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UVA resident in trouble over Facebook photo

BY KELLY CORRIGAN Pride Staff Writer

On November 14, a University Village resident came to The Pride informing us that they had received an alcohol

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paraphernalia strike for a photograph posted on their personal Facebook website. While it is generally not The Pride's policy to run unidentified sources, for means of protecting this UVA resident's privacy we have

chosen to withhold the names of all parties involved. All documents and personal accounts referenced within are still in possession of The Pride.

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ASI president supports controversial policy change

Students accountable for off-campus actions BY KELLY CORRIGAN Pride Staff Writer

Last Friday on November 17, ASI met for their weekly Board of Directors meeting in which they briefly discussed The Prominence Pilot Project that will affect all CSUSM students.

The San Marcos Sheriff's Department, The University Police and the Dean of Students' Office are adamant about addressing behavioral problems off-campus. The Chancellor of the California State University System has applied executive order 969 addressing student conduct to all CSUSM students. The Prominence Pilot Project is aimed at those individuals going off campus to the Prominence Apartments, drinking, then returning to campus and creating a potentially dangerous situation.



File photo / The Pride **CSUSM** will be enforcing student policy off-campus.

The Prominence Pilot Project references the occurrence of UVA residents walking to the Prominence Apartments for parties, and then returning to the UVA, intoxicated. As a result, in response to numerous problems ranging from alcohol poisoning, assaults, and noise from students, the San Marcos Sheriff's Department, Campus Police and the Dean of Students' Office are implementing this pilot program. Associate Dean of Students

Greg Toya issued this statement in regards to the new project, "In collaboration with the San Marcos Sheriff's Department,

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CIA holds seminar on campus

BY JONATHAN THOMPSON Pride Staff Writer

Last Tuesday, November 14, the week "Casino Royale" debuted in America, the CIA came to CSUSM. The event took place in the Grand Salon of the Clarke Field House. The CIA did not come to campus to extract sensitive information from dubious Cougars for the U.S. government. They came to offer careers in the CIA. After 9/11, the U.S. government gave an official order to the CIA in order to increase their organization by fifty percent. However, the aftermath of 9/11paired with the gravity of the order, caused an immediate shortage in the CIA. Another reason for the shortage in the CIA was due to the retirement of the baby boomer generation which con-

CSU faculty and students up in arms

BY AMANDA ANDREEN Pride Staff Writer

November 15 – More than a thousand heated protestors gathered at Cal State University Long Beach last Wednesday to voice their complaints regarding CSU spending directed towards the CSU Board of Trust-

ees. Roughly 1,500 students and faculty from numerous CSU schools joined forces in front of Dumke Auditorium at CSULB midday in hopes of expressing student and faculty concerns about the lack of pay increase for faculty over the past 18 months and the possible 10% tuition increase facing students in the proposed 2007-2008 budget.

Challenging the CSU Board of Trustees as they attempted to conduct business as usual at the Cal State Board of Trustees meeting, the trustees were unable to do so, adjourning the meeting prematurely, due to the mere multitude and unwavering allegiance

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Letter from the Editors: Violation of CSU Student's rights

It has come to the Pride's attention that the individual liberties and off campus privileges of students are in jeopardy. Under the order of the California State University Chancellor's office all CSU campuses are to modify an existing policy regarding student conduct off campus geared towards clubs and organizations to incorporate all students.

Currently all members of clubs and organizations must sign the CSUSM Student Conduct Agreement form defining intolerable actions in order to participate in school functions off campus. Under this new order all students will be subject to this policy without having to sign any such agreement. Executive Orders 969 and 970, and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations (full texts available on www.thecsusmpride.com) are being used to make students accountable oncampus for off-campus actions.

Locally, effects will be seen primarily by, however not limited to, UVA residents partying at nearby Prominence Apartments.

Any student found partying anywhere off-campus is now subject to CSUSM Administration. Those found at Prominence Apartments will now have to speak with the Dean of Students regarding their off campus behavior and face the consequences of their actions oncampus.

With the intention of providing a safer community for all members of the University, the new student conduct policy will allow any CSU police department, faculty member or university official to go off-campus and enforce stu-

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dent policy. This means that those found hosting parties, engaging in underage drinking, being drunk in public, or anything else off campus that is found to violate Title 5 will face punishment on-campus. According to Title 5, "Students are expected to be good citizens and to engage in responsible behaviors that reflect well

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We at the Pride Student Newspaper however, do have several objections to this new policy.

After numerous interviews with most parties involved in implementing and upholding EO 969, our concern is not with how the CSUSM community will enforce this policy but more how they

Why this new policy is potentially harmful to CSUSM students:
1) The personal liberties of students are infringed.

- 2) Students do not sign an agreement like clubs and organizations do.
- 3) Any University Official can enforce campus policy off campus.
- 4) Students are punished twice for offcampus crimes.
 5) Ambiguity of policy could lead to future abuses of power.

upon their University, to be civil to one another and to others in the campus community, and to contribute positively to student and university life."

We believe that in general CSUSM Administration, CSUSM Police, and CSUSM Faculty/Staff have always had the best interests of the student's in mind. We will even go so far as to say that this particular University, over most, prides itself in and actively demonstrating it's positive relationship between administration and students. could potentially enforce it.

As it is written, a student could potentially be found in violation of the student conduct code if, for instance, they were seen drinking at a wedding offcampus while underage, or using or possessing drug-paraphernalia, driving under the influence of alcohol, or violating campus computer policies such as using peer-to-peer sharing programs (limewire, kazaa, etc.) as so on. While each of these acts may represent something that is illegal by California law, punish-

MARY FOLEY

ment for these actions should remain under the governance of law enforcement off-campus. Financial aid, academic standing, even enrollment in the University should not be at risk while students are off-campus unless previously agreed upon by students and their respective University. While it is the

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Editorial Staff of The Pride's belief that the scope of Executive Order 969 is positive, and even needed; the framework of the policy is un-acceptable.

Currently ASI and campus administrators are working together to try and understand how exactly this order will be followed and implemented at CSUSM (it should be noted that regardless of these discussions, this policy will remain in place). Currently ASI has the charge of representing the will of the students; The Pride wants to make sure they do so accurately. We urge the student body to inform both parties, ASI and CSUSM Administration that our actions off-campus should not

be brought back on-campus. It is your right, unless previously waived, to behave in any manner you desire off-campus, so take a stand and protect it. Let the community know what you think, vote online at thecsusmpride.com or email us at pride@csusm.edu and have your opinions printed in the paper.

The conversation between ASI and CSUSM Administration is ongoing and still in its early stages. The Pride will keep you informed as changes or agreements are made between both parties.

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CSUSM's Coalition for Women's Prisons to hold vigil in front of Vista jail

BY KELLY CORRIGAN Pride Staff Writer

On December 2, CSUSM's chapter of Coalition for Women's Prisons will hold a vigil in front of Vista Jail for a woman who recently died. Professors Jodi Lawston and Sharon Elise are leaders of the coalition and will be spearheading the event. The coalition is still in its beginning stages on campus and it aims to expose the inequality of prisoners in women's prisons.

In 1995 the California Coalition for Women's Prisons began in the Bay Area when a lawsuit titled Wilson vs. Shumate sparked attention toward the inadequacies of the healthcare system for women in prison.

Since 1999, Lawston has been involved with prison activism. Lawston is currently in the midst of researching women in prison, social justice movements, and resistance to oppression within the prison system. According to Lawston, nine women died in 2000 from wrongful deaths in a six week time span. Most of the women were in their 30s or 40s and died from such illnesses as asthma attacks, Hepatitis C and AIDS. Each of these women lived and suffered with the illnesses without knowing they were ill.

After their deaths, officials found that the illnesses were explicitly stated in their files and that they had been denied of proper medical treatment. Following this situation, the legislator decided that something had to be done, but until this day, nothing has been accomplished in forwarding a better health system for women in prison.

