



Ashley Sizemore/The Runner
The Athletic's Fall Barbecue brought students, faculty, athletes and the community together. Story on Page 4.



Manny Beltran/The Runner
Women's Volleyball took on UC Riverside. Story on Page 6.



Lydia Reyes/The Runner
Via Arté gave Bakersfield the opportunity to show its creative side. Story on Page 4.

October 14, 2009

THE RUNNER

California State University, Bakersfield

Vol. 35, No. 4

www.csub.edu/runner

FREE One copy per person of each edition is free. Additional copies 50 cents each.

Photo Illustration by

Mark Nessia/The Runner

RALLYING FOR A CAUSE:

Members of the CSUB women's soccer team surround teammates wearing pink jerseys from last year's breast cancer awareness game. For the second year in a row, the women's soccer team will be sporting pink jerseys in honor of breast cancer awareness when they take on Seattle University on Oct. 16 at the Main Soccer Field. The jerseys will be auctioned off after the game with all the proceeds going to Links for Life, a local organization promoting breast cancer awareness. Fans are encouraged to wear pink to the game to support the cause. Story on Page 5.



Lydia Reyes/The Runner
ASi, along with President Horace Mitchell, held an address regarding campus issues.

ASi receives low turnout

By Lydia Reyes
Staff writer
benakittie@yahoo.com

A banner on the ground near the entry of the Dore Theatre was decorated with student signatures and read, "We are the future".

ASi Vice President of External Affairs, Ruth Leon, senior plans to use the banner in a future student march in Sacramento.

The "State of the Runner" address was held Oct. 7 and only received 10 attendees.

"The main purpose of this forum is about how they [students] will be effected by budget cuts," Said Leon.

Some methods Cal State University Bakersfield implemented are furloughs, increased university fees, reductions to campuses, and developed

a plan for enrollments in 2010-2011 to match level state funding.

Furloughs are when professors do not conduct class for two days per month, were voted by all unions except for one. It is a one-time saving of \$5.5 million and will turn into a permanent practice starting next year. The new revenue of \$3.2 million is a partially off-set budget and one-third of the Student University Fees are set aside for student financial aid.

There are more students enrolled than funded and a reduction plan will be in place Winter and Spring of 2010 admissions.

New admissions can only apply for enrollment during the Fall quarter. Also only students who are fully eligible in a timely way will be admitted. The exceptions would be transfer stu

[Cont. on Page 5]

Crime Beat on Page 4

Professors featured on National Geographic

By Victor Garcia
Staff Writer
bakersfield700@gmail.com

Geology professor Dr. Robert Horton received a call from representatives of the National Geographic show "Man Made" asking him who he thought would be a good person to appear on their show.

It turns out they called the right person.

"I thought I would be a good person to work with," Horton said.

He also suggested that geology professor Dr. Robert Negrini appear on the show.

Horton's job was showing National Geographic where would be a good place to film for the show,

which described the journey oil takes before it reaches the gas pump. The show aired Sept. 24. The show was filmed on three separate dates, last October, February of this year and in August, he said. "They wanted me to give them examples of petroleum source rocks and describe how the rocks form," Horton said.

Negrini talked about the effect of carbon emissions on the global climate.

The show was filmed in McKittrick, an area with large amounts of oil, west of Taft and near the Panorama Bluffs east of Bakersfield. Portions of the show were also filmed at California State University, Bakersfield.

[Cont. on Page 5]

Safety course returns

RAD courses offered Oct. 23, 24 and 25.

By Nick Robison
Staff Writer
n.robison@yahoo.com

If you are a woman and want to learn realistic defensive tactics, then sign up for Rape Aggression Defense.

The next course schedule will be Oct. 23, 24 and 25.

This is a three-day course.

RAD, Rape Aggression Defense is a national program of realistic self-defense tactics and techniques taught specifically for women.

Regardless of your physical condition, RAD is designed to help women defend themselves against being victimized.

Despite your ability, age, experience and strength, this three-day class will provide effective martial art training that can be



Mark Nessia/The Runner
The RAD course is offered to help women protect themselves.

used after the first day of class.

The RAD system also provides students with information on the insight of the attacker, and phys-

ical, as well as non-physical options.

Every student participating in

[Cont. on Page 5]

RUNNER ON THE STREET

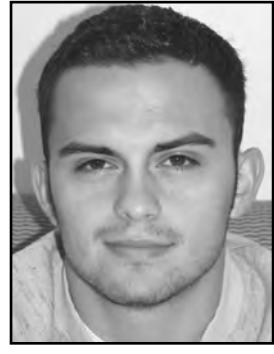
By Ashley Sizemore, Editor-in-Chief; Melissa Villagomez, Assistant Features Editor

This week, The Runner asked, "Does Barack Obama deserve the Nobel Peace Prize? Why or why not?"



Angel Perez,
Sophomore,
Liberal Studies

"What did he do to
deserve it?"



Jeremy Hernandez,
Senior, Economics

"I don't really know all what he's done to or not to deserve it. I don't think its such a big deal as everyone is making it. It could help with the way other countries see us."



John Paul Horn,
Senior,
Liberal Studies

"I don't think he's been in office long enough or done as much as necessary to deserve the Nobel Peace Prize."



Savannah Tarvar,
Junior, Economics

"We cannot say yet if he deserves the Nobel Peace Prize. I don't think he's done anything yet, but he might if he has more time."

