough season comes to an end for Lady Runners

FRIDAY’S MATCH

Cal State Bakersfield gave itself a shot at a .500 record for the first time since the 2000 season after a 2-1 win over Cal State San Bernardino at the Main Soccer Field on Friday. But this win was hardly easy. Playing a Coyote squad that hadn’t won in 16 matches, Bakersfield was facing an extremely hungry team. It appeared that things would continue to go south for San Bernardino when CCAA-leading goal scorer Taylar Sklar scored her 14th of the season less than seven minutes into the match. Elizabeth White sent a ball over the Coyote defense and Sklar did well to loft the ball over San Bernardino goalkeeper Shawna-Rei Kam’s head and into the goal. That’s when the match started to become more physical. Referee Tino Younger was forced to call 34 fouls with seven yellow cards, but few were on dirty plays. Both teams were simply hungry for the win. San Bernardino came out in the second half and went at Bakersfield and finally scored their first goal in more than four matches in the 61st minute. But Bakersfield came back and earned the win when Moriah Neville scored her ninth goal of the year. Katie Dunn hit a free kick from 45 yards out to the far post and Neville met the ball and sent it back to the near post with her head for the game-winner. The shots ended up equal with each team taking 15 on the night, but Bakersfield outshot the Coyotes 9-2 in the first half before San



Juan Torres/ Runner  
Senior Jessica Cedillos carries the ball up the field against San Bernardino.

Bernardino outshot the Roadrunners 13-6 in the second. Bakersfield goalkeeper Ashley Witten made four saves in the win while Kam made three saves but took the loss.

SUNDAY’S MATCH

Cal State Bakersfield had every chance to win Sunday’s season finale against Cal Poly Pomona, but a series of missed opportunities allowed the Broncos to pull out a 2-1 win at the Main Soccer Field. The Roadrunners had several key chances in a wild first half that saw the two teams combine for 25 shots. Bakersfield senior Taylar Sklar scored the Roadrunners’ lone goal, but had a chance at scoring at least two more which would have left her in a tie for Bakersfield’s school record for single-season goals with current Roadrunner Head Coach Nicole Van Dyke.

Sklar’s goal came four minutes after Cal Poly Pomona took a 1-0 lead on a Pamela Leyva goal. Moriah Neville took a hard shot from 30 yards that Cal Poly Pomona goalkeeper Nakisha Gutierrez saved but blocked in front of her where Sklar took the rebound and finished for the equalizer. But she could have had at least two more. A pair of first-half breakaways were thwarted — the first on an amazing save from Gutierrez, and the second was blasted over the top of the goal. Sklar’s season-ending total of 15 goals not only won the CCAA goal-scoring crown, but also ranks No. 2 for single-season goals on Bakersfield’s all-time list. She is tied with Jamie Simpson, who scored 15 goals in each of the 1997 and 1998 seasons. She also finishes her career ranked No. 3 in career goals scored with 32. Leyva scored the game’s first goal and was trouble for the Roadrunners throughout the match. She took a pass from teammate Chiharu Uchimura and blasted a shot from 20 yards inside the far post and past Bakersfield goalkeeper Ashley Witten for a 1-0 lead. After Sklar leveled the score, Uchimura scored the game-winner in the 39th minute. Cody McClure sent a low cross through the box that Witten dove for but couldn’t handle, and Uchimura was there to finish at the far post. Bakersfield kept the pressure on in the second half but Pomona’s defense and Gutierrez did a good job of staying organized and limited the Roadrunner chances. Gutierrez earned the win with six saves while Witten made five saves in the loss.

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“I talked so slow last year, I had to ask people to repeat. I could not understand jokes or what my coach said. But this year I can understand everything. But everybody was helpful, my team was patient,” Mitrovitch said. “My communications class is helping me out a lot. I have to give speech in front of students. Also I have a girlfriend who helps me. She is from Columbia and speaks good English,” Joaquim said. Reminiscing about his life in Brazil, Mitrovitch said that Brazil is tropical, there are boys playing soccer everywhere. In Brazil, it is hard to find foreigners, unlike the United States. Even the

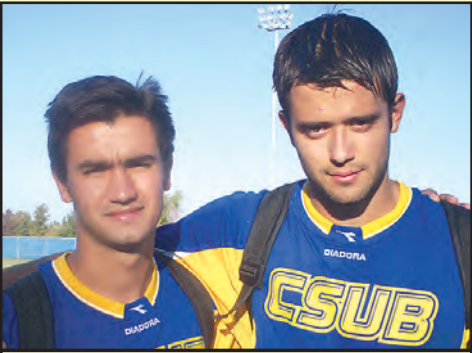


Photo courtesy of Fabio Joaquim  
Fabio Joaquim, left, Guilherme Mitrovitch, right.

soccer style is different: in U.S. speed and strength are more important while in Brazil skill is more important. Joaquim and Mitrovitch live off campus with two other out-of-town soccer players and drive to school. When they are not playing soccer for CSUB they play in the Mexican League for the Espanol team at the Hart Park soccer fields. Fabio loves to play Footvolley – a very famous sport in Brazil, which is just like volleyball, but played with feet, head and chest and not your hands. Mitrovitch plans to major in Business and Joaquim in PEAK and become a soccer coach. After graduation, Mitrovitch wants to go back to Brazil to find a job. Last spring, they found out that they can no longer play soccer for CSUB because next year CSUB soccer will be a Division I sport. And under the Division I rules, Joaquim and Mitrovitch are too old to play. They are both 25 years old. “Unfortunately, we cannot stay here, I wish we could. But it’s all right. It’s going to be good experience: going to another city, another state,” Mitrovitch said. With the help of their coaches and advisers, they



Photo courtesy of Fabio Joaquim  
Joaquim and Mitrovitch with Coach Simon Tobin.

be an advantage for them because they will get individual attention from advisers. They will be lost in a big university” Clark said. Since they arrived in Bakersfield in July 2005, they have not gone back to Brazil because of financial reasons. But they are planning to go back during the winter break. Meanwhile, to keep in touch with their families, they call home once or twice a week and communicate online.

are still trying to search for another small, Division II university in the United States. “They are looking at the universities as far as in Illinois and Texas. A smaller school might

Swimming



Juan Torres/ Runner  
Images of Alumni Swim Meet last Saturday.