When asked why prisoners are mistreated, Lawston replied, "Prisoners are an isolated group of people, they're not heard about in the media, they're invisible in the population of people. The idea is that people in prison did something wrong so they deserved to be punished." Lawston added, "An average of 65 prisoners have been dying every year due to poor medical care."

The improper treatment of women in Prison led Lawston and Professor Sharon Elise to lead the CSUSM chapter for the California Coalition for Women Prisons. Lawston says, "We are striving to raise awareness of the major problems and human rights violations that occur in the criminal justice system everyday; from racial profiling to the lack of adequate medical care. Like the mission statement of the main chapter of CCWP in the Bay Area, we want to raise public consciousness about the cruel and inhumane conditions under which women in prison live, and advocate for positive changes."

Recently, a young woman, whose identity is being withheld in respect to her family, died in the Vista Detention Center. According to Lawston, "On September 19, she was pulled over for reasons that are still unknown." She was arrested and sent to the Vista Detention Center. Once in jail, she communicated with her family and told them she was receiving a blood test because she was suspected of driving under the influence of a drug. Due to her poor health, she was confined to a medical cell. The guard on watch could see her through the window in the door. Two days later, she began to hyperventilate. A few hours later, it appeared that she was sleeping in her bed. A few hours before she was pronounced dead, she was seen lying on the floor of her cell.

When her family met with the medical examiner, the examiner told the family that the result of her death would have to wait, pending the results from toxicology. To this date, her family still does not know the cause of her death.

In remembrance for her death, the CSUSM chapter of CCWP will hold the vigil on December 2 at noon in front of the Vista Detention Center.

Lawston says, "This made us realize that little work was being done in North County around prison abuse, and we have Vista and The California Institute for Women right in our backyards. We also have many students who have family or friends in prison. We wanted to raise awareness of this recent death, and on a larger scale, the abuses that go on in the prison system all the time."

During the vigil, CSUSM's CCWP will be handing out flowers and lighting candles in her honor, and they will also present her family with flowers. Guest speakers will discuss the healthcare crisis in California's prisons and jails. Lawston says, "The knowledge that will be gained from this vigil is important because the degradation of human dignity in prisons, of our fellow citizens, reflects who we are as a society."



On November 7 at 10 p.m., a hit-and-run took place in parking lot F. The suspect hit two vehicles. Campus Police found the suspect, and the collision was resolved civilly.

On November 7 in lot F, a verbal altercation took place when a student attempted to park their Chevy Cavalier in an oversized parking space. Another student driving an Explorer wanted that particular parking space. Campus police resolved the situation.

On November 7 at 435 Carmel Road, the CSUSM Foundation building was burglarized. The burglar broke the window then fled through the door and stole a computer. The suspect was gone upon the arrival of the Campus Police; however, they were on the scene within one minute of receiving an alarm call from the alarm company. Campus Police immediately made a site assessment.

On November 14 at 12:30 a.m., a resident advisor of the University Village Apartments turned in .2 grams of their resident's marijuana to the Campus Police. They destroyed it shortly thereafter.



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Human development research conference

BY AMANDA ANDREEN Pride Staff Writer

On December 5, the Human Development Club will host a free Human Development Research Conference, and all Human Development students as well as students in similar fields of study are encouraged to attend. The event will take place in Founder's Plaza from 9 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. and will focus on open forum sessions with featured guest speakers Lisa Firestone, Ph.D, and David C. Herzog, Psy. D., M.F.A. Events will include a discus-

mate Relationships" with guest speaker Dr. Lisa Firestone, two Poster Sessions that exhibit student research in the biological and social science fields, a discussion entitled "GET OUT!" with Dr. David Herzog, opportunities to meet with speakers from Health & Aging agencies, as well as opportunity to learn about relevant internships and campus resources available to students studying Human Development.

The two featured speakers for the event, Dr. Lisa Firestone, and Dr. David C. Herzog, will both

sion entitled "Sex, Love, & Inti- be keynote speakers at their particular discussions. Dr. Lisa Firestone, is the Director of Research and Education for the Glendon Association. Also a practicing clinical psychologist, Firestone actively participates in conferences covering the topics of suicide, voice therapy, and couple relations. A widely published author, Firestone's most recent publication is "Sex and Love in Intimate Relationships."

Dr. David C. Herzog has spent the majority of his career working with culturally diverse populations on a variety of campuses. Currently the Clinical Services

Coordinator at Cal Poly Pomona's Counseling and Psychological Services, Herzog is also highly trained in addressing sensitive awareness about Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Issues. An advocate for LGBT persons, Dr. Herzog's latest book is entitled, "GET OUT!" which deals with the sensitivity of the coming out process.

In addition to the Human Development Research Conference, there will be a free preconference Mock-GRE event happening on December 2, sponsored by Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions. The Mock-GRE will

be held in Commons 206. Checkin time is 9:45 a.m., testing from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and the results will be given back at the Human Development Research Conference during the Kaplan session.

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For more information on the Human Development Research Conference, contact Dr. Eliza Bigham at ebigham@csusm.edu

For more information or to register for the Mock-GRE, contact Damien at: smrt001@csusm.edu

For more information on the Poster Sessions, email evans047@csusm.edu by Dec. 2 at 5:00 p.m.

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the University Police and the Dean of Students Office will be instituting a pilot program to address high risk behavioral problems in the surrounding community. Through the collaborative town/gown project, issues regarding alcohol poison-

assault/battery, ing, noise, and behavior that jeopardized health and safety of community will be addressed. When requested, the University Police will assist Deputies in responding to these issues. Specifically, we will be documenting hosts of parties, and persons who are either disturbing the peace or involved in high risk behavior. Students may be referred to the Dean of Students for alleged violation of the California Code of Student Conduct. The judicial process will follow the procedures

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-ASI President Roy Lee

noted in Executive Order Number 970. ASI has been invited to participate in the on-going evaluation of the pilot program."

If the Sheriff's Department and Campus Police find that students violate the Student Conduct Code, an investigation will take place. If the student is found guilty of violating the code, a hear-

ing will soon follow. The hearing officer will then decide if the student violated the Student Conduct Code. If the student has indeed, violated the code, a written report from the hearing officer will be sent to the University President. The president will review the officer's report and make the final decision on whether

> the student violated the code or not.

At the recent ASI Board of Directors meeting, ASI President Roy Lee made it clear that he is not entirely aware of what CSUSM students' rights are and that ASI would have to reconvene on December 1 to address the issue. "I agree personally that this specific executive order from the Chancellor's Office is something that benefits us in terms of our education for both students and administration. However, I feel there may

be still a need to reassess the avenue in which we need to take that."

Lee added, "At the moment, ASI has not taken a stance on the avenue the administrators have taken or the avenue of the Prominence Pilot Project."

Executive Order 970 in its entirety is available at www.thecsusmpride.com along with all related policies.

Media critic raises awareness of Katrina victims

BY HEATHER SHEDD Pride Staff Writer

During University Hour on Thursday, November 16, Jennifer Porzner brought a serious issue to the table regarding how society and political partisanship played into the portrayal of Hurricane Katrina, and the aftermath these perceptions had on the victims of the environmental tragedy.

Pozner is a widely published journalist and media critic whose essays have appeared in anthologies such as "What Do We Do Now?" and "The W Effect: Bush's War on Women." She founded Women In Media & News in 2001 and is the organizer of the National Feminist Coalition on Public Broadcasting. Pozner is also involved in many other feminist organizations and acts as a media critic regularly.

