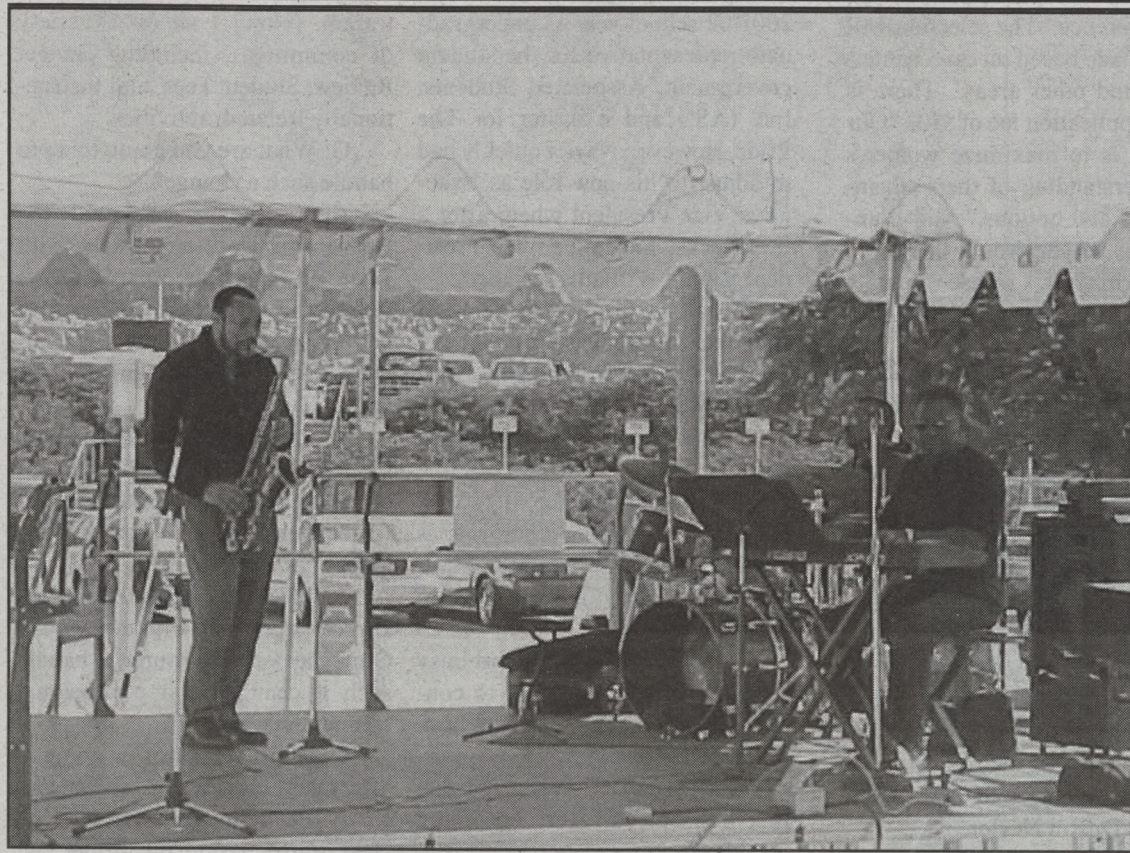


"Love is composed of a single soul inhabiting two bodies." Aristotle

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Time and Again, a local Jazz band plays on the Dome Terrace to kick-off Black History Month. Musicians pictured are: "Sugar" on the keys, Earl Baults on the say, and Charles Smith, Assistant Director of Upward Bound at CSUSM, on the drums.

President of Associated Students, Inc. Resigns

By MELANIE ADDINGTON
For The Pride

Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) shifted powers again on Friday, Feb. 1 when Dean Man-ship resigned from his position as student president and Executive Vice President Dustin Naylor took over duties as President of ASI.

"It was hard cleaning out my office ... I was fighting with it. I really wanted to stay but I need to work and pay bills," said Man-ship.

This is not the first major change in the ASI staff this year.

First, Darlene Willis, Execu-tive Director, left before the Fall 2001 semester. Susana Gonzalez stepped in as interim director until Keith Speers took over three months ago.

Then, Vice President Vinnie Williams resigned after his first few weeks in office due to per-sonal reasons during the fall semester. The board replaced Wil-liams with Undergraduate Repre-sentative Dustin Naylor.

Now the 24-year-old business

graduate, Manship, has resigned after serving three semesters.

"Although I am sad to move on, I do so in confidence that Associated Students will continue to grow and remain the official voice of the students of Cal State San Marcos. I do believe that this organization is better now than when I arrived, and on its way to being even greater with your guidance and support," said Man-ship in his letter of resignation.

The two resigned heads of ASI, Dean Manship and Vinnie Williams, were elected by approx-imately 245 students, or 3% of the campus population.

However, more changes are anticipated for ASI as a new semester unfolds and a vice presi-dent has yet to be elected in place of Naylor.

"The system can work with-out a vice president. The duties are delegated to other officers," said Dr. Francine Martinez, vice president for Student Affairs, and President's Designee on the ASI board of directors.

Martinez said she is excited about >>>Article cont. on pg 2

New Parking Proposal Will Increase Fees

By: GEORGE BURGESS JR.,
Pride Staff Writer
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In an Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) committee meeting on January 23, Parking Services pre-sented a "Zoned Parking System" proposal, which would convert all campus lots to general lots and implement a proximity pay-ment system, a system in which "the closer you park, the more you pay," according to Parking Services Technology Coordina-tor Robert Williams.

The proposal, which is sched-uled for a vote on February 18, will, if approved, increase the

cost of parking in designated areas to as much as \$200 a semes-ter and could go into effect as early as Summer 2002. Students pay \$62 per semester to park on campus, while students at nearby Palomar College and San Diego State University pay \$108 and \$30 per semester to park in any student lot, respectively.