THE RUNNER

Volume XXXV, Issue 4

The Runner
California State University, Bakersfield
9001 Stockdale Hwy.
Bakersfield, California 93311-1099
Telephone 661.654.2165
Fax 661.654.6905
E-mail runner@csub.edu

editorial staff

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF Ashley Sizemore
bookbabe89@yahoo.com

MANAGING EDITOR Hillary Haenes
haenes@sbcglobal.com

ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR
Patrick Arvizu
fauxnewsfan@gmail.com

SPORTS EDITOR Manny Beltran
methical9857@yahoo.com

OPINIONS EDITOR Jeff Eagan
edinamine@yahoo.com

PHOTO EDITOR Mark Nessia
marknessia@yahoo.com

ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR
Melissa Villagomez
foldingamap@live.com

COPY EDITOR Juan Torres

VIDEOGRAPHER Celia Kelly
celia.n.kelly@gmail.com

ADVISER John Emig
jemig@csub.edu

newsroom staff

Phillip Barnett, Derek Bato, JC Bumpers, Racella De Guia, Victor Garcia, Taylor Gombos, Scott Joseph, Lydia Reyes, Nick Robison, Spencer Schluter, Araldo Orantes, Matt Ortega

ABOUT
The Runner is a laboratory newspaper published weekly, in conjunction with the Department of Communications at California State University, Bakersfield. The Runner believes all advertising to be correct but cannot guarantee its accuracy or be responsible for its outcome.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the Editor are encouraged; however, they must be signed and verified to be considered for publication and should be no more than 300 words in length. All letters may be edited for clarity and length.

DISCLAIMERS

Views and opinions expressed in the Runner are not necessarily those of the editors, staff or the Department of Communications. Each quarter's student staff determines content/advertising choices, with advice only from the adviser. Writing, editing and photo/story selection are all made by student editors.

The staff of the Runner reserves the right to refuse or omit any advertising or material which advocates illegal activity, which may be considered libelous, irresponsible or tasteless. The Runner does not accept inserts or tobacco-related advertising.

COPYRIGHT

Copyright belongs to the Department of Communications at California State University, Bakersfield.

Are you a talented writer?

Do you want to showcase fabulous news writing and photography?

**JOIN
THE RUNNER**

Comm 214 or Comm 414

The best news source
on campus

A doll on the shelf is a doll without a home

By Derek Bato
Staff Writer
carcervinco@gmail.com

Photo courtesy of shopping blog.com

Recently, the American Doll brand released a new doll named Gwen Thompson, retail price of \$95.

The doll is 18 inches tall with long blond hair, brown eyes, and comes with a white dress, pink headband, pink underwear and braided sandals. Each American Girl doll comes with a book telling the story of the doll.

When her father lost his job, the family lost their house, then her father left soon after. Gwen and her mother lived out of their car and then eventually moved into a community home for homeless children. By the end of the story, Gwen and her mom eventually move into a new apartment, and apparently have happy times.

Sounds like another typical after-school special story of acceptance and overcoming hard times, who really cares?

Pretty much everyone it seems. There is vast public outcry against this simple doll. People are angry that it will teach kids that it is alright to be homeless. Some just say the doll simply

displays poor taste.

The price tag of \$95 for a homeless doll is rather ironic; with a price like that it definitely leads itself to be one of the more expensive dolls on the market. Is it not alright to be homeless?

Wait a minute, Oscar the Grouch from Sesame Street is homeless and lovable. No one has ever seemed to want to help Oscar to not live in a trash can. I do not agree that children should think it is perfectly acceptable to be homeless, I think all their penny pinching parents who snub homeless peddlers daily should correct any thought of that. The message of the story does not seem to be

that it is alright to be homeless, just that homeless people are still people too. To me, the story displays that being without a home is a bad thing that no one wants, but there are people in this country who fall on hard times, and there should not be a standard of friendship based on income or social standing.

The American Doll site is reporting a 100 percent customer satisfaction for all the parents who have purchased the Gwen doll for their children. Many of

the reviews comment that their children do not find the controversy in it or get any of the mixed messages the media is reporting.

It is all a matter of whose eyes you are looking from.

Another big issue is that the doll does not raise money for the homeless.

Really?

The doll has a fairly high price, yes, but that is how much all the dolls in their series cost.

Should I be angry that a new line of MacFarlane military action figures does not raise money for veterans?

Perhaps all the Pound Puppy



stuffed animals from the '80s should have been forced to donate a large sum of money to animal shelters.

It is marketing people, every toy should have a gimmick or end up on the 99 cent store shelves. If you do not like the price, do not buy it, if you do not like the dolls' completely fictional story, do not buy it or just make up a new one. Give your child an old school Skeletor action figure and call him a man with a skin disease named Todd from accounting who works for an international insurance company. That was not that difficult, was it?

Parents decide what is best for their children, anyone who has ever tried to make a parenting suggestion has heard that lecture I am sure.

Let us not get too carried away with the latest "controversy" out there. There is always something more important going on in the world, and there will be another thing for the dumb public to cry about soon enough. As for Gwen Thompson, the American Girl "homeless" doll, I have spent too much time already writing about her.

Scott Joseph's Mind: All that glitters is not golden (or a real/vampire)

By Scott Joseph
Staff Writer
sjoseph@runner.csub.edu

It is opening night of a film that you have been waiting to see for months, if not years. You and your friends have decided to dress up as your favorite characters from the film; after all, you know the story front to back, back to front.

The most popular of these types of films are openings for "Star Wars," and more recently, "Harry Potter."

What these shows bring are a collective of like-minded people with a deep appreciation for something bigger than themselves, but collectively are a

part of.

What is awesome about this is that even the people who would normally make fun of these people also dress up.

When "Sex in the City" opened, I kid you not, I saw a plethora of women dressed up waiting outside holding their martini glasses. I could not help but laugh at the double standard these women have.

I could easily bet money that if these same ladies were to see a dude dressed up as a Storm Trooper, they would laugh and ridicule the guy for it.

But what is worse than all of this is when people get it all wrong.

I recently went to go see

"Zombieland." Now, I totally expected to see people dressed as zombies, as well, that is what the movie is about.

Imagine my surprise when I see not one, but three people dressed up as the title character from "Shaun of the Dead." Each dressed the same and wielding a cricket bat.

Now, do not get me wrong. I can totally see how they thought that since "Zombieland" and "Shaun of the Dead" are both comical zombie movies, that it would crossover alright.

But actually no, they do not.

What furthers this is that it was not even the premier that they were dressed up for. It was a week after and, get this, a mat-

inee. I then realized that it was not them that I was upset about, it was that I knew what was coming around the corner.