Jennifer Pozner came to CSUSM with a mission to reveal what she felt may have been hidden from the citizens of our nation as established by a bias media. The discussion that she brought at hand was centered on media's reaction to Hurricane Katrina during its occurrence, as well as its affect one year later. She opened the discussion with a reference to the New York Times headline on the day of Katrina's one year anniversary, which read "A Year After Katrina, Bush Still Fights for 9/11 Image." Her fighting position about a bias media

is first recognized in her concern of those ultimately victimized by such a tragedy but were so easily disregarded due to a priority in the seemingly more important affect in politics. "Notice, there's no word from the times, by the way, as to whether the victims have yet to recover." claimed Pozner, as she further stated her case that the victims of Katrina have not received due recognition for their suffering.

Further on into the discussion, listeners were reminded of the infamous racial controversy that our society has always seemed to return to under any circumstance. Pozner quoted captions of pictures from past articles during the hurricane, questioning why "Blacks were said to have 'stolen food' from abandoned places whereas whites were said to have 'found food,' though it was the same concept." She also quoted and criticized "The O'Reilly Factor's" Bill O'Reilly, and his comments, not only on race, but gender and politics as well. She then concluded her message with possible solutions that should, or can be taken, with high hopes that someday these solutions may just be put to the test; if only media would serve what she felt was proper and adequate information to the people at large.

Pozner commented that CSUSM was one of the first campuses in a year to be willing to hold a discussion of such a controversial topic as is the media's take on Hurricane Katrina and politics in America.

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stitutes a large number of CIA employees.

stated Dorcy who wanted to deadline and will have to wait clearly communicate the purpose of the CIA.

Throughout the seminar a few

until next fall semester to apply. The internship pays a proportional salary equal to that of an

online application.

"Take your time when filling out the application, copy and save your information because

for people with specific foreign languages such as Arabic. All relocation costs are paid for by the CIA.

This massive shortage in the CIA has lead to a hiring campaign that has also created new opportunities for the CIA. The CIA travels to campuses across the nation in hopes of hiring young, mature college students. The speakers for the seminar were Joe Dorcy, who recruits for the Clandestine Service of the CIA, and Michael Mow, who is head of the West Coast Recruiting Office for the CIA.

"The primary mission of the CIA is to collect, evaluate, and disseminate foreign intelligence to assist the President and Senior U.S. government policymakers in making decisions for national security. The CIA is not a law enforcement agency and the CIA does not make foreign policy,"

key points were stressed by both Dorcy and Mow: the CIA is looking for students with integrity, maturity, motivation, the willingness to live outside of the U.S. or in Langley Virginia where the CIA Headquarters are located, and they are looking for students with traveling experience and fluency in foreign languages, especially Arabic, Farsi, Urdu, Dari, and Pashto.

The CIA offers a summer internship for third year college students. To enter the CIA Professional Trainee Program, students must apply nine months prior to entering the program and must be at least 21 years of age. Students who currently want to enter the internship have already passed the November 1

entering CIA agent.

To enter the program, all students must apply online at the CIA website. A phone interview or a possible sit down interview will then be conducted. If the interview is a success then the CIA will send out a packet to the student. The packet includes SF-86 security clearance forms, financial forms and health documents. If the CIA approves the information in the packet, then the CIA will then conduct a polygraph test along with a physical and psychological evaluation.

Mow said, "You must not have tried an illegal drug within one year and not have a history of financial irresponsibility," Mow suggested a few things for the

you will not be able to edit your information later on. The objective box which we read first is the last question on the application so make sure you fill this out thoroughly. Mention that you attended the CSUSM CIA seminar. Explain why you want to work for the CIA and why you feel you are competitive," said Mow.

A career in the CIA has great benefits such as a 401K savings plan, a credit union, a work and family center, a child care center, annual and sick leave, life insurance, alternative retirement system, and great travel opportunities. Entering CIA agents can earn between \$47,000-70,000 a year. Sign on bonuses can be up to \$30,000

Dorcy has two college educated children and a wife. He and his family have spent 60-70 percent of his 25-year career with the CIA outside the U.S., moving every three to four years. When asked by a student if CIA agents were allowed to have families. Dorcy answered, "Of course, 80% of the CIA has married; your family will be moved with you, your children will always attend the best schools, and your housing and living costs will always be paid for."

Another student asked when they should start the application process. Both Dorcy and Mow responded simultaneously, "Now!"

For more information please visit: https://www.cia.gov.

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On October 2, a UVA resident, whose identity will remain undisclosed by The Pride, posted pictures of their self and their friends on their Facebook. com account. A picture consisting of two UVA residents holding an open bottle of champagne in what is questionably University Village Apartments was submitted to UVA staff. This picture would later find those in it in violation of UVA's alcohol paraphernalia code.

According to the involved parties, on the night they were drinking at the UVA, no incident report was made by any resident advisor, nor was there any form of complaint or notice of violation given to any party member. Twelve days later, the involved parties all received a strike from UVA Resident Director Ryan McRae after the Facebook pictures had been posted and turned in anonymously. With two more strikes, residents can be permanently evicted from the UVA.

Also according to the parties involved, on October 13 each received a neon pink flyer stating that "they had received a package" at the front desk. The same flyer all UVA residents receive when they have a package in the mail that is too large to fit in their mail box informing them that in order to receive the package they must go to the front desk and sign for it. However, after arriving at the front desk to receive the package, they were informed there was no package and were all given a strike notice instead. When asked why residents received this particular flyer before they received the strike notice, McRae said, "We want to make sure the residents receive the notice." McRae described how last year the UVA staff would deliver the strike notices to the residents' apartments but when that particular resident wasn't home, the strike notice would never leave the hands of his or her roommate.

"On the back of my letter was a black and white picture of me and my roommate and our friend holding a bottle of champagne. We weren't drinking [from] it; my friend was just holding it in [their] hand. My roommates all



ASI board members discuss Prominence Pilot Project.

got different pictures."

Shortly after receiving the strike notices, a meeting with the UVA Resident Director was scheduled. Each of the residents held pending strikes against them and were told that they needed to schedule a one-on-one appointment with McRae. During the meeting, they were told that the source of the printed photographs was anonymous. "At the meeting, we all admitted that we had been drinking and we each received one alcohol strike." McRae said, "Sometimes we get envelopes in our box marked UVA and we won't know what it is till we open it. It's always from residents who choose to remain anonymous." McRae described that especially last year, the UVA directors experienced a huge influx of anonymous residents turning in other resident's photographs found on Myspace or Facebook accounts. ' I would hate for students to lose an opportunity with a career to pictures on their Myspace or Facebook, pictures they wouldn't want to see out there."

The undisclosed resident received a strike because they were underage and drank alcohol on UVA property. McRae says, "When the photograph captures a resident breaking UVA policy, then they will receive a strike. It works the same way if we see a picture of someone climbing out of the third story window. Basically, anything that could kill them."

All residents who receive a strike regarding alcohol must attend one alcohol class. The parties in mention received a strike because they were underage and they broke the policy stated in the UVA handbook. Under the Alcohol, Drugs, and Paraphernalia section of the UVA handbook, it reads, "We do not search for images of residents drinking, but digital images or photographs are useable for proof of consumption if it occurs on UVA property."

The undisclosed resident also received a flyer addressing the alcohol class. The flyer is titled Alcohol Class and reads, "Location: Community Building. Bring a piece of paper and a pen. Good times. If you can't make it, you will need to write a 6 page paper on "The Dangers of Binge Drinking on College Campuses. See you there!" Below the text is an image of what looks to be an intoxicated man holding a bottle of alcohol. "This letter was not appropriate and it basically made fun of our situation," said the resident. When asked about the flyer, McRae said, "I want to be fun about it. I know college kids drink. I get that. But this class isn't like traffic school. It's about being successful in school, it's about making healthy choices that won't have a negative impact on education. During the alcohol meetings,residents share their experiences with each other. McRae says, "Students will learn from each other more than they'll learn from me."