Williams reiterated the plan is still in the proposal stage, but said, "The president can approve the proposal; it doesn't have to be voted on." President Gonzalez was unavailable for comment.

ASI President Dustin Naylor said the committee voting on the

issue has four spots for students to sit in. "I encourage students to use their voice, and join the com-mittee if they want to have a say in how the proposal is handled," said Naylor.

The primary goal of the "Zoned Parking System" is to generate revenue for future park-ing construction costs, including two more surface lots and a park-ing structure, needed to match population growth and physical development.

"We've got to go up - we're running out of surface space," said Williams. One of the chal-lenges Parking Service faces is

creating another lot specifically for residents when the dorms open, scheduled for 2004, as well as funding the cost of the two new surface lots and a structure.

Current calculations, accord-ing to the minutes, indicate that without increasing revenue, the university parking operation will be "in the red" in two years. According to Williams, the uni-versity must have, due to bond measures, two-thirds of the con-struction costs in a reserve bank account two years before con-struction begins.

Williams called the proposal a "hot topic" and said that Parking

Services is approaching groups on campus "for feedback and suggestions for improvement."

Because faculty and staff have their parking fees protected by contract, which can only be negotiated through the California Faculty Association (CFA), Park-ing Services cannot raise faculty and staff parking fees

Williams said, "We have to have a \$14 a month area for park-ing, because that's what faculty/ staff pay to park. If we can't raise their fees, due to bargaining unit issues, we have to provide an area for them to park."

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President Gonzalez Appointed by President Bush to the Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans

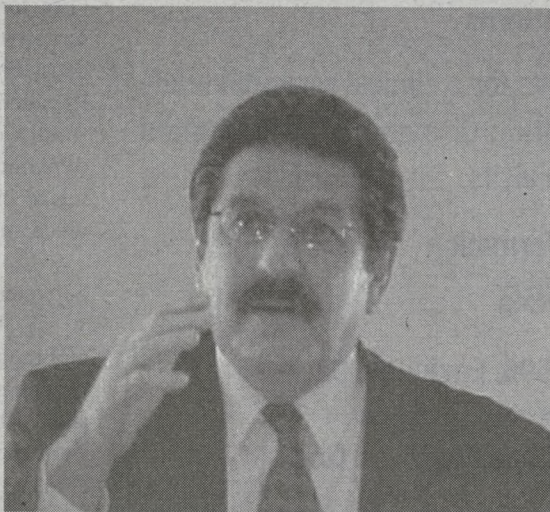
By MARTHA SARABIA
News Editor

President Bush appointed Cal State San Marcos President Alex-ander Gonzalez on Jan. 28 to serve on Bush's Commission on Educational Excellence for His-panic Americans. Gonzalez is one of only two Californians that have been appointed to this com-mission of 17 members, and the only president of a institution of higher learning.

According to Gonzalez, the purpose of the commission is to prepare Hispanic Americans to go on to higher education or at least to graduate from high school and gain the ability to get

a good job. "I would hope that one of the purposes would be that we get more Hispanic or Latinos into the university level or beyond in professional schools," said Gonzalez.

"The most obvious benefit for CSUSM is that I am going to be rep-resenting the university and people will know that San Marcos exists. This is one of the bar-riers that we have today. Raise the awareness level of the campus, and the more indirect benefit is that some of the advisory will be enacted and local



President Gonzalez.
Pride Photo/James Newell

students can benefit from that," said Gon-zalez. "What I learn from the commission hopefully I can share with the campus com-munity."

Gonzalez said his role as a professional educator will be to look at the high drop-out rate of Hispanic students; and he will bring his experiences and findings to the commission.

"We can close the achievement gap but one of the major issue for higher education is

student preparedness...You can get in college but if you are not prepared it is not going to last. Therefore, retention becomes a very important issue," said Gon-zalez. "If students are not pre-pared well, that is going to be a barrier for or to their success."

Furthermore, Gonzalez said that the high drop-out rate of Hispanics is a nation-wide prob-lem. "Just about every state of the Union has a Hispanic speak-ing population of some size ... It is a big issue."

Gonzalez, who was born and raised in East L.A. and attended Garfield High School, will now have the opportunity to be in >>>Article cont. on pg 3

Women's Leadership Conference

By CLAUDIA IGNACIO
Pride Editor

"Decisions Count!" is the theme for this year's Women's Leadership Conference. After a three-year lapse, on Friday, March 8, 2002, Cal State San Marcos will once again host the women's leadership conference.

This year the committee is targeting North County women from local high schools, CSUSM and the community. The two high-school partici-

pants are Valley Center High School and El Camino High School.

"Mentoring is our primary concern, and by creating small groups in those divisions the conference will be more structured," said Director of Student and Residential Life, Bridget K. Blanshan. The event includes workshops for each and all of the groups and a keynote speaker. In addition, the topics will include networking, balancing work and personal lives, effective communication, and

staying healthy. The conference is a one-day event.

The committee is taking applications from which a total of 90 women will be selected to participate in the conference. The selection will be made based on career interest and other areas. There is an application fee of \$10. "Our goal is to maximize women's understanding of their advantages and options," said Blanshan. If you would like more information, please contact Julie Wright at 760-750-4970.

ASI President Resigns

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the changes, but that the first thing she did after hearing of Manship's resignation was to check in with Naylor because he was taking on his third position in ASI this year.

Martinez said that at the first board meeting since Manship's resignation there is "an enhanced purpose within the organization."

She said this enhanced purpose comes partially from Manship's continuity in leadership from last year and partially from Keith Speers, new Executive Director. "Dean built a foundation. He created a board that could step in within a moment's notice. [When he began], Keith Speers breathed some new air and excited ASI," said Martinez.

Manship ran for re-election last May after serving two semesters as ASI presi-

dent. "I knew I was graduating in December, but I didn't think of it that way," said Manship, when asked if he planned on leaving office while campaigning for re-election.

