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'One Book' brings acclaimed author to CSUB

By Sergio Espain
Staff Writer

Critically acclaimed author Sandra Cisneros will speak and answer questions at Cal State Bakersfield for the annual "One Book, One Bakersfield, One Kern" event on Thursday, Nov. 8 at 7 p.m. in the Icardo Center. The event is yet another collaboration between CSUB and the Kern County Library to promote a community read of the same book. The selection for Fall 2012, "The House on Mango Street," is Cisneros' empowering collection of semiautobiographical vignettes about growing up as a Latina in a barrio of Chicago.

According to Cisneros' biography on her webpage, she was born in Chicago in 1954 and was the only daughter in a family of seven. She received her Bachelor of Arts in English from Loyola University of Chicago in 1976 and a Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing from the University of Iowa in 1978. Cisneros has worked extensively with drop-out students while teaching creative writing at every academic level, "except first

grade and pre-school."

While Cisneros has published numerous poems, essays and novels, her most critically acclaimed work is "The House on Mango Street."

According to the back cover, Mango Street has been "taught everywhere from grade schools to universities across the country, and translated all over the world," thus giving readers an introspective look at a young girl's struggle to break social and cultural roles.

The event promotes a communitywide cultural discussion, according to Emerson Case, Doctor of English and coordinator of CSUB's First Year Experience, has chosen "Mango Street" as the Runner Reader Program book assigned to first-year students. According to Case, that means over 1,300 students across all English classes will be reading Mango Street.

The Runner Reader Program, which is sponsored by a Title V Grant for Hispanic-Serving Institutions from the United States Department of Education, is also reaching out to various high

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Professor overcomes major operation

By Athena Skapinakis
Senior Staff Writer

Students like to think that they know their professors fairly well. They know what subject they teach, their office hours and how to contact them on Blackboard, but knowing some of the obstacles their professors have faced may give them a different perspective.

Professor Doris Hall-McPhetridge of the Criminal Justice Department had a life-changing experience occur 12 years ago. One morning, she woke up to find lesions on her tongue, and her face covered with mysterious blue and red dots. Her initial reaction to the strange coloration underneath her eyes was that they must have been caused by allergies. She did not take it

too seriously and waited to visit a doctor a few days later.

The absence of her regular doctor led her to urgent care and placed her in the hands of someone perhaps less knowledgeable. The doctor inspected her and came to the conclusion that the abrasions on her tongue and spotting on her face could be one of two things: tongue cancer or the late stages of HIV.

Completely terrified, Hall decided to get a second opinion from her regular doctor. After getting her blood work done, the results were negative for both HIV and cancer. Her doctor sug-

gested that she could either have Epstein Barr or Lyme disease. However, later it would be proved that neither of those two were the case.

Hall had her second grand mal seizure on Oct. 2, 1999. Her boyfriend mistook her spasms for choking on her own tongue. He attempted to help her, but made the mistake of placing his fingers in her mouth when he went to remove her tongue from blocking her air passage. His thumb was nearly taken

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Dr. Hall displays a picture of herself, still smiling, on the day of her cavernous vascular malformation operation twelve years ago. Today, she is fully recovered from her mysterious diagnosis and teaches Criminal Justice at CSUB.

Kimberly Stewart/The Runner

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New campus security policy encourages students to report crimes.

Good Eats: CSUB alumna can't find a mean thing to say about the Runner Café – for once.

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According to weather.com

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Hi: 94
Lo: 68
Precip: 0%

Thursday
Hi: 97
Lo: 69
Precip: 0%

Friday
Hi: 96
Lo: 68
Precip: 0%

Saturday
Hi: 86
Lo: 61
Precip: 0%

Sunday
Hi: 95
Lo: 67
Precip: 0%

Monday
Hi: 93
Lo: 66
Precip: 0%

Tuesday
Hi: 92
Lo: 65
Precip: 0%

New campus security policy like neighborhood watch

By Sarah Nusser
Staff Writer

If you “C it, Say it,” urges the new campus security policy, encouraging students and staff to call in to report any suspicious activity they observe on campus.

According to the CSUB police department, the “C it, Say it” policy was started after a couple of incidents involving a report of people on campus acting strangely, which lead to the prevention of thefts.

One of these arrests was during a period of numerous car burglaries around campus, and a report of a suspicious person led to the arrest of the burglar. The policy encourages prevention of crimes, similar to a neighborhood watch program.

Like the car burglaries, there are many crimes on or around campus which are of

great concern to the students.