The resident also commented that "This doesn't make me want to live in the UVA again because I feel that instead of understanding that we are all at college and experiencing new things, I feel like I'm being babysat and every single thing we do is subject to punishment in any way possible. With this in mind it's obvious with the amount of freshmen and other students going to Prominence every weekend, that the students don't feel comfortable drinking at the dorms so they resort to going somewhere else where they feel they won't get in trouble."

From CFA PROTEST, page 1

of protestors

Armed with signs reading "Reed, Reed, give the people what they need" for example, the large gathering of CSU members took to the streets of Long Beach as a smaller group of enthusiasts entered the meeting itself to present a pledge called "Pledge for the Future of CSU" to the trustees. The pledge calls for lower tuition, the cut of all 'perks' for CSU executives and the allocation of that money specifically for student instruction, as well as compiling fair compensation contracts for all faculty and CSU staff in the future. Without being able to carry out their meeting, trustees waited in silence with the ensuing presentation of the pledge unfolding in the meeting chambers with protests still ringing loud outside. Unable to coerce the protestors to leave, the trustees surrendered and signed the proposed pledge and exited the building.

Located on the CSUSM California Faculty Association's website, the President of CFA, John Travis says: "Faculty members at every campus can describe the impact the bad decisions and misplaced

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The other two patios are connected to the Barahona Center on the fifth floor and to the Faculty Center on the second floor. The library staff is not permitted to use the patios that belong to the Barhona Center or the Faculty Center. Last month, the Faculty Center patio was used when students from Tijuana visited CSUSM. To inquire any possible use any of the three patios; one must go through

priorities of this CSU administration has had on them and on their students. They are cutting campus budgets at Humboldt, Sacramento, L.A., Dominguez Hills, and East Bay, while they pay former executives millions for nothing long after they have left the CSU," further explaining, "It's not our nature as academics to disrupt meetings. But we have our responsibility to fight for our students, for the university and for ourselves and our families. That responsibility is what moved us today to send the Trustees running." Many faculty and students on campus at CSUSM shared this sentiment as 40 CSUSM professors and 25 CSUSM students participated in the protest.

The impact of the spending made by CSU Trustees is great as the California State University system is the largest state school system in the nation. Enrolling more than 400,000 students each year and employing roughly 40,000 faculty and staff, the CSU system has and continues to educate Californians with its 23 campuses located all over the state.

More information on the event and the pledge can be found at: http://www.csusm.edu/cfa/ and http://www.calfac.org/.

the library, the Faculty Center or the Barahona Center.

When asked about the use of the library patios, senior Vanessa Montoya said, "It makes no sense to me that we are not allowed onto a patio. We are students of this university and should be entitled to relax and enjoy our library patios. I could understand if there were problems with people vandalizing the property but otherwise I think we should have the right to use our own patios."



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The City of San Diego loses its case against the Medicinal Use of Marijuana

BY DAVID BAUER Pride Staff Writer

On Thursday state judges ruled against San Diego County's lawsuit against California's medicinal marijuana laws. The challenge was filed by the San Diego County Board of Supervisors and asked the state courts to stop the state from enforcing Prop. 215: the proposition permitting the use of marijuana for medical purposes.

In 1996, 55% San Diegans voted to support the Compassionate Use Act, Proposition 215, for the use of marijuana for medical purposes. The law requires counties in California to issue identification cards to medical marijuana users and also maintain a registry of people who apply for them. The law allows patients with AIDS, anorexia, arthritis, cancer, chronic pain, migraine and "any other illness for which marijuana provides relief" to possess or grow marijuana in small amounts with the recommendation of a doctor.

Since its passing 10 states have created similar laws to allow for the use of marijuana by patients and protection for them against prosecution. And recently, a poll taken by the Marijuana Policy Project, a pro-medical marijuana organization, found that 78% of voters polled in the county opposed the lawHowever, one state, South Dakota, rejected a ballot measure last week that would have permitted medical marijuana use. San Diego County is one of only three counties in California that have opposed the proposition. San Bernardino and Merced County's Boards of Supervisors in January filed similar suits which were consolidated with the suit filed by San Diego.

suit.

The lawsuit argues that in accordance with the supremacy clause of the United States' Constitution, federal law is supreme therefore the existing federal laws prohibiting the use of marijuana for any purpose overrides any state law California has passed. Last June, in a case on a related topic, the Supreme Court ruled that federal authorities could prosecute crimes even in states like California.

Nonetheless, the ruling passed down by San Diego Superior Court Judge William R. Nevitt Jr. took the matter under submission. This ruling tentatively struck down the County's suit after the initial arguments. After the tentative ruling, the County's lawyers gave oral arguments later that day, but again did not succeed in changing the mind of the court. The argument, given by San Diego lawyer Thomas Bunton, focused mainly on states' requirements to fully enforce federal laws. The California Department of Justice's ruling indicates that in the view of the court, they were not. The court's final ruling, which will most likely remain against the suit, is expected sometime in December.

While county voters do not appear to favor the lawsuit, there is a good chance the County Supervisors may appeal the courts decision. San Diego County receives \$4.3 billion dollars from the government, most of which are federal dollars. By not complying with federal law, the cash strapped county could potentially be denied that money.

Lawyers for Merced County announced in front of the judge that the county would appeal the decision and would be requesting a stay for the duration of the litigation. San Diego County lawyers have not yet announced whether they will appeal the decision or not, and may wait on issuing a statement hoping that the court will change its mind for the final ruling.

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States allowing medicinal use

New doors opened by Gates

With Donald Rumsfield's resignation, a new foreigh policy is in place

BY MARTIN GALA Pride Staff Writer

The elections on November 7 proved that Americans are eager for change. Democrats reclaimed power over the House of Representatives by a comfortable margin, and managed to take back the Senate by only one seat. The Republicans loss of Congress allegedly led to Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld's resignation. While some students may be unaware of his resignation, it could potentially cause major changes in the lives of many students.

Rumsfeld was a principal member of a small group called the National Security Council whose purpose is formulating the goals and objectives of United States foreign policy, and creating the means in which to obtain those goals. As Secretary of Defense, Donald Rumsfeld was in charge of managing the Pentagon which controls all military branches including the Marines, Army, Air Force and Navy. This means that his decisions affected the deployment of troops, including units stationed at Camp Pendleton, Miramar Air Station

and other surrounding bases that many students and students' families are stationed at.

In recent days, there has been controversy as to whether Rumsfeld personally resigned, or if he was forced out of the Bush Administration. The White House refused to comment about any actual details pertaining to the buildup of Rumsfeld's dismissal, but recent speculation amongst analysts indicates that the preparations have been on the minds of many high ranking officials within the Bush administration for quite some time.

There were numerous advocates of the former defense secretary's resignation; First Lady Laura Bush, former White House Chief of Staff Andrew Card, and not to mention numerous high ranking Generals that publicly announced their dissatisfaction of Rumsfeld's leadership within the Pentagon. According to numerous political analysts, President Bush had been reluctant to oust Rumsfeld earlier because of their close relationship. The President's loyalty to the former Secretary of Defense held strong despite the growing amount of public criticism over the past few

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years over his mishandling of the war in Iraq.

Soon after Donald Rumsfeld was forced to resign, the White House announced that they had selected a promising replacement. On November 8, 2006 President George W. Bush nominated Dr. Robert M. Gates to be the next Secretary of Defense. Recently Dr. Gates was a member of the Iraq Study Group, a bipartisan group co-chaired by former Secretary of State James Baker, and Lee Hamilton, a former chair of the House Committee on International Relations. The group was formed to help make recommendations to Bush on how to proceed in Iraq. These include decisions of whether to send additional troops, adjust deployment lengths or-even though highly unlikely-institute a draft.

Robert Gates comes to the table with a vast understanding on international relations; he has served under six presidents, of both Republican and Democratic parties, and has years of experience on both the National Security Council and the Central Intelligence Agency. Dr. Gates is currently the 22nd President of Texas A&M University, and will remain so, until he passes his

upcoming Senate confirmation hearings.