Manship said that his personal goal "that students never knew or saw" and one he accomplished was the restructuring of the ASI organization. Business practices of the organization were cleaned up and "we had to get everything in line for the chancellor's audit this year," said Manship. The audit is still in process.

However, Manship said that, while in office, he would have liked to put together more programs. When prompted for ideas, he explained that former student Rita Reynolds brought the idea of a laptop-leasing program to ASI, but the idea was never developed by the board.

Manship said he also had

ideas about an electronic board that posts the day's events, similar to the one at SDSU. "Posting at the university is rough and not very student centered. It's like they don't want it to seem like a university campus sometimes," he said.

But, at the end of his term, Manship said he feels confident leaving the board in the hands of Executive Director Keith Speers and new president Dustin Naylor.

For now, the Executive Vice President position and College of Education representative positions remain unfilled. However, campaigns for next year's positions begin March 1 and voting will happen in May. Whether the two positions will be filled by the end of the term or by the time other candidates begin vying for positions has yet to be determined.

Q&A with New Student President: Dustin Naylor

By MELANIE ADDINGTON
For The Pride

Dustin Naylor began the 2001-02 school year as undergraduate representative for the student government, Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) and a writer for The Pride. However, Naylor quickly had to adjust to his new role as Executive Vice President when, after a few weeks, Executive Vice President Vinnie Williams resigned.

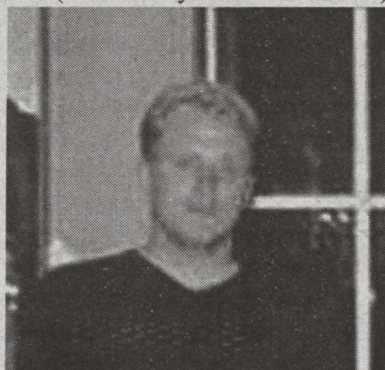
Although the bylaws for ASI state that the student president can name his new VP, Manship asked the board to decide on the replacement for Williams. The board chose Naylor.

After one semester as VP, he had to again adjust to a new role as student president when Dean Manship resigned at the beginning of the spring semester.

Due to Naylor's new and busy schedule, The Pride chose to conduct an e-mail interview with him. It proceeded as follows:

(The Pride) Q: When did you first find out you were becoming president?

(Dustin Naylor-ASI President)



Dustin Naylor. Pride Photo/Archives

A: I was told Dean had turned in his resignation at 5 pm last Friday.

Q: How do you feel about being promoted in such a short amount of time (four months) to VP and then to President?

A: It's a very exciting and unique experience to sit on the Board of Directors. I strive to contribute to the students of Cal State San Marcos the same compassion and integrity, whether my position is Undergraduate Rep., Executive V.P., or President.

Q: What strengths do you bring to the job?

A: As a transfer student, I quickly became involved in student organizations here at Cal State San Marcos. I served as recruitment chair and corporate secretary for Sigma Alpha Epsilon, one of the largest student organizations here on campus. I sat on the Board of Directors as Undergraduate representative and Executive Vice President for ASI before accepting the President's position. Being constantly exposed to a diverse and dynamic group of students enables me to clarify and express student voice and opinion.

Q: What is the big difference between the two positions?

A: As President, I am the official representative for the corporation on campus, in the community, and with schools and organizations thereof. I serve as sole mediator to the Board of Directors and generally supervise and direct the business of the officers of the corporation. Both positions deal mainly with meeting on university and ASI

committees. Whereas the Exec. VP handles issues regarding students, the president focuses more on dealings with faculty and administration. [Now] I sit on a variety of committees, including Budget Review, Student Fees, and Instructionally Related Activities.

Q: What are you going to do to handle such a change?

A: Prior experience with the Board and working closely with Dean in the last couple years makes the transition to President very comfortable. Time management and good communication is key.

Q: Does it say anything about the ASI administration how someone can easily jump around to different positions in such a short amount of time?

A: The face of the Board of Directors changes with every year. Our bylaws are structured to handle such a change in a professional business manner.

Q: Is this new position going to affect your classes this semester?

A: It definitely affected my class status within the Pride. But for the most part: No.

Q: What else is going on at ASI right now?

ASI is currently in the middle of Black History Month, sponsoring a scheduled calendar of events, including a Black History Month Breakfast featuring keynote speaker Dr. Karen Whiteheart-Payne on Friday, Feb. 15. We have included men's and women's lacrosse and soccer in our list of recreational activities, and are excited about the formation of a coed surf team, which is expected to be highly competitive at a national level. Come spring, we expect a huge turnout for intramural basketball, flag football, and drop-in volleyball.

Q: Do you think you will run for re-election in May? If not, why? If so, why?

A: I graduate in May; I will not be running for re-election.

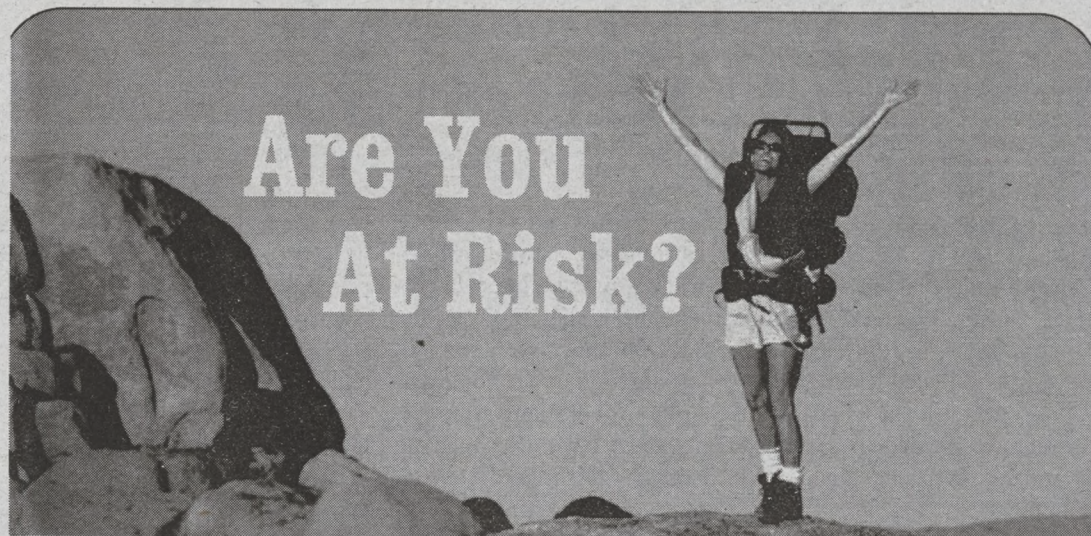
Q: What advice do you have to new students (as far as getting involved)?