Next month we see the second installment of the "Twilight" series, and I cannot even imagine thinking about the ludicrous display of dressing up that will come from this.

To understand my disgust, one must understand my disgust for the whole "Twilight" franchise as a whole.

Now that I am up on my soapbox, I may begin.

"Twilight" is a fantasy concocted by a middle-aged woman who apparently fantasizes about being a

[Cont. on Page 3]



Are you looking for more photos?
Do you want to see previous week's stories?

**THE RUNNER
is now ONLINE!**

www.csub.edu/runner

Events around Bakersfield

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			14	15	16	17
18 Bakersfield Tattoo Expo	19	20 Grad Fair for Fall 2009 Graduates	21 Promoting You! Resume Building Workshop		Women's Soccer Breast Cancer Awareness Game Legends of Jazz	Bakersfield Tattoo Expo Bakersfield Gay Pride Festival
Oct. 16 - CSUB Women's Soccer Breast Cancer Awareness game See page 5			\$20 per day or \$30 for the weekend Ages 10 and under free		\$20 per day or \$30 for the weekend 10 and under free	
Oct. 16 - Legends of Jazz: Tall and Small Band 8 to 10 p.m. CSUB Doré Theatre General admission \$18, seniors \$12, students \$8			Oct 17 - Bakersfield Gay Pride Festival Sponsored by Bakersfield GLBTQ 3 to 9 p.m. Stramler Park 3805 Chester Ave. \$10 at the door, \$7 advance		Oct. 20 - Grad Fair for Fall 2009 Graduates Office of Alumni Relations 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Runner Bookstore	
Oct. 17 - Bakersfield Tattoo Expo Presented by Central Valley Tattoo 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Rabobank Arena 1001 Truxtun Ave.			Oct. 18 - Bakersfield Tattoo Expo Presented by Central Valley Tattoo 12 to 8 p.m. Rabobank Arena 1001 Truxtun Ave.		Oct. 21 - Promoting You! Résumé Development Workshop Career and Development Center 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Cafeteria Office Building, Room 102	

Mack 10 to perform at Nile Bar and Grill

Compiled By Hillary Haenes
Managing Editor
hhaenes@sbcglobal.net

Rap legend Mack 10 and comedian King Kedar will be performing at The Nile Bar and Grill Saturday, Oct. 24. The event will be hosted by DJ Flawless from Hot 94.1. The doors open at 8 p.m. and the night jumpstarts with the comedy show at 9 p.m. followed by the hip-hop show at 11 p.m. You can purchase your tickets in advance from Vallitix.com for \$30 or at the door for \$35.

Mack 10's new album, which is in stores today, came out Sept. 29, entitled Soft White that features today's biggest names in hip-hop like Lil' Wayne, Akon, Birdman and Rick Ross. His first single off his ninth CD, "So Sharp" was released this summer and has Rick Ross and Lil' Wayne featured on the track. Before this hip-hop star stepped out and went solo, Mack 10's career began in 1996. He is best known for being a member of Westside Connection with Ice Cube and WC. His hits that have made this Inglewood-native big are "Gangsta Nation," "Lights Out" and "Bow Down." Mack 10 has sold



Mack 10

Kedar

almost three million albums and also has his own record label, Hoo-Bangin' Records. His first three records made it gold and Westside Connection's Bow Down album reached platinum. The other entertainer of the evening is comedian King Kedar who had a cameo in this year's movie "Funny People" starring Adam Sandler. Kedar has also appeared on BET and King of Jacks Comedy.

Come downtown and check out the show at The Nile, 1721 19th Street.

Local artist offers quality tattoos not available at expo

By Scott Joseph
Staff Writer
sjoeph@runner.csub.edu

Tattoos have become a popular item to acquire on one's self.

It is popular among all walks of life, bikers to preachers, and movie stars to the average joe.

Popular shows like "Miami Ink" and "LA Ink" bring the stories and back-stories of tattoos to the public, who might not normally experience such things.

Local shops like Naked Alz on Eye Street are well known for the quality work that comes out of their doors.

Naked Alz has been around since January of 1995. Shop manager Rob was kind enough to share some of the great things about Naked Alz. Rob also tells me that they prefer to use first names and nicknames only of the tattoo artists.

The shop uses all sterile equipment, inks, needles and metal tubes that will only be used once.

Upon entry to the shop, you will see that the shop is very clean and that speaks volumes for the standards of cleanliness for the shop.

Rob went on to share great things about the artists who work at the shop. The store features Colby with over 20 years of experience, Ray Ray with 19 years, Wayne with seven years, and Ed with six shop years.

The shop is fantastic, and has a great set up for business; after all, there has been a tattoo shop in its location for the past 40 years.

Rob said, "All work is original, each artist will take an idea and put their own artistic skill into a piece. Each artist has the expertise to talk with you to get the right tattoo for you."

Rob goes on to describe that in doing so, the artist will help you find the right

size, placement and level of detail involved in each piece.

All artists are exceptional, and can work in any style, from portraits to traditional, from new school to old school, whatever your taste, there is someone who can accommodate you.

Naked Alz is open Monday through Saturday. Monday through Thursday from noon till 9 p.m and noon till midnight Friday and Saturday.

With the Tattoo Expo taking place on Oct. 17 and 18, Rob from Naked Alz tells me that the Expo will mostly be comprised of out-of-town, and out-of-state artists who are building clientele. The booths are expensive and usually the tattoos are marked up in price to pay for the booth charge. Rob also tells me that the artists at Naked Alz are happy staying in the shop where they will do their art at their normal rate, instead of marking up the work to pay for their booth at the show.

'Couples Retreat' not worth the price of a ticket, your time

By Patrick Arvizu
Entertainment Editor
fauxnewsfan@gmail.com



There is so much wasted talent in "Couples Retreat" that it blows my mind.

A comedy, written by the same people who wrote "Swingers," staring Vince Vaughn, and directed by that little boy from "A Christmas Story" sounds like a safe bet, doesn't it?

This reminds me of a story.