Many analysts speculate that Dr. Gates will bring a fresh perspective to the Bush National Security Council. After three years of combat, the Iraq war has cost the lives of a number of American troops, including family and friends of CSUSM students as well as members of the North County community. As the new Secretary of Defense, Robert Gates will be in charge of making decisions for the United States in Iraq, and try to prevent any further losses.

"Se la vie" in World languages New foreign languages to be offered in spring '07

BY AMANDA RUTHERFORD Pride Staff Writer

The World Languages and Hispanic Literatures Department is now offering Arabic 201A and advanced courses in French 311, German 312 and 350 as of the Spring 2007 semester. Students can still meet the language requirement with Arabic 201A or continue with a minor in French or German. These new courses add to the expansion of the language program here at California State University San languages instead of four, and tion on the cultural aspects of lends the potential for greater learning of these languages. The five classes currently offered are Spanish, French, German, Japa-

nese and Arabic.

CSUSM offers these classes because the University is committed to the multicultural aspects of our global society and "this commitment to diversity is also represented by the multicultural composition of our faculty," (http:// www.csusm.edu/languages/). Any information desired on these courses such as when or where they can be taken can be looked up on the school website: http:// www.csusm.edu/languages. Here, students can find detailed information on clubs related to Marcos. CSUSM now offers five the courses or detailed informathe courses associated with the language. Students can also find campus job opportunities on the site relating to specific language course interest. Many professors are excited for the new upper and lower division classes and what they will offer to students. This will increase the breadth of many of the language majors and minors and increase the level of understanding of the languages and the cultures behind them. In these courses, teachers get to watch students grow and develop specific language skills, perhaps utilizing their skills later on to travel the world. Through the Study Abroad Program on campus too, CSUSM students have the opportunity to enter language programs and travel to

places like Japan and live there while continuing their study in school, furthering their grasp of the foreign language.

For those students who are not interested in pursuing a degree or minoring in one of the offered languages, it is still beneficial to all students to be aware that many of the lower-level language classes can be used to fulfill the language requirement that is necessary to graduate. Students must complete a course or a test for the course in a language other than English to graduate. Every language major and minor has different professors. Each is also split up by last name so that someone with the last name beginning with 'A' will not have the same advisor as someone with the last name of 'Z.' Lucy Higuera, the Foreign Language Proficiency Assessor, is available to students who need more information about wanting to test out of the language requirement. More information on this and the language course completions can be found at http://lynx.csusm. edu/llc/graduation_requirement. asp.





Additionally, students do not have to major or minor in a language to take the advanced classes, as so any student wishing to enjoy a language course is free to do so; of course there maybe pre-requisite classes needed. For

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those students currently taking these classes just because the class is required, remember there are tutors for those who need help with the different languages. The tutors and times of availability can be found on the same website that the course completion information is on. Take advantage of the new and old language programs here at CSUSM. If anyone is interested in learning a new language jump into the programs as it may continuing growing and offer more languages in the future.

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Thanksgiving websites of the week

BY JONATHAN THOMPSON Pride Staff Writer

Preparing for Thanksgiving can be a difficult task. To help simplify the festivities, three Thanksgiving themed websites have been chosen with information to help Cougars make the holiday more fun and less of a hassle. The content of the three websites should provide enough information and entertainment to get CSUSM Students through their Thanksgiving breaks relatively headache free.

Celebrate-thanksgiving.com is one of the "Celebrate Sites." "Celebrate Sites" is a family of websites owned and operated by Better Homes and Gardens. The site features six categories that include: recipes, turkey, entertaining, menus, pictures, and decorating. The best information this website offers is a complete user's guide on how to creatively throw a magnificent Thanksgiving party. From punch recipes to table top decorating ideas the website leaves no detail, no matter how small, unmentioned. Furthermore, the website includes a list of common Thanksgiving oriented questions with clear and concise answers, from how to deal with bickering siblings to when to order a fresh turkey. This website is definitely beneficial to the avid Thanksgiving host.

Holidays.net/thanksgiving/ is one of the many sub-pages of the holidays.net web-

site which gives individual pages to each of the major American holidays. The website features 13 categories such as The Story of Thanksgiving, The Thanksgiving Turkey, Thanksgiving Blog, Thanksgiving Crafts, Holiday Home Decorations, Thanksgiving Greeting Cards, and Holiday Music. This website helps get Cougars into the Turkey Day spirit by providing amusing Thanksgiving entertainment such as songs and computer screensavers. While most of the content would be best suited for children, there are also some features of the website that are useful to and fun for people of all ages. There are also printable images and free email cards to send to help spread holiday cheer.

The final website is for those that want to know more about where Thanksgiving traditions came from. History.com/ minisites/thanksgiving/ features an in depth history surrounding the Thanksgiving holiday. This website provides accurate information for Cougars who want to know the real reason for gobbling 10 pounds of food in one day. The website includes six categories to choose from which are First Thanksgiving, Mayflower Myths, Pilgrim Interviews, Proclamation, a video of the History of Thanksgiving, and the History Channel's Macy's Parade Float. The website even offers the History of Thanksgiving on DVD for sale for those that who'd



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like to spend the holiday reclining in their favorite chair, stomach stretched to infinity and beyond, learning the history of Thanksgiving on DVD. During the Thanksgiving break visit these three websites to fully experience the Thanksgiving holiday.

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Roast Turkey with Old-Fashioned Bread Stuffing Recipe courtesy of Better Homes and Gardens

Ingredients: I cup chopped celery 1 cup sliced fresh mushrooms or one 4-ounce can sliced mushrooms, drained (optional) 1/2 cup chopped onion (1 medium) 1 teaspoon poultry seasoning or ground sage 1/4 teaspoon pepper 1/8 teaspoon salt 8 cups dry bread cubes* 1/2 to 3/4 cup chicken broth or water 1 10- to 12-pound turkey Cooking oil 1/3 cup margarine or butter

Directions:

1. For stuffing, in a medium saucepan cook celery; fresh mushrooms, if using; and onion in margarine or butter until tender but not brown; remove from heat. Stir in poultry seasoning or sage, pepper, and salt. Place dry bread cubes in a large mixing bowl; add onion mixture and, if using, canned mushrooms. Drizzle with enough broth or water to moisten, tossing lightly.

2. Season body cavity of turkey with salt. Spoon some of the stuffing loosely into neck cavity. Pull the neck skin to the back; fasten with a skewer.

3. Lightly spoon more stuffing into the body cavity. (Place any remaining stuffing in a casserole, cover, and chill. Bake stuffing alongside turkey for 30 to 45 minutes or until heated through.) Tuck the ends of the drumsticks under the band of skin across the tail. If the band of skin is not present, tie the drumsticks securely to the tail. Twist wing tips under the back.

4. Place turkey, breast side up, on a rack in a shallow roasting pan. Brush with oil. Insert a meat thermometer into the center of one of the inside thigh muscles. The thermometer bulb should not touch the bone. Cover turkey loosely with foil.

5. Roast turkey in a 325 degree F oven for 3-1/4 to 3-1/2 hours or until thermometer registers 180 degrees F. The internal temperature of the stuffing should reach 165 degrees F. After 2-1/2 hours, cut band of skin or string between the drumsticks so thighs will cook evenly. When done, drumsticks should move very easily in their sockets and their thickest parts should feel soft when pressed.

Uncover the last 30 minutes of roasting.