A: I would advise that students try to meet new people. College is a networking strategy designed to bring individuals together to create successful partnerships and lasting friendships. I encourage students to get involved with clubs, recreation sports, Greek life, honor societies, and on-campus programming.

ASI provides room for involvement in student and university-based committees, giving students voice in decisions that affect them.

I would also like to see interaction within the transfer and graduate community here at Cal State San Marcos. Gaining insight from upper-classmen helps our university in that the opinion voiced now will contribute to educational standards, policies, student fees and programming to come in later years.

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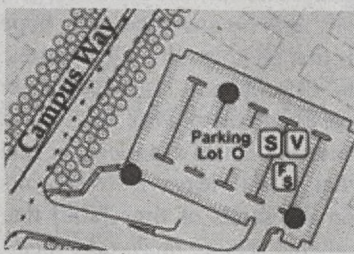
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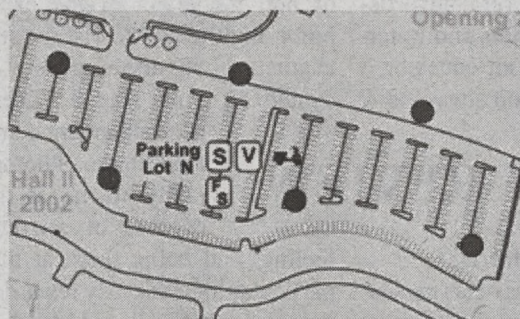
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Parking Fee Increase Promises a Better Structure



CSUSM Parking Lots
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That area would, according to the proposal, be in Zone 3, which will include lots B, N and O. Although faculty and staff currently park in the lot closest to campus (E), if the proposal goes through, that lot would fall into the newly instated Zone 1, which students would then have access to for \$50 per month. Faculty and staff would be required to park in Zone 3, the \$14 per month zone in which students may also purchase parking.

Williams said that Parking Services has "run into resistance from union representatives on campus" regarding zoning the lots.

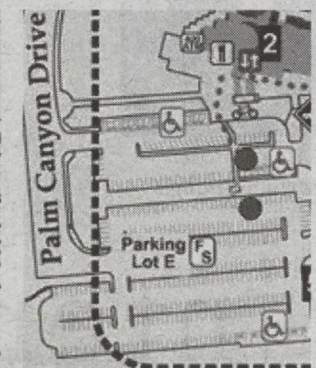
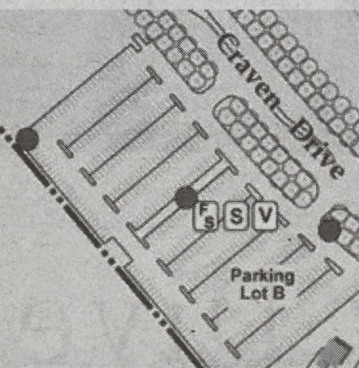
According to the proposal, this new three-zone system is designed to allow flexibility for

all users by segregating zones based on proximity to campus. In addition to the \$14 per month Zone 3, two more zones will be designated. Zone 1, which would consist of lots C, E, and N, would run students \$50 per month, per space. Zone 2, or lots B, C, J, N, and O, would comprise the \$30 per month spaces.

A consultant was brought in last semester to assess the parking situation on campus, and recom-

mended the zonal parking system, suggesting that both the shuttle and stack parking was not cost effective for Parking Services, according to the minutes from the January 23 meeting.

Parking Services has asked ASI to assist in bringing students accurate information about the proposal and its effects. Parking Services falls under the jurisdiction of Campus Enterprises; but Director Dora Knoblock could not be reached for comment as of press time.



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President Gonzalez Appointed by Bush

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the same commission as Jaime Escalante, the other Californian appointed to the commission and who became famous in the 1988 feature film, *Stand and Deliver*. The film was modeled after the predominately Hispanic Garfield High School.

The Commission members will do four things. First, they will advise U.S. secretary of Education Rod Paige on the progress of Hispanic Americans in closing the academic achievement gap and meeting the promise of the new No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. Second, they will monitor and measure the performance of federal agencies in creating federal initiatives within the Hispanic community and hold them responsible for improving the participation of Hispanic Americans in federal education programs. Third, they will identify suc-

cessful methods of expanding parental, state and local government, private sector, and community involvement in improving education. Fourth, they will recommend ways the federal government can assist Hispanic parents successfully prepare their children to graduate from high school and pursue postsecondary educational opportunities.

The commission members will work together to deliver interim and final reports to President Bush. Gonzalez said that the first meeting of this commission will be at the end of the month. The commission will endure a little more than one year with, the final report due no later than March 31, 2002, and shortly after that the commission will terminate.