Last quarter, my girlfriend and I went to the movies in hopes of seeing that cheesy sequel to "Crank." We arrived late, and watched "17 Again" instead.

We almost died. The movie was just that bad.

On Sunday, my girlfriend and I went to go see "Whip It."

We arrived late, and ended up seeing "Couples Retreat." Instead of learning our lesson and waiting until we could get in to see "Whip It," we bought our tickets and almost died again.

"Couples Retreat" is about four couples, Vince Vaughn and Malin Akerman, Jon Favreau and Kristin Davis, Jason Bateman and Kristen Bell, and Faizon Love and Kali Hawk. They all have problems, ranging from Bateman's perfectionism, to Vaughn's selfishness, to Faizon's inability to keep up with Hawk, his 20-year-old girlfriend.

Instead of working these problems out like adults, they decide to go to a resort island and hope that everything just magically goes away.

The things that bother me about this movie are the same things that bothered me when I watched "17 Again." They are both completely unoriginal films aimed at thirteen-year olds.

Except while "17 Again" was aimed at the boy-crazy, thirteen-year-old girl demographic, "Couples Retreat" is aimed at the immature, thirteen-year-old boy demographic.

There is a yoga instructor in the film who, while dressed in nothing but a Speedo, spends a lot of his time rubbing his bulge on every single one of the main characters. It is something a thirteen-year-old would think is hilarious. I am fairly certain that counts as sexual assault, but it is still funny to some people I guess.

There is a Guitar Hero duel in slow motion, complete with music straight out of a Spaghetti Western. Grown

I wanted to take a baseball bat to the projector and beat out all of the clichés.

men playing Guitar Hero. This is something a thirteen-year-old would think is clever too.

As for my claims of unoriginality: anyone who has seen any film staring Vaughn in some tough-guy role has seen this character before. Anyone who has seen an episode of "Arrested Development" has seen Bateman's neurotic character, also.

I am not going to include the ending of this plot in this review. Not because I want to avoid spoilers. I honestly do not know what happens at the end.

Does Vince Vaughn learn to stop being so self-centered?

Does Jason Bateman save his marriage? Does Faizon Love get back together with his ex-wife? Does Kali Hawk die of alcohol poisoning?

I do not know and I do not care.

I do not have the answers to these questions because near the end I decided I could not take it any more. I got up and left because I started getting angry at this movie. I wanted to take a baseball bat to the projector and beat out all of the clichés.

If I knew the ending I would tell everyone so they do not waste their time and money.

I know I paid for my ticket and that most people would say I should stay and get my money's worth, but I already wasted my money; there was no point in wasting my time too.

Somehow, this piece of crap made \$35 million. I know it will only continue to make more money.

I do not know why, but the thought of this making more money disgusts me, and yet for some reason I feel a little relief. I think I have hit the low point of this quarter's movie reviews. You can not get much lower than "Couples Retreat." Unless they remake "17 Again."

I do not want to give this movie any stars. It put me in a bad mood by reminding me of my past mistakes. I am still bitter I spent money on Zac Efron.

Scott Joseph's Mind: All that glitters is not golden (or a real/vampire)

[Cont. from Page 2]
teenage girl who falls in love with a vampire, and I use the term vampire loosely.

This vampire is 107-years old. I am not entirely sure on this, but I am pretty sure this is grounds for pedophilia.

That is right, I went there. She is 17, and he is 107? If someone were to stop aging physically like a vampire, I would not think that the mind or the brain would stop progressing as well. If so, we would have a bunch of vampires that do not progress, they would be stuck with the mentalities that they had at the time of their transformation. All the

while they are covered in glitter when in the sun?

Yeah, that is right. They look like they are covered in glitter. If I see one person with glitter on themselves and fangs at the cinema, I will burst out in laughter.

This fantasy world that has been conjured where vampires now glitter and fall in love with young girls does not work. What is horrible about this mainstream vampire lore is that other crap is now around us, with shows like True Blood, that capitalize on even more horrible vampire lore by mixing sex with it.

Sex and vampires.

The only good to come from the "Twilight" series

is that it has people reading, mind you it is garbage, but it is still reading.

If one were to be interested in a proper vampire book, they should look into books from "Vampire: The Masquerade" line of novels, even books by Anne Rice, Bram Stoker's "Dracula," and "Vampire Wars: The Von Carstein Trilogy" by Steve Savile. Mind you, these books may be a little bit more adult than "Twilight."



Many people have dressed in costume for movie premiers, such as the Harry Potter films.

Cartoon by Scott Joseph/The Runner

Fall barbecue cooks up another success

By Matt Ortega
Staff Writer
mortega3@sbcglobal.net

Do you like barbecue? Do you like sports? Well on Thursday Oct. 8th, CSUB hosted the 31st Annual Fall Barbecue to support the Roadrunner Athletics Department. If you did not attend, you missed the largest event hosted by CSUB since last week's luau at Replay.

The Halloween-themed event was held at the Icardo Center with smoked hickory aromas in the air, a live band, cold beer on tap and free wine, it was a party indeed. President Mitchell was in attendance as he welcomed event-goers at the gate.

The Icardo Center was crowded with costume clad students, family and friends looking to have a good time while supporting the



Ashley Sizemore/The Runner

Above: Community members enjoy a meal while supporting CSUB athletics. **Below:** President Mitchell greets a barbecue guest.

Athletics Department. The fundraiser looks to attract about 2,600-2,800 supporters annually, and it clearly showed as attendance clearly peaked as the evening progressed.

The lines were long heading toward the barbecue, which included a choice of New York steak or teriyaki chicken, beverages, sides and desserts. I personally want to thank the person who thought of offering free wine; I think I speak for all students 21 and over when I say the wine vendors are always welcome on campus, in my book. Four dollars for a small cup of domestic beer was a bit much, but the food was great and the atmosphere was vibrant and friendly.