6. Remove turkey from oven. Cover; let stand 15 to 20 minutes before carving. Use a spoon to remove stuffing from turkey; place in a serving bowl. Carve turkey. Makes 12 to 14 servings. Pecan Pie Recipe courtesy of Martha Stewart Living

Ingredients: 6 large eggs 1 tablespoon heavy cream 1 1/4 cups packed light-brown sugar 6 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted 1/3 cup light corn syrup 1/3 cup unsulfured molasses 1 tablespoon bourbon or dark rum 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract 1/4 teaspoon salt 1 2/3 cups pecans, coarsely chopped, plus 1/3 cup whole pecan halves

Directions:

1. Set a 9-inch cake ring (with 1 1/2-inch sides) on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper; set aside. On a lightly floured work surface, roll out one disk of dough to a 13inch round. With a dry pastry brush, sweep off the excess flour; fit dough into cake ring, gently pressing into the edges and up the sides. Freeze until firm, about 15 minutes. Using a sharp paring knife, trim dough flush with the top edge of ring. Chill pie shell until firm, about 30 minutes. Meanwhile, preheat the oven to 375°.

 Line another baking sheet with parchment paper; set aside. On a lightly floured surface, roll out the remaining dough to an 1/8-inch thickness. Using leaf-shaped cutters, cut out 12 leaves (we made seven larger ones for the outside edge and five smaller ones for the middle); transfer to the prepared sheet. In a small bowl, whisk together 1 egg and the heavy cream; brush over leaf cutouts, and transfer to the refrigerator.

3. Line chilled pie shell with parchment paper, leaving a 1-inch overhang. Fill with pie weights or dried beans. Bake until the edges begin to turn golden, about 20 minutes. Remove parchment and weights; transfer to a wire rack to cool completely.

 In a medium bowl, whisk together the remaining 5 eggs, the brown sugar, butter, corn syrup, molasses, bourbon, vanilla, and salt.
 Stir in the chopped pecans. Pour filling into the cooled pie shell; arrange reserved leaves and whole pecans on top of pie.

5. Reduce oven temperature to 350°. Bake until a knife tip inserted into the center of the pie comes out clean, 40 to 45 minutes. Transfer the pie (still on the baking sheet) to a wire rack to cool completely before unmolding. Pie can be kept at room temperature, loosely covered with aluminum foil, for up to 4 days.

Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Recipe courtesy of Better Homes and Gardens

Ingredients: 9 medium potatoes (3 pounds) 4 teaspoons butter-flavored sprinkles 1/4 teaspoon salt 1/3 cup fat-free milk 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour 2 teaspoons instant chicken bouillon granules 1/8 teaspoon pepper 1 12-ounce can evaporated fat-free milk 1/2 cup water

Directions:

1. Wash, peel, and quarter potatoes. Cook, covered, in a large saucepan in a small amount of boiling water for 20 to 25 minutes or until tender.

 Drain potatoes and mash with a potato masher or with an electric mixer on low speed. Add butter-flavored sprinkles and salt. Heat the 1/3 cup fat-free milk.
 Gradually beat enough of the hot milk into the potatoes to make them light and fluffy.

3. For gravy, stir together flour, bouillon granules, and pepper in a small saucepan. Gradually stir in evaporated milk and water until mixture is smooth. Cook and stir over medium heat until thickened and bubbly. Cook and stir for 1 minute more. Serve over hot mashed potatoes. Makes 8 side-dish servings.

Pumpkin Pie Recipe courtesy of Martha Stewart

Ingredients: 1 cup packed light-brown sugar 1 tablespoon cornstarch 1/2 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon ground ginger 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon 1/8 teaspoon ground cloves 1 1/2 cups fresh Pumpkin Purée, or canned 3 large eggs, lightly beaten, plus 1 egg for glaze 1 1/2 cups evaporated milk 1 tablespoon heavy cream

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 425°. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper; set aside. In a large bowl, combine sugar, cornstarch, salt, ginger, cinnamon, cloves, pumpkin purée, and 3 eggs. Beat well. Add evaporated milk, and combine. Set aside.

2. Between two pieces of plastic wrap, roll pâte brisée into a 12-inch circle. Fit pastry into a 9-inch glass pie plate; trim dough evenly along edge, leaving about a 1/2-inch overhang. Pinch to form a decorative edge. If the dough begins to soften, chill for 15 minutes.

3. Make the glaze: Beat the remaining egg, and combine with heavy cream. Brush glaze very lightly on edges of pie shell. Fill pie shell with pumpkin mixture. Transfer to prepared baking sheet.

4. Bake for 10 minutes. Reduce heat to 350°, and continue baking for 30 minutes more. Cool on a wire rack.

Glacier Punch Recipe courtesy of Better Homes and Gardens

Ingredients:

2 cups raspberry-, cherry-, or citrus-flavored vodka, chilled
2/3 cup orange liqueur
2 tablespoons kirsch
4 cups ice cubes
1 750-ml bottle sparkling wine or champagne, chilled
2 cups carbonated water, chilled
Sugar (optional)
1 recipe Raspberry Brittle (see below)

Directions:

1. In a medium punch bowl combine vodka, orange liqueur, kirsch, and ice cubes. To preserve carbonation, carefully pour sparkling wine or champagne and carbonated water down side of bowl. (If desired, sweeten to taste with a little sugar.) Top with some chunks of Raspberry Brittle.

2. Serve each glass of punch with a piece of the Raspberry Brittle. Makes about 20 (4-ounce) servings.

Raspbeiry Brittle: Pour 1 cup water into bottom of 15x10x1-inch baking pan with sides (or use a 13x9x2-inch baking pan). Sprinkle surface of water evenly with about 1/2 cup of edible flowers (such as marigolds, calendula, violas, pansies, or dianthus). Sprinkle surface of water evenly with 1 cup fresh raspberries or other fresh fruit. Freeze 3 hours or overnight. To unmold, allow to stand at room temperature 5 or 10 minutes or until ice can be removed. Remove from pan and break into large chunks. Place in punch just before serving.

Cranberry Sauce Recipes courtesy of Better Homes and Gardens

> Ingredients: 1 cup sugar 1 cup water 2 cups cranberries (8 ounces)

Directions:

1. In a medium saucepan combine sugar and water. Bring to boiling, stirring to dissolve sugar. Boil rapidly for 5 minutes. Add cranberries. Return to boiling; reduce heat. Boil gently, uncovered, over mediumhigh heat for 3 to 4 mintues or until skins pop, stirring occasionally.

2. Remove from heat. Serve warm or chilled with poultry or pork. Makes about 2 cups sauce (thirty-two 1-tablespoon servings).

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OPINION

Letters to the Editor: University Hour University will lose life and connections University Hour creates better life on campus

It has come to my attention that some people dislike University hour and that it may be "done away with." I, one out of many other voices here at Cal State, would like to say that I love University Hour. I love the chances it has given me to meet new people and get involved with clubs around campus. It is my only free hour between class and work that I get where I can rest, be entertained, and/or meet with friends. Being a freshmen, I came here knowing no one and unfamiliar to the campus and what it had to offer. I was delighted to find people and groups available at a time where most people weren't in a rush. I find college to be a busy place, full of people hustling about to go on with their own business, and I feel that University hour gives life to the campus and a chance for students settle down for an hour. I think by eliminating University hour our school would loose a lot of life and connection. Thank you for listening to my concern.

Christy Curtis

I am a student attending your University, here at Cal State San Marcos. The reason why I'm sending you this e-mail is because I have heard that there are some disputes regarding maintaining in the future University Hour. Since I have been attending classes at this university from the year 2002, I am very much aware that the presence of University Hour has been creating a better life on campus, as well as giving a chance to students to observe performance events, while taking advantage of free food opportunities. Furthermore, University Hour has been able to permit and

allow students to participate more freely to club events (since I also participate to the Global Connections Org.), as well as encourage more social interaction among students. For these reasons, I hope that you will listen to this e-mail in which I endorse fully the presence of university hour on campus, and I hope that it will continue to be a part of my campus life (as well as of other students).

Thank you for your time.