New Bus Route: 347

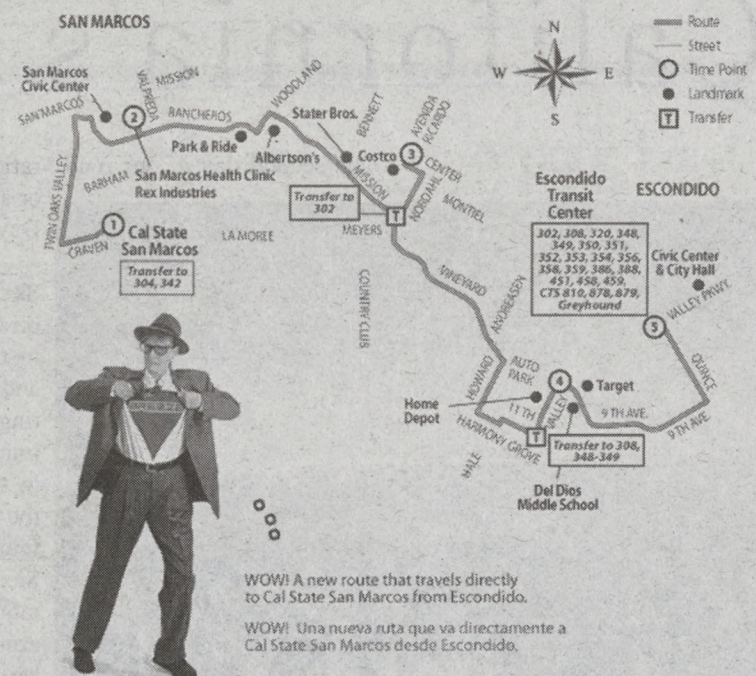
By CLAUDIA IGNACIO
Pride Editor

On February 17, the North County Transit Center District (NCTD) will introduce their new name: "A Breeze throughout North County."

NCTD will change its name to accompany the many route changes that the new Fast Forward program

brings to North County residents.

Among the new adjustments, Cal State San Marcos' students coming from Escondido can choose to take the new route number 347. For more information on the new routes and changes please stop by Commons 203 to pick up a new Rider's Guide.



Seeing Through the Sand of Time



By MARLINO BITANGA
Pride Staff Writer

The theme "seeing comes before words" describes the meaning of celebrating Black History Month through the perspective of artist Major Morris, who has amplified the life and times of inner-city youngsters by presenting diverse black and white images in his photography exhibition: "Sands of My Time: An Eclectic View."

"The children in these photographs are reminiscent of

how I grew up and the struggles I encountered groping my way through an underprivileged youthful existence. These images show that kids have hopes and dreams that need to be nurtured," said Morris.

Currently a North County local, Morris' passion for photography was uplifted and motivated by the birth of his daughter and complemented by his skills of working in a dark room. His personal discovery enabled him to build a bridge between passion and profit. "I shot

photos for MIT, several advertising agencies, painters and watercolorists. And as an educator, I found that education always took me to photography, and photography always took me back to education," said Morris.

The uniqueness of his presentation lies within the arrangement of the photographs displayed. According to Morris, there was no specific way of organizing the pictures. However, structure

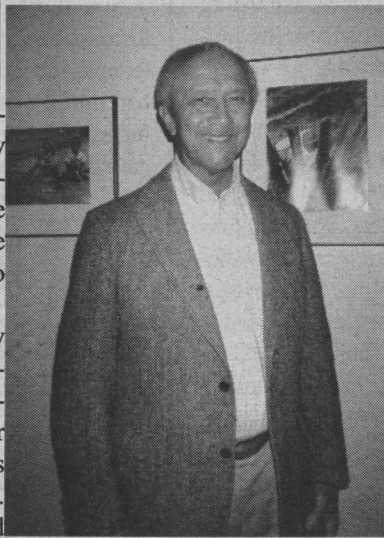
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or not, the effect of the exhibition highlights Morris' artistic character. "Everything here is candid. It is not staged. There is no statement being made here. Photography, to me, is the essence of sensing, feeling, and being there at that particular moment. My reward is the interpretation," said Morris.

Morris' versatile approach, utilizing photographic landscapes, still-life imagery, and abstract concepts has not only given him a voice of expression, but a medium to share his love

and passion for life and photography with his audience. "My hope is that photographs will continue to offer honest and significant observations on life as I have and continue to experience it, and that I will leave ... footprints on the sands of time [and] that others, seeing, may take heart again, and perhaps, affect meaningful change," said Morris.

Major Morris' "Sands of My Time: An Eclectic View," will be on display in the library throughout the month of February.



Art Exhibit by Major Morris
Pride photo/Marlino Bitanga



California's Winter Diversity

The second day of our road



By: JAMES NEWELL
Pride Editor

Day One

Under the luminescence of the earth's night lantern, our long loop around California began as we headed up the 395 toward Lake Tahoe. The night was partially clear, and when the fog and haze gave way to a patch of clear sky, we noticed the rays of the full moon reflecting off the snow that collects in the mountaintop valleys. As the moon and the haze battled throughout the last hours of early morning, we passed through moments of eerie half-darkness, any and all light obscured by low-lying clouds. Then, just as we were forced to slow our speed to a crawl along the winding mountain road, the fog broke and the moon's rays combined with the snow's white glow shining almost as bright as day.

Day Two

trip was the generally expected and most recognized excuse for a party, New Years Eve. We were staying with friends in the downtown area of South Lake Tahoe, which is situated on the California and Nevada border. Everyone met at our friend's apartment, and after a cold, slippery walk we neared the casino area on the Nevada side of the state line. Riot police, darned with clubs, pistols and shielded visor helmets, lined the barricaded streets, which were open only to foot traffic. In a menacing, yet contradictory peacekeeping action, the police funneled the sheep-like herd of people toward the blocks surrounding the casinos. In and around the casinos it was a Mardi Gras-style scene of drunken disorder and mayhem, as vacationers and locals alike rode the blur of alcohol and gambling into the new year, screaming and bantering at all possible points of inspi-

ration, like a scantily clad woman or an unlucky slip on the ice.