Erik Guerra, a freshman majoring in business administration, said he is concerned about the stories of shootings taking place at colleges and that this policy is a “good way to keep people safe on campus.” Glenda Salazar, a freshman criminal justice major, said there are people who she would report who make her feel “uncomfortable, like stalkers and creeps.”

Salazar’s point about stalkers highlights how this policy would make students, female students in particular, feel more comfortable knowing the school is full of people watching out for them.

Of course the new policy will only work if students and staff actually call in to report suspicious activity. The plan of the campus police force to raise awareness of this new policy is to place “C it, Say it” posters up

all over campus, with the number to call attached. However, many students who said they would call in if they saw suspicious activity had no knowledge of the new policy.

A lack of awareness may not be the only deterrent students have against calling in. Guerra said “some people would not want to snitch” on their friends. Raymar Escorpiso, a junior majoring in deaf studies, expressed similar concerns. Escorpiso said the policy is good only if “it is anonymous.”

While some students might feel safer seeing the CSUB campus as a community looking out for one another, this same feeling of community will discourage others from calling in. These students will not want to feel as though they are betraying their fellow students by reporting them.

Even with the concerns, the “C it, Say it” policy will probably be a benefit to the campus. Escorpiso likes the idea that “someone is always watching your back.”

The issues preventing students from calling in could be addressed by giving students more information about the policy and reasons why they should report anything out of place.

A rise in the number of posters on campus could help, increasing the chances that students and staff will have easy access to the “C it, Say it” number after seeing something which raises a red flag in their minds. Once students become more aware of the new policy, their phoned-in reports create the possibility that more crimes will be prevented.

The “C it, Say it” number is 661-654-2111.

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Courtesy of Rhianna Taylor-Cummings
Top: Chef Saw Say prepares a crunchy roll for the Runner Café. Bottom: CSUB’s newly improved sushi rolls.

Savory sushi stuns student

By Rhianna Taylor-Cummings
Special to The Runner

I don’t typically have nice things to say about CSUB Dining. Today, I begrudgingly push my complaints aside because they finally managed to please me – nay, they knocked this one out of the park.

Some dreary morning in the first week of classes, I staggered into the Café to discover some sushi rolls already in the refrigerated display case. Had Toro Sushi started delivering its overpriced Spicy, Philadelphia and California rolls early? I investigated further.

Wait. The trays that the chef was stacking into the box were ... pretty. Slices of fresh avocado danced with bright red bits of tuna on a field of white rice and orange sauce. I’d never seen a rainbow roll look so fun.

And they were big. Instead of eight pieces, some had 10, 12, and even a “shoreline combo” of at least 16.

The chef saw me ogling and handed me a sample – a sample! – of a crunchy roll. I saw more of the orange sauce drizzled on it and discovered it was sweet with a subtle tang, while a friend later guessed the crunch came from dried crushed onions. The ingredient list mentions tempura batter, which could be the fried crunch, but either way it is delicious.

I grabbed the rainbow, prepared to shell out 15 bucks, but was shocked again when the price tag told me \$8.29. I bought two. Later, I went back and bought a bottle of water – the rolls were stuffed with spicy crab that can really clear the sinuses.