A plethora of sponsors lined the inside of the Icardo Center as they offered raffles and auctions for guests. The Bakersfield Condors were offering a free suite to one of their

upcoming games as the season is set to kick off, while the Athletics Department auctioned off free dinners at popular restaurants, Nike golf drivers and even an authentic football autographed by Joe Namath.

The event is held twice a year to raise funds for the general scholarship fund as well as special events. Among the volunteers at hand, CSUB baseball players Mike McCarthy and Juan Padilla, had this to offer: "Students should help support athletics because it represents a sense of pride for school achievements beyond the classroom while representing academic success."

Athletes volunteer to meet the fans who support them. It is this sense of appreciation that keeps the community supporting our athletics program and our athletes while they maintain a positive and active role in the

community.

Erica Silva, a long-time supporter, said "I go every year since I'm a former athlete, plus this year is different since it is Halloween-themed." Also, it helps that she is a self-confessed "big fan of steak."

If you had to miss this event, there will be another one in the spring. CSUB has been the home of some of the most popular events this quarter.

Instead of whining about how CSUB has nothing to offer and is a dead campus, how about you go to some of the big events like the luau or the Fall Barbecue and socialize with friends or ditch your old ones and meet some new ones. CSUB has a lot of good events to offer, you just have to make a little effort and be there to see where the night takes you.



Ashley Sizemore/The Runner

Via Arté colors the community

By Lydia Reyes
Staff Writer
benakittie@yahoo.com

Bernie Herman, 58, executive director and CEO of the Bakersfield Museum of Art, sponsored the 11th annual Via Arté event. It was open to the public and received about 10,000 visitors during its two-to-three day run.

The parking lot in front Von's in the Marketplace was sectioned off and subdivided into squares for street chalk paintings.



Local artists create chalk drawings on the streets of the Marketplace parking lot.

Professional artists were allowed to work on their pieces starting Thursday night, while the high schools started on Saturday. Via Arté is one of the better-known events in Bakersfield, because artists make a big impact on a more intimate level with the community.

"It stimulates the economic being of the culture and brings the community to the essence of bonding," said Laughing Horse, 54, an artist who also works with several on-campus artists at California State University, Bakersfield.

The 2x2 squares, AKA the bambino squares, for kids and adults were available Saturday and Sunday. There were about 350 to 400 bambinos and numerous spaces available for high schools and junior high schools. BMOA offered up to four squares for schools. Generally, the art classes will pick students to participate and complete the art pieces. The larger squares, 12x12, are either individually sponsored, or sponsored by companies and organizations within the community. They started at \$125 to \$10,000.

Art League, the art club from CSUB, received two squares participating in the event, along with other students who attended.

"You have a lot of fun talking with friends and other artists. It's definitely something I look forward to," said Becky Osterdock, 24.

Artists are brought in from all over state. This year several artists were invited from San Luis Obispo. Similar events are held in the central coast and in San Diego, which recently had theirs last week. With all the different pieces made, some of the artists chose a style that depicted their heritage.

"It brings a lot of originality and lets people know there's a few of us around, and we have talents and ambitions like everyone else," said Marco Krebs, 53, Custom Metal and Wood Fabricator. Krebs is a Native American artist.

Cash prizes were offered for the best art with the placement of first, second and third in two different categories. During the event, a local band called Thee Majestics played near the main fountain at the Marketplace singing away both pop and oldies tunes.

Further into the performance, the Bahiyya Almas Belly Dancers performed in front of the large crowd of spectators.

The community gathered together at this free event and demonstrated that even cities like Bakersfield are not as boring as some believe it to be.

For more information about Via Arté and other events, please visit the website www.bmoa.org or call (661) 323-7219.

Crime beat

Compiled by Ashley Sizemore
Editor-in-Chief
bookbabe89@yahoo.com

Friday, Oct. 2

2:44 a.m. Found property report. Occurred at Science 3. TI-84 calculator. Disposition: Report taken.

10:02 a.m. Generic fire call/Not specified. Occurred at Gosford Road and Camino Media. Reporting party needs a report for a vehicle fire that occurred off campus. The vehicle is a university vehicle. Disposition: No further action required.

4:57 p.m. Traffic collision. Property damage only. Officer initiated activity at Stockdale Highway and Gosford Road. Disposition: No further action required.

6:27 p.m. Skateboarders or illegal vehicles on campus. Officer initiated activity at Health Center. 10-6 with three juveniles. Disposition: Assignment completed.

11:38 p.m. Check the Welfare. Occurred at Parking Lot H. Disposition: Report taken.

Saturday, Oct. 3

2:05 p.m. Disabled vehicle. Officer initiated activity at Parking Lot K. Disposition: Advised and complied.

2:40 p.m. Emergency phone or 9-1-1 call. Occurred at Parking Lot B. No response. Disposition: False alarm.

Sunday, Oct. 4

2:49 p.m. Petty theft report. Occurred at Parking Lot I. Disposition: Report taken.

3:31 p.m. Suspicious vehicle. Officer initiated activity at Don Heart East. Dodge ram is stopped in middle of the road. Disposition: No further action required.

5:49 p.m. Emergency phone or 9-1-1 call. Occurred at Parking Lot A. No response from emergency phone from Lot A. Disposition: False alarm.

Tuesday Oct. 6

1:13 a.m. Found property report. Occurred at Business Development Center. Dodge Neon car key on a Knott's Berry Farm key chain &

2G SanDisk Cruzer jump drive. Disposition: Report taken.

9:05 a.m. Found property report. Occurred at Business Development Center Classroom Building. Disposition: Report taken.

10:05 a.m. Found property report. Occurred at Parking Lot J. Disposition: Report taken.

11:34 a.m. Lost property report. Occurred at University Police Department. Lost permit. Disposition: Checks okay.

12:01 p.m. Petty theft report. Occurred at Doré Theatre. Small purse was stolen. Disposition: Report taken.

3:09 p.m. Suspicious circumstances. Occurred at Dining Commons. Disposition: Assignment completed.

8:28 p.m. Suspicious circumstances. Officer initiated activity at Parking Lot K. Reporting party stated that a pickup's car alarm was going off for some time now and there was an unknown individual walking around the vehicle. Reporting party was unable to give a description because it was too dark outside.