Day Six

Gliding atop the Heavenly Ski Resort on a gorgeous bluebird day, the view extended out to the point where vision stops and imagination takes over. Sitting down in the snow at approximately 10,000 feet and taking in the scenery is a testament to the diversity found in the Sierras. The mountains all around were completely blanketed with deep snow, but from certain vistas on the mountaintop we could see

TRAVEL

at the base of the range leading up to Lake Tahoe. I scanned the countryside and followed one particular mountain from its peak to its base. I was mesmerized by the land's transformation. As my vision descended the mountain, I observed the lush evergreen trees and snow-covered hills disappear and slowly lead into the valley and barren flat farmland of Gardnerville.

Day Eight

We arrived in Santa Cruz the night before and even though it was still cold, there was no snow, and I could once again smell the ocean. I love the mountains and

the beauty only found at extreme altitudes, but there is something about being close to the ocean; it just feels like home. After a morning of slowly waking up and shaking off the long, rainy drive from Tahoe, we took off to find the waves of Santa Cruz, which all surfers have heard about. When most people think of the beach and surfing, they think

more intense. The water was cold and uninviting; I could actually feel the difference in density. When I fell it was much more difficult to penetrate through the surface of the water. And when I was beneath the water, the cold penetrated deep into my bones, at times, to the point of pain. It was a dip into the menacing natural elements of the Northern Califor-



about a sunny Malibu day with warm water, surfers in swim trunks, and families playing on the beach. Going to the beach in Santa Cruz in the winter was not at all the commonly accepted image of surfing; it was much

nia Coast. The waves were big, and although I had a great time, it was much more serious than what most surfers consider fun. By the end of the day, I felt, both mentally and physically, drained.



Tricks of the Trade

By: GEORGE BURGESS JR.

Pound cake
1 lb. sugar
1 lb. butter
1 lb. flour
1 lb. eggs

Method:
Mix and bake in oven at 350 degrees until the cake looks like you want to eat it.

Cookie Dough / Sweet Dough
1 lb. sugar
2 lbs. butter
3 lbs. flour

Method:
Mix ingredients and bake at 350 degrees. Get creative and add your favorite chocolate candy or some fruits and nuts to the dough.

Pie Crust
3 lbs. flour
2 lbs. shortening/lard
1 lbs. water

Method:
This basic piecrust is perfect for any fruit pie

Chocolate Sponge Cake
30 eggs
30 ounces sugar
25 ounces flour

5 ounces cocoa powder
1 lb. butter or margarine

Method:
Mix ingredients and bake

Vanilla Sauce
1 qt. milk
½ lb. sugar
6-8 eggs
1 or 2 vanilla beans, sliced in half

Method:
Mix ingredients thoroughly and heat under a low flame until the sauce thickens to a medium consistency; remove and chill. When is it done? The spoon test. Take a spoon, and dip it the sauce. What you are looking for is whether or not the sauce evenly coats the spoon without running off it. Remember, this is a sauce that will render vanilla scrambled eggs if over-cooked or cooked on a high flame.

Tips:
Remember to weigh your dry ingredients and use measuring cups for liquid ingredients, including eggs.
Always combine your liquid ingredients first and slowly add your dry ingredients to avoid lumps; use a mixer when possible.
Don't worry about time and temperature -- 350 degrees until it's done. Have fun!

Cheap Romantic Dining

By, LISA LIPSEY
Pride Feature Editor

This Valentine's Day put on your saddle shoes and head down to Oceanside Beach. Ruby's Diner, located at the end of the Oceanside Pier, is definitely the right place to eat or share a milkshake. From the cute uniformed waitresses, to the black and white checkerboard floors, to the Jukebox Oldies, Ruby's is a fun throwback to the 1950's.

Ruby's menu includes classic diner favorites: burgers (any style, including turkey, veggie or chicken), tacos, and salads. They also offer frings (a basket mixed with French



by Norman Rockwell.
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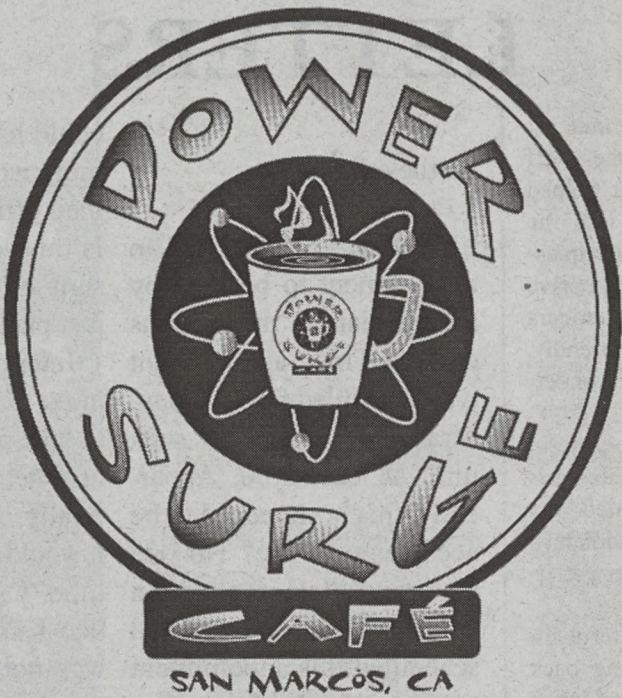
"Sunset" by Norman Rockwell.
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Fries and Onion Rings). When ordering a milkshake, you can't go wrong, they have plenty to choose from and they are definitely big enough for two.

Okay, so why go on Valentine's Day? Ruby's is the ideal spot to watch the sunset and the price is right: the menu ranges from \$3 - \$15. Plus, after dinner, you can kick off your shoes and walk along beach.

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Do “labels” Matter?