I can say this about my recent diet: Nobody can accuse me of

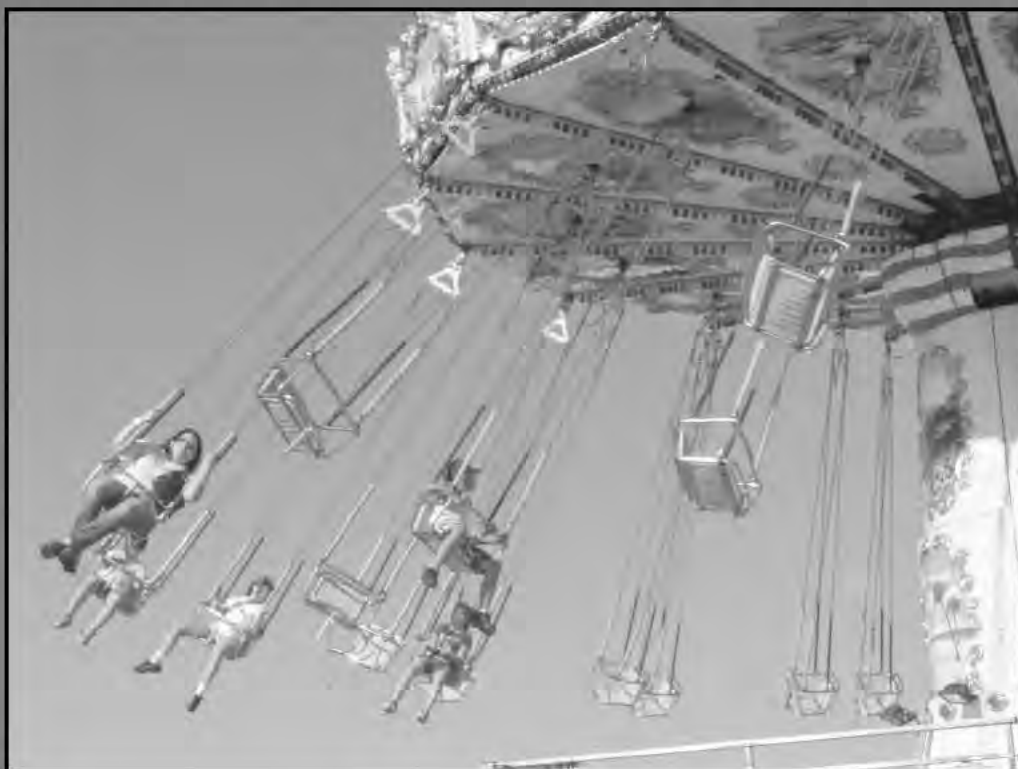
being Vitamin E deficient. And while my fellow sushi lovers are rejoicing, the fearers of raw fish have viable options too with the fresh avocado roll. It’s just what it sounds like, slices of bright green avocado over a basic California roll, which is rice, cooked crab meat and some cucumber slices for a crunch.

If the display case doesn’t have what you’re looking for, never fear. The counter that used to house the Stir Crazy and Raging Burrito now holds a pair of polite sushi chefs bearing an AFC logo, for Advanced Fresh Concepts Franchise Corporation. They spend the day making and stocking the rolls and have a simple menu you can order from.

So I say this to CSUB Dining: Bravo. My only complaint is that you didn’t hire these guys sooner.

Kern County Fair Snapshots

Kimberly Stewart/The Runner



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Residential Assistant: Living with the Entwood curse

By Anthony Williams
Staff Writer

Residential Assistants who are in charge of the residential dormitory Entwood find it hard to finish the school year in their position. Two years ago, an Entwood bed was set on fire, and that following year, a flaming toilet was the cause of fines paid by the residents. The relentless accounts of mishaps in Entwood show no signs of changing. Even with all the training that RAs receive, nothing more prepares

them for the job than on-the-spot situations. “RAs don’t last at all in this [Entwood] dormitory,” the new Entwood RA, Diamante Hernandez said. “It’s where all the parties are and something or other always comes up. After the first week, I have already almost lost my job.” When there is a problem, it is up to the RA for that building to record and report the situation. For those who live in the dormitories, Entwood is notorious for having fanatic freshmen, rowdy people and sustained noise problems. A large number of freshmen every year move into the

prison-like rooms that are the dormitories, excited to be away from their parents for the first time and throw common courtesy out of the window. Every student was a freshman once, juniors and seniors can relate. There were other numerous accounts of fires and vandalism in and near the Entwood dormitory, such as a truck driving through dorm grounds by an unknown student last year late at night, graffiti written on the doors of the dorms and more. It is a wonder why anyone would accept the position of an Entwood RA at all. The incentives of free room and board with a paycheck are enough to sway many at a college with rising tuitions. Many of the newcomers to Entwood this year come from Los Angeles and

quickly gather that there is not much to do in Bakersfield. Residents mingling into the early hours of the morning by speaking or yelling at each other from across the hallways through open doors are the first problems that RAs encounter. Depending on how they handle the situation, the RA creates a relationship with the community that is either obedient residents or rebellious troublemakers with little left in between. With such activities the dormitory has earned several nicknames such as Enthood, Rachetwood, and “that dorm.” “The music blasting at 2 a.m. is a problem nearly every night,” a resident of Entwood, Tony Williams, said. “But once you get used to it or talk to someone about it, the problem usually clears up.” But living in such a chaotic dorm has its perks. “Living in Entwood is not too bad. There are some cool people there,” Entwood resident Aaron Bonilla said. With the dormitory being so close to the dining commons, residents can get first dibs during breakfast, lunch and dinner. The melting pot that is Entwood is diverse and has its highs and lows that make it stand out from any other dorm. It is the dorm where the rowdy, the studious, the jocks and the shy can congregate under one roof and become a community like no other. “The uglier something is on the surface, the more beautiful it is underneath,” said Williams.