Roxana Righetti

University Hour provides oppurtunity to students for inclusion in campus community

COMMUNITY: it's one of five of the Cal State San Marcos core values. One that LGBTA works to fulfill through our shared commitments to service, teamwork, and partnership. Some people have stated that they don't need University Hour, which is fine. What I find troubling is the assumption that everyone can do without it. It seems as though some of the privileged members of the student body take for

granted what it involves to build community. In order to facilitate the benefits of "community," time must be set aside and collaborations nurtured in order to make "teamwork and partnership" successful. Some of us aren't born into positions of privilege. I have seen this privilege lead to a selfcenteredness that contradicts community.

Be it the color of our skin, ethnicity, our age, a disability, our gender, or sexual orientation, those without privilege may not know of the resources readily available to support them. LGB-TA's role is to educate the student body, especially those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and allies, about how to find and use these resources. So, LGBTA will take full advantage of the opportunity to work with other student organizations on campus and create new partner-

ships.

I would like to thank ASI for their action on the behalf of student body for University Hour - without it some of us wouldn't know the benefits and advantages of being in a community. Each student I know on campus has a busy schedule and finds it challenging to manage the demands of learning, socializing, networking and planning for the future. Rather than saying "University Hour" is a waste of time or that it has interrupted the norm, consider what that one hour does for everyone. How unfortunate that some students simply attend class and leave campus. That single hour provides a new opportunity to most of the student body so they will not be isolated from the communal experience that defines CSUSM.

Jay Franklin LGBTA President



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BY JOSH SANDOVAL -Pride Sports Writer

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Of late it seems like LaDainian Tomlinson can't do anything wrong. He is on pace to break the NFL regular season touchdown record, and countless other records

by the end of his career. What you may not know, however, is that this humble man is capable of a number of other things that he refuses to brag about, so let me do the boasting for him.

LaDainian is a magician. He could actually start a play at quarterback, drop back, throw the ball down field, and somehow catch his own pass for a touchdown. He might even be able to snap the ball and kick his own extra point.

LaDainian is an asset to team chemistry. He has certainly made Phillip Rivers' job a lot easier. He could probably even save Britney Spears and Kevin Federline's marriage, but I am sure he is like the rest of us and doesn't want the world to be inhibited by any more offspring than the two they already created.

LaDainian is actually a multi-talented athlete. He is thinking about entering the Tour De France next year. He didn't consider entering while Lance Armstrong was still active, because he didn't want to beat Lance and cause any downslide in Lance's efforts towards curing cancer.

LaDainian is a great scavenger. He

knows how to find even the smallest holes in an opposing defense and then exploit it. Give him a flash light and a compass and he could find Osama Bin Laden before you could say Tal in Taliban.

LaDainian is a conservationist. He knows that the most important part of the game is in the second half, so he saves the majority of his touchdowns for crunch time. You know that hole in the O-zone? Well, he could fix it if he wanted to, but then Al Gore wouldn't have a job, and L.T. is pretty sure Gore can't fill in for him at running back.

LaDainian is also a politician. He knows that if one of his teammates screws up, he shouldn't throw him under the bus because he will likely need him in the future. In 2008, LaDainian would run for president, but he doesn't want the Democrats and Republicans to fight over which party he should belong to. So, rather than creating a further divide between the two parties, he has chosen not to pull a Tiki Barber, and has decided to continue dominating the rest of the NFL.

LaDainian is an explorer. Jacques Cousteau had nothing on L.T. He is going places that no other running back has ever gone before. He has discovered a way for humans to build a civilization on Mars, but he also knows that aliens exist, and he doesn't want to start an intergalactic war.

LaDainian is a detective in his spare time as well. He has solved even the toughest defensive schemes in the NFL. He could even rid the United States of all crime, but then thousands of police officers would be out of jobs.

LaDainian is a scientist on his off-days.



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He has cooked up plays on how to score by catching, running, and throwing the ball. He has also perfected cloning on human beings, but the government wont allow him to make it public, for fear that if L.T. cloned himself then the world may implode upon his greatness.

The only thing left for him to do is to

bring a Super Bowl championship to San Diego, which from my experiences may be the one thing that no one can accomplish.

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Drink of the week Apple Seed

BY SOPHIE BRINK Pride Staff Writer

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The relatives have gathered under one roof, the turkey is that delectable shade of golden brown, the cornbread stuffing smells like heaven, the candied yams are becoming deliciously intimate with the tiny marshmallows, the cranberry sauce is the perfect consistency, the mashed potatoes have been whipped into a frenzy, the fire is lit to ward off the cold autumn chill in the air ... Stop right there.

Who's to say it won't be a hot Southern California day this Thanksgiving? What are you going to do with your hot chocolate then? Hot apple cider? I don't think so. Then what? What can the over 21 years old crowd refresh themselves with this holiday season? The answer, my dear reader, lies in the Apple Seed.

No, I'm not talking about the tiny object jam-packed with the miracle of life that was made so famous by Mr. Johnny Appleseed. I'm referthe beverage of the same name that is jam-packed with the miracle of flavor.

The Apple Seed is a merry little drink made from 1 part Jose Cuervo Especial Tequila, ½ part Crème de Cassis, 1 part apple juice, and one teaspoon fresh lemon juice. The warmth of the Tequila mixed with the crisp, refreshing flavor of the apple juice and the sweet hint of the syrupy currant liqueur that is the Crème de Cassis delights the taste buds. Mixed in a Collins glass over ice and garnished with a slice of crisp red apple, this bright garnet of a drink is sure to be a hit at your holiday gathering.

Guest reader Jerome Rothenberg visits CSUSM

BY JONATHAN THOMPSON Pride Staff Writer

The Community and World Literary Series Reading hosted Jerome Rothenberg as the third and final guest reader on November 16 from 7 to 8 p.m. in Academic Hall 102.

The event officially started at 7:15 p.m.- and lasted until 8:20 p.m. Approximately 65-70 people attended the reading according to Mark Wallace, an assistant professor of Literature and Writing Studies at CSUSM.

According to Wallace, The Community and World Literary Series Reading selected Rothenberg because "he's one of America's most well-known and adventurous poets."

Rothenberg has traveled all over the world, published over 70 books, and has been involved in numerous translations, poem collections, and other works of art. Graduating with a Master's Degree in Literature from the University of Michigan in 1955, Rothenberg then finished his graduate' studies at Columbia University in 1959. He taught in the Visual Arts and Literature departments at USC between 1976 and 1986 and has taught at other universities in the U.S. as well. His book "Triptych" will be released in 2007.

Rothenberg could be a walking

encyclopedia for literary movements all over the world, from Japan to France. Throughout his performance, he taught the audience about these movements, such as the Dada movement that began in Switzerland during WWI between 1916 and 1920.

"I really appreciated the series of poems he presented that gave students a brief history of Dada art and poetry. I thought he did an excellent job of combining information about historical context with inventive and entertaining performances," said Wallace.

Rothenberg read from, "Seedings," "That Dada Strain," "A Paradise of Poets," "China Notes," "Shaking the Pumpkin," and two sound-poems by Hugo Ball and Kurt Schwitters. Rothenberg said he chose the readings "to stress performance and geographical culture range."

The entertaining performance included sound poems and sound instruments. The last poem that Rothenberg performed resembled an old Indian song and lasted for several minutes. He used all of his body and energy to produce musical notes throughout the performance which commanded respect for his sincere and excellent efforts.

"[I attended] the event to get a different look out of poetry, and I enjoyed actually watching poetry



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Jerome Rothenberg reads to students at ACD 102 as part of the Community and World Literary Series Reading.

performed. [Rothenberg] was quite entertaining," said Kristin Fuller a Liberal Studies major.

Rothenberg marked the grand finale for readings this semester, but three more guest readings are booked for next semester. After winter break, The Community and World Literary Series Reading will host Laura Elrick and Rodrigo Toscano on Thursday, March 8.