By MARLINO BITANGA
Pride Staff Writer

With Valentine’s Day creeping slowly around the corner, some of us may recall the incident in the 5th grade when we were passed a folded up, heart-shaped letter that read, “Will you be my boyfriend/girlfriend? Circle yes or no.”

In spite of this memory from our adolescent past, we can look at this situation as our premature, ceremonial way of obtaining the title boyfriend/girlfriend

to justify a committed relationship with someone. However, I feel this condition has created a fixation or a demand for the individual to have such a “title.” So my question is, if you are dating someone exclusively, and you both know where you stand with each other, does putting a “label” on your relationship matter?

According to Elaine Lee, a senior at Cal State San Marcos, it does matter. “Not having the title suggests that the relationship is an open one and that each

individual in the relationship is free to date other people. If there were a title, dating other people would be considered cheating.”

Likewise, John Burke, a sophomore at CSUSM stated, “the title is the security blanket of the relationship. It’s what makes it official.”

Not everyone may agree with these viewpoints. Tisha Flores, a communication major at CSUSM, said a label does not matter. “As long as both individuals know how they feel for each other, that’s all that matters. If the

relationship is denied, then that’s bad.”

Nina Robinson, a sophomore at CSUSM, agreed that if you establish an understanding with each other, then the title becomes little more than a social statement. Jen Jarrell, a CSUSM communication major, added, “A label is not important because the relationship you build together creates an unspoken connection between each other. There is no need to proclaim a title.”

I feel that “titles” and “labels” can be misused and appear coun-

terfeit. For example, a man could acknowledge a female as his girlfriend, but yet turn around and kiss someone else. What did the title “girlfriend” mean in this episode? It falls along the same lines as saying “I Love You” or saying you want a “wedding” vs. a “marriage.”

Whatever the case may be, I believe that what you have accomplished within a relationship with someone has more meaning and sincerity than any “title” or “label” will ever have.

CORRECTIONS.....

Michael McDuffie is a professor of philosophy, not psychology, as was printed on page one of the Pride last week.

Between about 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 6 and 2:30 p.m. on Friday,

Feb. 8, our email, at pride@csusm.edu, was not receiving any

mail. Everything was lost out there in the land no one

wants to talk about - I can only imagine where and what

sort of information is awaiting discovery.

But anyway, if you mailed anything to the address above,

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Not our fault, but we apologize for any inconvenience this

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LETTERS

To the editors:

A week ago I wrote about my frustration in dealing with the Cal State San Marcos system and the inflated bureaucracy. However, I want to acknowledge that right after my complaint, several campus staff took time to work with me to get my situation resolved.

My problem ended up being much more than having my classes dropped (as I originally thought). Instead, my graduation was delayed due to annoying paperwork problems. An independent study I took in place of another class needed to have paperwork signed by the teacher to prove the independent study could be used for the class. I was not informed of that when I originally took the class; because of this I did not know I had to go searching to fix the paper problem while I was still a student. I know now.

For the two weeks before the semester, I ran around the campus from office to office

trying to solve my dilemma.

Along the way, the staff at the enrollment desk helped me every time I ran into the office asking yet another question. Other times when I have gone in there, staff members were polite, but hardly friendly. But this time they were wonderful.

Also, I was very grateful when Janice Meliska, of Records and Registration, healed my graduation woes immediately. Well ... once the proper paperwork was in place.

I am also very grateful for the time spent e-mailing back and forth with Gerrie Hatten in the financial aid office. She helped me tremendously with trying to deal with my financial aid struggles.

Just when I least expected it, this campus, and the people that work for it, came through for me.

Thanks.
Melanie Addington
Graduate Student

To the editors:

On Feb. 4, 2002, I had an appointment to be seen by a physician at the campus clinic. This appointment was scheduled for 1:00 p.m. Strangely, I wasn’t seen until at least 2:00. Apparently, this is supposed to be acceptable to me? No one made any attempt to explain why I was seen so late. I had scheduled this appointment so that it wouldn’t conflict with another appointment I had in San Diego. The delay I was forced to undergo at the campus clinic put me behind. I don’t think my delay was anything new to them. If I was to be seen at 2:00 it sure would have been nice for them to at least notify me so that I

could have done something more worthwhile than sit in their office for an extra hour. Is this sort of operation the sign of professionalism or just plain incompetence?

Interestingly, at least one nurse was proactive enough to take my vital signs ahead of time, so that when I was finally seen by the M.D., I wouldn’t be killing more time. I suspect the debacle that I was forced to endure was not only the result of a laissez-faire attitude at the clinic but the result of being understaffed. Considering the fact that California had a huge state budget surplus a little more than a year ago, and now it doesn’t, it is my judgment that it will be a long time coming before our “clinic” will see any sort of staffing addi-

tions. Where are our state government’s priorities? I hope that its name is on the list of those who are suing Enron for compensation. Wasn’t it Enron who high jacked us for our state surplus that could have helped pay for a better quality-control system on who is hired to work in the University medical clinics?

Shanti Harris
Junior
California Native

Olympics Begin with Glory

By ALYSSA FINKELSTEIN
Pride Staff Writer

Despite the controversy over flying the American flag from Ground Zero in New York City and the apprehension about security measures, the opening ceremony of the nineteenth winter Olympics in Salt Lake City went off without a hitch.

The Olympic committee had been fighting the movement to fly the Ground Zero flag at the ceremonies, fearing that it would put too much attention on the American athletes and take away from the global experience. After much deliberation, it was decided at the last minute to carry the flag into the stadium, but not to fly it. The forecasted winds were too high for the tattered flag to fly safely without further damage.

The winter Olympics this year are going to be the most expensive ever. The Salt Lake committee has estimated a cost at over \$2 billion dollars, over \$350 million of which will be spent on security alone. Friday night's opening ceremonies were The precautions were facilitated by the usual police and private security forces, as well as over 5,000 members of the military, including special forces and the secret service.