Anthony Williams/The Runner
Will an RA last in the “cursed” Entwood Hall this year?

Hours change at CSUB library

By Elizabeth Miller
Senior Staff Writer

In an attempt to better accommodate students, the Walter Stiern Library has changed its hours. The new hours are Monday through Thursday 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. The hours were formerly Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. with no hours on Saturday and a few hours on Sunday. “Our statistics showed there was a need for the earlier hours and not much of a need for the later hours,” Interim Dean of the Walter Stiern Library Curt Asher said. “Students were waiting outside the library for an hour or so waiting for it to open. We wanted to service those students. Also, Saturday is a good day to study and we had received many requests from students for Saturday hours.” According to Asher, it has been over two years since the library was open on Saturdays. There is no additional funding being provided to the

library to extend the hours. Asher said, “We’ve just had to stretch our dollars. We’ve had to [cut] reference services on the weekends. So there is no Reference Librarian on Saturday or Sunday.” CSUB student Tyler Carcamo said, “[The change] is perfect just because of early classes. Students now have more time to look stuff up or print before their classes. Overall I think it is better than last quarter.” Student demand has driven the library to change their hours. Many students like Carcamo were frustrated at the lack of library hours before morning classes. This shift in hours seems like it will be beneficial to students. The addition of eight hours on Saturdays will definitely be an asset to students who live on campus, or lack a proper study environment at home and wish to study on the weekends. Asher and other library staff welcome student feedback on library hours and services in order to provide students with the best library CSUB has to offer.

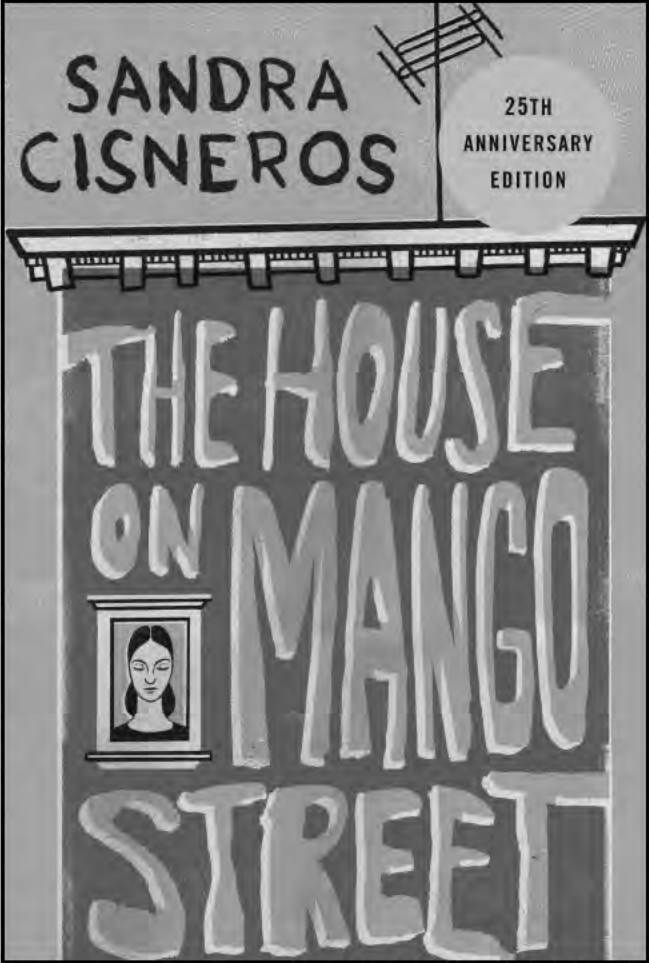


Stephanie Viloria/The Runner
CSUB students are pleased with library hours changes because it makes the library more accessible for late night review and early morning cramming.