"I think it's been great to see that there are students returning to hear more of these readings, as well as new students coming out each time. The process of everyone getting to know each other is still just beginning, but I think we've made excellent steps towards that this semester," said Wallace.

For more information please visit: http://wings.buffalo.edu/epc/authors/rothenberg/.



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BY AMANDA ANDREEN Pride Staff Writer



As the opening vocals to Blue Judy's latest EP, "The Common and Continual Mischiefs," bellow beneath a sultry guitar line, I find myself in a pleasant state of surprise. "Mulholland" starts the musical party off with a mellow and seductive rock ballad. With upbeat tempos and smooth vocals, I can't help but tap my foot along as listen. With the lights and sounds of L.A. acting as a home base for the four rockers, Blue Judy has stepped it up

a notch with this release; it's a refreshing change from previous efforts.

"And I'm Here," is the next stop for the Blue Judy boys. With beautiful guitar lines and powerful drums tickling the piano and melodic breakdowns, I am once again mystified by the harmonies and slick production of these carefully crafted songs. Hats off to Blue Judy they've completely caught me off guard and converted me. "The Common and Continual Mischiefs" will definitely make it into the weekly rotation from here on out.

"For the Boys" is awesome background music to set the mood. It would also do well as a "moment song" in any of the hot new TV dramas this fall like "Grey's Anatomy," "What About Brian," or "6 Degrees."

The final song, "Young and Empty," is by far the best song



of them all. The combination of the piano, guitar and vocals is evocative, powerful and delicate. I could listen to it over and over it again. This track in particular reminds me of Chris Isaak more so than the other songs. Full of moment-inspiring songs, I would highly recommend Blue Judy's latest EP.



Aries

Mar. 21 – Apr. 19 Dare to dream. Your passion for the future and hobby of daydreaming sometimes gets you in trouble, yet you continue to do it nonetheless. Go ahead and dream! The 26th will be a special day for you; it will be the day your dreams take flight. Better buckle up and hold on tight.

Libra

Sept. 23 – Oct. 23 Holidays with the family always tend to get you a little down. This year is going to be different though; a recent emotional

person you have fallen for doesn't reciprocate the same sentiment, still let them know how you feel, it will soothe your mind to clear the air and get it out in the open. It might even make the relationship stronger. Go get 'em tiger!

Scorpio

Embrace conflict. Stop running away from the things you fear; step up and face the confrontation at hand. Take charge of the situation and muster up the courage to take a stand. Fear of the unknown will only continue to hinder your judgment on future similar decisions.

Sagittarius Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

Go glam or go home! This week is all about your individual style and fashion flare. Let go of your inhibitions. It's time to unleash your inner rock star and work it! So, whether it's sporting a new tailored blazer or working a new pair of sequenced black heels, the runway awaits you.

Cancer

June 22 - July 22 This is the real deal my friend. Your big break is finally here and boy do you deserve it. The end of November brings used to. Until you let go of the feelings eating away inside of you life just won't feel as real and stimulating. Try to work through your emotions in healthy ways.

Leo July 23 – Aug. 22

Fads come and go but you never miss a beat. Don't feel isolated if you aren't up to date on the latest crazes. If you just don't get it, that's okay. You are much more intellectually in sync with society and the culture of the times, so don't let last year's trends and styles weigh you down. Celebrate your stylish taste; there are beautiful nature around

campus. The refreshing change of pace will be good for your soul.

Virgo

Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. The profound emotions circling around you this week could be the result of an over-active imagination and a heavy dose of wishful thinking. This could be an implication that there is too much emotional stimulation surrounding you in your relationships. The pace of your daily life continues to accelerate at an unsafe speed. You'll feel much more relaxed if you slow down and assess what

experience will cause you to take matters into your own hands. Your perseverance and uncompromising morals will guide through this difficult time and help you lean on your family for support.

Taurus Apr. 20 - May 20 All you need is love. Embracing your passionate feelings is a good thing. Even if the Gemini May 21 - June 21 Can you say workaholic? Put the day planner down and step away slowly. It is better to devote your energy to one or two main projects or events than it is to say "yes" to everything. All you need to do is learn how to say "no" and things will start to calm down. No one expects you to do everything on your own. good tidings and plenty of holiday cheer as your efforts you have invested over the past few months will finally pay off. Keep up the hard work!

Capricorn Dec. 22 – Jan. 19

Something has caught you in a trap, causing you to over analyze the situation. Other things that are usually fun and spontaneous just don't feel as thrilling as they others who follow your independent flare with envy.

Aquarius Jan. 20 – Feb. 18 Take time to enjoy the simple pleasures in everyday life. Set aside an hour a day to indulge in little moments of selfreflection, a brisk walk at dusk, watching the sunset, or just stopping to enjoy the stars at night or you're running away from.

Pisces. Feb. 19 – Mar. 20 Adventure is calling your name. The wilderness and outdoor lover inside of you is begging to get out. Why not plan an exciting camping trip this holiday season or perhaps round up a group of friends for rock climbing and a rigorous hike.

By Ms: Moondream

A & E

Movie review

BY SARAH PULTZ Pride Staff Writer

You don't need to have children, or even like them, to go see "Flushed Away." It's hilarious no matter who you are. But if you do have kids, or godchildren, nieces, or nephews, and if, like me, you're tired of the lame pop culture references and disgusting potty humor that seems to be the only PG jokes moviemakers can think of lately, then "Flushed Away" is a comedy you might actually enjoy as much as your kids do. Or maybe you just like singing slugs. Either way, you don't want to miss this movie. Roddy real in his life. Sure, the that excitin mation sty some of th has come makes a m will adore. "Flushed mated mov planned to

"Flushed Away" stars Hugh Jackman as Roddy, a pet mouse who belongs to a wealthy London family. Roddy has everything a mouse could want, except friends. One day, while his family is on vacation, a sewer rat named Sid finds his way into Roddy's home. In order to usurp his place as the pampered pet, Sid flushes Roddy down the toilet. Down in the sewers of London, Roddy encounters a whole city full of mice—and singing slugs! In the city of Ratropolis he meets Rita (voiced by Kate Winslet), the captain of the Jammy Dodger. Rita agrees to help Roddy find a way back home through the sewers,

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along the way they run afoul of The Toad (voiced by Ian McKellen), the Al Capone of the vermin world, and Roddy realizes what has been missing in his life.

Sure, the story might not sound all that exciting or original, but combined with Aardman Features's unique animation style, a great soundtrack, and some of the cleverest PG humor that has come along for some time, it makes a movie both kids and adults will adore.

"Flushed Away" is' Aardman mated movie. The studio originally planned to use the same technique they used in "Chicken Run" and "Wallace and Gromit: The Curse of the water in the movie using stopdifficult. Instead, Aardman decided to use computer-animation, but kept If you don't know better, it's almost impossible to tell you're not watching a claymation flick. The animalike nicks and fingerprints to make from CGI films. It's obvious this is make a quick buck off the undiscerning kiddy crowd.

soundtrack is another little thing that helps to make this movie so great. The original songs created for the movie are all hilarious, but the rest of the music is a surprisingly good fit too. Most of it is just your stanhave been featured in a dozen other well and the vocals are only used when they fit with what is going on with the story. they wrote some great music for this later that I was listening to Billy Idol But it's the comedy that will really make you love "Flushed Away." For a movie that takes place in a sewer, ish mocking the French. Oh, and did I mention the singing slugs?, They're cute, they're funny, and they sing a

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embarrassing guffaw of laughter in public, but when those slugs started singing I couldn't help myself. And everyone I saw this movie with reacted the same way, from my 52-year-old father to my 10-year-old son. My dad has a theory that the movie was actually written for his generation. I think it's more likely that "Flushed Away" was written to appeal to all age groups, a job they obviously did very well.

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