The special military units have been training for the last several weeks to secure against biological attacks, chemical warfare, and security breaches. Training for hostage rescue and negotiation as well as chemical, biological, and radiological decontamination was accompanied by an eerie pre-recorded emergency broadcast message in several languages.

Just hours before the ceremony, President George W. Bush met with the athletes personally, wishing them well and reminding them of the awesome responsibility involved with becoming heroes overnight to children across the world. Friday night's festivities were also the first time in American history that the president himself has declared open the winter Olympics. Previously the president had sent governors and/ or vice presidents in his place.

The opening ceremonies themselves were a patriotic combination of Utah's history and American pride, with reenactments of Native American festivities, settler migrations and the



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Men's Indoor Soccer Debuts

By MARTHA SARABIA
News Editor

Cal State San Marcos men's soccer team will have its first indoor league in the Spring 2002. School officials have defined the league as a way to keep players in shape for next season's league.

According to Khalid Alshafie, the men's soccer coach, the league will work as a fitness program and as a way for the players to work on their conditioning during off season and to get ready for next season.

Brad Schmidt, Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) Club Ser-

vice Technician, agrees with Alshafie by defining the program as an off-season extension of last semester's soccer participation and is intended to keep the player's skills sharp and maintain their level of fitness.

According to Schmidt, the 15 soccer players from the fall league will be participating in the indoor league that is coordinated by the City of Escondido Parks and Recreation Department, not by CSUSM.

Schmidt also said that the students on the men's soccer team are covering the expenses associated with this off-season league.

In order to become eligible to participate in the men's soccer club students must be enrolled at Cal State San Marcos and have paid all mandatory student fees. Also, new players added to this league will need to stop by the ASI office to complete a participation packet and must pay a participation fee of \$100 prior to playing.

CSUSM men's soccer team placed third in the Southern California Division of the NIRSA, or National Intramural Recreation Sports Association Intercollegiate Men's Club Soccer League last semester.

CSUSM Soccer Team
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It's Just a Matter of Perspective...

Compiled by James Newell
Pride Editor

"The road of life is rocky, and you may stumble, too. So while you point your fingers, someone else is judgin' you. Love your brother man."

"One and all got to face reality now. Though I try to find the answer to all the questions they ask, though I know it's impossible to go living through the past. Don't tell no lie."

Why boasteth thyself, oh evil men, playing smart and not being clever? I say you're working iniquity to achieve vanity, yeah. But the goodness of Jah Jah endureth forever."

"Emancipate yourselves from mental slavery. None but ourselves can free our minds."

"You see men sailing on their ego trips, blast off on their spaceships, million miles from reality; no care for you, no care for me."

Bob Marley

Tuesday Tuesday, February 12th Mardi Gras 6 p.m. - Midnight 4th and University in Hillcrest Proceeds go to youth scholarships Tickets: \$8.00 in advance, \$12.00 at the door.	Wednesday Wednesday, February 13th The Power of One Lesra Martin worked to free America's wrongly convicted prisoners. In celebration of Black History Month, he will speak at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido. 7 p.m. Admission: Free.	Thursday Thursday, February 14th Happy Valentine's Day	Month Breakfast Keynote Speaker Dr. Sharon Whitehearst Payne Dome Plaza. Admission: Free.	ASI Black History Month College Bowl Competition 12 noon. The Clock Tower Mezzanine.
		Friday Friday, February 15th Last Day to Add/Drop Classes Associated Student's Inc. Black History	Tuesday Tuesday, February 19th Deadline to register to vote in the March 5th Gubernatorial Primary Election. Register at www.sdvote.com	Campus Support Groups (Weekly) Stress Management Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. in Craven Hall 4110 Thinking About Quitting Meets Wednesdays, 1:15- 2:30 p.m.

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driving of the 'Golden Spike.'
The golden spike commemorates a pivotal point in Utah's history, in which the Southern Pacific railroad joined the Union Pacific railroad and shortened the travel time from New York to San Francisco from six months to six days, dramatically changing the future of the United States.
The ceremony was concluded with the raising of the Olympic flag and the lighting of the Olympic flame. The Olympic flag was carried by world athletes and leaders. There are traditionally eight flag bearers, each representing one of the five continents and one of the three pillars of Olympic competition -- sport, culture, and environment. Representing the Americas was former astronaut and United States Senator John Glen, now 80 years old. Representing Europe was Poland's former president Lech Walesa, who helped to bring down the Iron Curtain from the inside. Nobel Peace Prize winner Archbishop Desmond Tutu represented the continent of Africa, and 1998 Japanese gold medalist Kazuyoshi Funaki represented Asia. Australian gold medalist Cathy Freeman carried the flag for Oceania, and representing Sport was a three-time French Olympic gold medalist named Jean Claude Killy. Rep-

resenting the pillar of Culture was America's own Steven Spielberg, and representing Environment was Jean Michele Cousteau, son of famous environmentalist Jaques Cousteau.
The person honored with the lighting of the Olympic flame is traditionally kept a secret until the very last moment. As famous winter Olympians from as far back as 1948 escorted the flame through the stadium, no one knew who would be the last bearer of the flame to actually light the torch. Finally, it was handed off to the dream team of Olympic ice hockey from the 1980 Olympic Games.
This year's Olympics will offer seven new areas of competition -- the most unusual of which is a new Olympic sport called skeleton. Skeleton is similar to luge, but instead of traveling feet-first on their backs, the athletes travel head-first on their stomachs. The sport was invented in St. Moritz, Switzerland, and was previously included in the Games both times they were staged in St Moritz - 1928 and 1948. This year, a women's bobsleigh team will be added as an official event, as well as five new disciplines in Nordic skiing and two new races in speed skating. The format of the snowboarding giant slalom event has also changed.

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