An author’s effort to expose different cultures

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schools in Kern County not only to assist, but to encourage students’ transitions to higher education. Case also hopes that with the abundance of events like writing workshops, dramatic readings and plays coinciding with Cisneros’ visit, “students [will] bring their parents and hopefully even their grandparents to meet this living American legend.” The “One Book, One Bakersfield, One Kern” program, like the Runner Reader Program, hopes to expose readers to different cultures through literature. In 2011, readers were exposed to Wes Moore and his book “The Other Wes Moore,” a true story about two African-American men with the same name who lived very different lives. In 2010, Victor Villasenor’s book Burro Genius showed readers the difficulties of being a dyslexic Latino in the American school system of the 1940s. While the stories of Moore, Villasenor and Cisneros are vastly and culturally different, their emotional stories of struggle are still entirely American and relatable to CSUB students. According to a press release from Kristie Coons, coordinator of the “One Book, One Bakersfield, One Kern” program, the Mango Street community read “coincides with National Hispanic Heritage Month, and the book’s themes carry a strong connection to Bakersfield and Kern County.” These themes and connections are what Case and Cisneros hope will unite members of the Bakersfield community Nov. 8 in the Icardo Center. Last year’s

event had close to 2,000 guests, filling the Icardo Center to capacity. This year’s event features a question and answer session with Cisneros, where she will pick 20 student-submitted questions and answer them during her talk. After Cisneros’ talk, she will autograph copies of her book for those in attendance. Anyone wishing to learn more about the events going on in the community should visit the website OneBookOneBakersfieldOneKern.com. As Case mentioned in closing, “Over 2500 [members of the community] reading and talking about the same book is pretty cool.”



Courtesy of Sandra Cisneros
The House on Mango Street is Cisneros’s most critically acclaimed work.



CAREER CORNER

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Welcome to the CSUB **Career Corner**, a monthly article to help you with all things related to career education! Each month you will find tips on a variety of issues from choosing a major, finding an internship or how to best present yourself when talking to a potential employer. We’ll also offer you advice about selecting and applying to graduate programs. Be sure to attend our **Fall Internship & Career Fair** to begin developing your network for your future.

So, what can we share with you this month? Our Career Calendar! Check out what’s happening –

Presenting You! Preparation for the Internship & Career Fair
Date & Time: 9/26/12, 5:00 – 6:00 pm Location: CECE (next to the Runner Café)

RunnerLink – The Ultimate Career Services System!
Date & Time: 9/27/12, 12:00 – 1:00 pm Location: CECE (next to the Runner Café)

FALL INTERNSHIP & CAREER FAIR
DATE: 10/3/12 TIME: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
LOCATION: Runner Café Quad (outdoors)

Major Headache! – Career Workshop
Date & Time: 10/17/12, 5:00 – 6:00 pm Location: CECE (next to the Runner Café)

Graduate School Application Preparation Workshop
Date & Time: 11/5/12, 5:00 – 6:00 pm Location: CECE (next to the Runner Café)

GRADUATE SCHOOL FAIR
DATE: 11/7/12 TIME: 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
LOCATION: Runner Café Quad (outdoors)

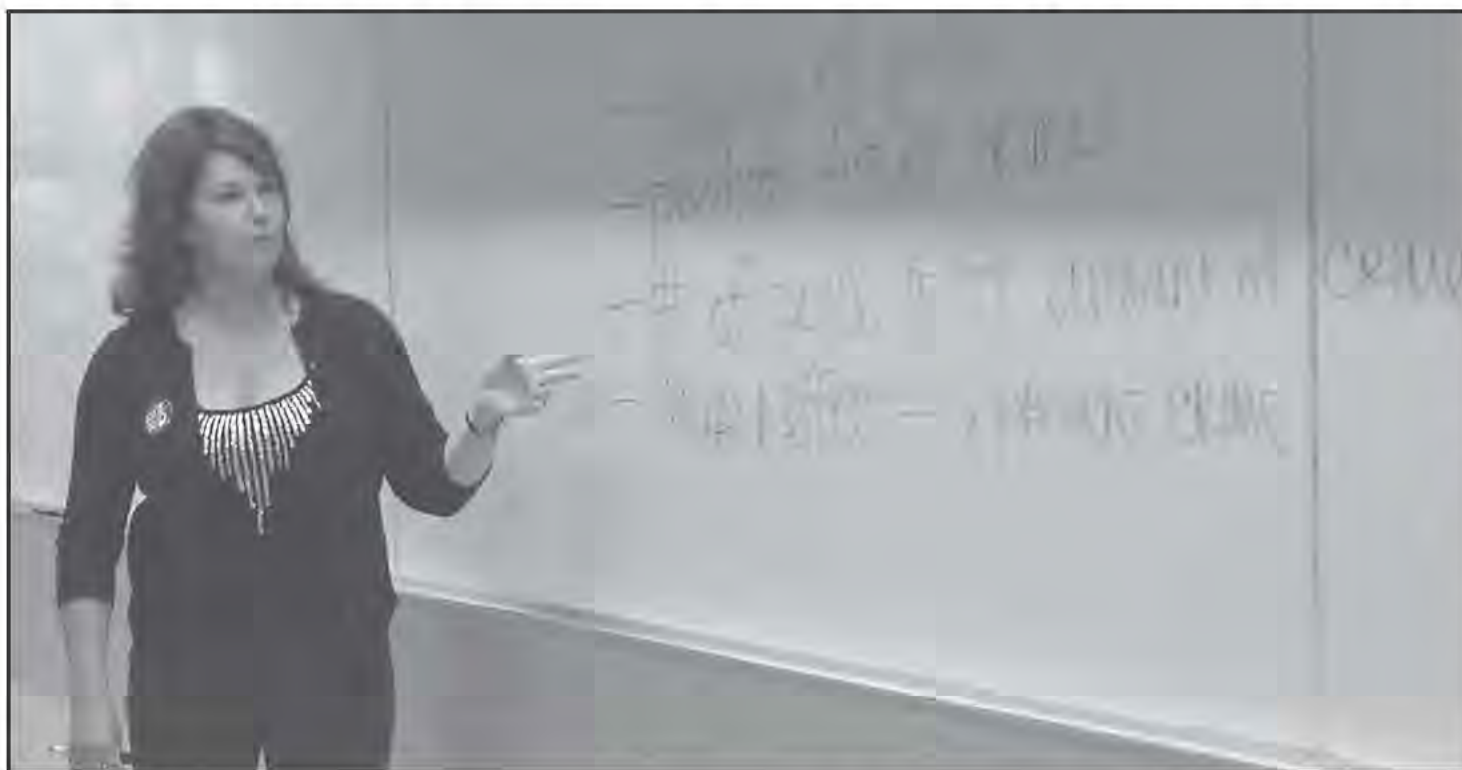
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Date & Time: 11/13/12, 5:00 – 6:00 pm Location: CECE (next to the Runner Café)