Disposition: Non-criminal. Subject is owner. No further action required.

9:42 p.m. Suspicious circumstances. Occurred at Walter Stiern Library. Reporting party wants to report stickers inside the elev. which say, "your under surveillance." Disposition: No further action required.

Wednesday, Oct. 7

11:14 a.m. Found property report. Occurred at Student Union. Blanket. Disposition: Report taken.

3:25 p.m. Found property report. Occurred at Music Building. Keys. Disposition: Report taken.

3:50 p.m. Suspicious subject. Officer initiated activity at Camino Media and Scarlet Oak Boulevard. Disposition: Information only.

6:50 p.m. Traffic collision (Property Damage Only.) Occurred at Parking Lot K. Disposition: No further action required.

7:59 p.m. Suspicious vehicle. Occurred at Parking Lot H. Reporting party reported that the vehicle alarm has been going out for some time and hasn't gone off. Disposition: No further action required.

Women's soccer plays for a cause

By Manny Beltran
Sports Editor
methical19857@yahoo.com

On Friday Oct. 16 the CSUB women's soccer team will face Seattle University at home on the Main Soccer Field.

They will play like it is any other game.

They will watch film to prepare like any other game. Everything leading up to the game will be routine, but when they put on their uniforms something will look and feel different.

They will be wearing pink uniforms.

The women's soccer team will be wearing pink uniforms as a sign of unity among all of the women of the world. A unity against one of the leading causes of death to women –

breast cancer.

This year is the second year that women's soccer will be donning the pink uniforms. On Oct. 8, 2008, the 'Runners wore the pink uniforms in a home game against Pepperdine. Although the result of the game was not in favor of the 'Runners, a 1-2 loss, the event itself was successful in raising money for breast cancer awareness that was donated to the Links for Life foundation.

Junior midfielder Faith Perry said, "I think it's a really important cause and the girls get excited about the game."

The uniforms the 'Runners will wear on Friday will also be auctioned off in a silent

"It's for people all over the world and we're supporting them, showing that we do care..."

- Sam Pena

Fans are encouraged to wear pink to the game.

auction and all proceeds from the event will go to the Links for Life foundation which provides women with mammograms and ultrasounds to check for breast cancer.

Links for Life will also have volunteers answering any questions people might have about their foundation or how to get the proper tests.

Van Dyke is hoping to get a big crowd at the game, and with the help of the Bakersfield Girl Scouts, she expects the community to come support both the team and the cause.

For one 'Runner, the subject of breast cancer hits close to home.

Freshman forward Sam Pena had an aunt find out she had breast cancer and saw as her aunt battle through the disease.

Pena said, "I was kind of scared at first. All that was going through my head was 'she's going to die' but she got through it and now she's helping out in many ways and part of the cancer society. She's going to be at the game, and I'm going to play really, really hard for her."

The same sentiment was felt throughout the team about the importance of the game, as a way to support those who have gone through something as life altering as breast cancer, and to make others aware of the seriousness of regular breast examinations, but Pena said it best:

"It's for people all over the world and we're supporting them, showing that we do care by doing something for the community. If we win, we're going to win for everybody."

ASi receives low turnout

[Cont. from Page 1]

Custodial staff members will be lessened and there will be a discontinuation of certain programs, like the HAWK HONORS program, and other services. Class sizes will continue to increase, hiring on-campus and salaries will be frozen, travel and organizational realignments will happen and layoffs will be executed.

The administration is trying to minimize the impact on students as best they can.

Instead of entirely closing down the campus, it remains open all furlough days including the financial aid and student financial services. In the case of the library, hours were rescheduled when it had the fewest number students using the facilities.

Class sizes were increased to accommodate students. Most faculty accepted the challenge of putting more time into tasks like grading more papers. Some, in relation to the furlough days, assign projects to assure learning outcomes are met. There are more online courses being offered than before and many departments are helping students schedule their full year options in advance.

"I thought the question and answer was very informative. And the issue pertain to current and future events that will effect students' educational experience at the university," said junior Kevin Hoffred.

ASi hopes to improve social networking with students through websites like

Facebook and Myspace. Another goal is to better establish our relationship with Antelope Valley and connect with those in charge over there. Thus, the CSUB Runner Corps was founded by both the district and the state to lobby in a more organized and professional way of setting attainable goals.

The California State Student Association consists of 23 universities lobbying for a purpose to challenge and change the resulting policies of budget cuts. You can be a part of this by supporting two important bills in the administration and senate.

AB 656 imposes 9.9 percent oil and gas severance tax, 30 percent of which would go to CSU's. SB 48 supports textbook affordability.

"I appreciated that they gave straight-forward answers which is usually rare. It's sad there weren't more people here," senior Michael Meija.

Ten students out of thousands arrived to this assembly. Still President Horace Mitchell and the ASi student body conducted themselves as if speaking to a full audience answering each question to the fullest.

Leon asks for help writing letters or signing on the letters already made to put pressure on the legislation. If anyone wishes to contact her with any questions or suggestions, send your e-mails to: rleon@csub.edu or call, Leon at: (661) 654-3487.

Safety course returns

[Cont. from Page 1]

this program will receive a manual to refer back to, study and practice after the course is complete.

Why RAD?

RAD is the largest network of its kind and is endorsed by the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administration.

RAD has over 7,000 instructors who teach at various colleges, universities and law enforcement agencies internationally.

The RAD program has trained over 300,000 women throughout the U.S. and Canada since 1989. This is the only program that

offers a free lifetime return and practice policy.

If you want to learn how to defend yourself, then sign up.

Call campus police at 654-2111 and see if there is an available spot. There is a refundable deposit of \$20 once you complete the 12-hour course.

Women can download a copy of the deposit agreement at www.csub.edu/BAS/police/rad.shtml, and click on the link next to "more information or to register now."

National Geographic

[Cont. from Page 1]

"What was interesting is [the film crew] was looking for background movement," Negrini said. "They took lots of shots of me walking around campus."