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A mysterious and interesting fact you never knew about CSUB's Dr. Hall



Fully recovered from her illness and surgery, Dr. Hall instructs one of her criminal justice classes on key points.

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during her convulsion, and both were rushed to the hospital.

She looked to University of California San Francisco for answers, and ultimately ended up getting experimental surgery called cavernous vascular malformation at University of California Los Angeles, where a piece of her brain was removed from Broca's Area. Broca's Area deals with the brain's language skills and capabilities. Post surgery, Hall lost her mathematical skills and continues to have issues with numbers today.

"I could read, but my comprehension wasn't that good. If it was anything more than a magazine arti-

cle, I'd get lost," Hall said.

Other professors generously donated their sick time to Hall – even ones she had never met – because she had run out. Working for CSUB for a little over a year did not allot her very much sick time.

She was surprised at the kindness of her colleagues. She pushed herself through a quick recovery, but admitted that it wasn't the wisest decision to make after such a severe surgery.

"It was really hard. If you're really sick, you need to give your body-before going back to work-time to heal," said Hall. "If you take a little bit longer to heal, that's okay."

Student Health 101 works to educate local CSUB students

By Cache' Cantrell
Senior Staff Writer

Digital magazine, Student Health 101, has teamed up with CSUB to inform students and get them involved in discussing health issues they are facing. The free subscription includes 10 issues (Sept.-June), an orientation issue and an over the summer issue. Each campus has their own Student Health 101 issue with information pertaining to both national and local issues occurring on campus.

Student Health 101 gives subscribers the ability to access the magazine whenever and wherever they want. It is available via desktop, tablet and smart phone. The magazine also has a Facebook page for students to suggest topics and discuss articles they enjoyed.

Each monthly issue covers five to six engaging topics ranging from stress management, healthy relationships, alcohol and effective ways to study. Each article is assessed by Student Health 101's Professional Advisory Board and Student Advisory Board to guarantee that students are receiving the right messages and information on the topics they relate to. "There is something for everybody," said Publisher of Student Health 101, Dan Wolman.

Like printed publications, Student Health 101 also provides poster printouts with helpful tips and information, and each month offers a chance for a student to enter a chance to win \$1,000.

This digital magazine is an outlet for students to educate

other students about what they know regarding health and wellness, combining peer-education and social media. UCookbook and UFitness allow students from colleges throughout the country to share recipes and workout routines and tips via video. Being that this month is National Fruit and Vegetable Month students shared their recipes for fruit and vegetable smoothies.

The magazine also includes videos, within articles, from students giving their input on the addressed topic called Student Views. Students give their perspective on the subject of the article by sharing an event, information or warning with subscribers.

To view the CSUB issue of Student Health 101 visit www.readsh101.com/csub.html.



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Roadrunners sweep Roadrunner Classic

By Nate Sanchez
Staff Writer

The CSUB women's volleyball team hosted the Utah Valley University Wolverines on Saturday, Sept. 22 in what proved to be an epic conclusion to the Roadrunner Classic. The Roadrunners entered the Classic with a 3-7 record, but they strung together three straight home wins to sweep the Roadrunner Classic, beating the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore Hawks two nights in a row by a score of three sets to one each time, and taking three out of five sets in their final match against UVU on Saturday night.

The Wolverines came to CSUB riding a 4-game winning streak – a streak the Roadrunners were happy to break.

"They're a very talented team, and we've worked hard for this moment to beat those tough teams," CSUB Head Coach Jolene Shepardson said after the game.

To say that the first set was a tug-of-war would be an understatement. The lead changed 4 times in the first set, and on 14 occasions, the score was tied.

Junior Middle Blocker Julia Bowen led the team early on with four kills in the first set. The Wolverines eventually took the set by a close score of 25-22.

The second set belonged to the Roadrunners. After trailing early on, the 'Runners fought back to win the set with an eventual nine-point lead. The third set showed promise for the Roadrunners as they jumped to an early lead over the Wolverines. Unfortunately for CSUB, their opponents rallied late in the set to win on their final possession.

Down two sets to one, the Roadrunners dug deep and showed they have what it takes to deliver a clutch performance under pressure. Those two sets proved to be the most intense. The crowd was brought to their feet, while Shepardson patrolled the sideline like a field general, shouting orders and calling audibles to her team.

The Roadrunner offense proved to be too fast and effective for the Wolverines' defense. Only twice did the Roadrunners commit an error in the fifth set. They won the final two sets,



Elena Geiger/The Runner

Fernanda Gonçalves (center) and Mariah Alvidrez (right) celebrate with teammates after scoring a point Sept. 22.

outscored the Wolverines with a combined 40-31 score.

Junior Outside Hitter Debora Araujo proved to be an offensive catalyst late in the match. Araujo led the team defensively with 11 total digs, and offensively with 18 kills, 11 of which were scored in the final sets: five in the fourth set, six in the fifth. Her six kills alone was twice as many as the Wolverines had in the last set. She finished the match with 19.5 points, scoring an average of 3.9 points per set. Fellow junior Bowen was excellent when serving the ball. Bowen scored three aces from serves and finished the game with 11.5 points.

After the game, Shepardson praised sophomore Outside Hitter Molly O'Hagan for her demeanor during the fifth set.

"That's what we need, the composure," Shepardson said.

O'Hagan contributed 17.5 total points to the Roadrunners victory, as well as 12 kills, second on the team only to Araujo.

"Service-wise, Mariah [Alvidrez] was consistent in allowing us to run our fast offense," said Shepardson. Alvidrez also contributed defensively, getting eight digs for the 'Runners.

The all-time series between the two teams is 6-2 in favor of the Wolverines. However, with the way the Roadrunners have been playing, this record is definitely subject to change in favor of the 'Runners.

Runners stand tall against UMES hawks

By Steven Barker
Staff Writer

Following an impressive Thursday night win against Maryland Eastern Shore, the CSUB volleyball team again left the Icardo Center victorious on Friday night, defeating the UMES Hawks 3-1 (18-25, 26-24, 25-14, 25-16).

The opening minutes of the game were promising for the Roadrunners. Freshman outside hitter Kelsee Sawyer, exploiting the Hawks's inability to defend against CSUB's athleticism, smashed home an early kill to secure a 7-4 lead. However, the 'Runners' inconsistency derailed their efforts to establish an offensive flow. Despite often mounting a series of two and three point runs, CSUB's 12 errors, six of which were on serves, gave 12 free points to a Hawks team that won a competitive first set by seven.

The second set witnessed a continuation of the 'Runners sloppy performance and Hawks's ability to capitalize on such mistakes. Although the Hawks trailed 9-7 in the second set, recurring service and returning errors allowed UMES to force a tie at 19-19. Both teams alternated points until 'Runners Head Coach Jolene Shepardson was forced to use a late timeout. After the timeout, CSUB took a 23-22 lead in the second set. Led by junior setter Fernanda Gonçalves and a fluid offensive attack, the Roadrunners propelled themselves to a 26-24 victory in the second set.