If Kern County was a state, it would be the fourth-largest oil producing state in the nation, according to Horton.

Horton thought the show was informative to the average audience.

"The average person doesn't have the knowledge of where gasoline comes from," Horton said.

Negrini said he thought the show was interesting. "I learned a lot watching it," he said.

This was both professors' first time appearing on a nationally televised show.

"Anything that showcases CSUB on a national level, is something we all need to jump on," Horton said.

Horton added that it was interesting watching how a national TV show was put together.

"I thought it was a lot of fun to work with people who do the filming," Horton said.

Both professors said they would do it again.

"I had my seven seconds on national TV, and I didn't make a fool of myself," Negrini said.



Photo courtesy of Casey Spinetti

Phi Sigma Sigma Fall 2009 Class

Alma Ceja
Stephanie Chavez
Brittany Cobbs
Melissa Duran
Mari Gonzales
Alma Gutierrez
Emily Hedlund
Krystel Labrousse
Chance Lanyon
Raiana Maldonado

Karla Mancilla
Heather Matauka
Raqueell Salazar
Emily Schnell
Matilda Shank
Athena Skapinakis
Shannon Smith-
Conrad
Courtney Tanner
Jennifer Tutop



Photo courtesy of Jessica Ayler-Kelly

Gamma Phi Beta: Beta Theta Class

Angela Chavez
Rubi Gutierrez
Chelsea Rouleau
Shelby Hannah
Elizabeth Arellano
Ashley Hoskison
Brianne Holloway
Samantha Clifton
Chelsea Jordan

Caitlin Chernenko
Andrea Solis
Kyrstin Cordero
Monisha Bilyk
Maritza Ayala
Megan Wade
Keisha Watt
Daliah Mueller

Kappa Sigma:

Chad Alame
Roy Angulo
Brian Brennen
Austin Brown
Marc Busch
Alan Crane

Jason Goklaney
Joel Hembree
Jose Hinojosa
Paul Hsueh
Kevin Johnson
Saul Lewis

The Kappa Pledge Class, 22 pledges in all, is the largest class since the founders class in 2005.

Mario Lopez
Cameron Mahoney
Dwight Mashburn
Adrian Morales
Ahmad Rafah
Brandon Sanchez

Alex Williams
James Wilson
John Wilson
Paul Wilson



Manny Beltran/ The Runner

The 'Runners get together before the fifth set against UC Riverside.

CSUB loses heartbreaker to UC Riverside

By Manny Beltran
Sports Editor
methtical9857@yahoo.com

On Oct. 9 the CSUB women's volleyball team lost to the UC Riverside Highlanders in five sets 15-25, 20-25, 25-16, 27-25 and 15-10.

The loss dropped the 'Runners' record to 10-11, while UC Riverside posted just their second victory of the season with a record of 2-12.

The 'Runners took the first two sets 15-25 and 20-25, taking early 4-0 and 3-0 leads respectively.

Coach John Price felt that even though they won the first two games, the team had not played their best.

"I was relieved that we were up two [sets] to zero. I didn't feel like we were in control, we were not playing very well and we were still winning. I kept telling the girls 'Hey, we gotta pick it up,'" said Price.

With just one set away from victory, things went south for the 'Runners as they quickly found themselves in a 6-0 hole in the third set. It

was not that UC Riverside had great kills during the first six points, all the points came from 'Runner errors.

Two were service errors and three came from a surprising source, the 'Runner's best player, Lindy DeGear, who had three attack errors.

"Once we get a couple error runs, some of us shut down and we need to learn not to do that because that's our biggest weakness. We need to learn to focus and stop the errors," said DeGear.

In the fourth set, the Runners tried to regroup and stop UC Riverside's momentum. Both teams dug in and battled their way through a fourth set that included 16 ties and eight lead changes.

Points were hard-earned in the fourth set from both sides. Each team made great defensive digs that kept rallies going back and forth with no team letting up easily. The players on both sides fed off the energetic crowd as the tension mounted from each dig, blocked kill and dive for wayward balls made the crowd erupt with excitement.

The 'Runners led late in the fourth set 23-21 and were two points away from defeating UC Riverside, but again, errors became a factor as well as good hitting by UC Riverside's Dominique Cowling and Tonbara Youpele.

Cowling and Youpele combined for five of UC Riverside's last seven points, with the other two coming from CSUB errors.

The loss of the fourth set seemed to take away any kind of momentum or focus the 'Runners had, and in the fifth set, the 'Runners fell behind again quickly 6-1.

Price said, "We had a lot of mental errors. It wasn't like they were executing. [In the fifth set] we had 11 errors out of their 15 points. I definitely felt it was us not taking care of business."

The 'Runners hope to take something positive out of this loss.

Kayla Williamson said, "This is the kind of game that was a challenge for us, but in the end we'll come back a lot stronger because we'll learn from it."

Male Athlete of the Week

Junior swimmer Chad McKenzie set a pool and meet record in the 100-meter individual medley with a time of 59.06 at the USC Invitational on Saturday Oct. 10. McKenzie is a transfer student from Limestone College. Next up for the swim team will be a friendly meet against CSUB alumni at the Hillman Aquatics Center on Saturday, Oct. 17 at 10 a.m.



Courtesy of CSUB Sports Information

Female Athlete of the Week

On Sunday, Oct. 11, sophomore goalkeeper Kym Gause recorded nine saves against Long Beach State. The teams played to a 0-0 double overtime draw. The shutout against Long Beach State is the fourth of the season for Gause. She has 80 saves for the season overall. Next up for the women's soccer team will be Seattle University at home on Oct. 16 at 7 p.m.



Runner Roundup

Compiled by Taylor Gombos
Staff Writer
utayo2003@yahoo.com

MEN'S GOLF

Junior Levi Garcia shot a final round one over par 72 to lead the CSUB men's golf team to a fifth place finish at the Firestone Grill College Invitational in Nipomo, Calif. on Oct. 6.