"[UMES] had a lot of fight," said Shepardson. "I told my team they were going to fight, and we fought back."

After the extended timeout, CSUB seized an early 8-1 lead over a Hawks team that appeared intimidated from having lost the previous set. Although facing a height disadvantage – the Hawks's starting lineup averaged three inches taller than the 'Runners's starters – CSUB's dynamic offense overwhelmed the opposition. Rallying around star junior Debora Araujo, the 'Runners repeatedly scored on explosive shots that penetrated the Hawks's defense.

Offensive over-aggression further punished the Hawks. Every attempt to score was stifled and countered by a precise tip or drop shot targeted at areas left defenseless by the Hawks's disorganized transition defense. While errors plagued the Roadrunners in the first two sets, UMES's ten errors in the third

period both disrupted their offense and widened their deficit. The 'Runners won the third set by a score of 25-14.

Feeding on the excitement in the Icardo Center, CSUB's dominance continued. Araujo slammed another kill (one of a game-high 17) to extend the 'Runners' fourth-set lead to 18-7. A brief four point run by the Hawks quickly hushed the audience, but the Roadrunners regained composure and sealed their victory with a 25-16 win in the fourth set.



Elena Geiger/The Runner

CSUB fights to tip the ball onto Maryland Eastern Shore's side of the court Sept. 21.

"They were a really good team," said Shepardson. "They won their division last year, and I'm glad they came out to play us. This was a game about pressure. [UMES] put a lot of pressure on us, and we were able to respond."

After recording 40 assists in the Thursday night matchup, Gonçalves recorded another 41 assists Friday.

With this win, CSUB improves to 5-7 this season and 2-0 at home. They will look to improve their record on Sept. 25 and 26 with home games against Cal Poly and New Mexico.

Shannon speaks on his soccer success and progress

By Kayla Bailey
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Eric Shannon, the 21-year-old goalkeeper for the men's soccer team and a native from Valencia, Calif. shared thoughts of his love, accomplishments and future goals

shows much excitement to improve in every way on the field.

"It's my last season and I never know when it might be one of my last games, so I'm just taking it day by day, game by game," Shannon spoke on the challenges he will face in the 2012-2013 season.

Patiently awaiting the match-up against the University of New Mexico Shannon showed much enthusiasm about how they have become rival teams as well as the team he had reached his career high with in his previous season. Going into this year open-minded and open hearted, Shannon has his head on straight and is reaching for the stars.

After his final season, he has hopes of entering his name into the 2013 Major League Soccer (MLS) draft and taking his career to the next level. Also, holding a dual citizenship in Hungary, if things do not go as planned he will look to begin his career overseas. With much faith, Shannon feels he has been well guided and it is only



Photo courtesy of Mark Nessia

One of Eric Shannon's 39 saves in the 2012 season.

of his soccer career. Shannon, a senior expressed at a young age that soccer has always been in his plan.

"As a little kid, I had an older brother and I always saw him playing soccer. At the time, I was too young to play, but then one day my dad just came up to me asking if I wanted to, and it took off from there.

From then on Shannon has grown into an extensively known player. In 2009, his freshman year here at CSUB, he was named honorable mention All-Conference. Shannon earned the starting position in 16 of 17 matches and had five shutouts, tying him for second in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation.

In 2010, his sophomore year, he was chosen second team All-Conference, where he started 19 of the 20 matches and ended with nine shutouts for the season. In Shannon's career he has totaled 57 games played, over 5,000 minutes of playing time, 211 saves and 22 shutouts. This year's season seems to be one Shannon is definitely looking forward to. Being his last year, anticipation to achieve has only increased. Feeling "okay statistically" about his previous seasons, Shannon

right to take it further.

"The coaches are really helpful, have good connections—good people to talk to and will send you in the right direction when it comes to going further with my goals," Shannon said.

With tons of support from friends, family and his teammates who have built a bond of familiarity while playing together, Shannon expressed much gratitude for it all. With the conclusion of his senior season fast approaching, Shannon explained that him and his fellow teammates will always be friends on and off the field. Whether good or bad, they manage to work it out and work together. The season is shaping up to be a goone one and it is also good for Eric Shannon's future.

Athlete of the Week

Men's soccer vs. UC Riverside
Sept. 23.

Senior midfielder Kory Kindle scored a pair of goals 1:11 and 42:53 minutes into the match against UC Riverside. Kindle's goals led CSUB to the 2-0 win over No. 19 UC Riverside.



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