Host school Cal Poly San Luis Obispo won the invitational with an overall score of 859 while California State University, Fullerton finished second with a score of 866.

Aside from Garcia, junior Kyle Morrison tied for 18th by shooting a final round 76, while James Moseley tied for 22nd by shooting a final round 70, which was the lowest score of the tournament for the Roadrunners.

The 'Runners' next match will be at the Bill Cullum Invitational hosted by California State University, Northridge on Oct. 26.

WOMEN'S GOLF

The CSUB women's golf team recorded a team score of 969 to finish sixth out of 10 teams at the Firestone Grill College Invitational on Oct. 6.

CSU Northridge and Cal Poly tied for first with a score of 917, while UC Riverside finished third with a score of 941. Santa Clara University finished fourth with a score of 948.

The 'Runners were led by sophomore Jennifer Davison, who finished 15th shooting a final round 76 and Ashley Neal who finished 19th shooting a final round 80.

Other notable scores for the 'Runners include; Jenna Barnett who tied for 23rd with a final round of 82, Dana Arneson who finished 31st with a final round of 83 and Meggan Bellows who finished 47th with a final round 86.

The 'Runners' next tournament will be at the Cal Poly Invitational on Nov. 2-3.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

The CSUB women's soccer team has a record of 0-1-1 in the last two games.

The 'Runners failed to score a goal as they were defeated by the Pepperdine University Waves 1-0 on Oct. 8 at Tari Frahm Rokus Field.

The only goal of the game was scored by Pepperdine's Michelle Manning in the 61st minute of the match.

The 'Runners had a total of seven shots, while Pepperdine had a total of nine.

The leading shooters for the 'Runners against Pepperdine were Kassi Massey who had two shots, and Daisy Vazquez who had one shot total which was a shot on goal.

For Pepperdine their leading shooter was Laura Cole who had four total shots and two on goal.

CSUB Goalkeeper Kym Gause had nine saves and recorded her fourth shutout of the season as the 'Runners played to a 0-0 tie against Long Beach State on Oct. 11.

The 'Runners had 10 shots with six shots on goal, while Long Beach had 18 total shots and nine on goal.

Sam Pena led the 'Runners with six shots, five of which were shots on goal, while Shawna Gordon of Long Beach had five shots with two on goal.

The 'Runners who have an overall record of 4-8-2 will play host to Seattle University Oct. 16 at the Main Soccer Field.

MEN'S SOCCER

Despite out-shooting their opponent 16-6 the CSUB men's soccer team played to a 0-0 tie against Cal Poly on Oct. 10. Both Kory Kindle and Alberto Navarro had two shots apiece and each had 1 shot on goal.

The 'Runners had a total of eight shots on goal for the match.

Both goalkeepers played well as Eric Shannon of CSUB played all 110 minutes recording four saves, while Cal Poly's Brett Finkelstein recorded seven saves.

The 'Runners who have an overall record 5-3-2 will travel to Las Vegas to take on University of Nevada Las Vegas on Oct. 16, and then they will head to Albuquerque, N.M. to face the University of New Mexico on Oct. 18.

CROSS COUNTRY

The CSUB cross country team finished in eighth place out of 13 teams in a 6k race at the UC San Diego Triton XC Classic on Oct. 10.

The 'Runners had two competitors finish in the top 25.

Junior Arianna Celis led the 'Runners by finishing in 17th place with a time of 23:14.3, while fellow junior Casey Glassey finished 25th with a time of 23:43.0.

Other notable 'Runners who finished the race were; Judith Mata who finished 57th with a time of 25:00.4, Lina Nuez who finished 64th with a time of 25:32.4 and Christa McCann finished 72nd with a time of 25:59.1.

The 'Runners final meet of the season will be on Oct. 16 at the Cal State Northridge Invitational.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING

The CSUB swim teams opened up their seasons with solid performances by several of its swimmers at the University of Southern California invite on Oct. 10.

For the women's team, Stephanie Donnelly, Rachel McCall, Louise Westergren and Brooke Penny finished fourth in the 400-meter medley relay with a time of 4:30.95; USC won the medley with a time of 4:14.89.

Individually for the 'Runners, McCall won the 50-meter freestyle in 27.64, junior Michelle Kroll finished third in the 100-meter individual medley with a time of 1:12.03, while Donnelly finished the same event in second with a time of 1:09.95.

For the men junior Chad McKenzie set a pool and meet record finishing first in the 100 meter IM with a time of 59.06.

Other notable finishers for the men were; freshman Jake Priest who finished fourth in the 100 meter IM with a time of 1:02.65, senior Adam Pawlowski who finished sixth in the 1000 yard freestyle with a time of 10:20.84 and freshman Logan Peeples who finished fifth with a time of 4:37.15. Both teams along with women's water polo will host an Alumni meet on Oct. 17 at the Hillman Aquatics Center before heading to a dual meet on Oct. 31 at University of Pacific.

TENNIS

The CSUB tennis team received a dominate performance from their freshman class at the Cal State Fullerton Intercollegiates on Oct. 9.

Freshman Gabriela Horton led the 'Runners with a two set victory over Lani Agsalud of Fullerton 7-5, 6-0 while Julian Mannix defeated Fullerton's Katie Nichols 6-2, 7-5. The event wasn't all good for the 'Runners as some of their returning players lost their matches.

Sophomore Nefeli was defeated by Jordan Kimura of Concordia Irvine 6-0, 6-3, junior Ashlee Thorneycroft was defeated by CSU Northridge's Zarina Pisnoy 6-0, 6-1 and sophomore Veronica Dimas was beaten by Julie Luzar of Long Beach State 6-2, 6-3.

The 'Runners next match will be CSUN Matador Intercollegiate on Nov. 10-12.

Upcoming Home Games

Women's Soccer

Friday, Oct. 16 vs. Seattle University @ 7 p.m.

Men's and Women's Swimming

Saturday, Oct. 17 vs. Alumni @ 10 a.m.

Women's Waterpolo

Saturday, Oct. 17 vs. Alumni @ TBA